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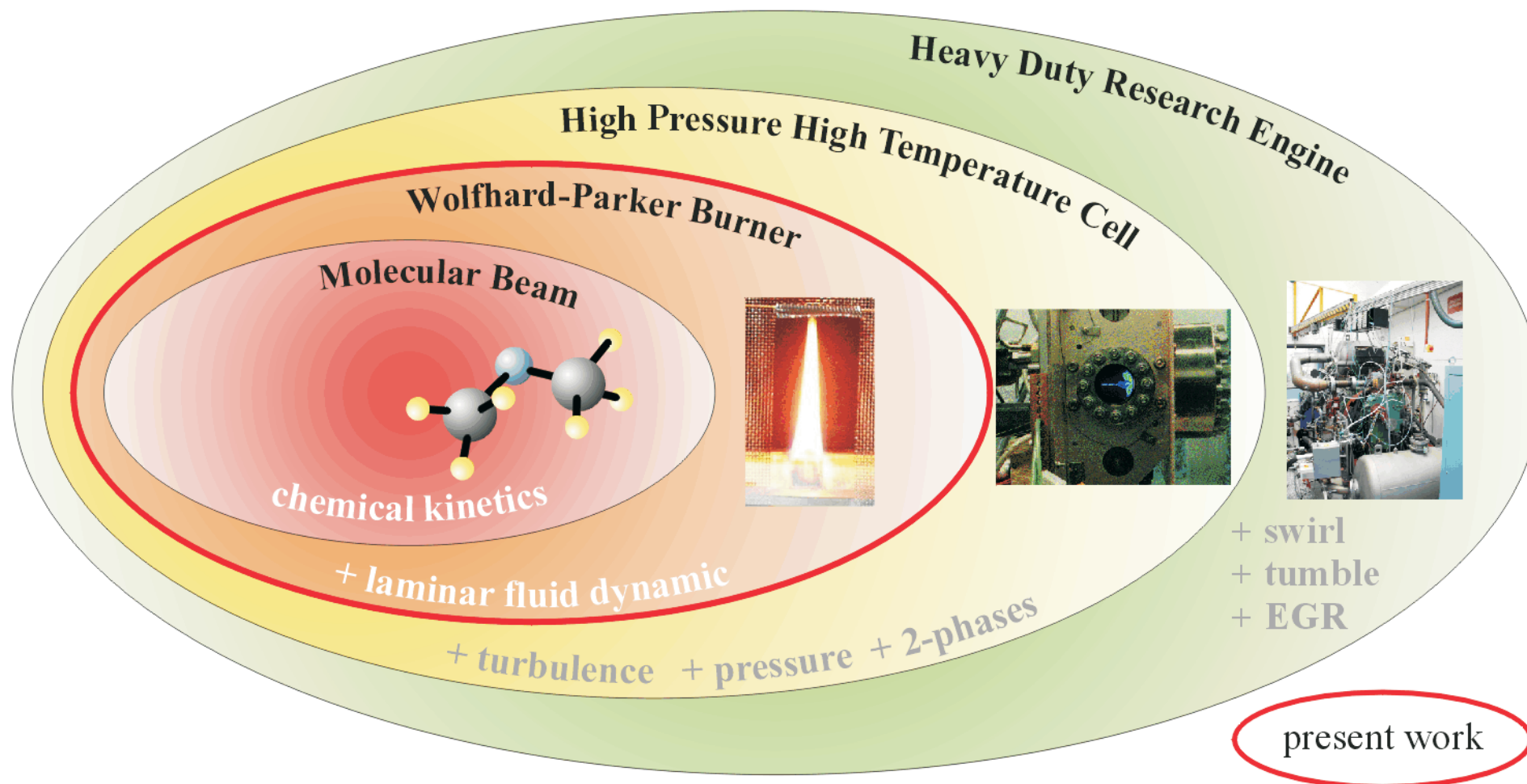
Motivation

- insight into the the soot problematic as well as *better understanding of the underlying mechanisms*
- investigation of the influence of oxygenated fuels on the soot production and oxidation
- basic work with the pretension of at least partially transferability on Diesel combustion

Framework of soot research LVV/PSI

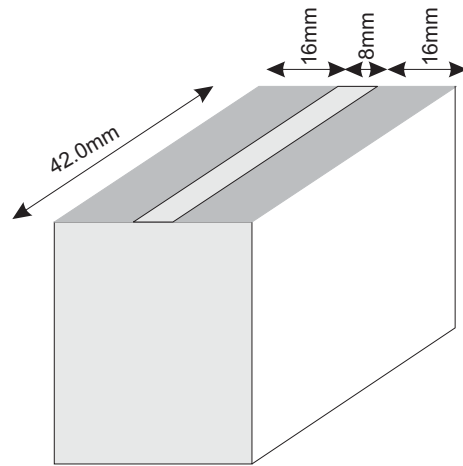
fundamental research

engine application



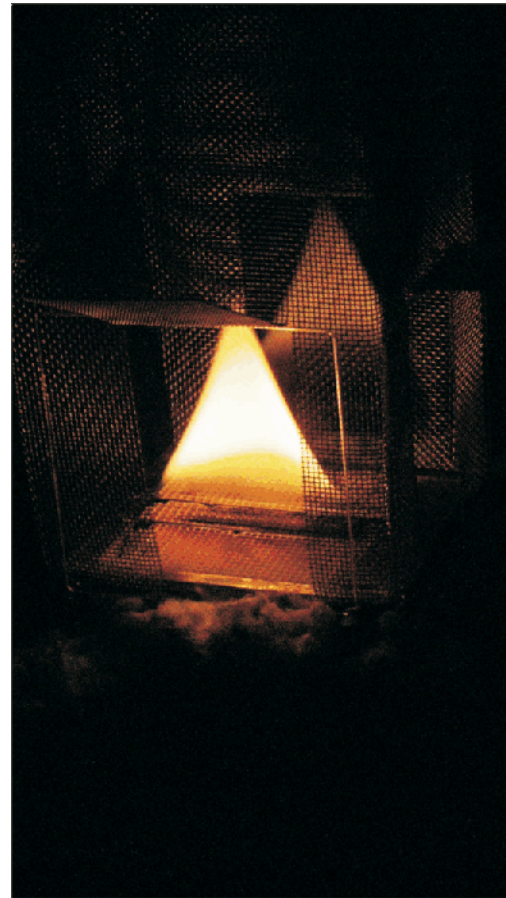
Overventilated laminar diffusion flame

Wolfhard-Parker burner



$\dot{V}_{\text{Luft}} = 15 \text{ l}_n/\text{min}$
 $\dot{V}_{\text{Bst}} = 0.128 \text{ l}_n/\text{min}$

$\dot{V}_{\text{N}_2} = 0.000 \text{ l}_n/\text{min}$	$X_{\text{fuel}} = 1.00$
0.043 l_n/min	0.75
0.128 l_n/min	0.50
0.2 l_n/min	0.39
0.3 l_n/min	0.30
0.4 l_n/min	0.24
0.5 l_n/min	0.20
0.6 l_n/min	0.18
0.7 l_n/min	0.15



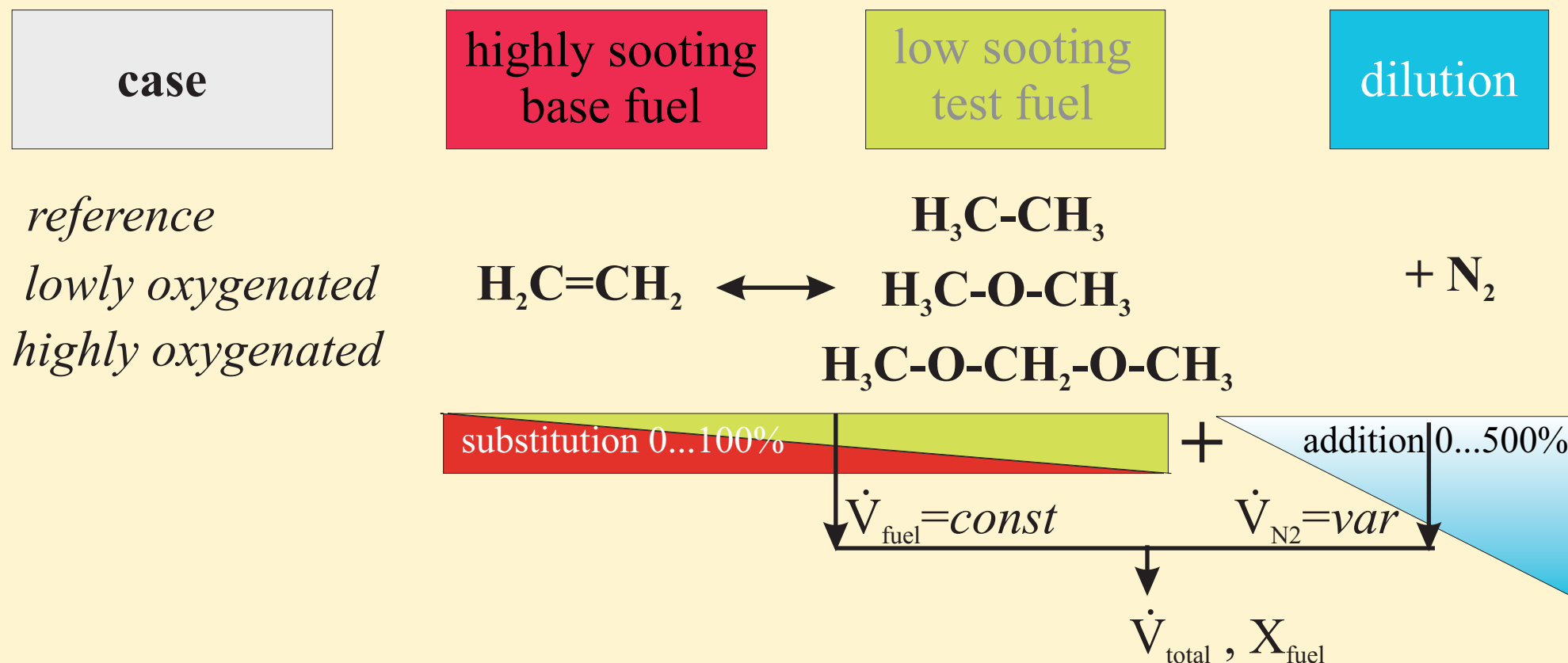
side view



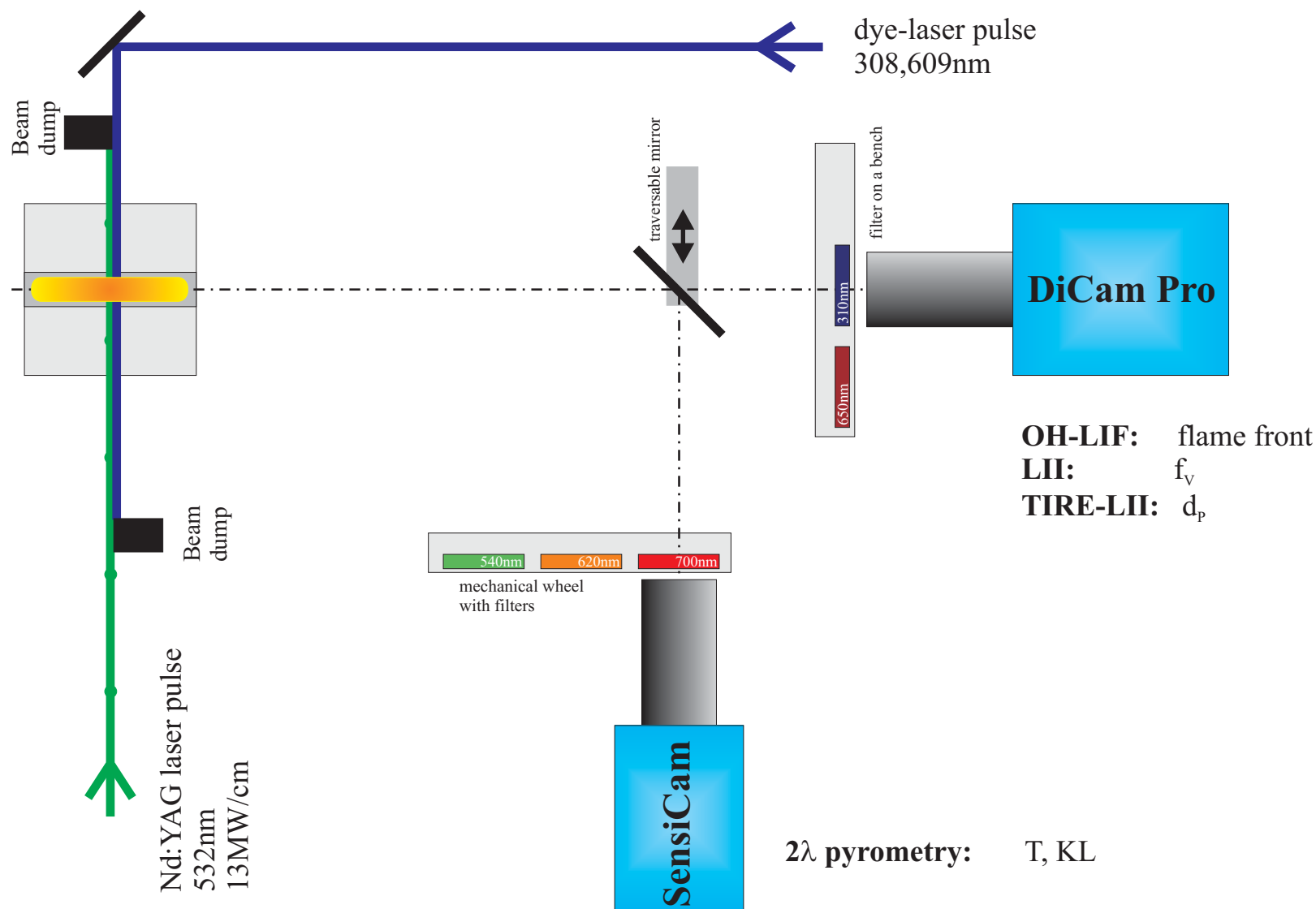
front view

Choice of fuel

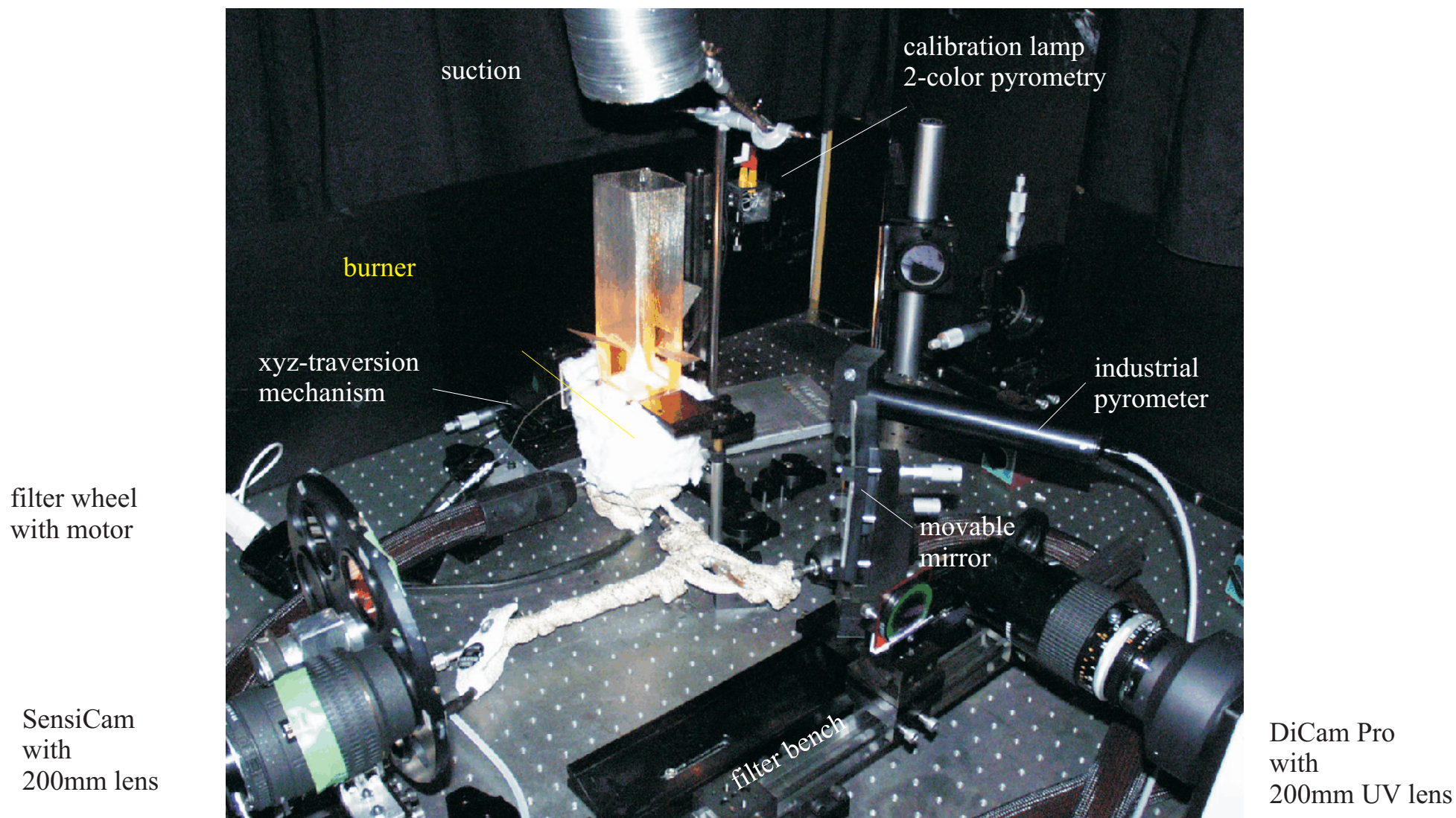
- Criteria:
- aliphatic
 - near 2 "C"-atoms per molecule
 - comparable adiabatic flame temperatures



Experimental set-up / measuring techniques

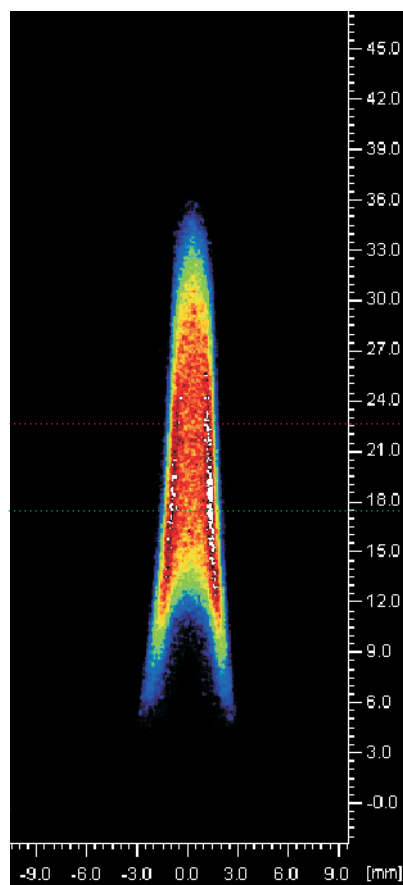


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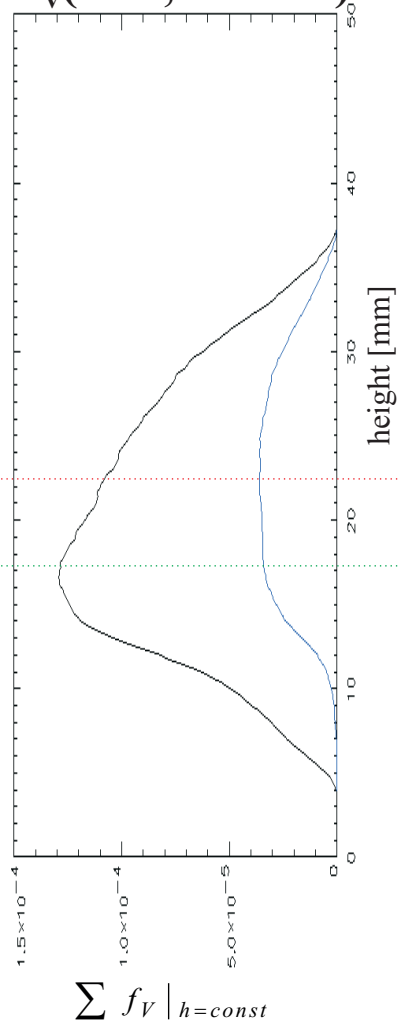


Results: evaluation strategy

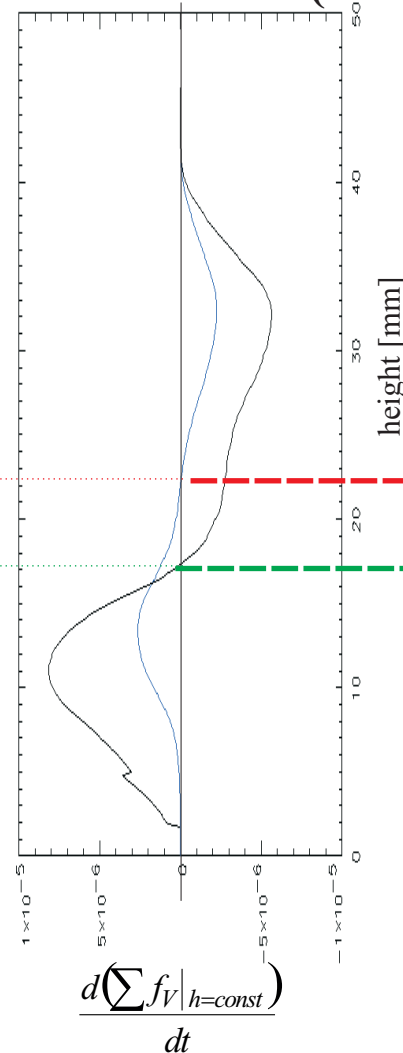
LII -> $f_v(2-D)$



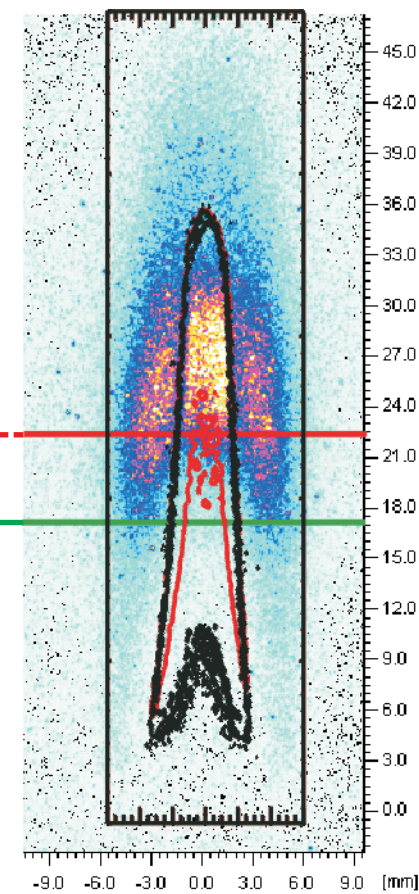
$f_v(\text{sum}, h=\text{const})$



differentiation (time)



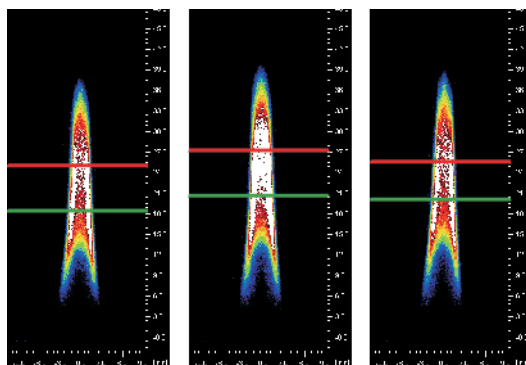
OH-LIF



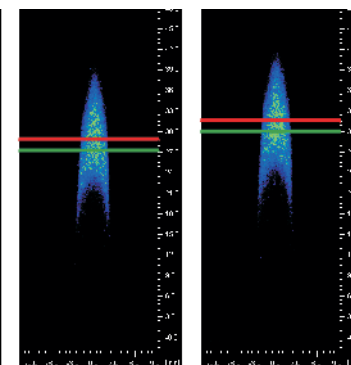
— total flame
— flame axis

Results: LII global flame

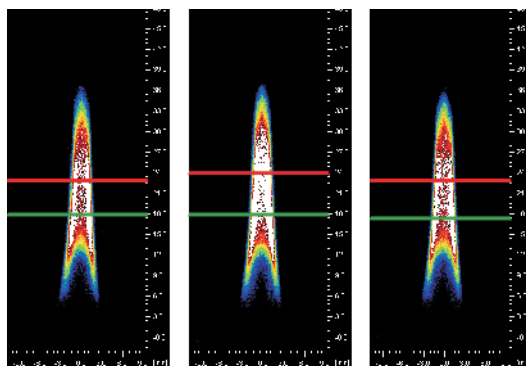
Ethylene



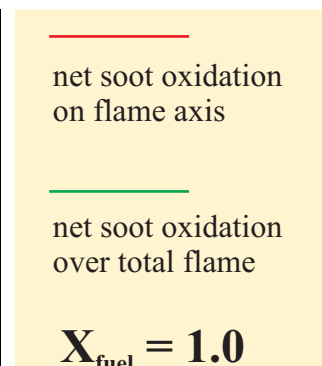
Ethane



Ethylene



DME



net soot oxidation
on flame axis

net soot oxidation
over total flame

$X_{\text{fuel}} = 1.0$

0%

10%

20%

30%

40%

50%

60%

70%

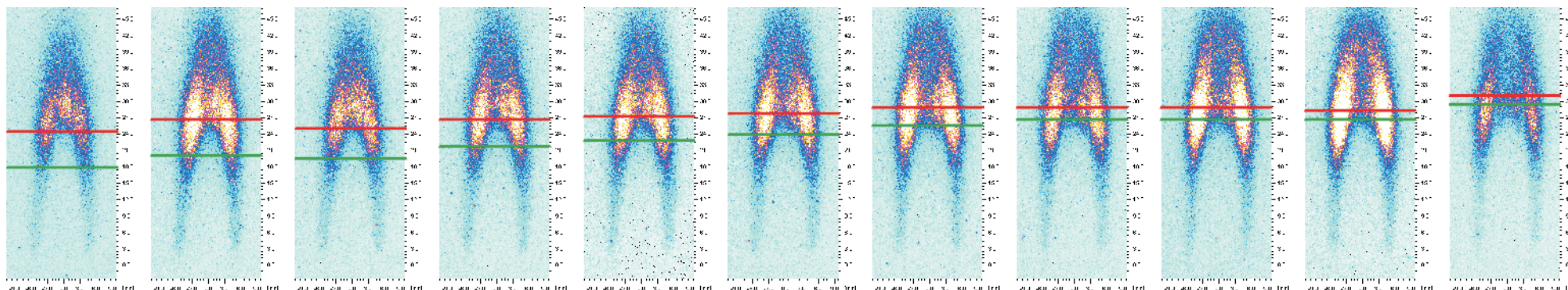
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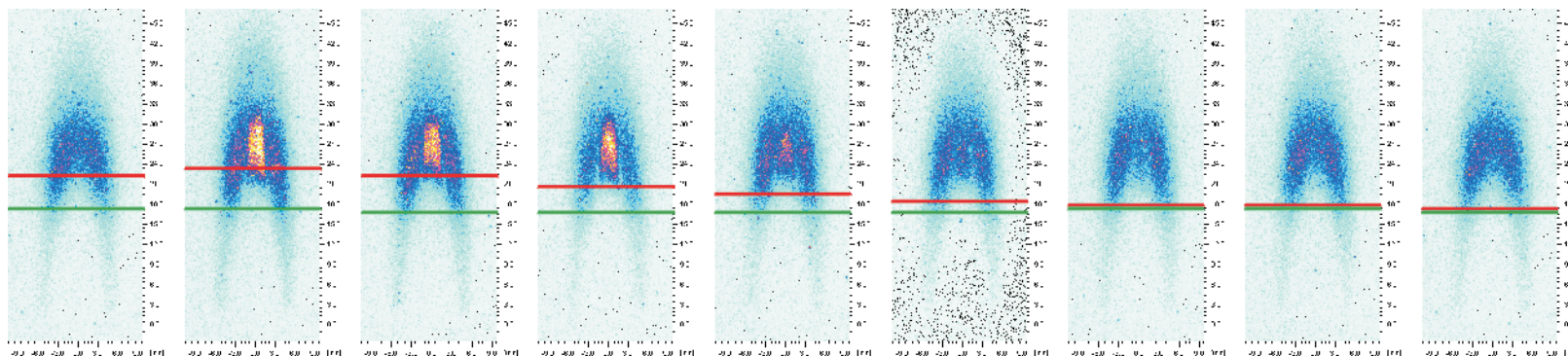
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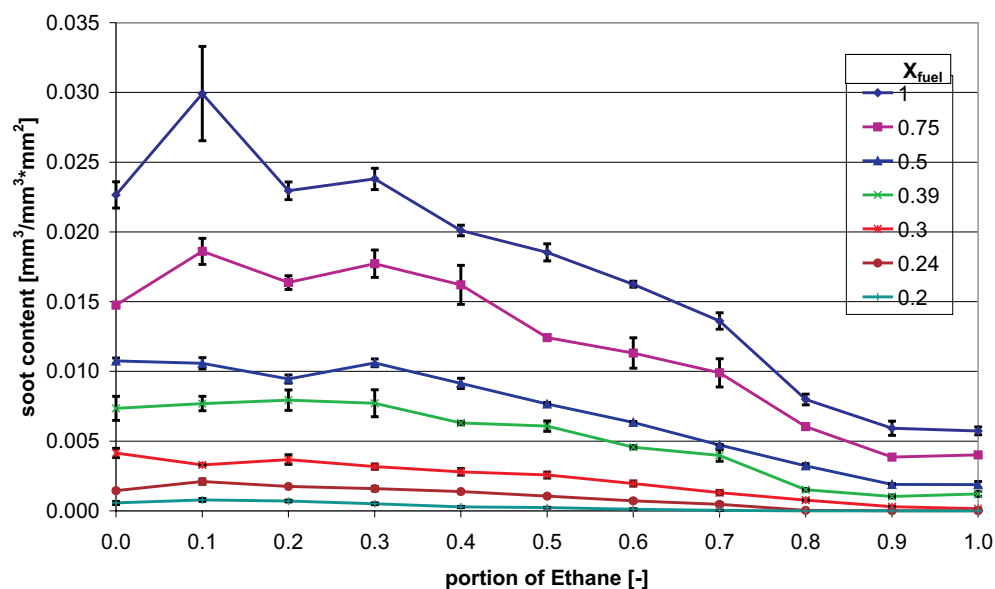
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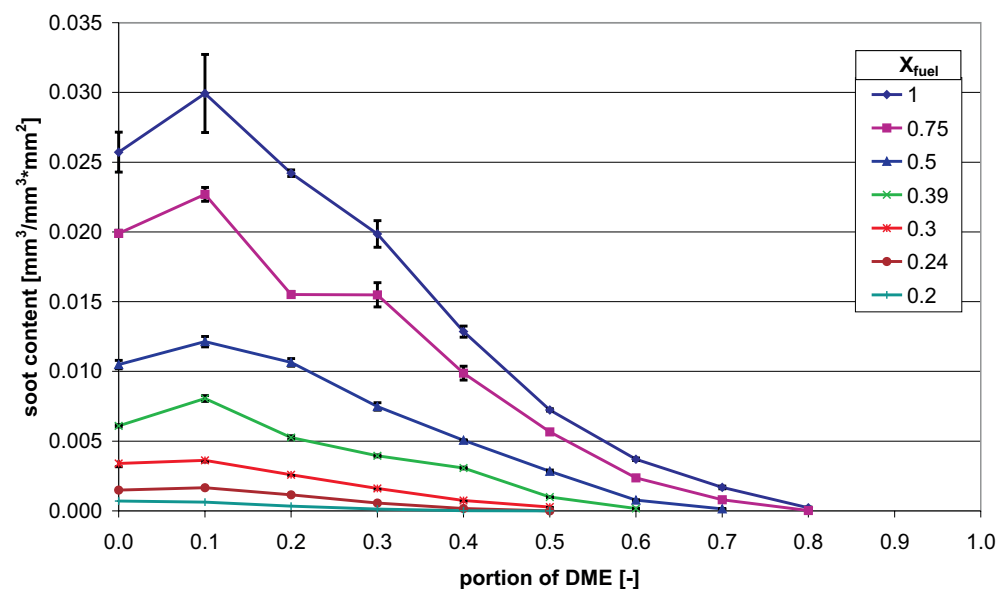
Results: soot content flames

Comparison of soot content within Ethylene/Ethane flame



Ethylene <-> Ethane

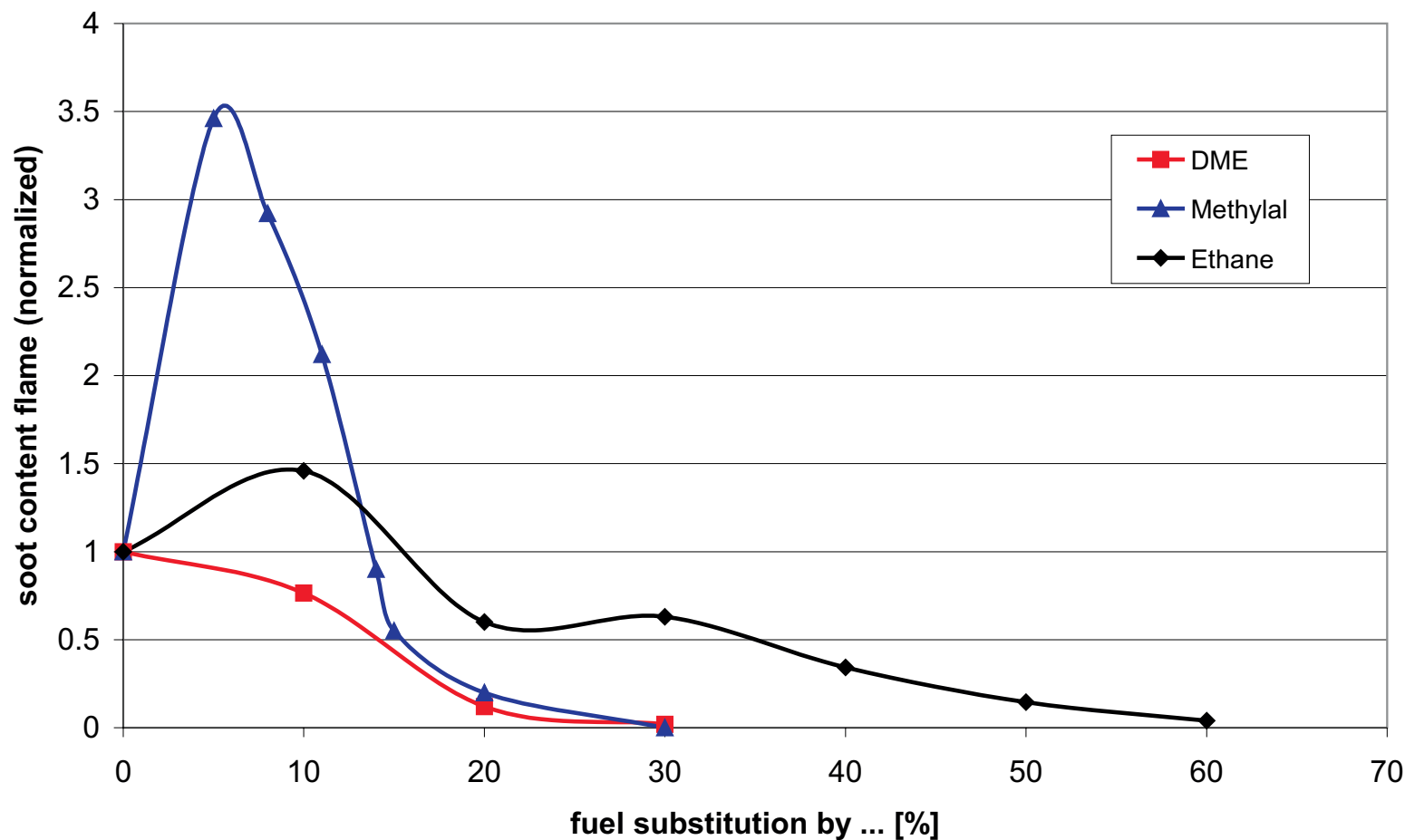
Comparison of soot content within ethylene/DME flame



Ethylene <-> DME

Results: soot reduction potential of oxygenated fuels

nitrogen diluted ethylene flame on a Wolfhard-Parker burner
($X_{\text{fuel}} = 0.176$)



Conclusions

- oxygenated fuels **can** -in small amounts- **increase** the soot production
- in **higher quantities**, oxygenated fuels **do reduce** the soot tendency
- oxygenated fuels show a clear **chemical influence** on the sooting behaviour of diffusion flames

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