

# Shaping Our Tomorrow with Advanced Catalytic Solutions for Cleaner Air

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# BASF – We create chemistry for a sustainable future

- Global leading chemical supplier with >150 years experience
- Our chemistry is used by ~90,000 customers from various sectors in almost every country in the world
- We aim to achieve net zero emissions by 2050
- We combine economic success, social responsibility and environmental protection

## BASF key facts (2022)



6 Verbund sites & 241 other production sites



110,302 employees

€87.3B sales

15% higher than last year



Around 950 new patents filed worldwide

# A new BASF company has taken shape

## BASF Environmental Catalyst and Metal Solutions (ECMS)

### Mobile Emissions Catalysts



Emissions control catalysts for cars, trucks, motorcycles, non-road vehicles

### Precious Metal Services & Products



Trading



Recycling



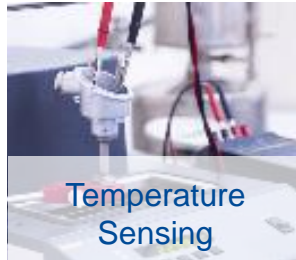
Catalysts for ozone and VOC removal for aviation industry



Catalysts and adsorbents for indoor air purification



Precious Metal Chemicals



Temperature Sensing



Solutions for the hydrogen value chain

**4.350 employees**

**30 Sites**

- 17 Manufacturing
- 8 R&D
- Others

**in 12 countries globally**

**14.5bn € sales 2022**

# BASF Environmental Catalyst and Metal Solutions global presence

Mobile Emissions Catalysts

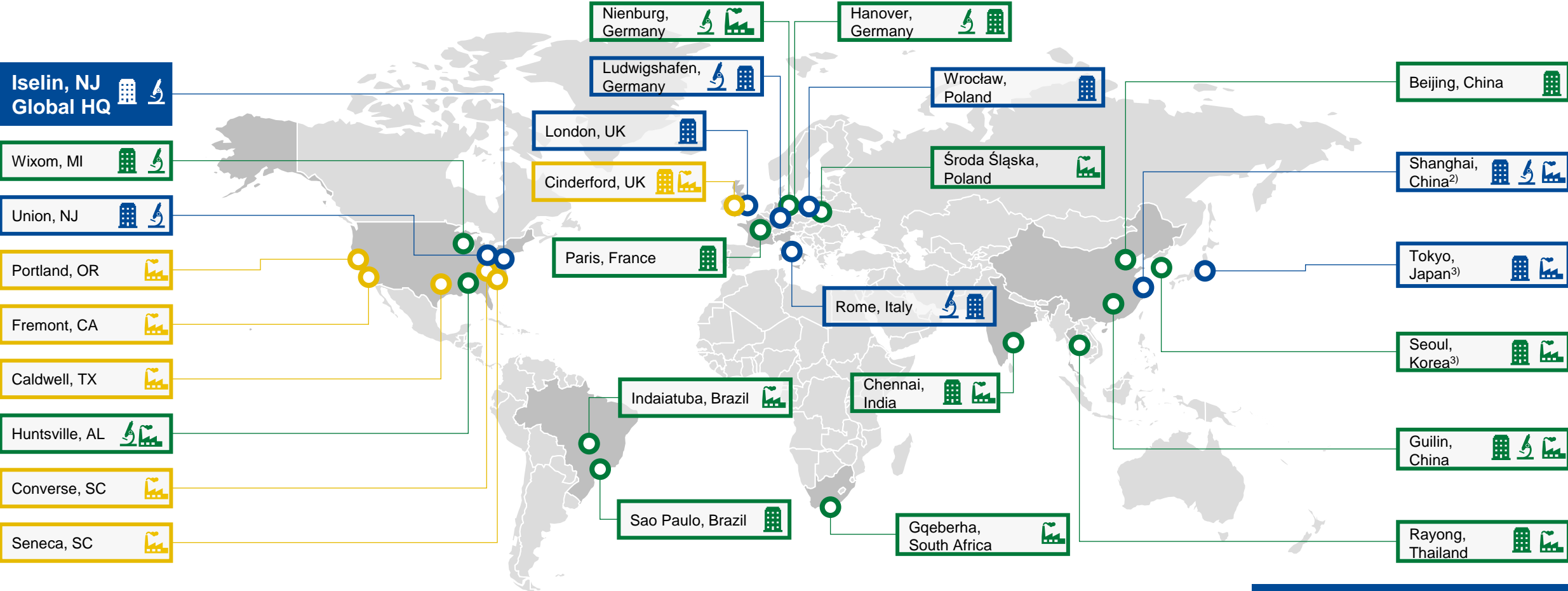
Precious Metals Services

Both business units / functional units

Manufacturing<sup>1</sup>

R&D / Engine Lab

Sales / Trading / Administration

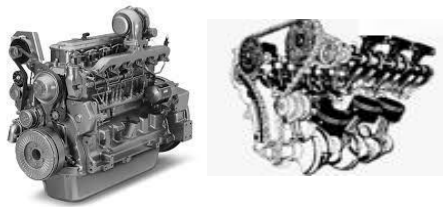


1) Typically includes some non-production personnel and lab activities (e.g., QC) | 2) Includes several sites in Shanghai and Greco JV | 3) Includes ECMS offices as well as JV manufacturing activities in Japan / Korea.

# Agenda

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## Cleaner ICEs



## Alt. Fuel ICEs



## Green Hydrogen



# We help improve air quality with our innovative catalysts solutions

BASF EMCS invented the TWC (Three-Way Catalyst) automotive catalytic converter enabling clean air

BASF received UN Award of the Decade & National Medal of Technology for the invention of automotive TWC.



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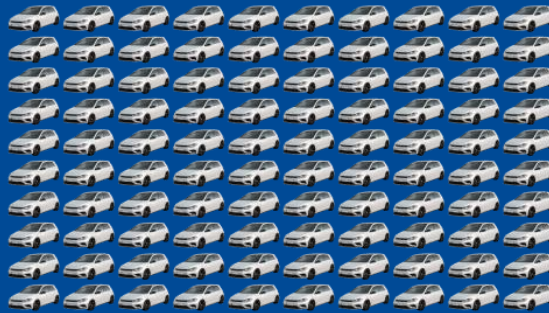


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Three-Way-Catalyst

2018

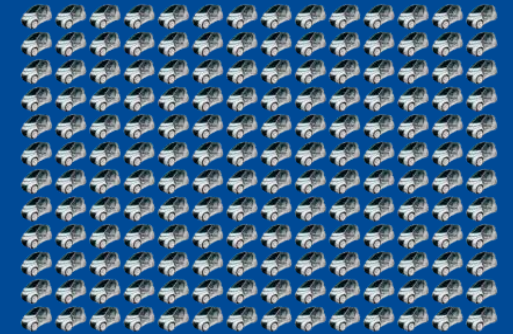


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Four-Way-Catalyst  
SCR - Catalyst

Tomorrow



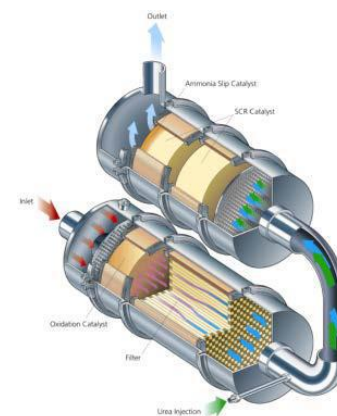
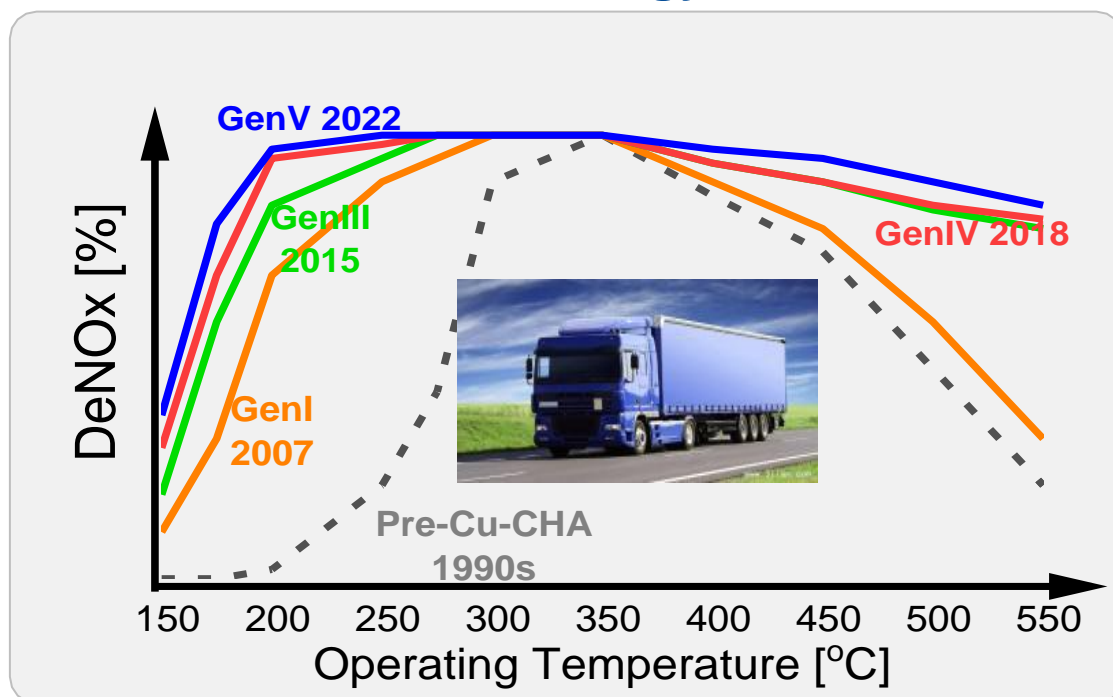
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# Cu-Zeolite SCRs advancement over the years

Continuous advancement of Cu-zeolite SCR with better DeNOx conversion & lower N<sub>2</sub>O selectivity over wide temp. window

## Cu-SCR Technology Evolution



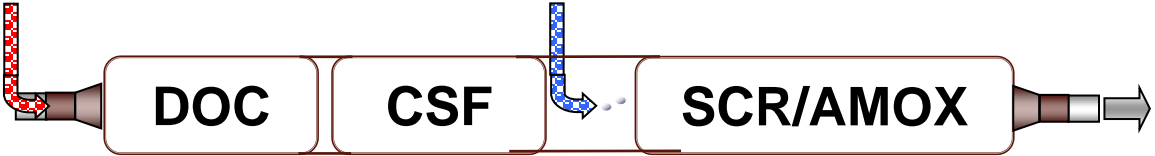
## Evolution of HDD emission control since US 2010

Aftertreatment systems are 40% lighter, 60% smaller, and substantially less expensive compared to US2010 system\*

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\*MECA June 2019 report on meeting HDD Low NOx standards in the US. ([www.meca.org](http://www.meca.org))

# Fifteen Years of Design Innovation and Partnership: Catalyst Systems for 11-13L Engines



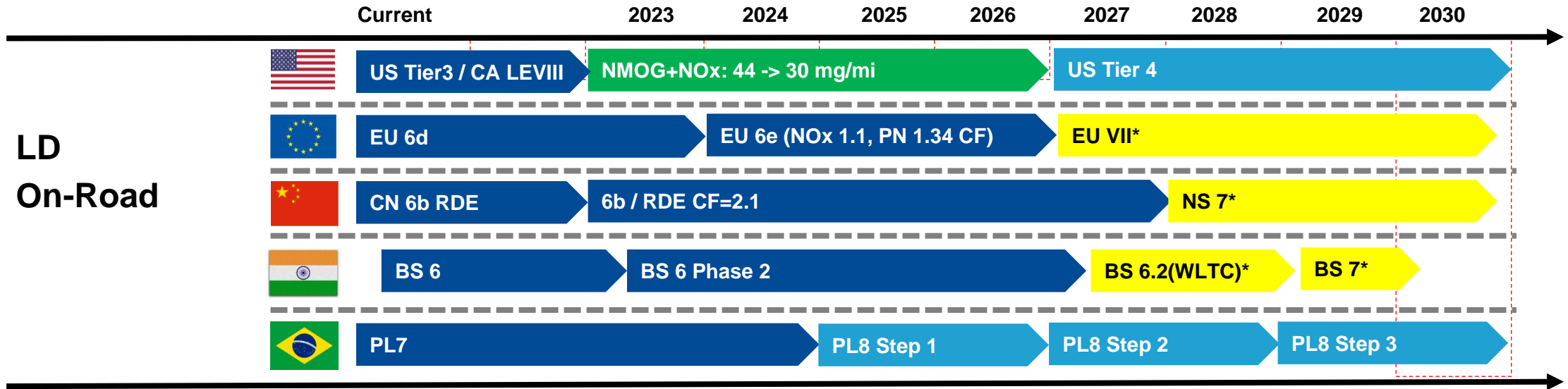
	PGM Cost (Relative)	System Size (Relative)	Catalyst Levers	Know-How Levers
2010	100%	100%	Copper Chabazite Zeolite SCR	--
2013	81%	91%	New DOC designs SCR and AMOX improvements	Urea dosing strategy
2017	50%	70%	New DOC Formulation Improved SCR	Component aging Calibration and dosing strategy
2020 (NA/Eu)	50%	70%	Iron Chabazite SCR	
2020 (AP)	46%	56%	Localized SCR	Zeolite manufacturing and development
2024	51%	70%	DOC improvement	PGM effectiveness
2027	45%	106%	Low N2O Cu-CHA	Zeolite improvements



Technology innovations reduced PGM usage while enabling aftertreatment systems to meet more stringent regulations



# Global Regulation & System Trends - LD



\*: Assumption



- EPA proposal for new LD Multipollutant NPRM published
  - NMOG+NO<sub>x</sub> fleet limit reduction by 60%
  - No fuel enrichment allowed → increase of aging temperatures
  - New PM limits (0.5mg/mi) will require Filter, FWC and non-catalyzed filter in discussion



- Euro 7 proposal with introduction in mid 2025 by European Commission was mostly rejected by European Council – positioning of European Parliament pending. Implementation later than 2025 expected - weaker requirements than initially proposed likely
- Final compromise on Emission limits, RDE boundary conditions and secondary emissions (NH<sub>3</sub>) will have big impact on required components and system layout complexity for LDD and LDG



- High share of ethanol fueled engine (72% in Brazil) as low emission fuel alternative – only slow increase of BEV market expected
- PL8 regulation defined with stepwise introduction until 2029, PL9 expected after 2032

# Gasoline After-Treatment Systems for Future Legislations

## Specialized components focus on different Pollutant Species

Challenge



New legislations  
Euro 7  
China 7  
BS 7

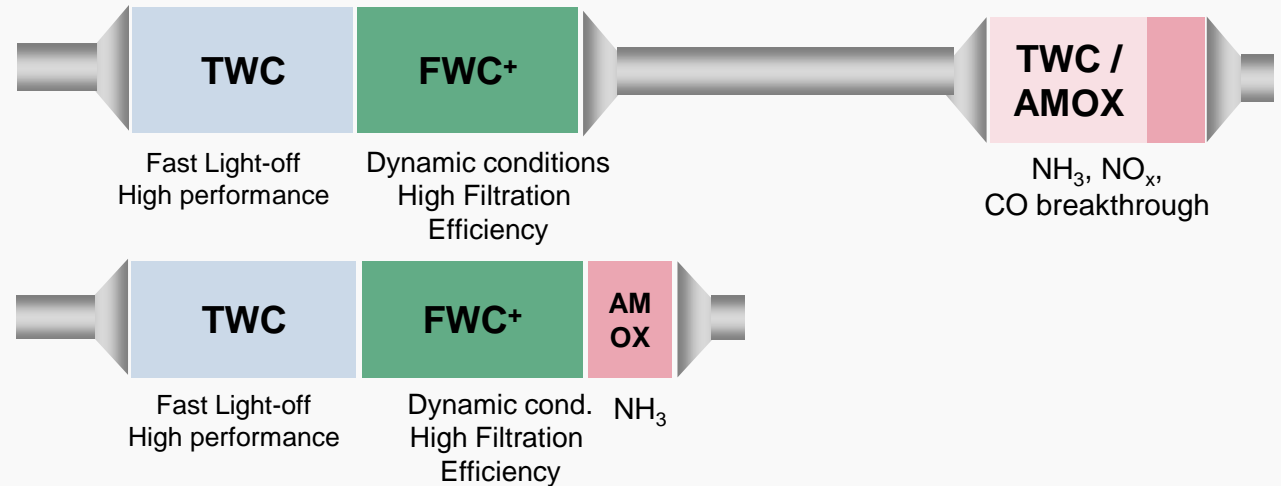


New pollutants



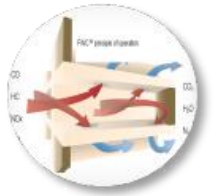
Extended RDE

**BASF has dedicated technologies and co-development capabilities to tackle the challenges of future emission legislation**



Together

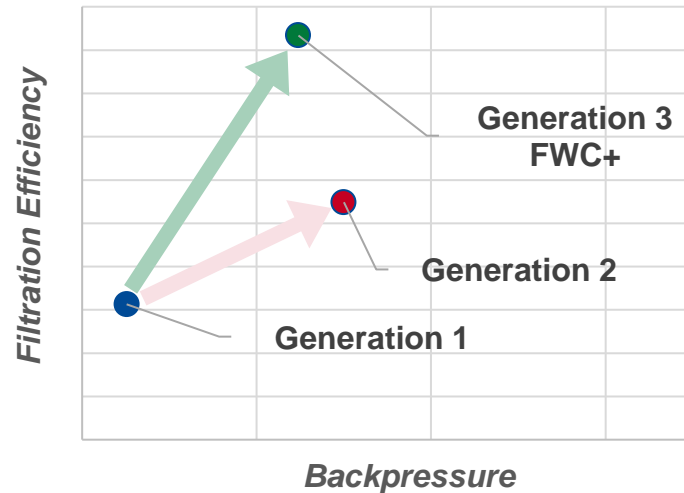




# Four Way Catalyst (FWC)

## Filtration Efficiency Maximization and PGM Content Optimization

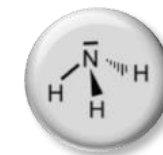
### Filtration and dp



- **FWC+** developed and implemented:
  - ▶ High and super high FFEs reached
  - ▶  $\Delta p$  and  $\Delta p$  with soot minimized
- Filtration/dp can be tailored according to customer need

### Three-way-functionality

- FWC contributing to ultra-low emissions especially under RDE conditions
  - ▶ Improving system robustness
- Improved coatings with Pd-Rh and Pt-Rh developed and available

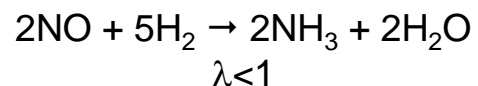


# Secondary Emissions : Ammonia

## AMOX for Euro 7 Gasoline



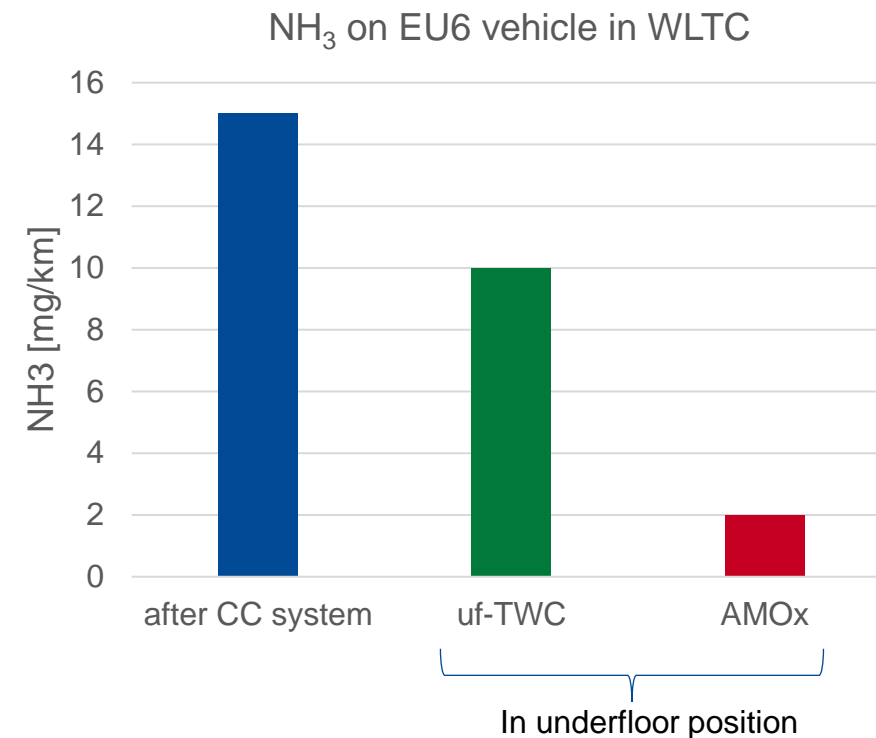
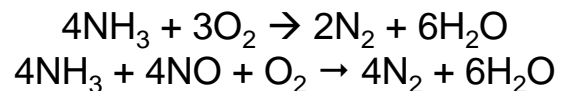
Formation of  $\text{NH}_3$  during periods of rich operation



$\text{NH}_3$  emissions **strongly** depend on calibration

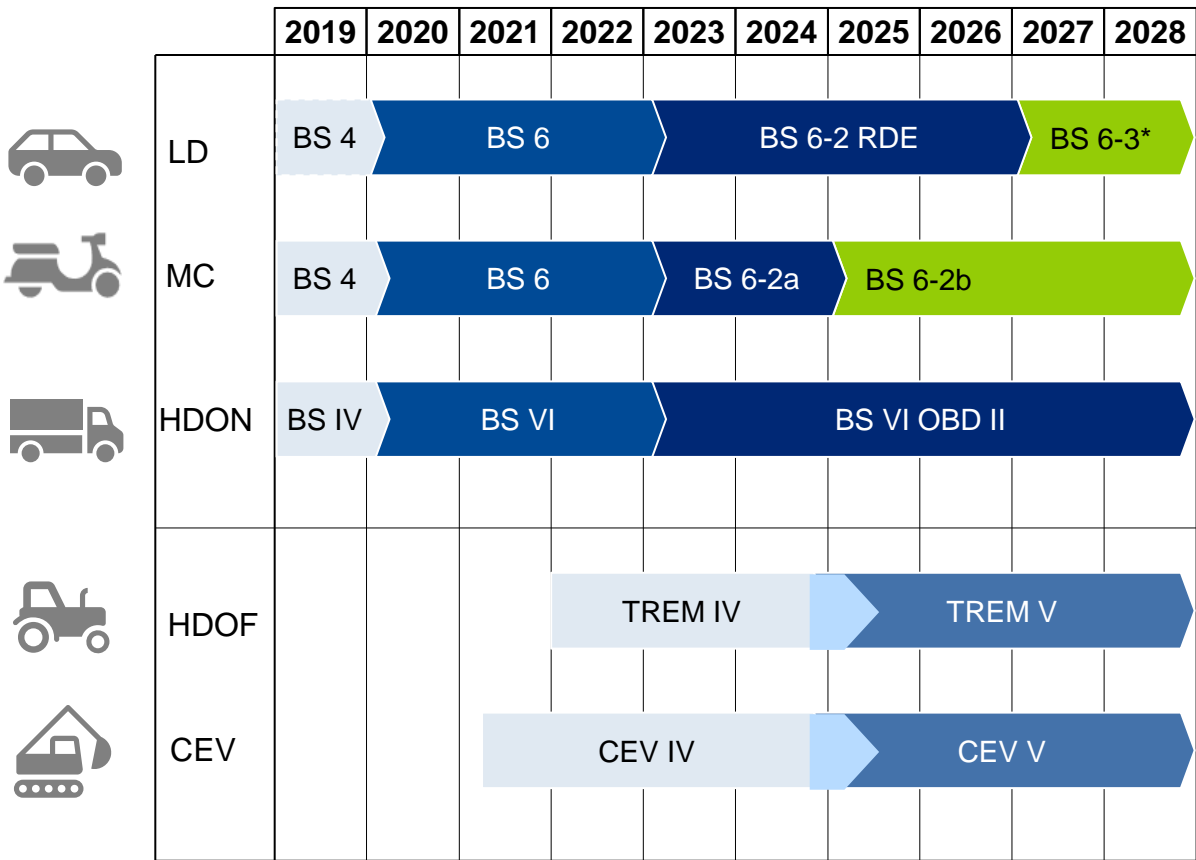


**AMOX** can oxidize  $\text{NH}_3$  to  $\text{N}_2$



- $\text{NH}_3$  emissions are strongly depending on Lambda profile of car  $\text{NH}_3$
- BASF **AMOX** for gasoline conditions can reduce  $\text{NH}_3$  emissions significantly

# India Regulation Outlook



\*: Assumption

## Legislation

- BS7 to be based on Euro7 legislation
- Delay in Euro7 adoption leading to uncertainties in the Indian context.
- BS6-3 → Cycle change to WLTC from current MIDC being contemplated as an intermediate stage, possibly from 2027.

## Future Fuels – ‘Atmanirbhar’ approach of the Indian Government

- E20 Gasoline mandated for introduction from Apr’2025,
- Availability of E85\*/E100\* fuels from 2025, Flex fuel vehicles being introduced
- Focus on widening CNG distribution network
- Hydrogen blending in CNG being explored
- Bio-CNG from Crop waste
- Ethanol/Methanol blending in Diesel
- Acceleration of H<sub>2</sub> ICE development

# India regulatory outlook, market trend and technical needs

## Market Outlook

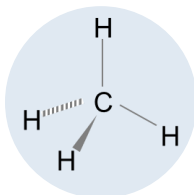
- BS 6-2 rolled out on schedule
- Growing impact of CNG fuels, Bio-CNG fuels
- Fuel blending with Ethanol & Flex fuels
- H<sub>2</sub>-CNG, H<sub>2</sub> based IC engines and ultimately Fuel cell solutions
- BS-7 to follow Euro-7, uncertainties in implementation timelines. MIDC change to WLTC expected as interim measure
- Expect TREM-V and CEV-V notified



## BASF ECMS Solutions

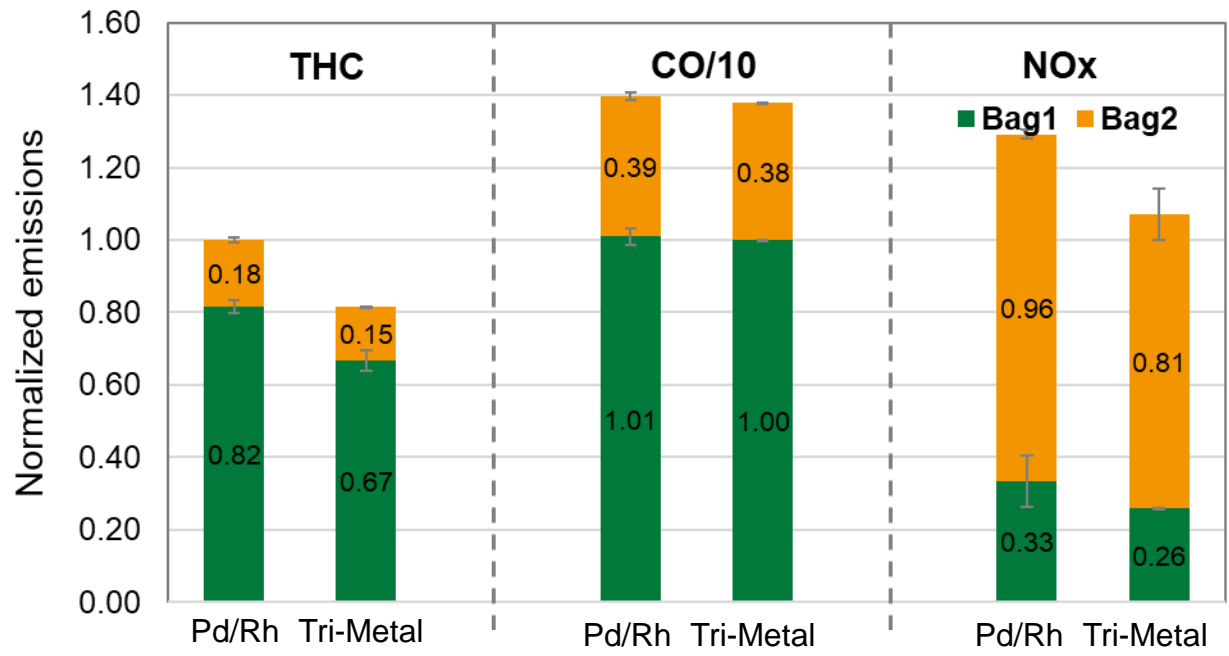
- Tailored technologies for Indian market
- Optimize the PGM loading in response to PGM price trend in near future
- Focus on ethanol and methanol blended Diesel fuels, ED5 and MD15.
- Particulate emissions
- Advanced fresh filtration efficiency
- Improved SCR technology
- Technologies for H<sub>2</sub> ICE engines

# CNG Bifuel Passenger Cars : Focus on PGM Cost Optimization

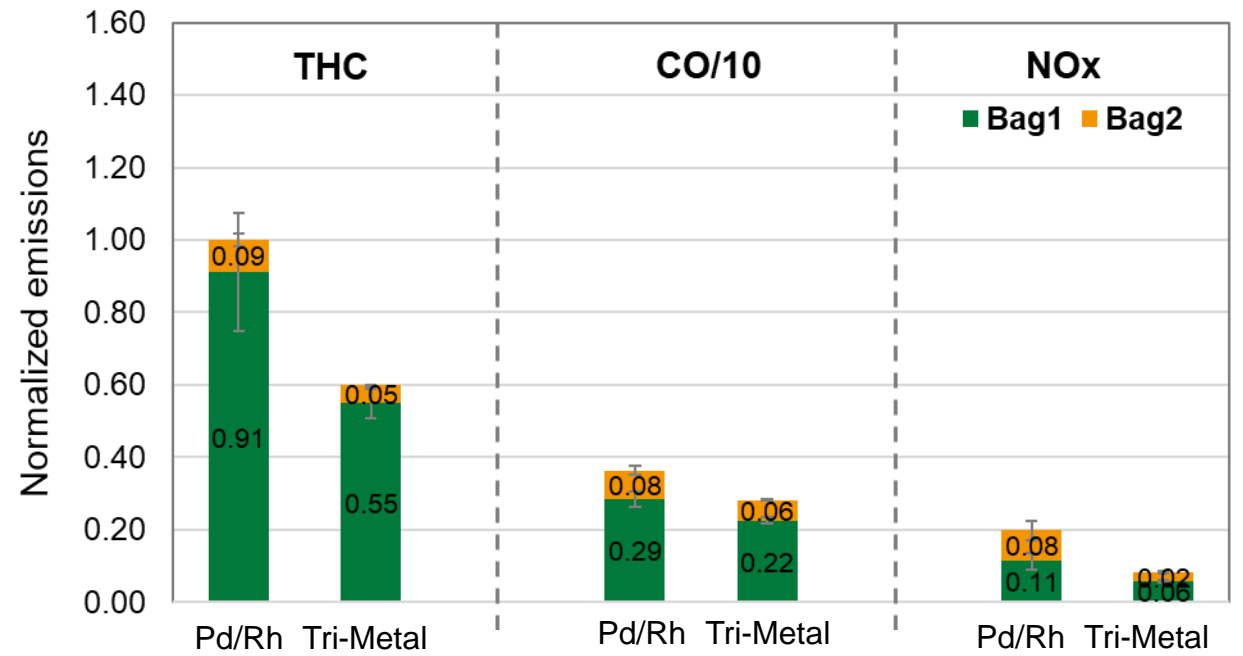


- Technology Optimization & use of Pt for Bifuel applications, lead to >25% savings in PGM cost compared to BS6-1 launch technologies.

MIDC CNG Mode  
Fresh catalyst



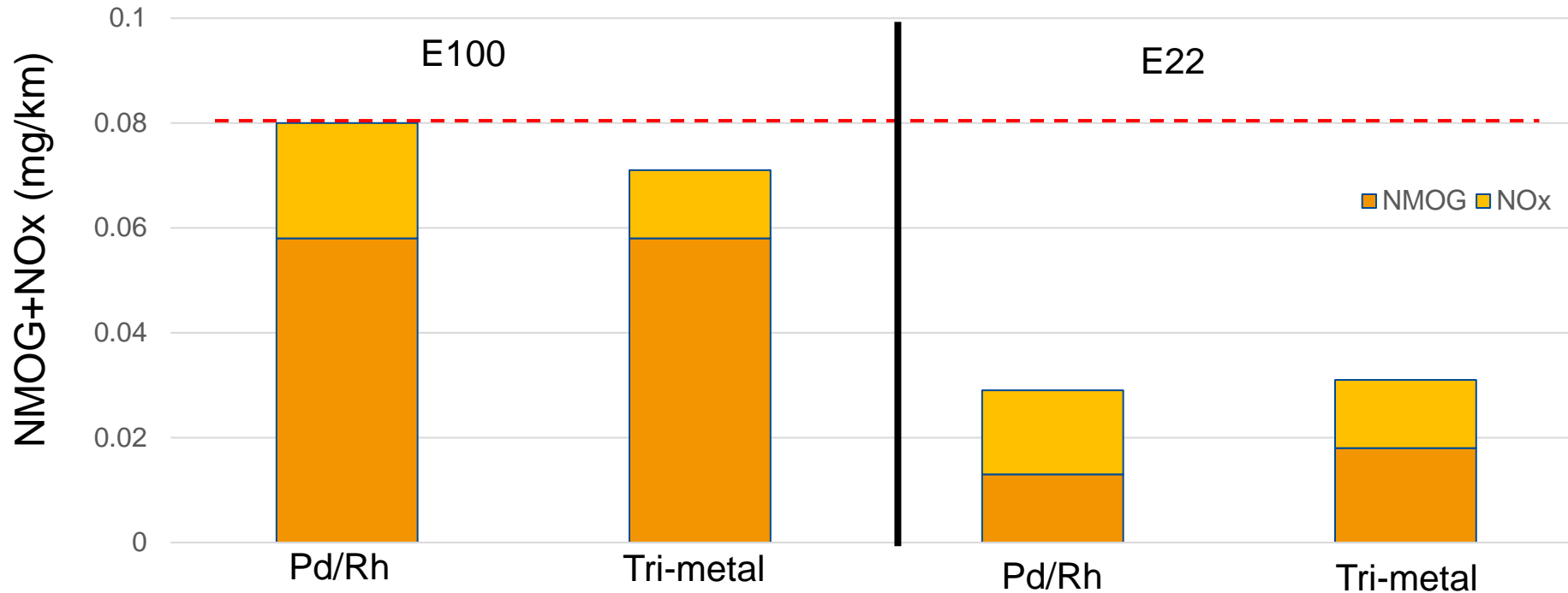
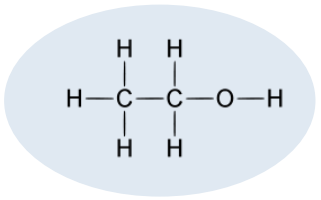
MIDC CNG Mode  
Aged catalyst



L/R aging at 950°C for 30h

# TWC Catalysts for Ethanol Flex Fuels

Advanced TWC Catalysts help meet emissions both in Gasoline & Ethanol modes



PL7 Limits 

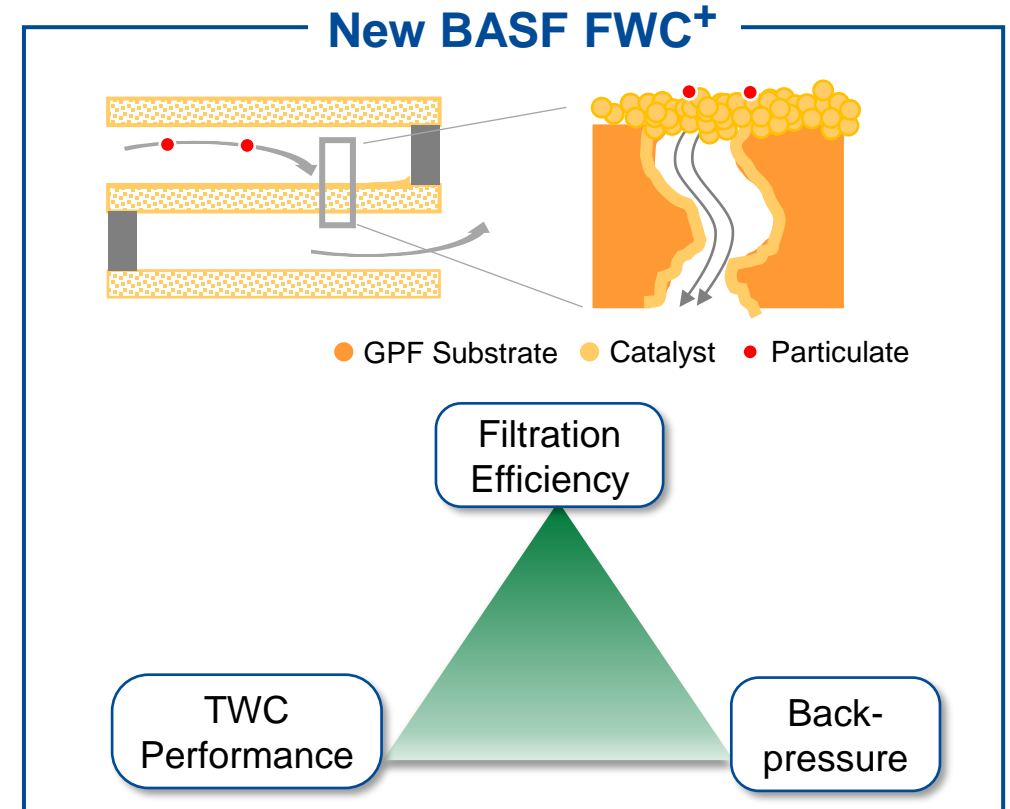
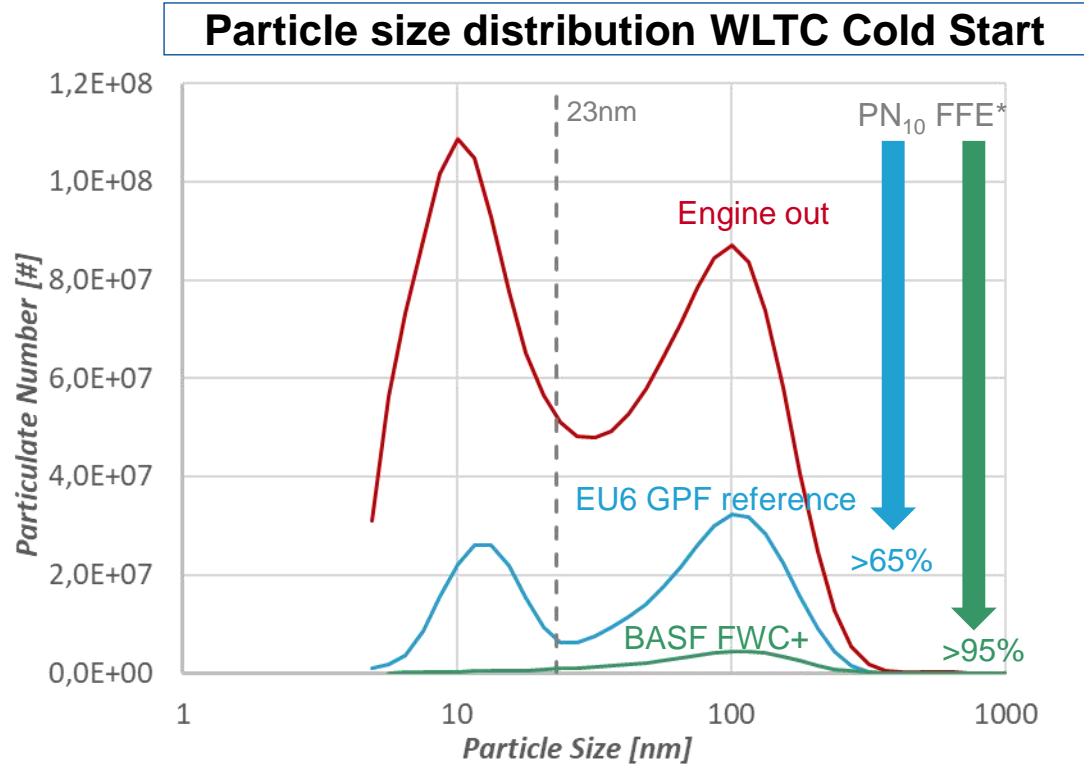
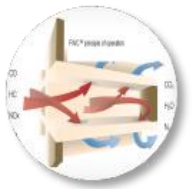
TWC: 1.4L  
Vehicle: 1.3l NA PL6 cal.  
Aging: Fuel-cut 970°C, 100h  
Cycle: FTP-75

- 50% Pd substitution shows equivalent performance to reference and cost reduction opportunity after full durability aging



# Gasoline Particulate Filters : FWC+

New Technologies show very High Filtration Efficiency without impact on back-pressure

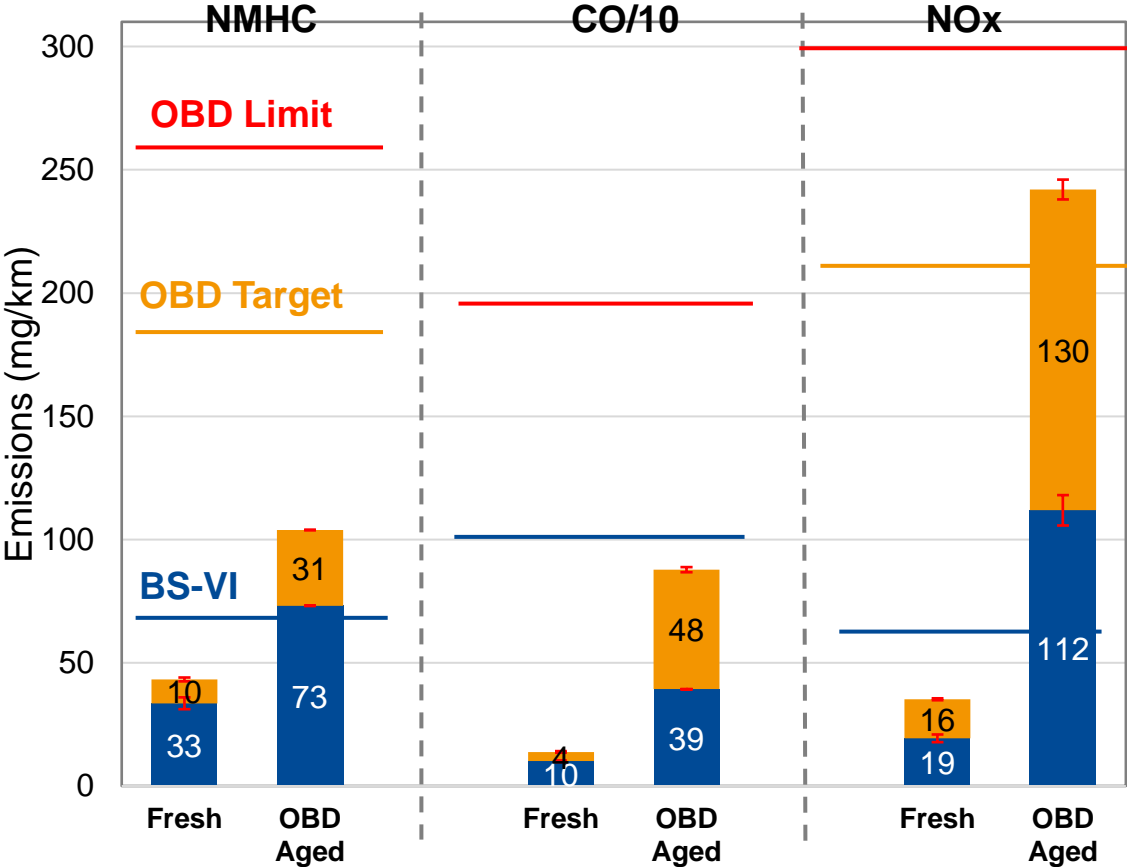


- New FWC+ exhibits excellent FFE\* also in  $PN_{10}$  size range with overall FFE\* >> 95 possible
- State-of-the-art BASF ECMS Filter Technology FWC+ balancing catalytic activity, backpressure and FFE\*
- Serial production in India in preparation

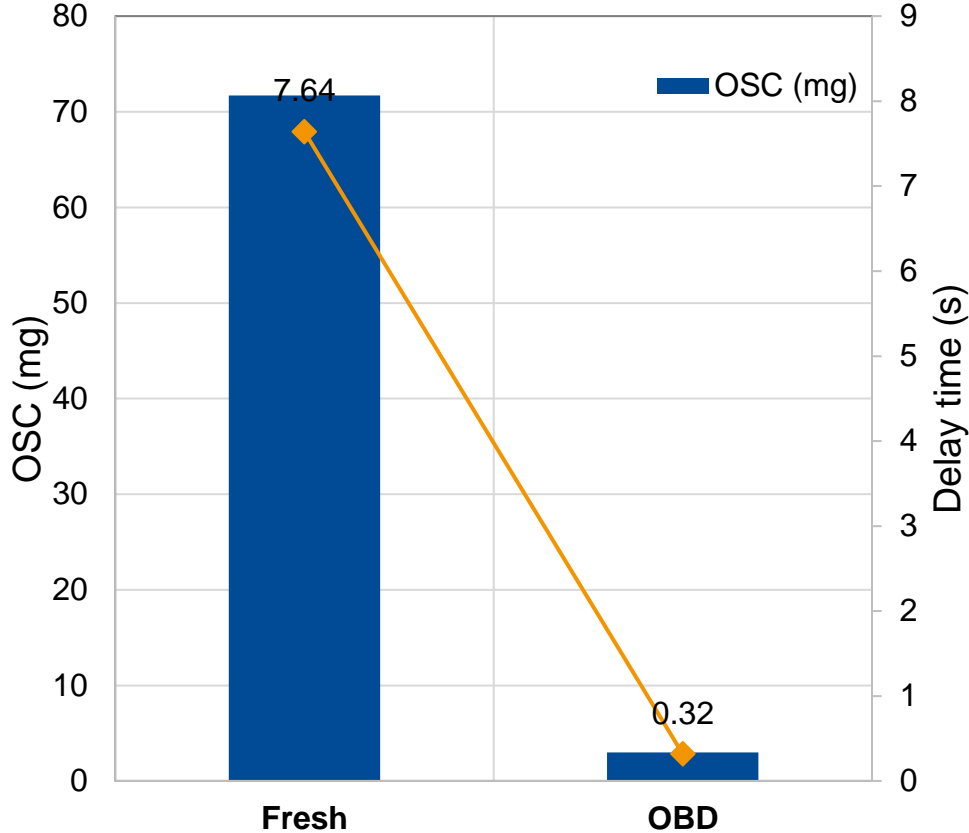
\* FFE = Fresh Filtration Efficiency

# Motorcycles : Catalyst Monitoring for BS6-2b

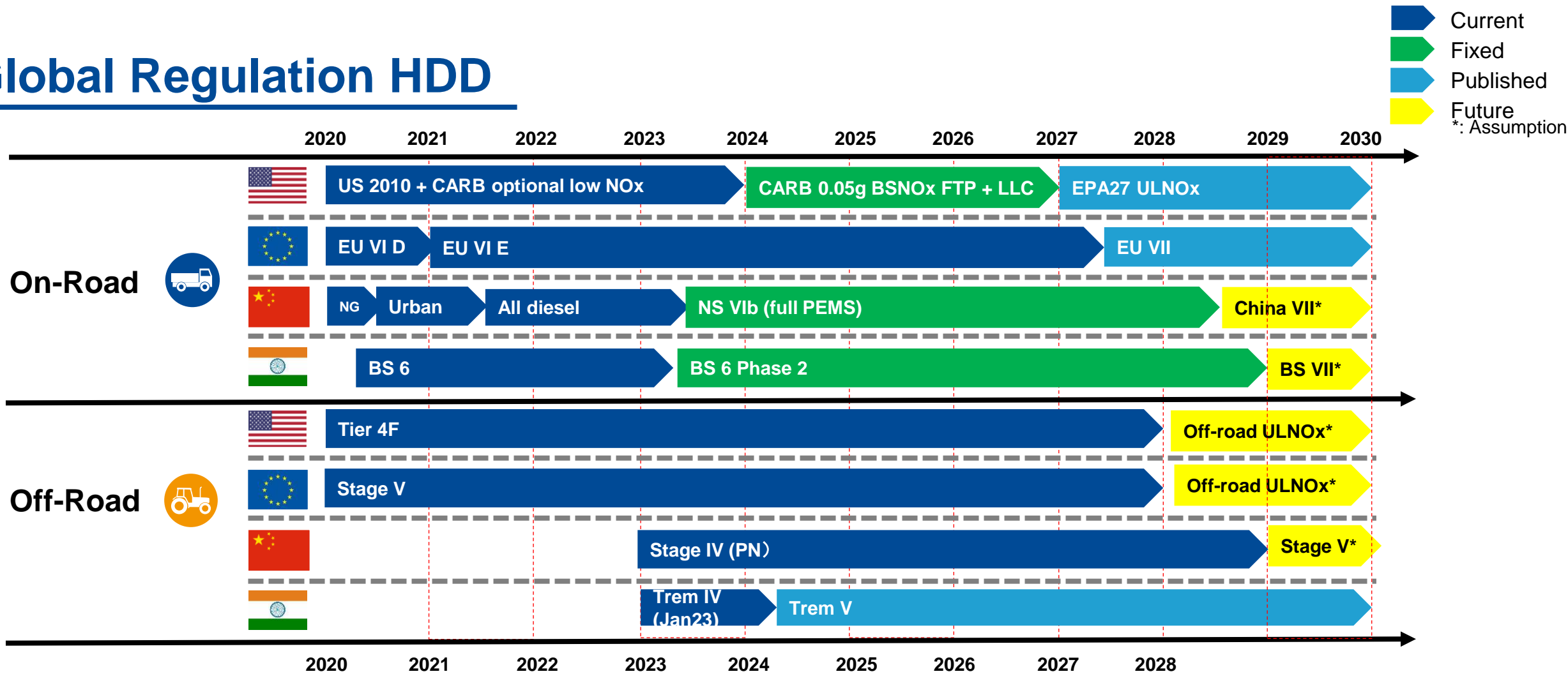
- Modified New Technologies for Motorcycle catalysts enable catalyst monitoring, with sufficient Emission and OSC gap between Fresh & Deteriorated catalysts



WMTC@125 cc vehicle

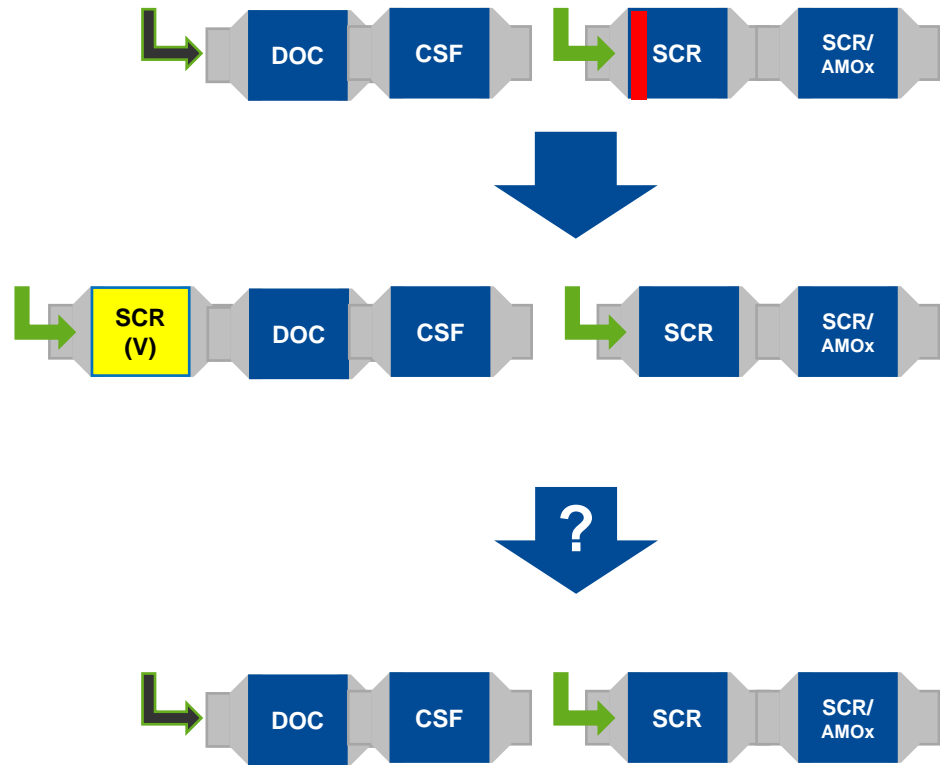


# Global Regulation HDD



- NA: EPA MY27 rule-making announced Dec 20, 2023. ARB & EPA Off-road ULNOx under development.
- EU: Euro VII proposal announced November 10, 2022. Latest major announcement on Sep 25, 2023.
- CN: China NS VII pre-study 'work groups' formed by VECC of MEE, phase-II kicked-off Sep 30, 2022.
- IN: Likely delay for Trem V Off-Road; On-Road BS VII no early than 2029.

# HDD aftertreatment system evolution



## ■ Euro VI

- ▶ Single urea dosing
- ▶ Comparable share of Zeolite and V SCR systems

## ■ Euro VII (CLOVE proposal)

- ▶ Dual urea dosing mainstream
- ▶ Higher share of V-SCR system (vs. Euro VI)
- ▶ Both CSF+ and advanced substrates were evaluated
- ▶ 2<sup>nd</sup> filter as back-up solution

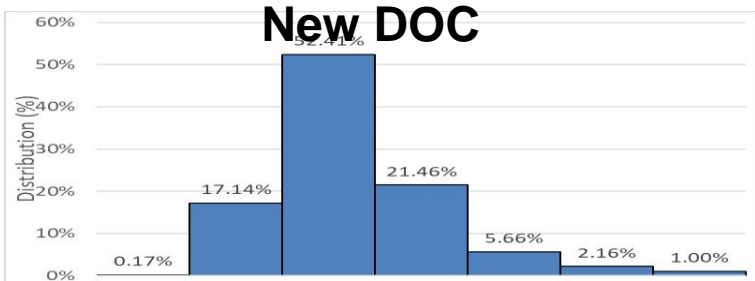
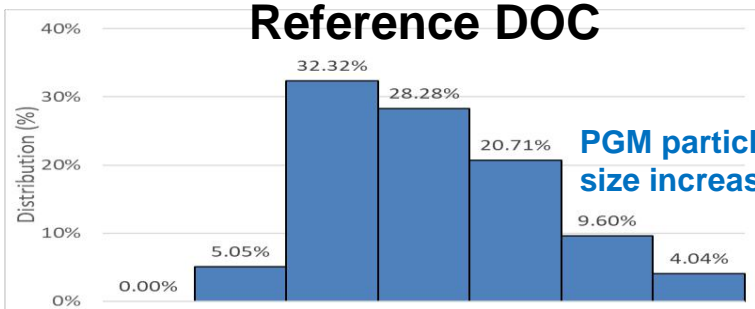
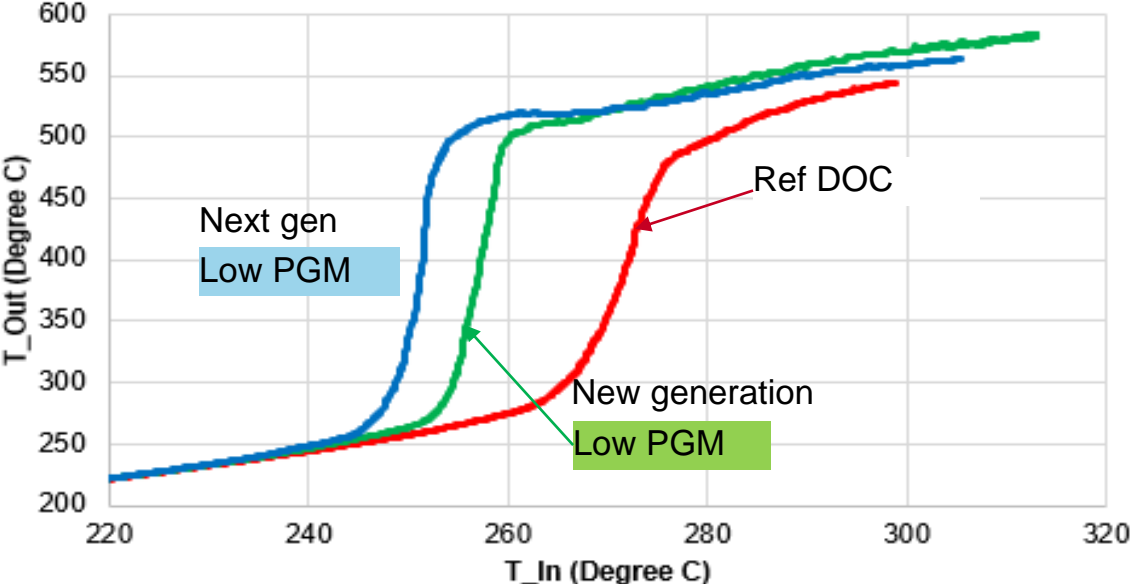
## ■ Euro VII ("light")

- ▶ Dual dosing for 45% CO<sub>2</sub> reduction in 2030
- ▶ Single urea dosing
  - Euro VI "refresh" by use of latest catalysts, heating
  - Low N<sub>2</sub>O Cu-SCR instead of Fe zone
  - No need for a second filter

# Next Generation DOC Enables PGM Reduction

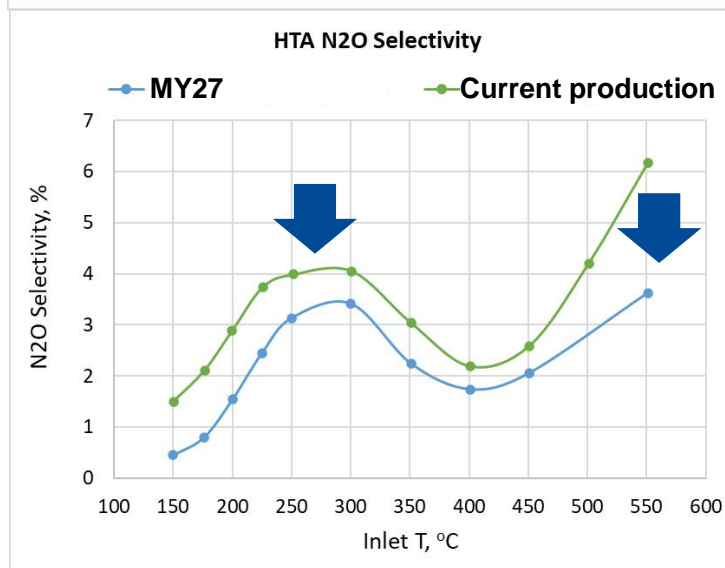
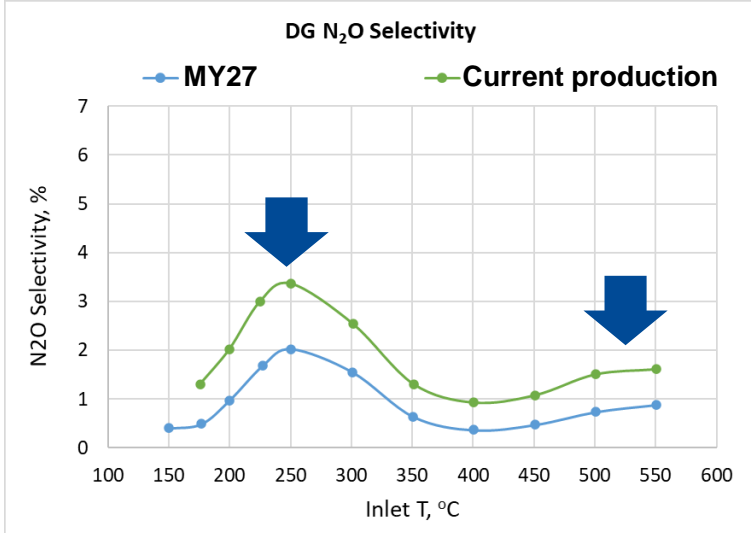
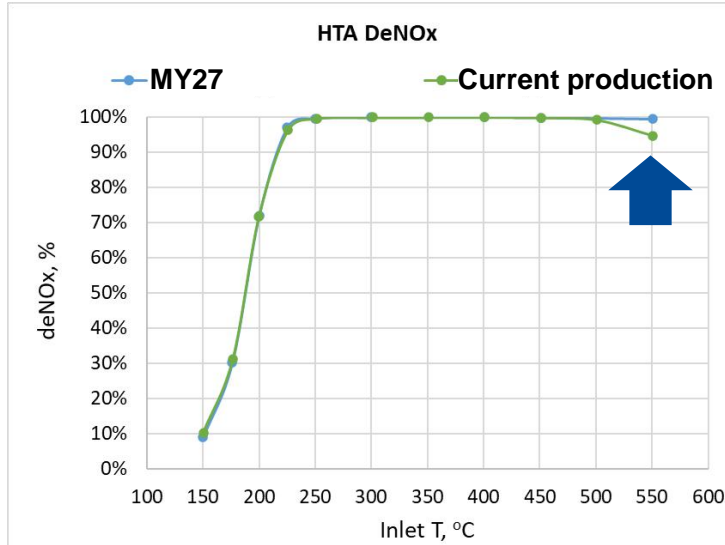
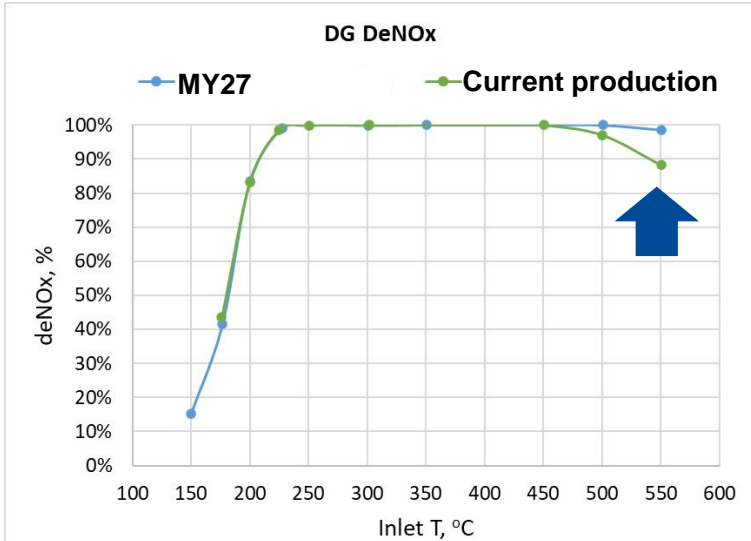
- Demonstrated improved performance in fuel burning test with even lower PGM attributed to improved PGM dispersion
- New generation DOC with 25% PGM reduction
- New generation in serial production; next generation under evaluation

Fuel Burning on engine High HC Flux  
(SV=120k/h, diesel fuel = 20000 ppm C1)



Aged sample  
≥ 200 counts in each sample

# Next Generation Cu-SCR Technology for Heavy Duty



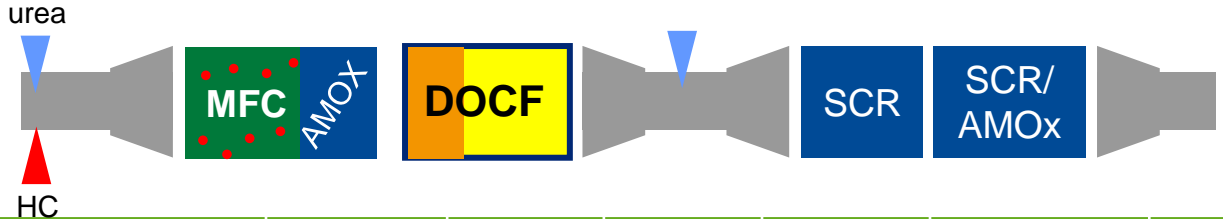
- SCR Performance improvement achieved by innovative zeolite and catalyst design
- Significant N<sub>2</sub>O reduction with improved high temperature deNOx performance

Degreening: 550°C 4h 10% O<sub>2</sub>, 10% H<sub>2</sub>O, 20lpm

22 Aging: 650°C 100h 10% O<sub>2</sub>, 10% H<sub>2</sub>O, 20lpm

# Tier 5 and Stage VI off-road development

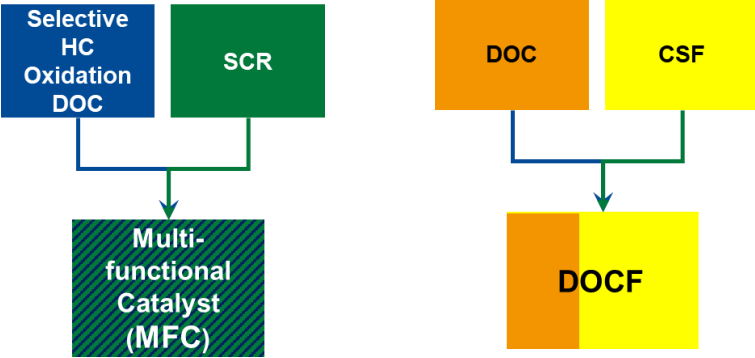
- BASF is working with SWRI on Tier 5 demonstration project
- Packaging in focus more than On-Road
- BASF MFC system offering excellent performance



Cycle	EO NOx	TP NOx	DeNOx	CO2	Baseline CO2	TP N2O
	g/kw-hr	g/kw-hr	%	g/kw-hr	g/kw-hr	g/kw-hr
Cold NRTC	3.5	0.080	97.7	723	761	0.036
Hot NRTC	3.9	0.003	99.9	702	747	0.049
<b>Composite NRTC</b>	3.9	<b>0.007</b>	99.8	703	748	<b>0.049</b>
<b>CARB Proposed Interim</b>		<b>0.22</b>				<b>0.15</b>
<b>CARB Proposed Final</b>		<b>0.04</b>				<b>0.15</b>

\*130 < kW < 560

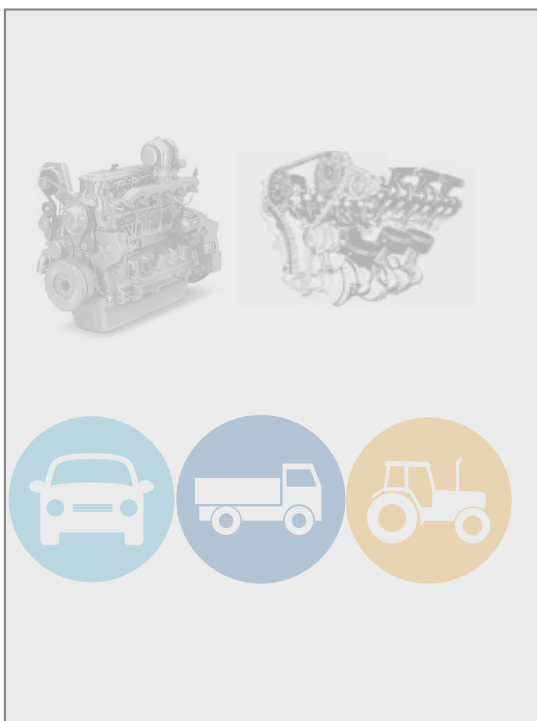
BASF innovative 2-in-1 catalyst solutions help address packaging constraint often seen in off-road applications



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## Cleaner ICEs



## Alt. Fuel ICEs



## Green Hydrogen





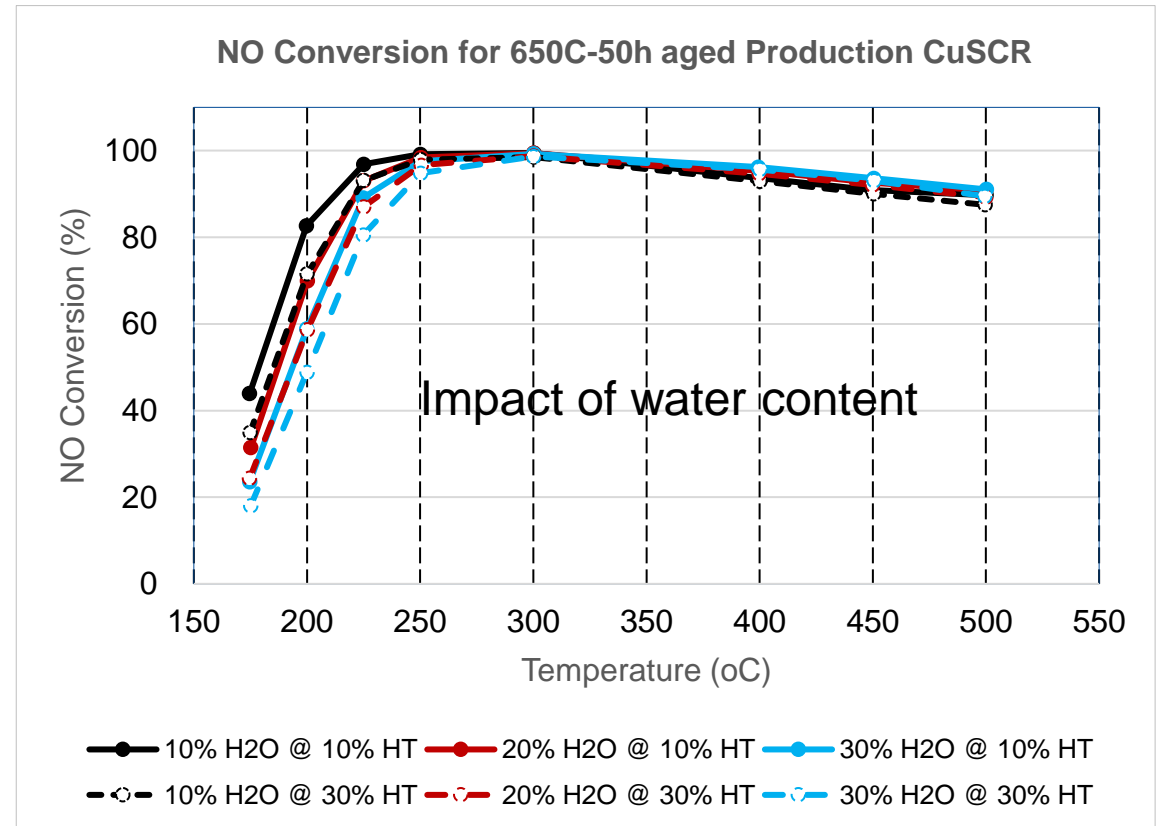
# H<sub>2</sub>-ICE: Application boundaries should be considered in designing EATS



	Diesel ICE	H <sub>2</sub> ICE
Exhaust Temperatures	Normal operation: amb. – 450°C Regeneration mode: up to 650°C	Depending on engine operation, but possibly no regeneration modes needed
Exhaust H <sub>2</sub> O level	5 – 10%	<b>15 – 35%</b>
Exhaust H <sub>2</sub> level	Almost none	<b>~200 ppm - 2%</b>
Engine out NO <sub>x</sub> level	Typical range of 10 g/kWh	0.2 – 2 g/kWh (Depending on calibration)
PN Emissions	E/O of 10 <sup>13</sup> – 10 <sup>14</sup> #/kWh needs PN control	Significant lower PN, main contributor: oil
Chemical poisoning	Sulfur and lubricant/fuel ash components must be considered	Potential to use S-free lubricants to eliminate S poisoning and focus on ash components

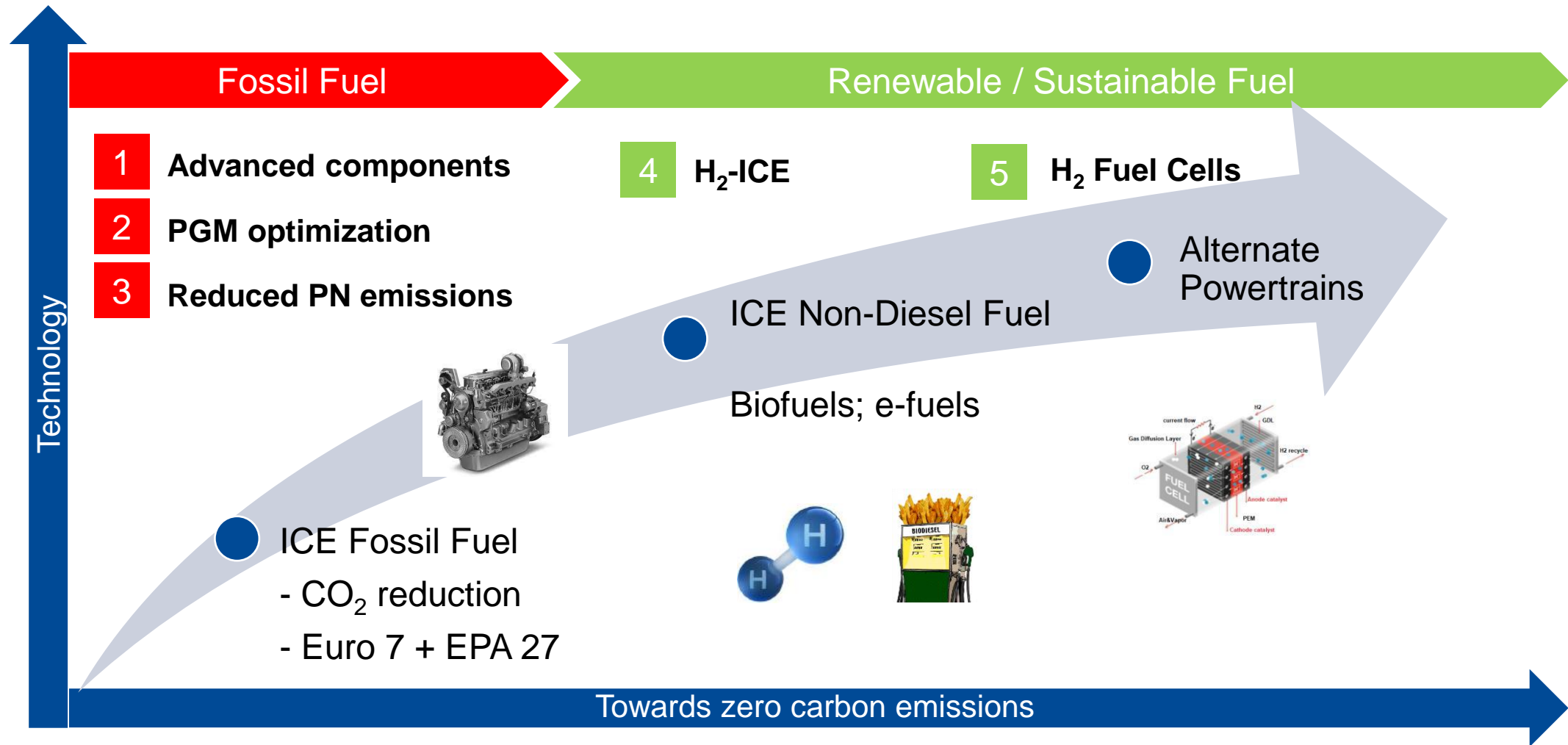
# H<sub>2</sub>-ICE: Detailed parameter studies enable effective aftertreatment

- Higher water content in exhaust gas affects:
  - ▶ SCR reaction selectivity
  - ▶ SCR reaction rate
  - ▶ Catalyst deactivation rate
- Presence of H<sub>2</sub> in exhaust gas
  - ▶ Accelerates catalyst deactivation
  - ▶ Alters NH<sub>3</sub>-SCR reaction kinetics
- Catalytic reduction of NO<sub>x</sub> by H<sub>2</sub> causes N<sub>2</sub>O make



NO<sub>x</sub> conversion is affected at low temperatures. Impact insignificant for temperatures above 225°C  
Either Cu-CHA or V-SCR technologies can work well for H<sub>2</sub>-ICE

# BASF ECMS partners with customers to develop a portfolio of solutions



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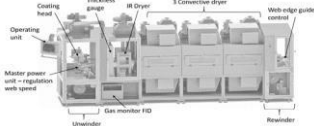

# Hydrogen Solutions Business has a global presence

 Manufacturing  R&D  Sales / Trading / Administration



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# BASF ECMS offerings for Electrolyzer & Fuel Cells

<p><b>PGM – Platinum Group Metals</b></p>	<p>BASF Metals: market insight and decades of sourcing, trading and hedging expertise for PGMs to support BASF mobile emission catalysts</p>	
<p><b>High Performance Catalysts</b></p>	<p>Electrolyzer and fuel cell catalyst development &amp; production. Portfolio of Pt black, Pt/carbon, Ir black, IrO<sub>2</sub> and core shell catalysts</p>	
<p><b>Tailor made Ink Formulations</b></p>	<p>BASF Formulation Platform to ensure catalyst specific development and adaptation of inks for all membrane coating methods</p>	
<p><b>Catalyst Coating Expertise</b></p>	<p>BASF coating capabilities for spray- and decal-coating in lab and pilot scale – synergies with BASF Battery Materials - CAM coatings</p>	
<p><b>CCM Testing - single cells/short stack</b></p>	<p>BASF in-house testing in single-cells Ludwigshafen and Shanghai &amp; cooperation with ZSW, Ulm for CCM development &amp; testing</p>	

# Summary

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- New advanced emission control catalyst technologies can cost effectively meet strictest Euro 7 and EPA 27 regulations
- These technologies can be customized for BS 7 regulations
  - ▶ Indian specific fuel and driving conditions and market trend should be taken into consideration for customized aftertreatment solutions
- Catalyzed solutions for Hydrogen ICE and other alternate fuels provide viable paths to serial launch of such platforms
- Electrolyzer and PEM fuel cell technologies enable energy and powertrain transformation for the automotive industry





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