



Measuring Emissions from Heavy-Duty Vehicles Under Real World Conditions Using Advanced Portable Instruments and On-board Sensors

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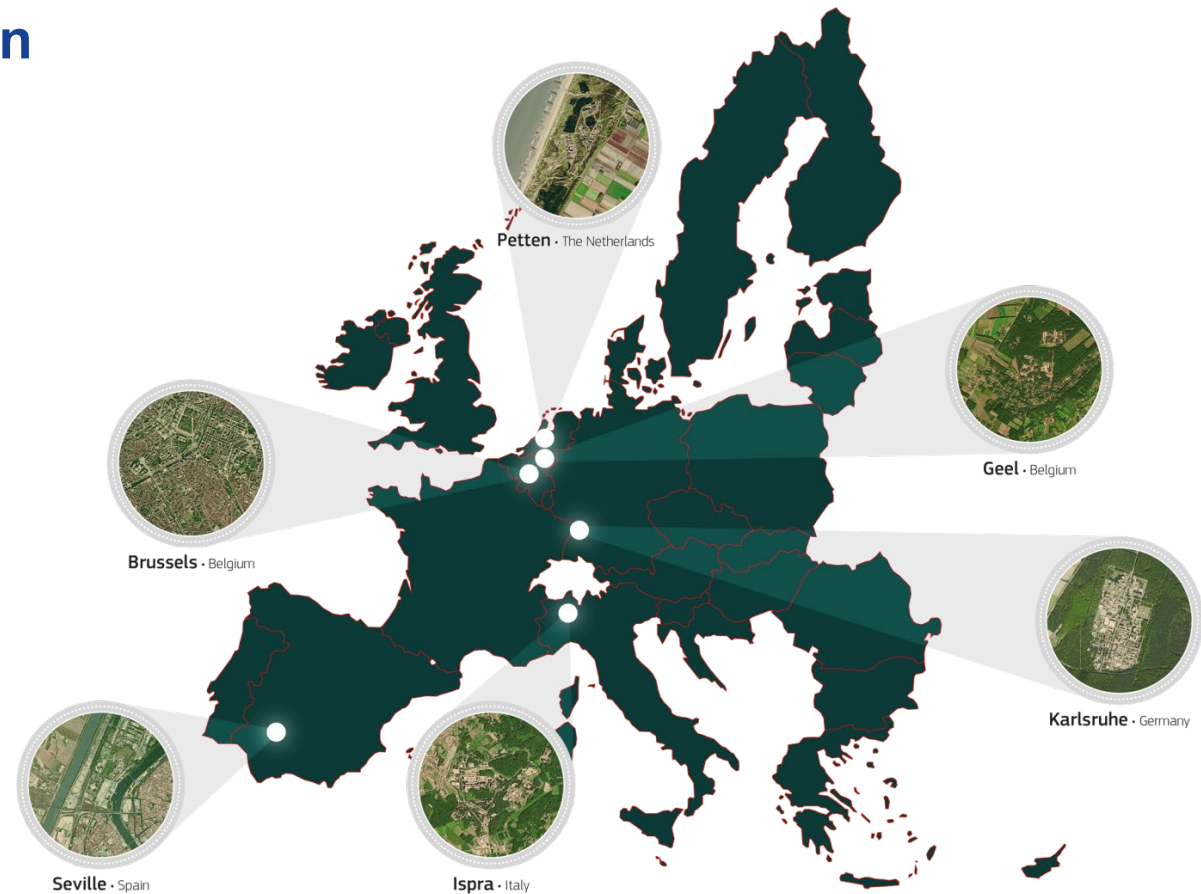
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Portable Emissions Measurement Systems on HDV

HD PEMS in EU include:

- CO₂
- NO_x, CO, HC, CH₄,
- PN included with Euro VI-E

Emissions of NH₃ and N₂O

Emissions of NH₃ and N₂O are regulated in different regions:

- NH₃ (EU, South Korea)
 - QCL-IR, FTIR, LDS
- N₂O (USA, China)
 - QCL-IR, FTIR, NDIR, CG-ECD

These emissions are not verified or regulated during real-world operation

Where did it start?

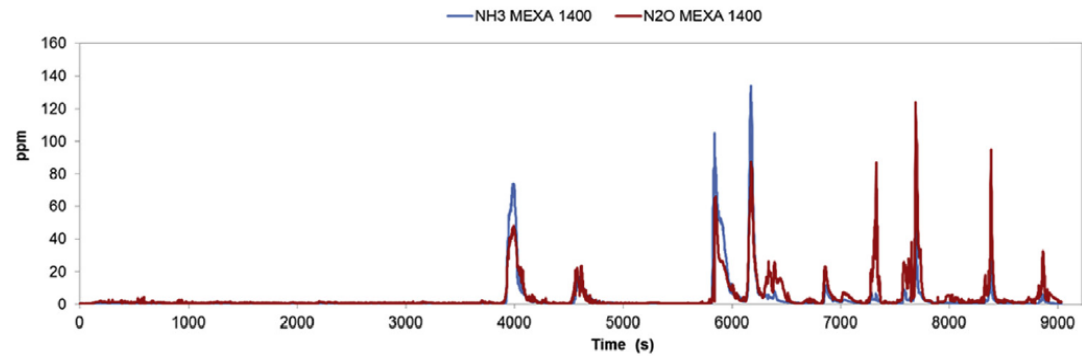
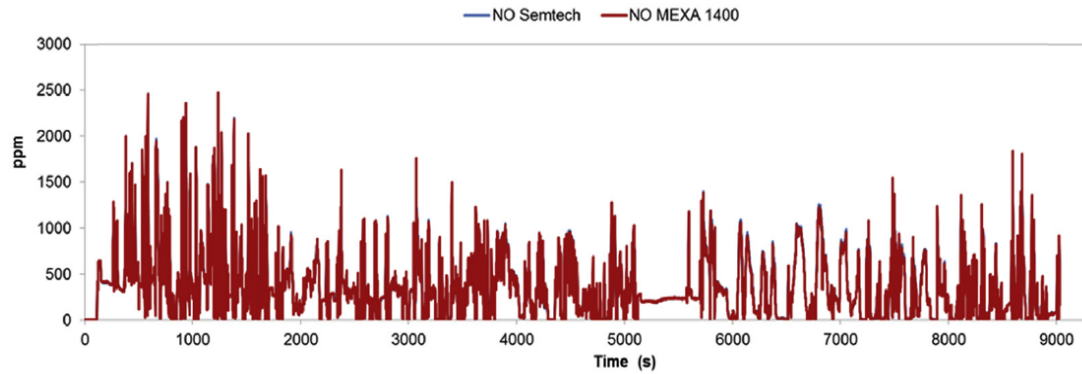


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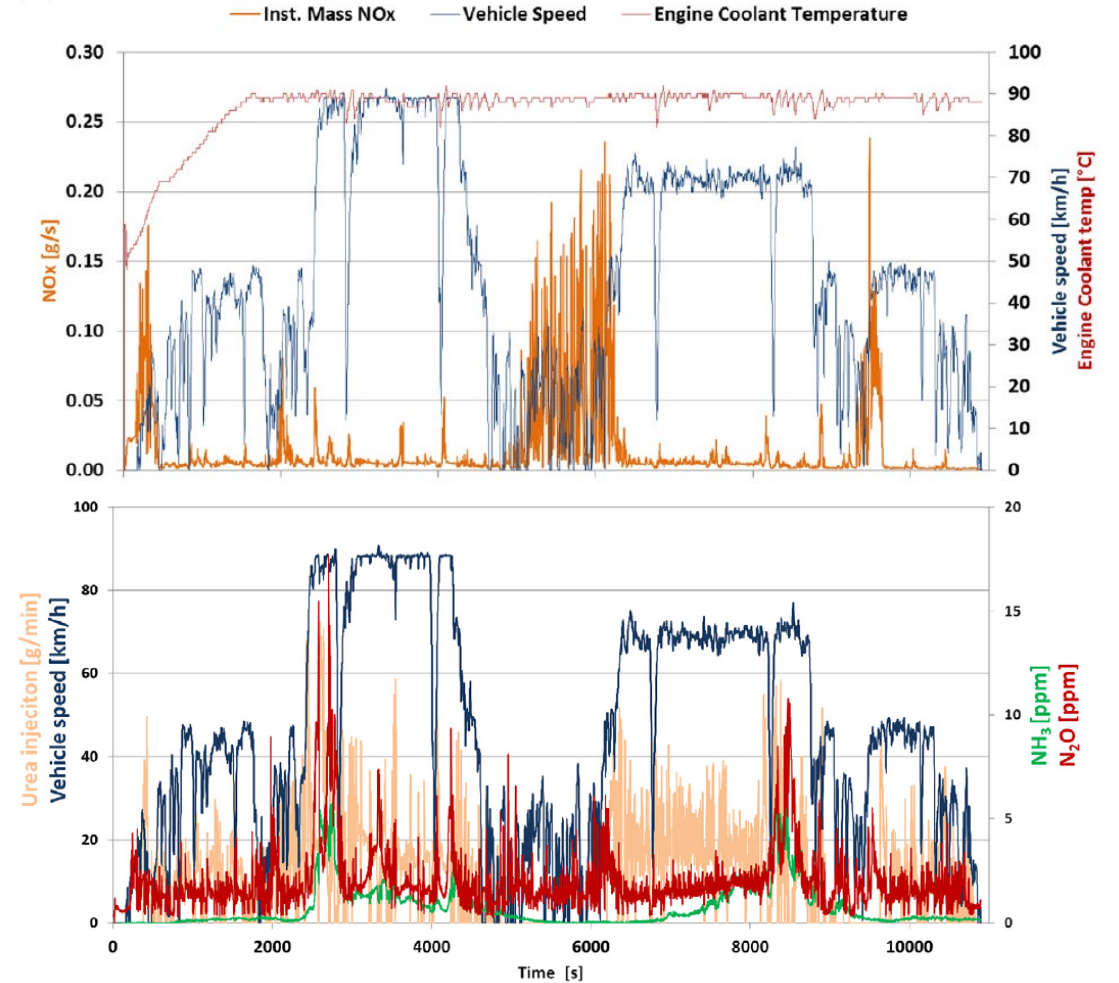
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Where did it start?

Euro V



Euro VI



Portable measurement systems

	PEMSLAB	OBS-ONE-XL	LAS-NH ₃ /N ₂ O
Measuring principle	FTIR*	QCL	LAS
Compounds measured	N ₂ O, NH ₃ , CO, NO _x ,...	N ₂ O, NH ₃	N ₂ O, NH ₃
Cell temperature	180 °C	113 °C	190 °C
Sampling rate	1 Hz	10 Hz	10 Hz

*Spectral resolution 8 cm⁻¹

More information at: <https://doi.org/10.3390/app112110055> and <https://doi.org/10.3390/catal12020184>

Emissions of NH₃ and N₂O - HD CNG

Tested vehicle

Fuel	CNG
Category	M3 Class I (interurban bus)
ATS	TWC
Standard	Euro VI-D
ICE size (cm³)	8710
Production	2019

Instruments

Lab-grade:

- AVL-AMA
- AVL-SESAM (FTIR)
- MEXA-ONE-QL-NX (QCL)

Portable:

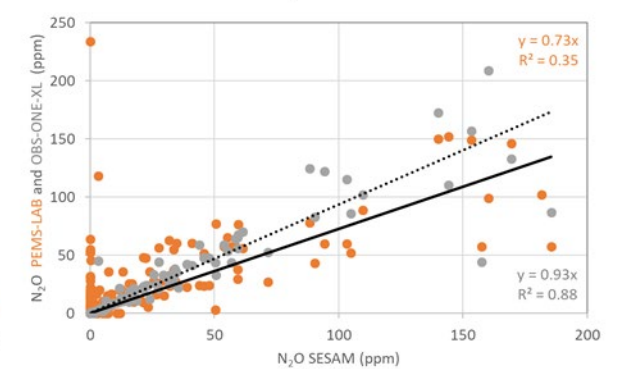
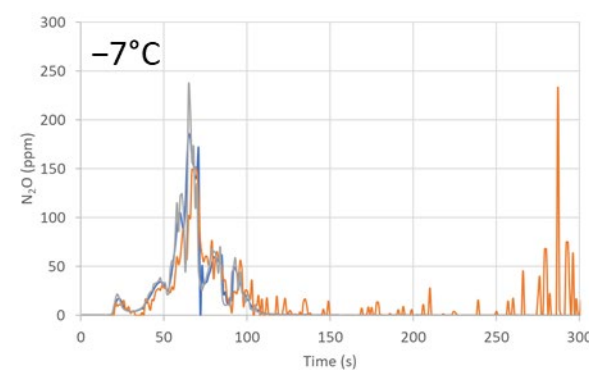
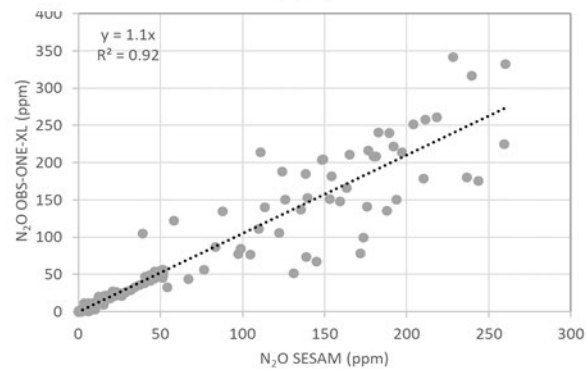
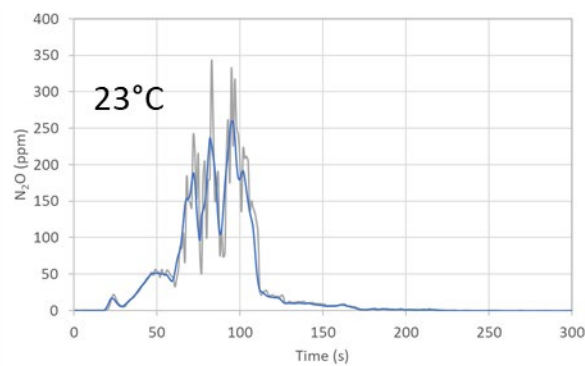
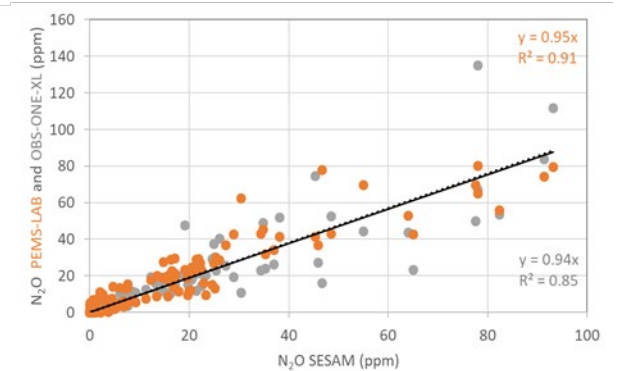
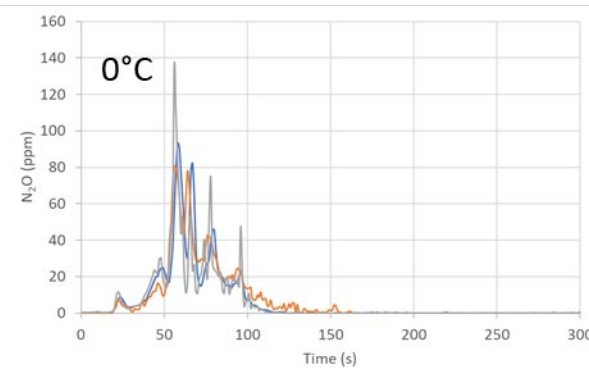
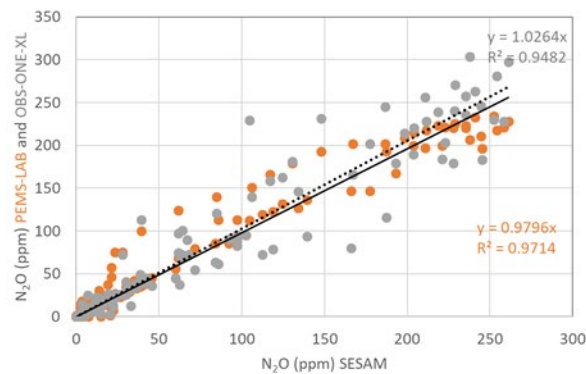
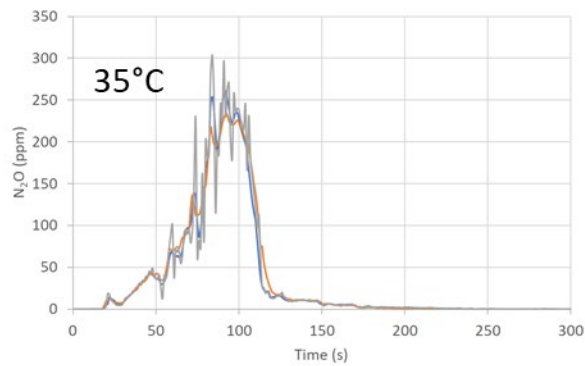
- HORIBA OBS-ONE-XL (pQCL)
- PEMSLAB (pFTIR)

Tests performed

- WHVC cold + hot @ 35°C
- WHVC cold + hot @ 23°C
- WHVC cold + hot @ 0°C
- WHVC cold + hot @ -7°C
- On-Road tests

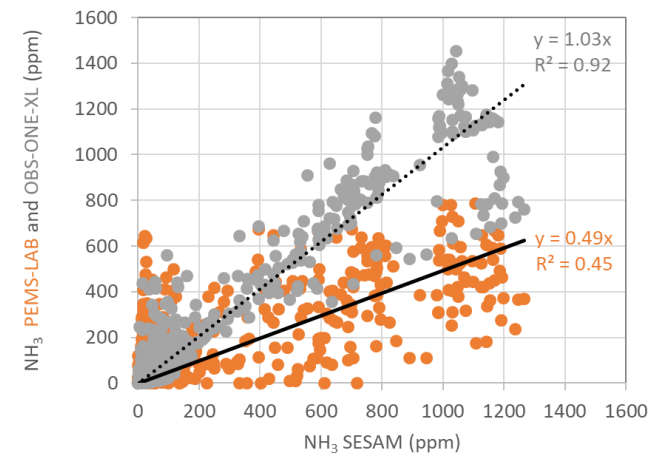
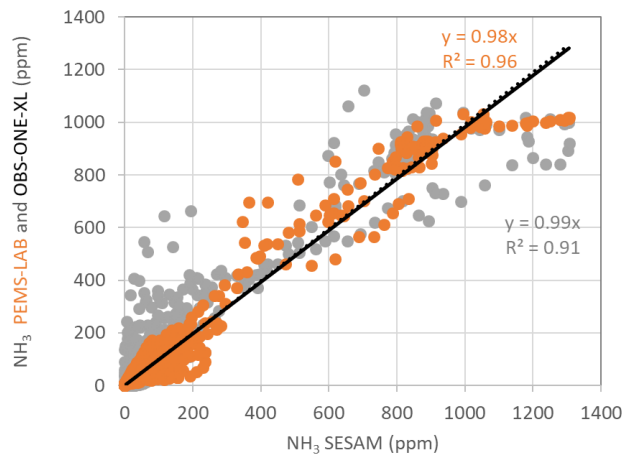
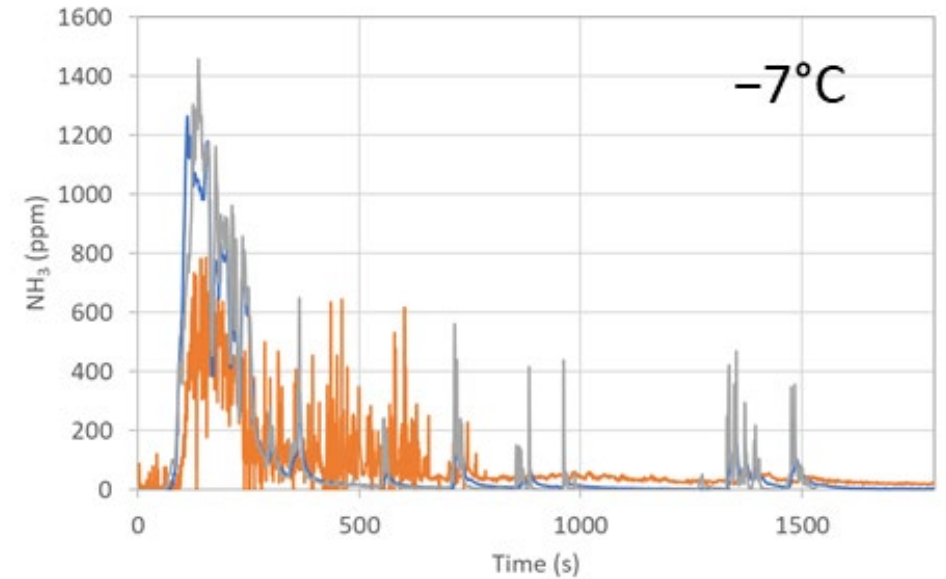
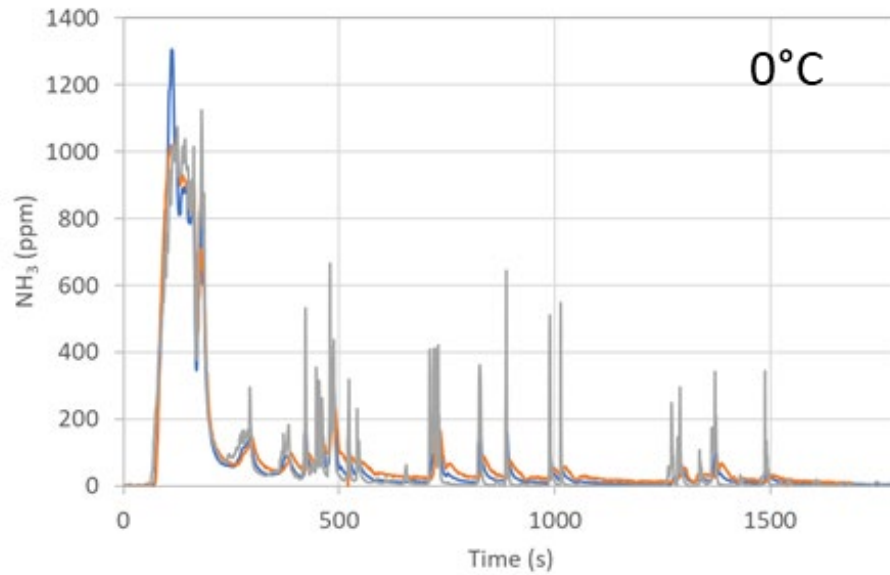
N₂O emissions measurements

Lab-FTIR pQCL pFTIR



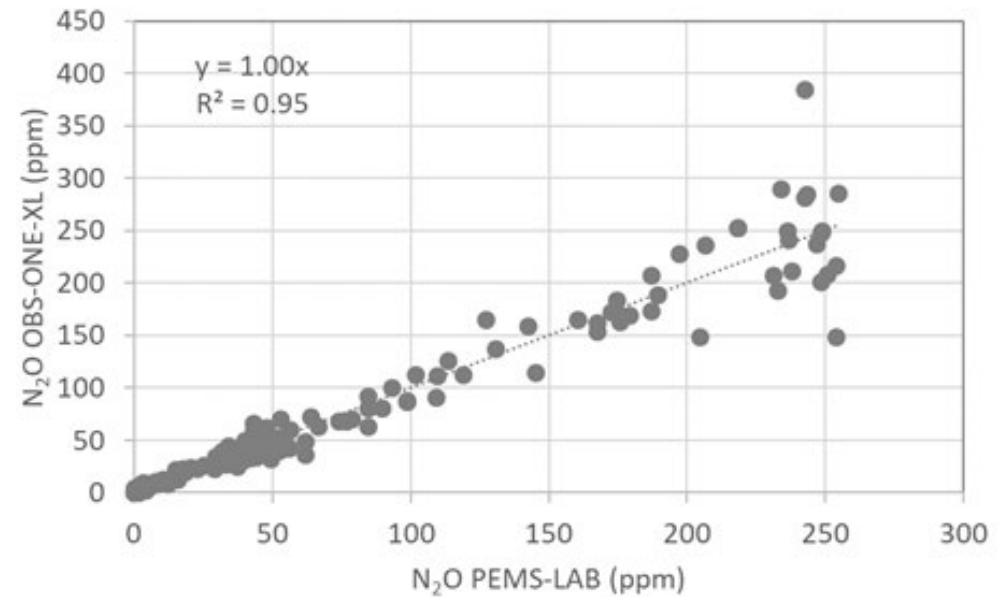
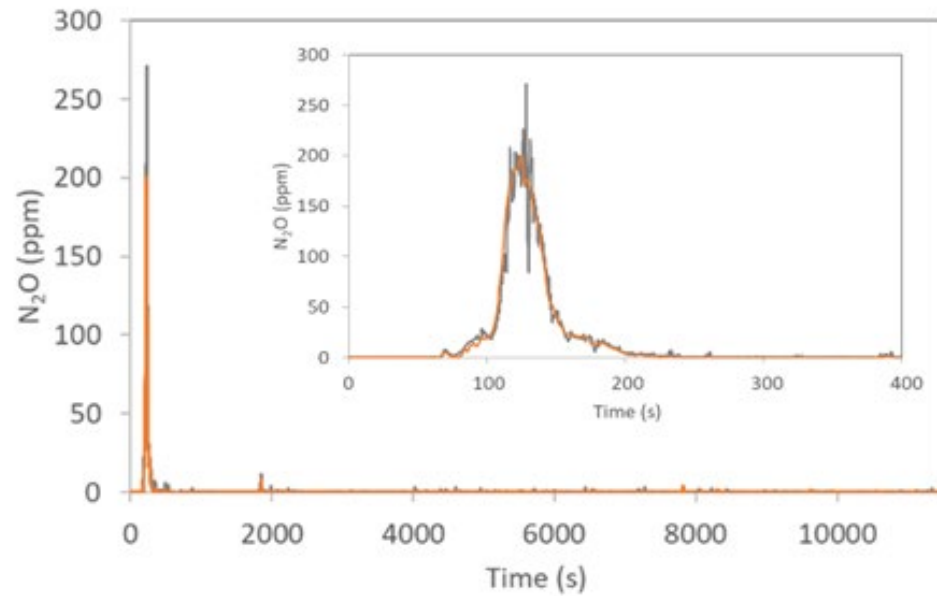
NH₃ emissions measurements

Lab-FTIR
pQCL
pFTIR



N₂O emissions measurements on-road

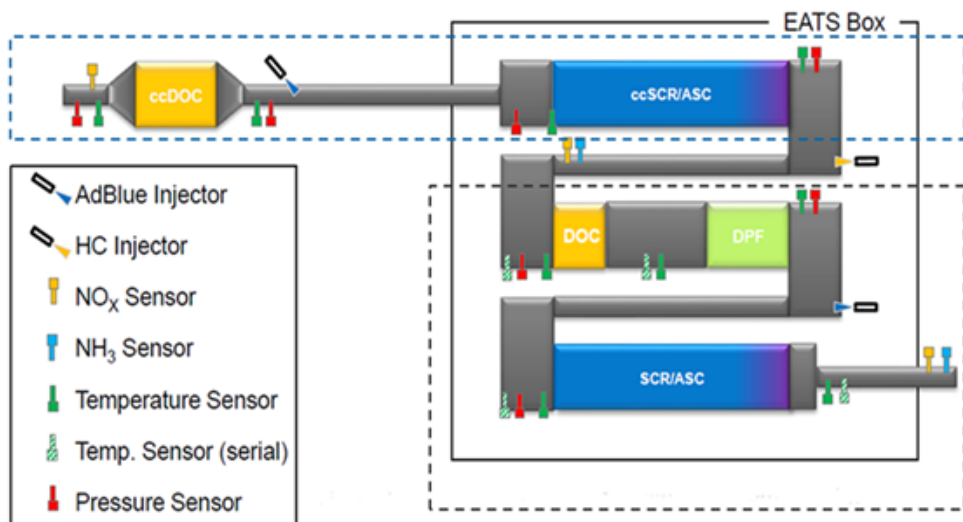
pQCL pFTIR



Emissions from a HD Diesel Demonstrator

Tested vehicle

Fuel	Diesel
Category	N3
Standard	Euro VI-C modified
ICE size (cm ³)	12 800



Instruments

Lab-grade:

- AVL-AMA
- AVL-SESAM (FTIR)
- MEXA-ONE-QL-NX

Portable:

- HORIBA OBS-ONE-XL
- AIP LAS-N₂O/NH₃

Sensors:

- NO_x and NH₃

Tests performed

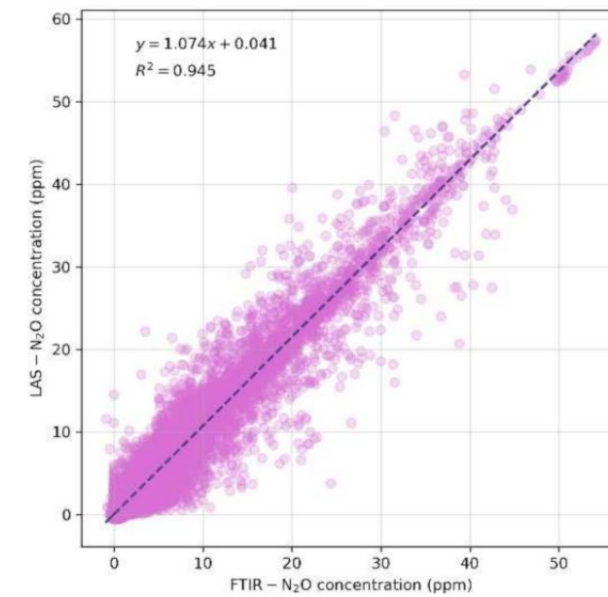
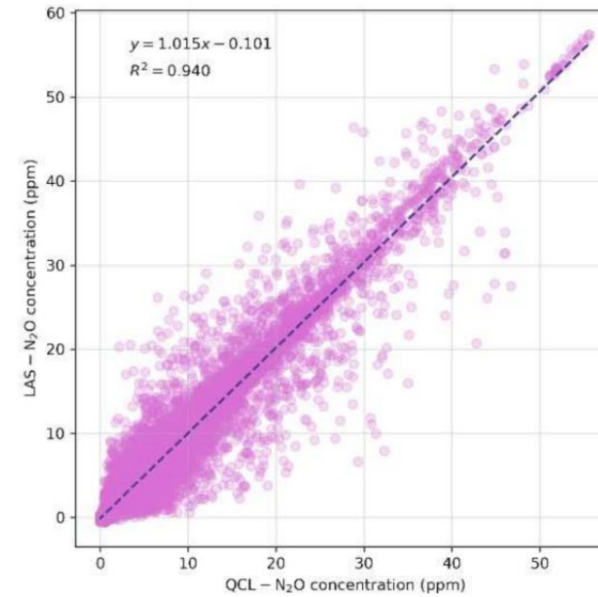
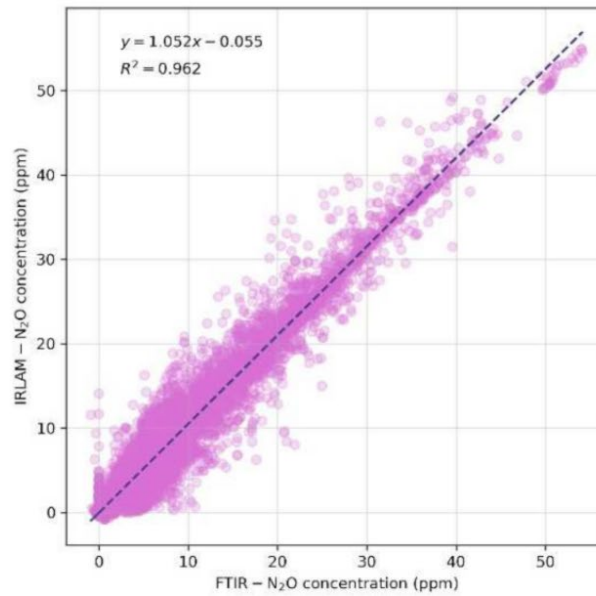
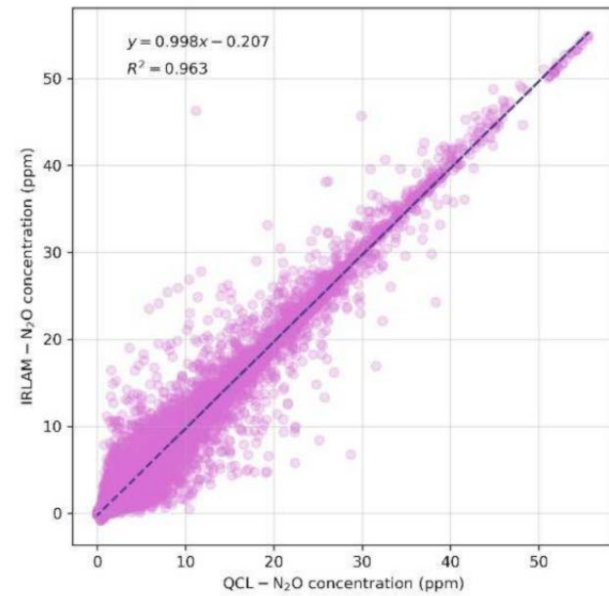
Test	T (°C)
WHVC COLD & HOT	-7, 23, 35
RWT COLD	-7, 23, 35
Urban cycle COLD	-7, 23
JRC drive COLD	-7
“worst case” cycle COLD	-7

17 Different tests

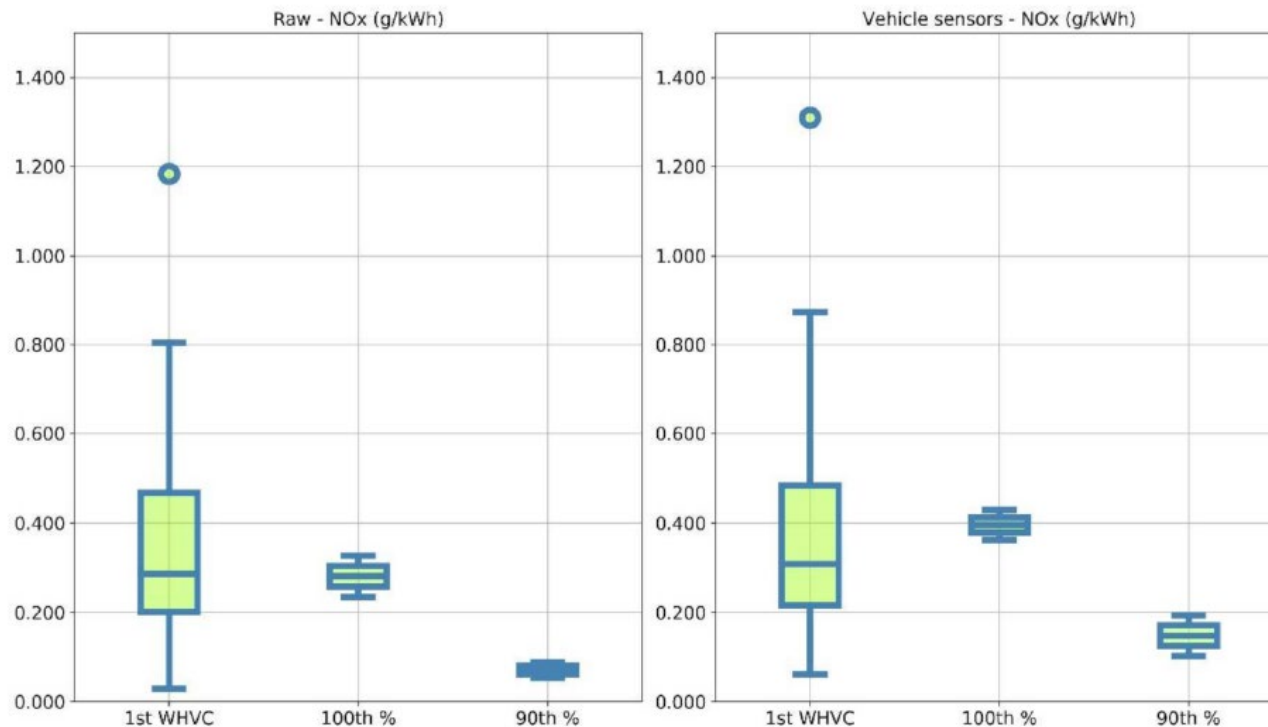
N₂O emissions measurements

pQCL (IRLAM) vs Lab-QCL and Lab-FTIR

LAS vs Lab-QCL and Lab-FTIR



NOx emissions using on-vehicle sensors



- Commercial sensors present in the vehicle
- Emissions calculated using laboratory exhaust flow
- Sensors slightly overestimate emissions:
 - 15% short tests and 50% for 100th %
 - Larger at 90th % possibly due to the very low concentrations of the emissions.

Closing remarks

- There are portable measurement systems for NH_3 and N_2O that provide comparable results to laboratory grade instruments
- The specifications of the instruments needed for some applications must be carefully considered
- NO_x measurements using commercially available on-vehicle sensors are very promising

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