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Nucleation Mode Particle Emissions from In-use Heavy Duty Vehicles Equipped with DPF and SCR Retrofits

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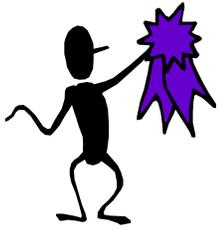
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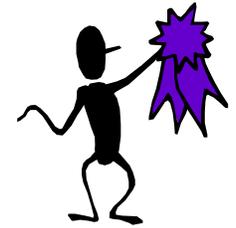
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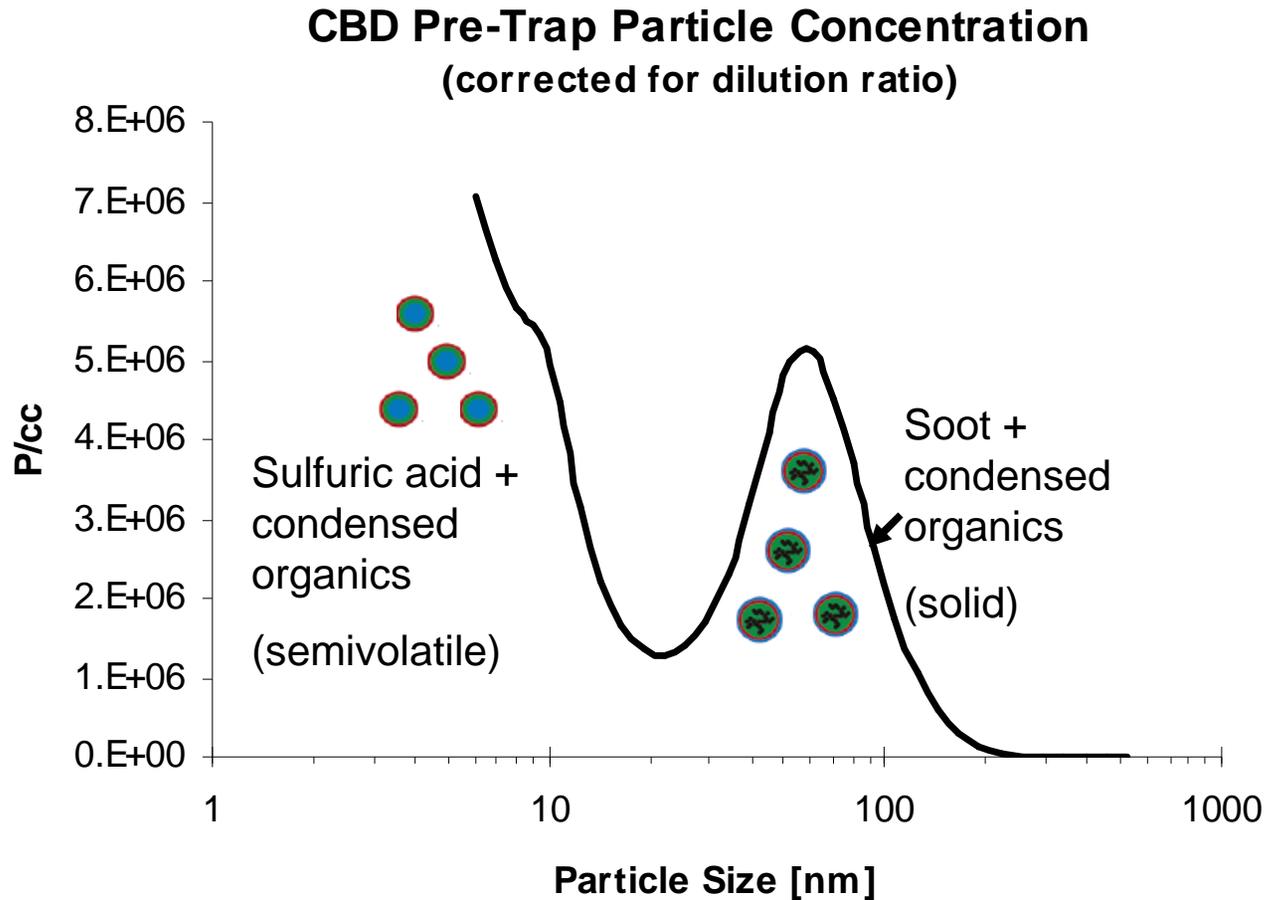
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Diesel Particulate Matter Emissions



- Within the ultrafine range two modes exist in diesel emissions
 1. Solid soot particles in the accumulation mode.
 2. Semivolatile nucleation mode (nanoparticles)

Experimental Setup

CARB Heavy-duty Diesel Emissions Test Laboratory



- Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel (7ppm)

- CVS - Dilution Tunnel

- Real time particle measurements:

EEPS, DMS500, SMPS, CPC's, DC, PAS

- Cycles:

Cruise at 50mph, UDDSx2, Idle (**only cruise discussed here**)

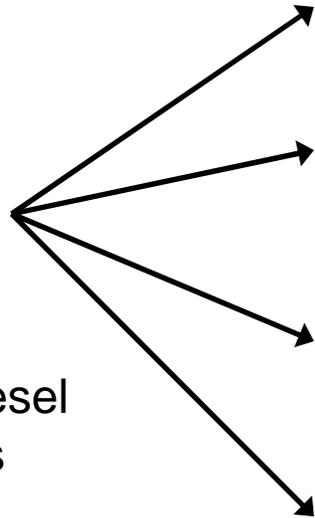
Test Matrix - 1/2

4 vehicles, 8 configurations

Veh#1

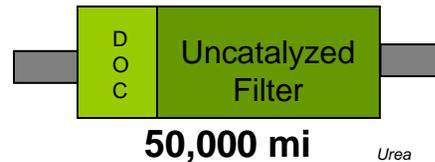


1998 Cummins Diesel
11L, 360,000 miles

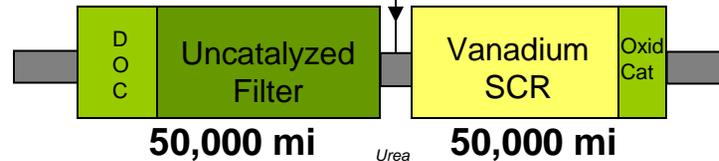


No Aftertreatment - Baseline

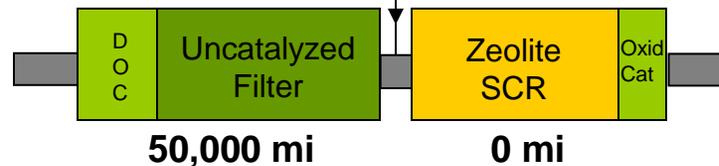
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Baseline



Veh#1
CRT1®



Veh#1
V-SCRT®*



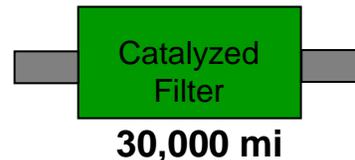
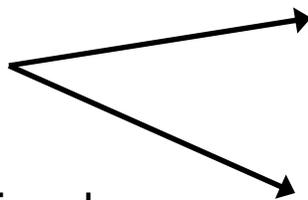
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Z-SCRT®*

* SCRT® systems used in this project are development prototypes not commercial units.

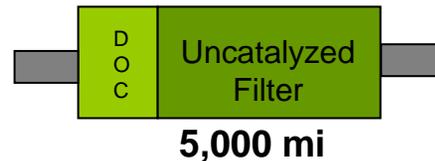
Veh#2



1999 International Diesel
7.6L, 40,000 miles



Veh#2
DPX

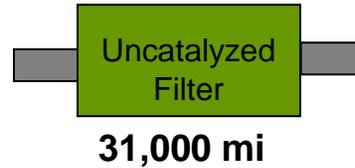


Veh#2
CRT2®

Test Matrix - 2/2

4 vehicles, 8 configurations

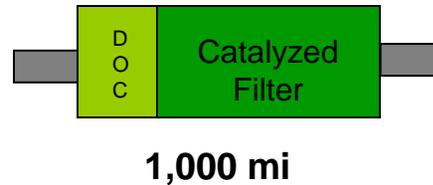
Veh#3



Veh#3
Horizon

2003 Cummins Diesel
5.9L, 50,000 miles

Veh#4

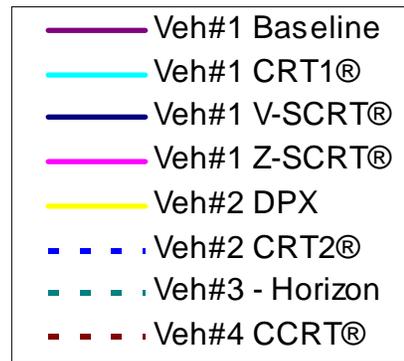
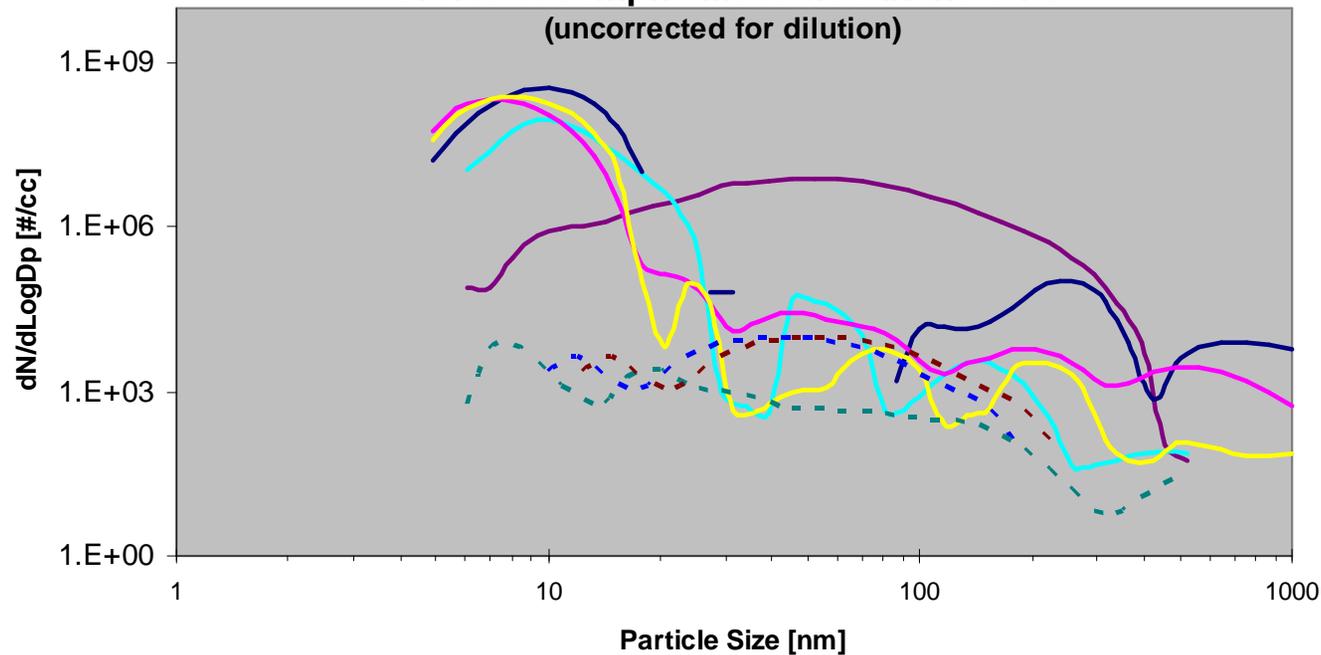


Veh#4
CCRT®

2006 Cummins Diesel
w/ Allison Hybrid drive
5.9L, 1,000 miles

Average Size Distribution

Average Size Distribution
Cruise at 50mph - Measured in the CVS
 (uncorrected for dilution)



Accumulation mode seen in:
 Veh#1 Baseline

nucleation mode seen in:
 Veh#1 CRT1®
 Veh#1 V-SCRT®
 Veh#1 Z-SCRT®
 Veh#2 DPX

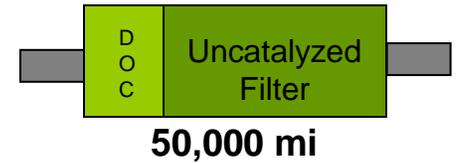
No nucleation mode in
 Veh#1 Baseline
 Veh#2 CRT2®
 Veh#3 Horizon
 Veh#4 CCRT®

Real Time Size Distribution

in the dilution tunnel

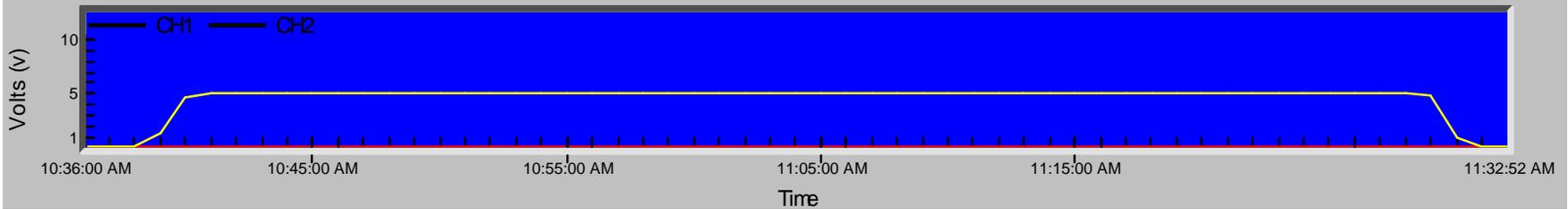
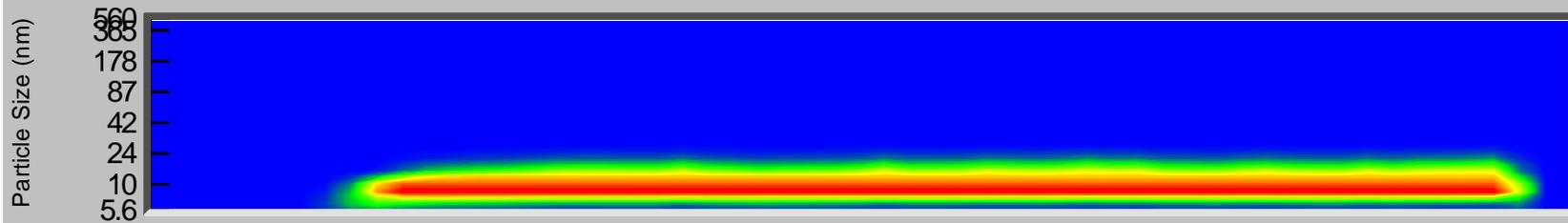


Veh#1 CRT1®



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Concentration (#/cm³)



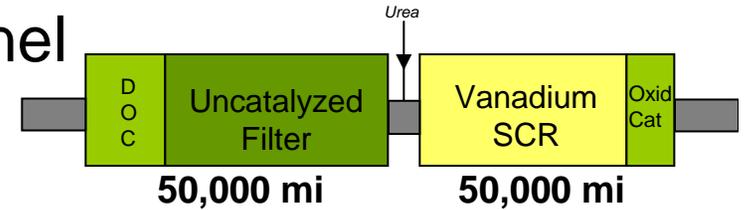
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Real Time Size Distribution

in the dilution tunnel

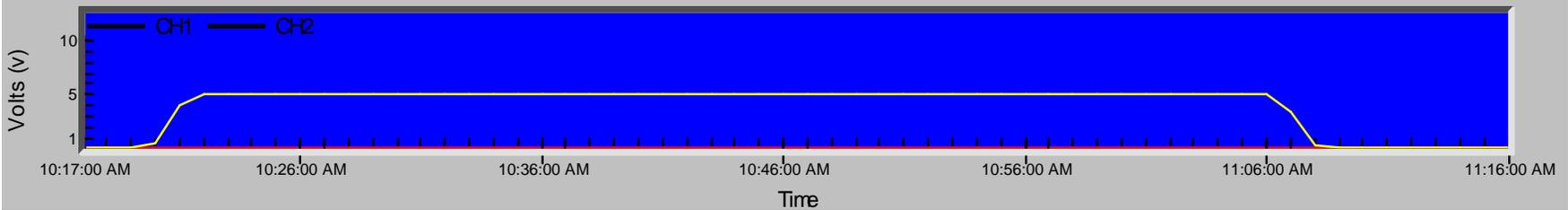
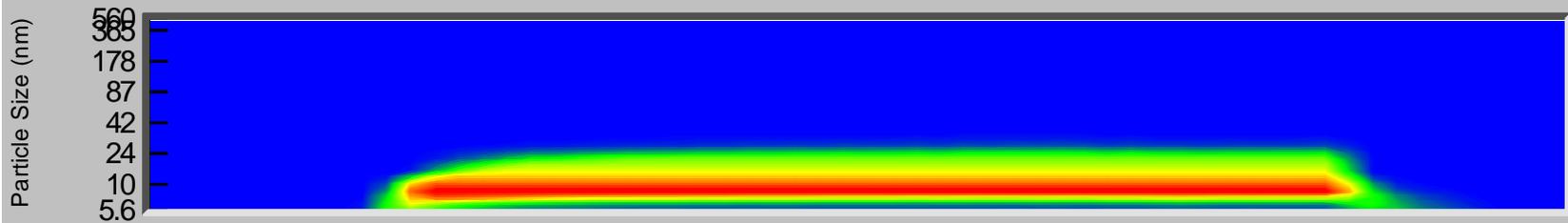


Veh#1 V-SCRT[®]



020207 EEPS Cruise2 CVS

Concentration (#/cm³)



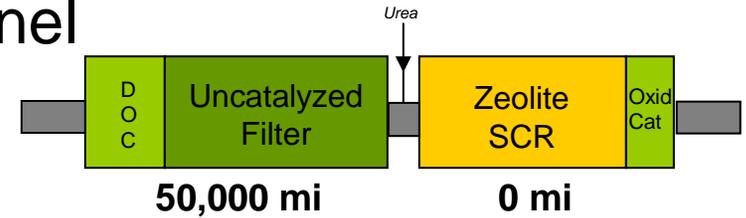
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Real Time Size Distribution

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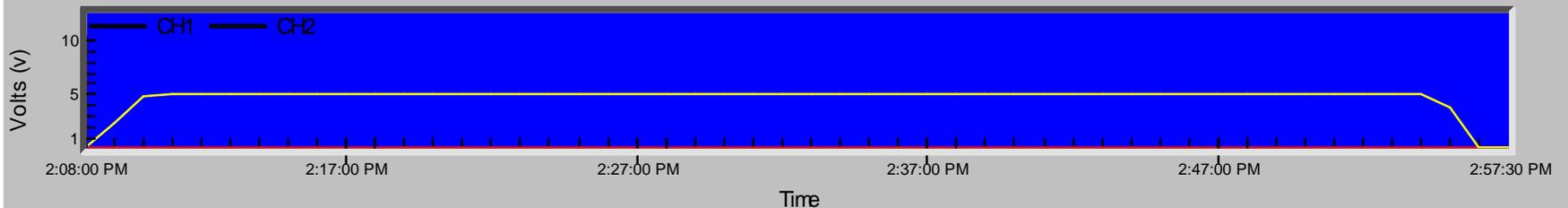
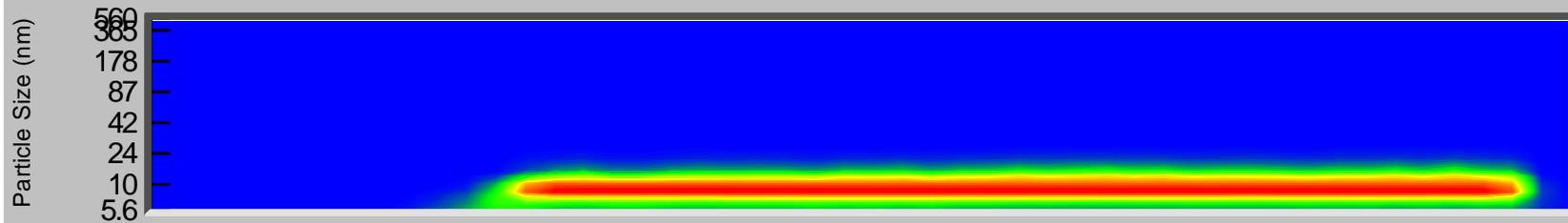


Veh#1 Z-SCRT®



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Concentration (#/cm³)



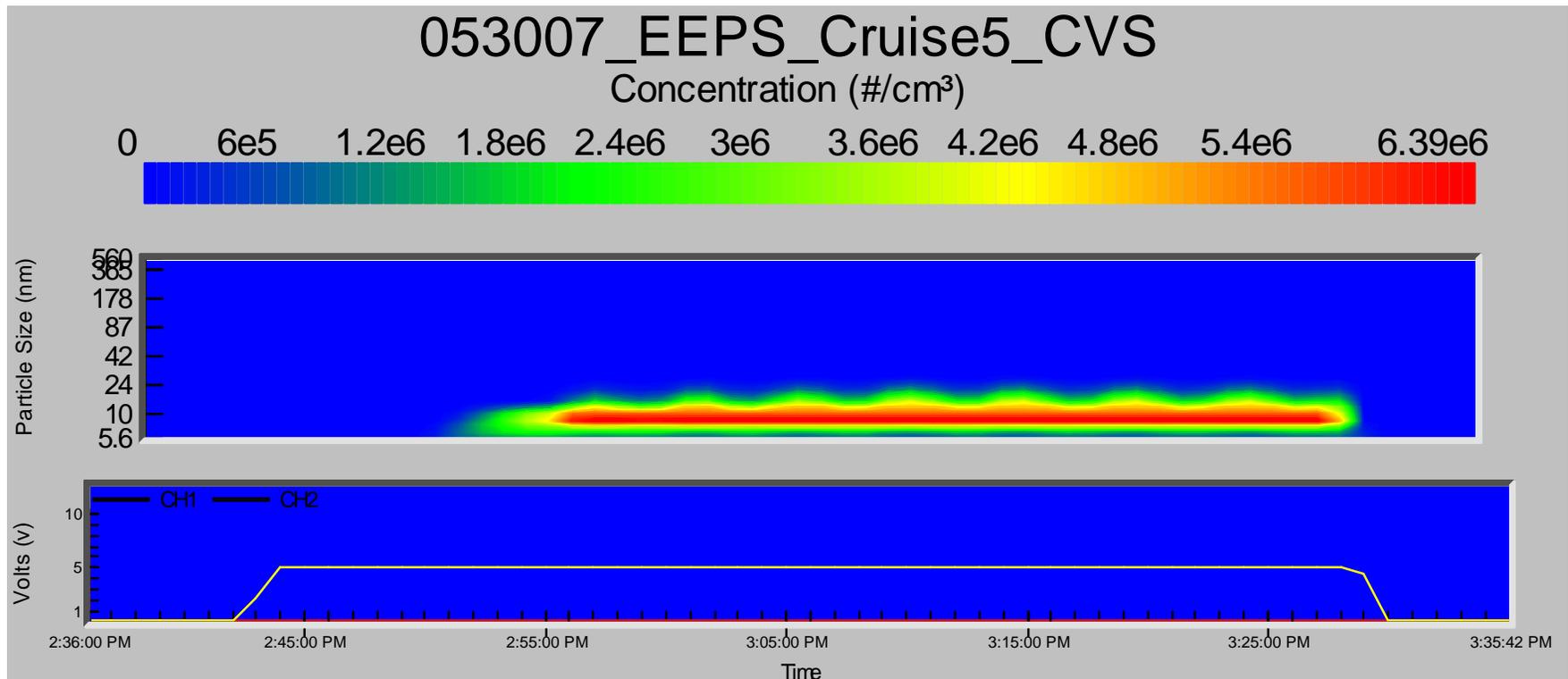
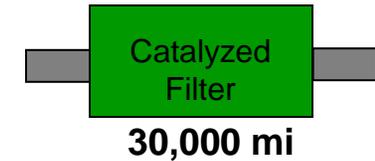
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Real Time Size Distribution

in the dilution tunnel

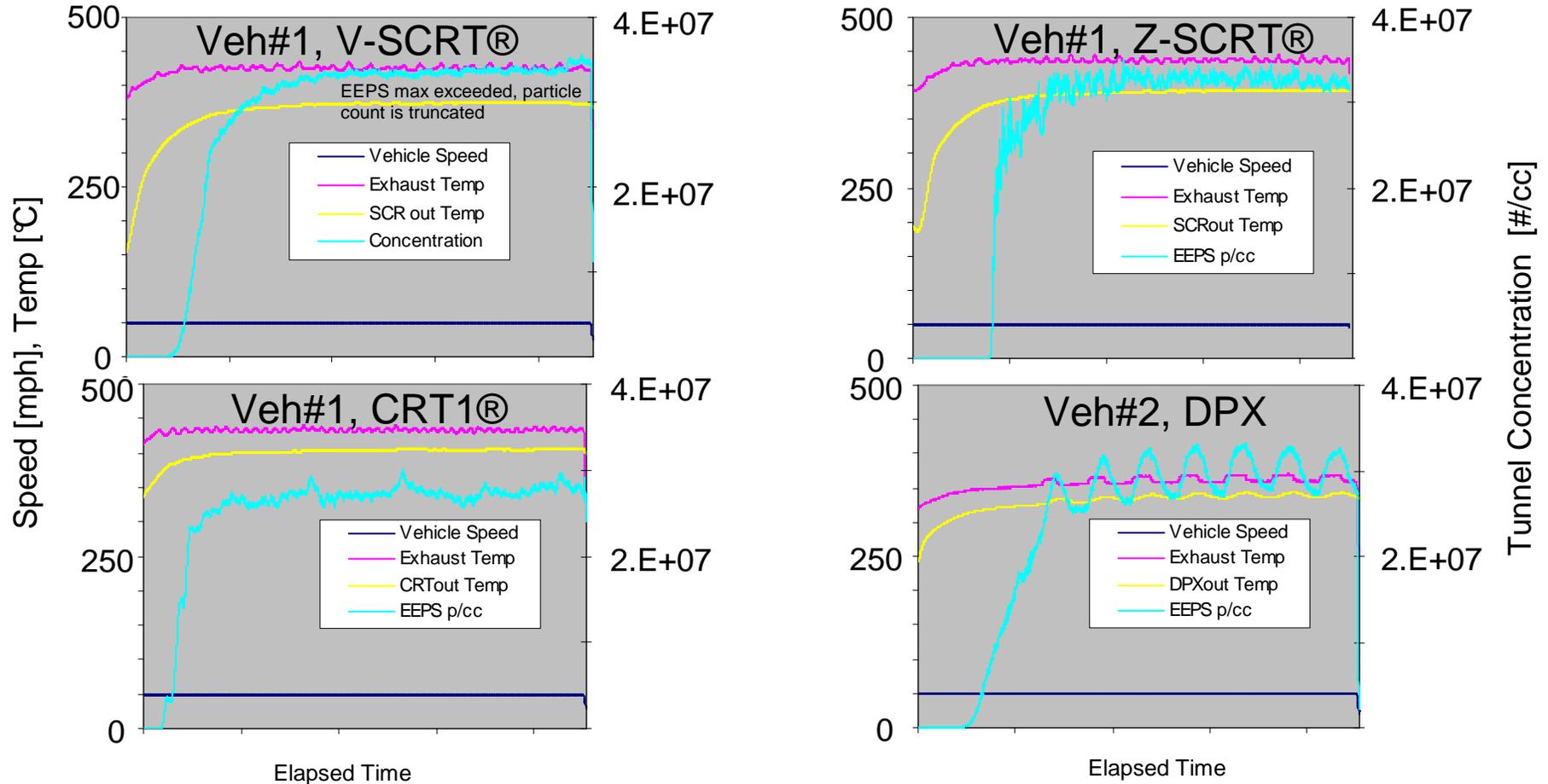


Veh#2 DPX



Nucleation mode starts 5-10 min after the cruise is started and remains unchanged until the cycle ends.

Nucleation is Temperature Dependent



Each configuration emits nucleation mode particles once the post-aftertreatment exhaust reaches a critical temperature:

$$T_{crit} \text{ Veh\#1, V-SCRT}^{\circledR} = 330^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$T_{crit} \text{ Veh\#1, CRT1}^{\circledR} = 373^{\circ}\text{C}$$

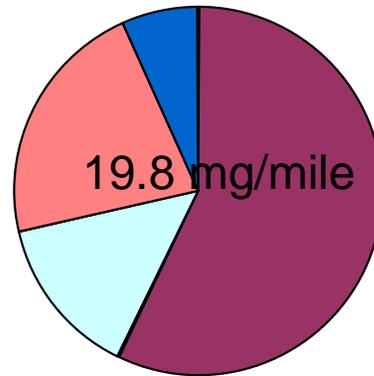
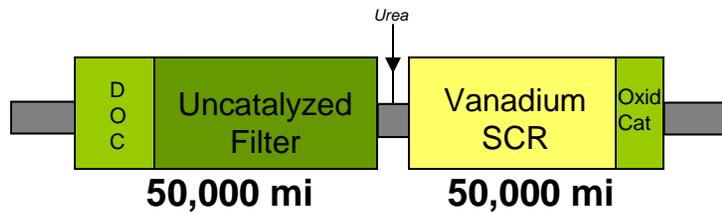
$$T_{crit} \text{ Veh\#1, Z-SCRT}^{\circledR} = 373^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$T_{crit} \text{ Veh\#2, DPX} = 315^{\circ}\text{C}$$

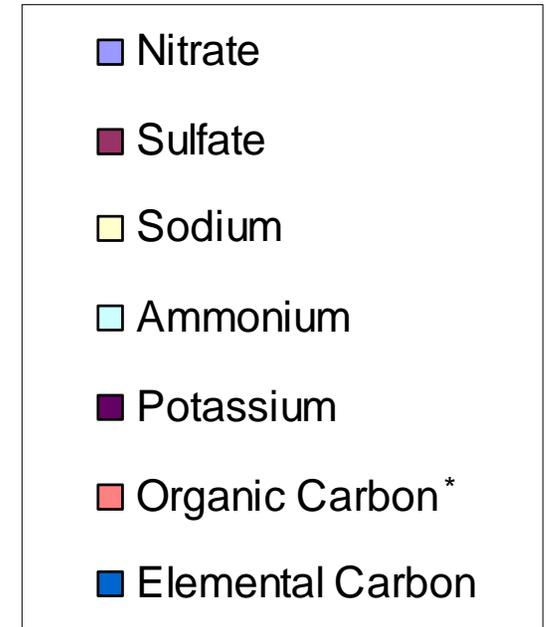
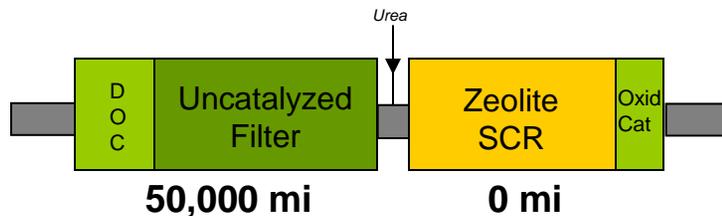
Chemical Composition of PM

Cruise cycle

Veh#1, V-SCRT®



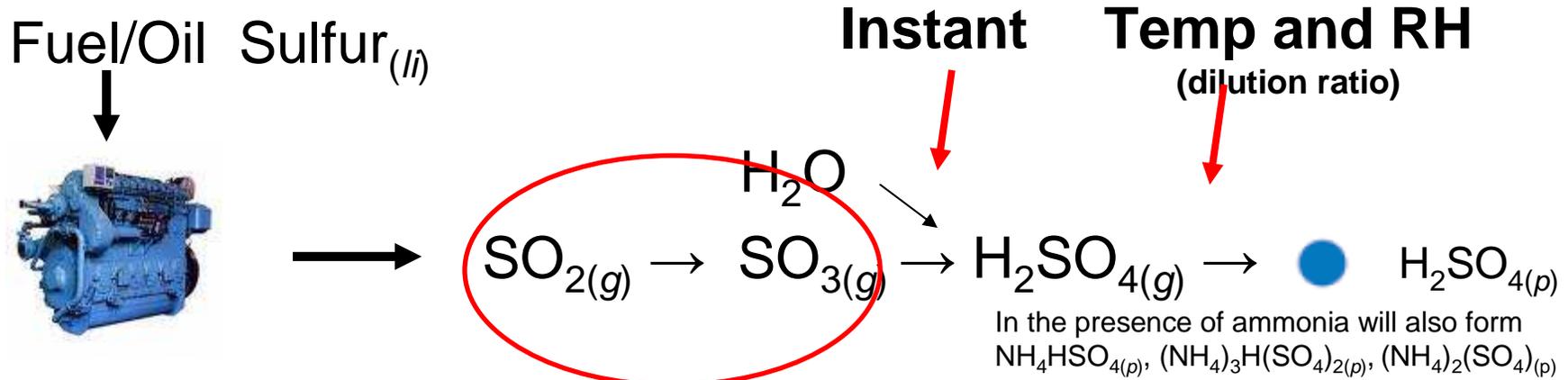
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* No correction for gas-phase adsorption or oxygen/hydrogen species

40-60% of PM is Sulfate

Sulfur in Combustion



Limiting Step in nucleation...

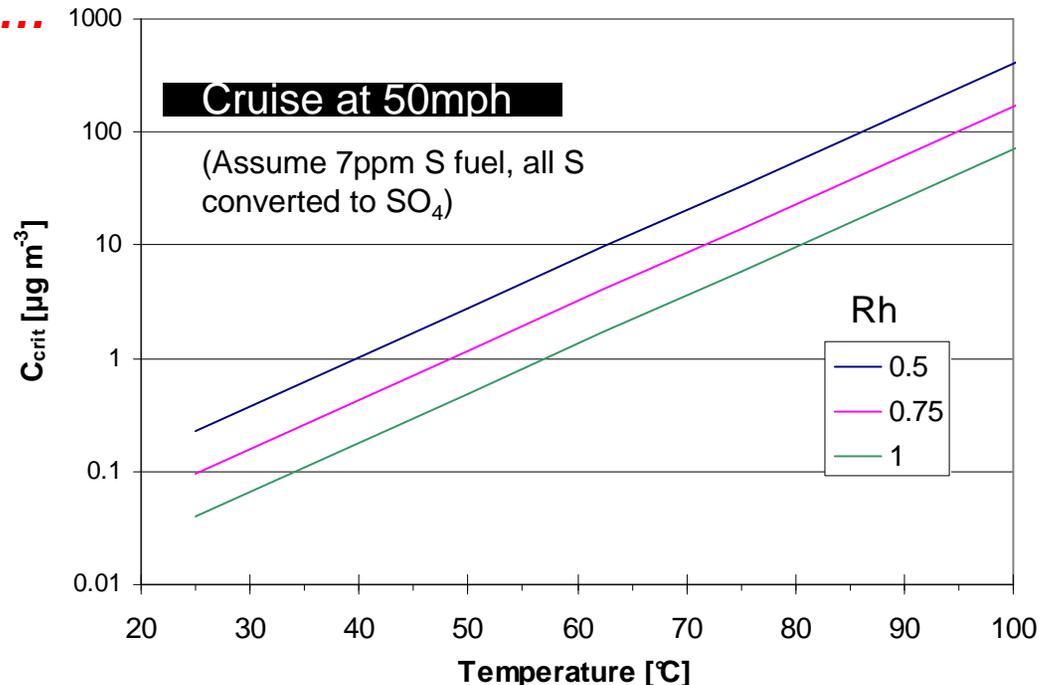
$$C_{\text{crit}} = 0.16 \exp(0.1T - 3.5Rh - 27.7)$$

Where,

C_{crit} = gas concentration at which sulfate nucleates [$\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$]

T = °Kelvin

Rh = Relative humidity [0-1]



A Conceptual Model for Nucleation

effect of catalytic surfaces

- Storage

- “Fresh catalytic surfaces can store sulfate”

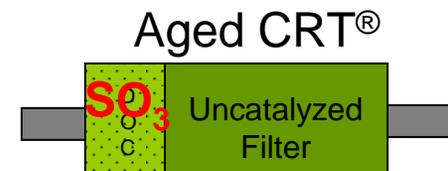
Kittelson et al, Journal of Aerosol Science, Sep2006, Vol. 37 Issue 9, p1140-1151



- SO_2 to SO_3 conversion

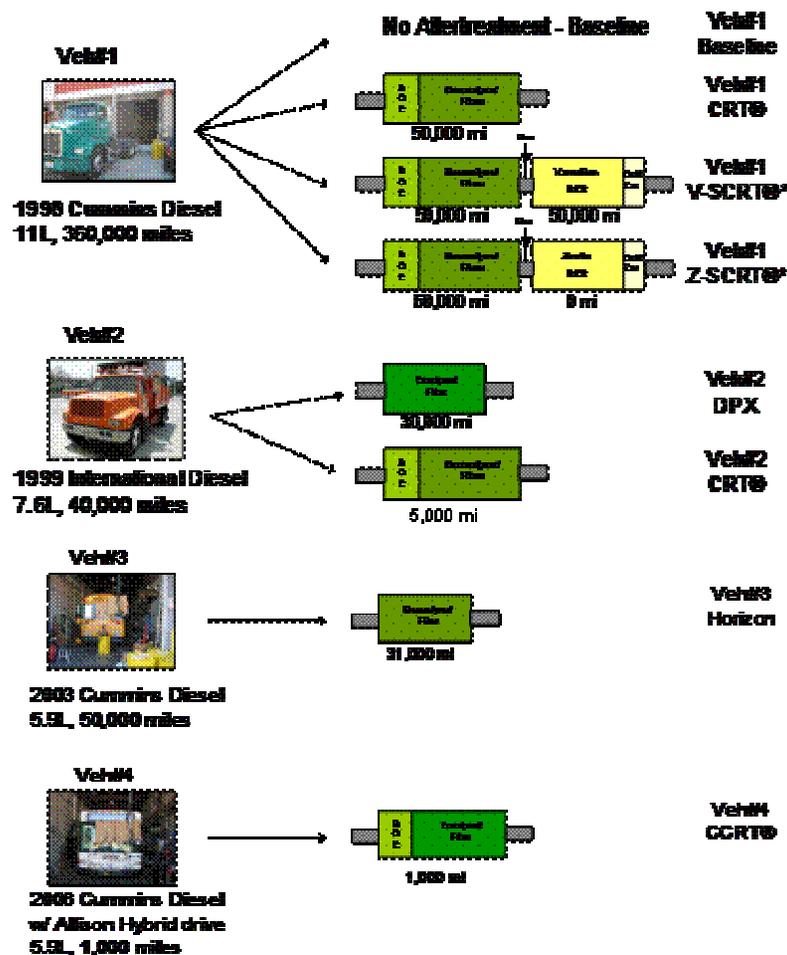
- Catalytic surfaces affect SO_2 to SO_3 conversion
- Conversion is temperature dependent

Cooper & Thoss SAE 1989 No. 890404, 171-183



Summary

Nucleation Mode ?



NO, never

YES

YES

YES

YES

NO, not yet

NO, never

NO, not yet

Vehicles equipped with aftertreatment devices that have been degreened and contain catalytic surfaces emit a nucleation mode.

Conclusions

- Catalyzed surfaces can initially store SO_2
- Catalyzed surfaces reduces the temperature at which SO_2 is converted to SO_3 to levels seen in vehicle exhaust during cruise and transient cycles
- The temperature at which SO_2 is converted to SO_3 is device specific and very discreet
- The conversion of SO_2 to SO_3 was rate limiting in nucleation mode formation in the current study (as opposed to dilution ratios)
- More research needed to determine the storage capacity of catalyzed surfaces
- Should the conceptual model developed using ambient and uncontrolled diesel PM suggesting that particle number is a surrogate for toxicity be applied to nucleation mode sulfur based particles ?

Thank you Questions ?



See also at AAAR

From the same project:

2F.2 Tuesday 9:15 pm: *Towards 2010 NO_x and PM emission Levels: Overview of CARB's Investigation of Advanced Heavy-duty On-road Vehicle Retrofits and Other Technologies.*

5D.4 Tuesday 4:35 pm: *Physical Properties of Particulate Matter (PM) from Newer Heavy Duty Diesel Vehicles Operating with Advanced Emission Control Technologies.*

11M.7 Thursday 9:15 am: *Chemistry of Air Toxics Emitted from In-use Heavy Duty Vehicles Equipped with DPF and SCR Retrofits.*