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Evaluation of the effect of ethanol on LDVs CO₂- and particle-number-emissions within onroad-testing



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Motivation

Fine dust alarm

□ Media review

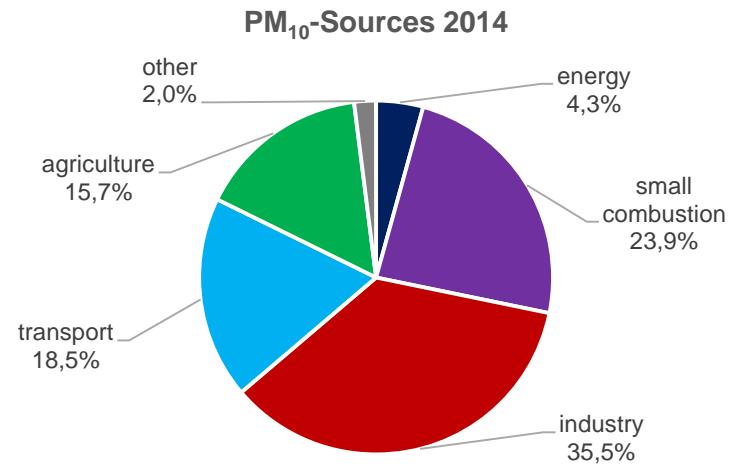
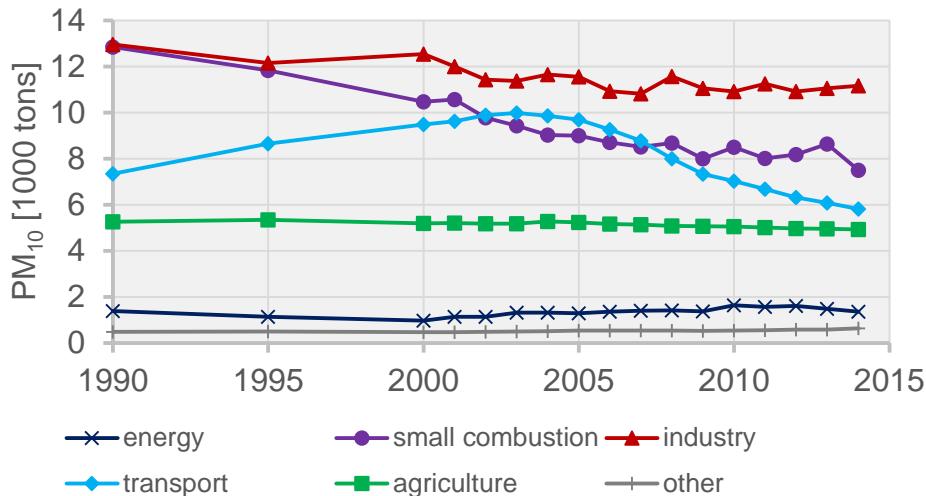
Fine dust: Thick air in Graz
Source: Die Presse; 17.02.2017

Fine dust in Stuttgart
By now already 12 days exceeding the limit values
Source: Stuttgarter-Zeitung; 22.01.2017

19 fine dust alarms in Vienna by now

Source: orf.at; 21.02.2017

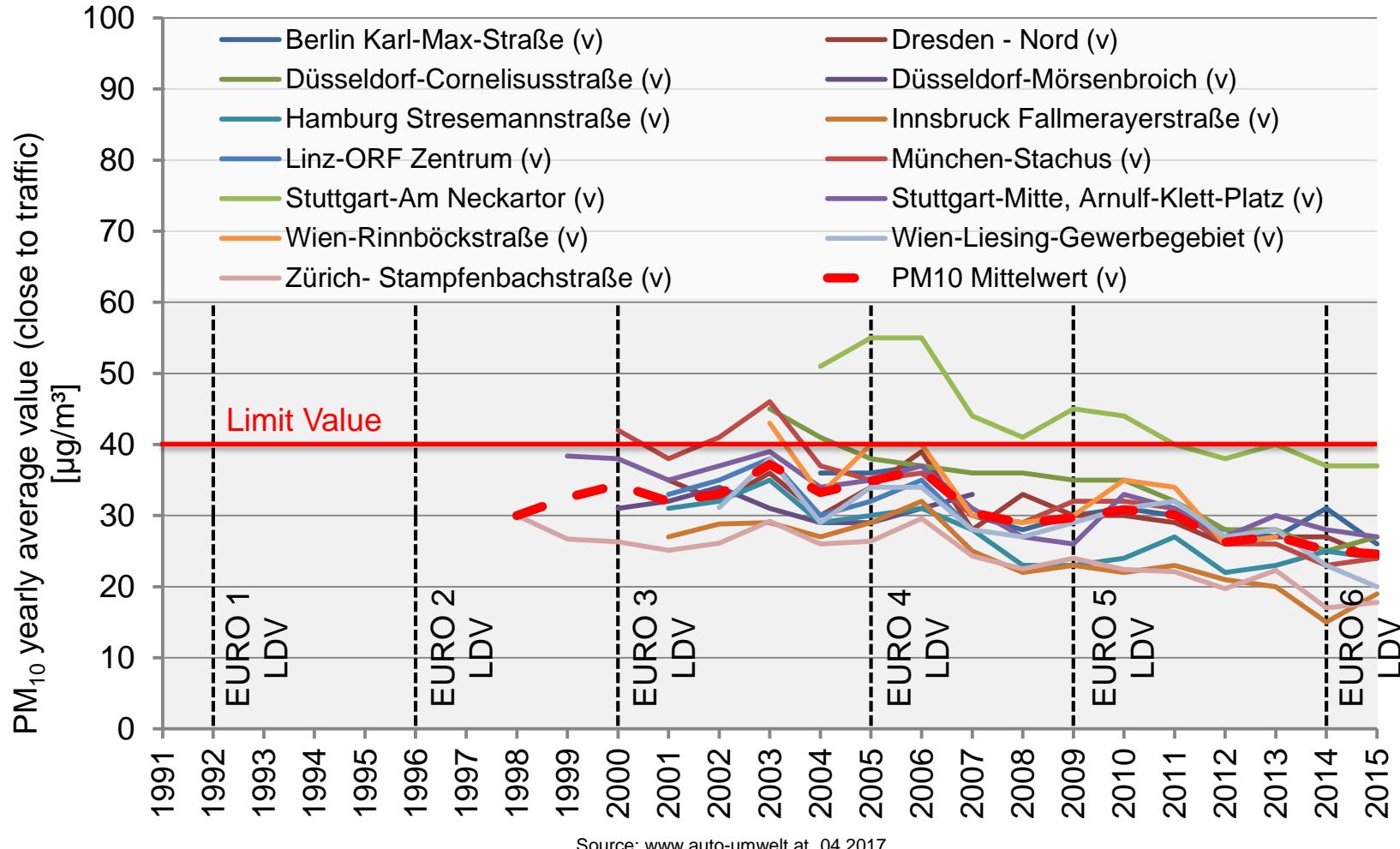
□ Development of fine dust emissions in Austria



Motivation

Fine dust alarm

□ Development of fine dust immissions



Motivation

Measures to reduce fine dust share of LDVs

□ EU Emission Standards – Gasoline Vehicles

Stage	CO	HC	HC+NOx	NOx	PM	PN
	g/km					#/km
Euro 1	2.72 (3.16)	-	0.97 (1.13)	-	-	-
Euro 2	2.2	-	0.5	-	-	-
Euro 3	2.30	0.20	-	0.15	-	-
Euro 4	1.0	0.10	-	0.08	-	-
Euro 5	1.0	0.10 ^d	-	0.06	0.005	-
Euro 6	1.0	0.10 ^d	-	0.06	0.005	$6.0 \times 10^{11} *$

* 6.0×10^{12} 1/km within first three years from Euro 6 effective dates

Source: www.dieselnet.com, 04.2017

Motivation

- Implementation of directive 2003/30/EG and the directive on promoting the use of energy from renewable sources 2009/28/EG within the Austrian fuel regulation
 - determines a yearly substitution by **biogenic fuels** and other renewable fuels, to **reduce** (amongst other) **CO₂-emissions**
 - **rate of admixture** 2013 in Austria: **5,6 Vol.-%**
- Besides lower CO₂-emissions based on sustainable production, ethanol exhibits further CO₂-advantages for combustion in an ICE due to its chemical composition
- Aim of tests – focus on **increased ethanol share**:
 - **Evaluation of CO₂-advantages** for combustion in an ICE within normal operation conditions (real-world onroad driving)
 - **Evaluation of expected advantages** regarding **particle-number-emissions** for direct injection gasoline engines within real-world conditions

Scope of work

- **Three fuels** were investigated to evaluate the influence of increasing ethanol shares.
- Investigated fuels:
 - E5 (ethanol share: 5 %; basis fuel)
 - E10 (ethanol share: 10 %)
 - E20 (ethanol share: 20 %)
- LDVs with direct injection gasoline engines were utilized. To determine a possibly occurring effect of an alternative drive train concept, one out of **three vehicles** was a Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle (PHEV).
- Test setup
 - **Onroad**, i.e. within real-world operating conditions (traffic, weather, etc. changeable)
 - **Chassis Dynamometer** (well defined test conditions and speed trace)

Test Campaign

Vehicles

Utilized vehicles for the investigations

	general information		
description	vehicle 1	vehicle 2	vehicle 3
drive concept	PHEV	conventional	conventional
emissions stage	EU 6	EU 6	EU 6
drive train			
ICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4-cylinder (in-line) - 1,4 l DI-gasoline eng. /w ETC - power: 110 kW - torque: 250 Nm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4-cylinder (in-line) - 1,2 l DI-gasoline eng. /w ETC - power: 63 kW - torque: 160 Nm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4-cylinder (in-line) - 1,6 l DI-gasoline eng. /w ETC - power: 90 kW - torque: 200 Nm
electric motor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - power: 75 kW - torque: 330 Nm 	-	-
HV-battery	8,8 kWh	-	-
exhaust after-treatment system	2 serial 3-way catalysts	3-way catalyst	3-way catalyst
transmission	6-speed-dual-clutch-transmission (autom.)	5-speed transmission	7-speed-dual-clutch-transmission (autom.)
drive mode	front-wheel drive	front-wheel drive	front-wheel drive
test mass	ca. 1.850 kg	ca. 1.410 kg	ca. 1.550 kg

PHEV ... Plug-In Hybrid Electric Vehicle

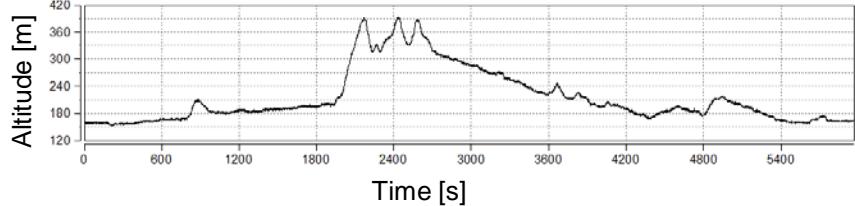
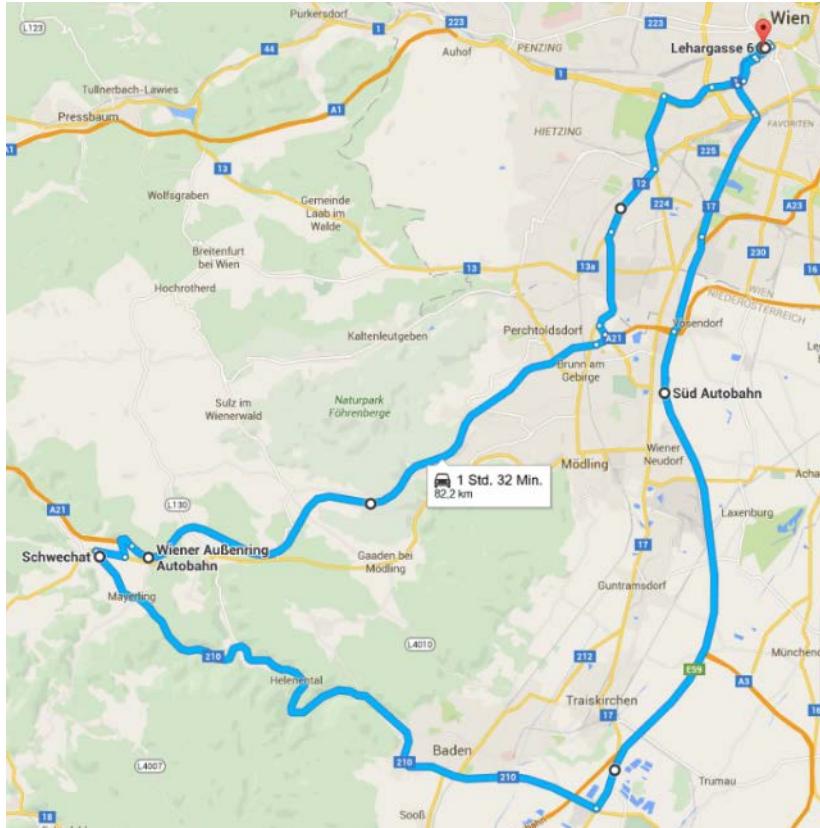
ICE ... internal combustion engine

DI ... direct injection

ETC ... exhaust turbo charger

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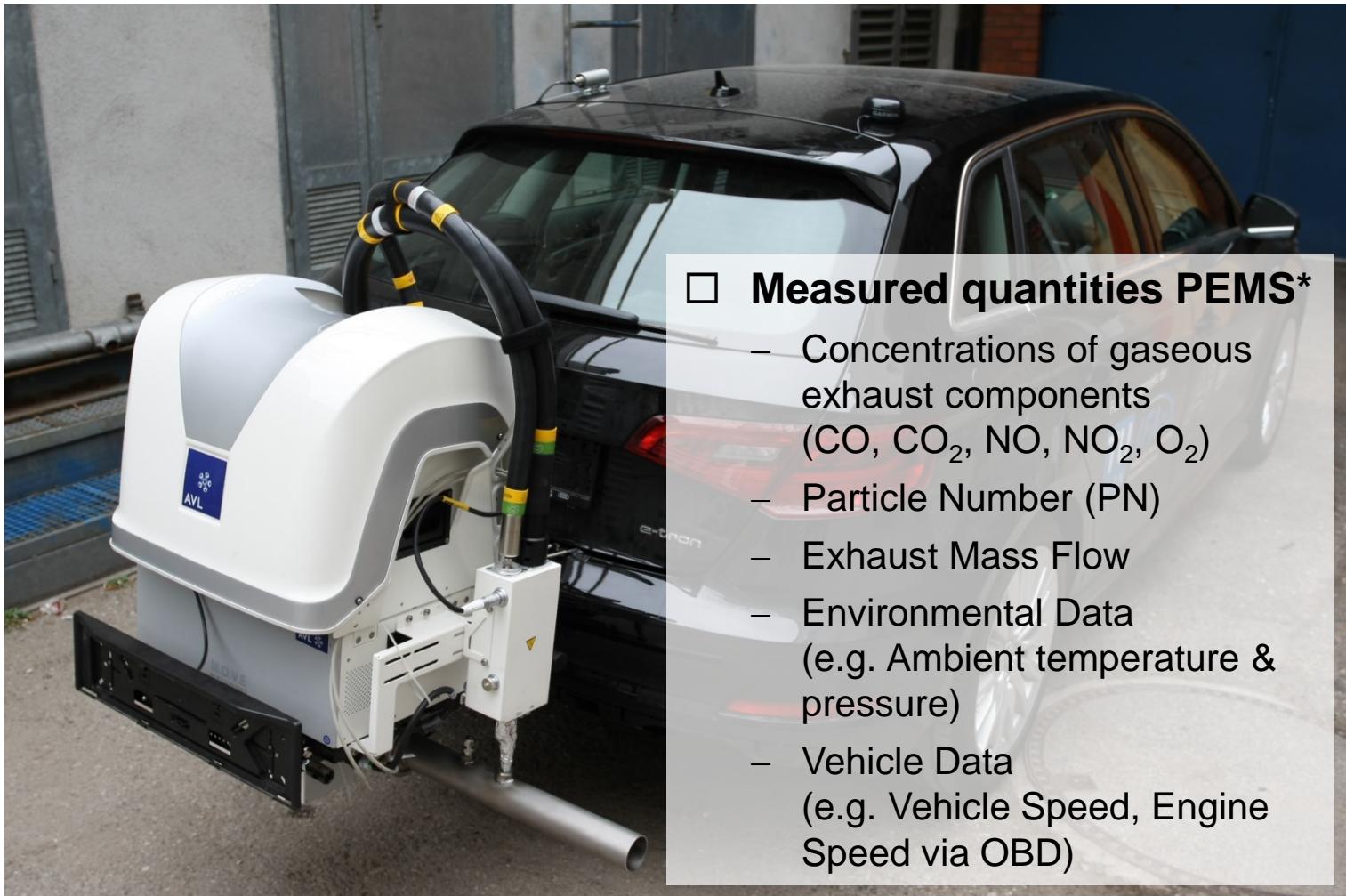
Onroad



- RDE-Route Vienna**
 - *Duration:* ca. 100 min
 - *Avg. Speed:* ca. 50 km/h
 - *Distance:* ca. 82 km
 - *Shares (distance based):*
 - *urban:* ca. 34 %
 - *rural:* ca. 33 %
 - *motorway:* ca. 33 %
 - *Cumulative pos. elevation gain:* 675 m/100 km
- 6 test runs with each fuel
→ overall 54 test runs
- Measurement of CO₂-emissions and Particle Number during the test

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Onroad - Setup

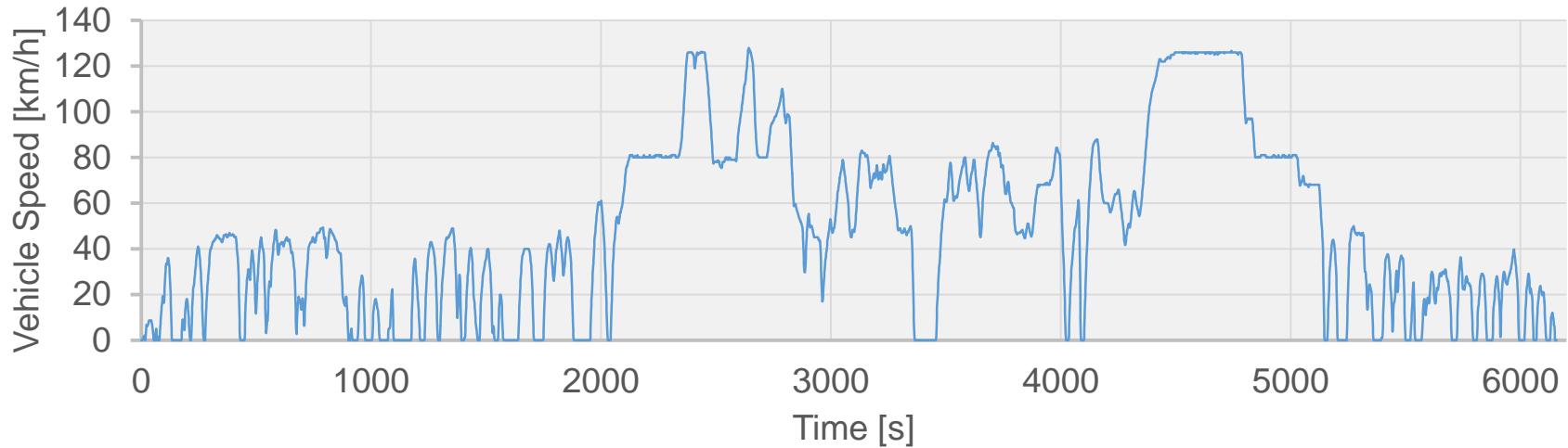


* PEMS = Portable Emission Measurement System

Test Campaign

Chassis Dynamometer

- Speed Trace from a representative onroad test

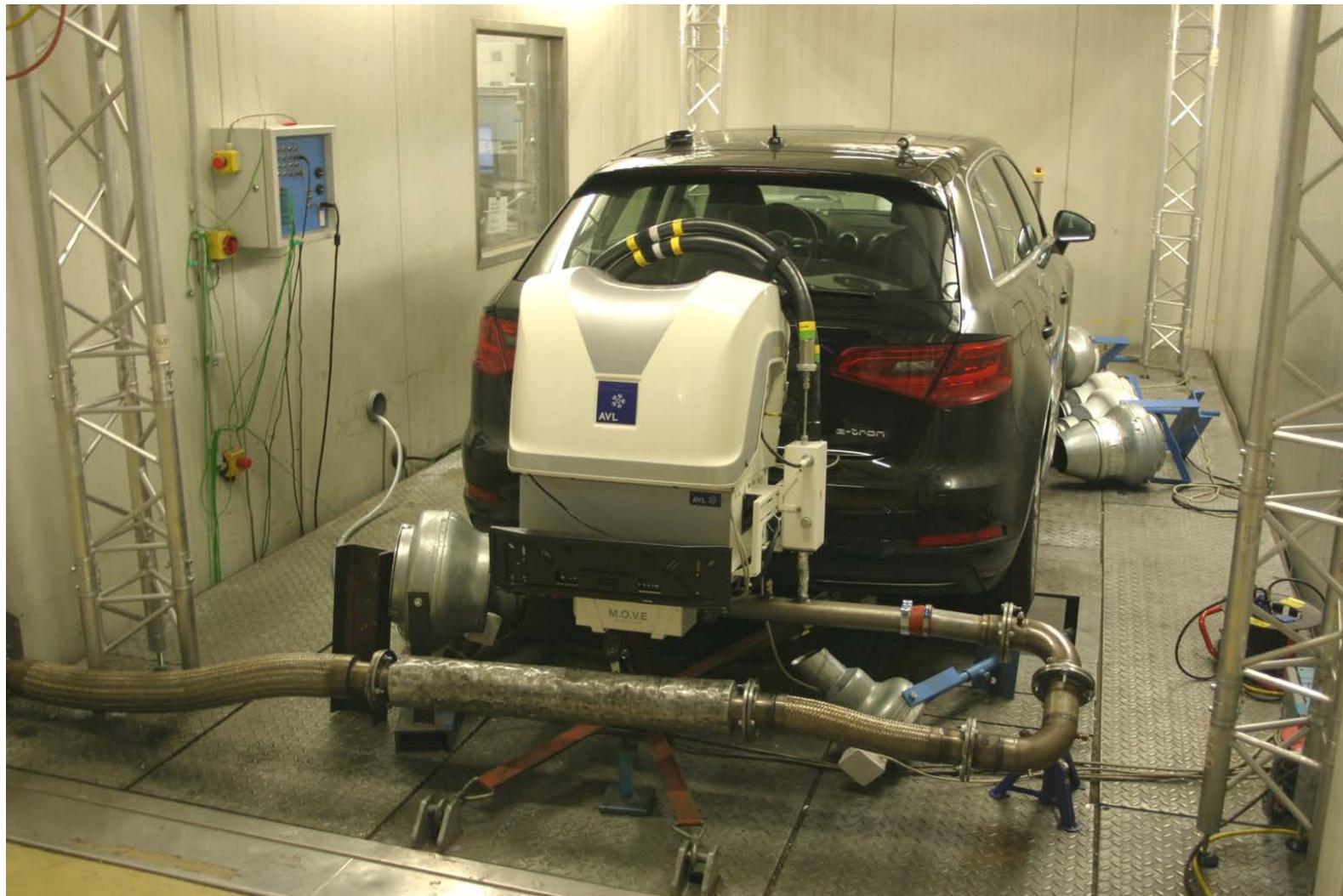


- Duration: 103 min | Avg. Speed: 48,2 km/h
- Distance: ca. 82,6 km
 - Shares: urban 32 % | rural 38 % | motorway 30 %
- Ambient temperature: 21,6 °C (const.)

- (at least) 2 test runs with each fuel → overall 18 test runs
- Measurement of CO₂-emissions and Particle Number during the test

Test Campaign

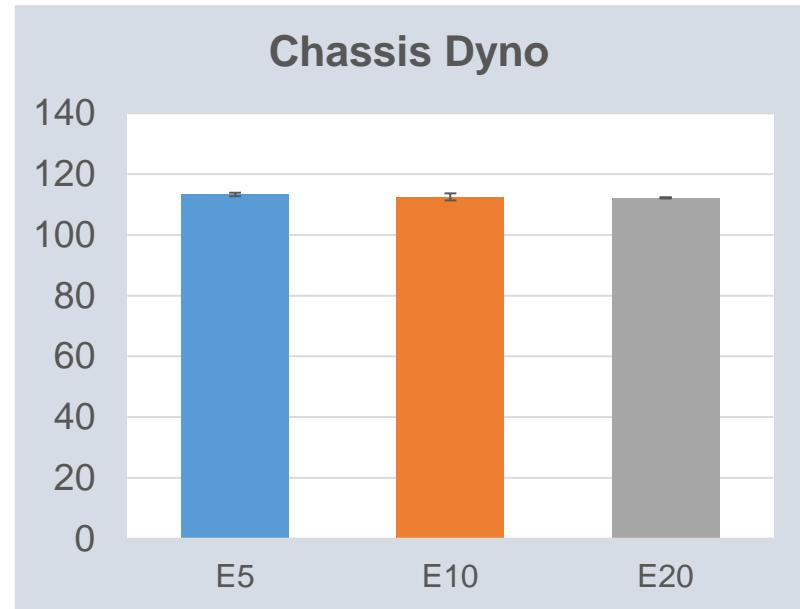
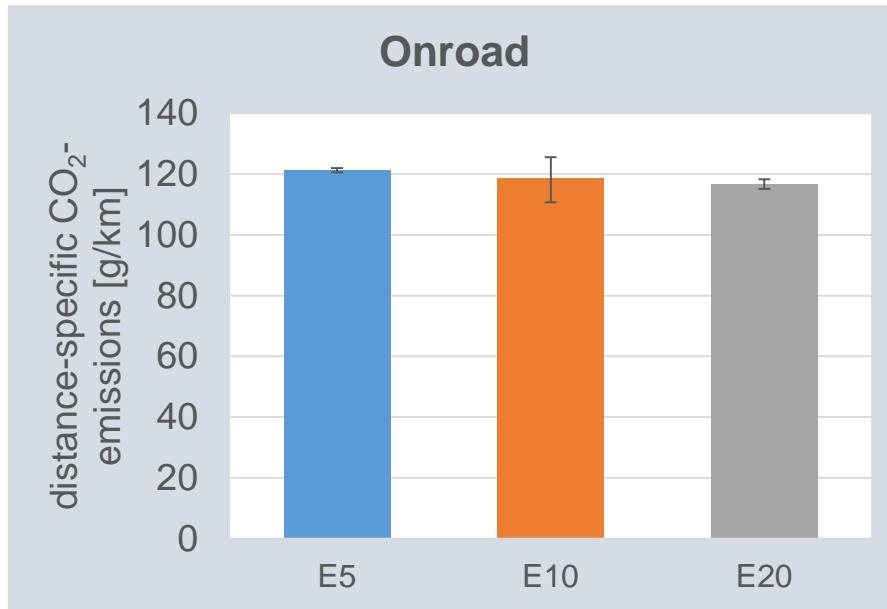
Chassis Dynamometer - Setup



Results

Vehicle 1 (PHEV) – comparison of emission-results

- distance-specific CO₂-emissions in g/km



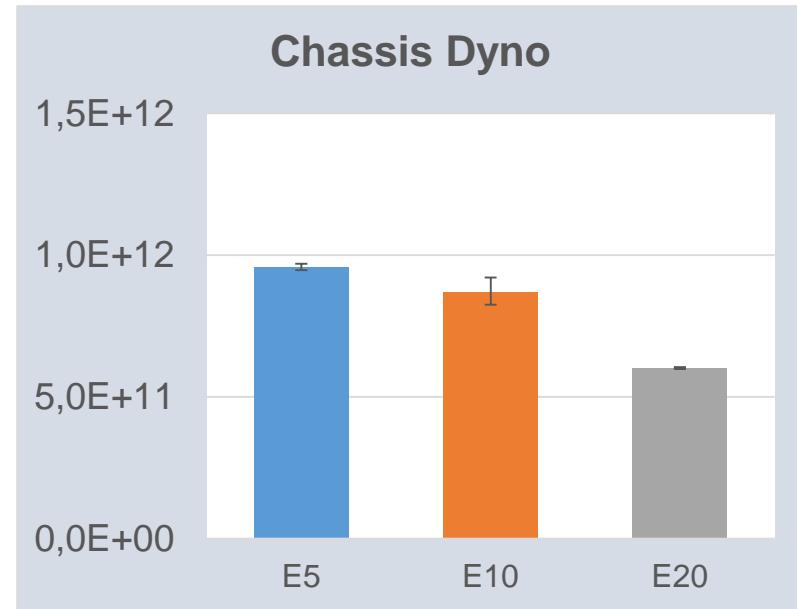
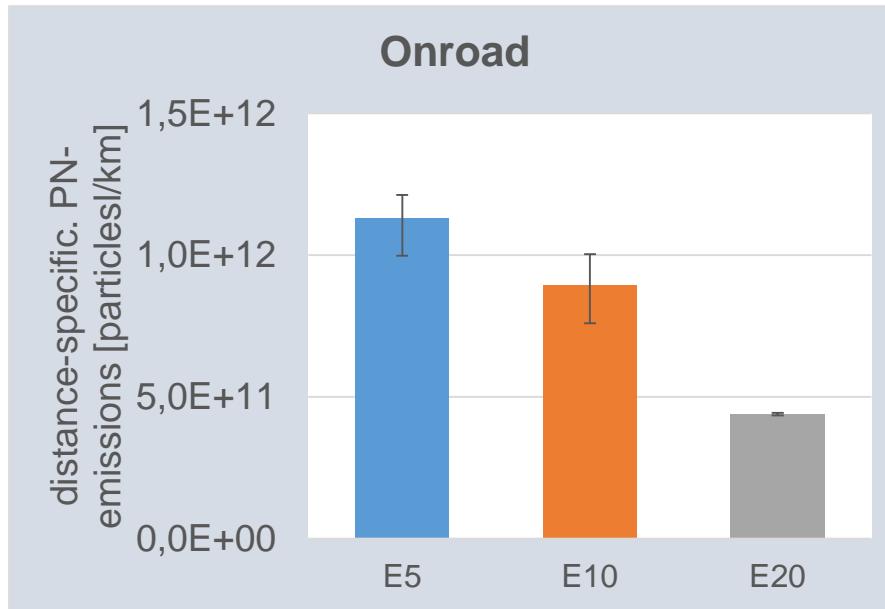
	E5	E10	E20
Mean [g/km]	121,1	118,8	116,9
Diff. to E5	-	-1,9 %	-3,5 %

	E5	E10	E20
Mean [g/km]	113,3	112,6	112,2
Diff. to E5	-	-0,7 %	-1,0 %

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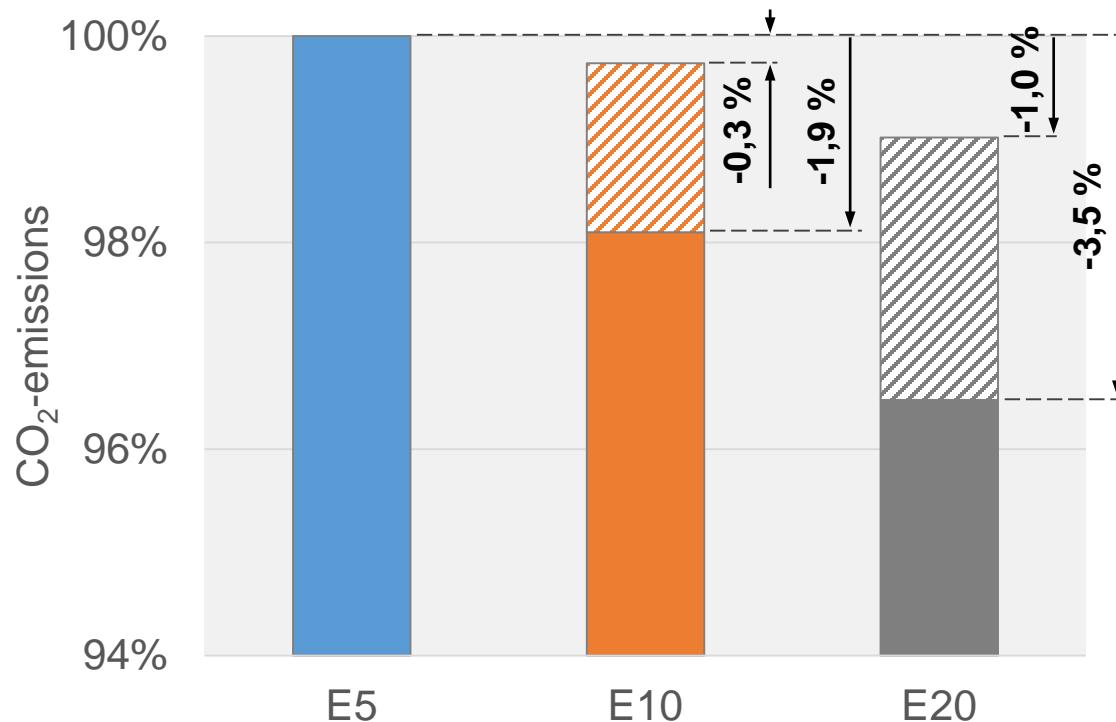
	E5	E10	E20
Mean [P/km]	1,13E+12	8,93E+11	4,39E+11
Diff. to E5	-	-21,0 %	-61,2 %

	E5	E10	E20
9,58E+11	8,70E+11	6,01E+11	
-	-9,2 %	-37,3 %	

Summary

CO₂-emissions

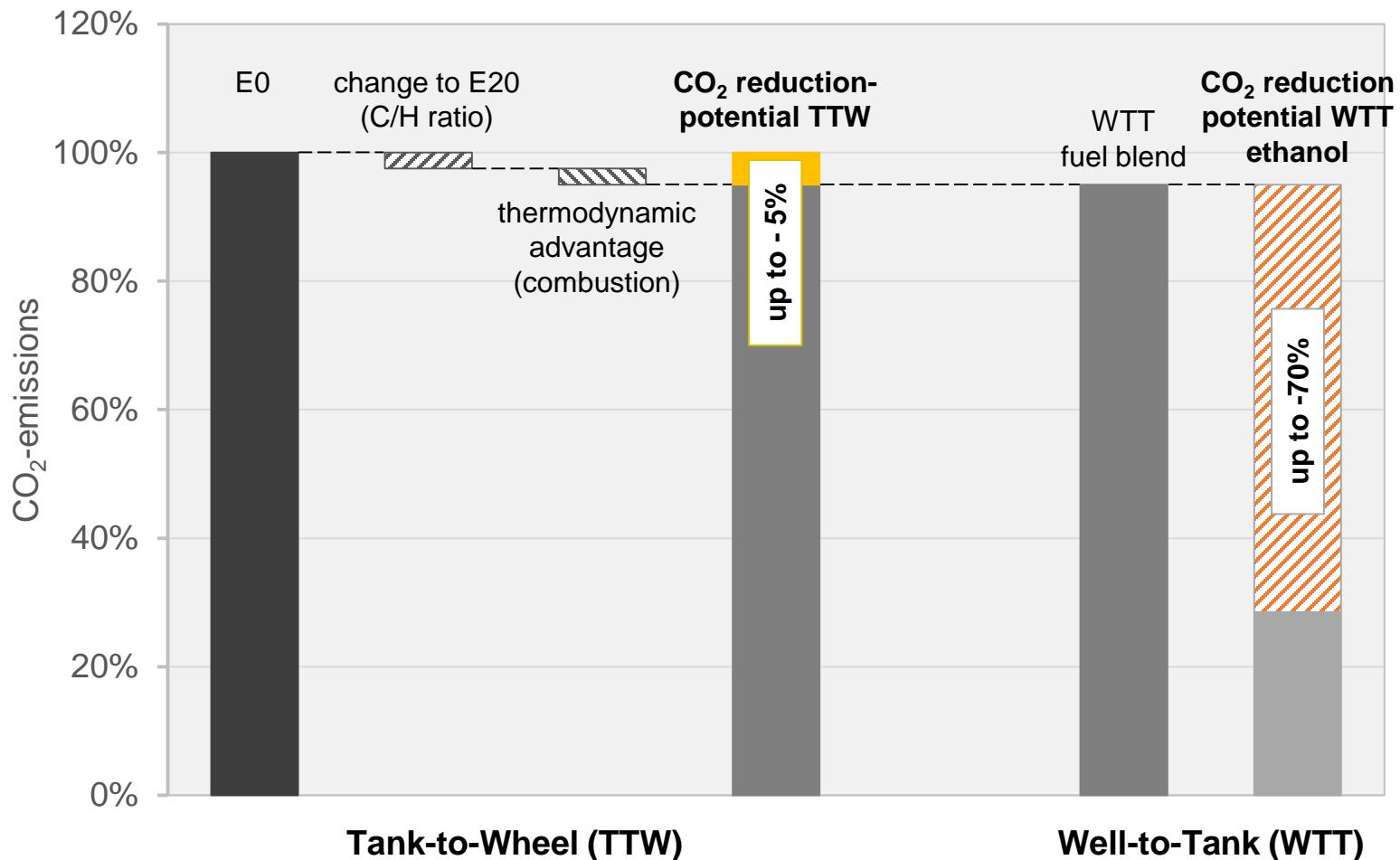
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(overall results of 3 vehicles – comparing E5 to E20)



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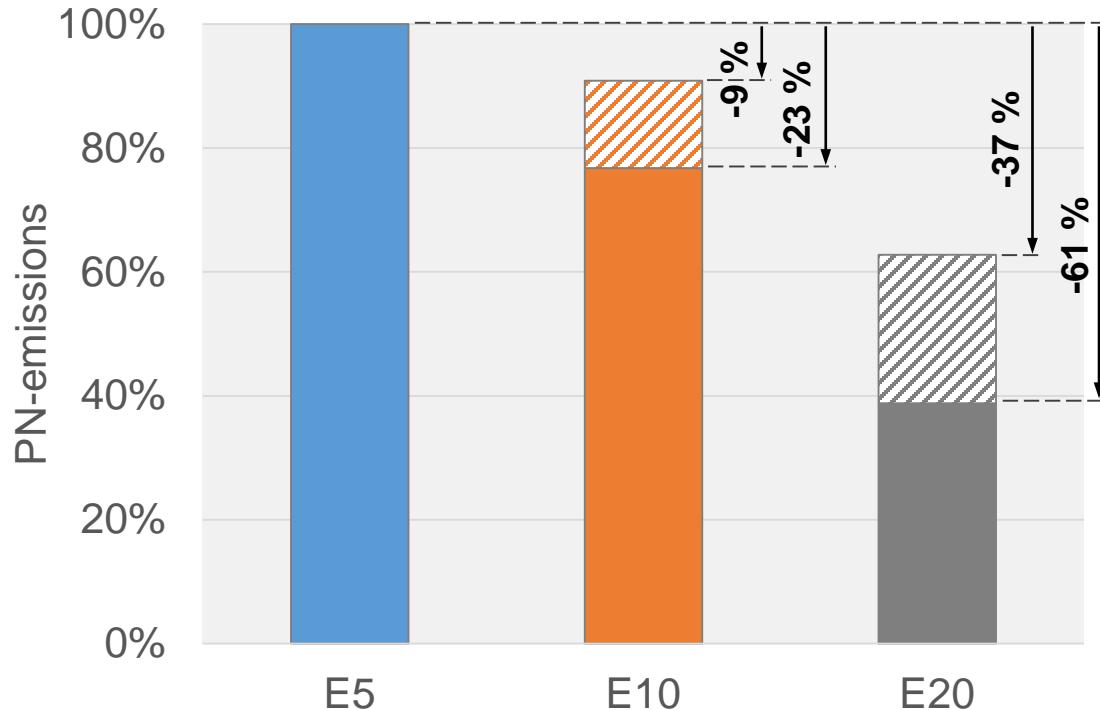
- CO₂-total-balance – advantages of biogenic ethanol



Summary

Particle-number-emissions

- **Particle-number-emissions** showed a **reduction of up to 61 %**
(overall results of 3 vehicles – comparing E5 to E20)



Conclusion

- The influence of fuel blends with different ethanol shares (E5, E10 and E20) were investigated with 3 vehicles driving onroad as well as on the chassis dynamometer. Overall 72 test runs were carried out.
- **Reduction of emissions** as a function of **ethanol share**, compared to commercially available gasoline (E5)
 - CO₂-emissions: **E10 up to -2,0 %**
 E20 up to -3,5 %
 - Particle-number-emissions: **E10 up to -23 %**
 E20 up to -61 %
- The described advantages were determined with modern EURO-6 vehicles, but would also result within older vehicle models and therefore affect the whole vehicle fleet.

Thank you for your attention!



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