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Analysis of ultrafine particle emissions by in-use buses of different generations

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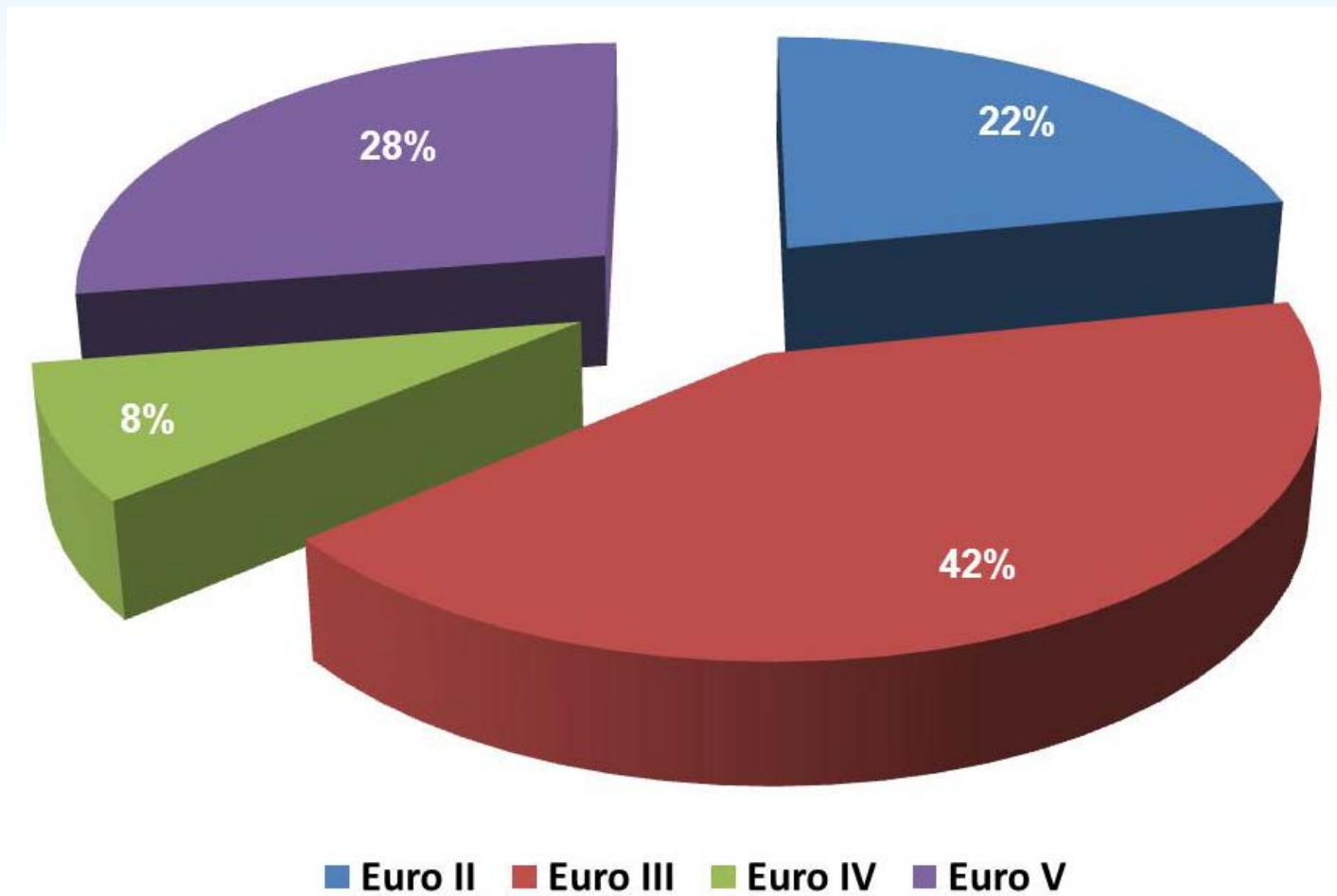
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Motivation

- ✓ **Transportation is the main source of air pollution in Israel's cities and population centers**
- ✓ **The Israeli economy will lose NIS 8.8 billion in 2015 to pollution-related illnesses**
- ✓ **Public transportation is almost entirely based on diesel engines**
- ✓ **The Israeli government authorized a major plan to battle air pollution in Israel, approving a NIS 140 million program**



Israeli Bus Fleet Composition



Goals

- Main goal - demonstrating a potential of nanoparticle emissions mitigation from in-use diesel buses of different technologies by application of diesel particle filter
- Additional goals - assessment of nanoparticle emission levels from in-use buses of different technologies – from Euro II till Euro V and reasonability of the work continuation with DPF retrofitting

Buses tested

Technology	Maker/ Model	Traveled distance, km	Engine type	Power, kW/Speed, rpm	Number of cylinders/ Displacement, cm ³	EGR system, Yes/No	Exhaust gas aftertreatment
EURO II, interurban	MAN/ HOCL 1835	1,227,503	D2066LOH12	257/2200	6/10,518	NO	NO
EURO II, urban	Mercedes/ O-405	994,600	OM447-hLA	176/2,200	6/11,967	NO	NO
EURO III, urban	MAN/ NL 313F	595,560	D2866LUH24	228/1,900	6/11,967	YES	NO
EURO IV, urban	MAN/ NL 313F	328,990	D2066LUH12	228/1,700	6/10,518	YES	PM-KAT®*
EURO V EEV, urban	MAN/ NL 323F	162,283	D2066LUH47	235/1,900	6/10,518	YES	CRTEc®**

* **PM-KAT** is a trade name of the Emitec partial flow filter with an upstream Diesel DOC

** **CRTEc** is a trade name of the HJS-made continuously regenerating trap based on the wall-flow sintered metal filter with electronically controlled thermal management.

Methodology

Operation modes:

- Low idle
- High idle
- Partial load
- Free acceleration

Measured parameters:

- Particle number (PN) concentrations and summary active surface
- Concentrations of NO_x, CO, CO₂ and O₂
- Smoke
- Gas temperature and pressure at the DPF inlet
- Engine speed, vehicle velocity, power on the wheels

All the measurements - with and without DPF

Experimental setup



**DINEX DiSiC DPF: left –assembled;
right – with covers removed**



DPF inlet and outlet surfaces



DPF inlet surface



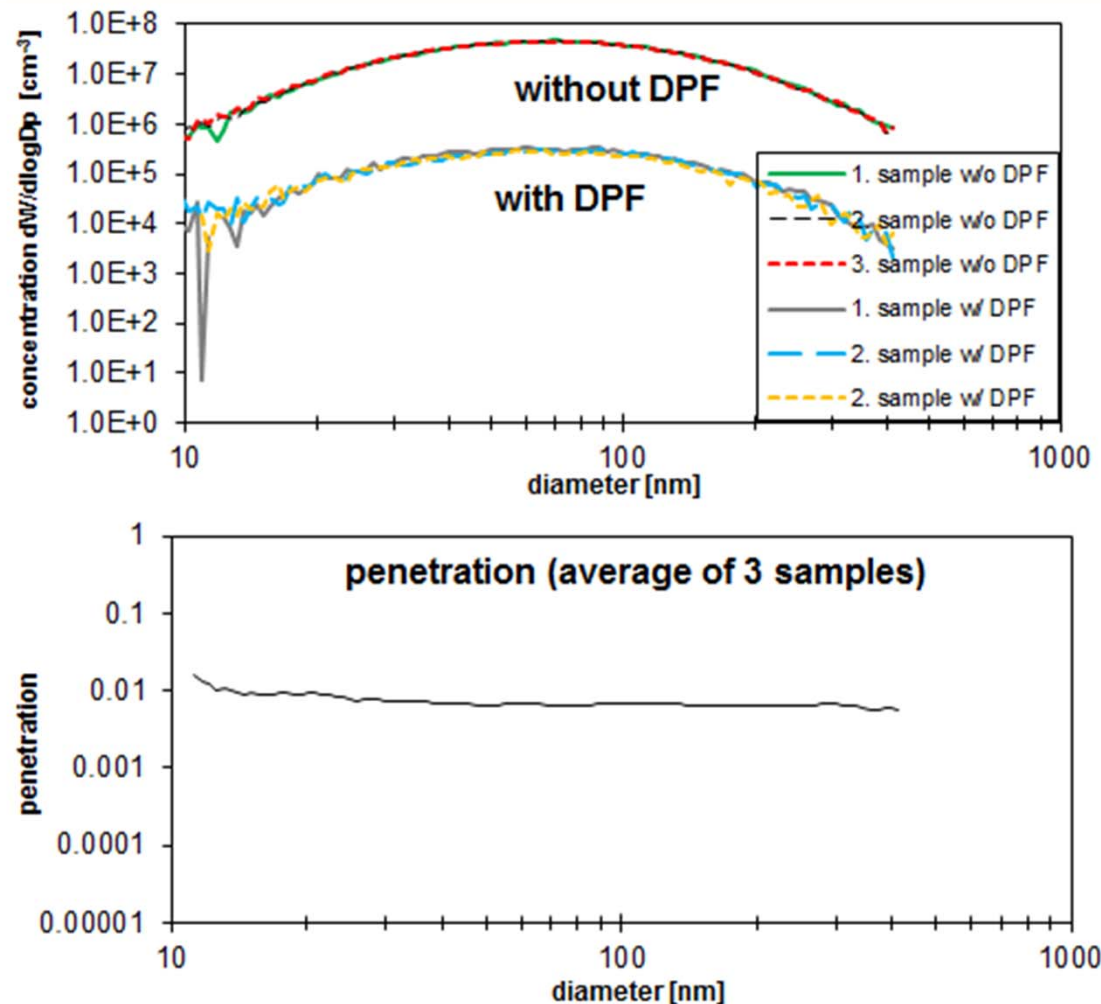
DPF outlet surface

Only best available technology (BAT) and appropriately certified filters should be considered for retrofitting!



**Vert Quality
of the used
DINEX DPF**

SMPS – size spectra with / without DPF Dinex DiSiC catalysed on the engine MB OM 926 LA; fuel (S < 10 ppm); op 7: 1480 rpm / 650 Nm



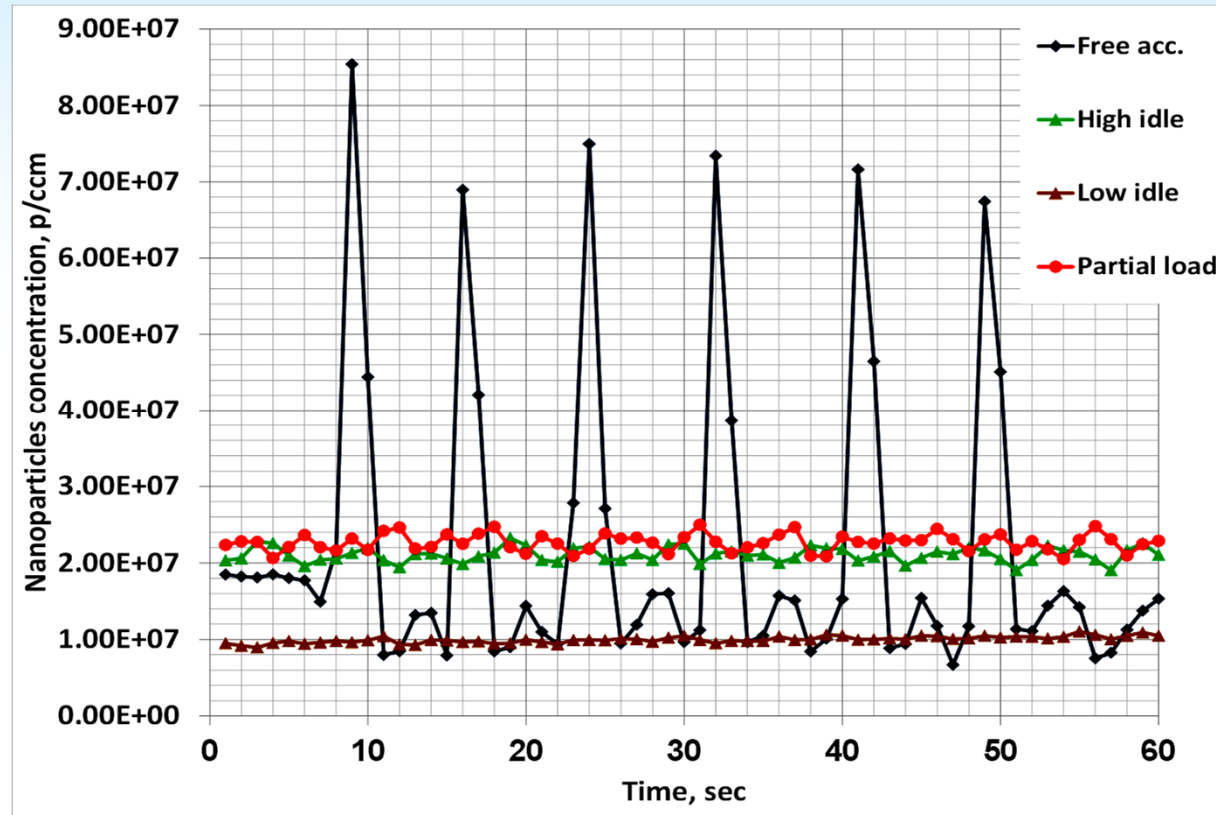
Comparison of trapping efficiencies of mass (PMFE) and counts 20- 300 nm (PCFE) of the DPF Dinex DiSiCcatalysed on the engine MB OM 926 LA; fuel (S < 10 ppm)

PMFE [%]						
operating point	5	7	3	1	5 (r.)	
speed	1480	1480	2250	2250	1480	rpm
torque	1310	650	490	1010	1310	Nm
DPF delivery state	91.21	94.78	94.26	93.97	86.74	%
average of all points	92.19					

PCFE [%]						
operating point	5	7	3	1	5 (r.)	
speed	1480	1480	2250	2250	1480	rpm
torque	1310	650	490	1010	1310	Nm
DPF delivery state	98.75	99.32	99.42	99.19	99.08	%
average of all points	99.15					

Results

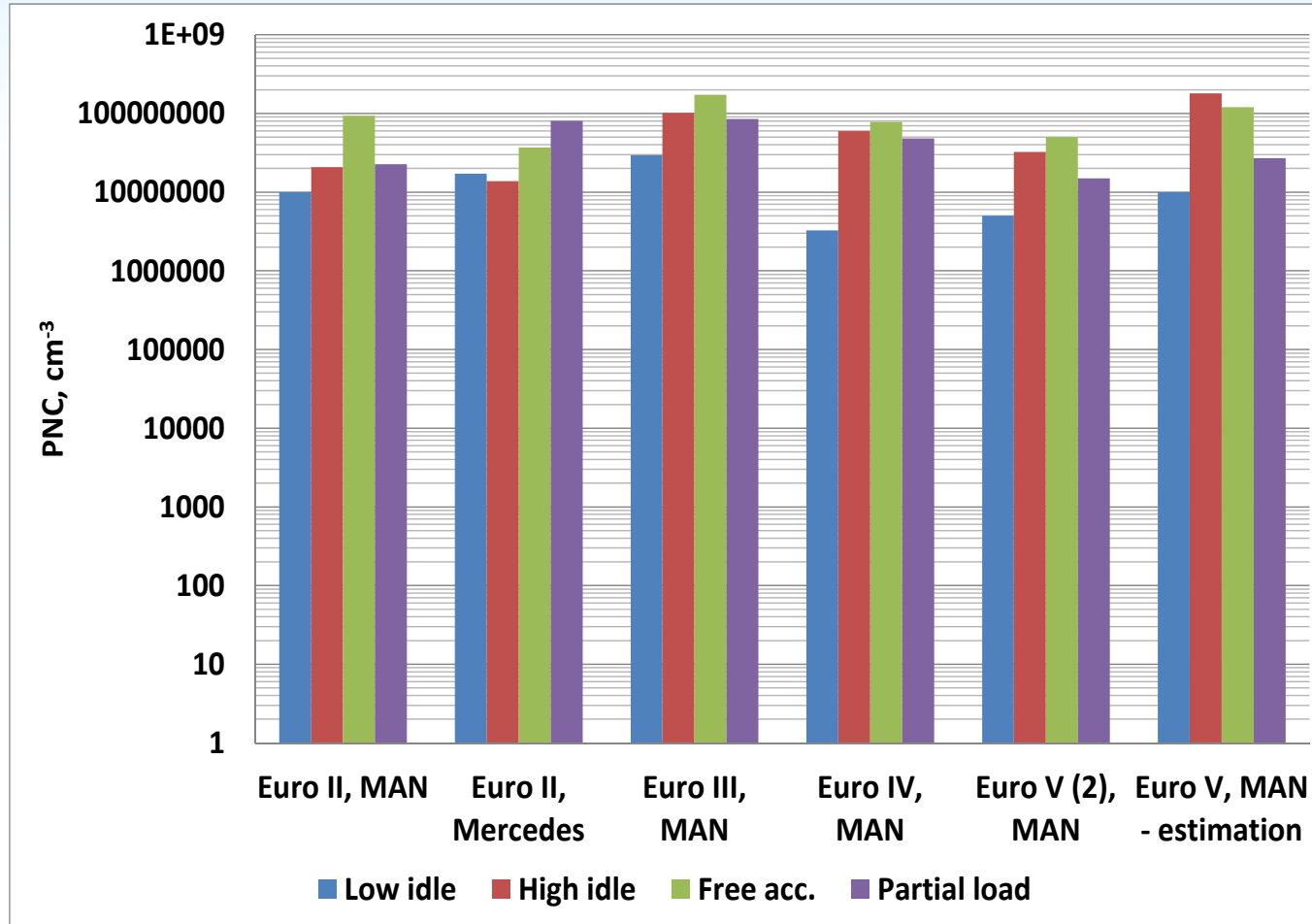
Example of instantaneous PN number concentrations



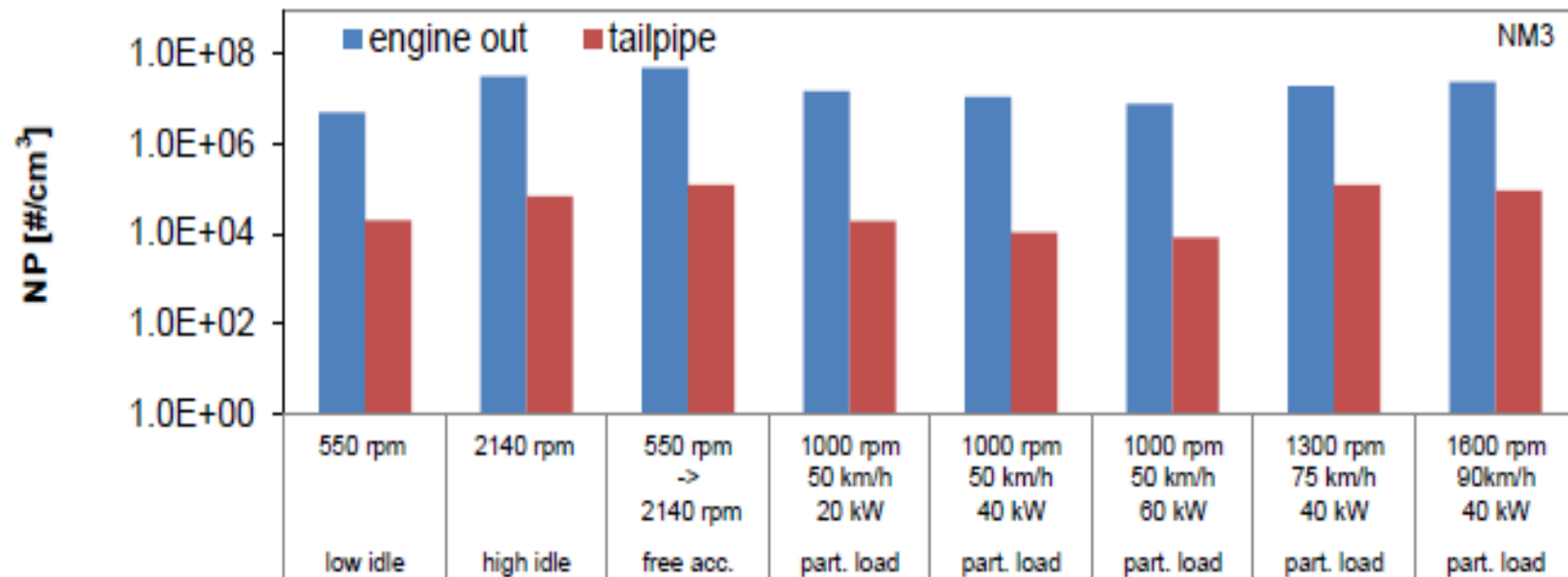
Under steady-state regimes 60 readings were measured with the frequency of 1 Hz

Under free acceleration test six free accelerations were performed

Nanoparticle number concentrations w/o DPF

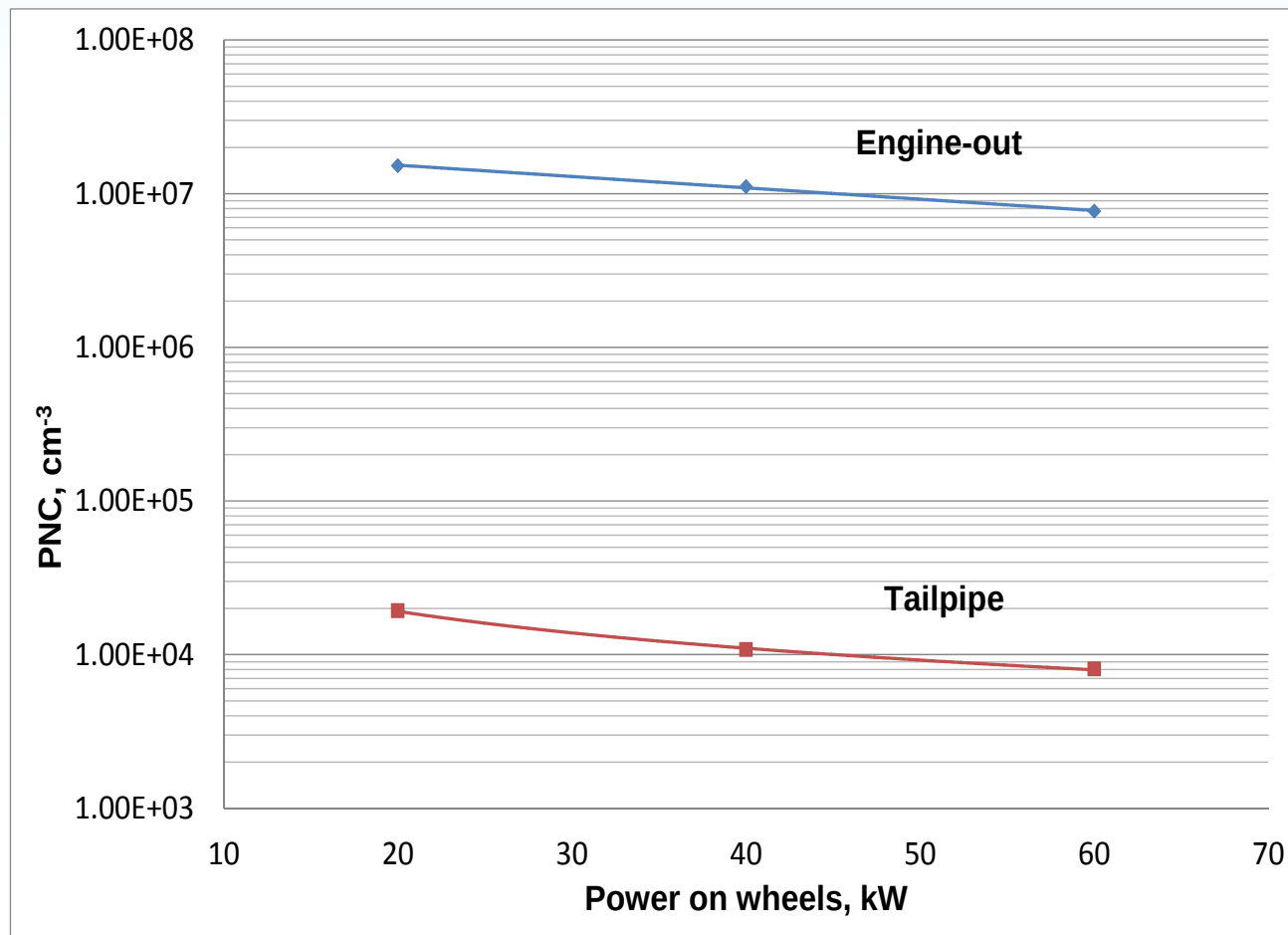


Engine-out and tailpipe PNC of the Euro V bus with CRTec

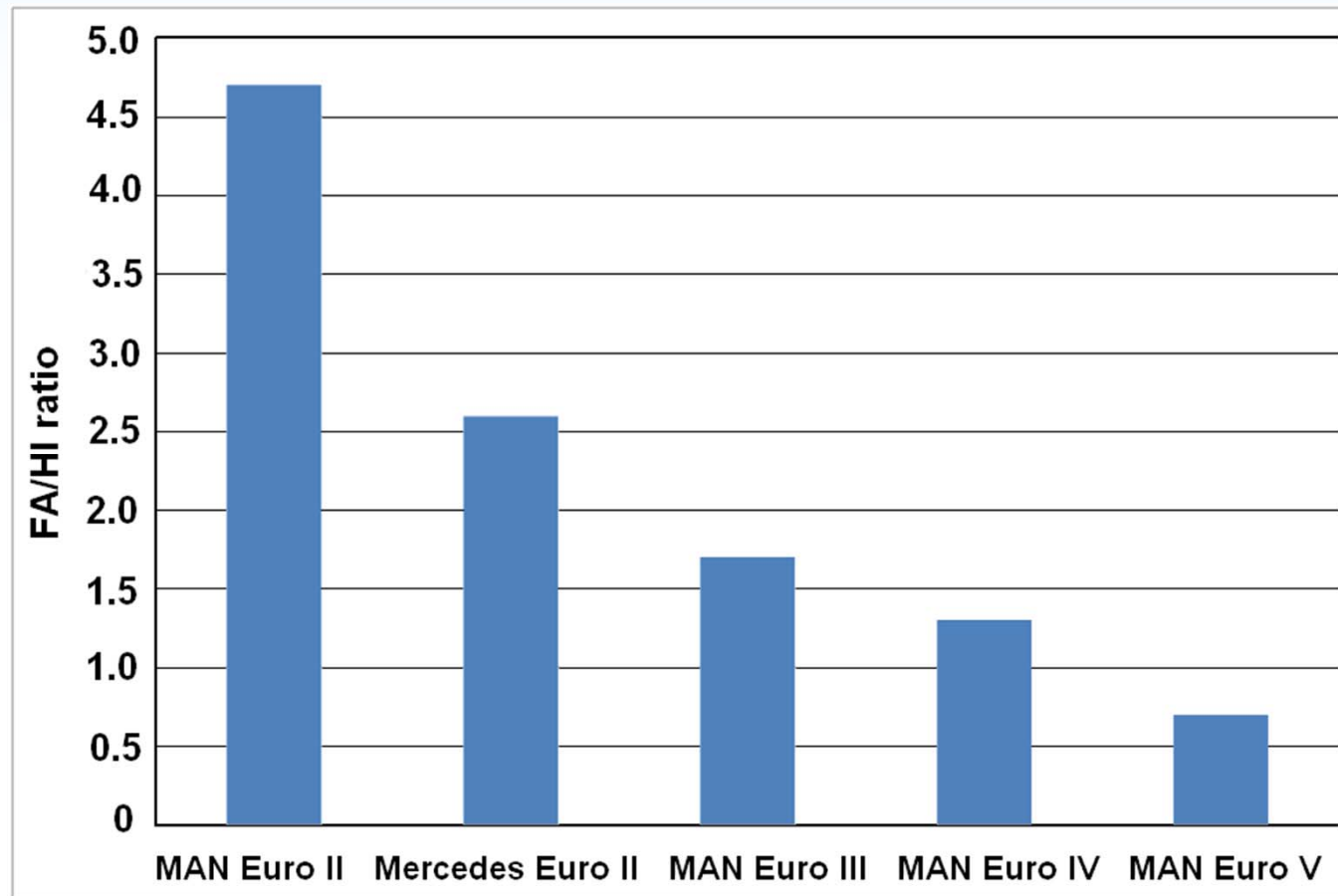


Influence of load on UFP number concentrations with CRT

Euro V bus, 1000 rpm

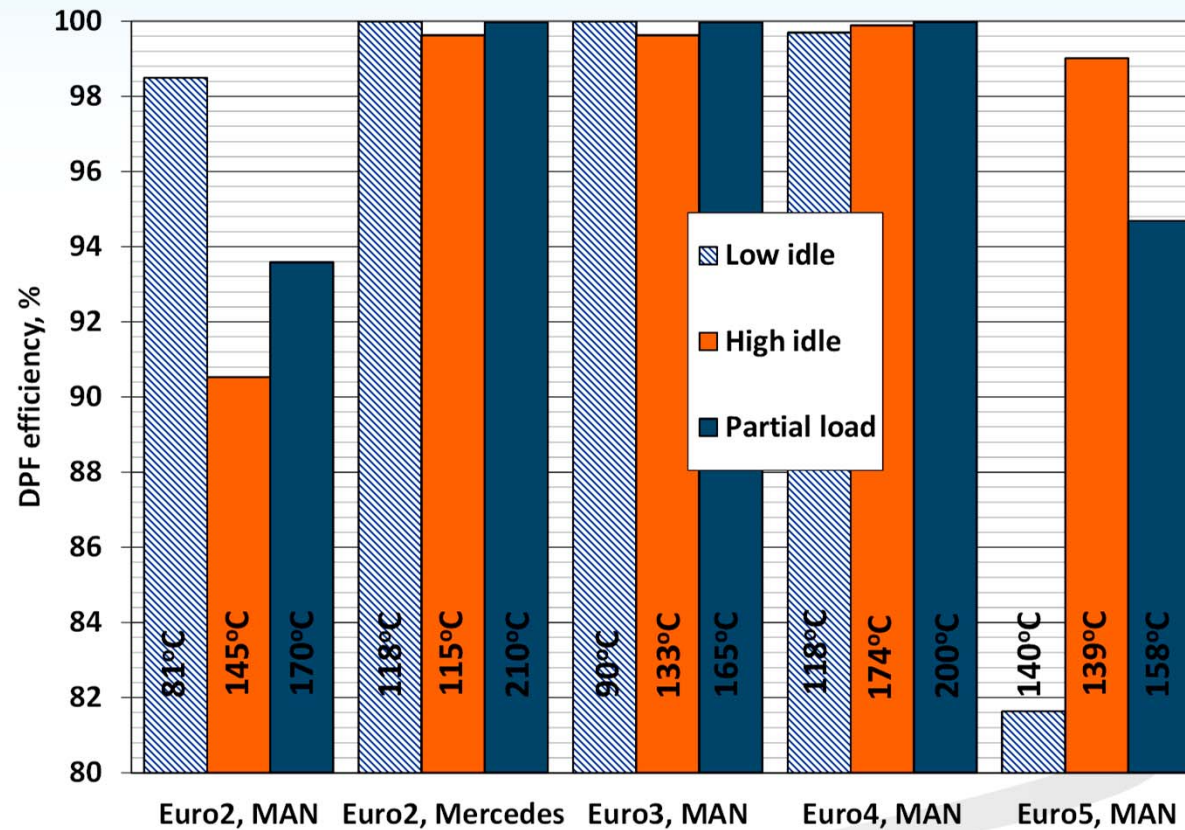


Ratios of the pick values of PN concentrations at free acceleration and at high idle w/o DPF



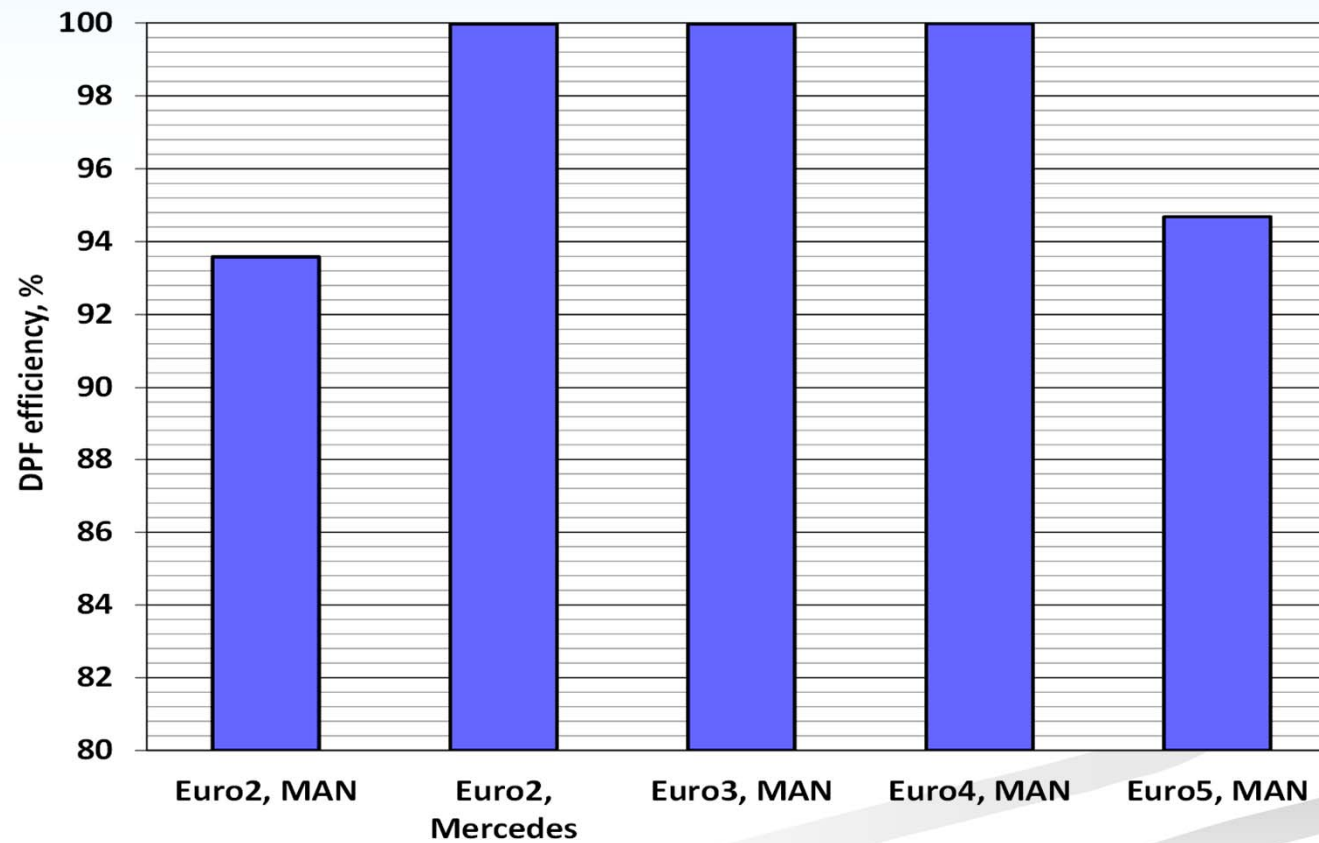
DPF efficiency

Steady-state regimes



DPF efficiency

Free acceleration



Conclusions

- ✓ A comparison of engine-out PN emission of the EURO V bus with those of the Euro II and III buses provides an indication on very high engine-out PN emissions of the EURO V bus. This most probably is a result of high EGR ratios applied in this engine.
- ✓ A danger of extremely high PN emission by the EURO V buses in case of the DPF malfunction
- ✓ A strong correlation between PN levels under high idle and free acceleration operation regimes was observed
- ✓ Ratios of PN concentrations at free acceleration and high idle operation modes were substantially higher for the older buses and decreased with advancement of the engine's technology
- ✓ High efficiency of DPF in reduction of nanoparticle emissions by all buses was confirmed
- ✓ DPF efficiency with all buses at almost all operation regimes was above 94% and in some cases reached near 99.9%

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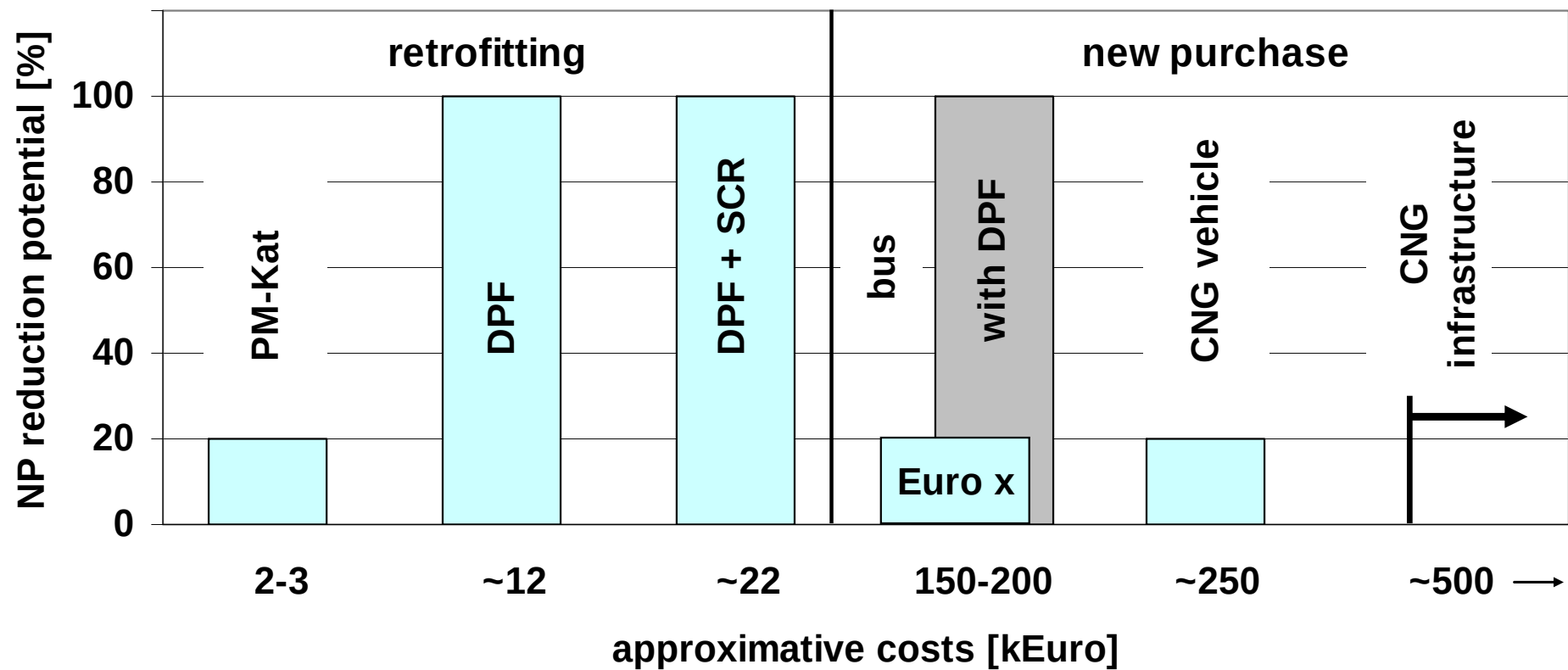
Field control equipment: Gaseous components, opacity, FSN





**Retrofitting,
or new vehicles ?**

Costs & Effectiveness of NP-reduction measures for busses



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