

Draft for the Particle Number Measurement Procedure for Regulation Purpose

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Political background



PMP: Collaborative programme operating under the auspices of the UNECE WP29/GRPE Group



Development of a new number and mass measurement method for type approval



Switzerland

Preparation of a new particle number limit value for diesel cars

Possible measures:

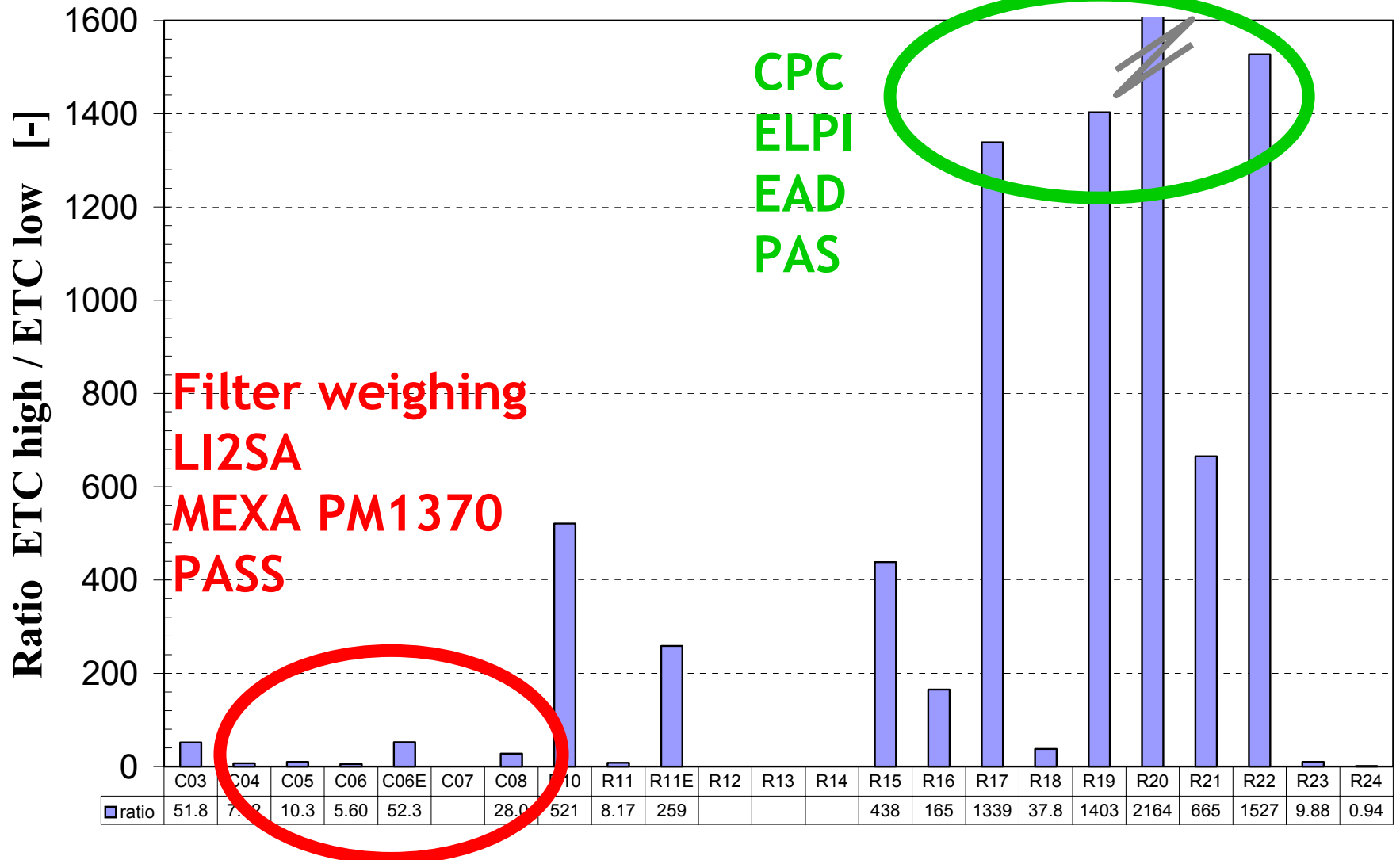
- Import duty compensation scheme
- Obligation for all new diesel cars new diesel cars

Why solid number counting ?

- Lower detection limit / Higher sensitivity
- Clearer specification of the measured particle composition
- Large experience in instrumentation and measurement
- Suspect that also other metrics than mass relate to adverse health impact

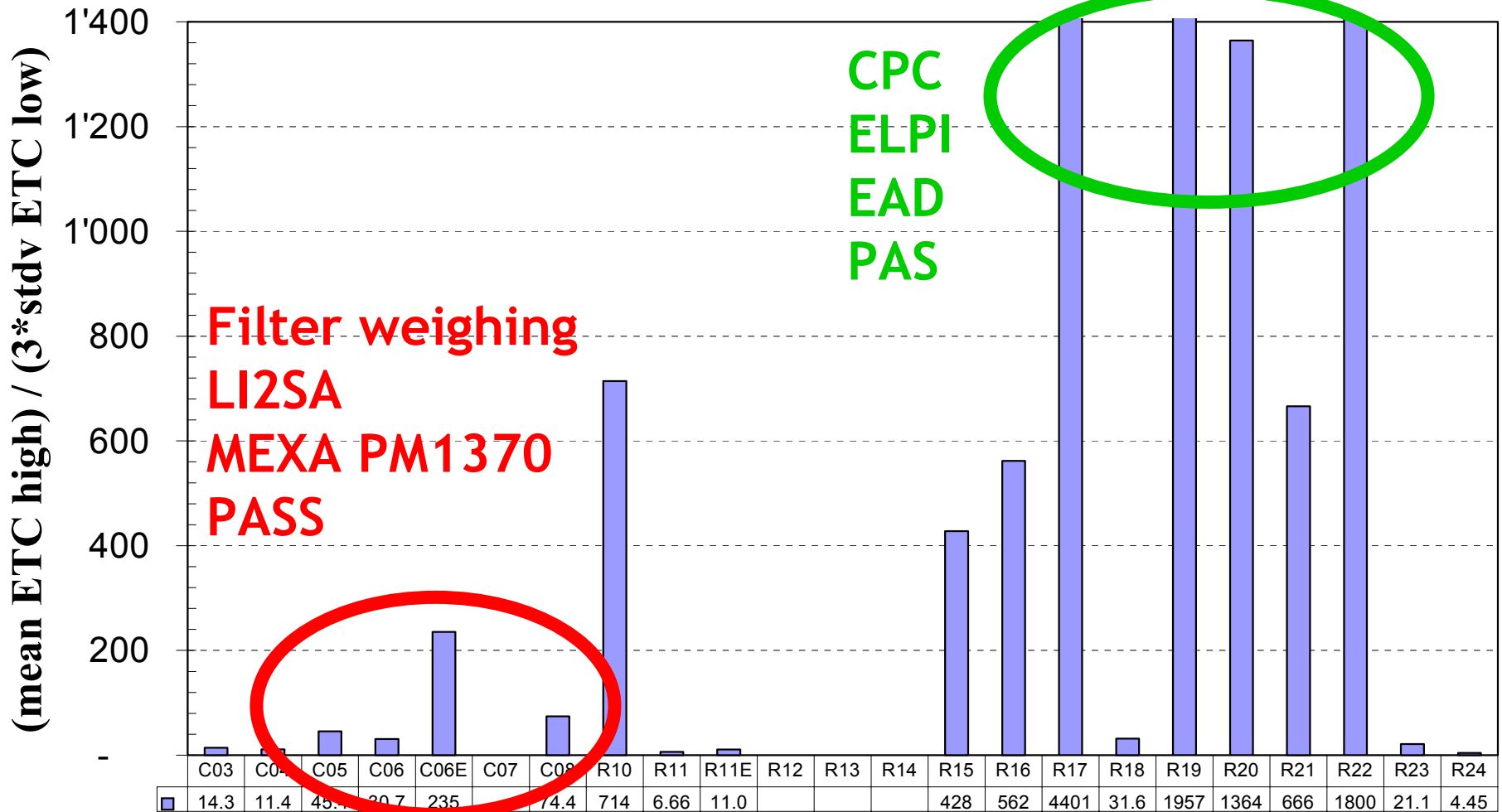
Sensitivity

Ratio high to low emission level

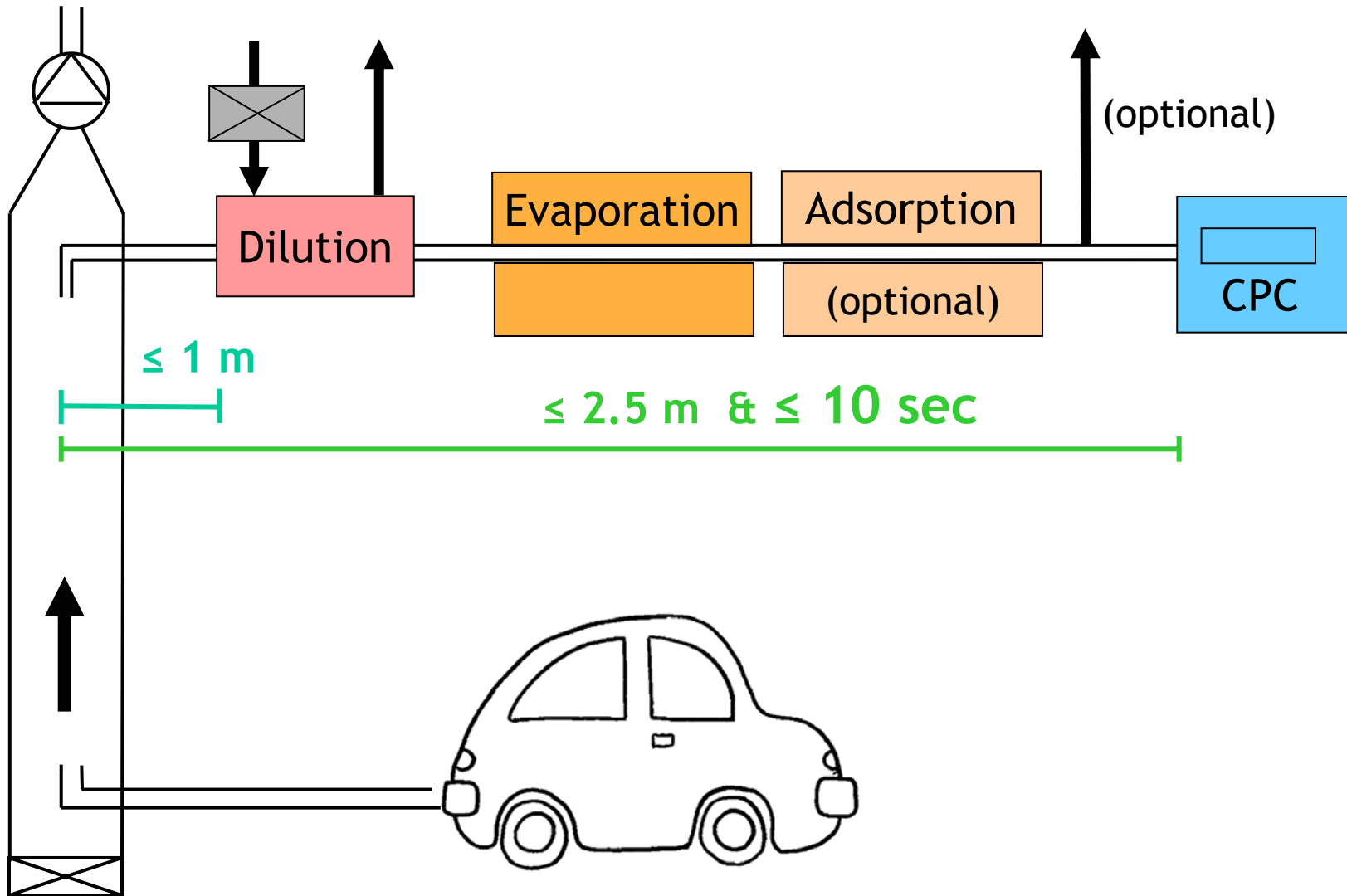


Detection limit

Limit of detection = 3 * stdev (ETC low)



Schematic of experimental set-up

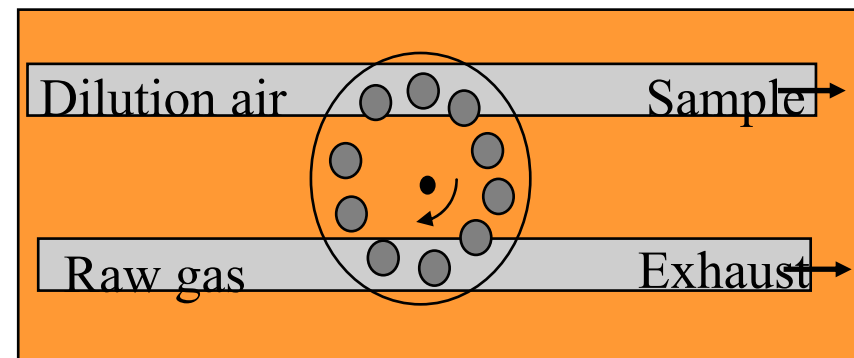
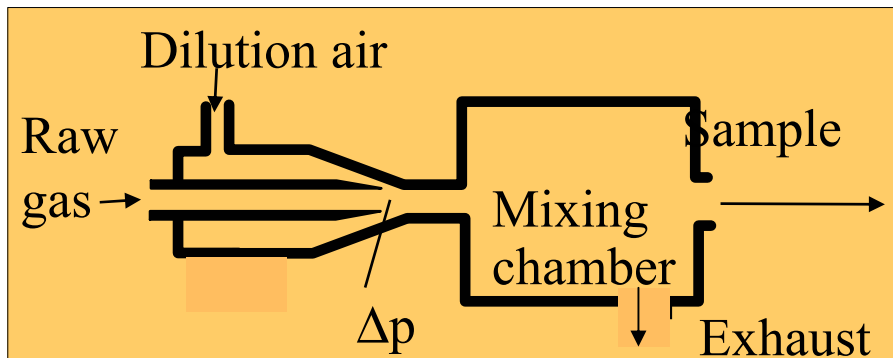


Specification of Probe

- Out of CVS-tunnel
- At the same level as samples for measuring the particle mass
- Tube with an unobstructed aperture facing the flow
- No pre-classifier

Specification of Dilution System

- Dilution with particle-filtered dry air (HEPA filter, RH < 10%)
- Dilution factor between 1 and 1000
- Dilution factor constant within 10%
- Calibration with traceable calibration gas

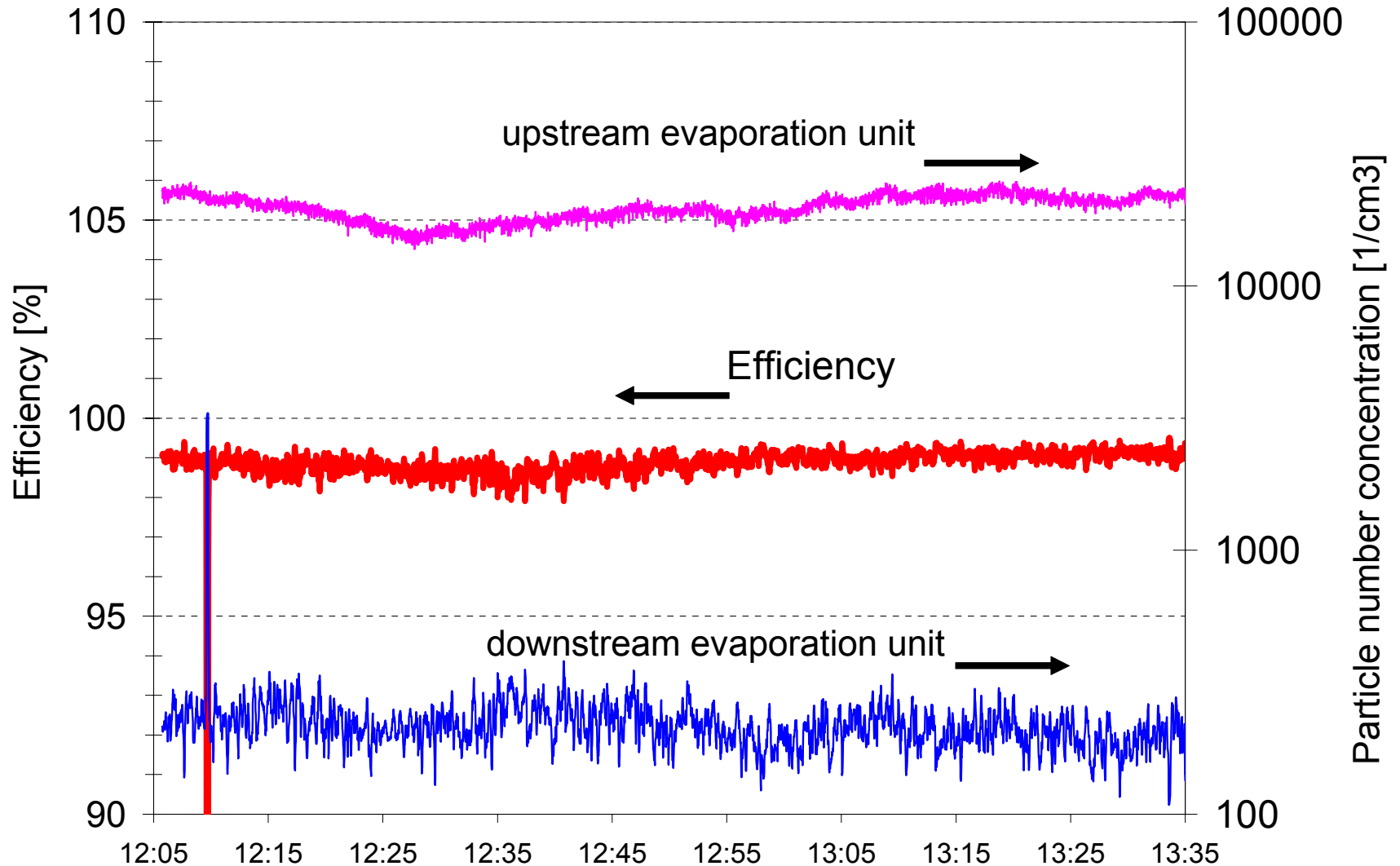


Specification of Evaporation Unit

- Reduction of C_{40} particles ($d_p \geq 30$ nm, $N \geq 1000$ cm³)
 $\eta \geq 99\%$
- Penetration of solid particles ($d_p = 30, 50$ and 100 nm)
 $\varepsilon \geq 90\%$
- Calculated residence time ≥ 0.5 sec
- Option: adsorption unit
- Length of at least 350 mm and an unobstructed inside diameter of at least 6 mm
- Operation temperature between 200 °C and 450 °C

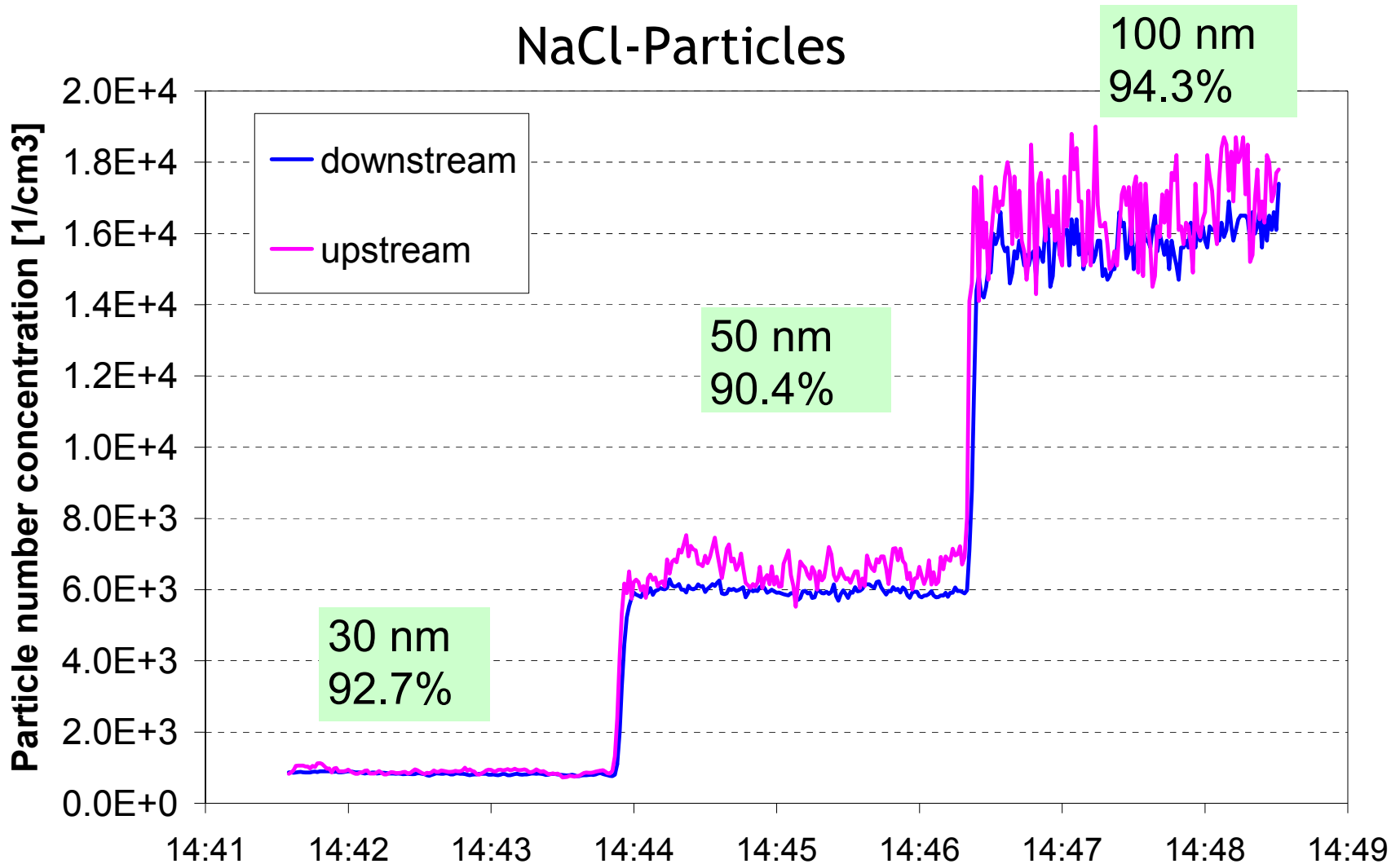
Specification of evaporation unit

Efficiency to remove C_{40} -particles of 30 nm



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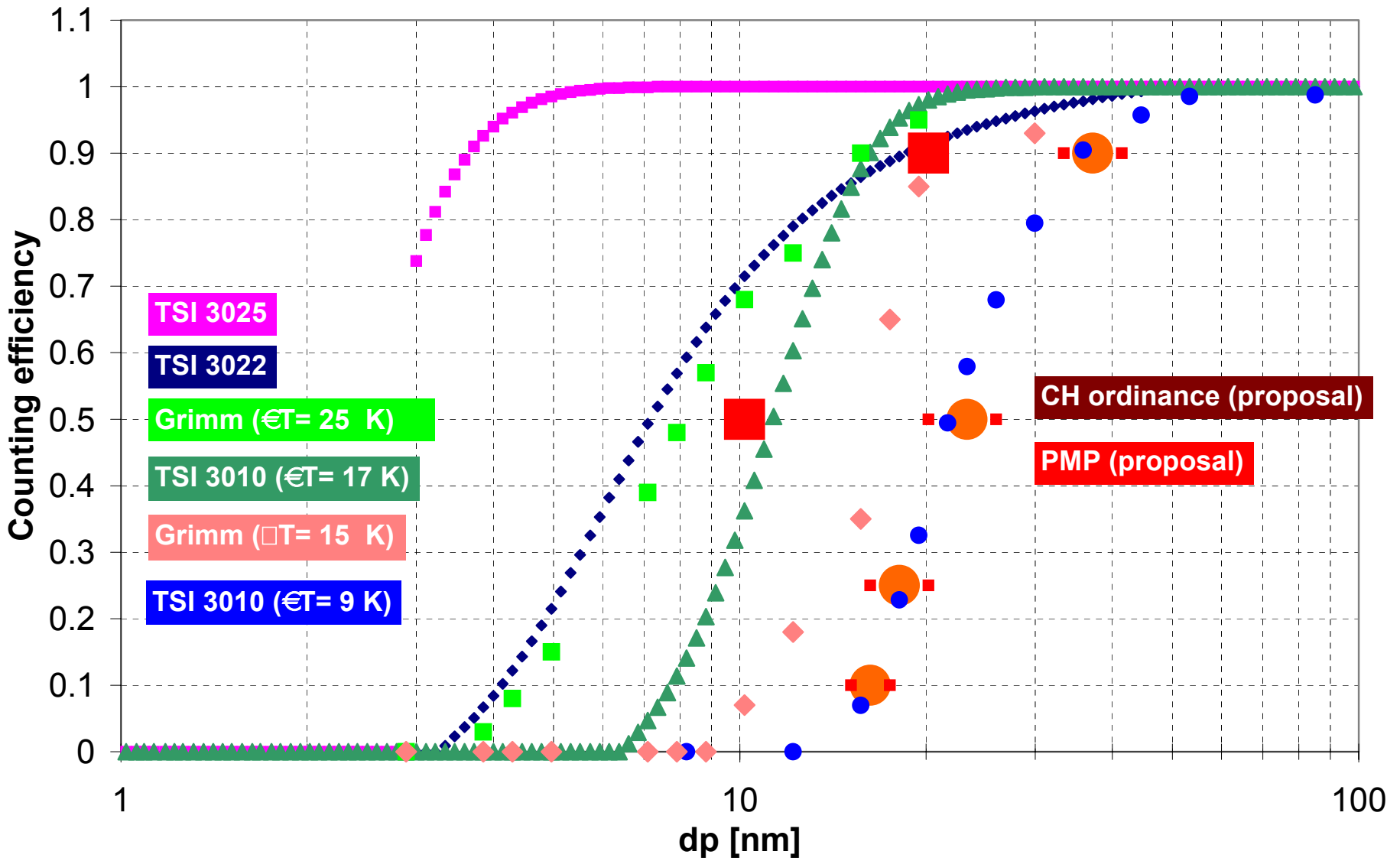
Penetration of non-volatile particles



Specification of Particle Counter

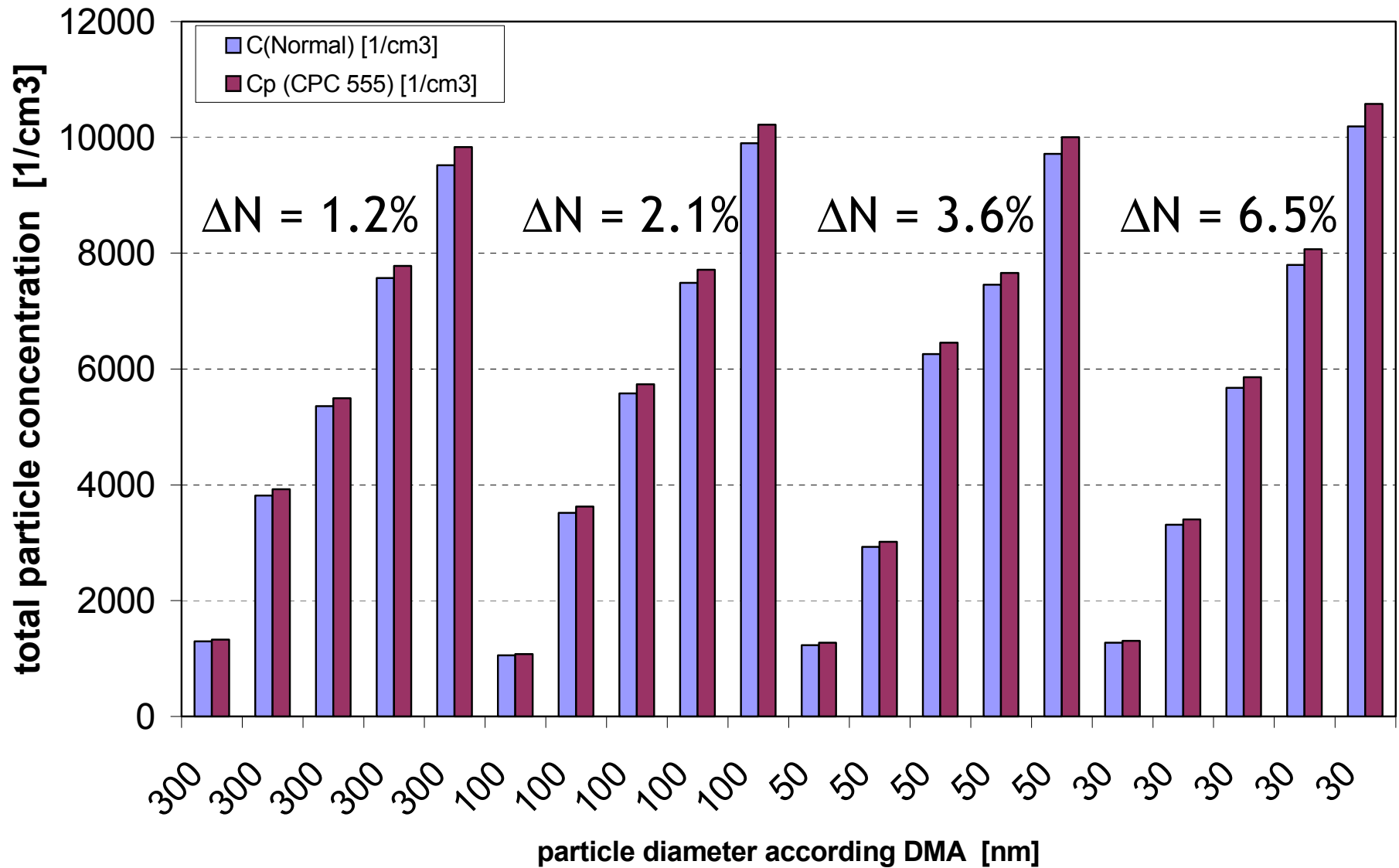
- Condensation particle counter (CPC) (VDI 3489)
- Counting efficiency
 - $\varepsilon \geq 50\%$ for particles $d_p \geq 10$ nm or greater,
 - $\varepsilon \geq 90\%$ for particles $20 \text{ nm} \leq d_p \leq 500 \text{ nm}$
- Measurement range: 0.1 to 10^4 particles/cm³
- Single particle counting
- Measuring frequency ≥ 0.5 Hz
- Response time t_{10} up to t_{90} : < 15 sec
- The CPC must be traceable to a national standard

Counting efficiency CPCs



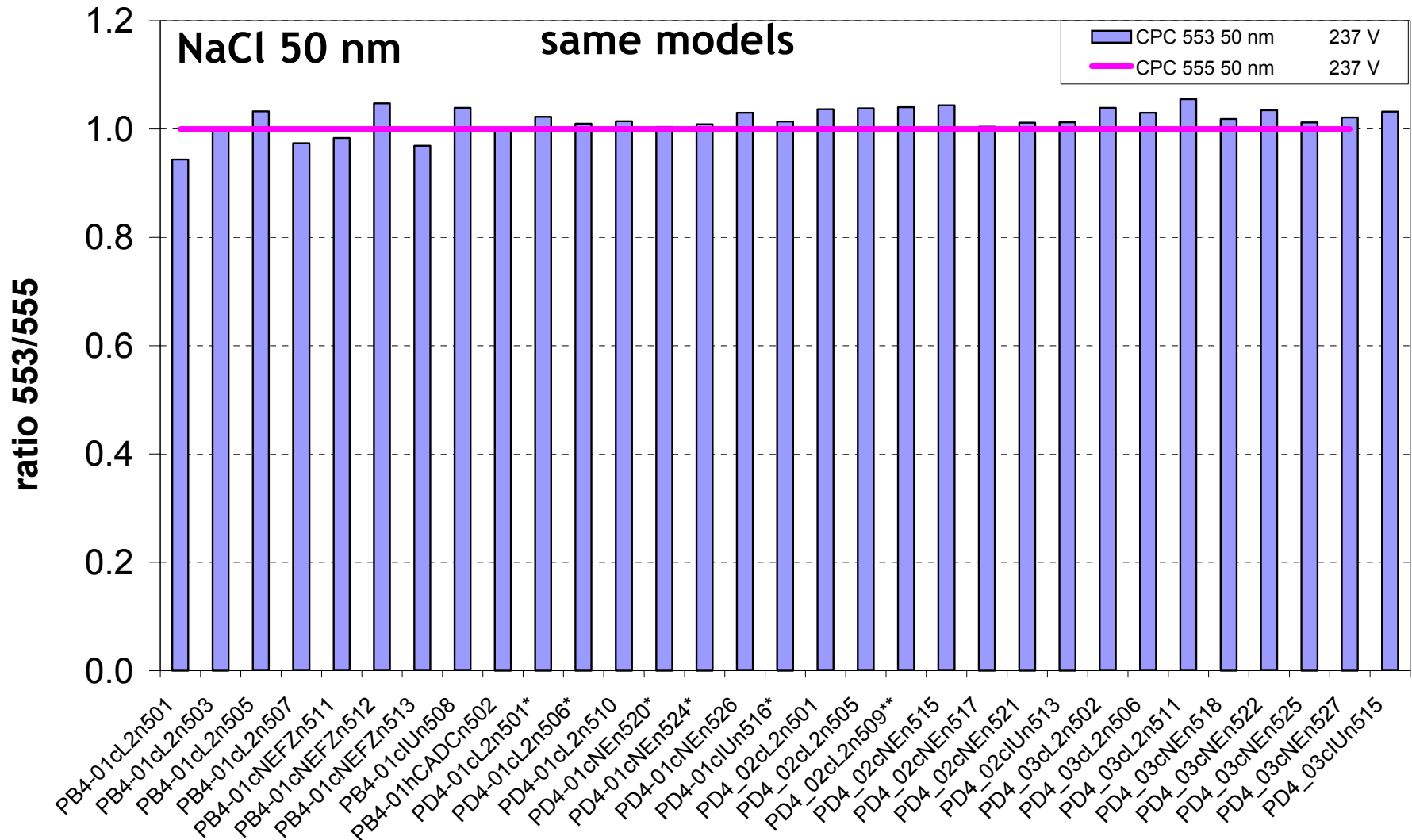
Calibration

Calibration at METAS / 09.06.2004



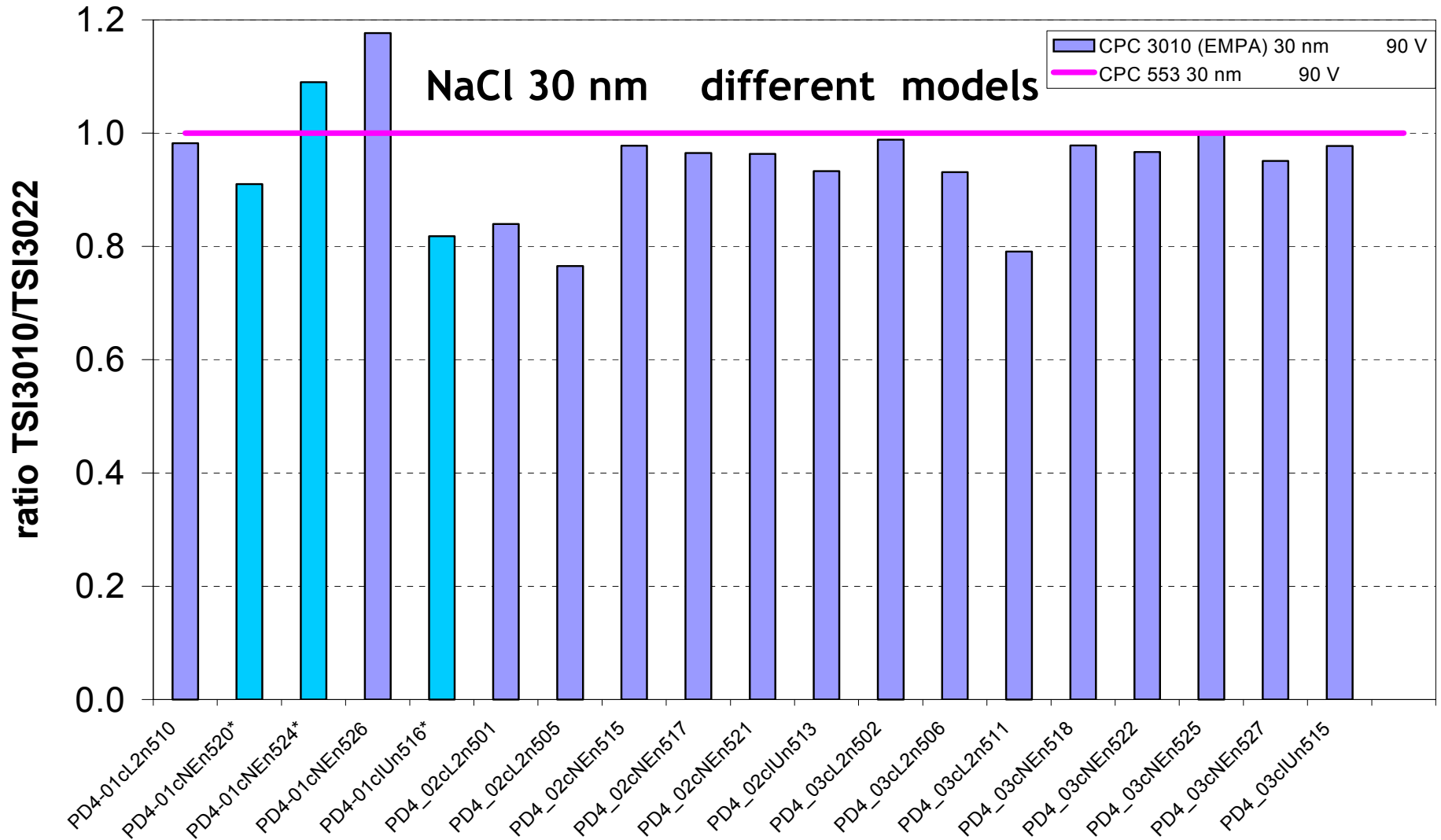
Daily check of particle counter

Comparison to another CPC



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First preliminary conclusions

- No problems in robustness of the measurement set-up was identified for test cell environment
- Specification of evaporation tube is very strict but achievable
- CPCs show good long-term stability

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