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Suggestion for short-term and long-term sampling and testing protocols and methods

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Short-term method: General requirements

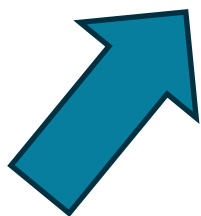
- Capable of measuring relevant parameters regarding human health and environment
 - Able to measure condensable particles
- Ability to differentiate the performance of tested appliances
 - Comprehensive testing protocol that includes various types of combustion



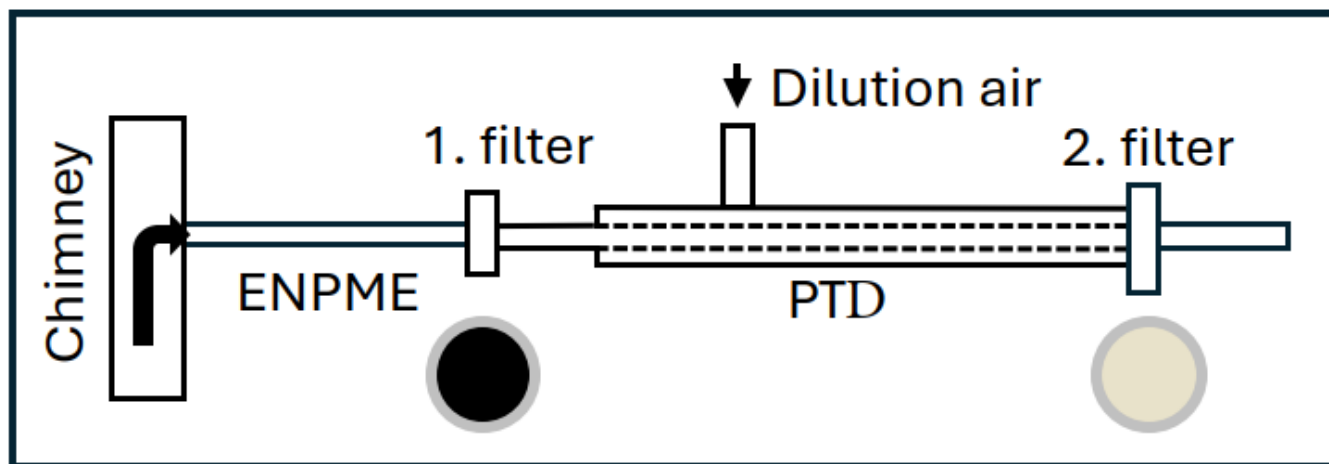


Short-term method: Restricted emission parameters

- Same as in Ecodesign regulation and in EN16510:2022 standard
 - Organic gaseous compounds, OGC
 - Carbon monoxide, CO
 - Nitrogen oxides, NO_x
 - Particulate matter including condensable particles, PM. **NOVEL METHOD**



FOCUS on PM in this project

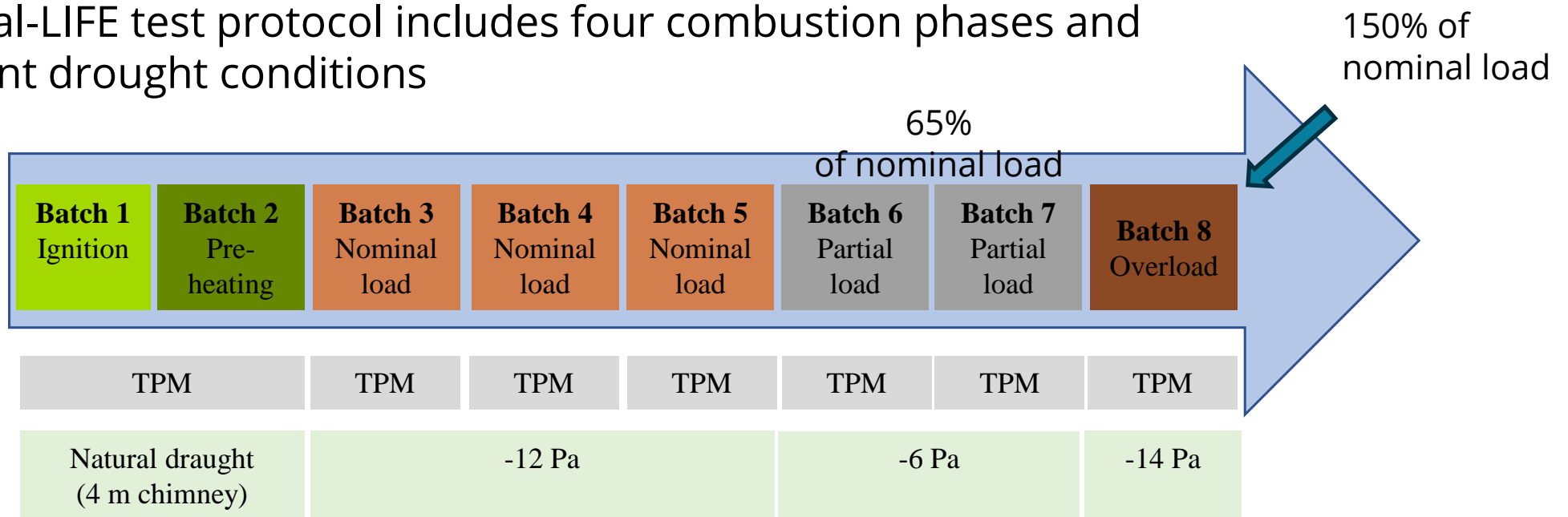




Short-term method: testing protocol

- Type testing protocols typically focus on the **nominal load**
- Protocols should reflect real-life use of each appliance type
 - This project focuses on wood stoves, but a similar approach should be applied to other appliance types, such as slow heat release appliances, cookers, and sauna stoves
- The real-LIFE test protocol includes four combustion phases and different draught conditions

The most efficient phase of heating cycle!

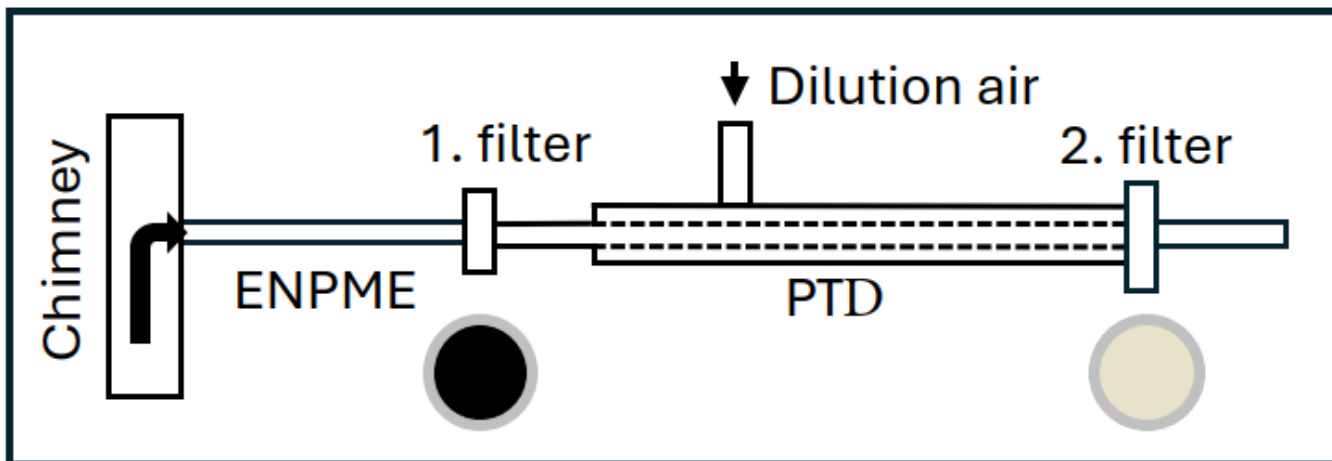




Short-term method: Novel two stage PM sampling method

- Extended ENPME: ENPME + porous tube diluter + second filter for condensable particles
 - First stage: ENPME sampling as described in EN16510:2022 standard
 - Flow rate: 10 lpm (0 °C, 1 atm)
 - Filter collection temperature: 180 ± 10 °C
 - Second stage: dilution of the remaining sample in porous tube diluter (PTD) and collection of particles on a second filter
 - Sample cools down and new particles are formed
 - Dilution ratio: 1:8
 - Dilution air: purified and at ambient temperature
 - Determination of dilution ratio with CO₂ is recommended

- **Total PM concentration is the sum of first and second filter concentrations**

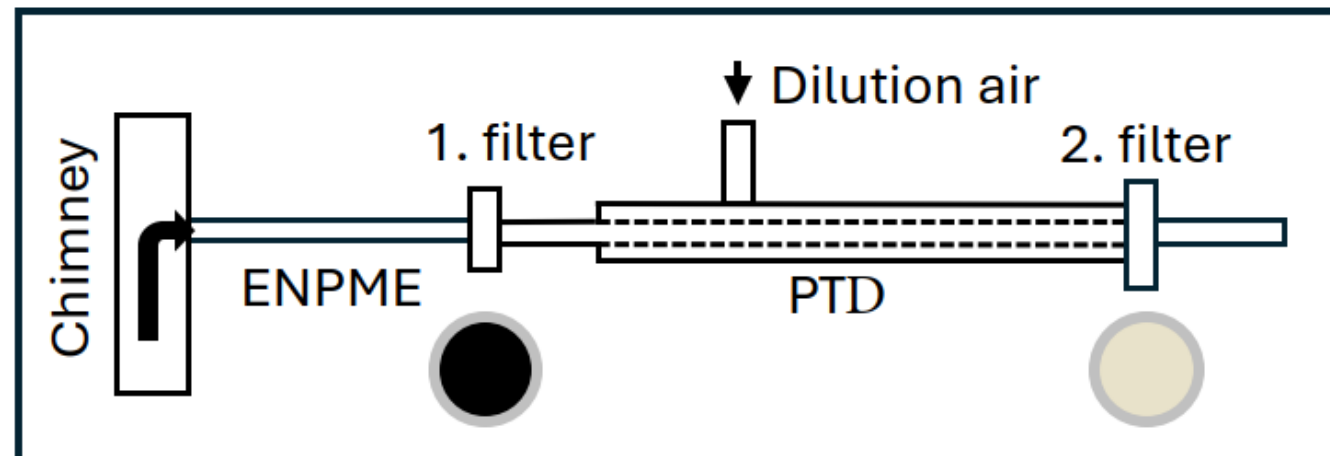




Short-term method: advantages and disadvantages

- + Based on a standard method
- + Significantly smaller than methods like dilution tunnel (DT)
- + Capable of measuring condensable particles
- + Promising preliminary data
- Two filters needed for PM determination
- Needs upgrades for lab equipment
- No clear cut-off size
 - Random large particles cause deviation
 - This makes it difficult to use the data for emission inventories

- A validation project is required!
 - PTD specifications
 - Optimal dilution ratio (DR) for new particle formation
 - Temperature of the second filter (approximately 40 °C in this project)
 - More research concerning the nucleation





Long-term method: General requirements

- Method for quantification of health and environment-relevant emissions, product development and type testing
- Ability to differentiate the performance of tested appliances
- Produce data that can be easily used in emission inventories and climate modeling
- Reliable and simple to use
- Expandable for secondary organic aerosol (SOA) measurements





Long-term method: Restricted emission parameters

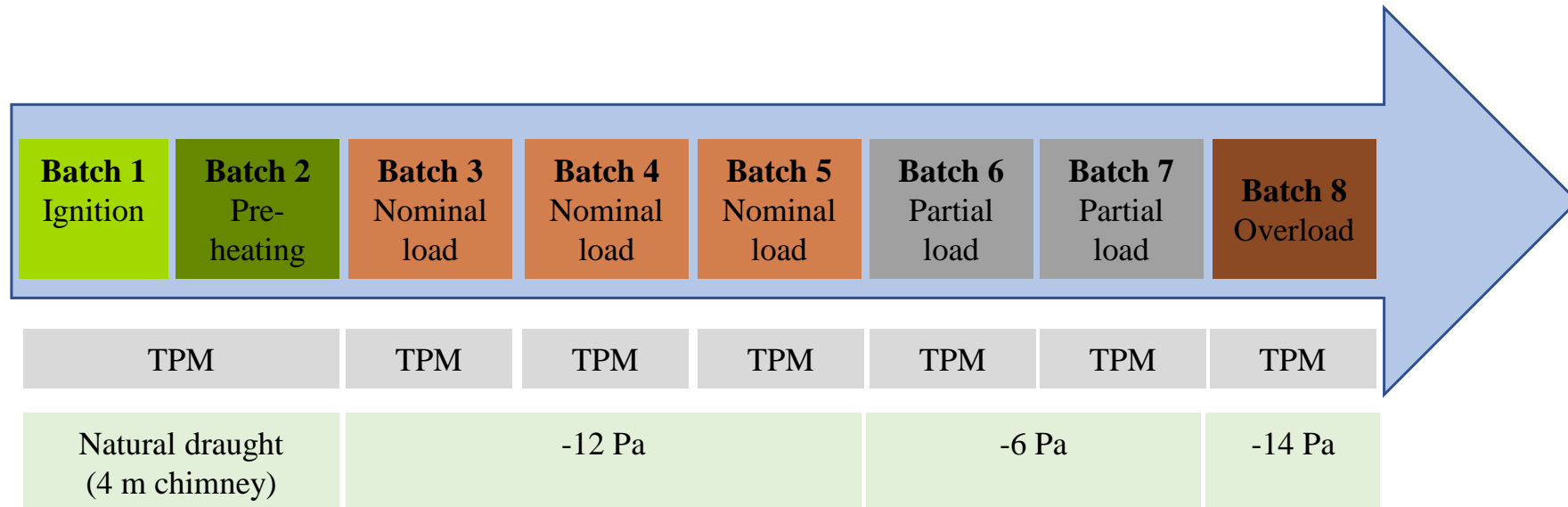
- Most important parameters:
 - Fine particle mass concentration (PM_{2.5})
 - Black carbon or elemental carbon concentration (BC or EC)
 - Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)
 - Volatile organic compounds (VOCs)
 - Secondary organic aerosol (SOA) potential
- Supportive and indicative parameters:
 - Lung deposition surface area (LDSA)
 - Particulate size distribution (PSD)
 - Particulate number concentration (PN)
 - Ultrafine particle number concentration (UFP)
 - Carbon monoxide (CO)
 - Nitrogen oxides (NO_x)
 - Organic gaseous compounds (OGC)





Long-term method: testing protocol

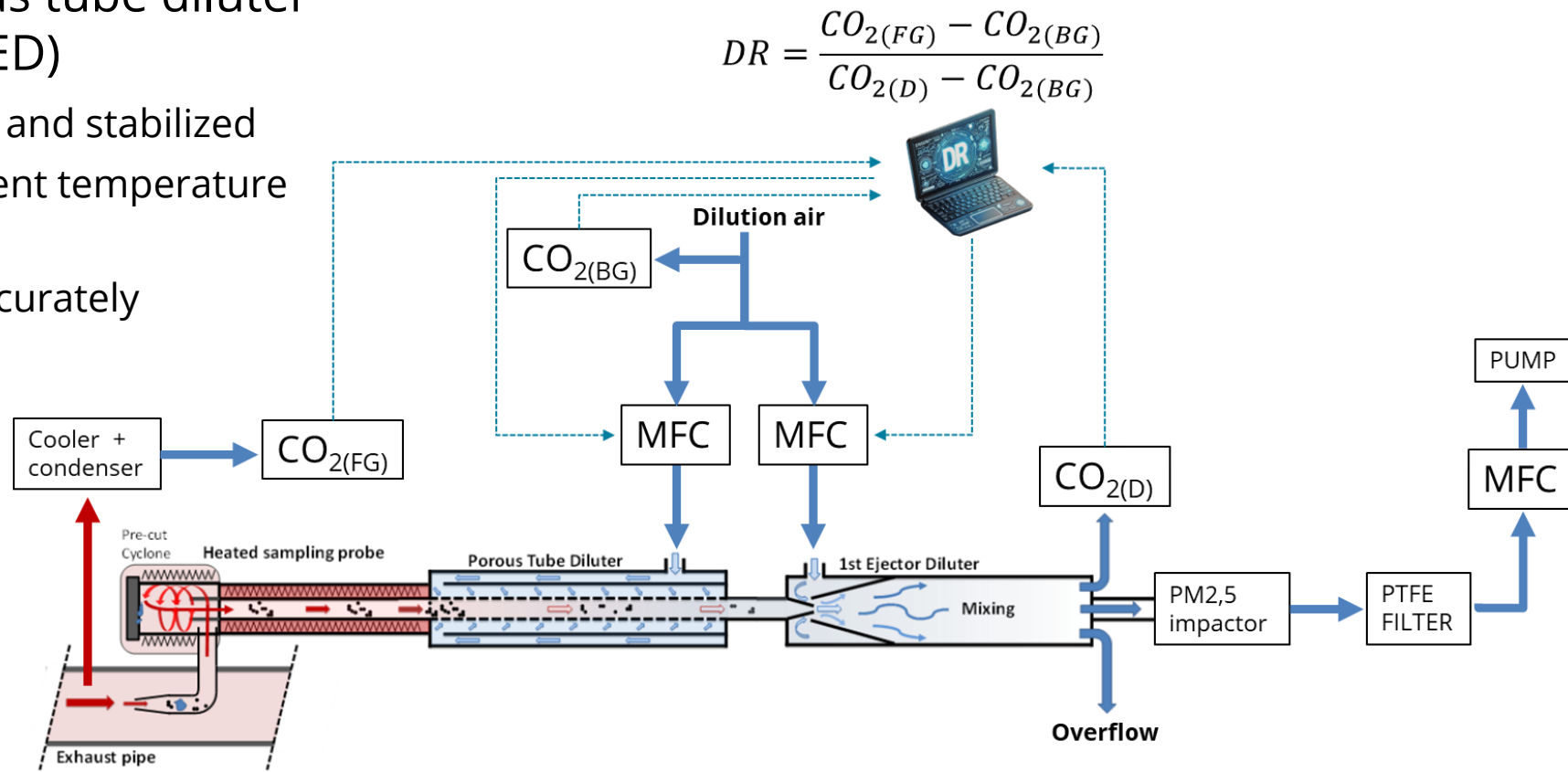
- Same as in short-term method
- Protocols should reflect real-life use of each appliance type
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Long-term method: sampling method

- Sampling method: two-stage partial flow dilution system using a porous tube diluter (PTD) and an ejector diluter (ED)
 - After dilution, sample is cooled and stabilized
 - Filter collection occurs at ambient temperature
 - Condensables are included
 - PM2.5 concentration can be accurately measured with single filter

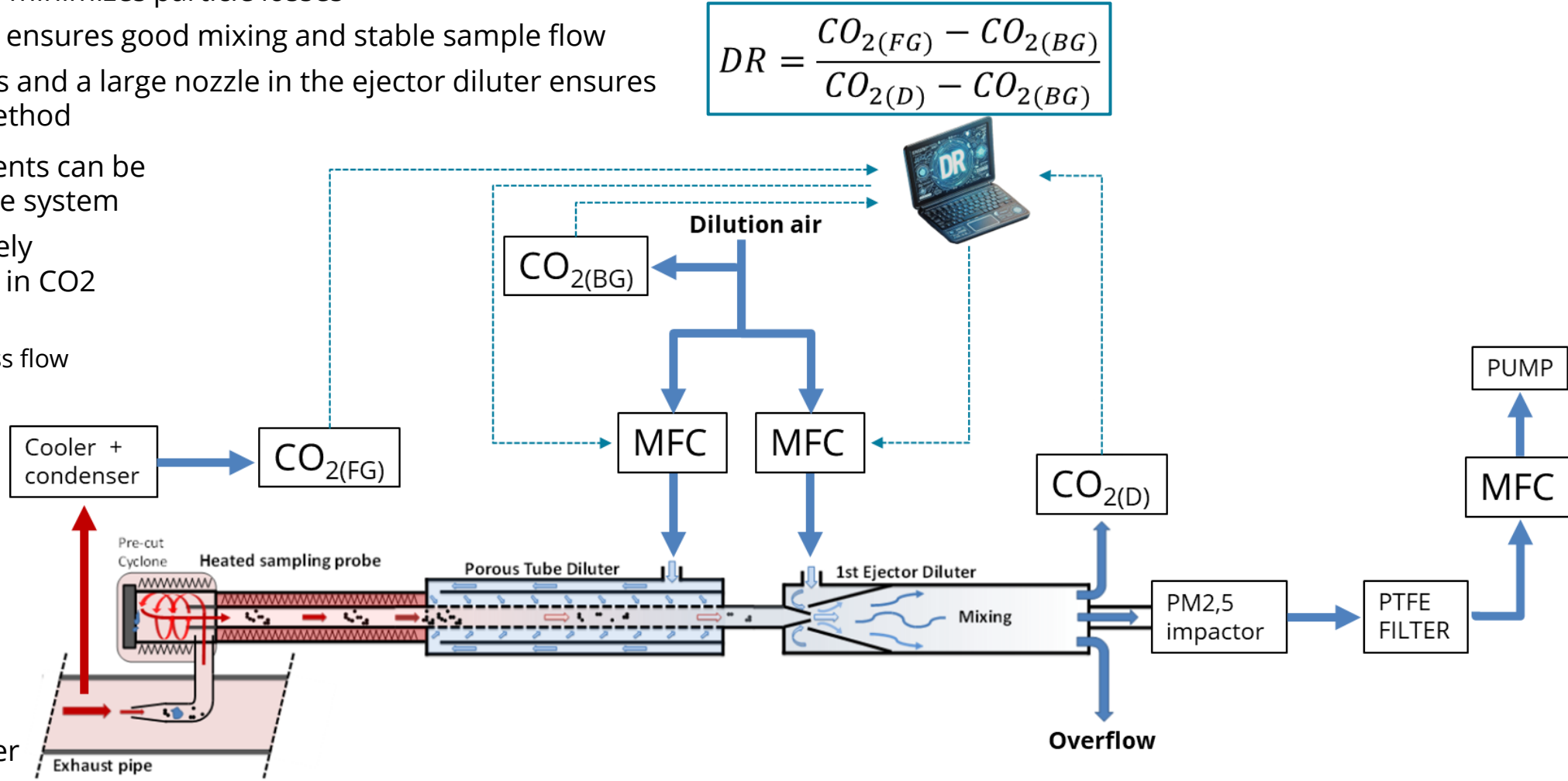




Long-term method: Key points from PTD+ED method

- The porous tube diluter minimizes particle losses
- The ejector tube diluter ensures good mixing and stable sample flow
- Moderate dilution ratios and a large nozzle in the ejector diluter ensures good function of the method
- Online aerosol instruments can be easily integrated into the system
- Dilution ratio is accurately determined by changes in CO₂ concentrations
 - Adjustable with mass flow controllers (MFC)
 - Can be automated

$$DR = \frac{CO_{2(FG)} - CO_{2(BG)}}{CO_{2(D)} - CO_{2(BG)}}$$





More information about the method and emission calculations




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Article

Fine Particle Emissions from Sauna Stoves: Effects of Combustion Appliance and Fuel, and Implications for the Finnish Emission Inventory

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Long term method: advantages and disadvantages

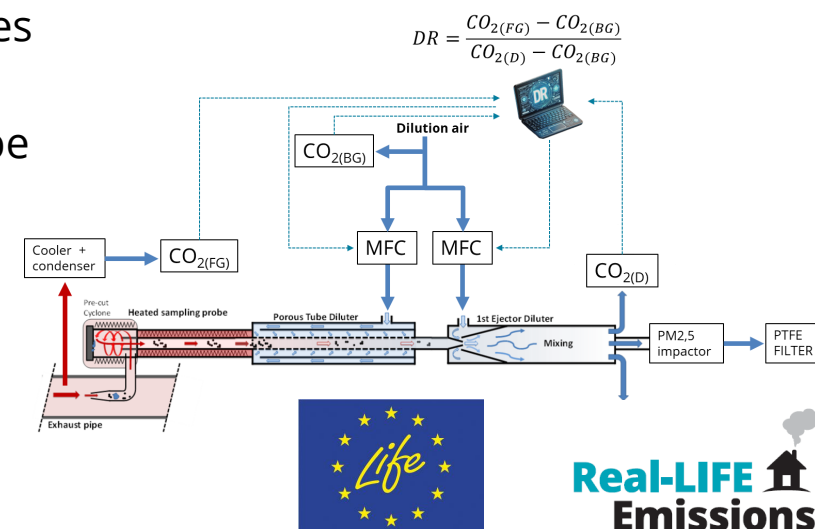
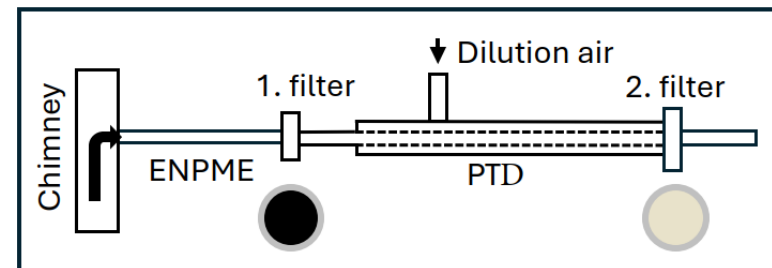
- + The system is compact, user-friendly and adjustable
- + Its effectiveness is well-documented in numerous publications
- + A particulate size cutting impactor can be used
→ Data is compatible with emission inventories
- + SOA reactor can be directly added after dilution
- Not a commercial product yet and there are no producer
- More complex than ENPME or DT methods, but can be automated to be user-friendly
- More expensive, but saves working hours and resources
- Needs extensive upgrade for lab instrumentation
- Extensive instrumentation requires more education
- Need for external laboratory for PAH analysis





Summary

- Short-term method: Extended ENPME method
 - PM is determined from two successive filters
 - Capable of measuring condensable particles
 - Based on the standardized ENPME method
 - Currently in the research phase and requires a validation project. Not ready for type testing
- Long-term method: PTD+ED
 - PM_{2.5} measured from diluted flue gas at ambient temperature → includes condensable particles
 - Dilution ratio is calculated from CO₂ concentrations, and DR control can be automated
 - Allows the use of online aerosol instruments including an SOA reactor
- Protocol should reflect realistic appliance use, including different combustion phases





Thank you for your attention

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