

# **Real-world Vehicle Emission Measurements using PEMS in Hong Kong**

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# Outline

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- \* PEMS measurement in Hong Kong
- \* NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from light duty diesel trucks
- \* LPG taxi emissions

# PEMS measurement in Hong Kong

- \* Since 2008
- \* Application:
  - ❖ evaluate the vehicle emission reduction initiatives
    - e.g. program for retrofitting buses with SCR, hybrid bus program
  - ❖ update the emission factors in the vehicle emission model
    - e.g. EMFAC-HK, upgrade of current vehicle emission model
  - ❖ identify the high emitters in the vehicle fleet



Article

## Real-World Measurement of Hybrid Buses' Fuel Consumption and Pollutant Emissions in a Metropolitan Urban Road Network

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### Will the STM's new hybrid buses actually save on fuel?

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If a bus is consuming more fuel, it's also emitting more carbon dioxide. ALLEN MCIBRIS / MONTREAL GAZETTE

**SHARE** In the next five years, more than 800 new hybrid buses will be on Montreal's streets.

**ADJUST** The goal of the nearly \$2 billion order for 820 new buses with diesel engines and electric propulsion systems is to significantly reduce the carbon footprint of the Société de transport de Montréal's city fleet buses. By the time they arrive in 2024, hybrid buses will make up roughly half of an enlarged STM fleet of 2,100 buses.

**COMMENT** However, while a bus with a diesel electric hybrid engine sounds like it's better for the environment, even the STM admits the environmental benefits of the city's hybrids are unproven and the buses, now on order, may neither live up to their advertised 30-percent savings on fuel and carbon emissions.

**PRINT** A [study](#) for the city of Hong Kong found hybrids consumed just one per cent less fuel than conventional diesel buses in certain conditions, and in some cases, bad weather and heavy traffic — the hybrids were even less efficient, consuming 20 per cent more fuel. That figure was based on data from the transit association, which has been reporting hybrids

# Vehicles Explored up to end Feb., 2019

Vehicle Class	Fuel Type	Emission Standard							Total
		Pre-Euro	Euro I	Euro II	Euro III	Euro IV	Euro V	Euro VI	
Motorcycles	Gasoline				1				1
Cars	Gasoline			3	7	21	14	6	51
Taxis	LPG			13	6	13	13		45
Mini buses	LPG				6	4			10
	Diesel		1	1	6	2			10
Trucks <= 6.1 tons	Gasoline					4			4
	Diesel	5	4	12	25	19	29	5	99
Trucks > 6.1 tons	Diesel	4	1	4	19	17	32	2	79
Single Deck Coaches	Diesel			2	9	20	25		56
Double Deck Buses	Diesel			4	2		6	6	18
<b>Total</b>		9	6	39	81	100	119	19	373 <sup>4</sup>

# On-Road Testing Example: Franchised Bus Fixed Route

On-road testing of a SCR retrofitted Euro II bus

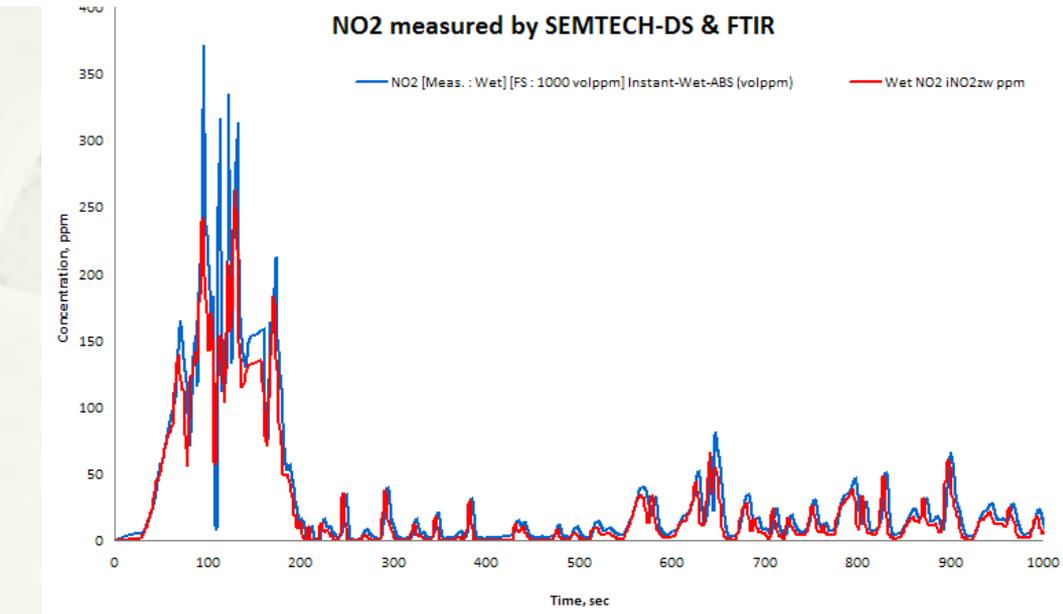
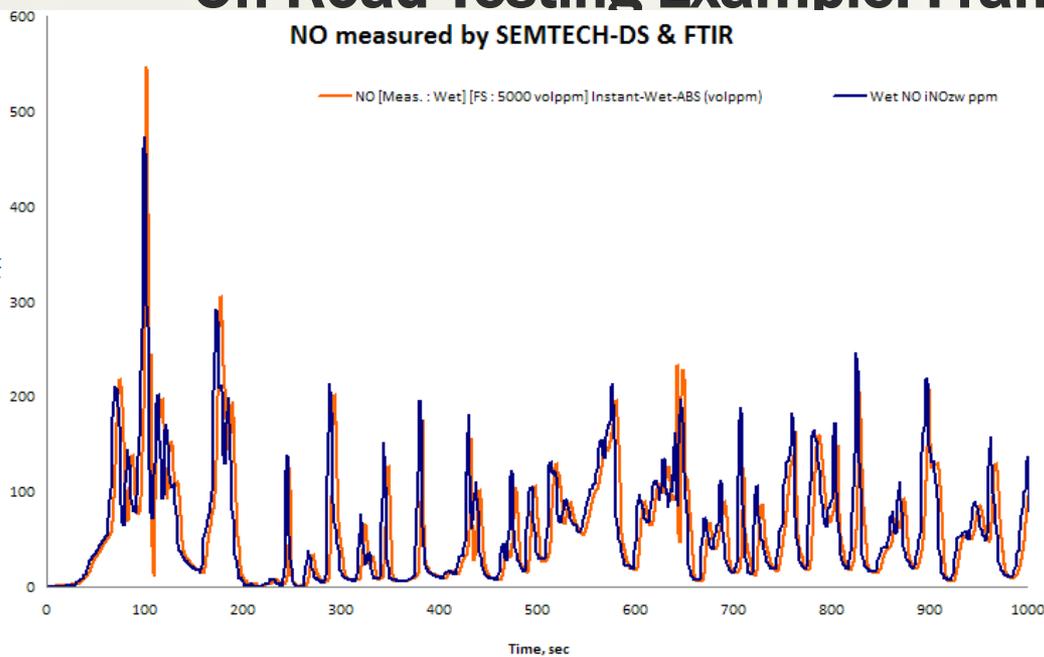
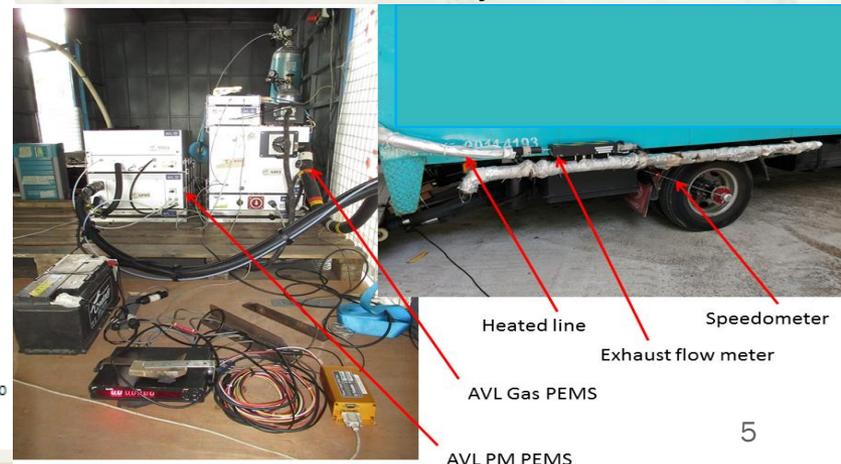
- Professional bus drivers following another in-service bus to simulate real-life application

Start 50-60% of maximum payload

- Traffic are captured by video camera mounted in front of the bus
- Minimum target of 5 round trips

Both gaseous pollutants and PM are collected

- PEMS used – SEMTECH-DS, SAMPS, Filter System and FTIR



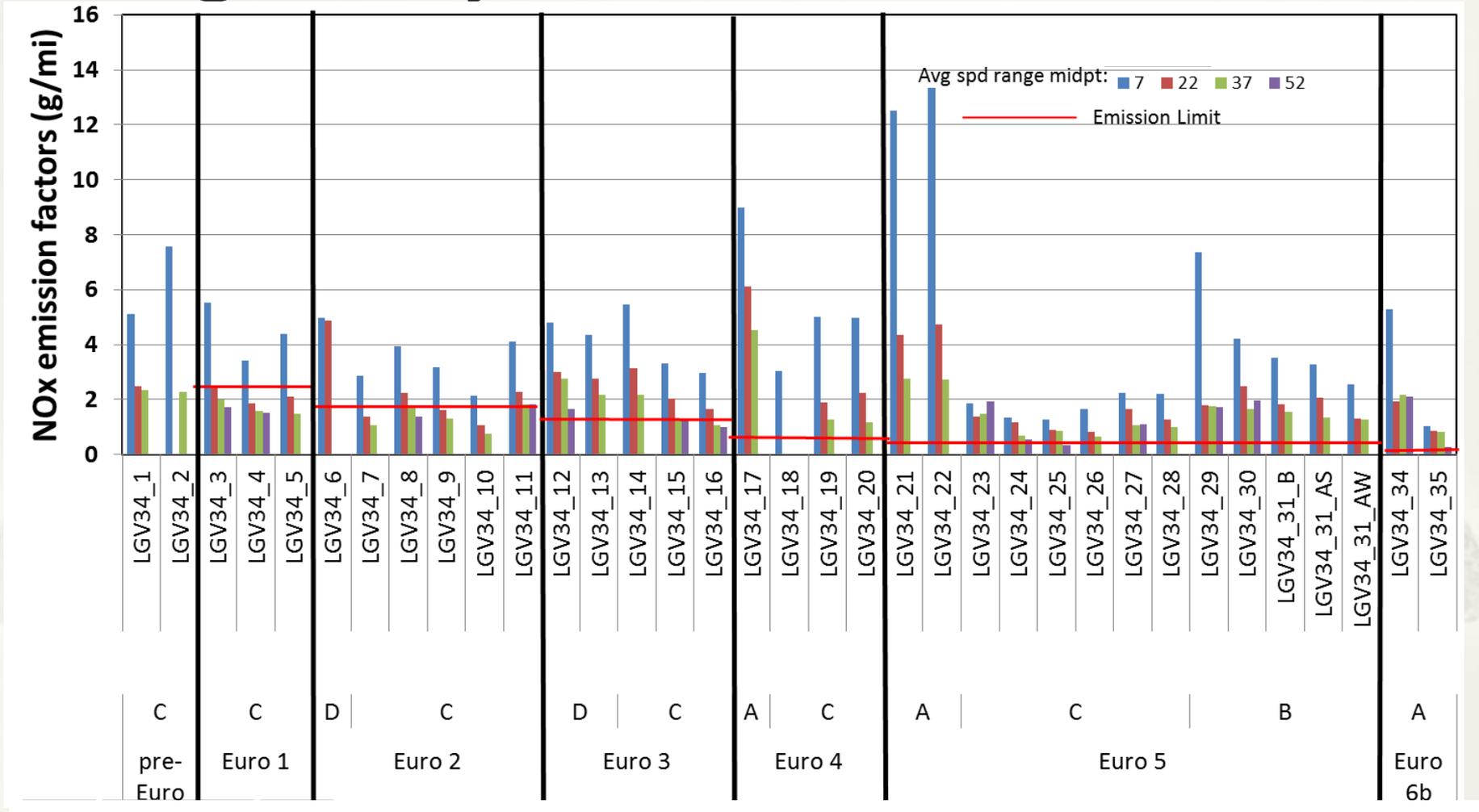
Emission data from franchised bus testing

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- \* PEMS measurement in Hong Kong
- \* **NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from light duty diesel trucks**
- \* LPG taxi emissions

# On-road PEMS Testing for Diesel Light Duty Trucks $\leq 3.85$ tons

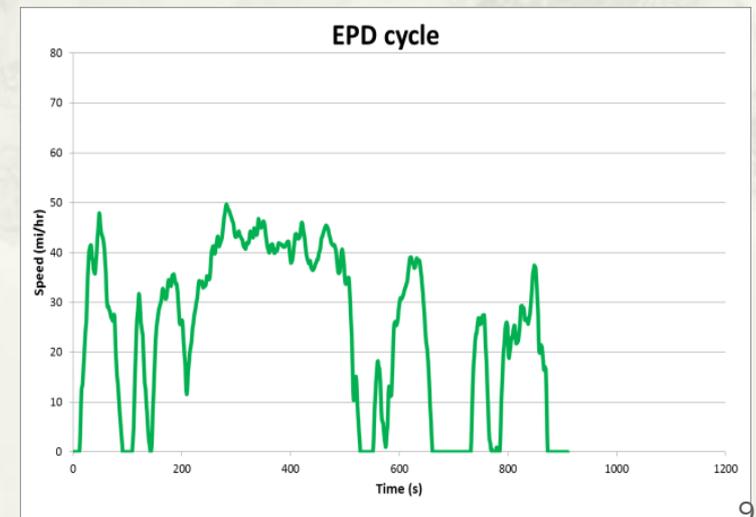
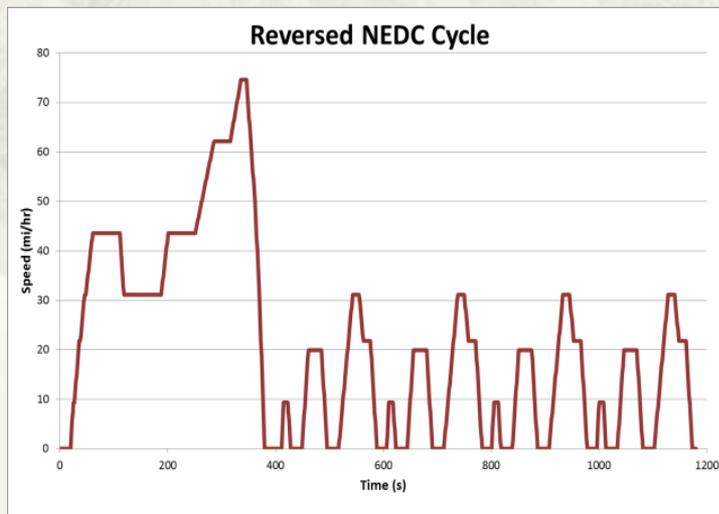
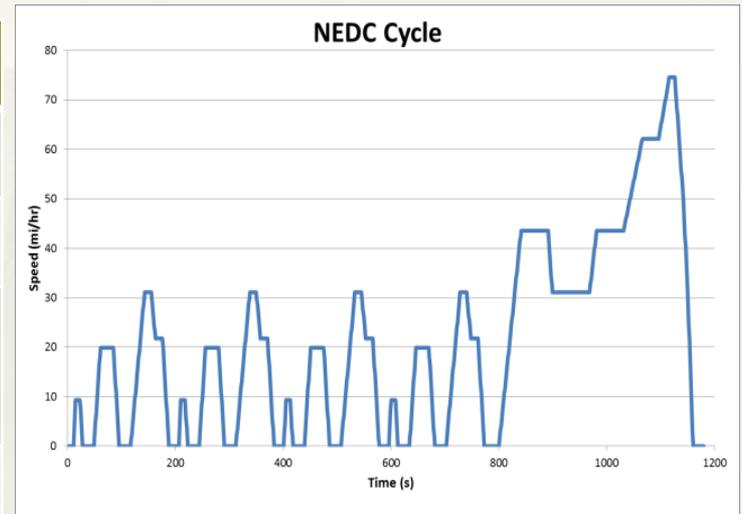


# NOx Emissions from Light Duty Diesel Trucks

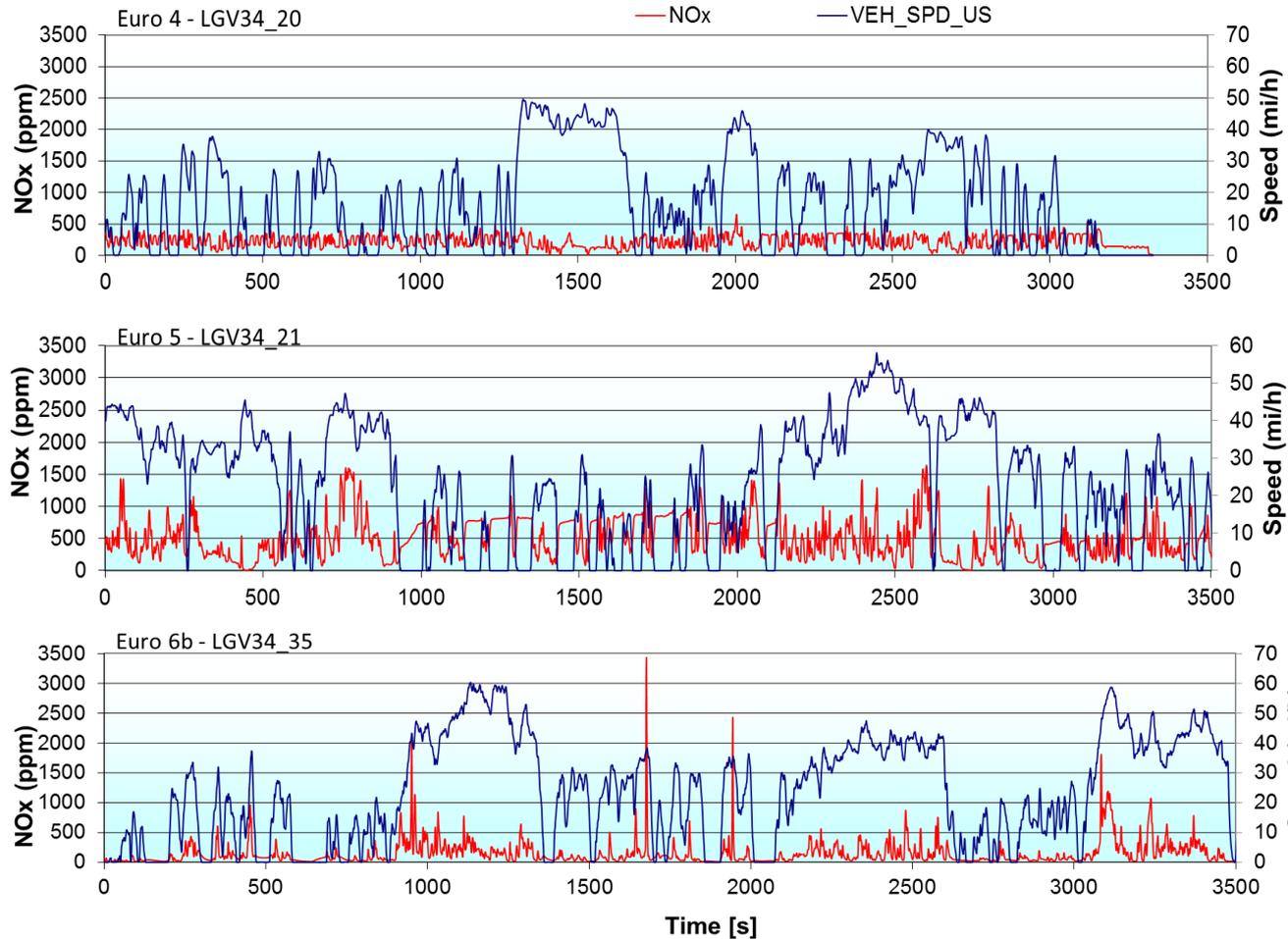
- \* Brand B
  - \* NOx emissions much higher than their corresponding emission standards
  - \* Some models known to be fitted with defeat device.
- \* Brand A
  - \* NOx emissions higher than Brand B
  - \* Compose of 15% of light duty trucks  $\leq$  3.85 tons for Euro 5 or above in Hong Kong
- \* Brand C
  - \* Lowest NOx emissions but still higher than their corresponding Euro emission limit

# Different Driving Cycles

Test	Cycle	Condition
NEDC-N	NEDC	Cold
NEDC-H	NEDC	Hot
NEDC-RH	Reversed NEDC	Hot
EPD	Customized	Hot



# Brand A (Road Test)



## LGV34\_20, Euro 4, Brand C

- Moderate NOx emissions with low peaks

## LGV34\_21, Euro 5, Brand A

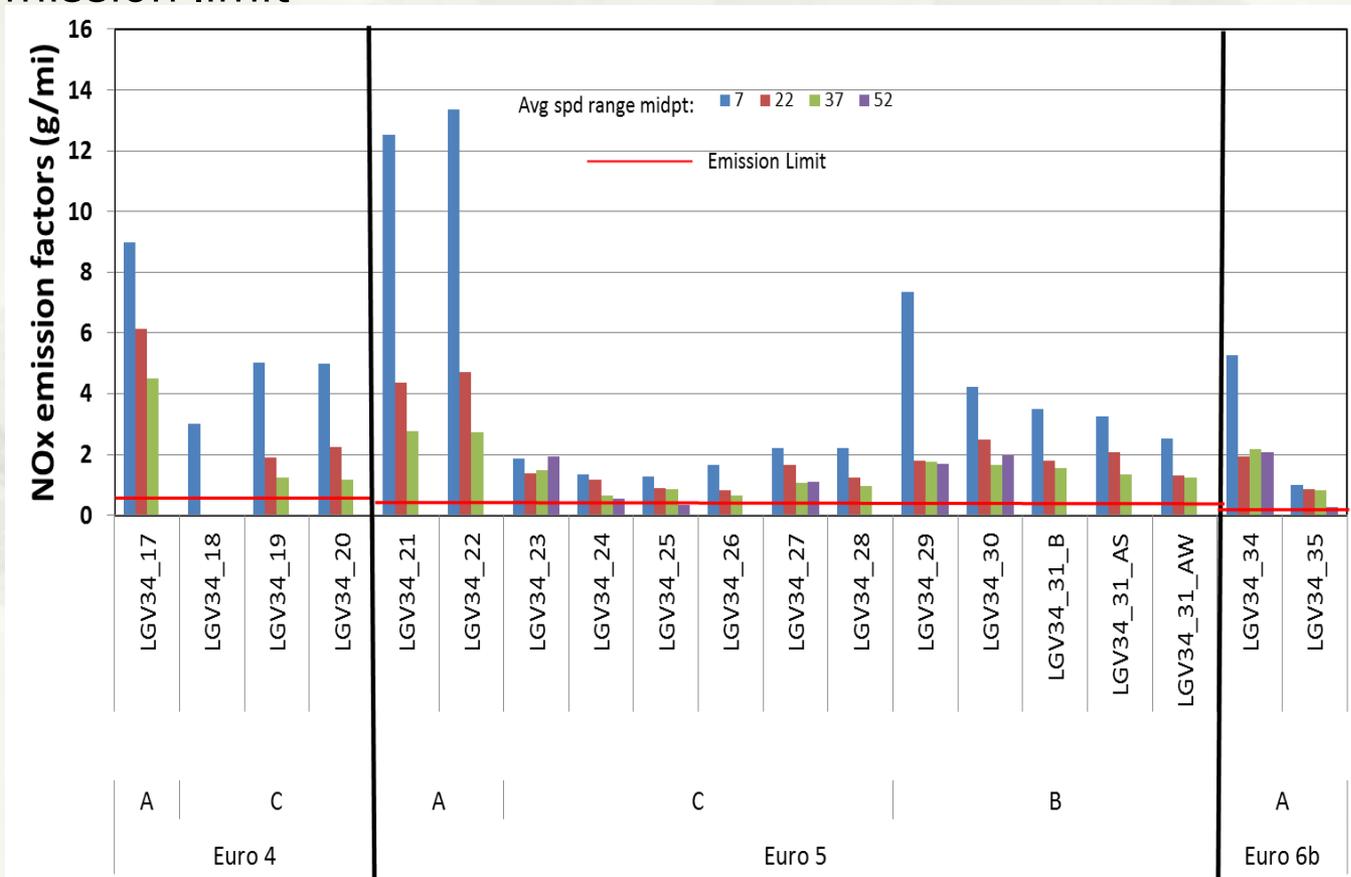
- High emissions with even higher peaks

## LGV34\_35, Euro 6, Brand A

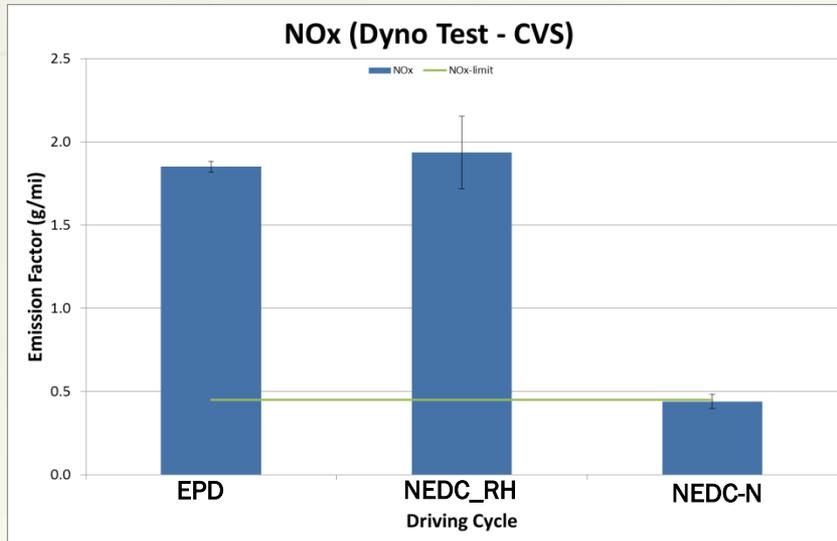
- Low NOx emissions with very high peaks

# Brand A (Road Test)

- NOx emissions are higher than Brand B
- NOx emissions from Euro 5 vehicles are similar to its Euro 4
- NOx emissions from Euro 6 vehicles are lower but still higher than its emission limit



# Brand A (dyno)



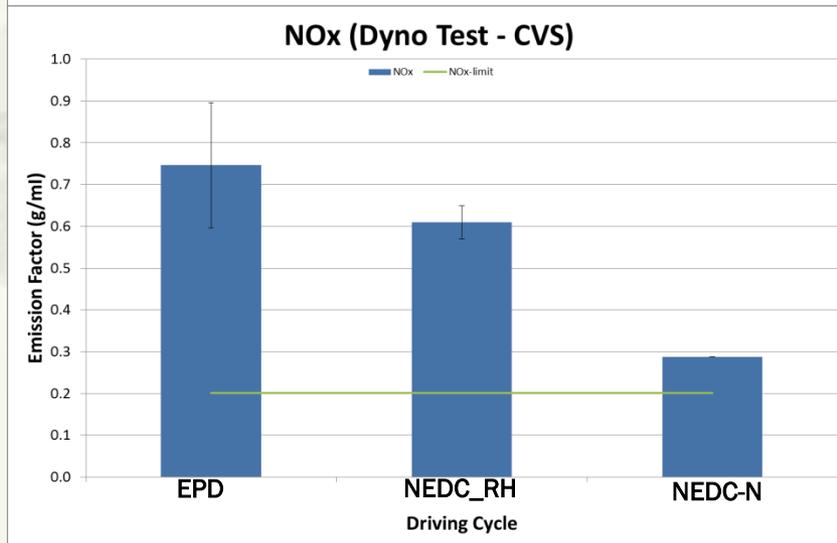
LGV34\_22

Euro Std: Euro 5

Mileage: 42,369 mi

GVW: 3.55 tons

Rated power: 168 bph@3600RPM



LGV34\_35

Euro Std: Euro 6b

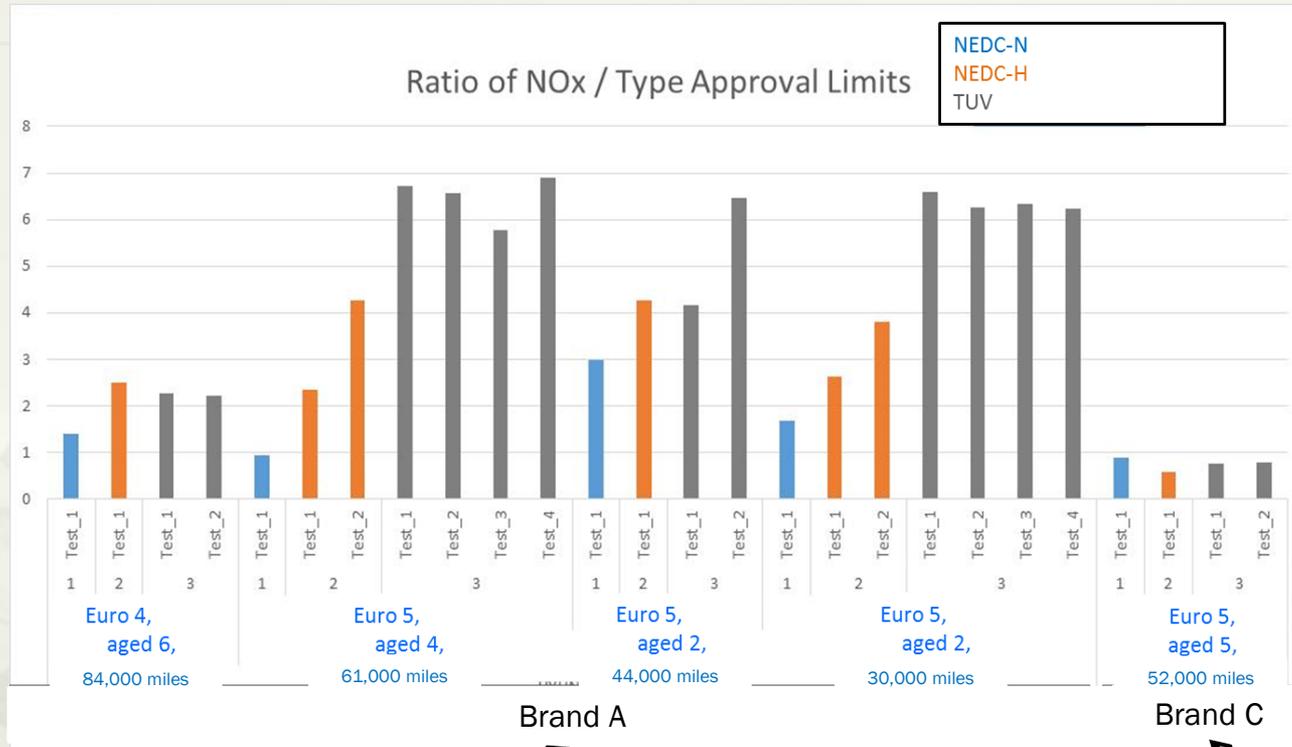
Mileage: 806 mi

GVW: 3.52 tons

Rated power: 134 bph@3600RPM

vehicles were provided by the local dealer

# Brand A (dyno)



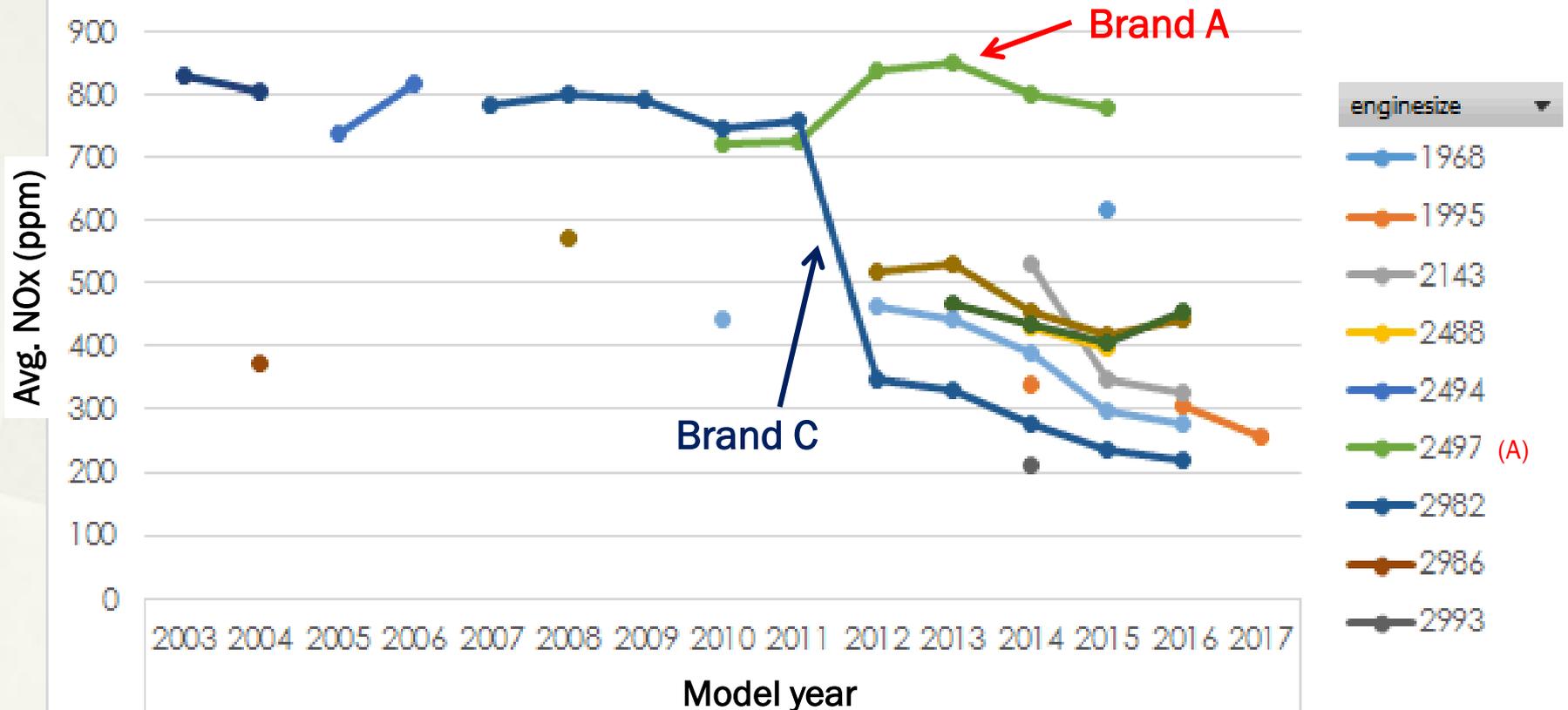
- NOx emissions in Hot NEDC are higher than Cold NEDC
- NOx emissions in customized cycle are higher than Cold NEDC and Hot NEDC

NOx emissions of all tests are similar

(vehicles are rented vehicles)

# Remote Sensing NOx data for Diesel Vehicles

Average NOx\_ppm by Engine Size and Manufacture Year - 2018RS

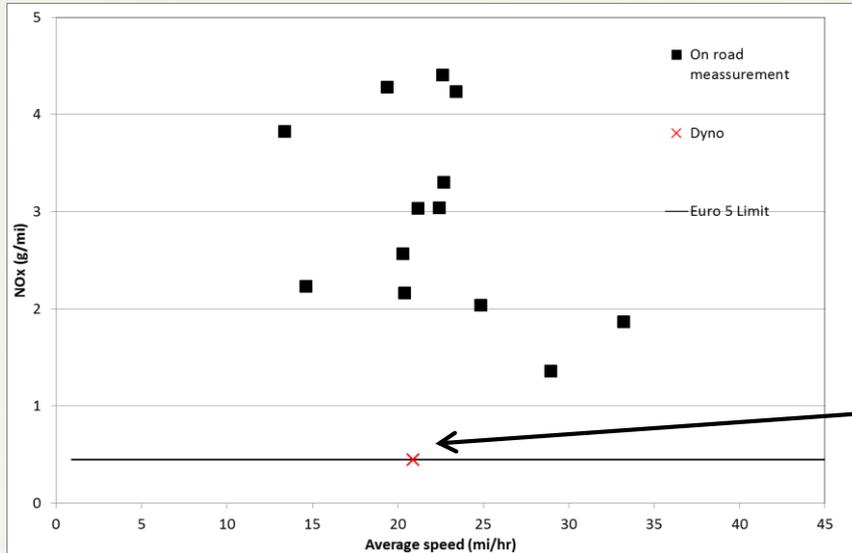


# Brand A

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- \* Extraordinary high NOx emissions in
  - \* Road test (even higher than those identified with defeat device)
  - \* Customized cycle tests on dyno
- \* For Euro 5 model, NOx emissions are about the same as the Euro 5 limit in certification tests
- \* For Euro 6 model, NOx emissions are about 40% higher than the Euro 6 limit in certification tests

# Brand B (LGV34\_29, LGV34\_30)



LGV34\_29

Euro Std:

Euro 5

Mileage:

537 mi

GVW:

3.1 tons

Engine rated power: 177 bhp@4000RPM

vehicle NOT installed with PEMS in lab test

LGV34\_30

Euro Std:

Euro 5

Mileage:

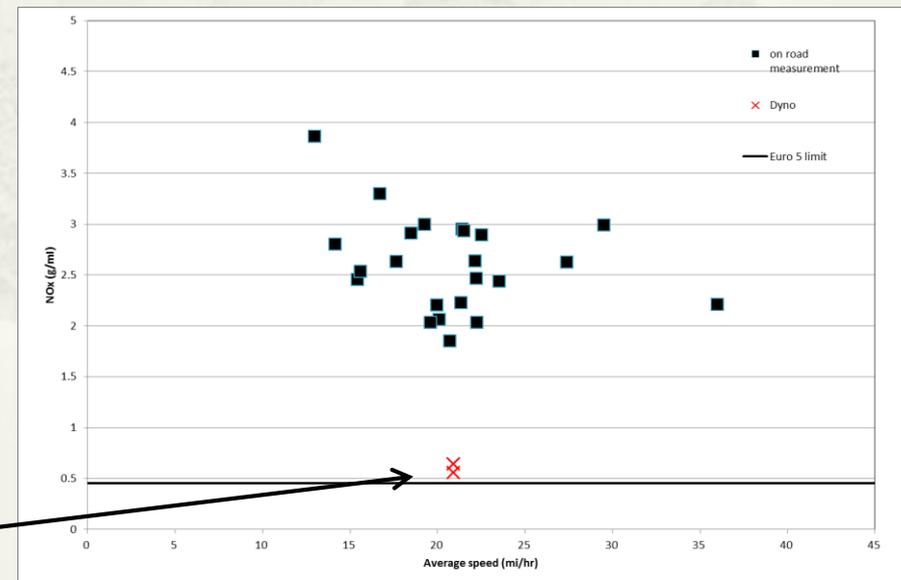
52 mi

GVW:

3.1 tons

Engine rated power: 138bph@3500RPM

vehicle installed with PEMS in lab test



(vehicles were provided by the local dealer)

# Brand B (LGV34\_31)

LGV34\_31\_B: Before remediation ( amb. temp.: 86°F & RH:71%)

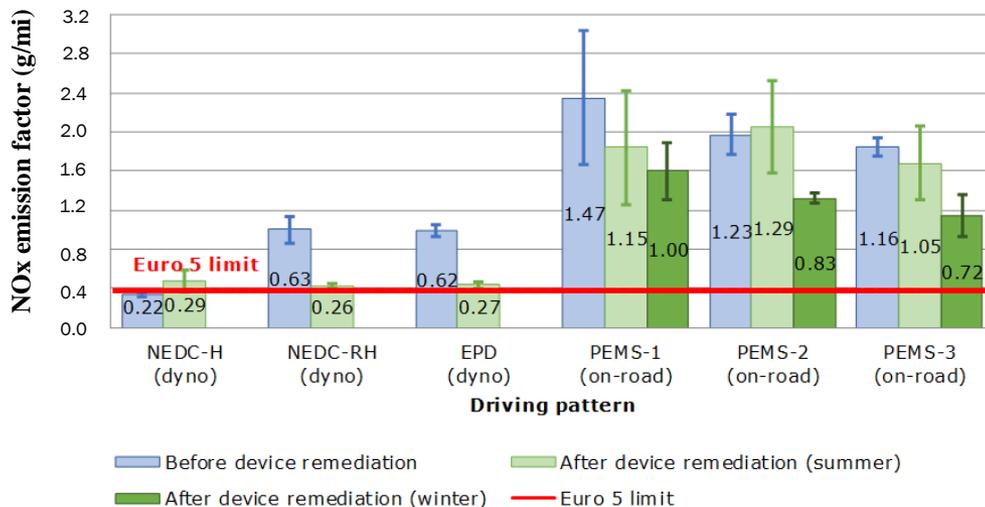
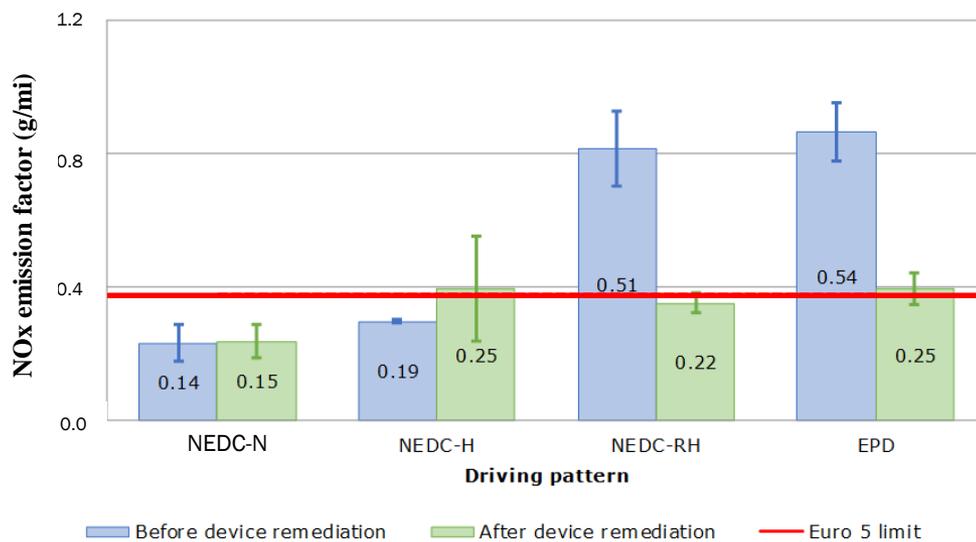
LGV34\_31\_AS: After remediation, tested in summer (amb. temp.: 88°F & RH:61%)

LGV34\_31\_AW: After remediation, tested in winter (amb. temp.: 73°F & RH:42%)



**Road tests:**  
3 different road segments are selected

# Brand B (LGV34\_31)



## Before Remediation

- High NOx emissions in NEDC-RH, EPD cycle tests

## After Remediation

- Low NOx emissions in all tests on dyno (NEDC-H is a bit higher)
- NOx Emissions in road tests are still high
- NOx Emissions in road tests in summer > winter

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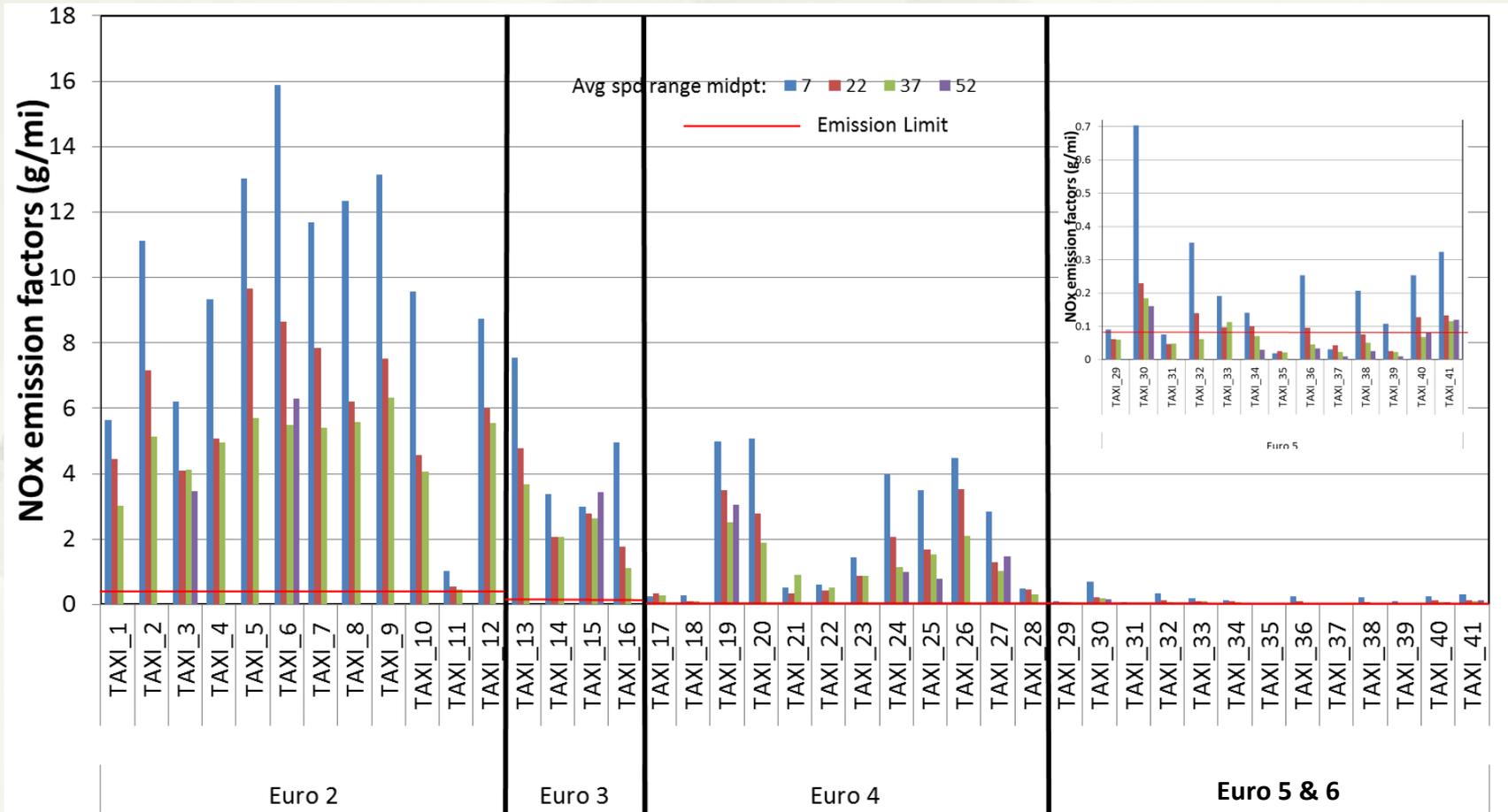
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- \* **LPG taxi emissions**

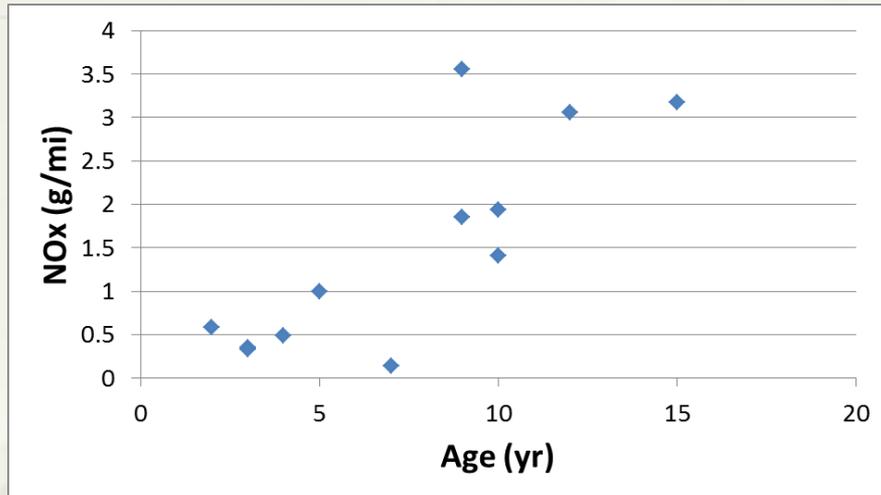
# On-Road PEMS Testing for LPG taxis

Euro 5 and 6 taxis will dominate the taxi fleet in future

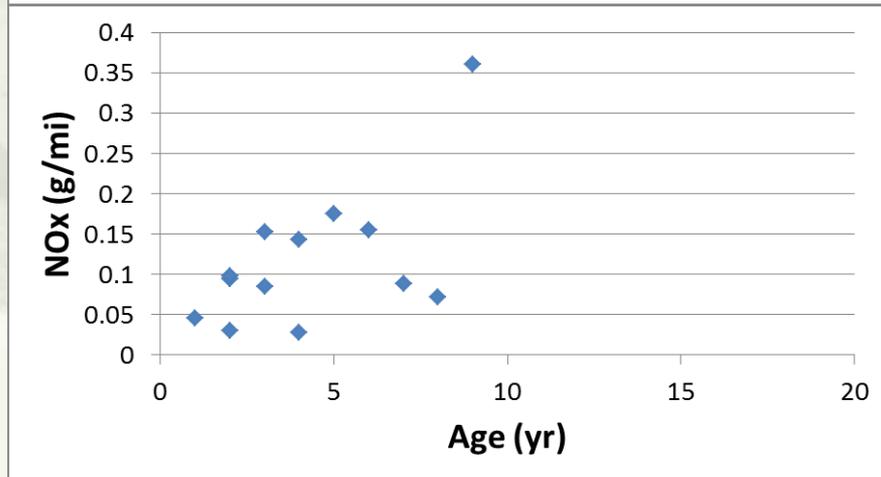
For PEMS tests so far, NOx emissions from Euro 5 & 6 are very low



# LPG Taxi NOx emissions



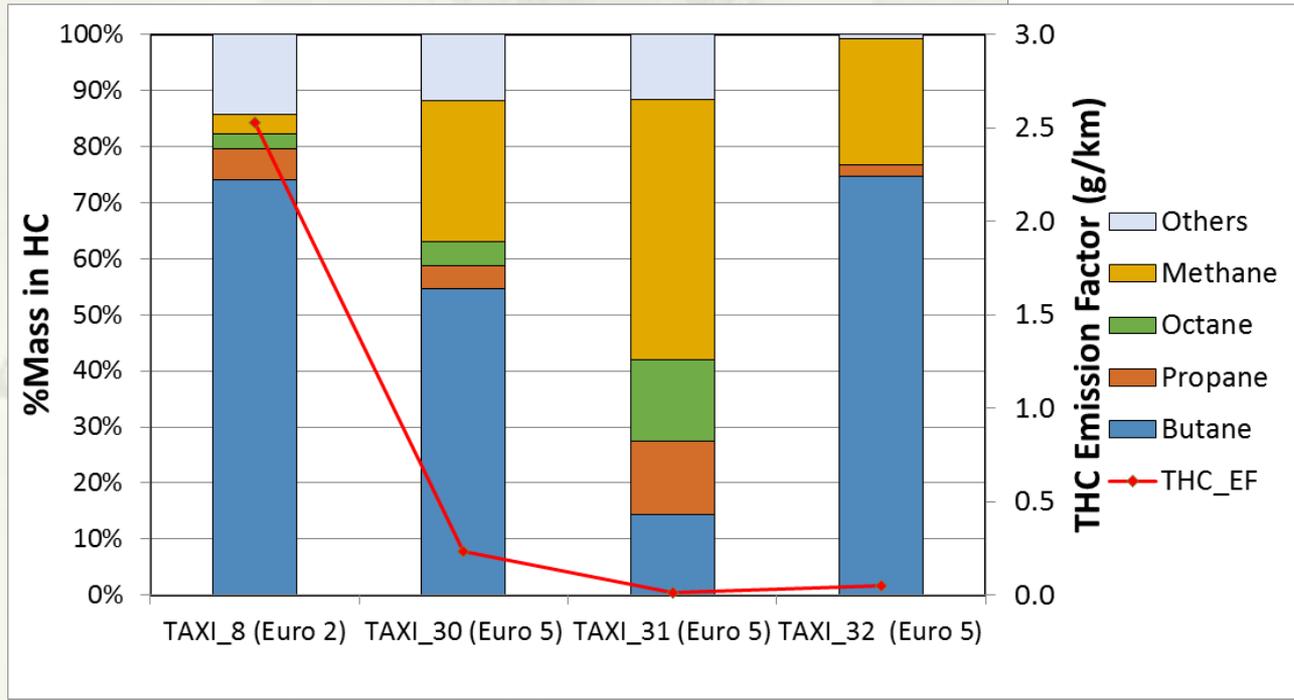
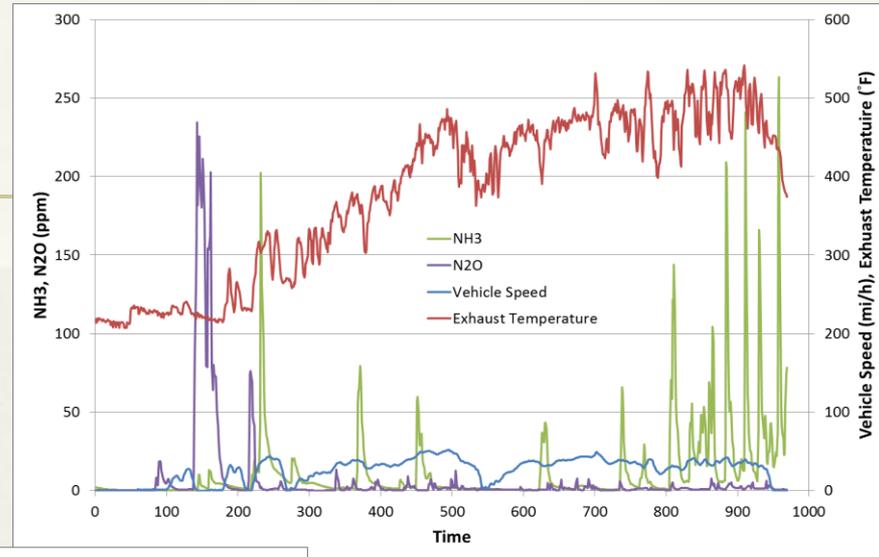
**Euro 4 LPG taxis**  
deteriorate considerably.  
Especially after Age > 8



**Euro 5 LPG taxis**  
So far no significant  
deterioration is observed

# Taxi Emissions

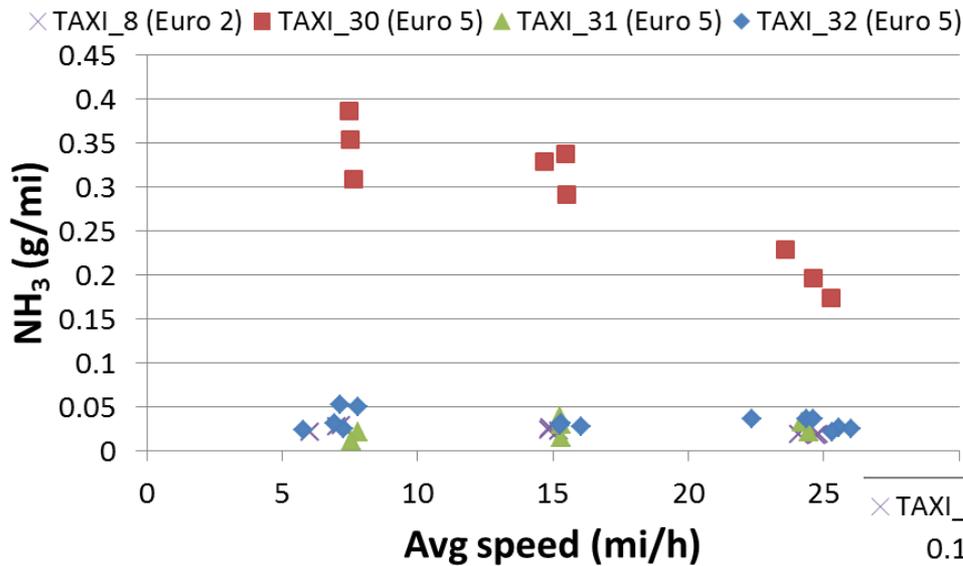
Measurement using FTIR  
on dyno



For LPG taxis (75% butane, 25% propane)

Emissions of Butane > Methane >> others HC

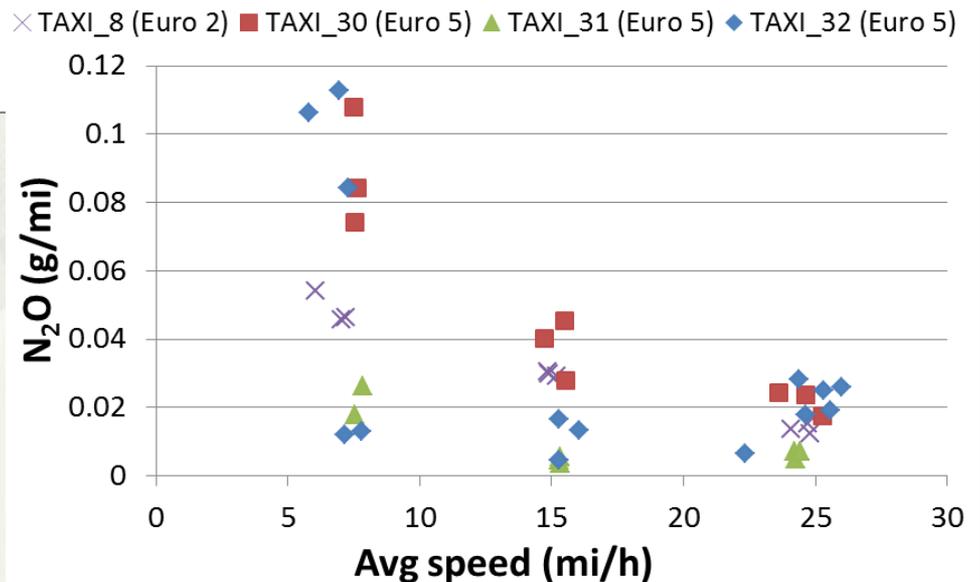
# LPG Taxi: NH<sub>3</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>O



NH<sub>3</sub> emissions are low in most cases.

One vehicle has high NH<sub>3</sub> emissions

N<sub>2</sub>O emissions are low in all cases





Thank you.