

Diesel Update:

HEI's Recent Progress - And Looking Ahead

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Diesel Emissions and Lung Cancer: An Evaluation of Recent Epidemiological Evidence for Quantitative Risk Assessment

HEI Diesel Epidemiology Panel

Daniel Krewski, Chair, Diesel Epidemiology Panel
Katherine Walker, Senior Scientist, Health Effects Institute

HEI Diesel Epi Panel Evaluation

Multidisciplinary Panel

Charge:

To review and analyze the newest studies of lung cancer risk in workers exposed to older diesel exhaust...

...and assess their potential for use in quantitative risk assessment (QRA)

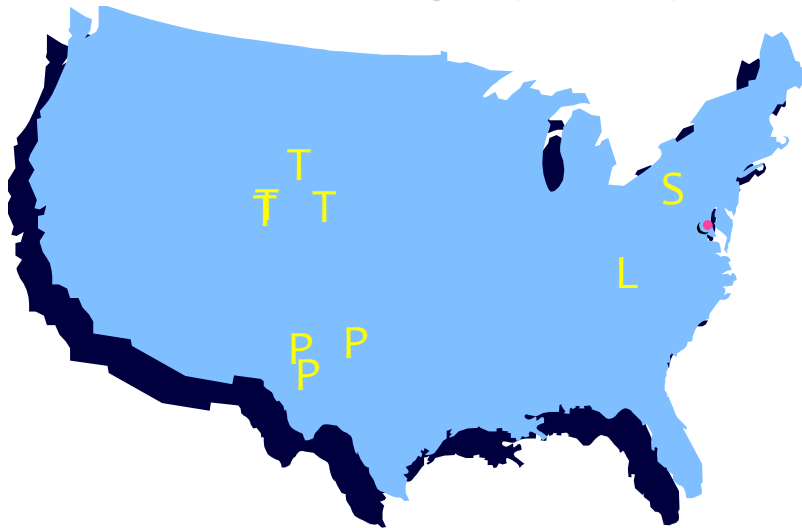


Chair: Daniel Krewski,
Professor and Director
McLaughlin Center for Population Health
Risk Assessment, University of Ottawa



The Diesel Exhaust in Miners Study: A Cohort Mortality Study with Emphasis on Lung Cancer *Attfield et al. 2012*

The Diesel Exhaust in Miners Study: A Nested Case-Control Study of Lung Cancer and Diesel Exhaust *Silverman et al. 2012*



Cohort: 12,315 males

Diesel marker: Respirable elemental carbon (REC)

Historical exposure estimates:
~1947 to 2001

Mortality follow-up: to 1997

Lung cancer cases: 200

Nested Case-Control: 198 cases,
666 matched controls

8 Non-metal mines

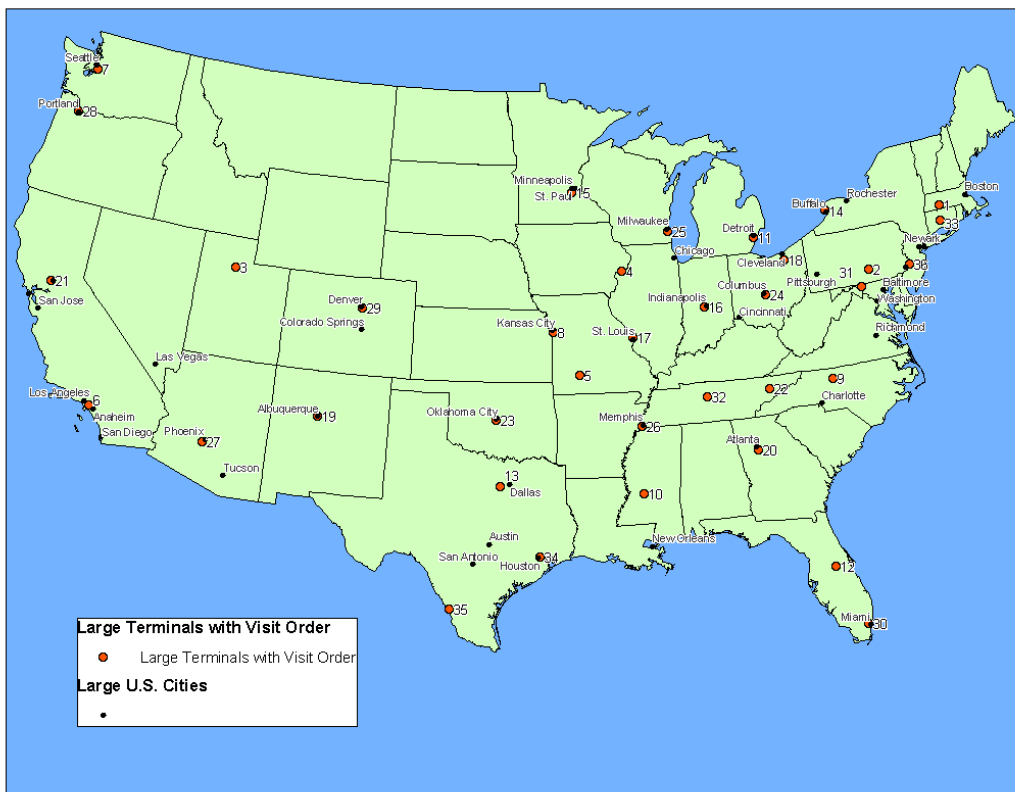
- 3 potash mines
- 3 trona (soda ash) mines
- 1 salt (halite) mine
- 1 low-silica limestone mine

*Adapted from D. Silverman
presentation*



Lung Cancer and Elemental Carbon Exposure in Trucking Industry Workers

Garshick et al. 2012



Cohort: 31, 135 males employed in 1985

Diesel marker: Submicron elemental carbon (SEC)

Historical exposure Estimates : 1971-2000

Mortality follow-up: to 2000

Lung cancer cases: 779

The Panel Evaluation Process :

1. Considered studies against *attributes of studies of high quality and integrity*
2. Considered studies' progress toward *addressing deficiencies in previous occupational epidemiological studies* (research needs from 1999 HEI report)
3. Considered issues and analyses raised by *numerous critiques of both studies, and new analyses of DEMS*
4. Conducted *new analyses* in the DEMS analytical data sets
5. Addressed comments from *independent external peer reviews*

Overall Panel Conclusions

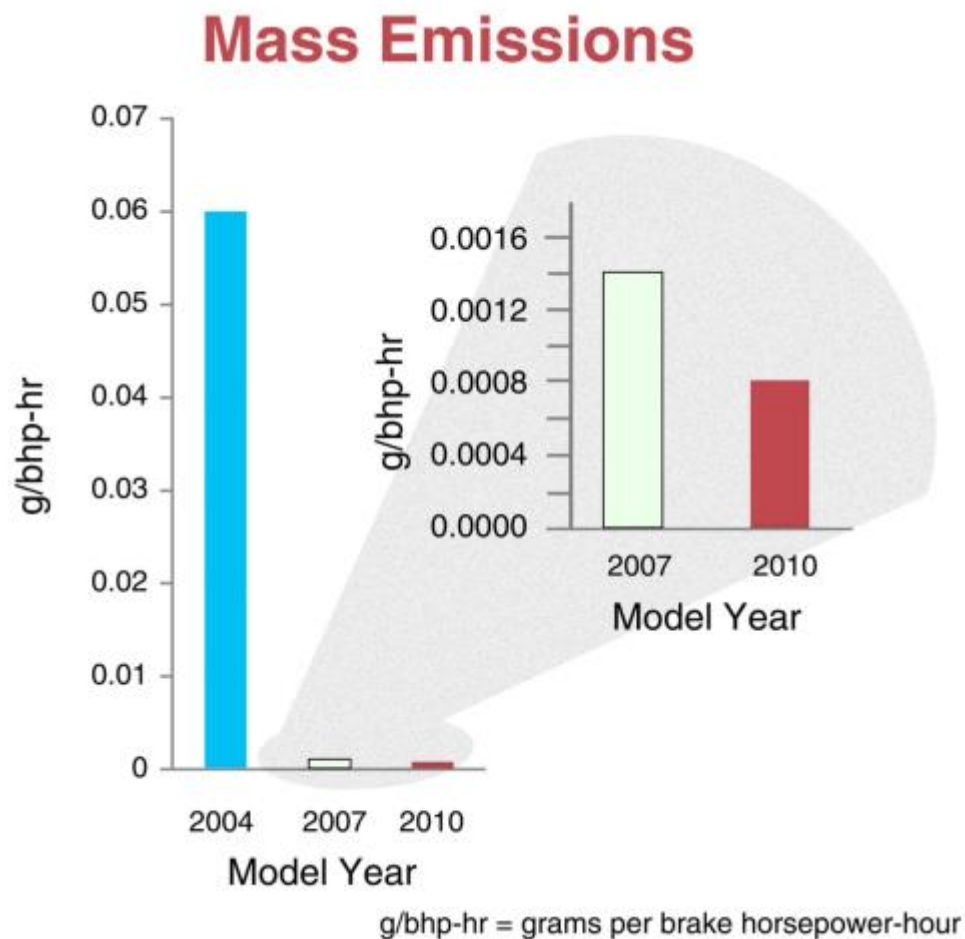
- Both studies were well-designed and conducted according to high standards of epidemiological research.
- The results and data from both the Truckers and the DEMS can be usefully applied in quantitative risk assessments of older diesel engine exhaust.
- However, QRAs will need to take into account some key uncertainties and limitations.

Issues for future quantitative risk assessments to consider...

- a systematic framework for evaluating possible direction and magnitude of ***exposure measurement error*** or uncertainty
- an in-depth ***evaluation of a broader set of modeling approaches*** for projecting cancer risk
 - different temporal patterns of exposure and risk
 - applicability of biologically motivated models
- a commitment to ***subjecting all alternative models or assumptions to same degree of scrutiny and validation as those in the original studies***

Further Considerations

Dramatic reductions in new technology diesel PM mass emissions and composition



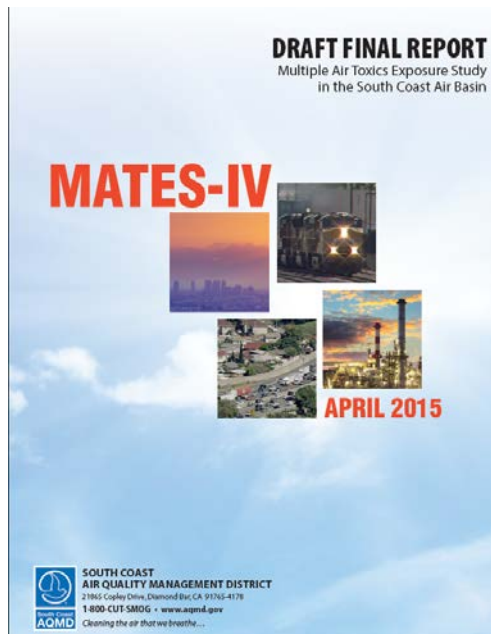
- PM mass reduced by over 99%
- EC reduced from 70% of mass in 1998 to 16% in 2010

Source: Advanced Collaborative Emissions Study (ACES)

Further Considerations....

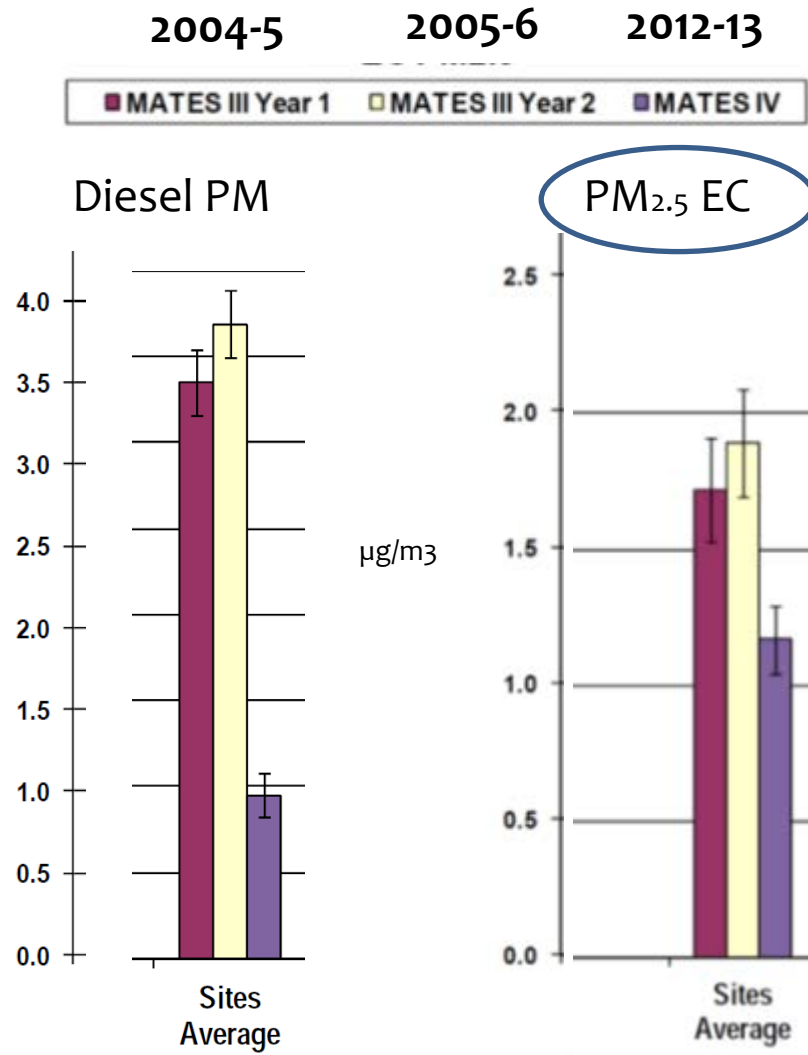
Declining ambient levels of diesel DPM and contributions to EC component of PM_{2.5}

Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Assessment



Los Angeles Basin

Monitoring data



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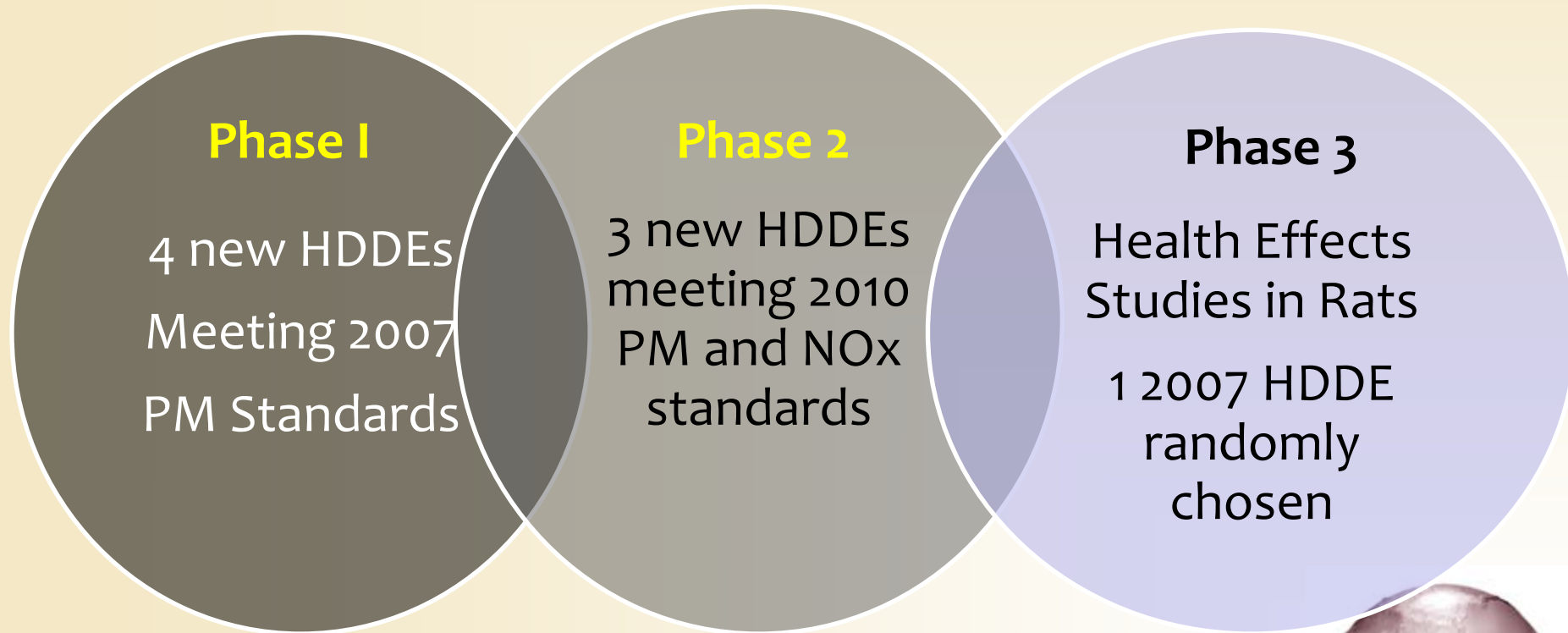
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The Advanced Collaborative Emissions Study

Emissions Characterization*

Health Studies



*Overseen by Coordinated Research Council (CRC),
conducted by Imad Khalek, (Southwest Research
Institute)

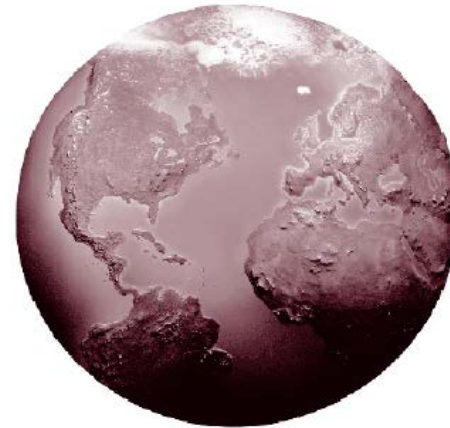
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ACES Executive Summary

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The Advanced Collaborative
Emissions Study (ACES)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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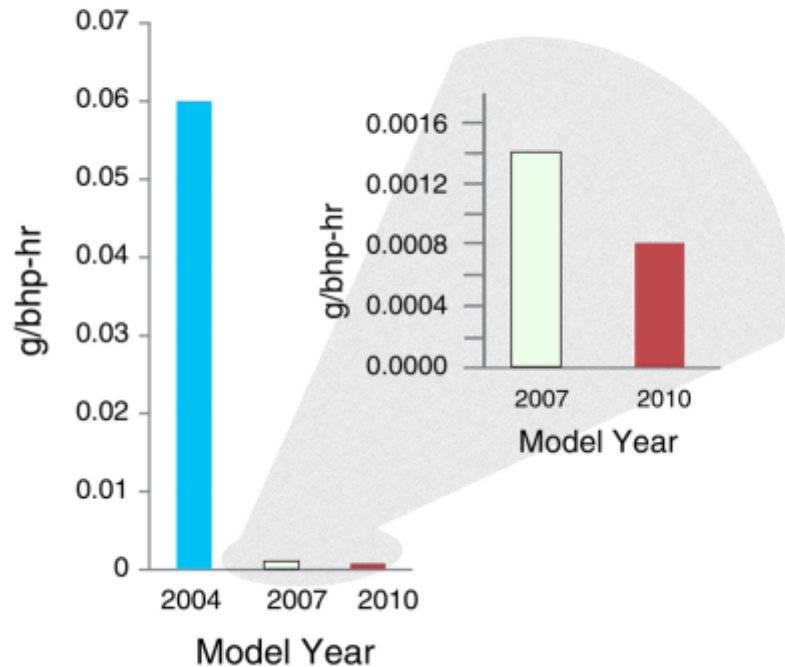
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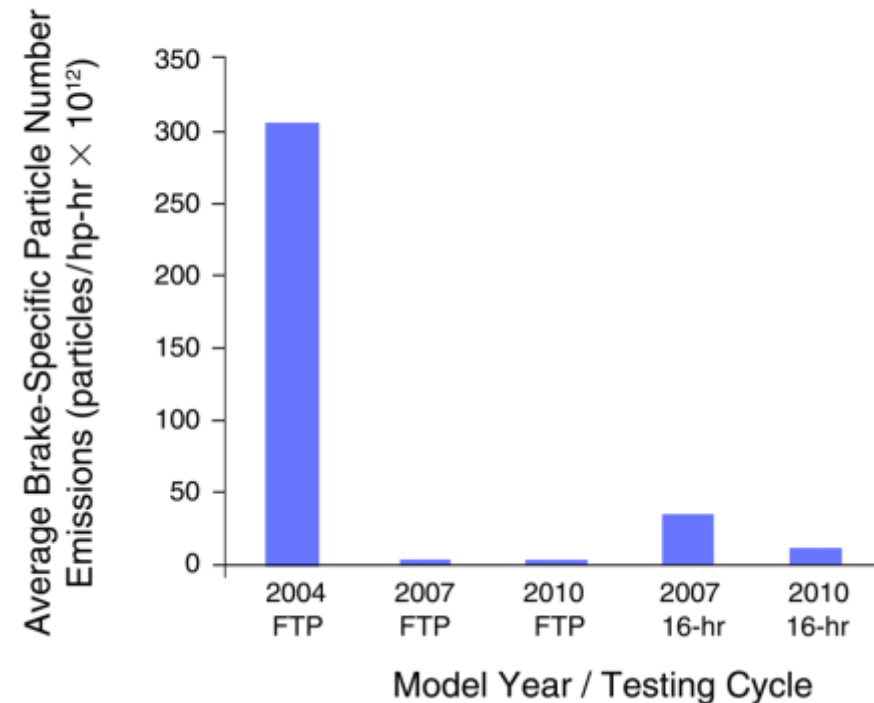
ACES results

- Dramatic Progress on Mass and Particle Number*

(A) Mass Emissions



(B) Particle Number Emissions



Phase 1 Results: More than 90% reduction in PAHs

(Many PAHs now below detection limits (Khalek et al 2011))

- Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) have been of major concern in diesel exhaust
- Many known to cause cancer
- Some of the most toxic are so low they can no longer be measured

Table 8. PAH and nitroPAH average emissions for all 12 repeats of the 16-hr cycles for all four 2007 ACES engines and for a 2000-technology engine running over the FTP transient cycle.¹⁶

PAH and NitroPAH Compounds	2007 Engines ^a (mg/bhp-hr)	2000-Technology Engine ^{a, b} (mg/bhp-hr)	Percent Reduction
Naphthalene	0.0982000 ± 0.0423000	0.4829	80
Acenaphthylene	0.0005000 ± 0.0005000	0.0524	98
Acenaphthene	0.0004000 ± 0.0001000	0.0215	98
Fluorene	0.0015000 ± 0.0009000	0.0425	96
Phenanthrene	0.0077000 ± 0.0025000	0.0500	85
Anthracene	0.0003000 ± 0.0001000	0.0121	97
Fluoranthene	0.0006000 ± 0.0006000	0.0041	85
Pyrene	0.0005000 ± 0.000400	0.0101	95
Benzo(a)anthracene	<0.0000001	0.0004	>99
Chrysene	<0.0000001	0.0004	>99
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	<0.0000001	<0.0003	>99
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	<0.0000001	<0.0003	>99
Benzo(e)pyrene	<0.0000001	<0.0003	>99
Benzo(a)pyrene	<0.0000001	<0.0003	>99
Perylene	<0.0000001	<0.0003	>99
Indeno(123- <i>cd</i>)pyrene	<0.0000001	<0.0003	>99
Dibenz(ah)anthracene	<0.0000001	<0.0003	>99
Benzo(ghi)perylene	<0.0000001	<0.0003	>99
2-Nitrofluorene	0.00000360 ± 0.00000410	0.0000650	94
9-Nitroanthracene	0.0000148 ± 0.0000213	0.0007817	98
2-Nitroanthracene	0.00000040 ± 0.00000090	0.0000067	94
9-Nitrophenanthrene	0.00002110 ± 0.00002090	0.0001945	89
4-Nitropyrene	<0.00000001	0.0000216	>99
1-Nitropyrene^c	0.00001970 ± 0.00002430	0.0006318	97
7-Nitrobenz(a)anthracene	0.00000020 ± 0.00000020	0.0000152	99
6-Nitrochrysene	<0.00000001	0.0000023	>99
6-Nitrobenzo(a)pyrene	<0.00000001	0.0000038	>99

Notes: ^aThe significant figures signify the detection limit in mg/bhp-hr; ^bSD data were not provided by ref 15.

^cPrevious work showed artifact formation during filter collection of the compounds highlighted in bold.

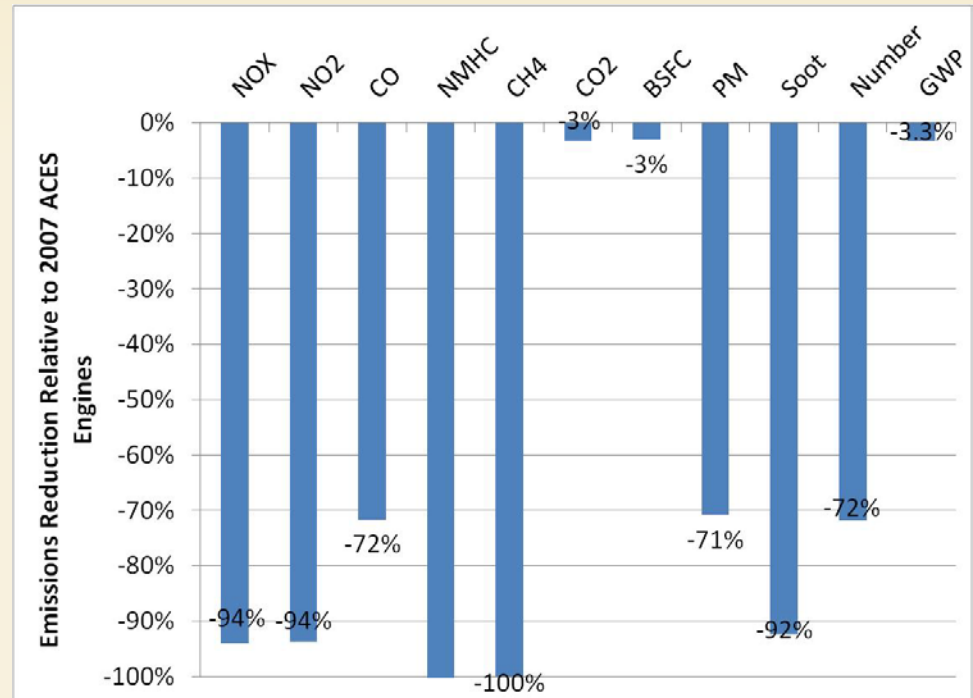
Phase 2 ACES Results

Average Emissions Reduction of 2010 ACES Engines Relative to 2007

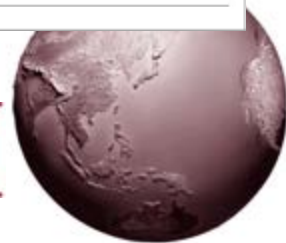
Four 2007 ACES Engines
Three 2010 ACES Engines

- **Substantial reduction in large number of emissions species was observed with the 2010 technology engines**
 - Even in comparison to 2007 Results

Source Khalek 2013



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ACES Phase 3

2007 Engine Health Results

- First-ever lifetime animal study of effects of New Technology Diesel
- Substantially more rigorous than normal National Toxicology Program cancer tests:
 - 80 hours of exposure per week
 - Tough Engine operating cycle
 - Twice as many animals
 - Exposures up to 30 months
- Study found no evidence of lung cancer
 - In contrast to previous studies of older diesel
- Mild inflammation, likely due to NO₂ emissions
 - Which have been further substantially reduced in 2010 and later model years



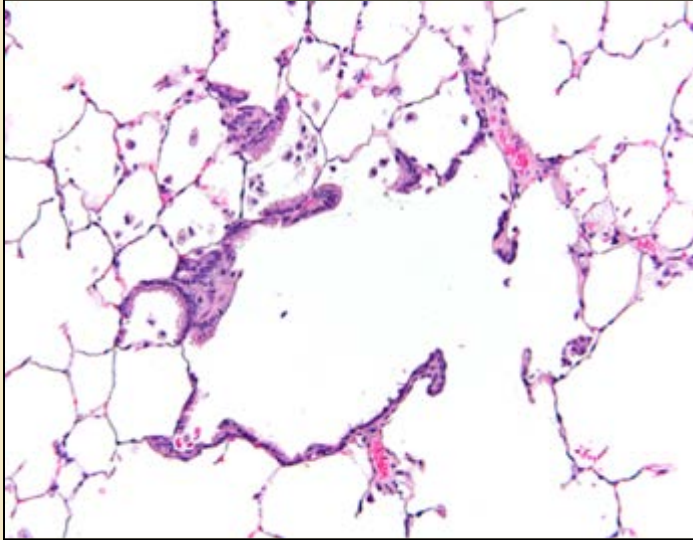
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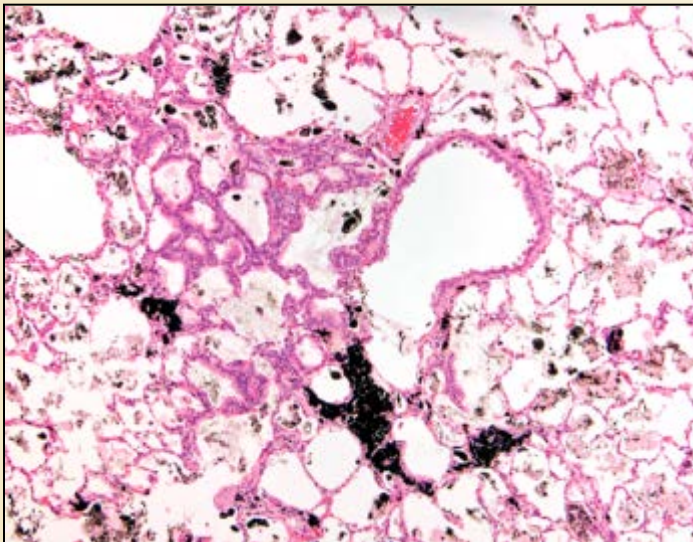
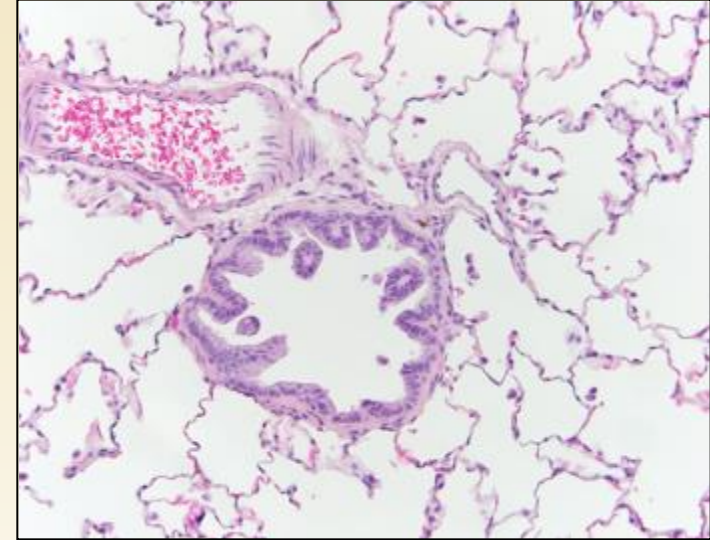


ACES Lifetime Animal Exposure Health Results:

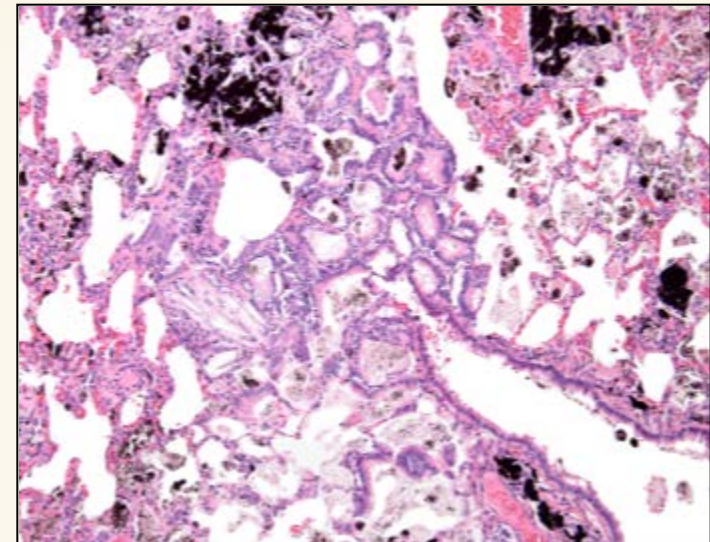
*Mild Inflammation (likely NO₂);
NO Lung Tumors*



New Technology
Diesel Engines
(2007)



Traditional
Diesel Engines
(high particle
loading)



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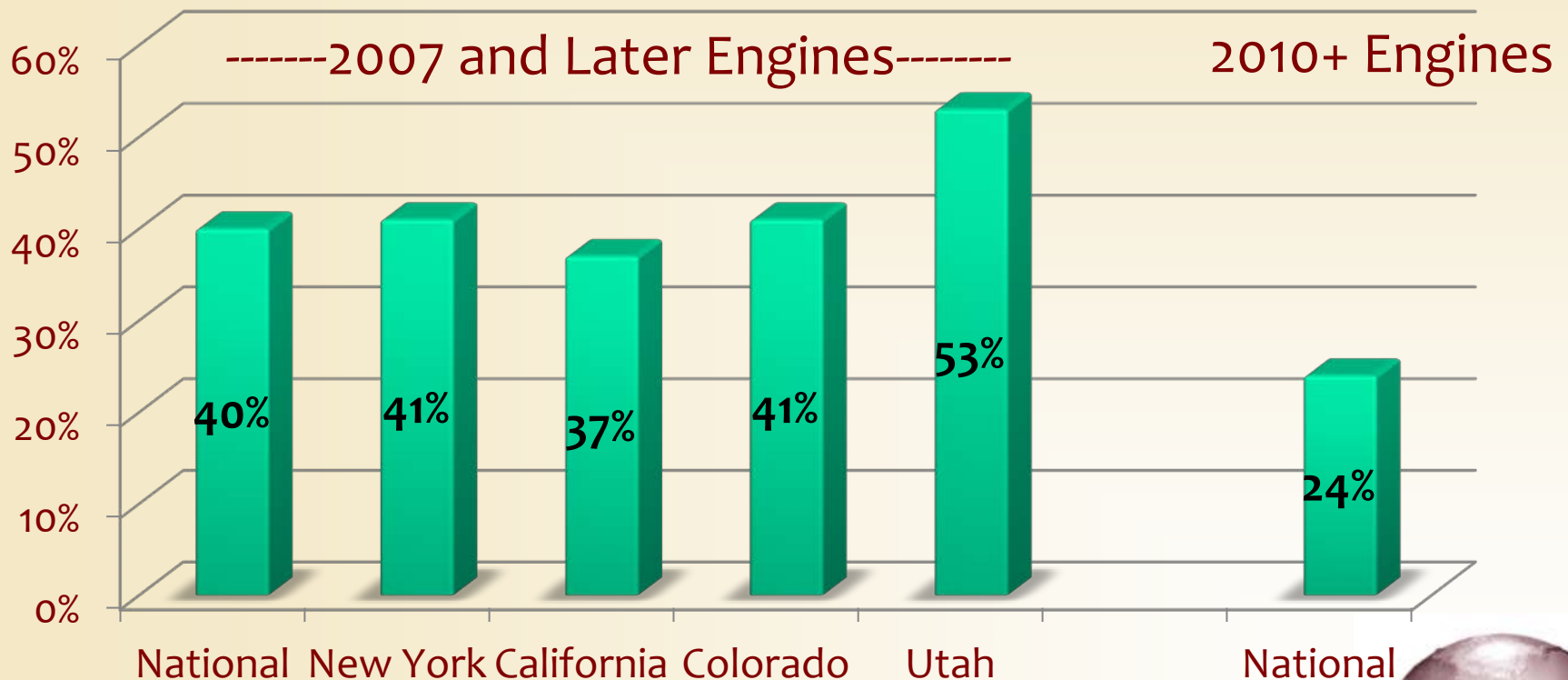
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Are the Rules Working?

More new technology clean diesel trucks on the road

Percent Fleet Penetration



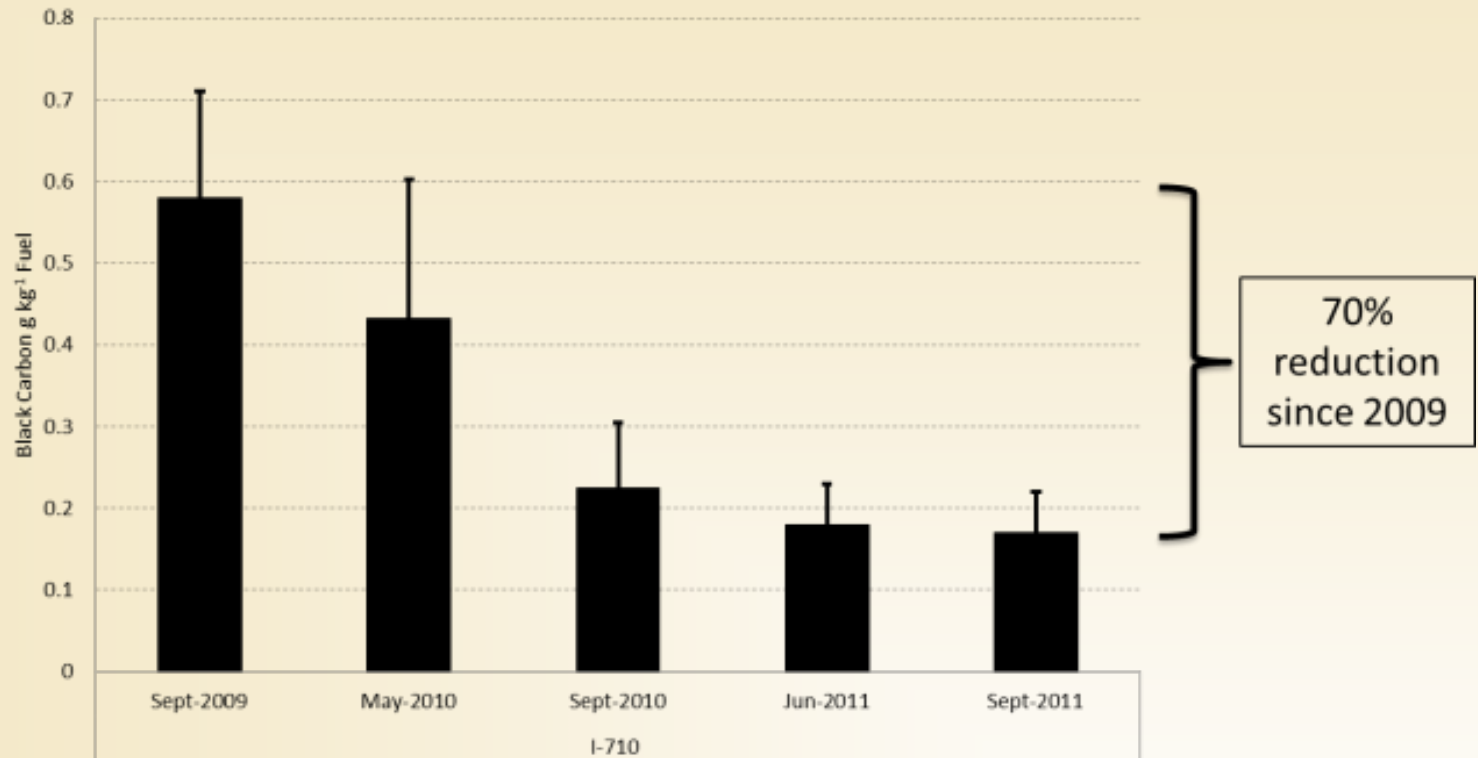
Source: Diesel Technology Forum and IHS/Polk
<http://dieselforum.org/in-your-state>

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Are the Rules Working?

Effect of Diesel Rules in Southern California



- On-road measurements show diesel rules reducing PM and NO_x on a truck-dominated freeway near the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach
- Continued reductions expected as the Truck and Bus Rule is implemented

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Addressing the Existing Fleet:

Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA): Benefits Across the Country

(Source EPA 2016)

DERA SUCCESSES: FY 2008 – FY 2013



73,000
Engines retrofitted
or replaced



335,200 tons of
NOx and **14,700**
tons of PM eliminated



450
Million gallons of
fuel saved



642
Grants awarded



Over **\$520** million
funds awarded



New HEI “Tunnel Study” to measure progress

Real-World Vehicle Emission Characterization for the Shing Mun Tunnel in Hong Kong and the Fort McHenry Tunnel in the U.S.

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Text

Fort McHenry Tunnel (I-95 Baltimore)

- Four-bore 2.2 km tunnel, with two lanes per bore.
- Light-duty vehicles are allowed in all bores. Trucks (heavy-duty vehicles) are directed into the right-hand bores.
- Tunnel has been studied several times before, allowing comparison/monitoring of change.
- Measurements in winter and spring; poster at this Conference

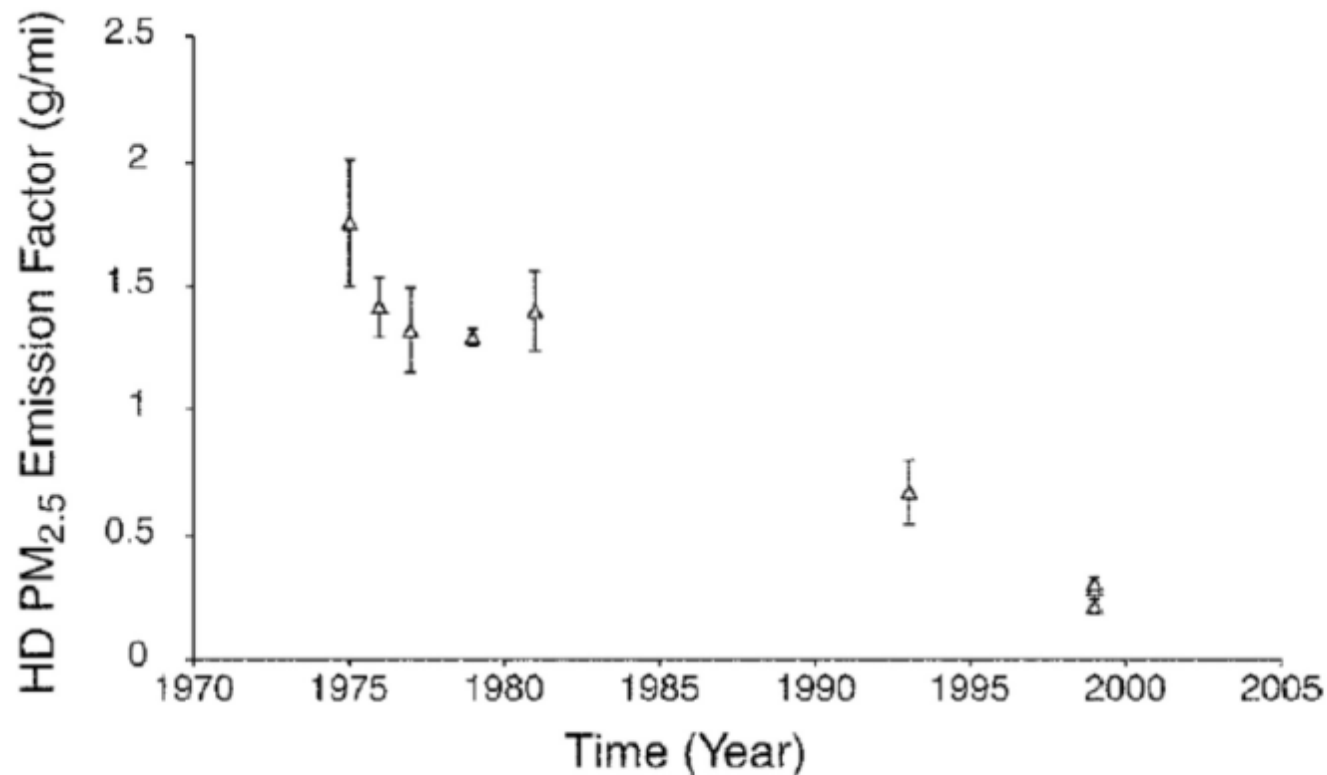


These studies can have impact...

(HEI Tuscarora Tunnel Study)

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Fig. 1.2 Heavy-duty vehicle particulate matter emission factor estimates measured on-road in the Tuscarora tunnel, USA



Note: the markers for 1999 include PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, and PM_{2.5} (reconstructed mass).

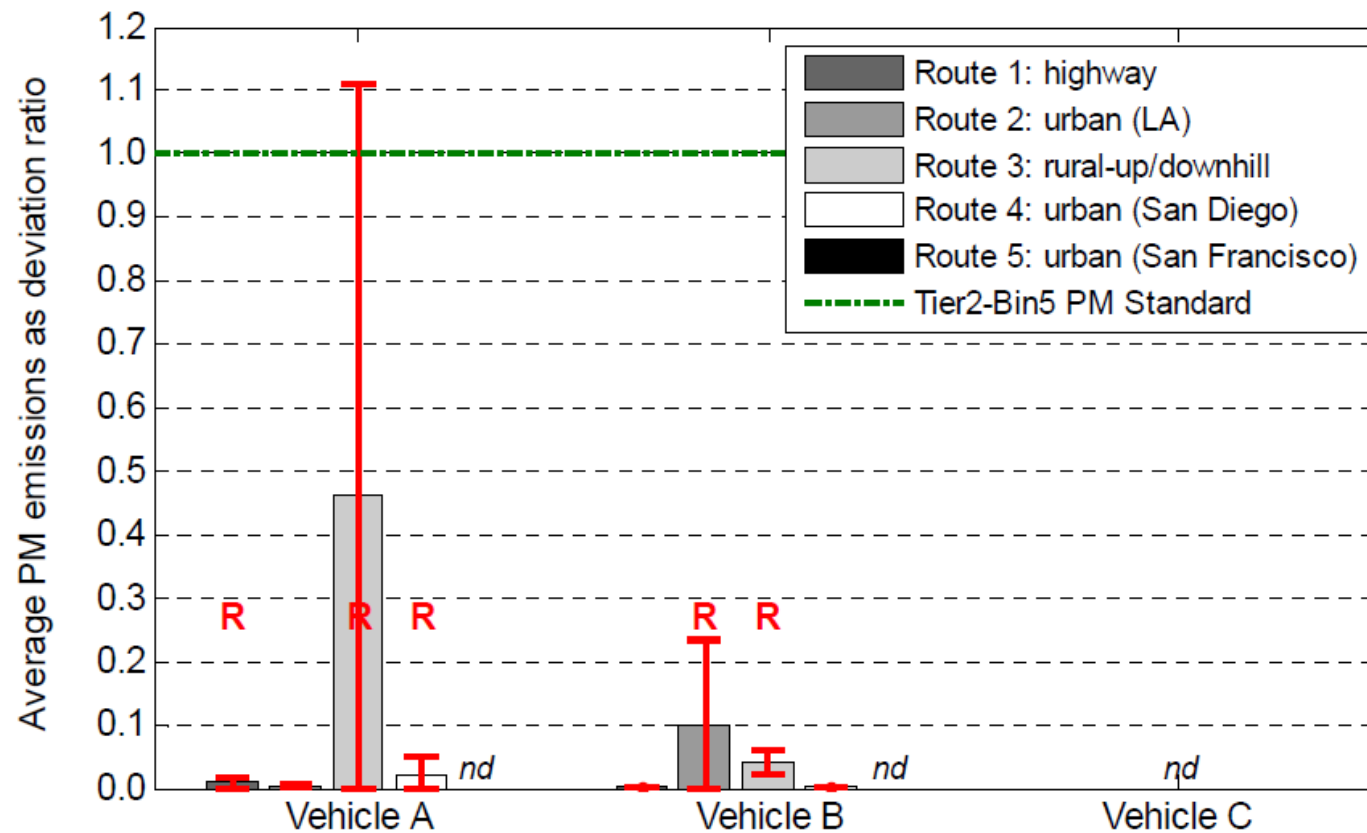
HD, heavy duty; PM, particulate matter

From [Gertler et al. \(2002\)](#). Reprinted with permission from the Health Effects Institute, Boston, MA.

And even recent VW on-road tests demonstrate progress...

PM emissions were dramatically below US EPA Tier 2 – Bin 5 emissions standard (ICCT/WVU tests)
(even with widely report NOx issues...)

Figure 4.11: Average PM emissions of test vehicles over the five test routes compared to US-EPA Tier2-Bin5 emissions standard; repeat test variation intervals are presented as $\pm 1\sigma$; Route 1 for Vehicle A includes rush-hour/non rush-hour driving, no PM data collected for Vehicle C, ‘R’ designates routes including a test with DPF regeneration event, ‘nd’ - no data available



What about the Rest of the World?

*EURO VI and US 2007/10 standards require diesel filters
and 10-50 ppm sulfur fuel*

- Progress Underway:
 - China ULSD starting in 2017
 - India to “leapfrog” to Euro 6 by 2020
 - Mexico on the verge of action
- Though more progress still to be made...



Diesel: Looking Ahead

- Occupational Studies find lung cancer associations with exposure to old diesel
 - Risk assessment will need to take on board key uncertainties:
 - Exposure error
 - Improving technology and reduced exposure
- NTDE is dramatically cleaner
 - And penetrating deep into US market
 - While other markets move to implement fully (though much more needs to be done...)
- Looking Ahead:
 - Growing opportunities to monitor, report progress

Thank You

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