

***Seminar: Sampling, Real-time Monitoring and
Conditioning of Air Samples
for Determination of Particle Mass***

R&P Technology Roadmap

PM Measurement Issues

FDMS[®] System

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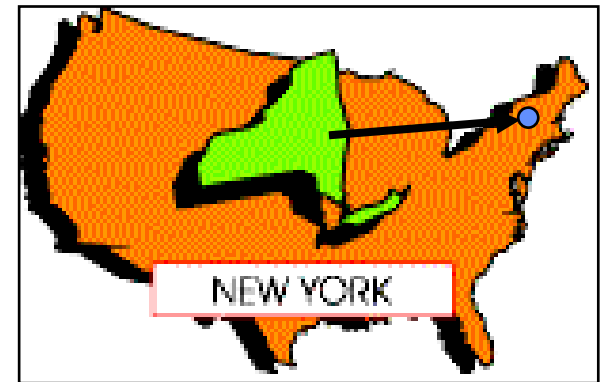
Just East of Albany, New York (East Greenbush)



Moved 15 March 2004

Building designed for our needs brings together three facilities under one roof.

Expansion for present and future growth.
R&P will occupy 50,000 of 75,000 sq ft.



Company Information

- Incorporated in 1981 by Harvey Patashnick and Georg Rupprecht
- Research and manufacturing in East Greenbush, NY
- Approx 50% of products exported
- Approx 100 employees:
 - research scientists
 - mechanical and electrical engineers
 - designers and software programmers
 - assembly and quality assurance



Company Information

- Strong research & development capabilities
- Worldwide marketing and distribution of PM samplers and monitors conforming to USEPA and International standards
- Latest ISO 9001:2000 certification level
- New applications in Homeland Security (Airborne Sample Analysis Platform – ASAP) and coal dust monitoring (Personal Dust Monitor – PDM)



Company Information

“Rupprecht & Patashnick is an international company located in the United States.”



Company Milestones

- Contract with NASA for development of space-based mass measurement system
- Introduction of TEOM monitor for ambient air quality measurements in late 1980's
- Partisol manual samplers used in USEPA national sampling network for PM-2.5
- Introduction of advanced PM speciation sampling and monitoring systems



Product Overview—Markets



Ambient air monitoring and sampling products



Mobile source particulate measurement for cleaner engines

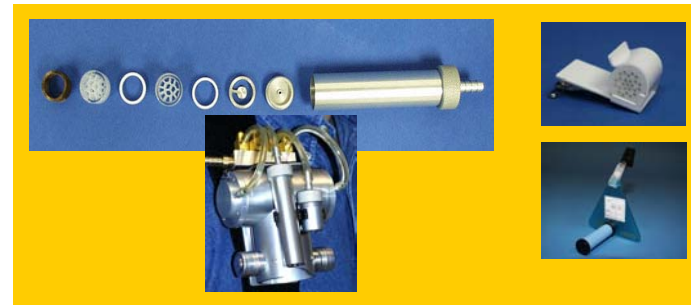


Reaction kinetics research tool

Stationary source monitoring for process and emissions results



Ambient Air Monitoring Products



Stationary (Stack) and Mobile (Diesel) Source PM Monitoring Products



R&P Commercial Products Using The TEOM Mass Sensor



TEOM® Series 1400a
Ambient PM Monitor



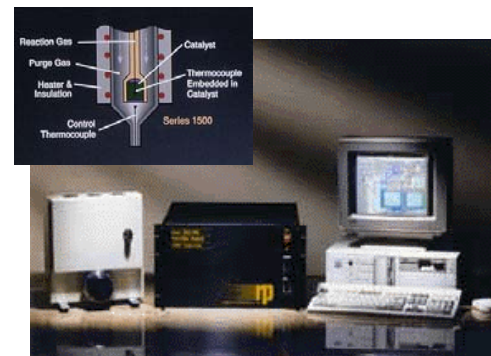
TEOM® Series 1105
Diesel Particulate Monitor



TEOM® Series 4200
Combustion Efficiency Monitor



TEOM® Series 7000
Source PM Monitor



TEOM® Series 1500
Reaction Kinetics Analyzer

More to
come...

Particulate Matter Measurement Issues

Filter Dynamics Measurement System (Series 8500 FDMS System)



PM Regulatory Standards Are Driven By Human Health Effects

Particulate Air Pollution as a Predictor of Mortality in a Prospective Study of U.S. Adults

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Time-series, cross-sectional, and prospective cohort studies have observed associations between mortality and particulate air pollution but have been limited by ecologic design or small number of subjects or study areas. The present study evaluates effects of particulate air pollution on mortality using data from a large cohort drawn from many study areas. We linked ambient air pollution data from 151 U.S. metropolitan areas in 1990 with individual risk factor on 552,138 adults who resided in these areas when enrolled in a prospective study in 1982. Deaths were ascertained through December, 1993. Exposure to sulfate and fine particulate air pollution, which is primarily from fossil fuel combustion, was estimated from national data bases. The relationships of air pollution to all-cause, lung cancer, and cardiovascular mortality were examined using multivariate analysis which controlled for smoking, age, sex, education, and other factors. Adjusted mortality rates were observed, adjusted for smoking, age, sex, education, and other factors. All-cause mortality was primarily associated with fine particulate air pollution.

Death rates rise with air pollution

By Anita Manning
USA TODAY

More people die on bad air days, say toxicologists meeting this week in Baltimore.

Researchers who looked at the daily death rate in cities compared with the daily level of particles in the air from soot, road dust, industrial exhaust and other causes found "a consistent relationship between particles in the air and death," says Joseph L. Mauderly, director of the Inhalation Toxicology Research Institute in Albuquerque. He leads a symposium on the topic at the Society of Toxicology meeting.

The findings are correlative, he says. "In cities in the east, foreign countries, though they're in different states and have different levels of particles in the air."

What's baffling, Mauderly says, is that "particles known to cause death in

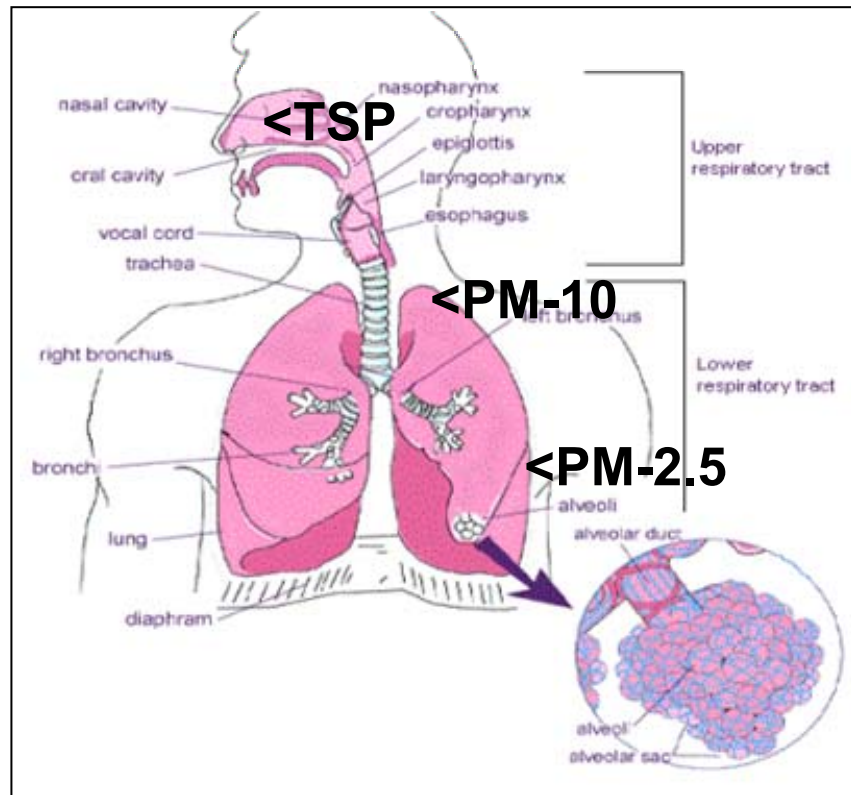
men or people but only at horrendous levels. No one should see mortality at the reasonably low levels you see in U.S. cities."

The relationship, "is more likely one of hastening the death of people who are somehow primed by disease to die," Mauderly says. "No one is suggesting it is causing healthy people to die." He adds that the findings are "statistically significant, but not huge."

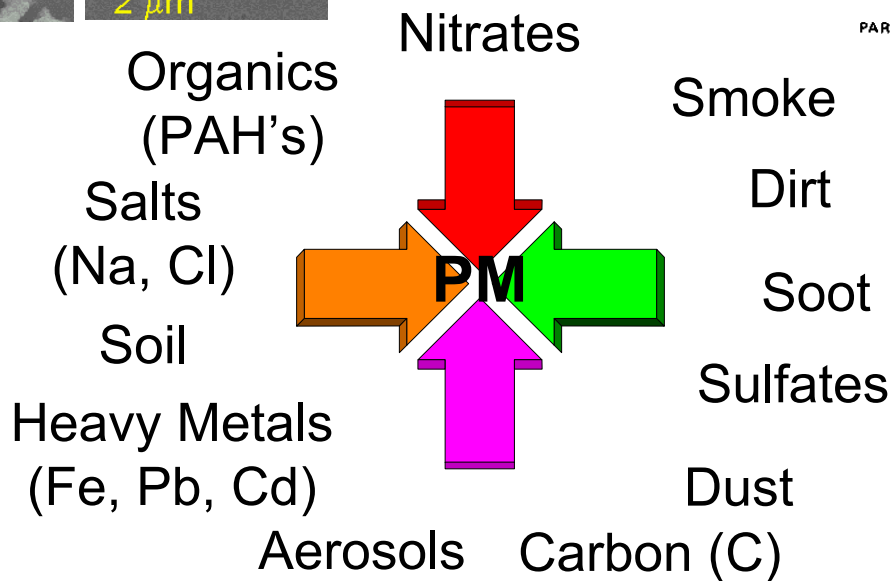
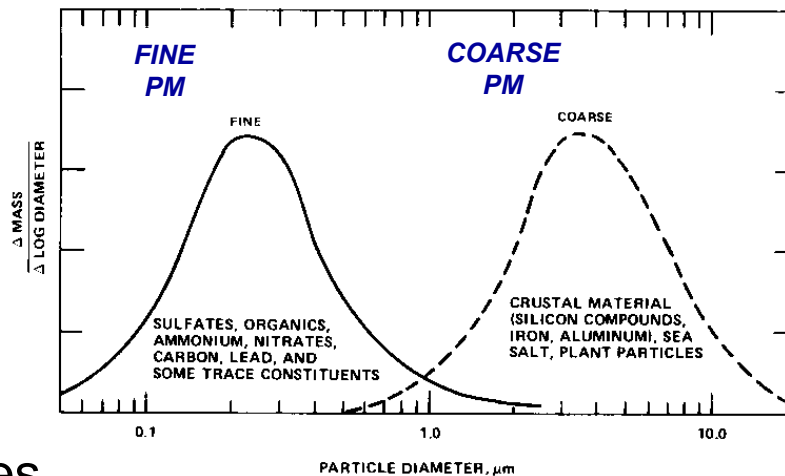
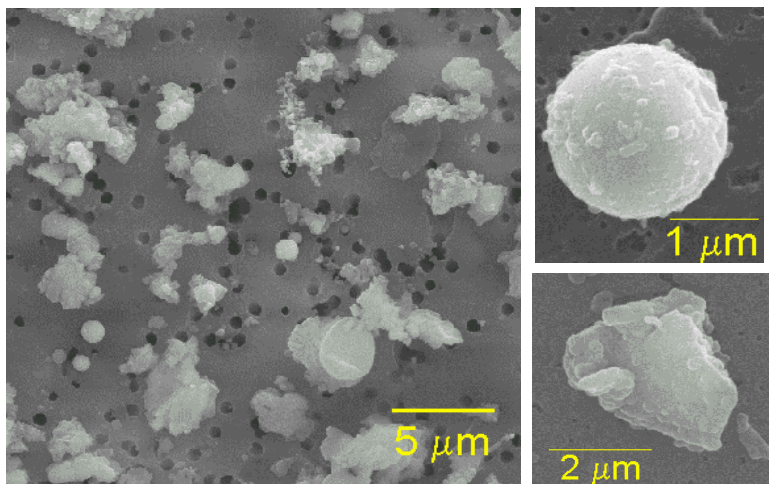
The data suggest mortality increases even when air pollution rates are within permitted standards, he says. Air pollution rates in cities have been

Particulates set to displace NO₂ as major air pollution hazard

Government policies on air pollution are likely to change following the conclusions of recent reports that NO₂ could be less damaging to health than is currently believed, but that particulate matter under 10µm (PM₁₀) is more damaging.



Particulate Matter (PM) - Composition and Size



Particulate Matter (PM)

Mass Concentration

$$PM_x = \frac{M}{V}$$

← The weighed stuff

Where:

PM = Particulate Matter mass concentration [$\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$] of particles less than *x* microns in diameter

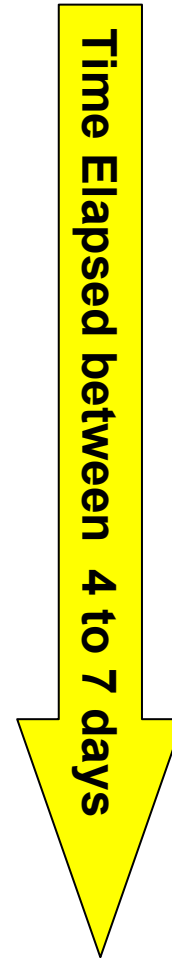
M = *Mass* of sampled particles

V = Volume of air sampled

Gravimetric PM Samplers

Sampling and Measurement Scheme

1. Condition (at least 24 hours)
2. Weigh
3. Transport
4. Wait (up to ? days)
5. Sample (usually 24 hours)
6. Wait (up to 7 days)
7. Transport
8. Condition (at least 24 hours)
9. Weigh



Sampling Semivolatile Species

(USEPA Statement)

“Several atmospheric species, such as ammonium nitrate and certain organic compounds, are semivolatile and are found in both gas and particle phases. The gas-particle distribution of semivolatile compounds depends on compound vapor pressure, total particle surface area, particle composition, and atmospheric temperature.”

“The dynamic changes in gas-particle partitioning, caused by changes in temperature or total concentration, both in the atmosphere and after collection, cause sampling problems...”



Sampling Semivolatile Species

(CAFE – Clean Air for Europe)

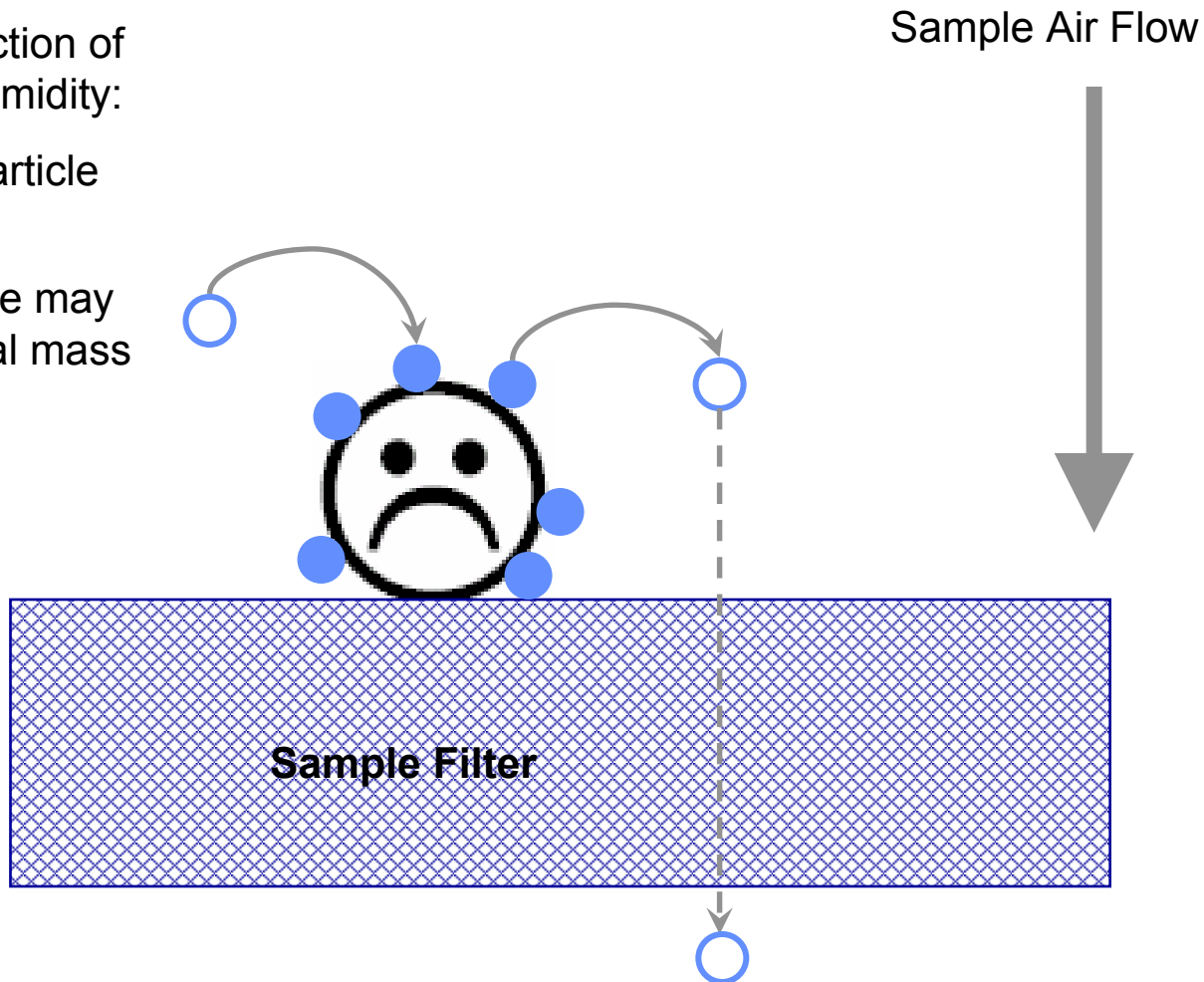
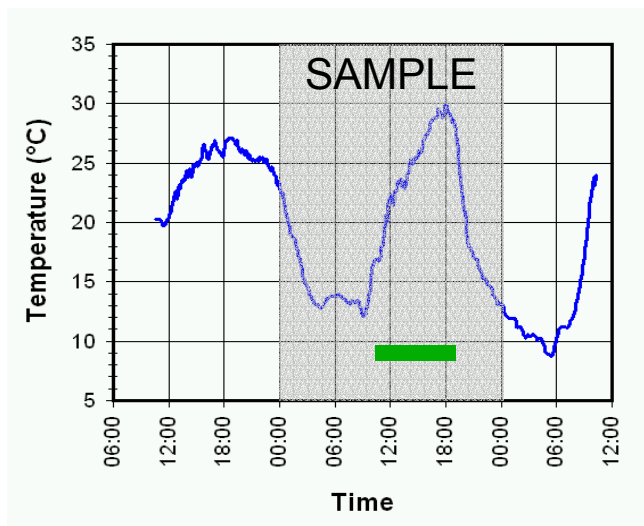
“Measurement of PM mass concentrations brings along considerable uncertainties mainly because of the risk of alterations of the sample during sampling itself, the handling of samples and during the measurement process. This highly depends on the environmental conditions and composition of the particles. Loss of semi-volatile particles is one of the major problems.”



Sampling Artifacts

Gas-particle equilibrium is a function of temperature, vapor pressure, humidity:

- relative humidity increase → particle may take on water mass
- temperature increase → particle may lose semivolatile organic material mass



- = particle phase molecule (e.g., H_2O , SVOC, NH_4NO_3)
- = gas phase molecule (e.g., H_2O , SVOC, ammonia)

What are the Goals for PM Quantification?

(Continuous PM Monitoring in Air Quality Networks)

- Match the integrated reference (FRM) technique
- Minimize cross-interference by humidity, thermodynamic conditions, gas composition
- Use measurement methods that are traceable to a primary mass standard
- Provide high precision short-term data for public reporting (air quality index, mapping, forecasting), health effects studies, and for control strategy development

Why are these goals difficult to achieve?

- PM is the only criteria air pollutant not defined by its molecular composition
- Particle-bound water can make up a large fraction of PM mass
- Certain PM constituents can volatilize at ambient temperatures
- The time-integrated “reference method” is not a scientific standard – only a method (indicator)

Mass Measurement Approaches

- Indirect (1st generation)
 - Examples: beta attenuation, light scatter
 - Sensor responds to changes of particle properties other than mass
 - Requires empirical transfer function to estimate the PM mass concentration
- Direct (2nd generation)
 - Examples: quartz crystal microbalance, TEOM technology
 - Sensor responds only to changes in the mass of collected particles using the *laws of physics*
 - Similar to laboratory microbalance principle

Elimination of Mass Calibration Uncertainty

In order to measure PM mass directly, particles need to be collected (typically on a filter) and weighed. Elimination of *mass calibration uncertainty* is possible only when using sensors based upon first-principle physical laws (direct mass measurement).

Oscillating Fiber Microbalance

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An instrument is described which enables direct mass determinations in the range 10^{-5} – 10^{-11} g and can be modified to provide greater mass sensitivity if desired. The principle involved is that of an electrostatically driven oscillating thin fiber, clamped at one end and free at the other, which changes its resonant frequency when mass is added to the free end. The over-all electromechanical design eliminates many of the disadvantages of more conventional microbalances and surpasses them in sensitivity and accuracy.

THEORY

The equation of motion for a thin rod in transverse oscillation may be written (see Prescott¹)

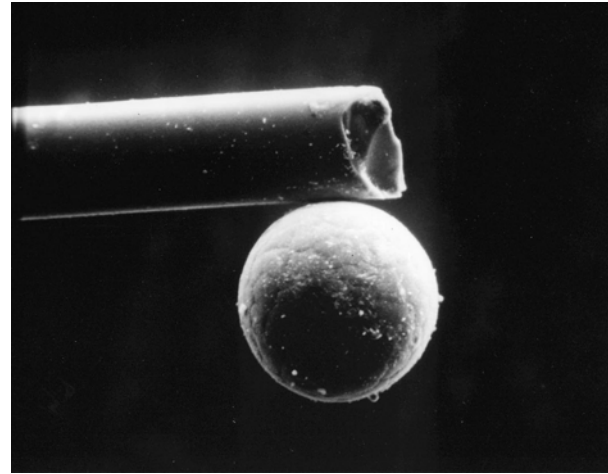
$$Ek^2 \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} = - \frac{w}{g} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}, \quad (1)$$

where E is Young's modulus, $4k$ the fiber diameter, w the weight per unit volume of the fiber, and g the gravitational constant.

Oscillating Element Microbalance

(Fundamentals and Evolution)

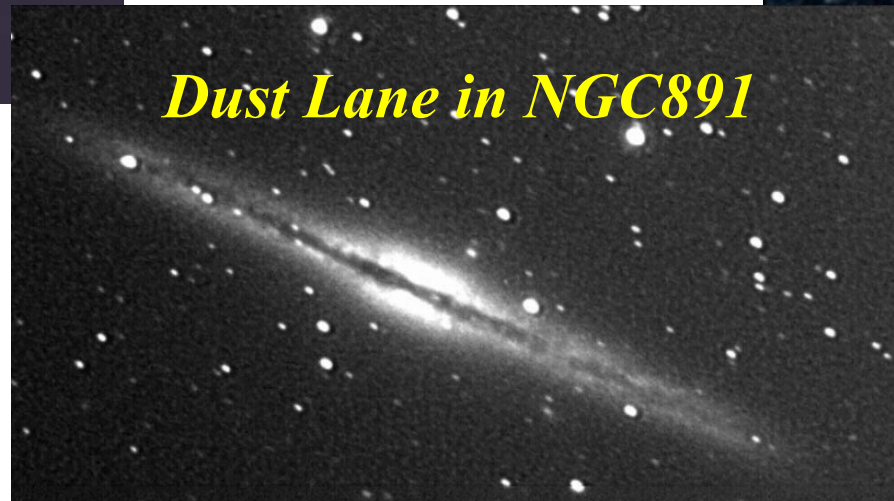
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Dust and Ion Tail

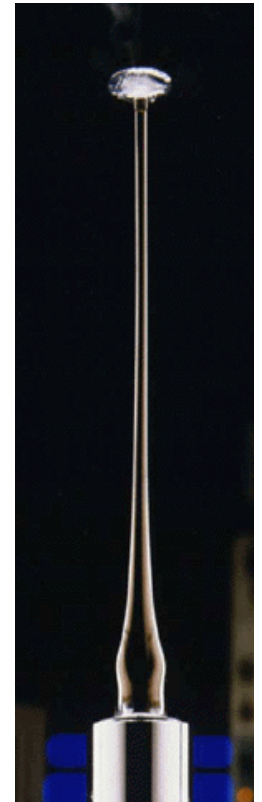


Dust Lane in NGC891



TEOM Mass Transducer

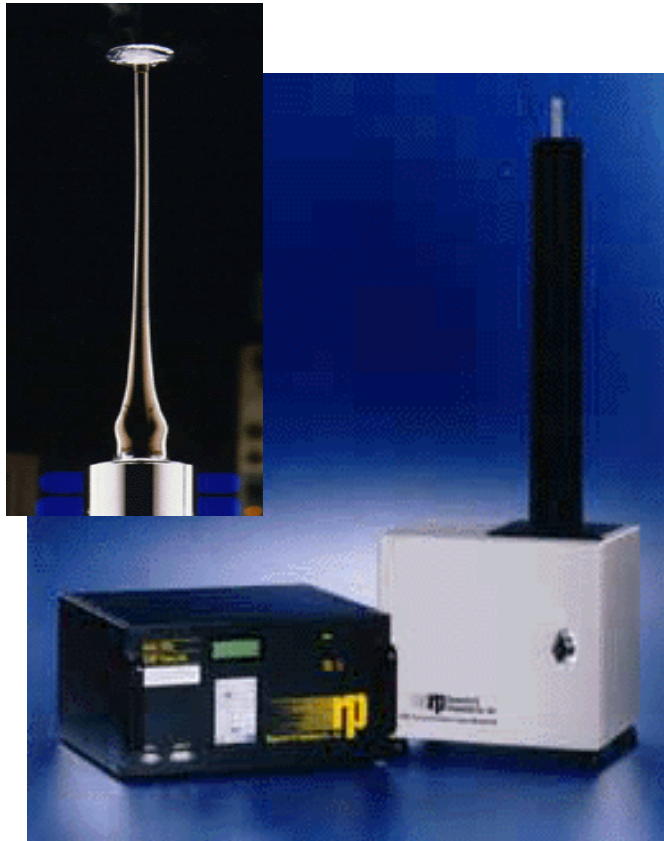
- Tapered element oscillates at its natural frequency (simple harmonic oscillator)
- Particulate matter collects on filter continuously
- Frequency decreases with accumulation of mass
- *Direct* relationship between mass and frequency change:
$$\Delta M(g) = K_o \left(\frac{1}{f_1^2} - \frac{1}{f_o^2} \right)$$
- The approach is similar to that of a laboratory microbalance. The mass detected by the sensor results from the measurement of a fundamental physical parameter (e.g., frequency, strain, displacement).



Tapered Element

TEOM[®] Series 1400a

Continuous Particulate Monitor



- Direct, continuous technique for filter-based *true* mass measurement
- No radioactive components
- Superior time and mass resolution *and* precision (*hourly* precision: $\pm 1.5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)
- An accepted standard for particulate monitoring worldwide (regulatory, research, remediation, special studies)
- USEPA Equivalent Method EQPM-1090-079 for PM-10, CAC Monitor for PM-2.5
- Over 5,000 instruments deployed worldwide

Dual Differential TEOM[®] System

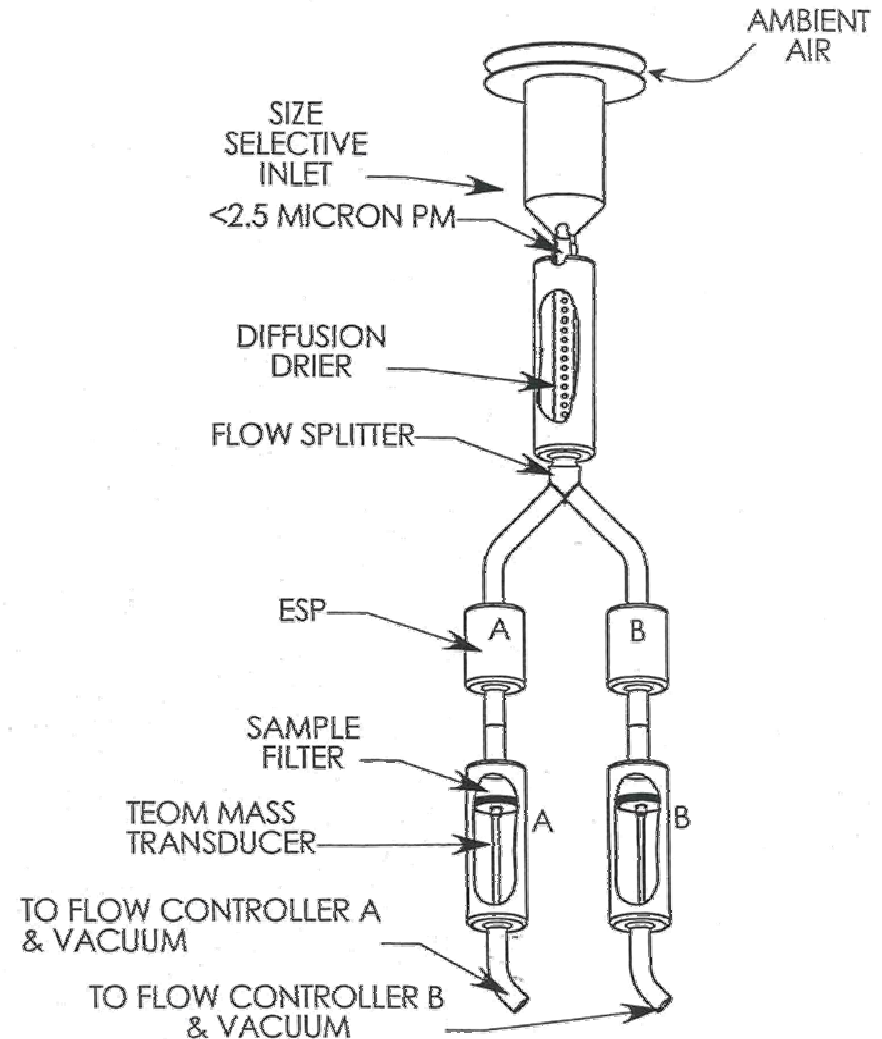
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Development of a Reference Standard for Particulate Matter Mass in Ambient Air

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TEOM Mass Sensor Governing Equation:

$$\Delta M = K_o \left(\frac{1}{f_{t1}^2} - \frac{1}{f_{t0}^2} \right)$$



Self-Referencing Differential TEOM Monitor

For time interval $\Delta t_{(n)}$, ESP off,

Particle-laden air stream:

$$M_{\text{Base}} = M_{\text{pnv}} + M_{\text{pv}} - \infty M_{\text{pv}} \pm M_{\text{filt artifacts}} \pm M_{\text{inst effects}}$$

For time interval $\Delta t_{(n+1)}$, ESP on,

Particle-free air stream:

$$M_{\text{Reference}} = - \infty M_{\text{pv}} \pm M_{\text{filt artifacts}} \pm M_{\text{inst effects}}$$

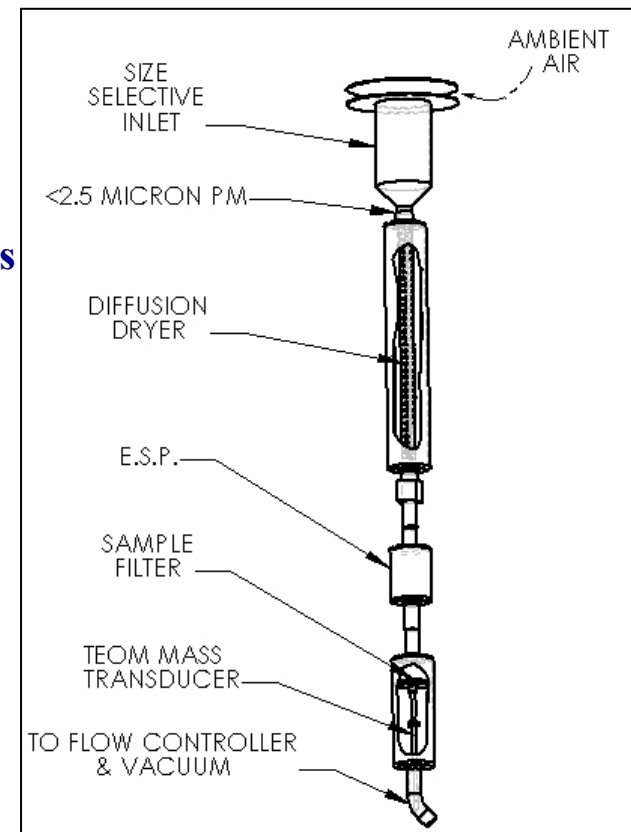
Therefore:

$$M_{\text{Base}} - M_{\text{Reference}} = M_{\text{pnv}} + M_{\text{pv}}$$

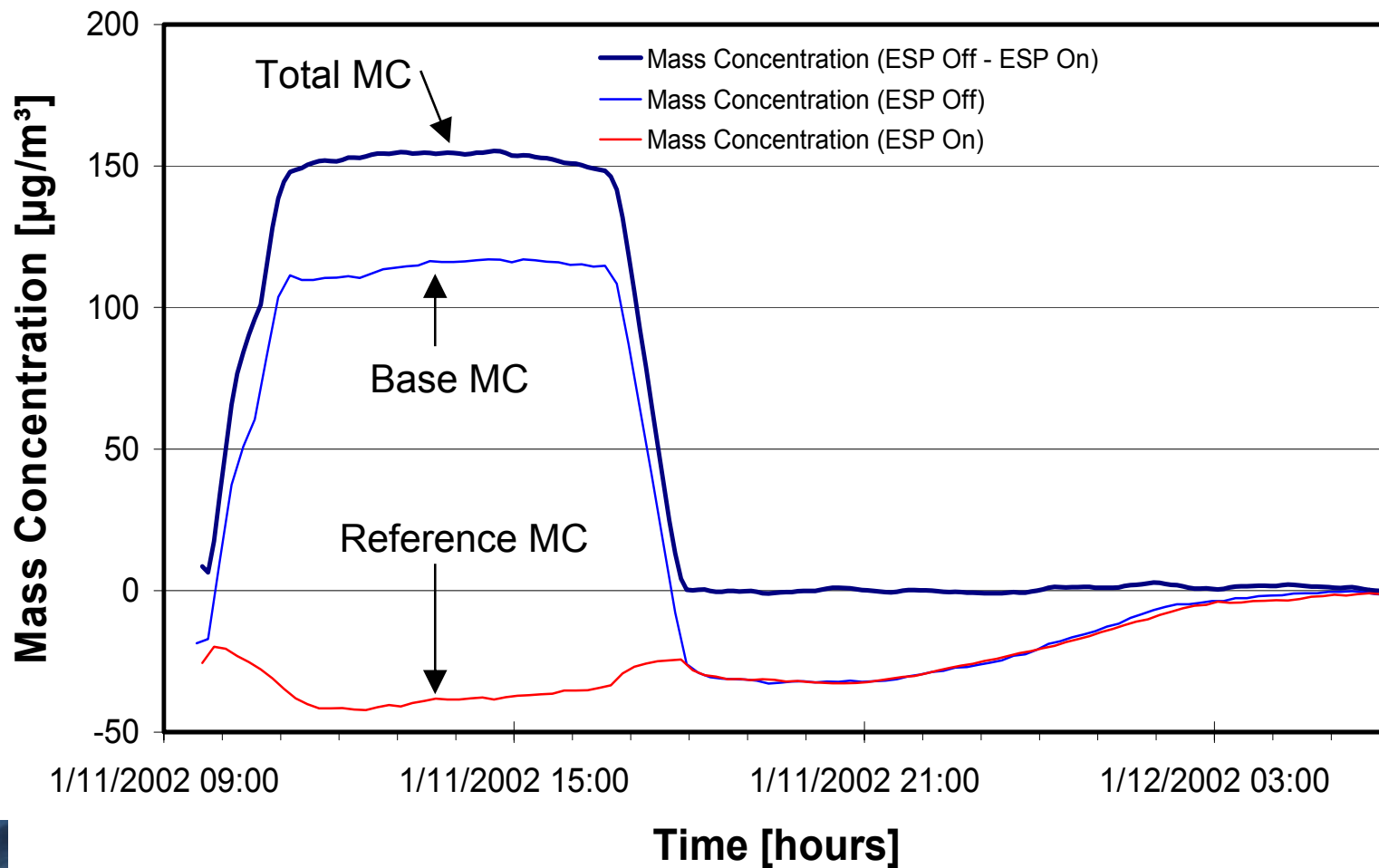
Ideally, switching time interval $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$

(Practically: faster than physicochemical processes –
equilibration time constant for particles/gases)

(ESP and purge filter versions)



Differential TEOM System Response to Ammonium Nitrate Generated In An Aerosol Test Chamber

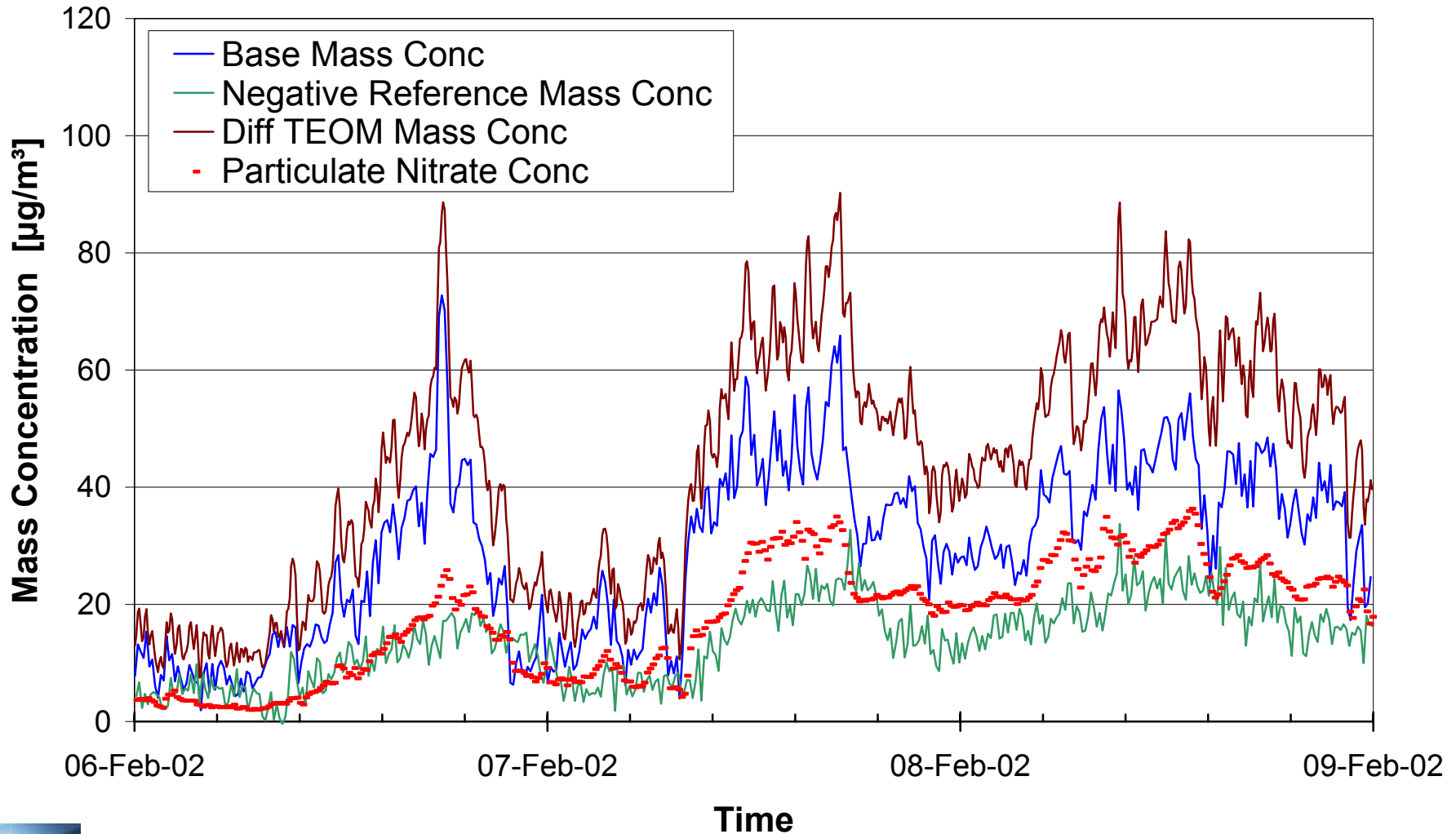


Source: Atmospheric Sciences Research Center, Albany, NY



Data on Vaporization Dynamics

Claremont, CA, 6-8 Feb 2002



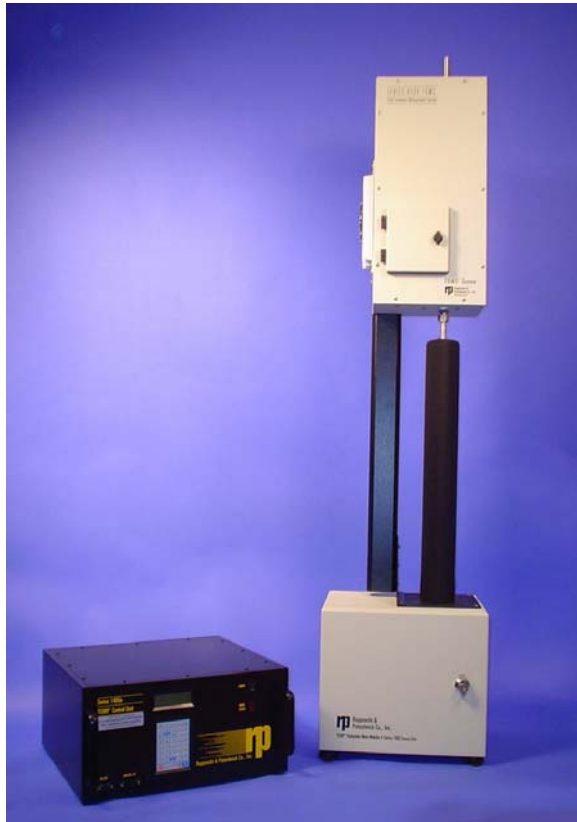
Source: Aerosol Dynamics, Inc.



Filter Dynamics Measurement System

Series 8500 FDMS™ System

(Targeted Configuration of TEOM Series 1400a Monitor)



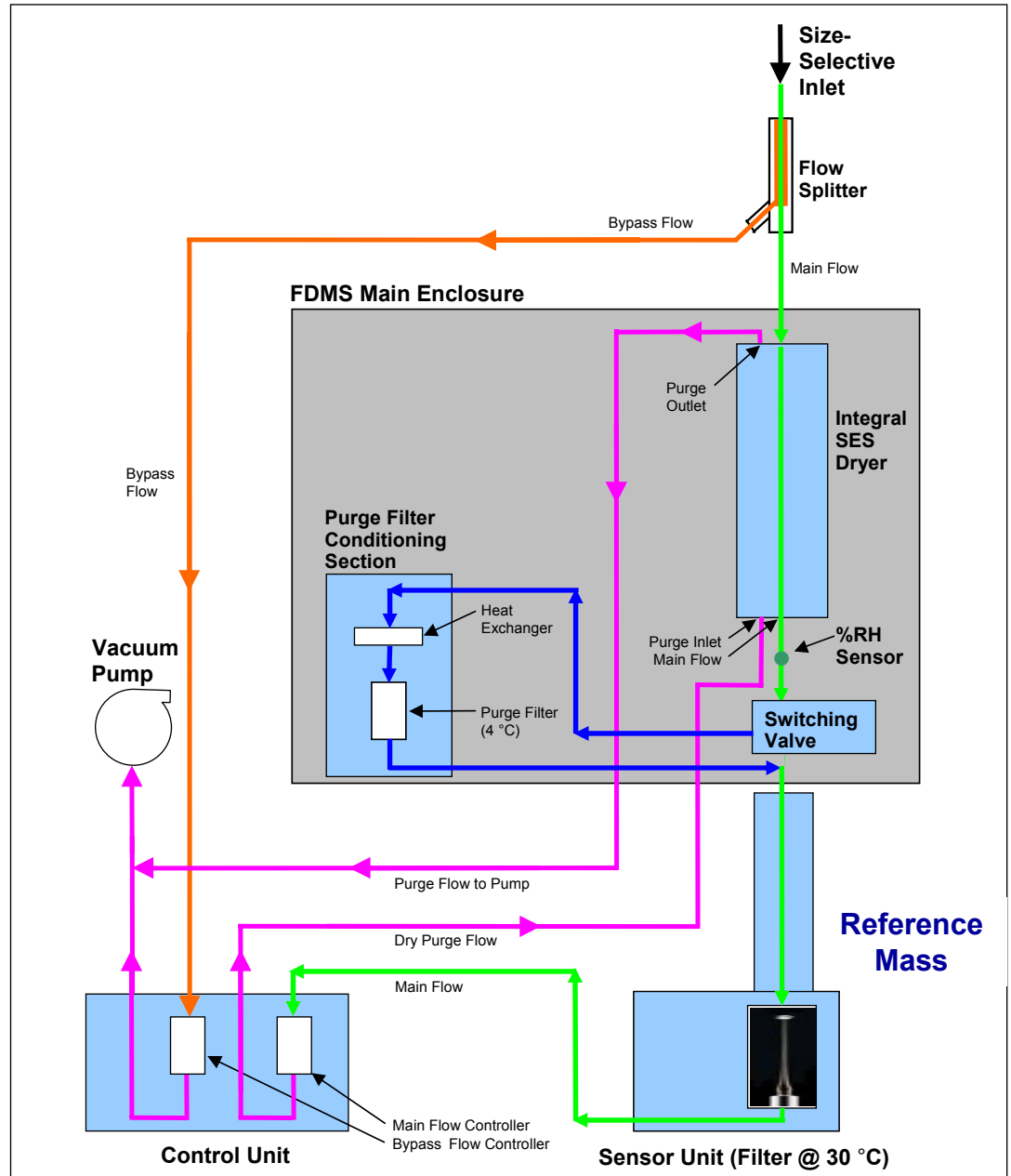
- Derivative of *Differential TEOM Monitor* (USEPA Research Contract)
- Quantifies combined *volatile and nonvolatile* components of PM mass concentration
- Incorporates *TEOM mass sensor technology* and specially-configured Nafion® dryer
- Provides determination of volatile mass using *self-referencing* gas conditioning scheme
- Concept: Total chemical speciation mass concentration monitor

FDMS Schematic

The switching valve alternates the flow through the sensor unit between the sample and purge flows every 6 minutes.

The purge filter is maintained at 4 °C to provide a time-integrated sample that can be used for subsequent laboratory analysis.

The FDMS System can be obtained as a complete system, or as kit used with existing TEOM Series 1400a (Revision B) monitors.



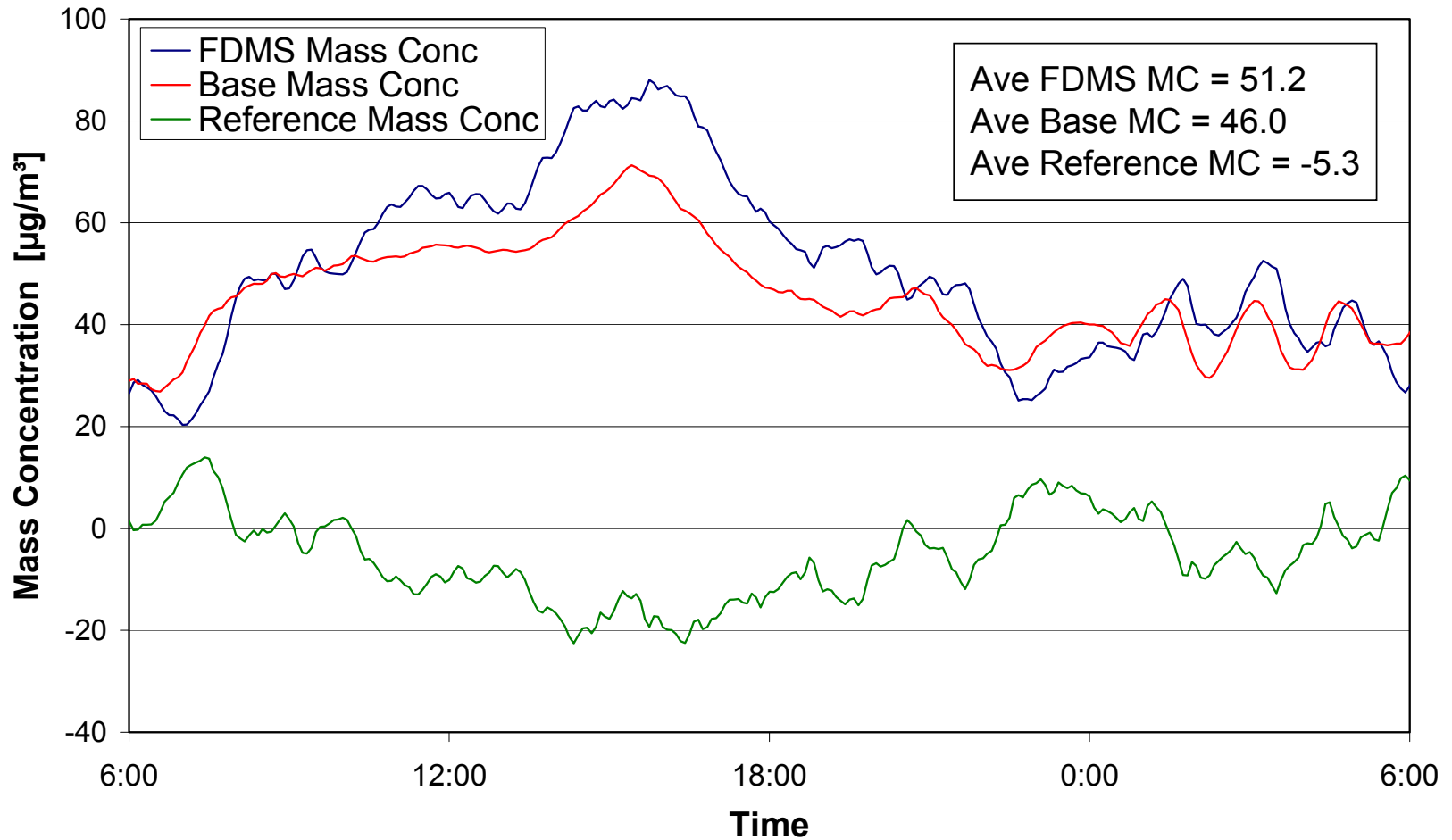
Series 8500 FDMS System

Field Installations



FDMS Field Data

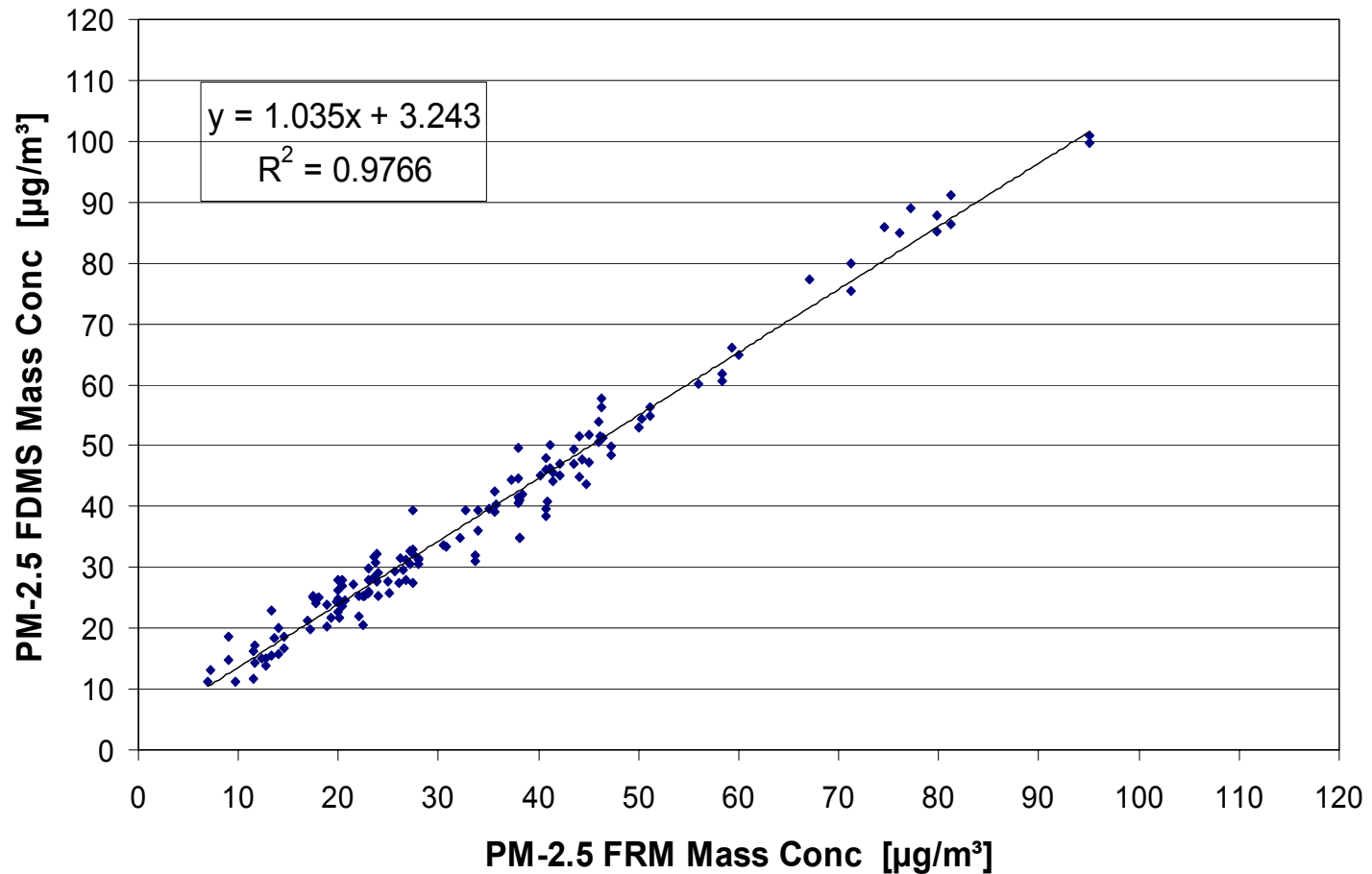
Claremont, CA, Test Site, 2-3 Nov 2001



Source: Los Angeles Supersite and Los Angeles USEPA PM Center

California ARB PM-2.5 Instrumentation Evaluation Study

PM-2.5 FDMS Results vs. PM-2.5 FRM Sampler
Bakersfield, Oct 2001 - Feb 2002, Units 2 and 3

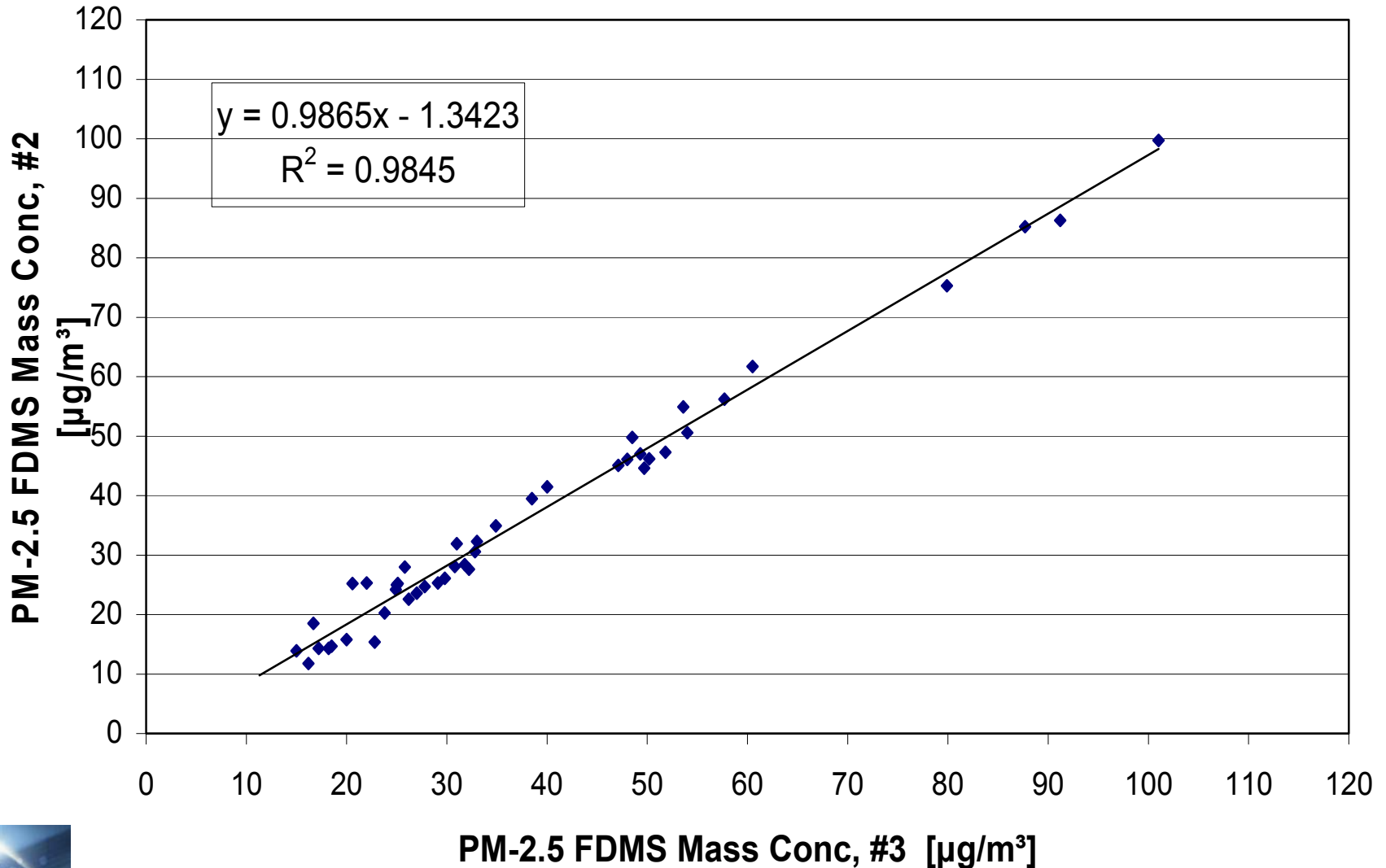


Source: California Air Resources Board



FDMS Daily Precision Results

PM-2.5 Series 8500 FDMS System, Units 2 and 3

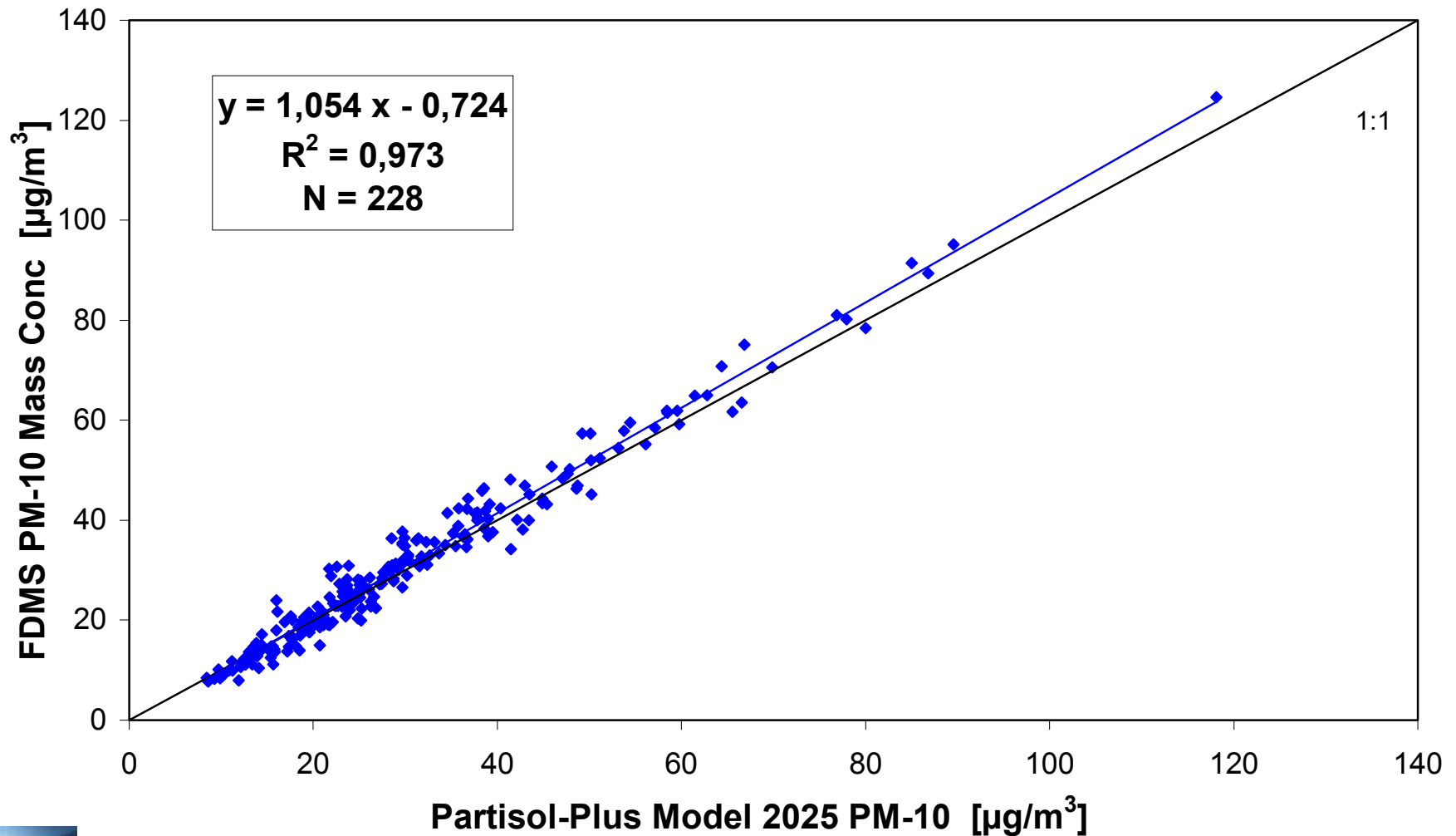


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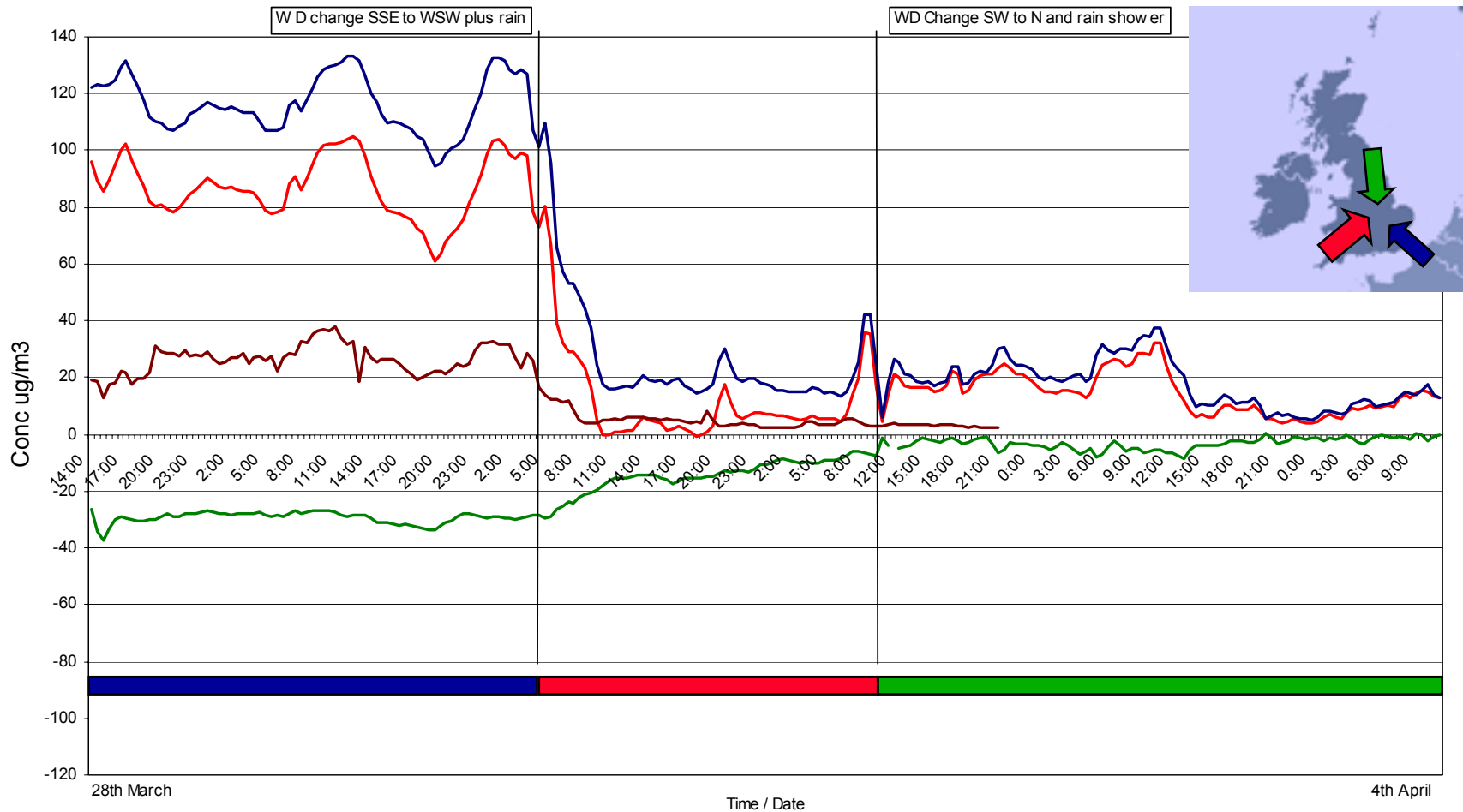
FDMS Results from France

Oct 2002-Summer 2003, Paris



Source: INERIS

UK FDMS Time Series Data



Source: National Physical Laboratory, Teddington, UK, Mar-Apr 2003



Thank you for your attention!

