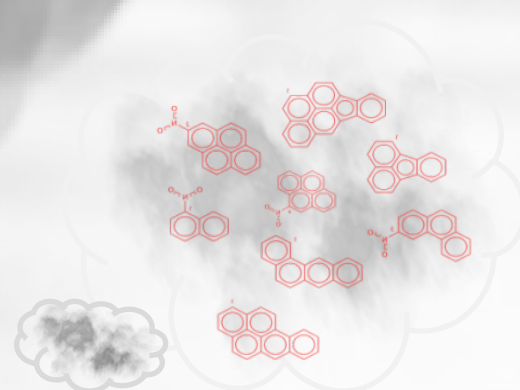


Comparison of genotoxic potentials of diesel and gasoline vehicles



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Motivation and objectives

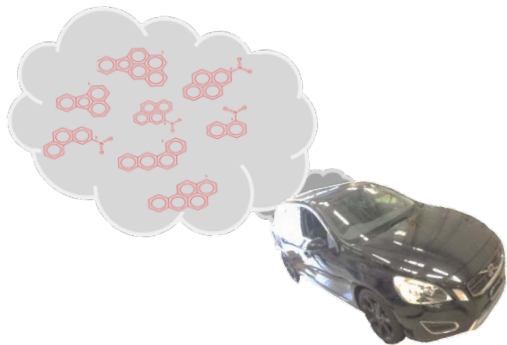


International Agency for Research on Cancer



Miners study, Silverman et al. JNCI, 104(11), 2011

Gasoline Direct Injection



30% of EU fleet will be
GDI in 2020



GDI vehicle exhaust
vs diesel exhaust

Most genotoxic?

What we blow out when we floor the throttle

Empa researchers studied exhaust emissions from seven gasoline cars and one diesel, six of which were built between 2012 and 2016. Alarming substances came to light in the gas chromatograph, a fine, analytical instrument. As the dynamometer revealed, most of these substances are produced when the vehicle accelerates.

Soot particles

The nanoparticles, which initially have a diameter of 15 to 20 nanometers (millionths of a millimeter), congregate to form larger particles measuring 80 to 100 nanometers, and penetrate the alveoli of the lung (The lungs can only remove particles that are larger than 200 nanometers). Chemical pollutants accumulate on the surface of the soot particles, which transport them into the lungs and thus into the bloodstream – like a Trojan horse.

→ Euro 6 permits 6 trillion particles / km for direct-injection gasoline cars and 600 billion particles / km for diesel vehicles. For gasoline cars with intake manifold injection, there are no emission limits at all.

Carbon monoxide (CO)

The gas is poisonous as it binds to hemoglobin and thus interferes with oxygen transport in the blood. CO poisoning is fatal within a short period of time. In January, 16 teenagers died in Germany using a gasoline power generator in a summerhouse.

→ Euro 6 permits 3,000 mg CO / km for gasoline cars and 500 mg / km for diesel.

Nitric oxides (NO and NO₂)

In air NO rapidly oxidizes to form NO₂, a poisonous gas with a pungent odor that irritates the throat and dissolves readily in water to form nitric acid. Above 21 degrees Celsius, it transforms into N₂O₅, a corrosive and highly oxidizing gas.

→ Euro 6 permits 60 mg NO + NO₂ / km for gasoline cars and 80 mg / km for diesel.

Formaldehyde (CH₂O)

Formaldehyde can cause allergies and skin, respiratory tract or eye irritations. In concentrations of 30mg/m³ and above, it can be life-threatening. In case of chronic exposure, it is carcinogenic and affects the memory, ability to concentrate and sleep.

→ Euro 6 does not specify any limits.

Benzene (C₆H₆)

Its breakdown in the body produces toxins that can trigger cell mutations (cancer). Its long-term intake can harm the inner organs and bone marrow, which causes anemia. In humans and animals, benzene accumulates in the brain, bone marrow and fatty tissue.

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Dinitropyrene (C₁₆H₈N₂O₄)

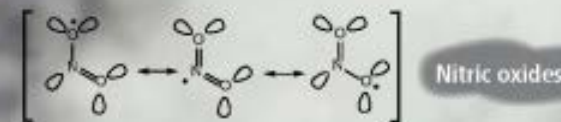
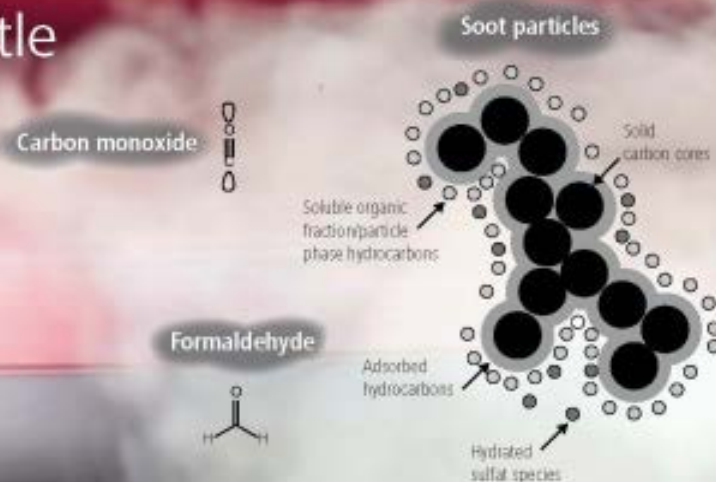
Dinitropyrene is produced in the hot exhaust tract in diesel engines through the reaction between pyrene and NO_x. 1,3-, 1,6- and 1,8-dinitropyrenes are particularly mutagenic and trigger malignant tumors in many organs in various lab animals.

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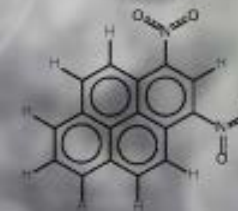
Benzo(a)pyrene (C₂₀H₁₂)

Benzo(a)pyren is one of the longest known carcinogenic substances. It is found in cigarette smoke and causes lung cancer. Benzo(a)pyrene is converted chemically in the body. The metabolic product reacts with DNA, which can prevent cell division or cause mutations.

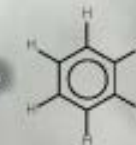
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Dinitropyrene



Benzene



Benzo(a)pyrene



GDI exhaust in comparison with diesel....

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Soot particles

Up to 3 orders of magnitude more particles

Exceeding Euro-6 limit: 6.0×10^{11} #/km

Up to 17x higher PAH genotoxic concentrations

Carbon monoxide

The gas is produced as it binds to hemoglobin and thus interferes with oxygen transport in the blood. CO poisoning is fatal within a short period of time in high concentrations.

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Dinitropyrene (C₁₂H₈N₂)

Dinitropyrene is a polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) that is produced in diesel engines through the reaction between benzene and NO_x. It is a potent carcinogen and is particularly mutagenic and teratogenic. It is found in many regions in various soil strata.

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→ Euro 6 permits 60 mg NO + NO₂ / km for gasoline cars and 80 mg / km for diesel.

Soot particles

The particles produced in a combustion engine are 10 to 100 nanometers in diameter, and penetrate the depths of the lung (the lungs can only remove particles that are larger than 700 nanometers). Chemical substances accumulate in the lungs and can be transported into the bloodstream.

→ Euro 6 permits 0.005 mg soot/km for gasoline cars and 0.001 mg / km for diesel.

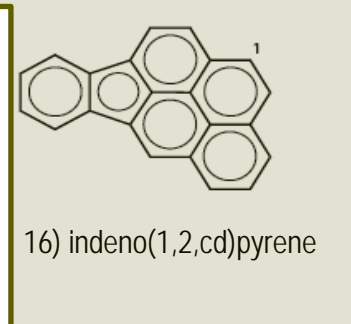
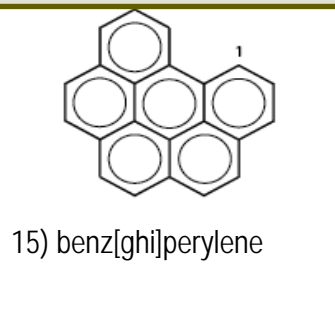
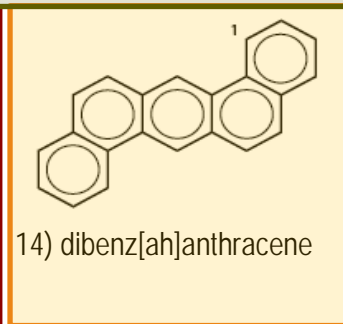
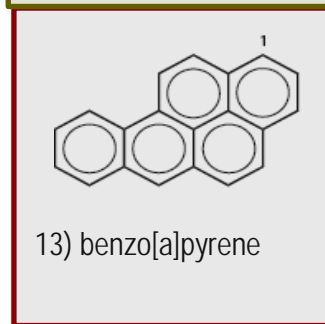
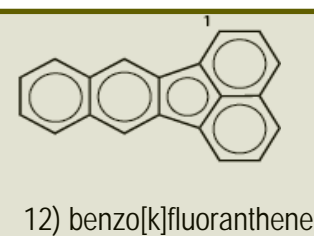
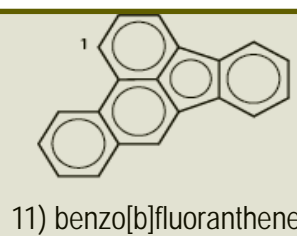
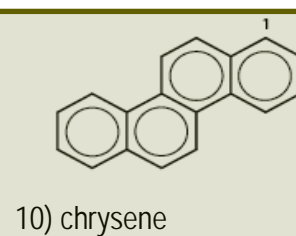
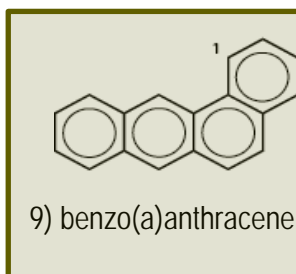
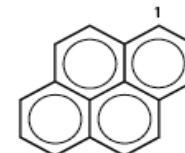
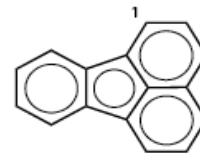
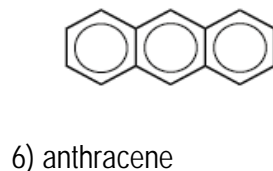
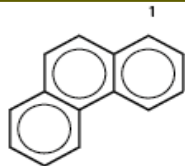
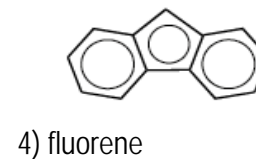
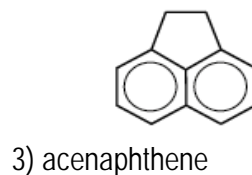
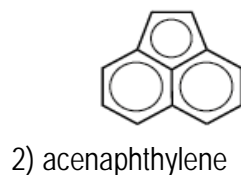
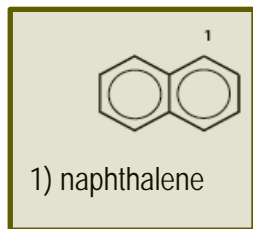
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Focus on PAHs

Group 1	Carcinogenic to humans	116 agents
Group 2A	Probably carcinogenic to humans	70
Group 2B	Possibly carcinogenic to humans	285
Group 3	Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans	506
Group 4	Probably not carcinogenic to humans	1



Group 1

Group 2A

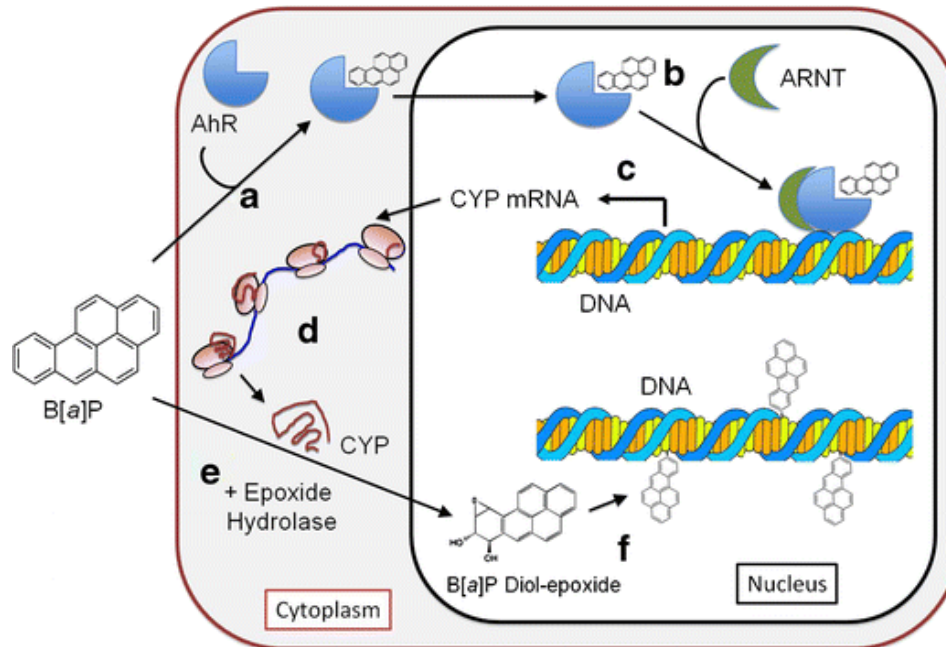
Group 2B



↑ MW
↓ vapor pres.
and solubility

Genotoxicity

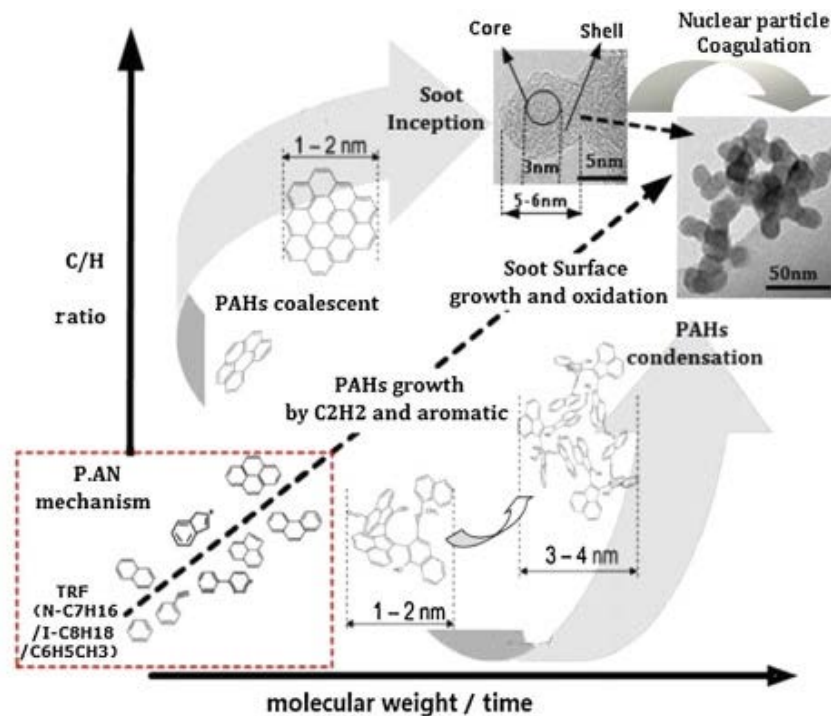
In genetics, genotoxicity describes the property of some chemical agents that damages the genetic information within cells causing mutations which may lead to cancer.



Most commonly accepted mechanism for PAHs metabolism and genotoxicity in a typical vertebrate cell (Mesquita, L. van Drooge et al. 2014)

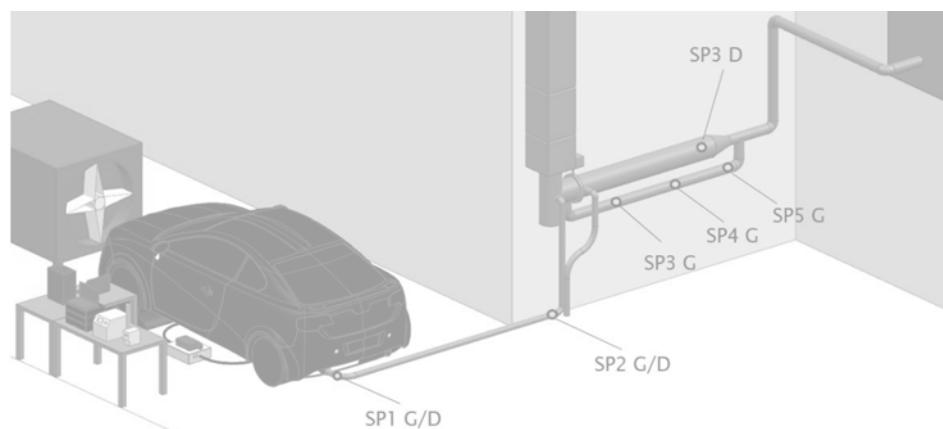
Apart from their genotoxicity.....

PAHs are also considered as **intermediates for soot formation**



Yan-zhao An, Xiang Li, Sheng-ping Teng, Kun Wang, Yi-qiang Pei, Jing Qin, Hua Zhao,
Development of a soot particle model with PAHs as precursors through simulations and experiments, Fuel, Volume 179,2016

TESTS



GASOLINE VEHICLES

Euro-3 Euro-4 Euro-5 Euro-6

GDI (n=7)
Direct injection



MPEI (n=1)
Multipoint



DIESEL BENCH MARK WITH DPF

Euro-5



GASOLINE PARTICLE FILTERS



4 particle filters tested
2 coated and 2 non-coated

REFERENCE VEHICLE
Euro 5

2 particle filters tested
1 coated and 1 non-coated

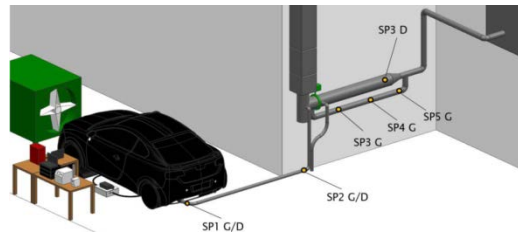
BIOFUELS



4 Ethanol and butanol blends

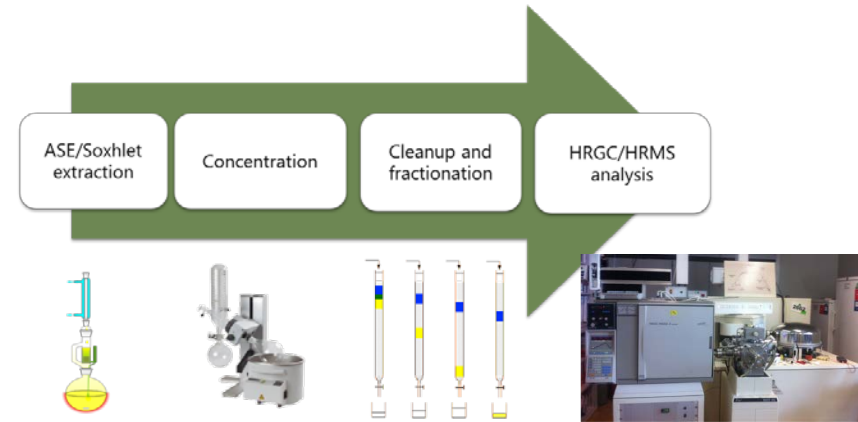
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Sampling



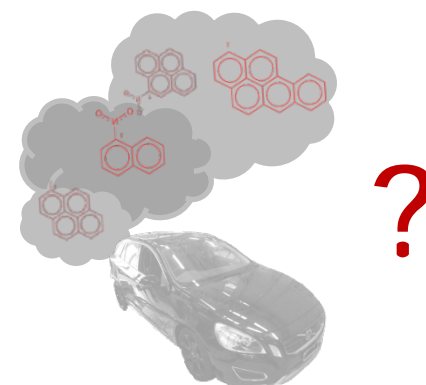
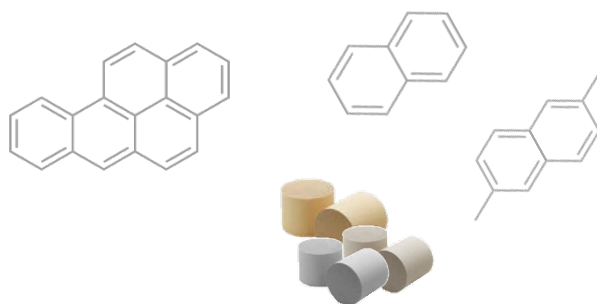
- Chassis dynamometer of the UASB in Nidau
- 2 transient driving cycles:
 - cWLTC and hWLTC)
- and SSC
- Diluted exhaust --- CVS tunnel:
 - solid + condensed + gaseous phases
 - PAH particulate+gaseous phases

Laboratory analysis



R=120000

RESULTS



Bioethanol Blending Reduces Nanoparticle, PAH, and Alkyl- and Nitro-PAH Emissions and the Genotoxic Potential of Exhaust from a Gasoline Direct Injection Flex-Fuel Vehicle

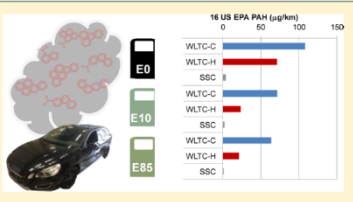
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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Bioethanol as an alternative fuel is widely used as a substitute for gasoline and also in gasoline direct injection (GDI) vehicles, which are quickly replacing traditional port-fuel injection (PFI) vehicles. Better fuel efficiency and increased engine power are reported advantages of GDI vehicles. However, increased emissions of soot-like nanoparticles are also associated with GDI technology with yet unknown health impacts. In this study, we compare emissions of a flex-fuel Euro-5 GDI vehicle operated with gasoline (E0) and two ethanol/gasoline blends (E10 and E85) under transient and steady driving conditions and report effects on particle, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH), and alkyl-



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PN-Emissions of Gasoline Cars MPI and Potentials of GPF

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Abstract

Further efforts to reduce the air pollution from traffic are undertaken worldwide and the filtration of exhaust gas will also be increasingly applied on gasoline cars (GPF) ... gasoline particle filter).

the surface composition of the aerosol and have therefore a significant impact on health effects associated with pollution.

Studies for gasoline fueled internal combustion engines pointed out that also this vehicle class can emit remarkable amounts of particles, [13-16]. Especially gasoline direct injection technology (GDI) shows particle number (PN) emissions significantly higher than modern

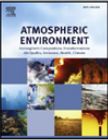
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Effect of coated and non-coated particle filters (GPFs) on nanoparticle and genotoxic emissions of a gasoline direct injection vehicle (GDI)

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Gasoline (GDI + MPFI) vs Diesel with DPF




Data reported in ng TEQ/m³

$$\text{TEF} \times \text{C}(\text{ng}/\text{Nm}^3)$$


Toxic equivalency concentration (ng TEQ/m³)

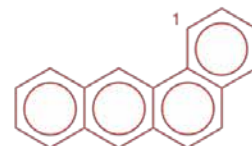
TEF: Toxic Equivalent Factor




 **Naphthalene**
(2B, 0.001)




 **Chrysene**
(2B, 0.01)




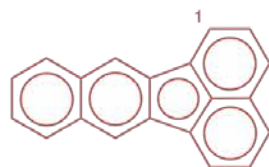
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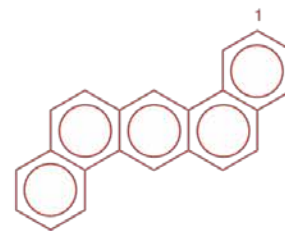
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(1, 1)




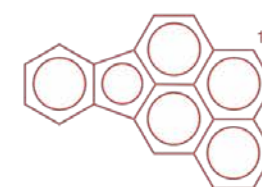
 **Benzo(b)fluoranthene**
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 **Benzo(k)fluoranthene**
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 **Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene**
(2A, 1)

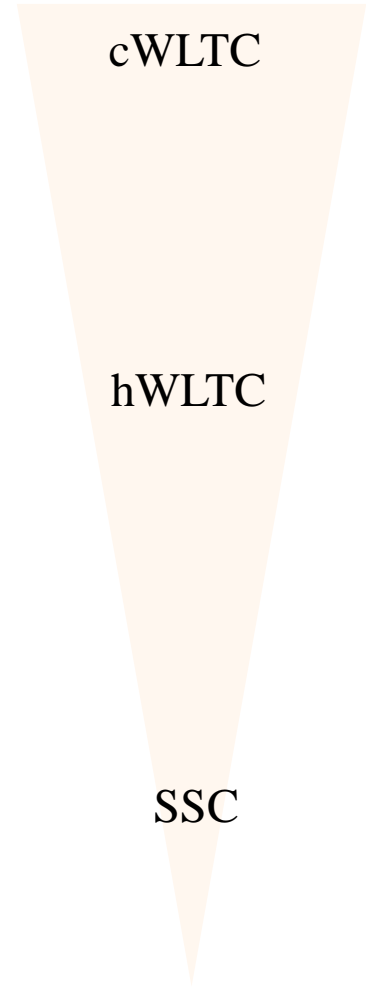
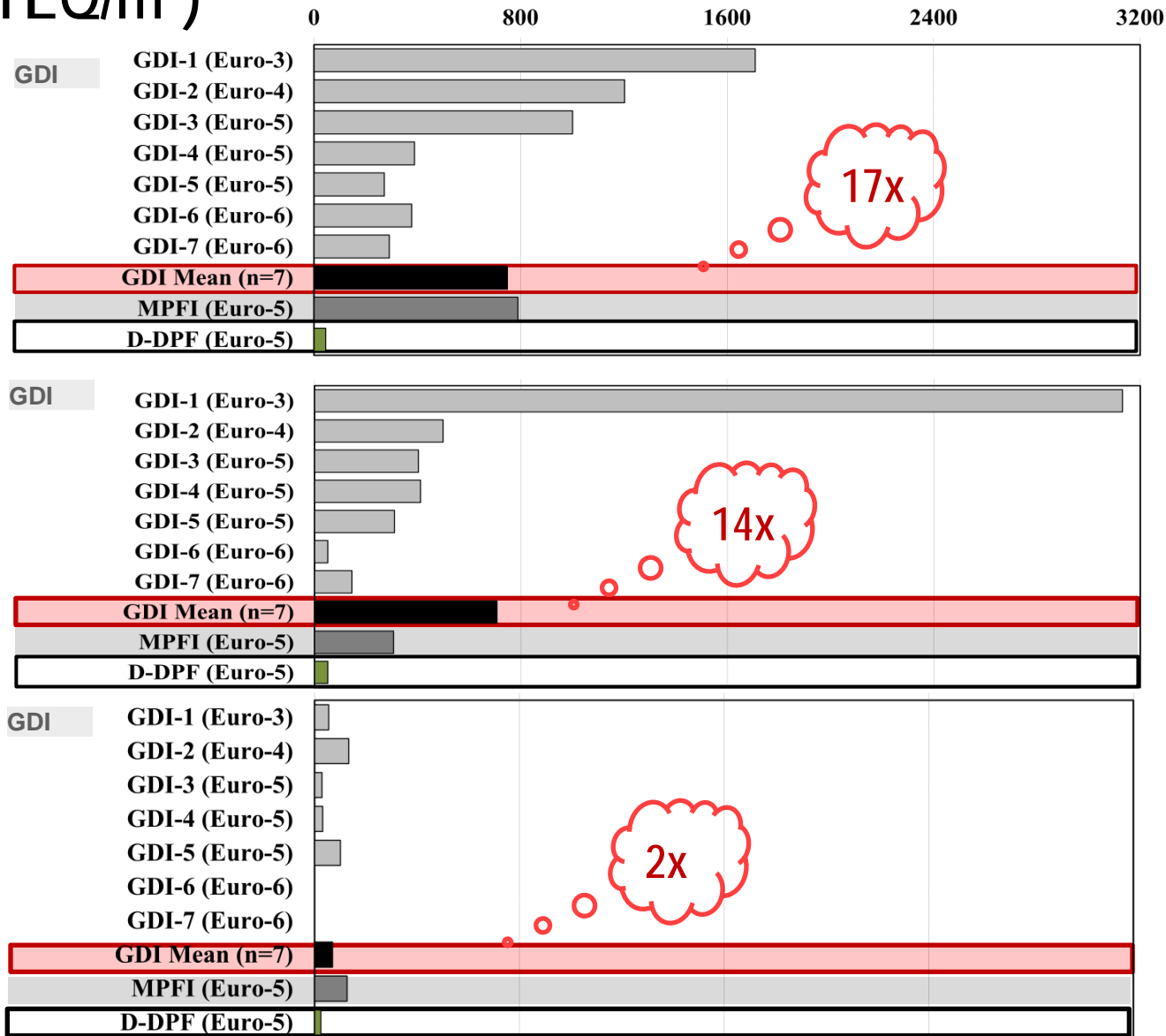


 **Indeno(1,2,cd)pyrene**
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Chemical structures and names of the 8 genotoxic PAHs. IARC carcinogenic group and TEFs are indicated in brackets according to I.C. Nisbeth, P.K.L. Regul Toxic Pharmacol. 16:290-300; 1992.

Gasoline vs Diesel-DPF emissions (ng TEQ/m³)

Sum of 8 genotoxic PAHs



17x

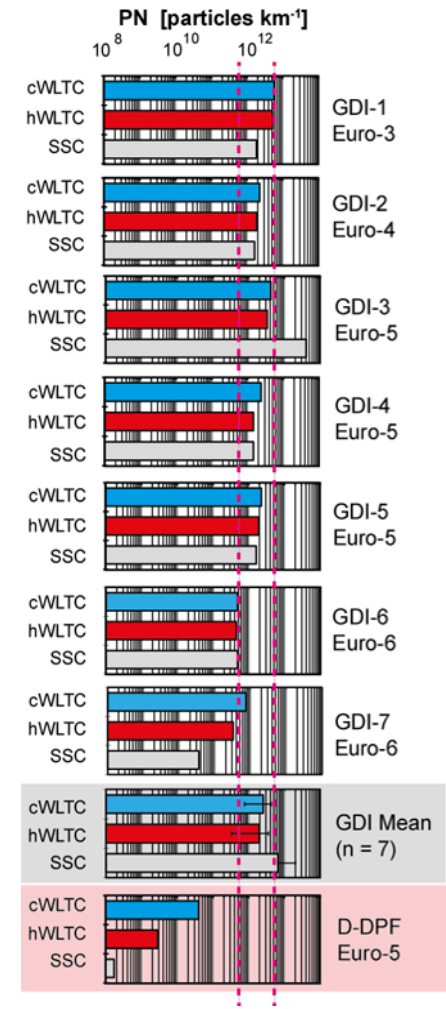
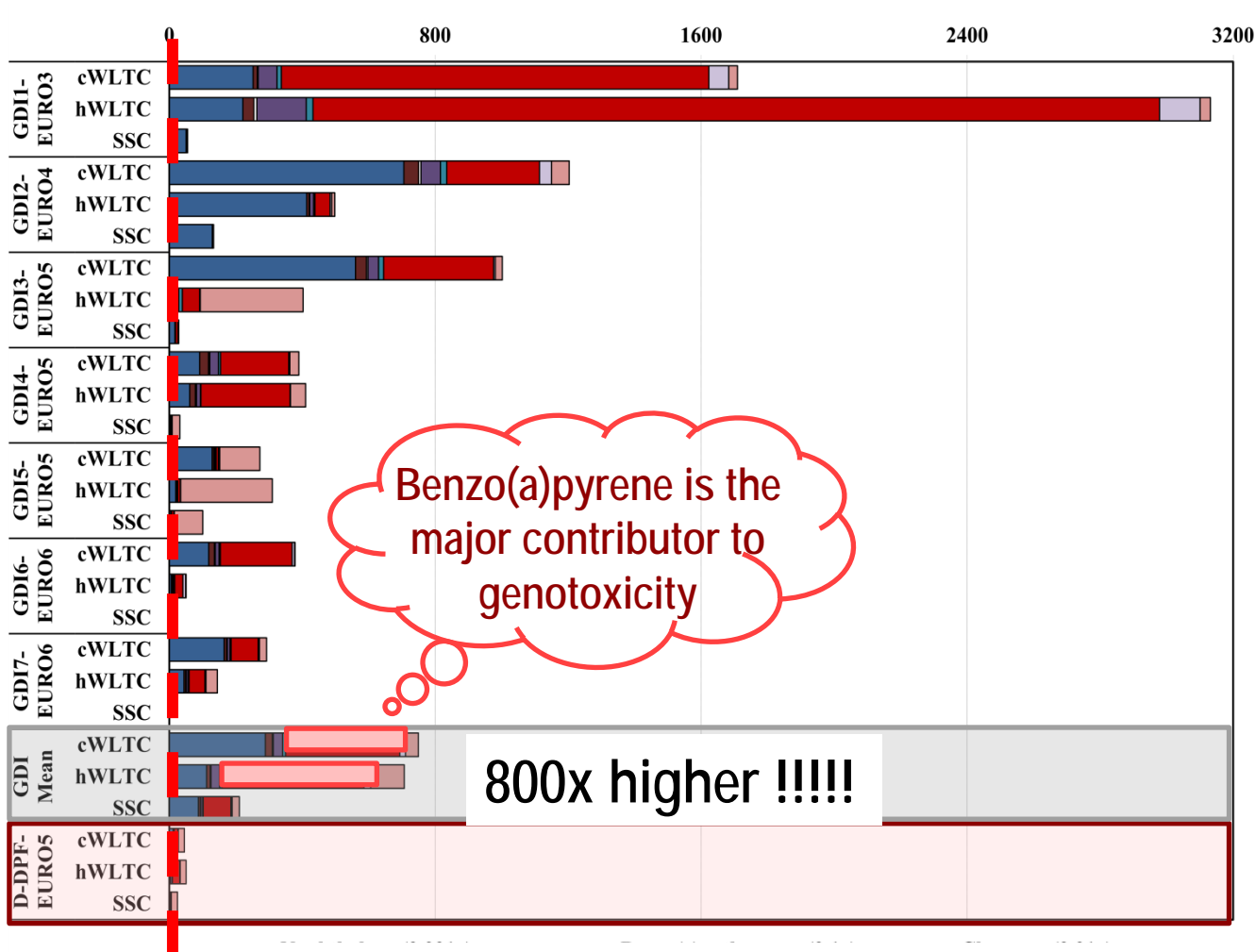
14x

2x

cWLTC

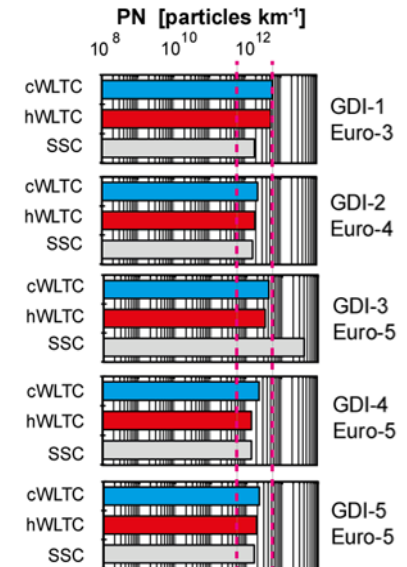
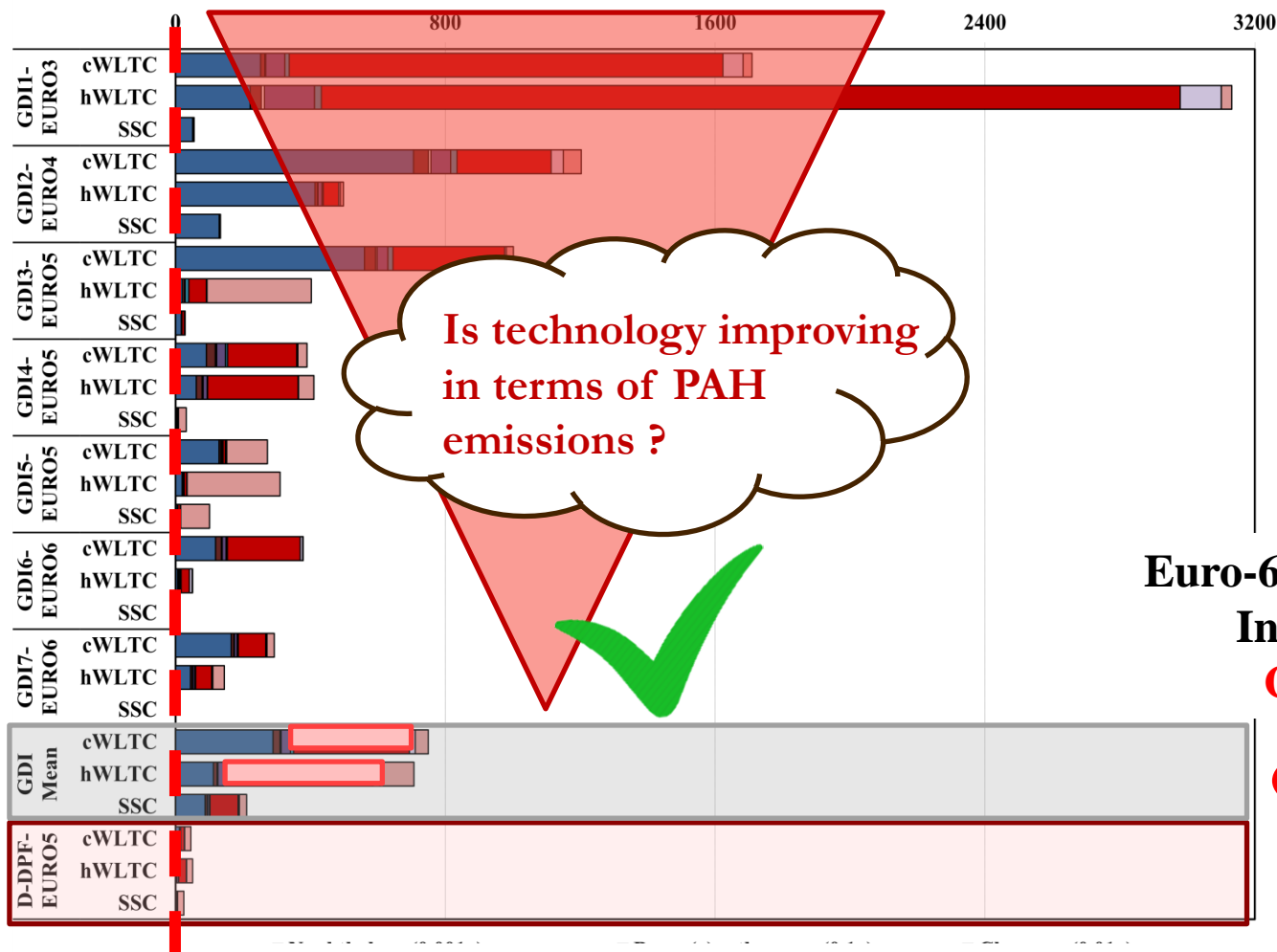
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EU - air limit value:
1 ng/m³ benzo(a)pyrene (2014/107/EC Directive)

GDI fleet emits 64-, 700- and 39000-fold higher PN emissions than the Euro-5 diesel vehicle



Euro-6 PN limit: 6×10^{11} #/km
Initial limit: 6×10^{12} #/km
GDI much higher



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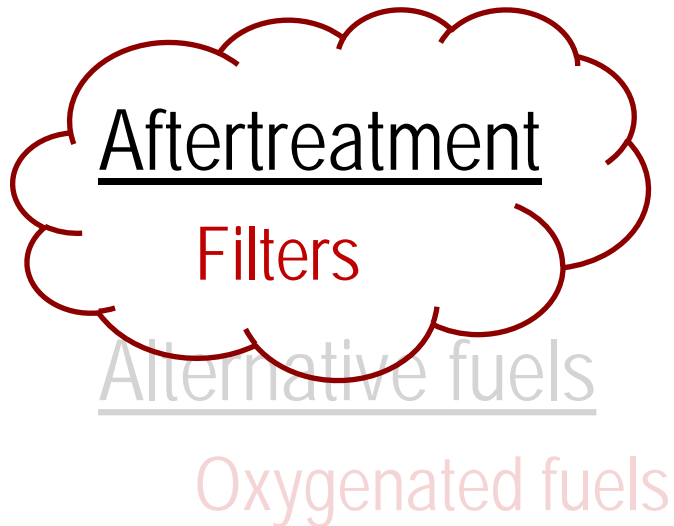
Aftertreatment:

Filters

Alternative fuels

Oxygenated fuels

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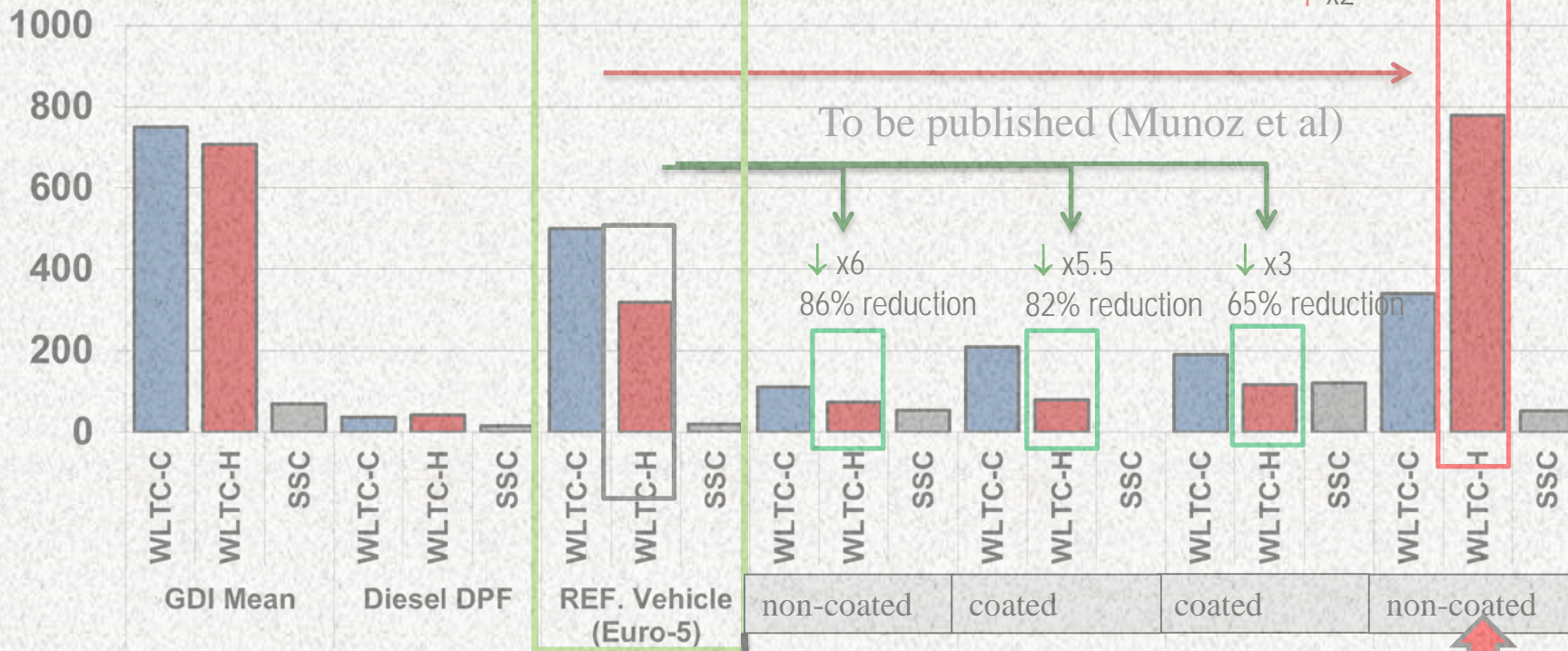
GDI with GPF

Euro-5 REF Vehicle



2 coated + 2 non-coated filters

ng TEQ/m³

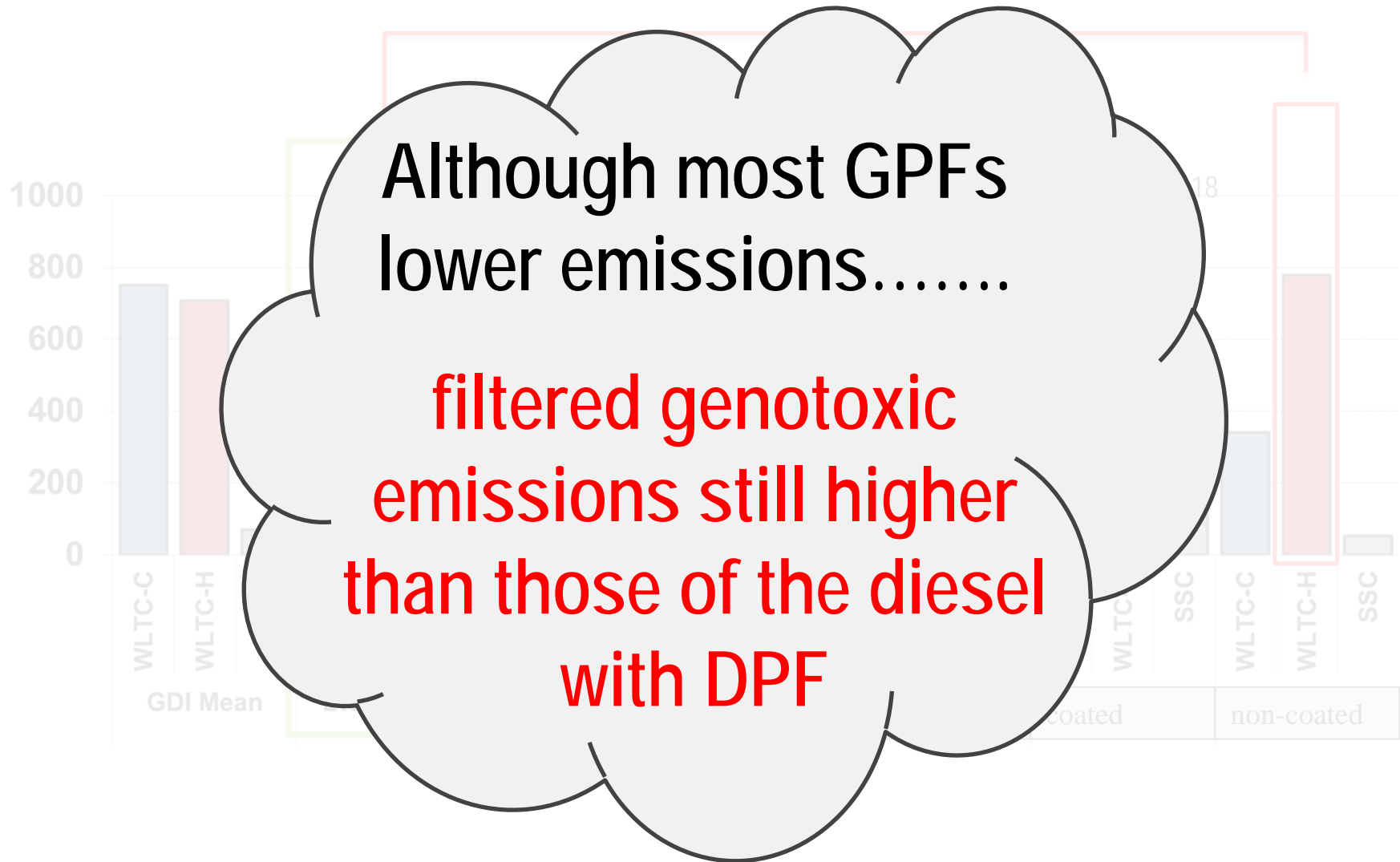


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Storage / Release ?

GDI with GPF vs Diesel with DPF

FILTERS: 2 coated + 2 non-coated



Although most GPFs
lower emissions.....
**filtered genotoxic
emissions still higher
than those of the diesel
with DPF**

GPF need to improve.....

Genotoxic compounds reduced



86% GPF-1

82% GPF-2 (coated)

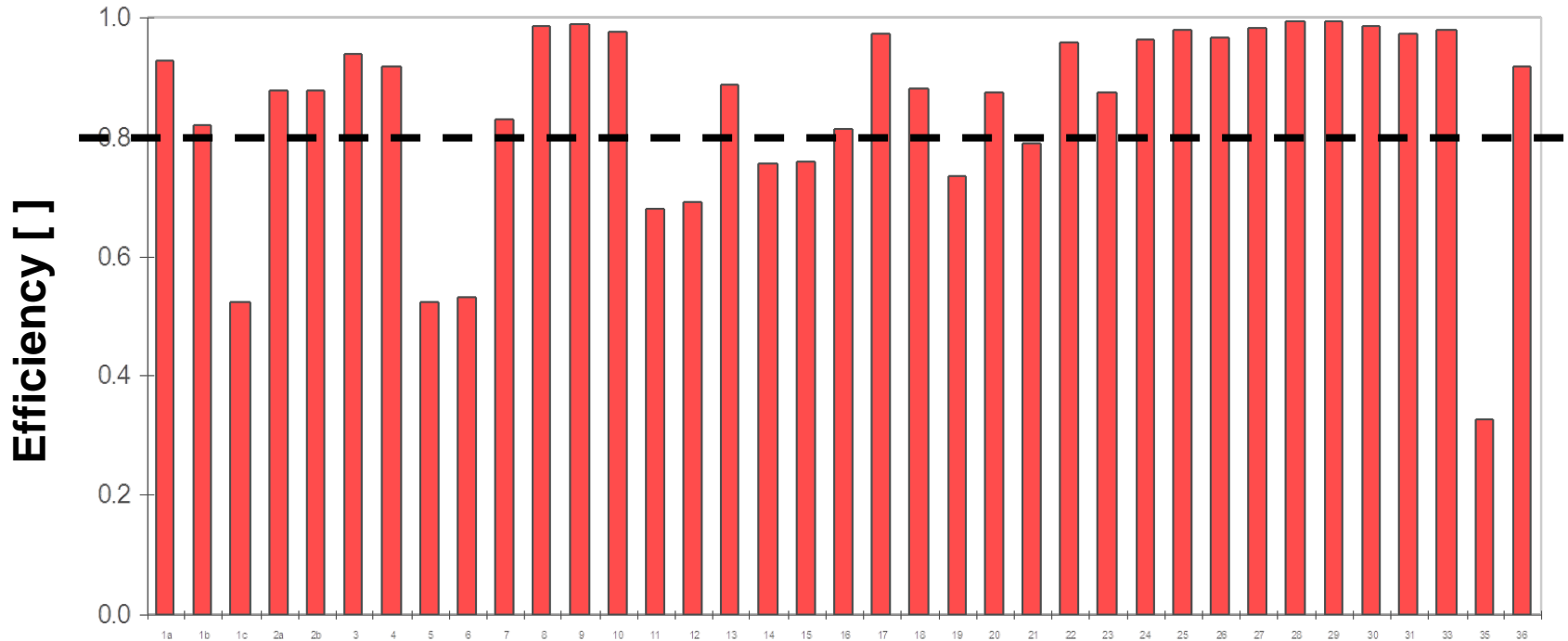
65% GPF-3 (coated)

0% GPF-4

Likewise a DPF does:

For individual PAHs
20-99% with most around 60-75%

Conversion of carcinogenic PAHs



Most > 80%

The benzo(a)pyrene example (less volatile, carcinogenic) Empa

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Euro-5 GDI vehicle

ng/Nm³ Benzo(a)pyrene

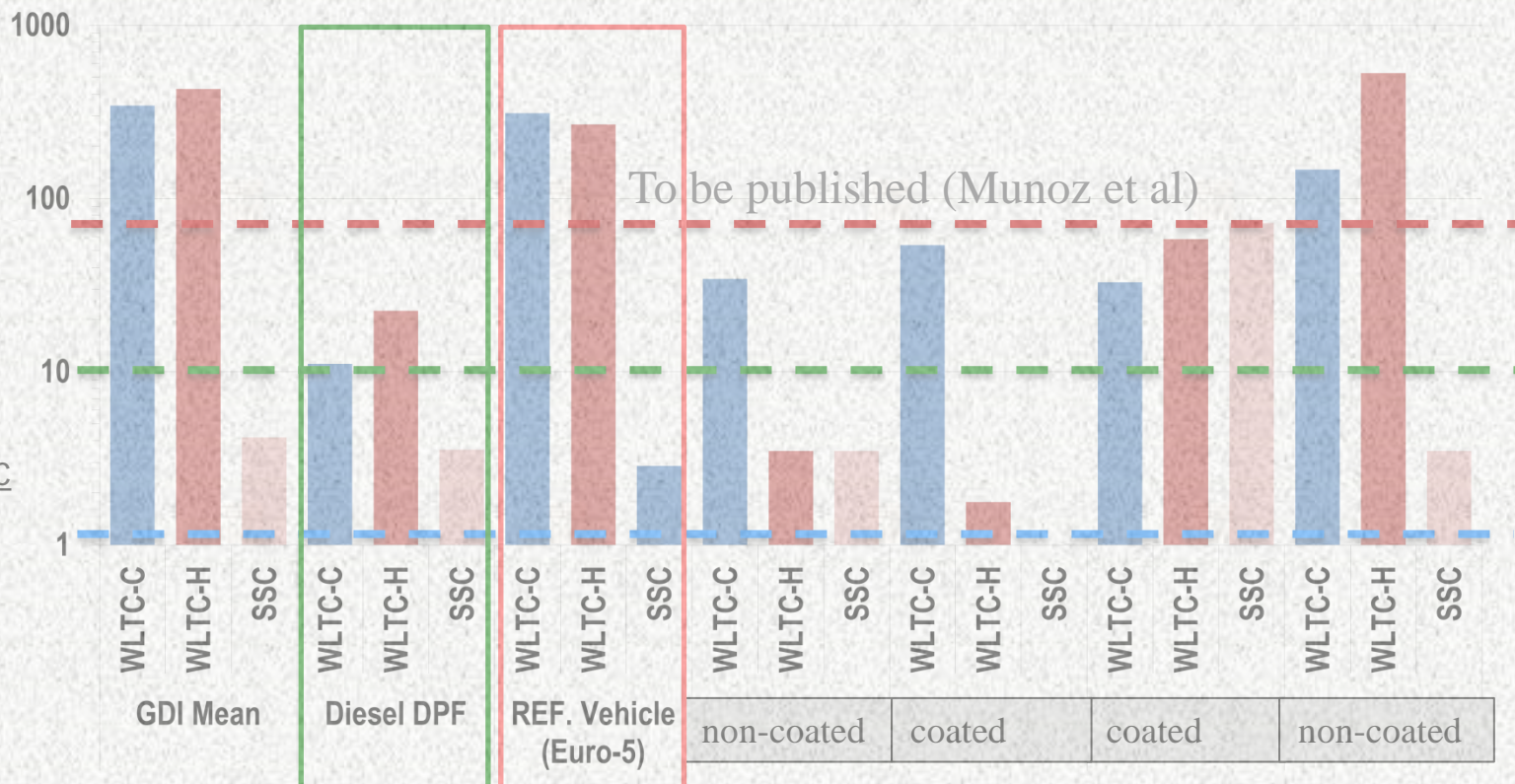
~ 1000x higher



Diesel emissions
BaP
78-92 ng/Nm³
without DPF

< 10 ng/Nm³ with
DPF
(Mean values)

Directive 2004/107/EC
BaP target value in
ambient air: 1 ng/m³

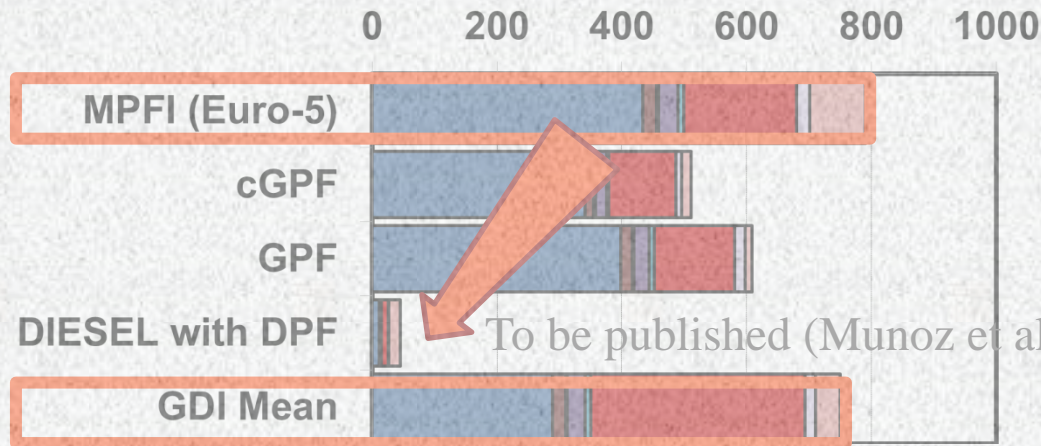


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MPFI with GPF

ng TEQ/m³

cWLTC

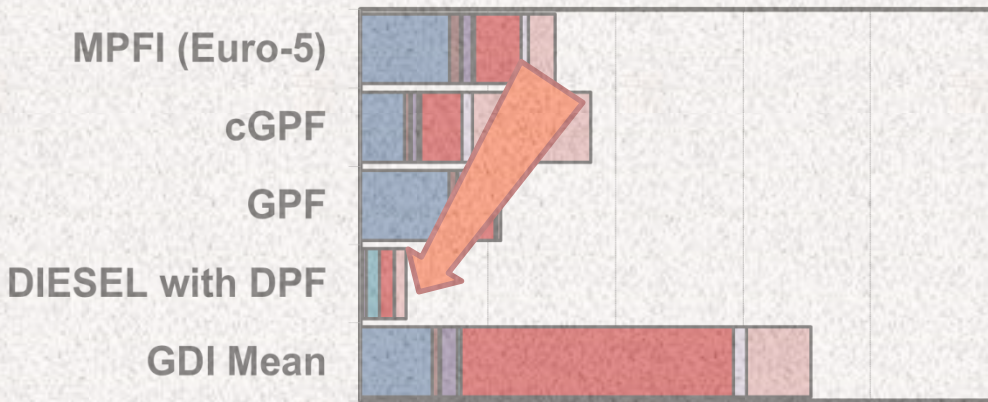


Genotoxic emissions

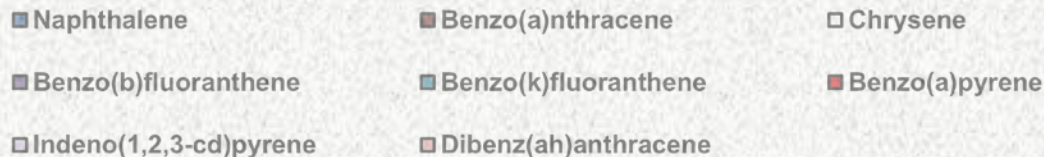
MPFI ≈ GDI mean
in cWLTC

MPFI ≠ DIESEL
. 17x higher (cWLTC)

hWLTC



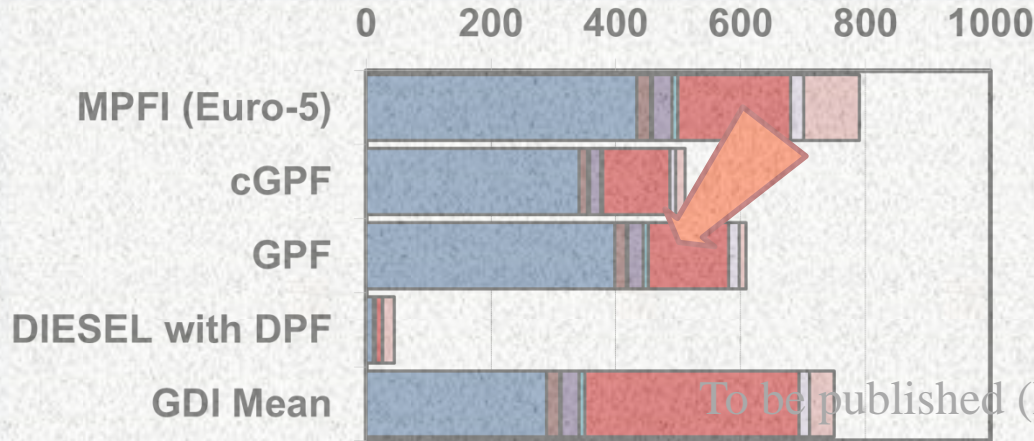
. 4x higher (hWLTC)



MPFI with GPF

ng TEQ/m³)

cWLTC

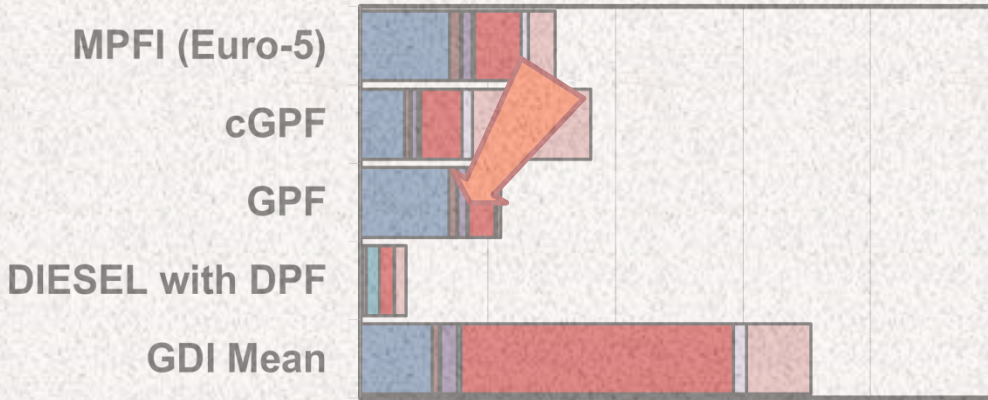


≈ 40% reduction

≈ 20% reduction

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hWLTC



≈ 1.5-fold increase

≈ 30% reduction

Poor coating efficiency

- Naphthalene
- Benzo(b)fluoranthene
- Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene
- Benzo(a)anthracene
- Benzo(k)fluoranthene
- Dibenz(ah)anthracene
- Chrysene
- Benzo(a)pyrene

Individual patterns

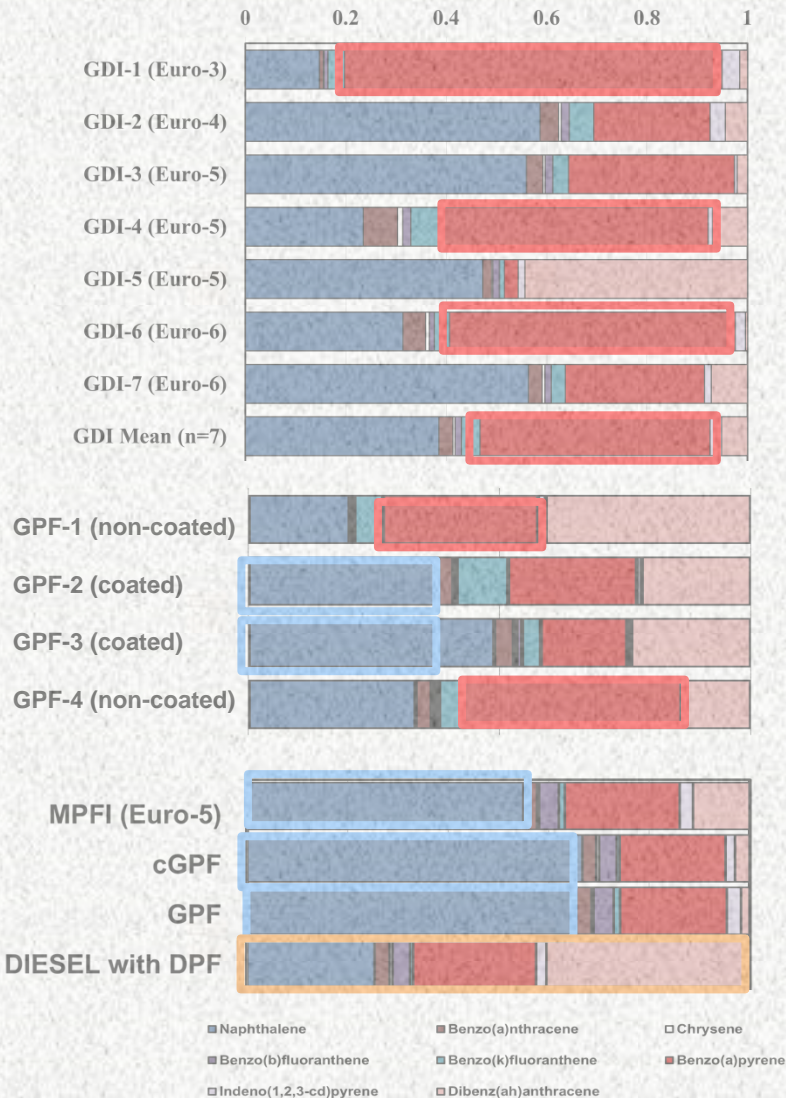
Benzo(a)pyrene dominates in **GDI**

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Naphthalene dominates in **GDI- filtered exhaust (with coating)**

Naphthalene dominates in **MPFI**

Different in **DIESEL**



Are GDI vehicle exhaust genotoxic like non-treated diesel exhaust?

- Toxic equivalent concentrations are several times higher in GDI (with and without filter) than in diesel with DPF.
 - Benzo(a)pyrene concentrations are 1-3 orders of magnitude higher than EU Target Limit (1 ng/m³)
 - Differences in individual patterns: BaP dominates in GDI, NAP in MPFI
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To reach DIESEL with DPF levels

- GDI should be equipped with filters – May reduce PAH emissions (20-80%)
- GPF should undergo certification procedures like DPF (VERT)
- Efficient coating
- Use of ethanol/gasoline blends?



Thank you for your attention

Questions?

