



Soot Deposit Evolution and the Mechanism of Particle Emissions During Regeneration in Diesel Particulate Filters

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Motivation

Soot Deposit Growth

- Soot deposit is major contributor to Diesel Particulate Filter ΔP
- Need reliable soot deposit microstructural properties for DPF Simulation
- Develop on-board soot sensing methods in conjunction with DPF management and control

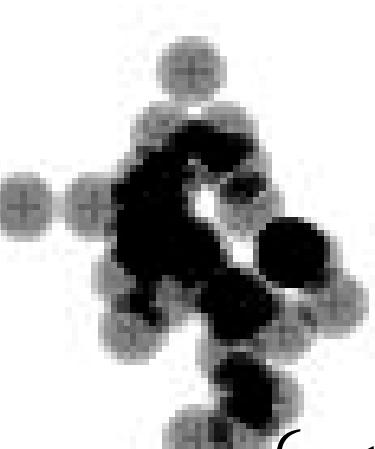
Soot Deposit Oxidation

- Soot deposit burnout gives rise to nanoparticle emissions, that are not yet understood based on filtration theory
- Need mechanistic models of soot deposit oxidation for DPF Simulation
- Develop on-board soot sensing methods in conjunction with DPF management and control



Diesel Soot Aggregate Morphology

Soot fractal aggregate



$$D_f = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 1.8 \\ 2.4 \\ 3 \end{cases}$$

Number of primary
particles per aggregate

$$N_A = k_g \left[\frac{D_g}{d_{pr}} \right]^{D_f}$$

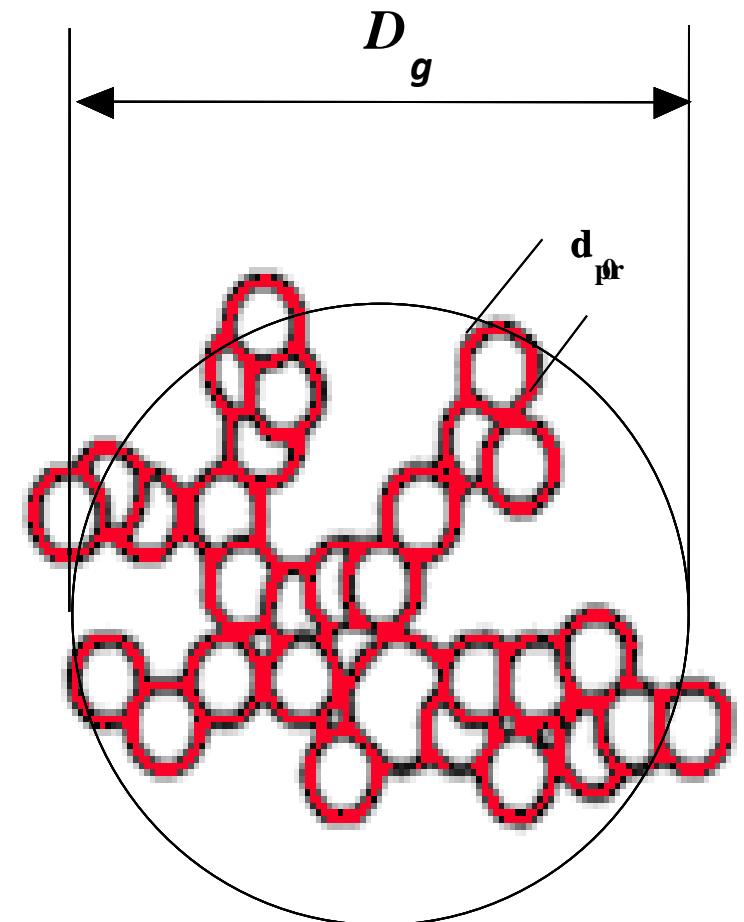


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CC-DLA

MC-DLA

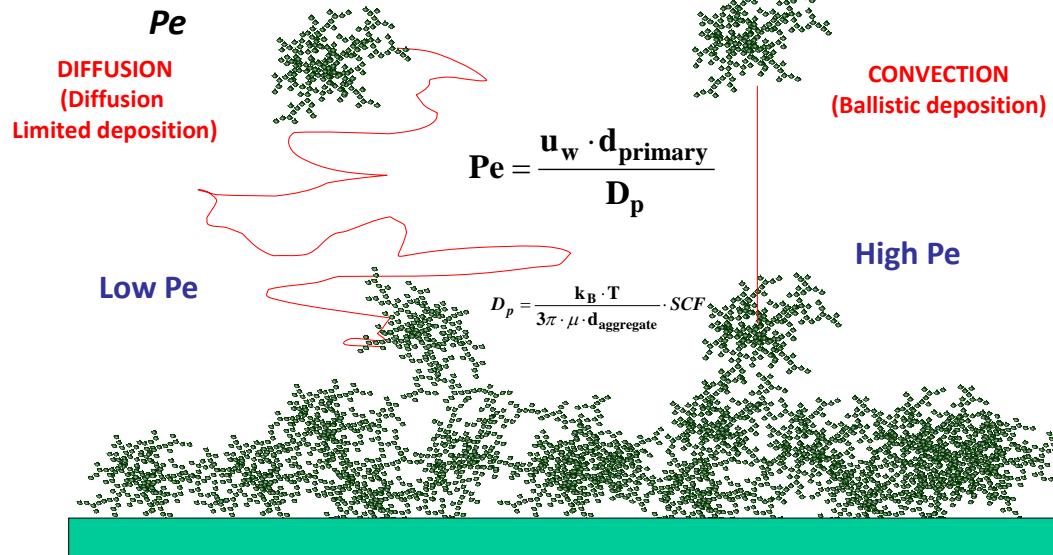
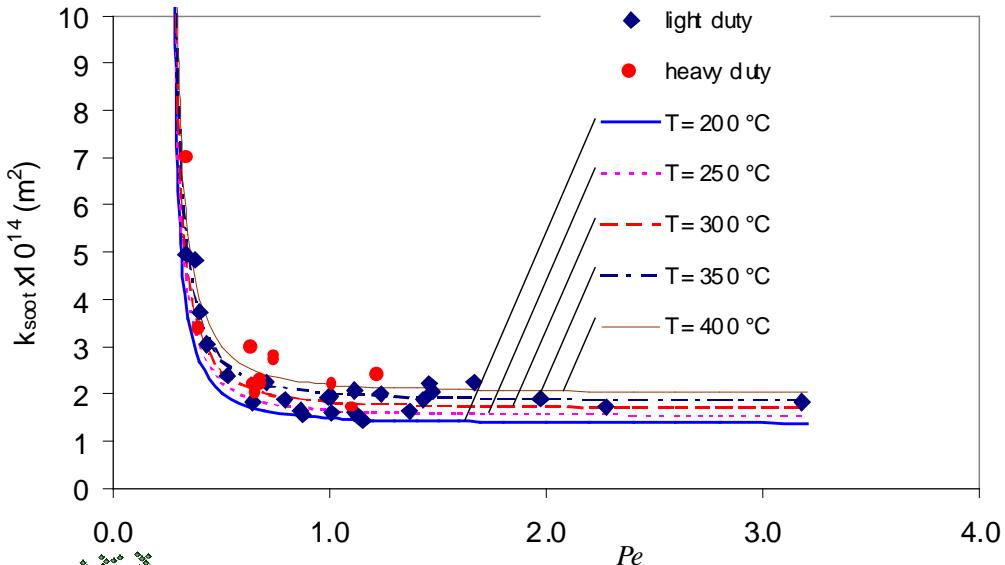
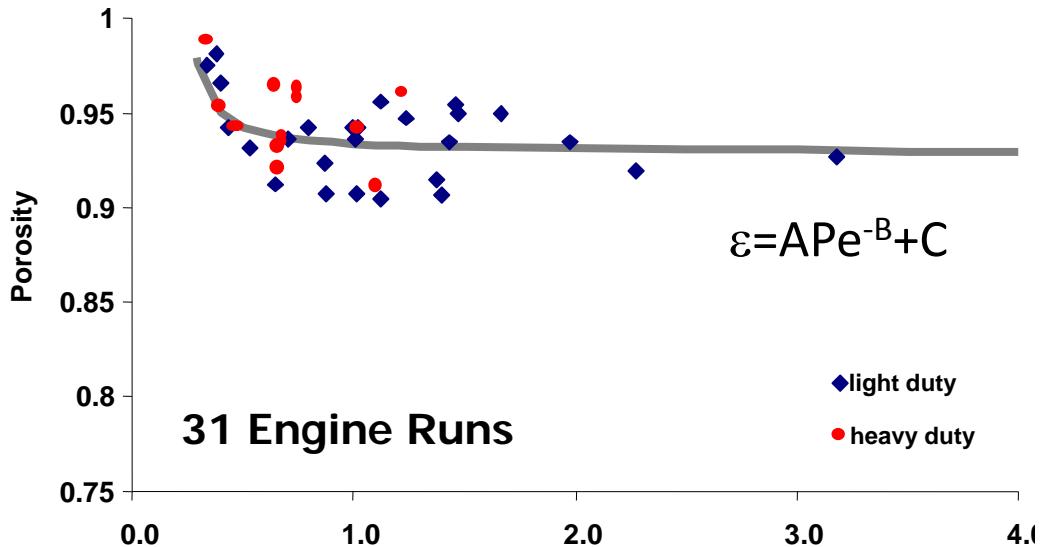
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Soot deposit structure variation with Pe number



First ever experimental data were published in 2002



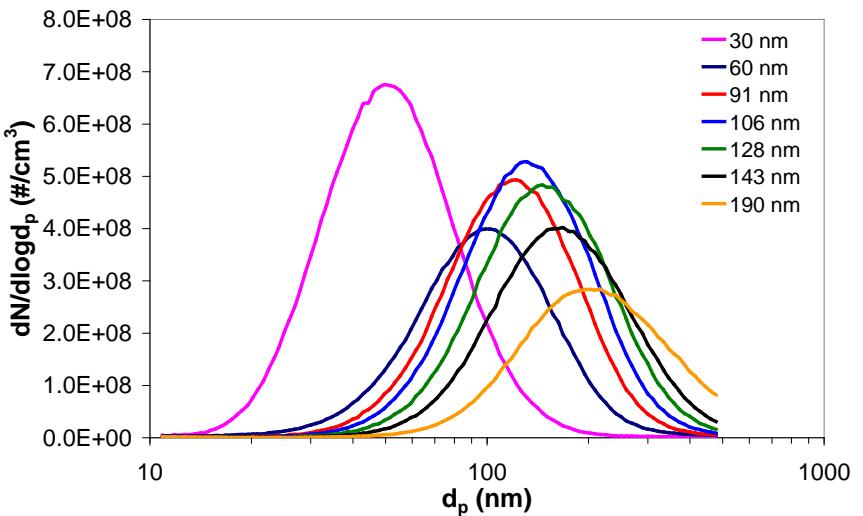
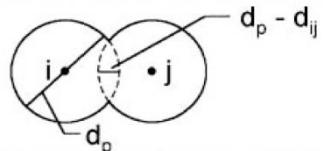


CAST: Combustion Aerosol Standard Characterization



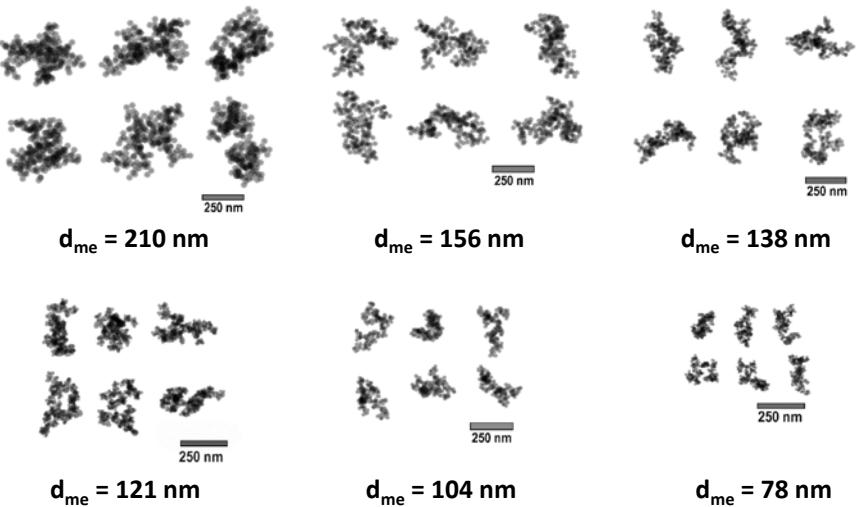
Nominal, D (nm)	D _{me} (nm)	D _f	k _g	C _{ov}
190	210	2.25	3.95	0.36
143	156	2.27	3.69	0.34
128	138	2.14	4.28	0.40
106	121	2.13	6.69	0.52
91	104	2.03	5.25	0.48
60	78	2.15	4.97	0.44

$$C_{ov} = \frac{d_p - d_{ij}}{d_p}$$



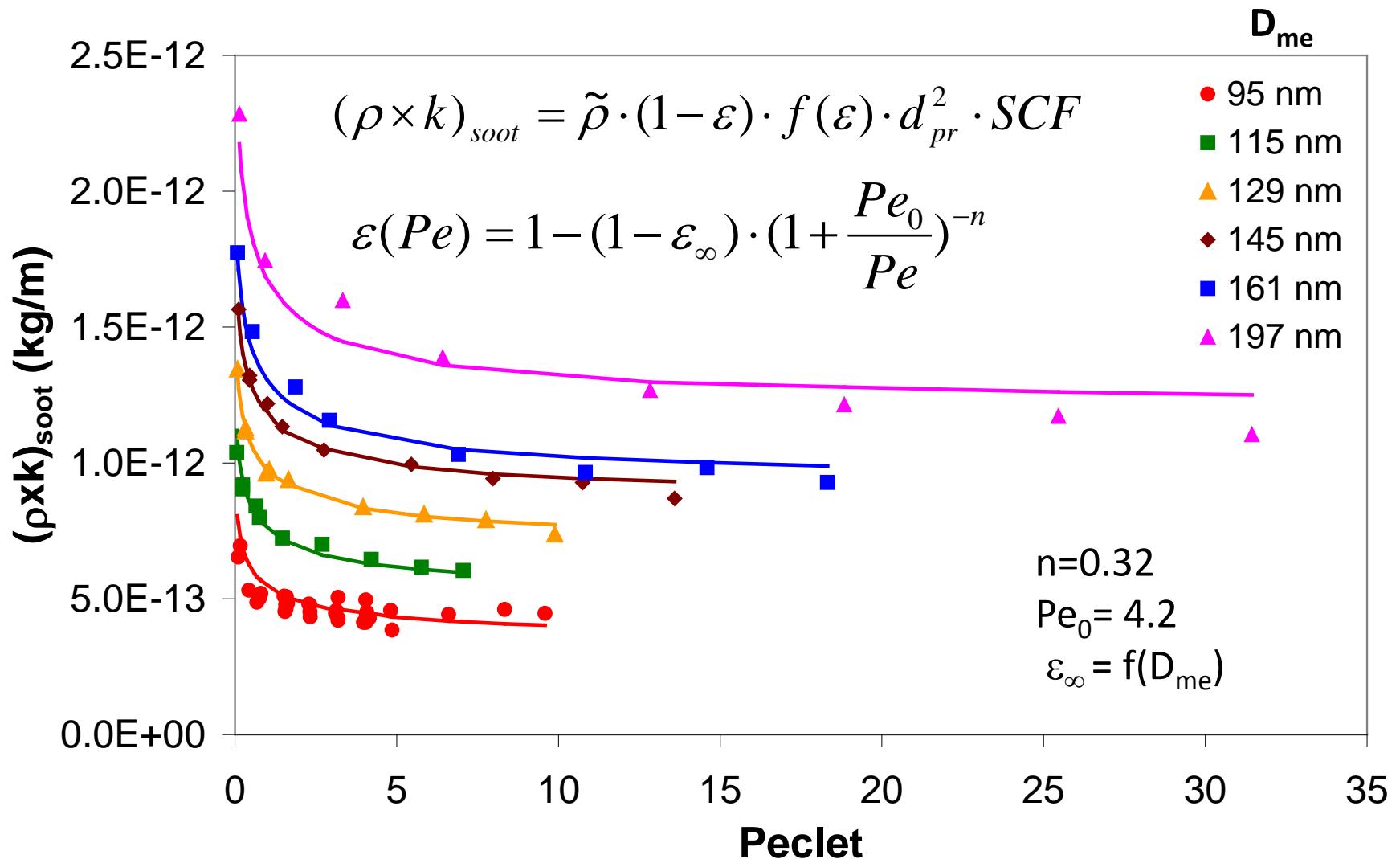
Mobility diameter

“Digital CAST” – Soot Aggregate Library



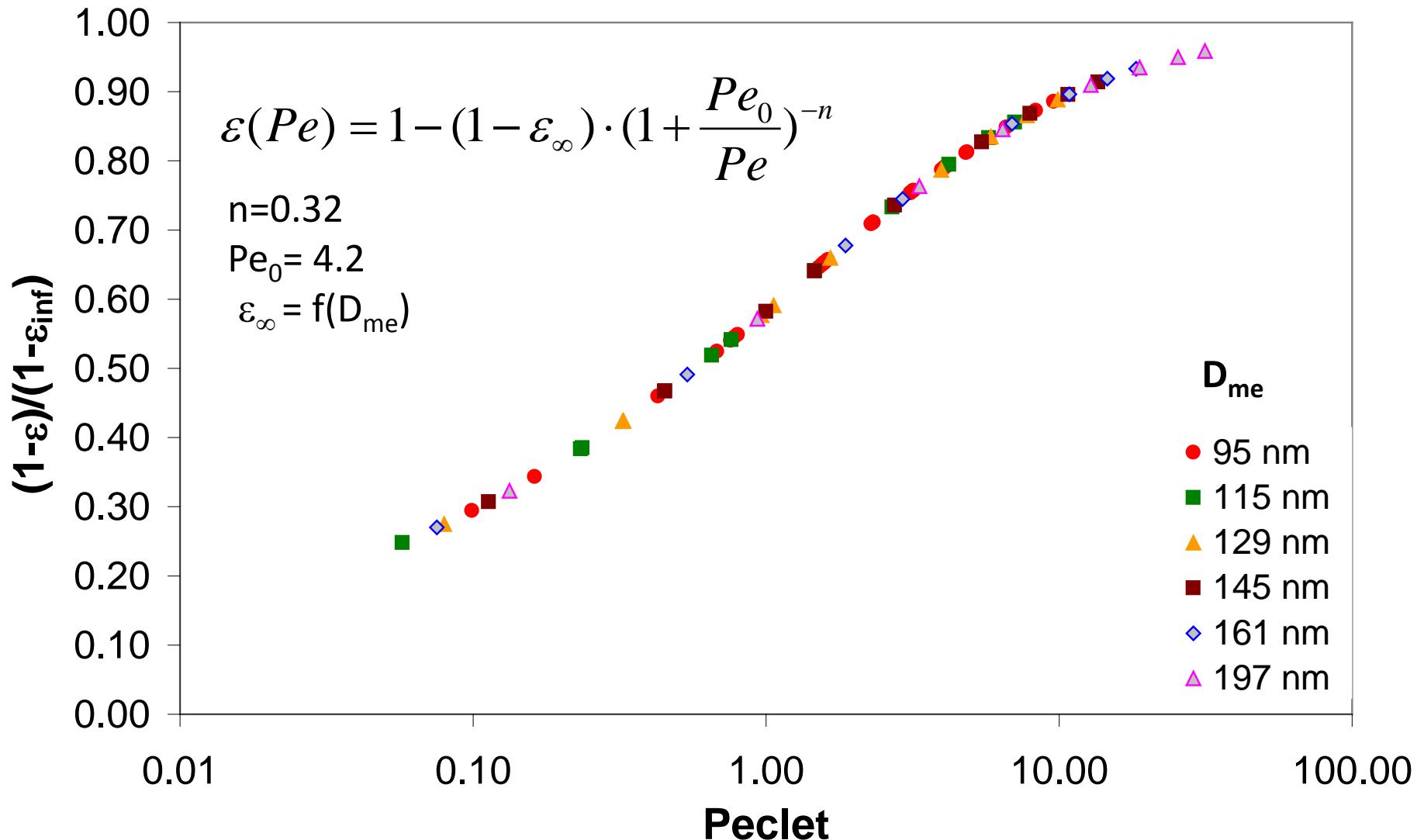


Flow resistance vs. Peclet number





Soot Deposit Normalized Porosity



Konstandopoulos et al. SAE Paper 2005-01-0946 (2005)

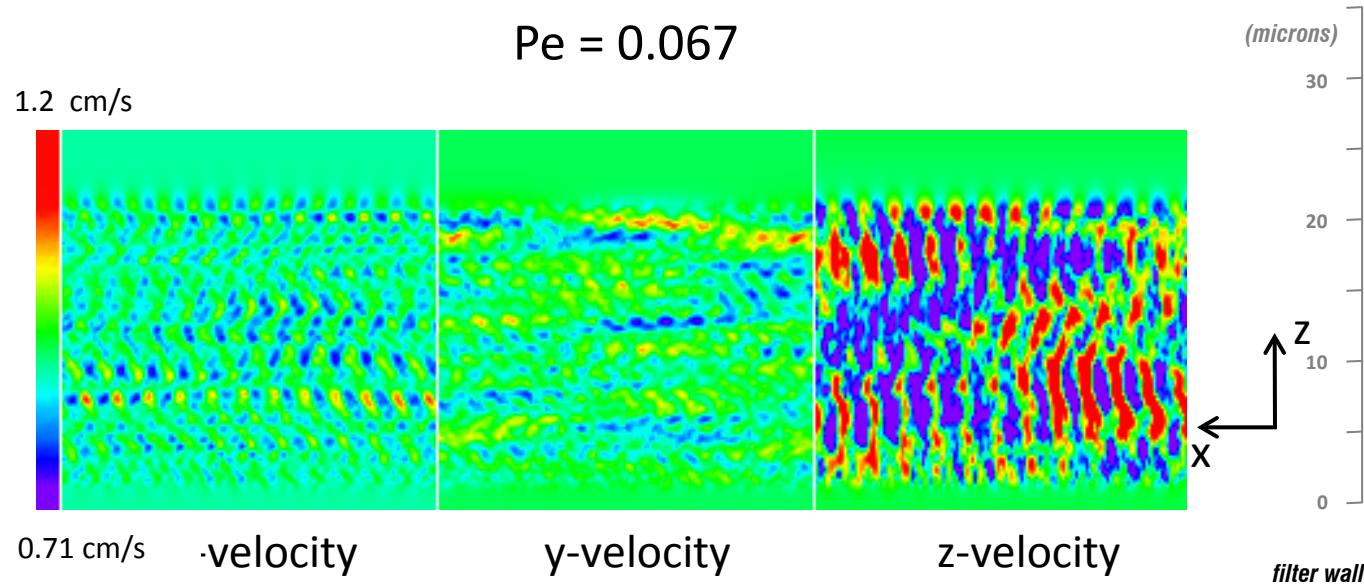
Rodriguez-Perez D., Castillo J. L., Antoranz J. C., Konstandopoulos A. G. and Vlachos N., EAC 2004, Budapest, Hungary, 6-10 Sep, 2004



Simulation of Soot Deposit Evolution

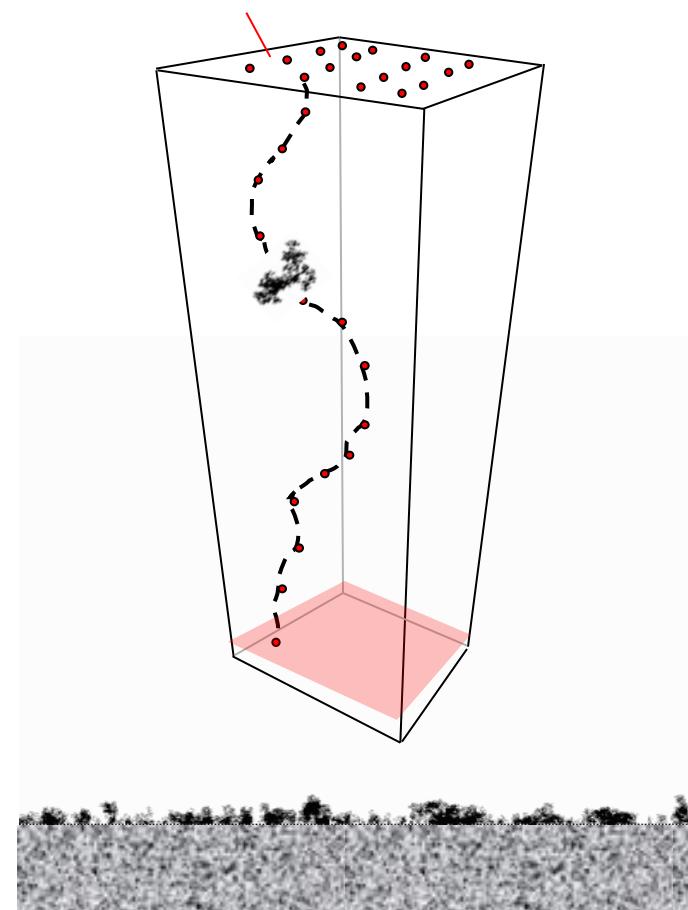
- Realistic soot aggregates (d_{pr} , D_{me} , D_f , k_g , C_{ov})
- Langevin dynamics for aggregates
- Evolving flow field from Microflow simulator*

*Vlachos N., Konstandopoulos A.G. (2006) SAE. 2006-01-0260,
SAE Trans. (*Journal of Fuels & Lubricants*), 115, pp. 79-89.



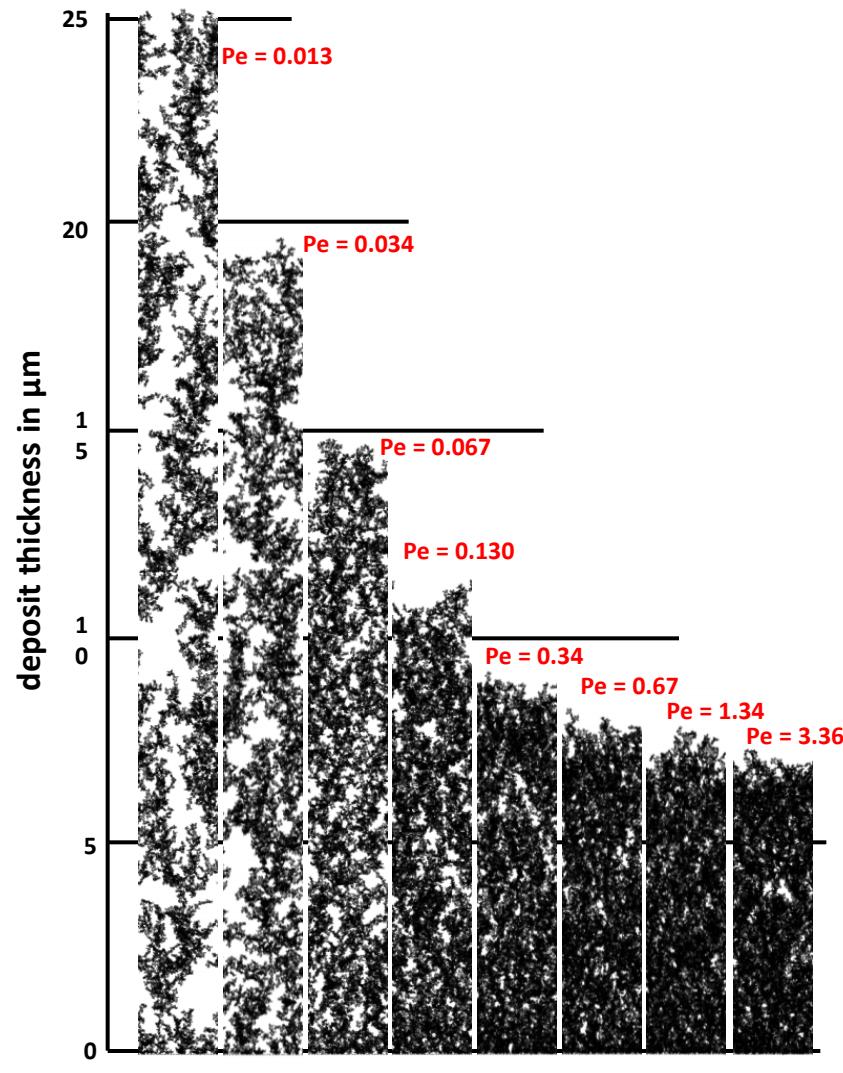
3D Deposit Growth

Soot particles are released from random location on the inlet of the model domain.



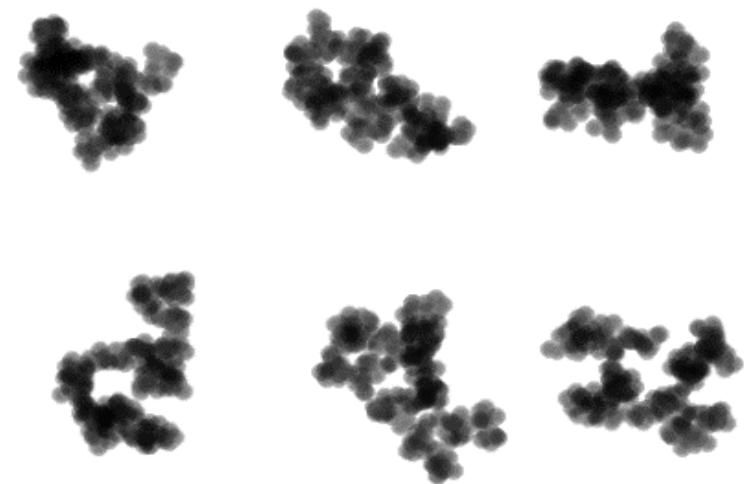


Soot Deposit Evolution vs. Pe



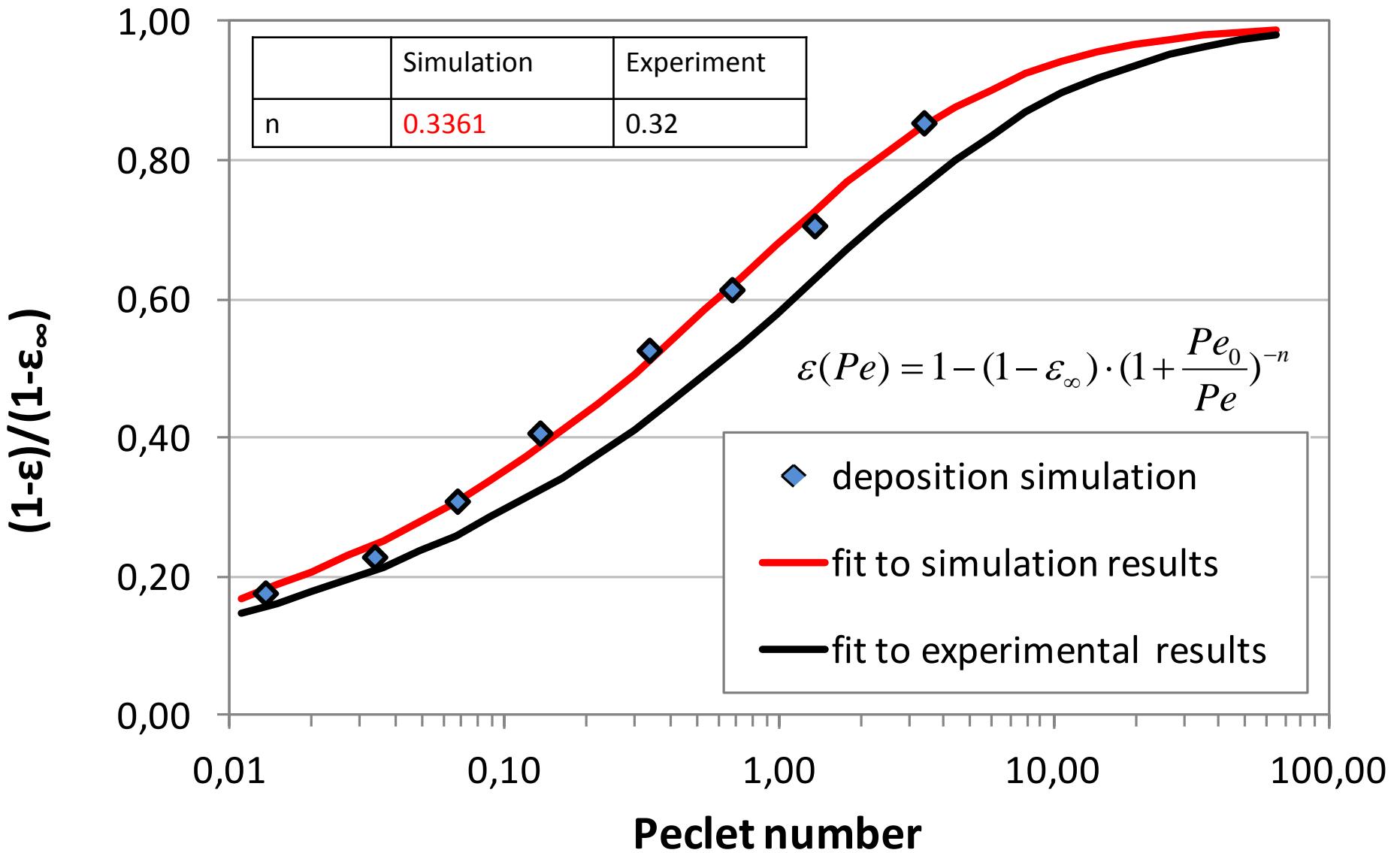
Simulation conditions

- challenge soot mass $\approx 0.02\text{g/m}^2$
- mobility diameter 78nm
- $d_o = 17.8\text{nm}$
- $D_f = 2.15 \text{ } k_g=4.2$
- aggregate morphologies



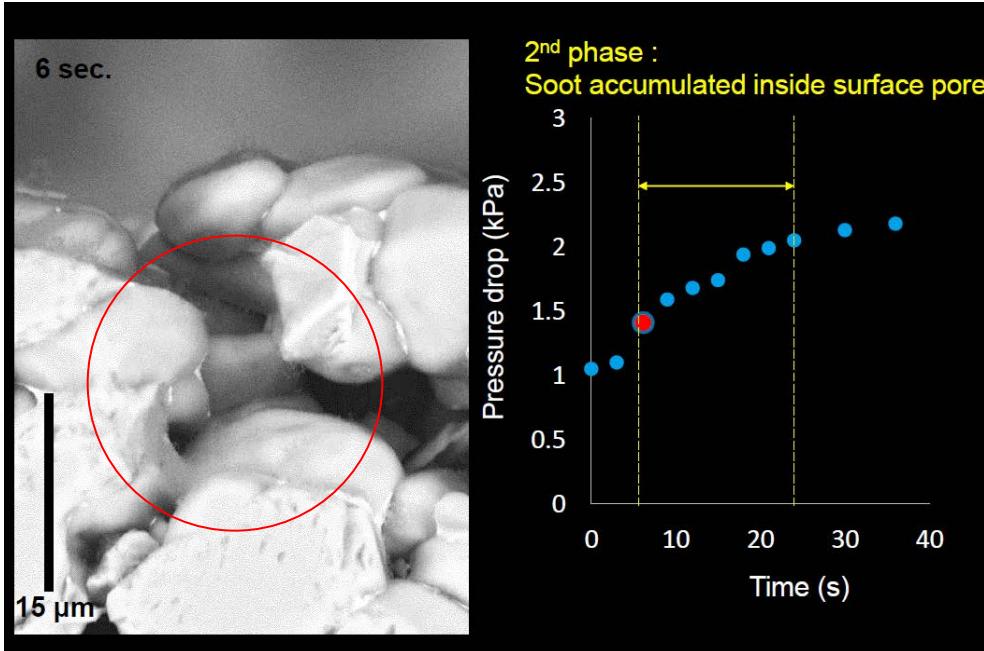
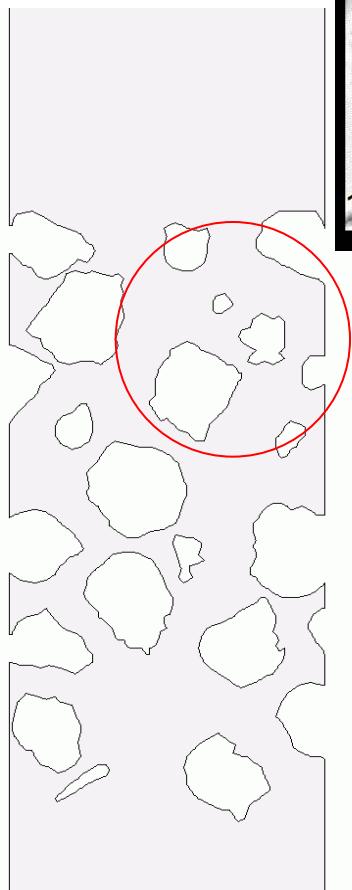


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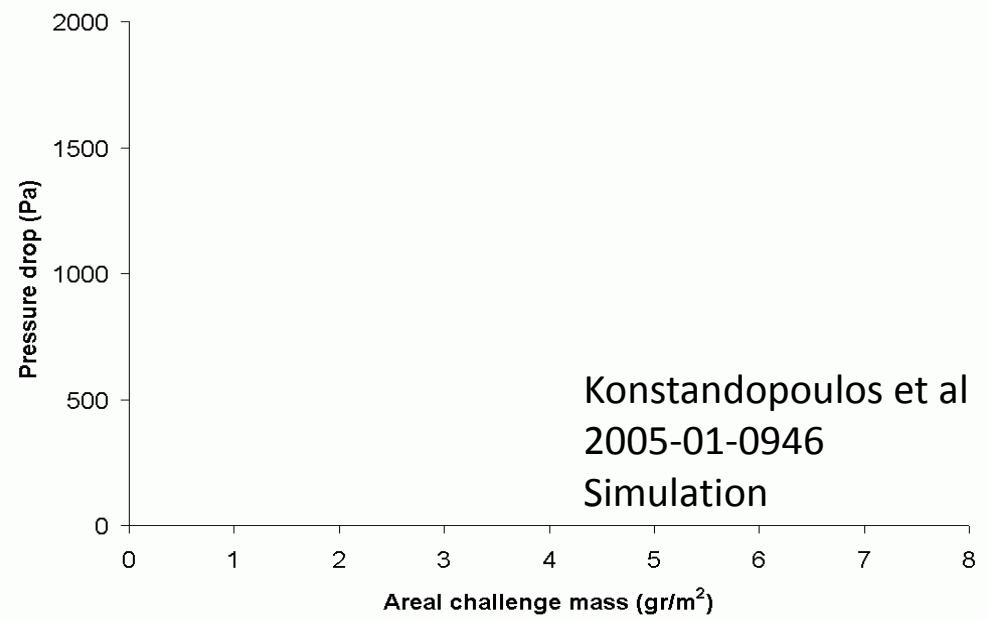


Microflow Deposition in Filter Wall



Hanamura et al
2015-01-1018

SEM video





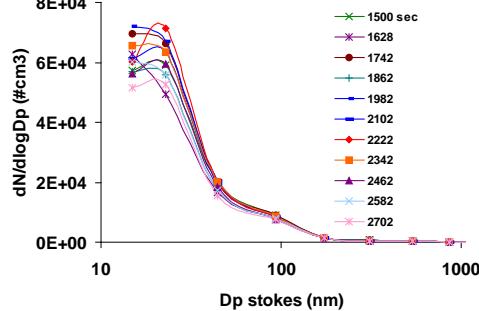
Soot Deposit Oxidation

- Soot deposit mobility has been postulated within the two-layer model (Konstandopoulos and Kostoglou 1999) and has been confirmed optically by Hino Motors (2005) and Hanamura et al (2009).
- Oxidation occurs on the surface of the primary particles. Necks oxidize faster leading to loss of connectivity (oxidative fragmentation, Konstandopoulos and Kostoglou 2003).
- Solid nanoparticle (~10 nm) emissions from DPF during regeneration cannot be explained based on filtration theory. Various observations:
 - ✓ Konstandopoulos et al (2002) ETH 2002
 - ✓ Cauda et al. Topics in Catalysis (2007) Vols. 42–43 253
 - ✓ Dwyer et al.(2010), Journal of Aerosol Science 4, 541–552
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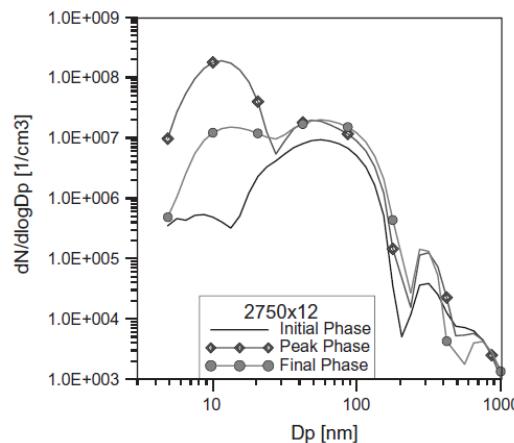
Solid nanoparticle emissions during Regeneration



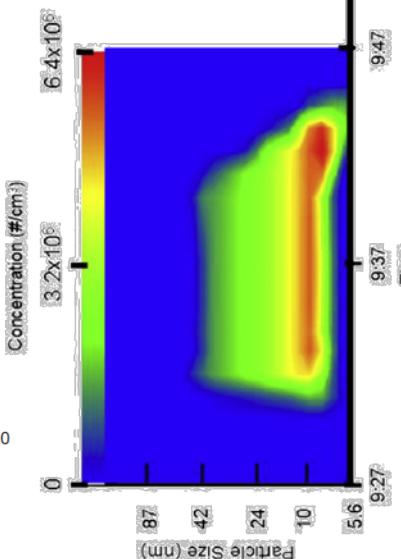
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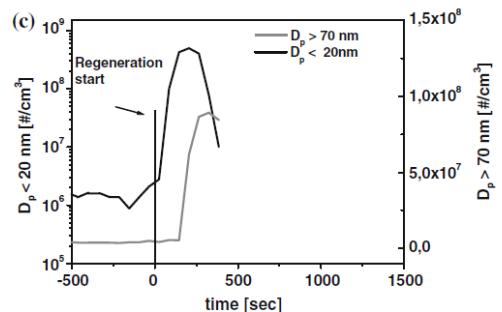
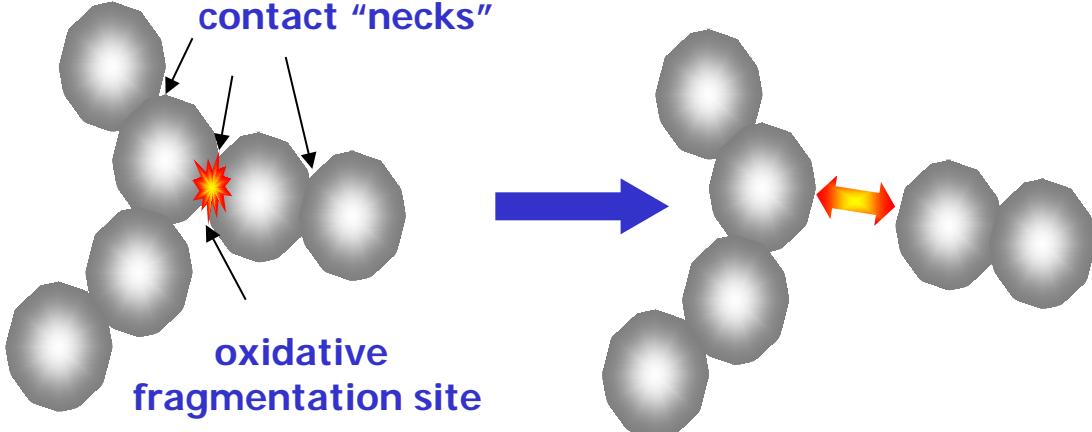


Figure 2. SMPS results obtained during the bench tests: (a) virgin trap; (b) LiCrO_2 -catalysed trap; (c) CoCr_2O_4 -catalysed trap. Same operating conditions as in figure 1. Dilution temperature: 25 °C. Dilution ratio: 10.

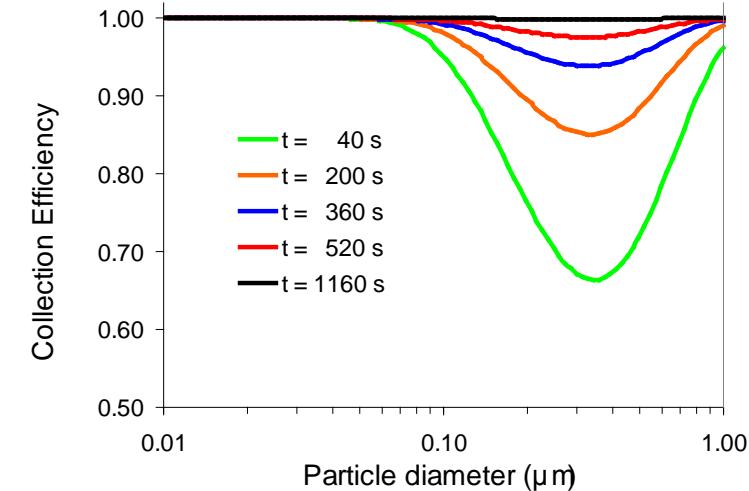
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initial soot aggregate

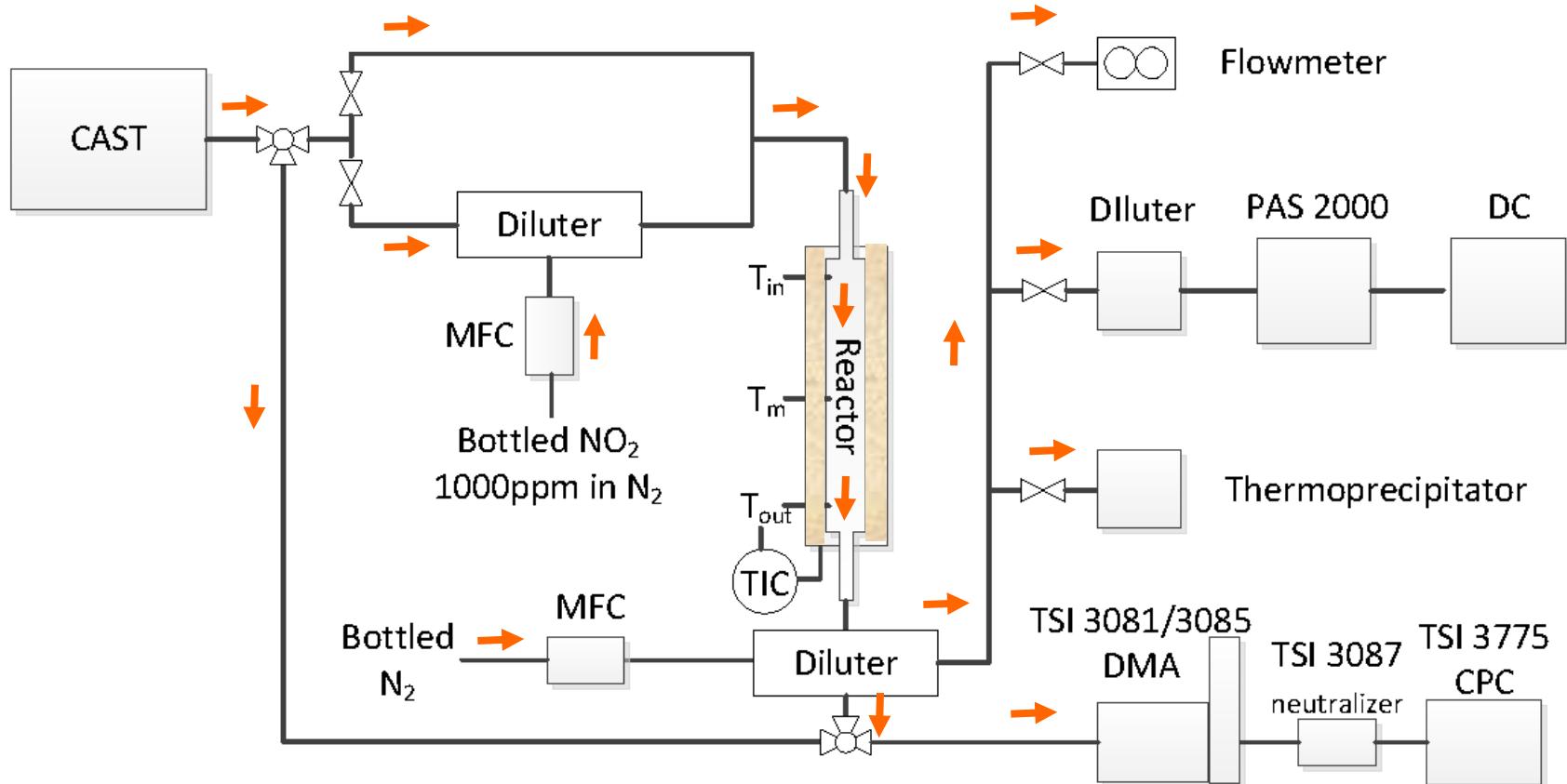


binary random fragmentation result

Konstandopoulos et al (2000) SAE 2000-01-1016

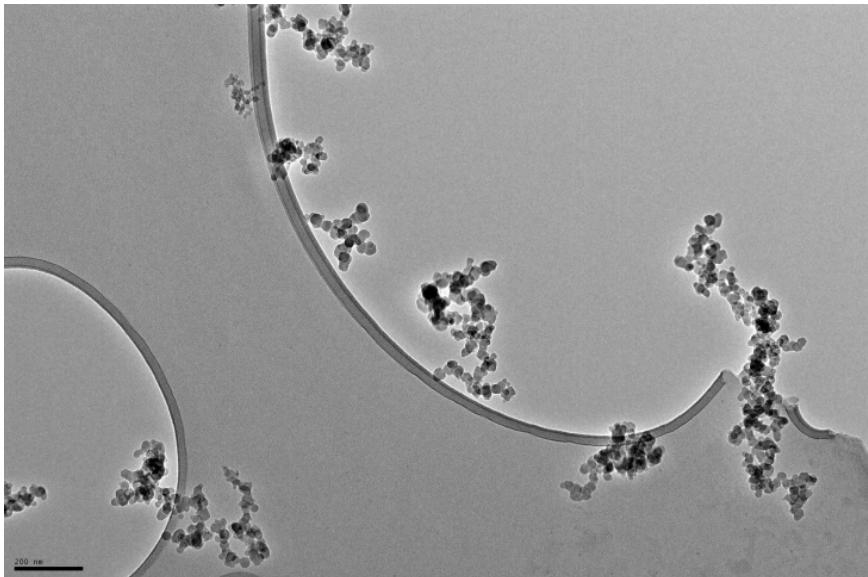
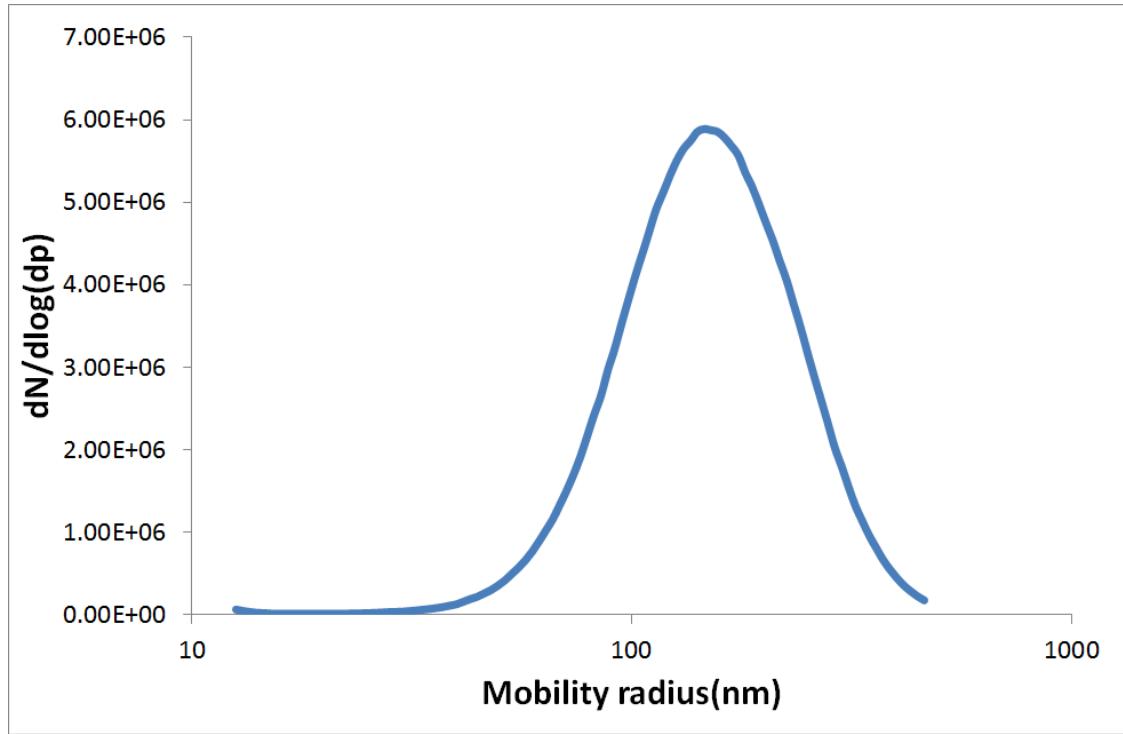


Experimental setup to study soot aggregate oxidative fragmentation



- Soot particle generation with a CAST
- Measurements with SMPS, TEM
- 2 different oxidants: 20% O₂ (oxA), 10% O₂ and 500 ppm NO₂ (oxB)

Inlet Soot Aggregate Size Distribution (CAST)

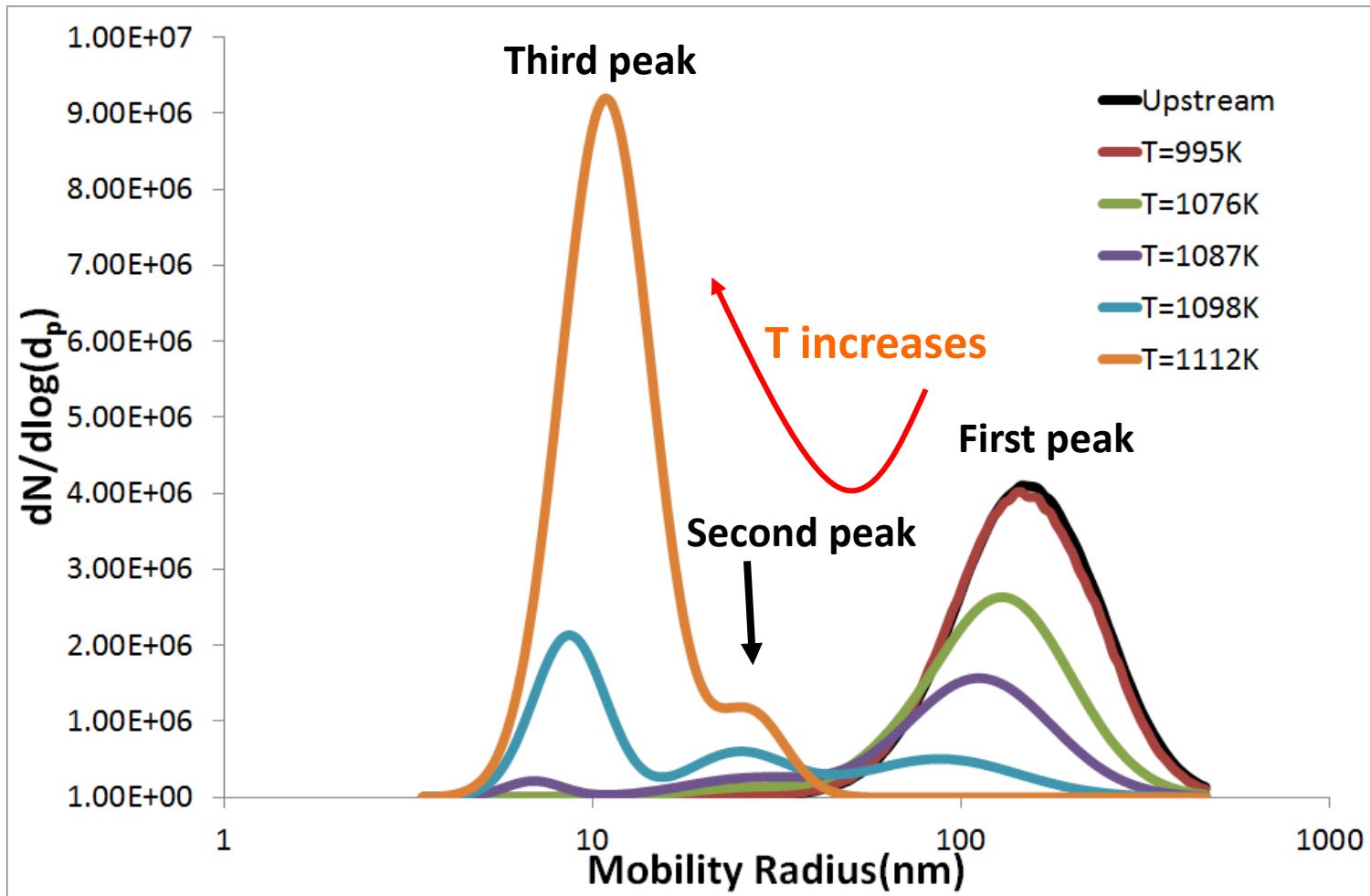


- Soot aggregates with a unimodal, stable, and repeatable size distribution
- No SOF is contained



Size distribution (oxA)

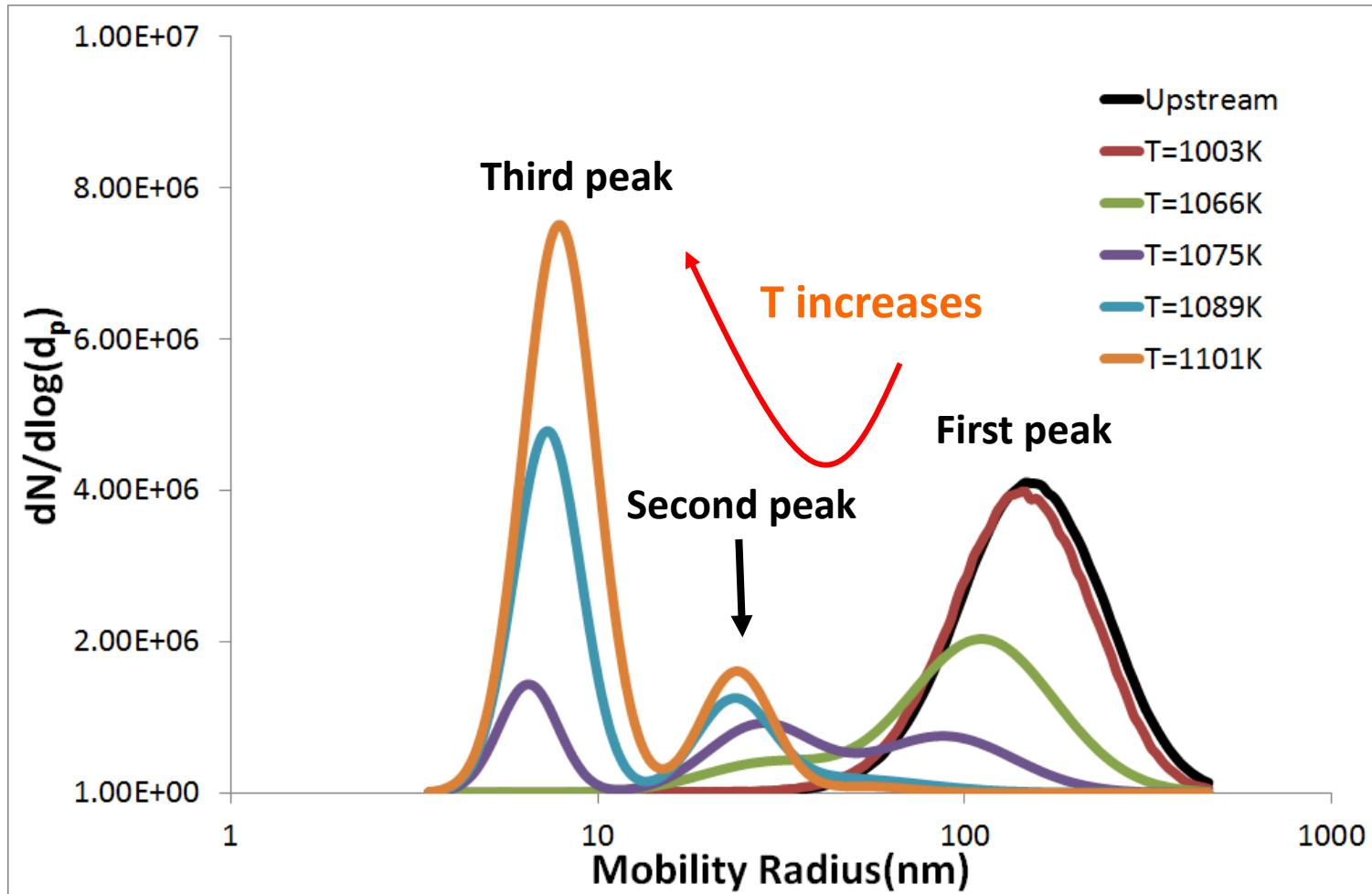
O₂ oxidation



- A second and a third peak are observed at 25nm and 7-11nm respectively as temperature is increased

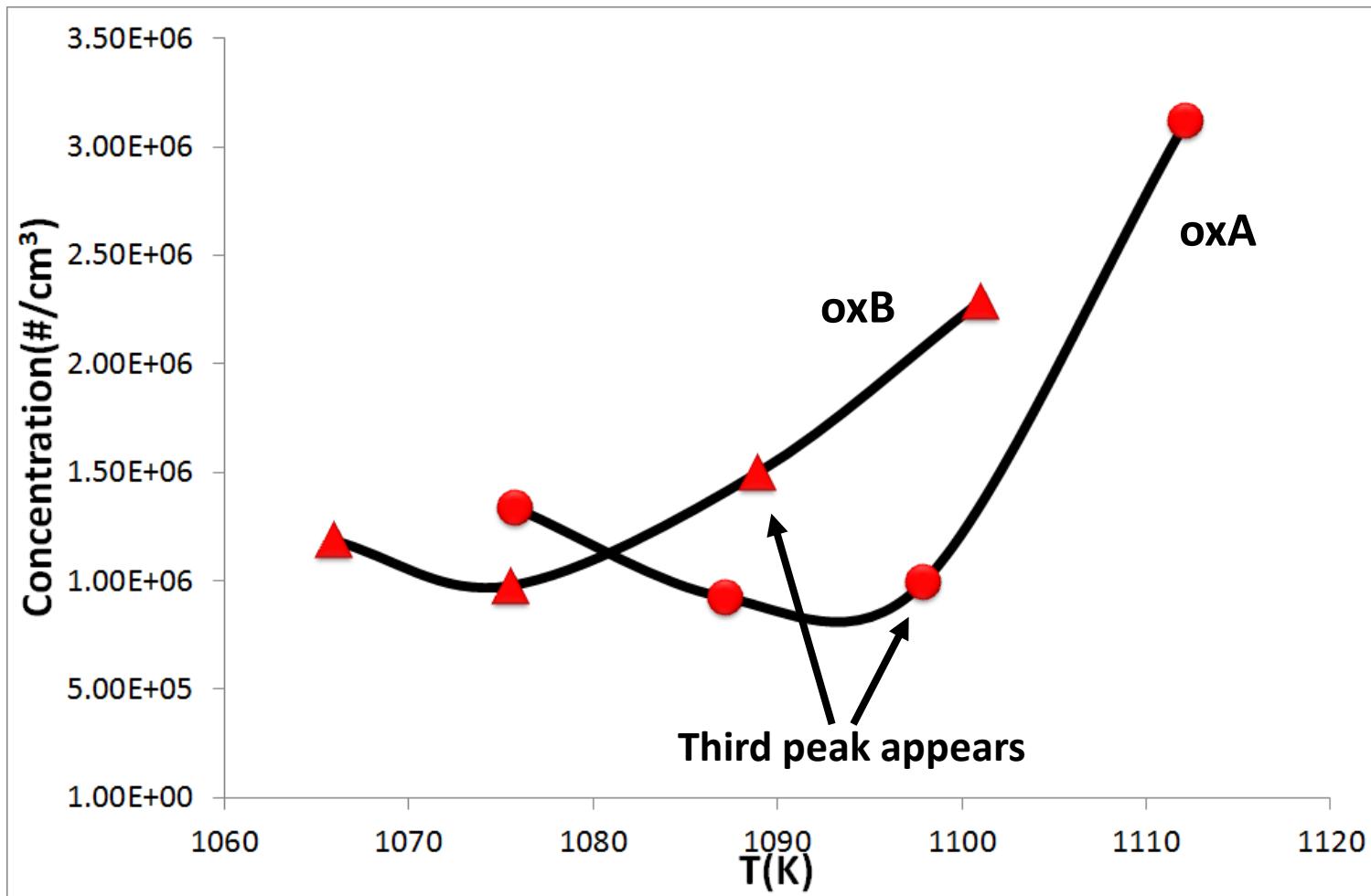
Size distribution (oxB)

$\text{O}_2 + \text{NO}_2$ oxidation



- The size distribution is similar with oxA but the temperatures that the phenomenon occurs are smaller

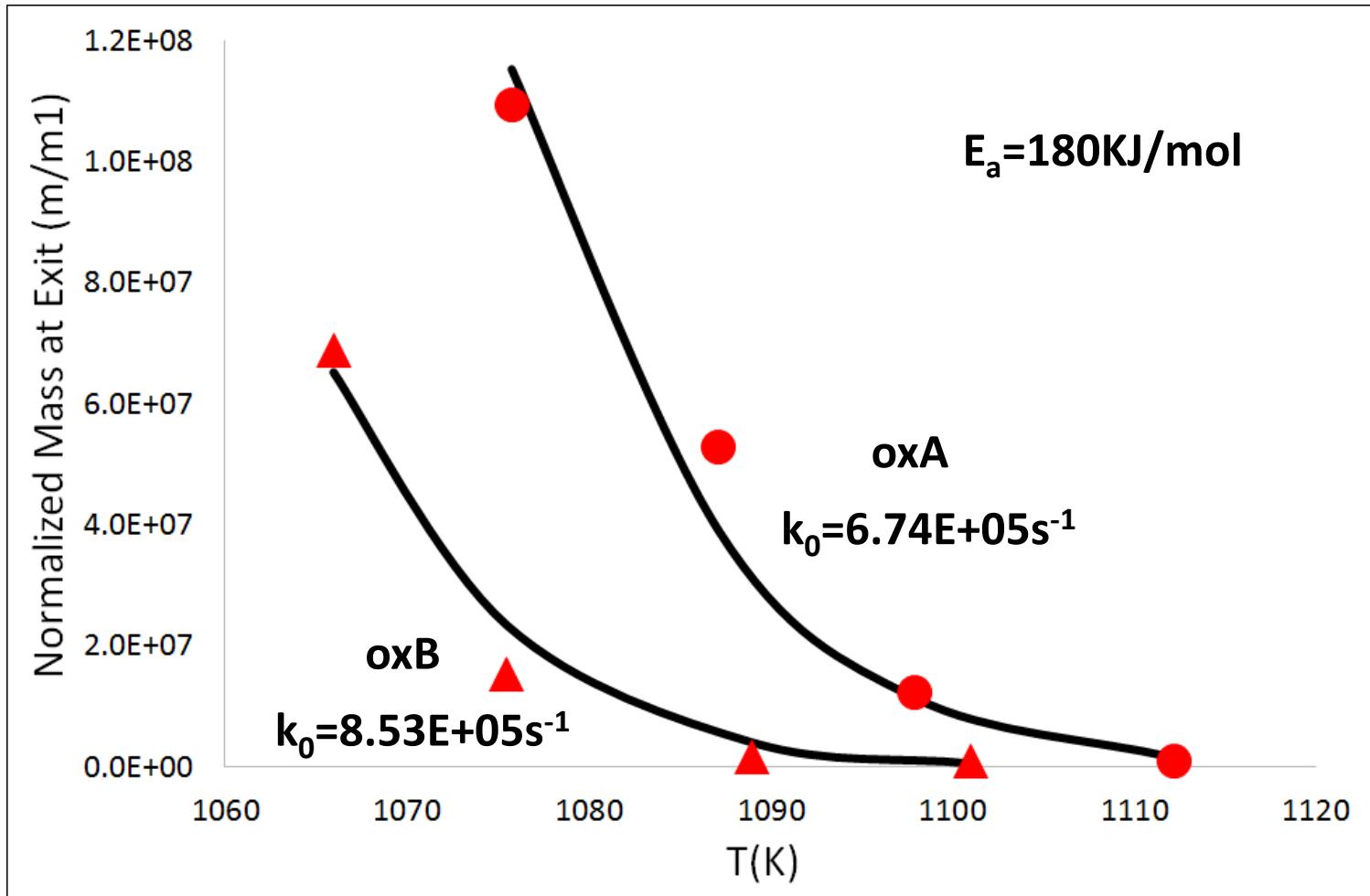
Number concentration



- When the third peak appears, the number concentration starts increasing for both oxA and oxB showing that fragmentation occurs



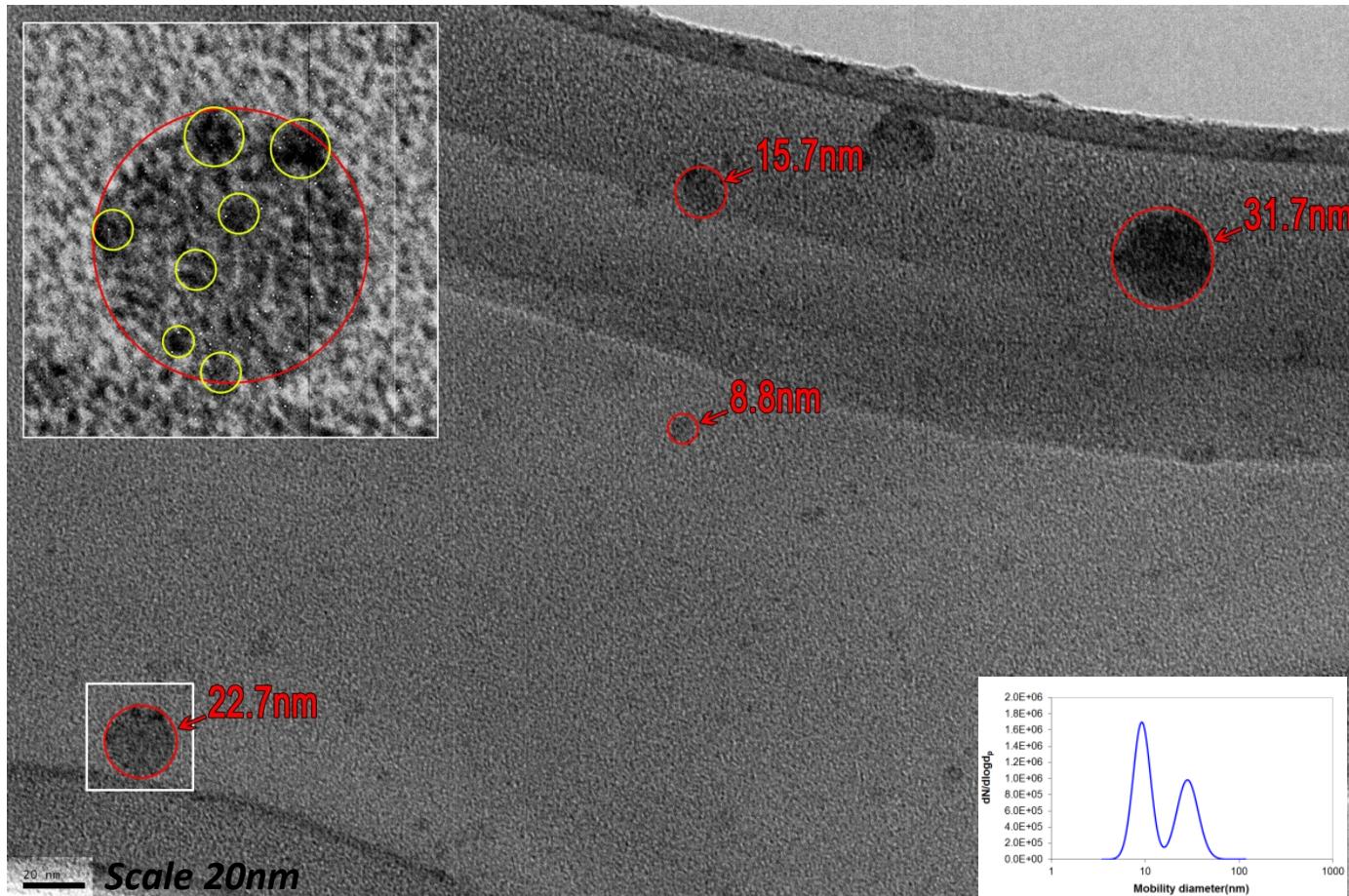
Activation Energy



- The pre-exponential factor is 27% larger for oxB



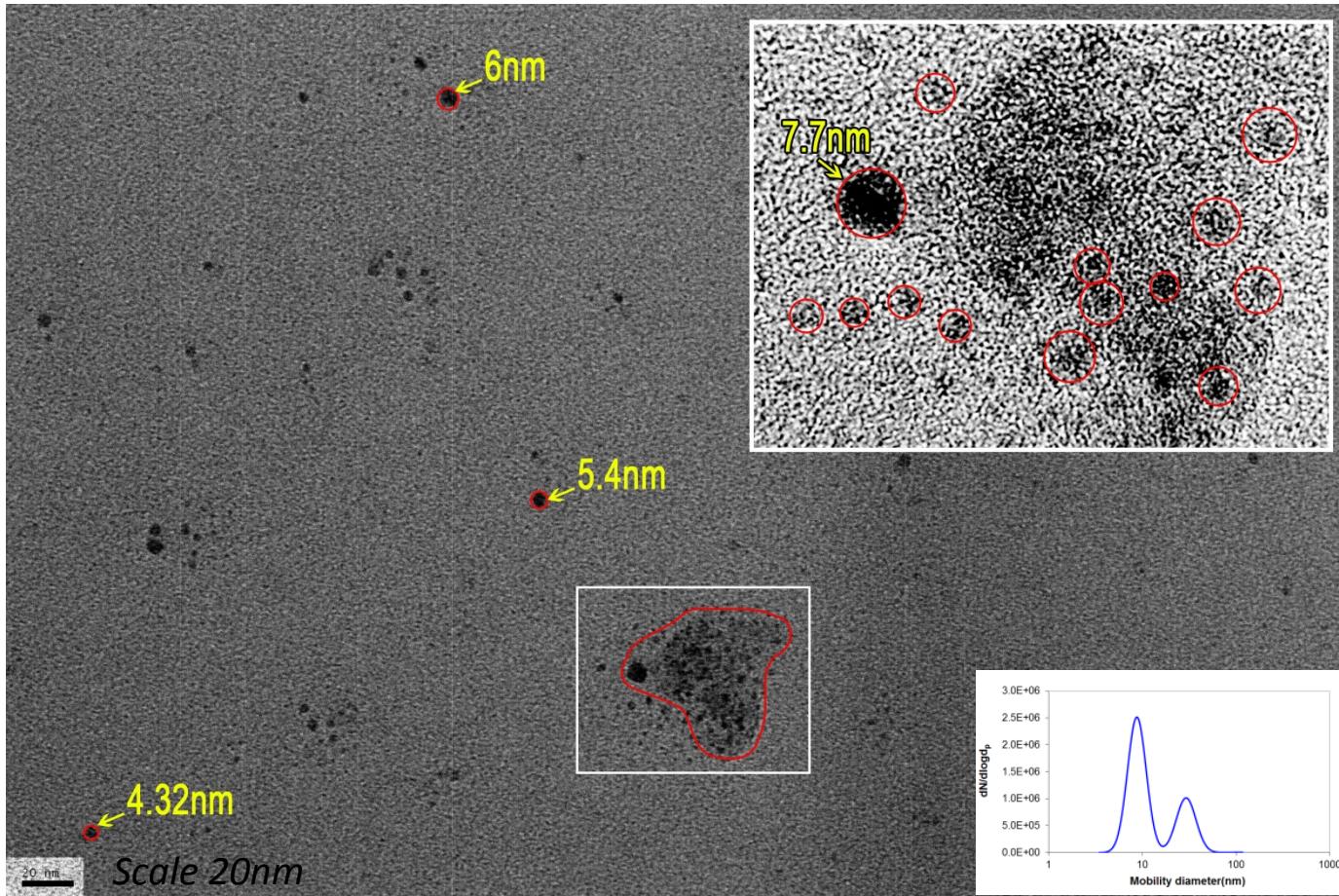
TEM Images-oxA



- Particles with $d=7\text{-}11\text{nm}$ appear that correspond to the third peak
- Larger spherical particles with $d\sim25\text{nm}$ that correspond to the second peak with an internal mass distribution



TEM Images-oxB

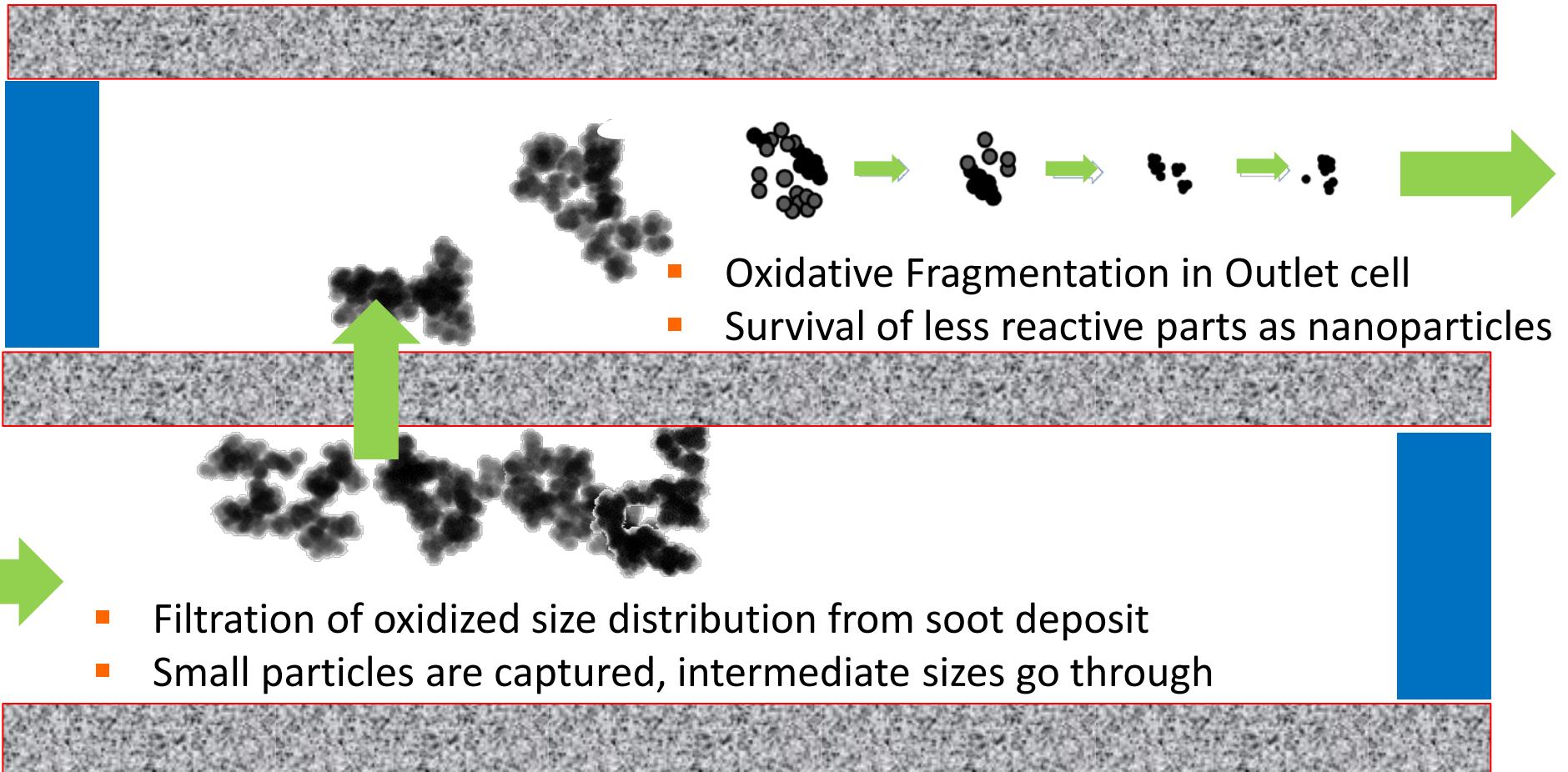


- Similar to oxA particles with $d=7-11\text{nm}$ appear that correspond to the third peak
- Larger particles with $d \sim 25\text{nm}$ are not all spherical



Mechanism of Solid nanoparticle emissions during Regeneration

Convolution of (Residence Time Distribution(Oxidation of Oligomer*(Oxidative Fragmentation of Aggregate*(Filtration*(Oxidative Fragmentation of Deposit))))*





Conclusions

- Soot deposit structure in the “fresh” state depends on the Pe under which deposition occurred.
- Deposition simulations employing aggregate particle morphologies and microflow computations have the potential to reproduce what is observed in the experiments.
- Soot aggregates are oxidized by a percolative fragmentation mechanism acting at the necks. Oxidation of the resulting (oligomer) fragments occurs in two steps, first of the more reactive part, releasing a multitude of nanoparticles around 9 nm.
- Solid nanoparticles emitted during regeneration of DPFs are generated by the in-flight percolative fragmentation of aggregates that are able to pass through the wall (the more penetrating size) according to filtration theory. On going work models the convoluted PSD and incorporates the mechanism into DPF simulators.

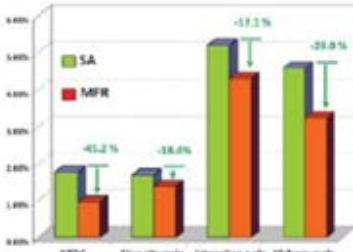


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