

Combustion particle research

Measurement setups and application data for automotive and combustion sources



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- Sample conditioning devices
 - Fine Particle Sampler FPS-4000
 - DEED, Dekati[®] Engine Exhaust Diluter
 - Dekati[®] Diluter (DI-1000)
 - Dekati[®] Cyclone
 - Dekati[®] Thermodenuder













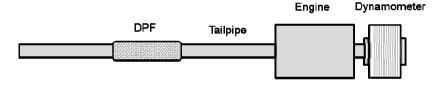


Engine Emissions

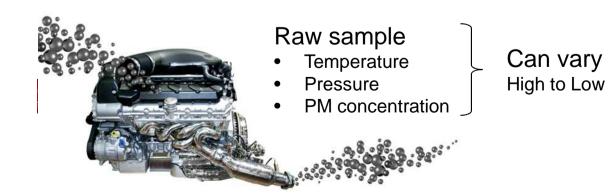
Engine emissions measurements present a wide range of challenges for a sample conditioning system

Depending on:

- sampling location
- type of engine
- Fuel and lubricant oil
- installed after-treatment devices
- Driving parameter
- Etc...



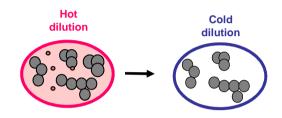






Diesel Engine Tailpipe or CVS measurements high concentration

 typically sample is first diluted in a heated diluter and then in a cooled diluter to eliminate condensation and nucleation effects.







If measurements are carried out with Dekati[®] ELPI+[™] or DMM

- Dilution factor (DF) 50 100
- Dilution temperature for the first stage dilution is 200 – 300 °C
- Cooled dilution also possible
- Dekati Double Diluter, DEED-100 or FPS-4000 for dilution



Low concentration measurements

Efficient after treatment or gasoline engines

- Very low particle concentration
- Usually DF 1 20
- Setup options
 - Nucleation of vapors with cooled dilution
 - Removal of vapors
 - Removal of vapors with low dilution
 - EURO5b / EURO6 compliant sample conditioning (high DF!)



Direct measurement with HT-ELPI+







Pre-DPF measurements





Exhaust pre-DPF measurements

- Measurements from "raw combustion gas"
- High concentration of PM
 - Dilution factor from 100 to 10000
- Moderate to high pressure level
 - Can be stable, slowly changing or with high variation
 - DEED-300 guarantees a stable dilution factor in all high pressure conditions
- The recommended setup for sample conditioning
 - DEED-300 with DEED-100
 - DEED-300 with Dekati double diluter or Dekati diluter
 - FPS-4000







On-board measurements





On-Board measurements

- Major interest from automotive companies due to
 - Upcoming legislation
 - Cost savings
 - Information on real-world emissions and vehicle performance
- The most critical parameters are the consumption of dilution air, consumption of electricity, weight and space
- Some type of sample conditioning or sample transfer is always needed
 - Low dilution factor preferable with some removal of condensible vapors
 - Thermodenuder or catalytic stripper
 - HT-ELPI+ allows direct measurement



Blow-by

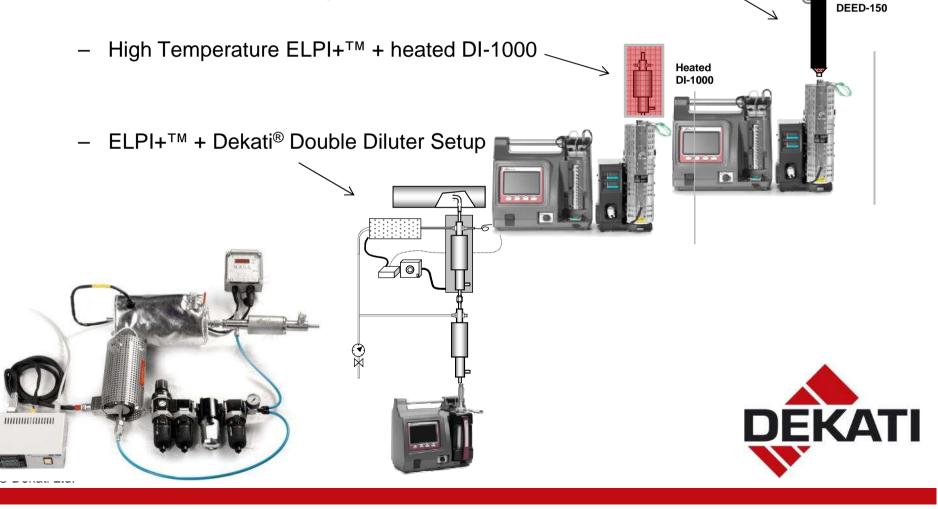
Measurement of crankcase oil droplets





Automotive: Blow-by

- ELPI+[™] setup options for blow-by gas measurements
 - Direct connection to High Temperature ELPI+[™] with DEED-150



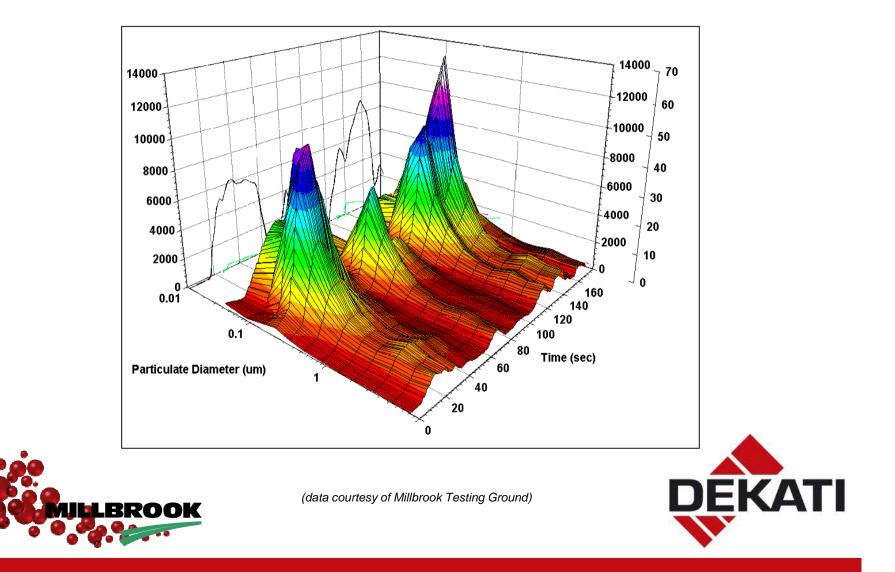
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Application data

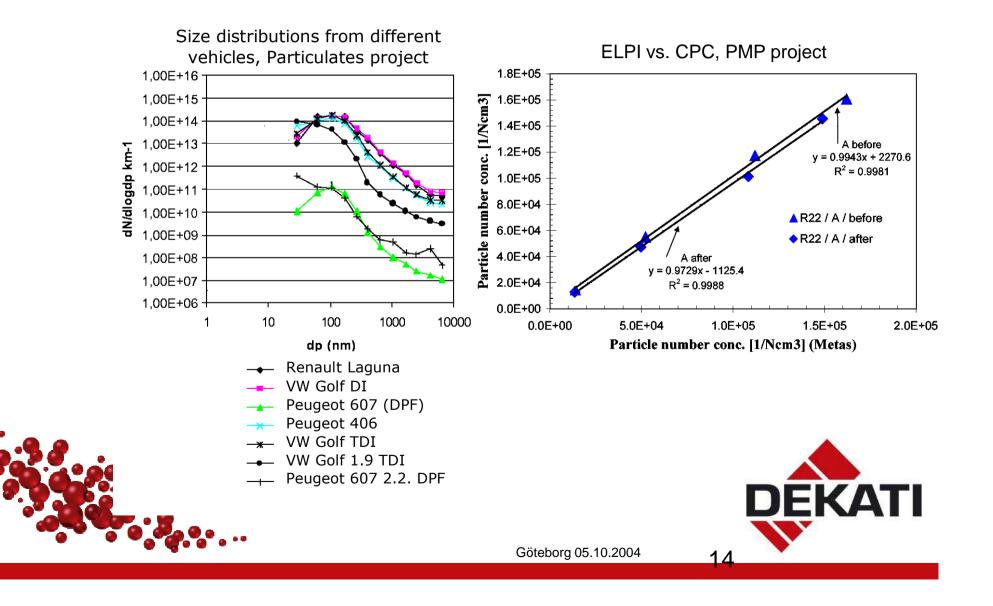




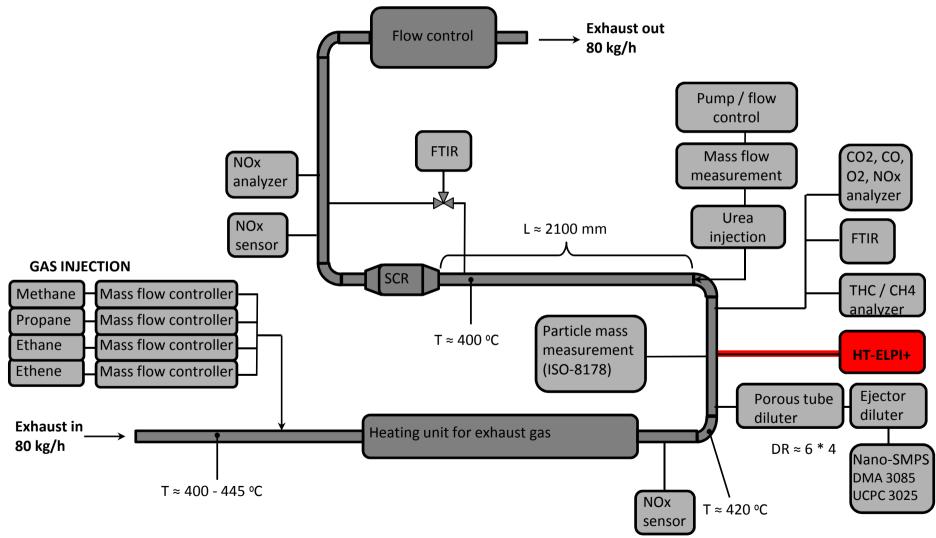
Example data: Real-time particle size distribution, number and mass concentration measurement



Example data from ELPI

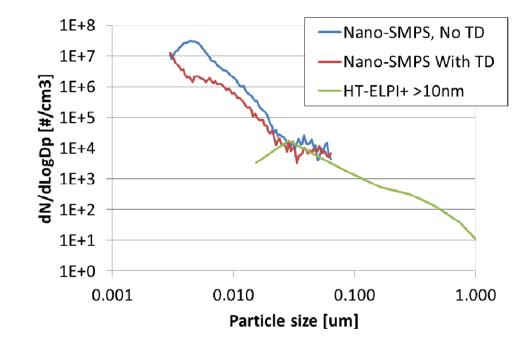


NG Engine test bench



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Comparison to diluted measurements



Particle size distributions

Number [#/cm3]	
HT-ELPI+	3.0e+4
HT-ELPI+ >10 nm	7.0e+3
SMPS Without TD	3.5e7
SMPS With TD	2.7e6
Mass [mg/m3]	
HT-ELPI+ (dens=1)	0.0078
ISO 8178 (AVL SS)	7000





Conclusions

- High Temperature ELPI+ measures exhaust particles in tailpipe conditions:
 - High Temperature measurment, up to 180C
 - No dilution required
 - No uncertainties or particle transformations caused by dilution
 - Low concentration measurements
- Provides information for
 - Tailpipe particle characterization
 - OBD sensor studies at OBD conditions
 - Tailpipe particle charging studies
 - Particle formation studies
 - PEMS
- Diluted measurements may provide different results







Combustion plant

Measurements from stationary combustion units

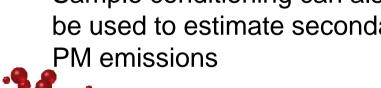




Sample conditioning

- Critically important in PM measurements and especially in real-time size resolved measurements
 - Use conductive lines
 - Aim is to transfer the sample with minimal losses - no need for rinsing
 - Typical setup two stage dilution with heated first stage
- Sample conditioning can also be used to estimate secondary

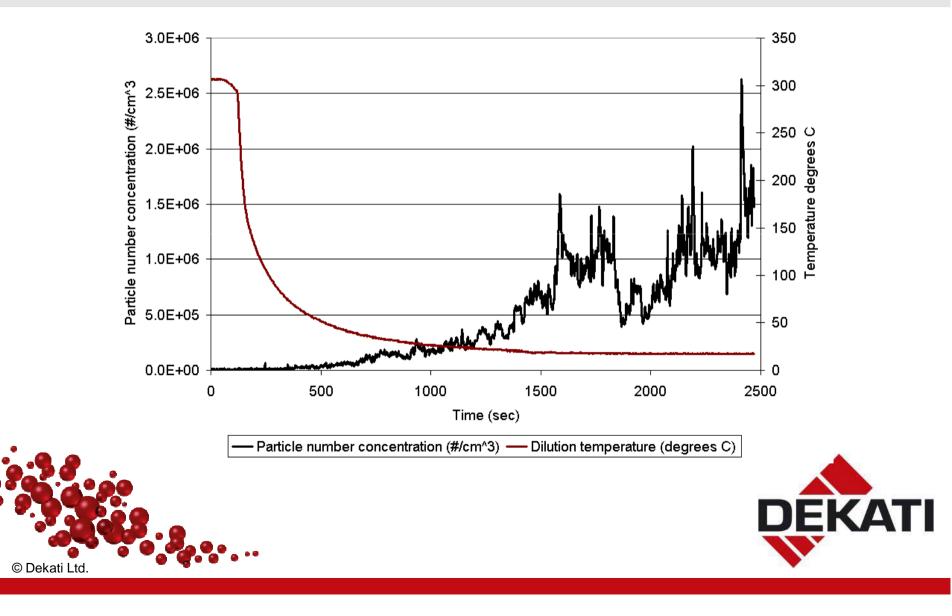




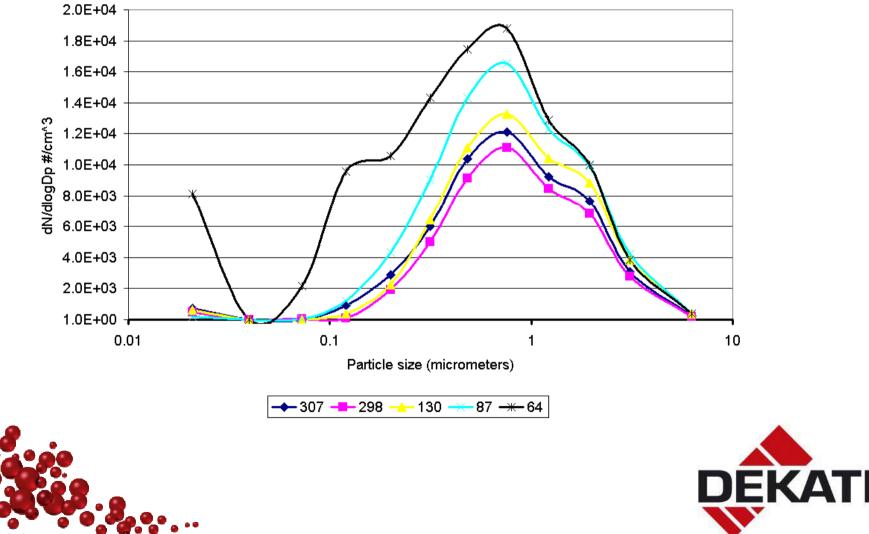
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Effect of Dilution Temperature on Particle Number Concentration

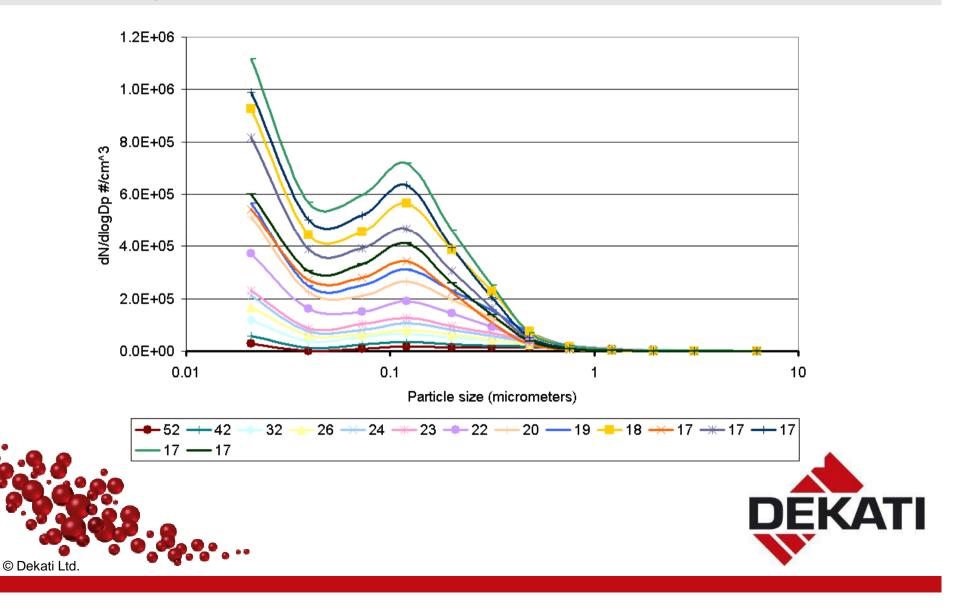


Effect of Dilution Temperature on Particle Size



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Stationary combustion – Measurement locations

- Before flue gas treatment devices
 - Conc. up to grams/m³
 - DR ~ 500 10000
 - T ~ 200 1200 °C
- After flue gas treatment devices
 - Conc. up to 50-100 mg/m³
 - DR ~ 20 100
 - T ~ 80 150 °C
- After flue gas treatment devices / Natural gas
 - Conc. down to few µg/m³
 - DR ~ 1-20
 - T ~ 100 150 °C



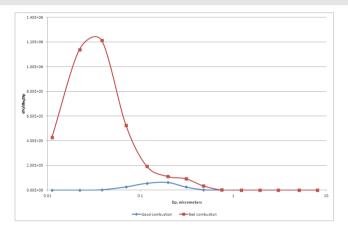


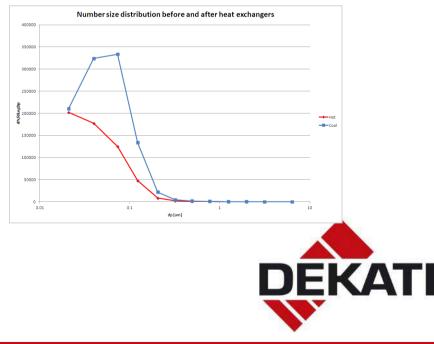


Combustion

- PM size distribution and concentration is the most sensitive marker for combustion process
 - Fuel quality
 - Air/Fuel ratio
 - Incomplete combustion
- Real-time measurement of PM allows fast detection of changes and quick optimization cycles
- Effect of heat exchangers on

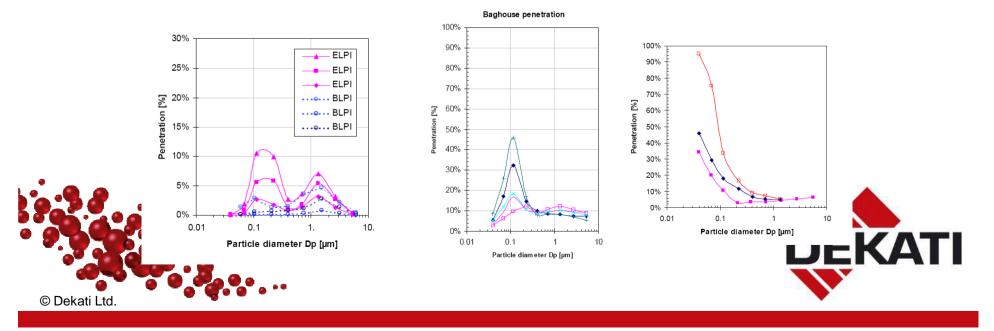




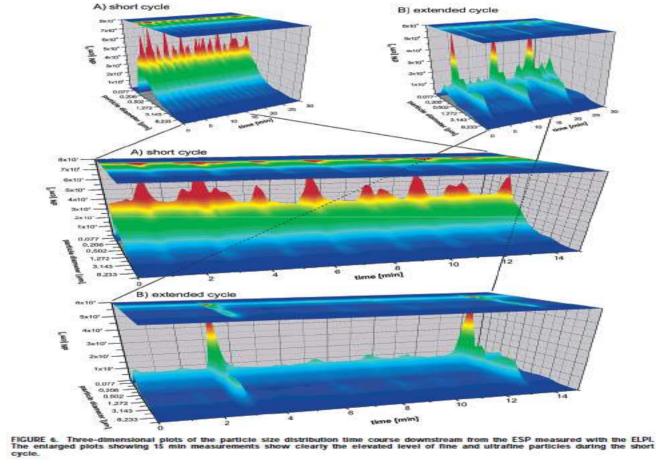


Flue gas cleaning systems

- Representative measurements have to be carried out right before and after flue gas cleaning equipment
 - Preferably simultaneously to achieve real-time size resolved penetration efficiency data
- Particles below 10 µm of main interest
 - High collection efficiency for large particles, settling after emission
 - Particles above 10 µm can be analysed from impactor pre-cut and/or from cyclone
- Optimization of
 - ESPs
 - Baghouse filters
 - Scrubbers



ESP rapping – different operation



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Stack measurements

- Emission measurements
 - Simultaneous measurement of PM fractions from PM10 to PM0.006 in 14 size classes
 - Real-time data to show emissions at any specific time



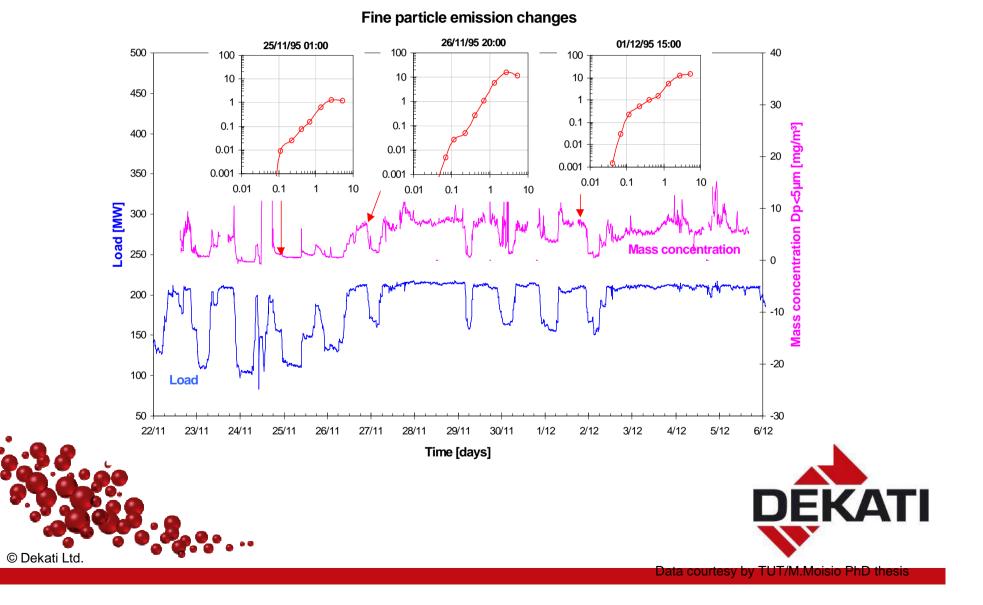
- CEM operation checks
- Source apportionment
 - Fingerprinting stack emissions through size resolved chemical analysis
 - Ambient measurements using the same instrument







Emission monitoring, 14 days



Measurements in small scale biomass power plant



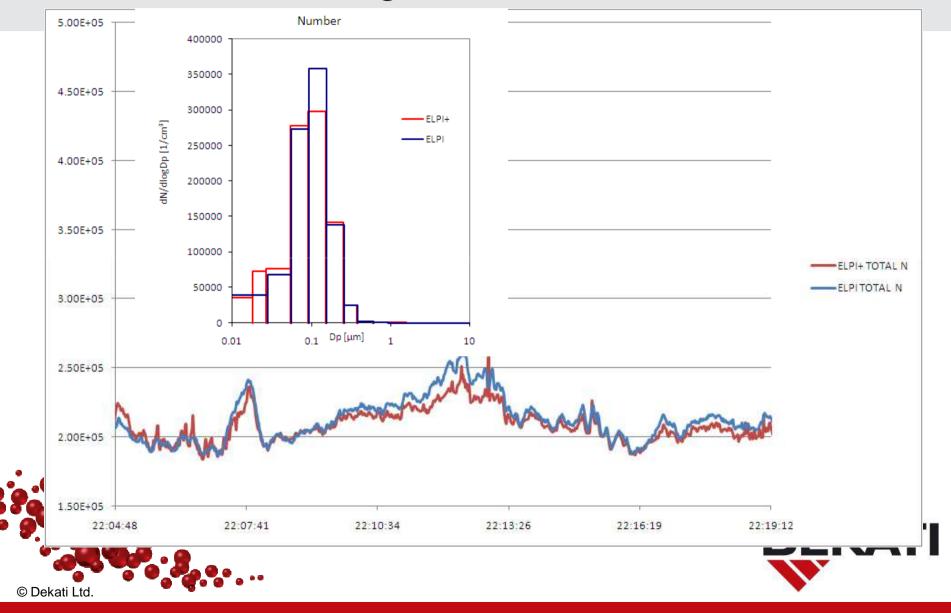




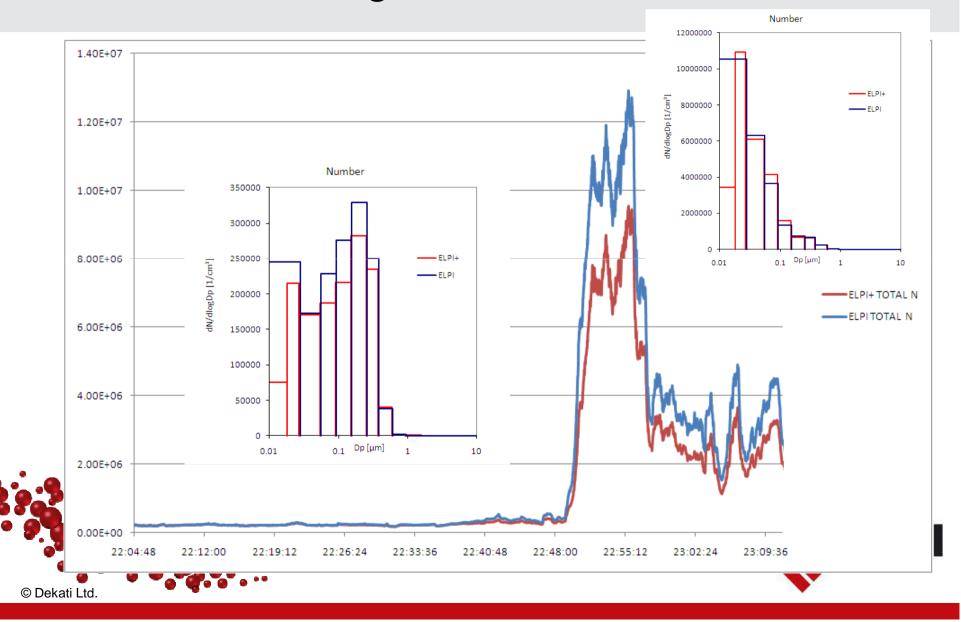




Results 3: Flue gas channel



Results 4: flue gas channel / low load



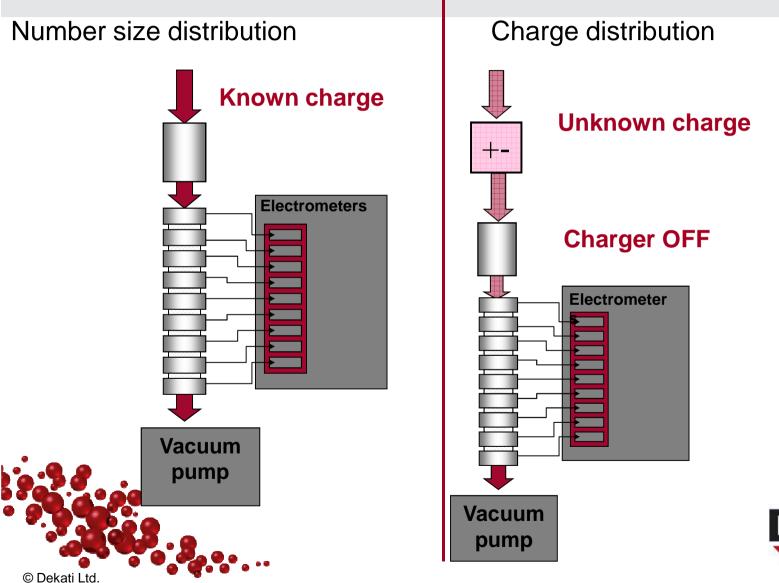
Charge measurement

Special application for ESP and filtration studies



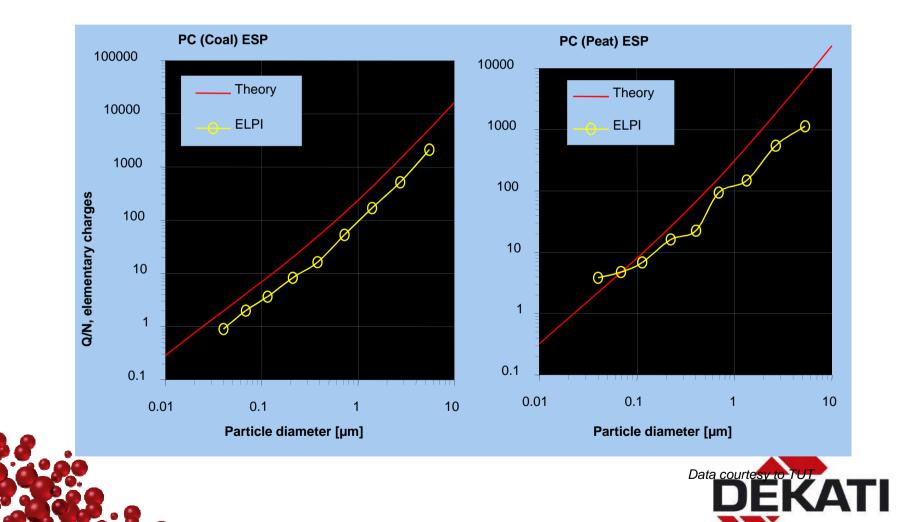


Particle Charge measurement





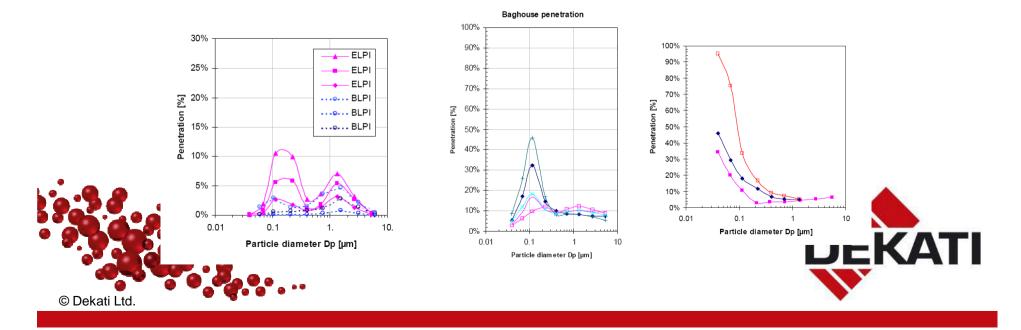
ESP efficiency studies



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Filtration system and particle charge

- Testing of filtration systems is generally carried out by using generated aerosols
- Freshly generated aerosols may hae significant charge levels
- Charge affects aerosol behavior and filtration efficiency



Demo measurement – After a short break





