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Gasoline Particulate Filter (GPF) strategy for GDI engine in response to future Indian regulation

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PC/LDV Gasoline Regulation

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
	BS VI Phase II			BS VI Phase III?			BS VII
	GDI) MIDC, RDE 6E+11#/km, CF=1.5			GDI) * WLTC_Phase3? RDE 6E+11#/km CF=1.5			GDI+ MPI?) WLTC_Phase3? RDE 6E+11#/km (>10nm)? CF=1.34?
	Euro6e			Euro7 (Timing is TBD)			
	Only GDI) WLTC, RDE 6E+11#/km, PEMS Margin = 1.34			GDI+MPI) WLTC, RDE 6E+11#/km (>10nm) PEMS Margin = 1.34			

*BS VI Phase III may apply **WLTC up to Phase 3**, which has a shorter distance than Euro6e's WLTC up to Phase4. (WLTC up to Phase3 Approx.15km, WLTC up to Phase 4 Approx. 23 km)

This suggests that BS VII could become a significantly stricter regulation, affecting a broader range of vehicles.

Gasoline RDE condition

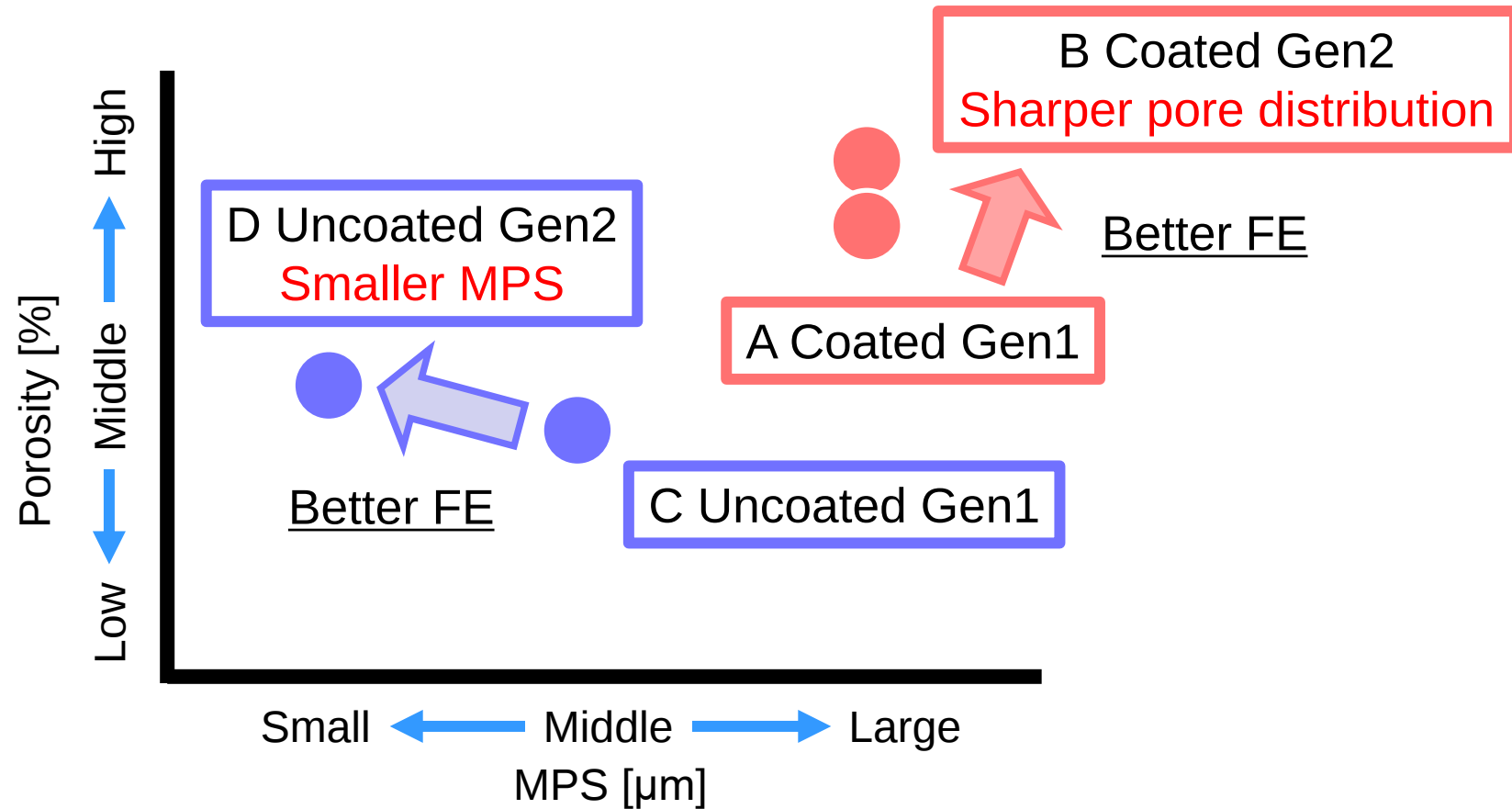
Regulation		BS VI Stagell 	Euro 6d 
Timing		2023 / April	2020 / Jan -
Ambient temp.	Moderate	10 – 40°C	0 – 30°C
	Extended	40 – 45°C	30 – 35°C
		8 – 10°C	-7 – 0°C
Altitude	Moderate	≤ 700 m	
	Extended	≤ 1300 m	
Pre-conditioning		30 – 60min drive → Soak 6 – 56hrs	
Speed	Urban	0 – 45km/h (34±10%)	0 – 60km/h (29 – 44%)
	Rural	45 – 65km/h (34±10%)	60 – 90km/h (33±10%)
	Motorway	65 – 100km/h (34±10%)	90 – 145km/h (33±10%)
Measurement Duration		90 – 120min	

- Indian RDE conditions allow higher ambient temperatures than Europe, with a minimum of 8° C vs. -7° C, favoring lower emissions.
- Indian RDE also involves generally lower driving speeds.

Investigated how these Indian-specific conditions affect PN emissions for GDI engine.

NGK Development Roadmap for GPFs

MPS: Mean Pore Size
FE: PN Filtration Efficiency



- NGK has improved PN filtration performance of GPF from Gen1 to Gen2.
- Above 4 types of GPF are currently used in the European market and should be expanded to India market.

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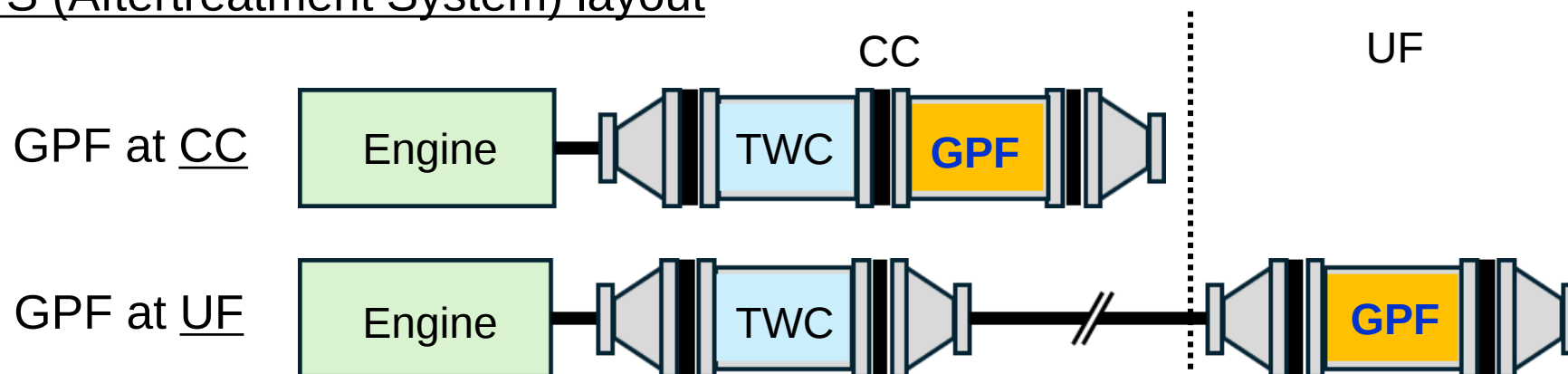
Test Sample : TWC 0.8L + GPF 1.2L

CC: Closed Coupled
 UF: Under Floor
 MPS: Mean Pore Size

Symbol	GPF Type	GPF	
		MPS	Position
A	Coated Gen1	Large	CC
B	Coated Gen2	Large (Sharp)	CC
C	Uncoated Gen1	Middle	CC
D	Uncoated Gen2	Small	UF

* For all systems, TWC and GPF's total amount of PGM (Platinum Group Metals) is kept constant.

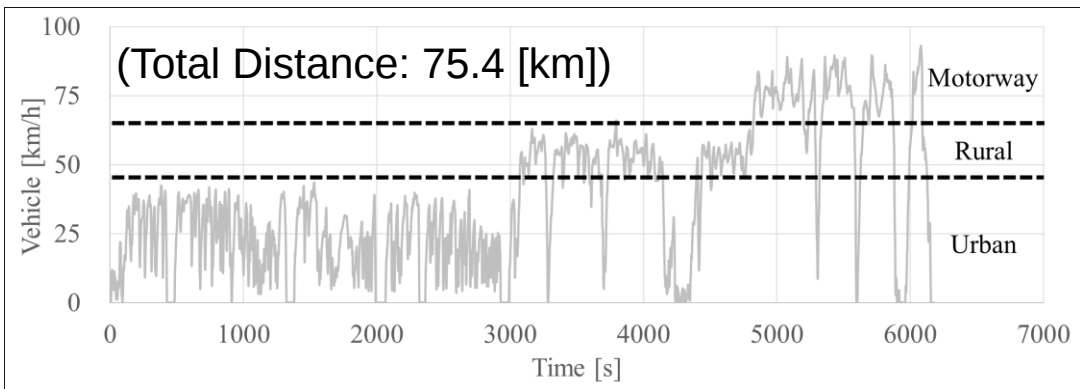
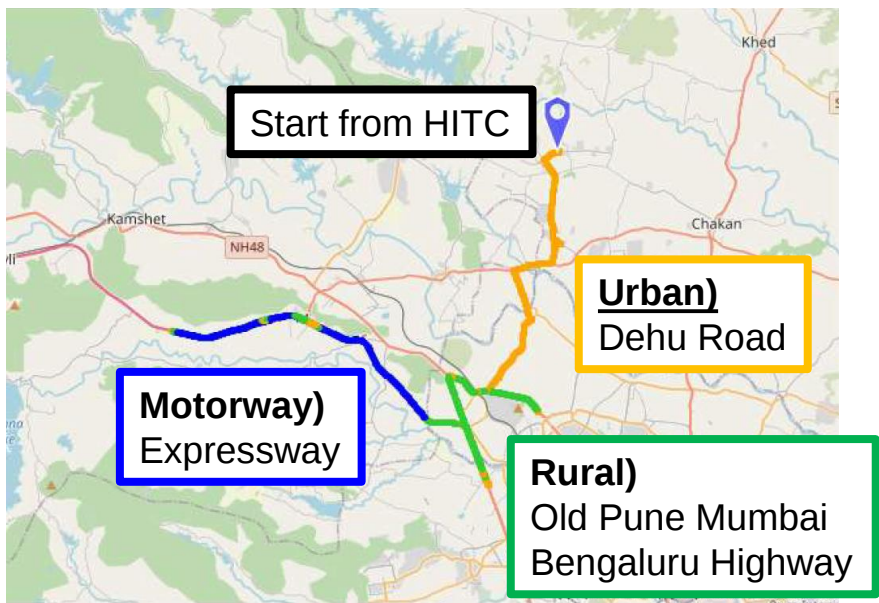
ATS (Aftertreatment System) layout



Vehicle	1.2L GDI Engine		
Tested Cycle	PN measurement		
	Engine out	Tailpipe	PEMS
MIDC	✓	✓	
WLTC (Up to Phase 3)	✓	✓	
RDE	-	-	✓

RDE) Driving Route and Target Speed

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Items	Urban	Rural	Motorway
Average speed [km/h]	25.4	57.4	80.5
Distance [km]	25.0	25.3	25.1

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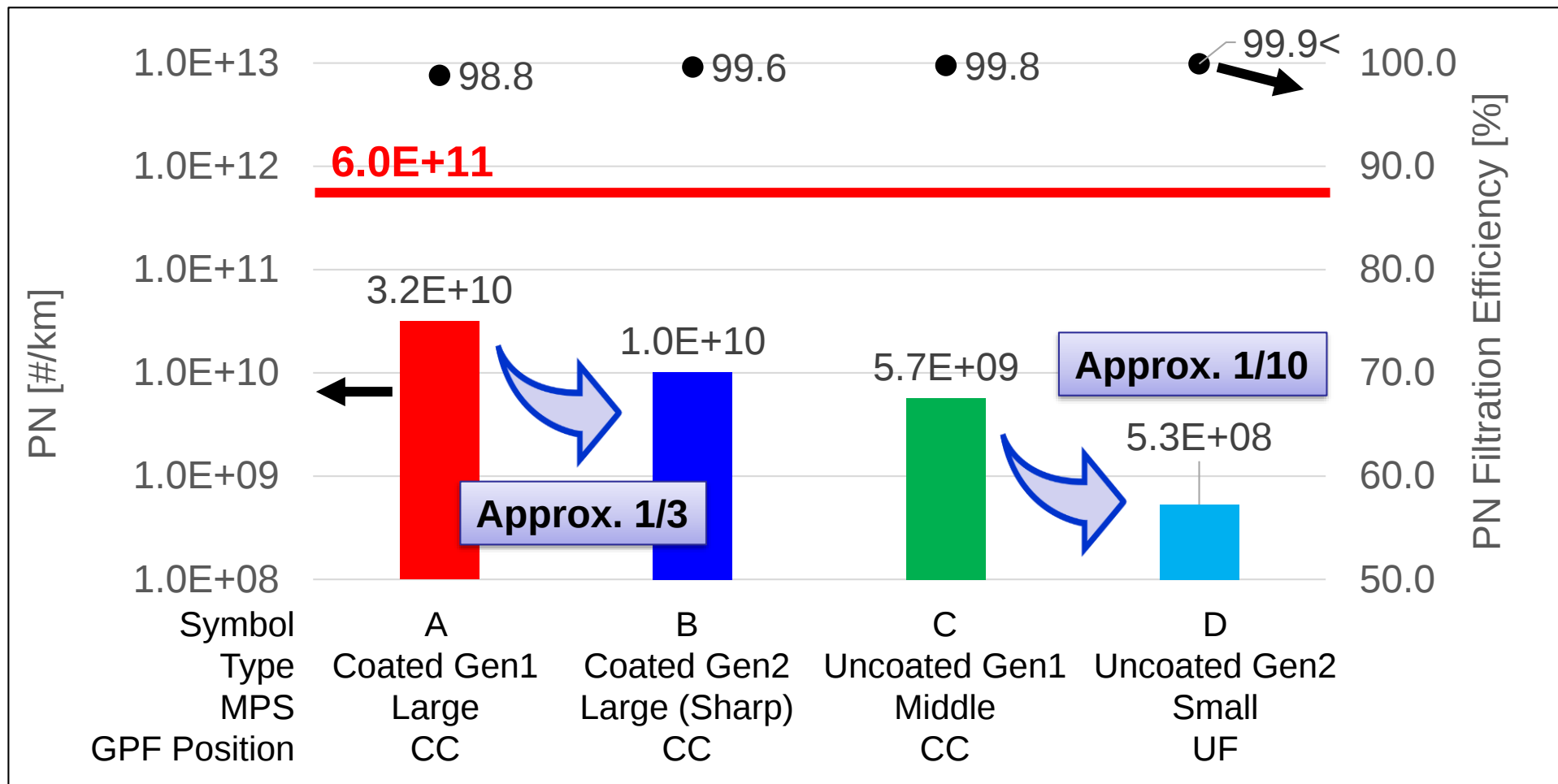
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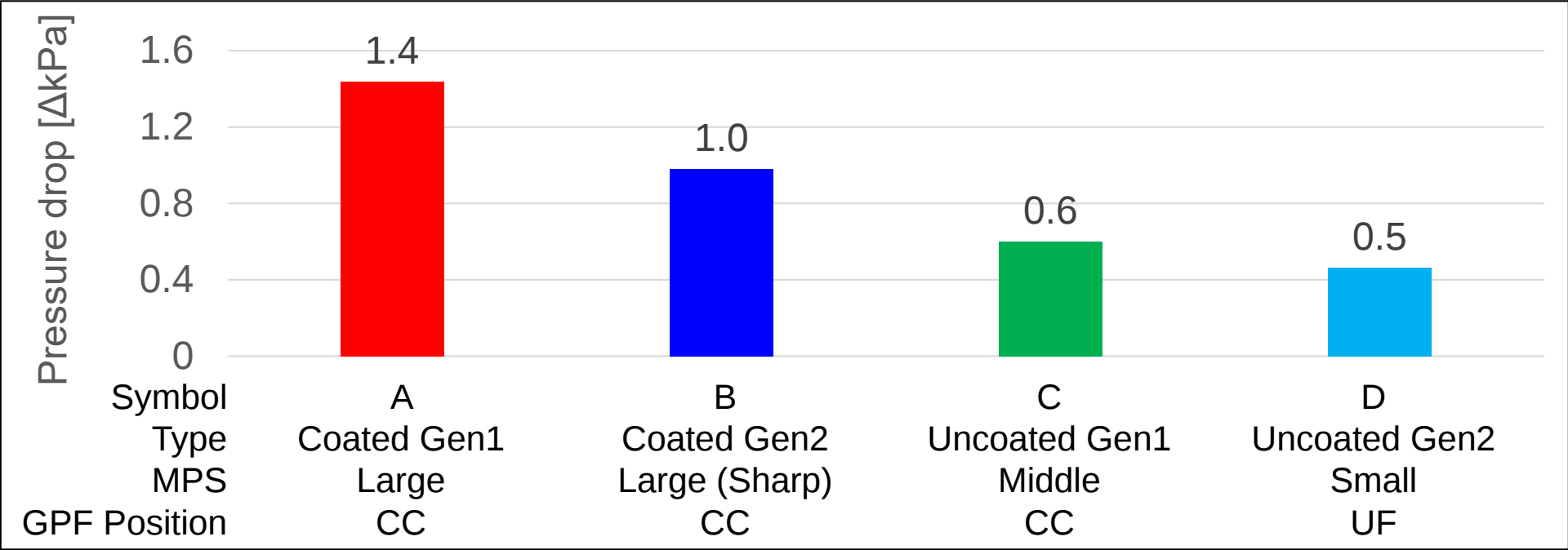
MIDC PN emission & Filtration Efficiency

FE: Filtration Efficiency
MPS: Mean Pore Size



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- Gen2 exhibited better PN results than Gen1 as expected.

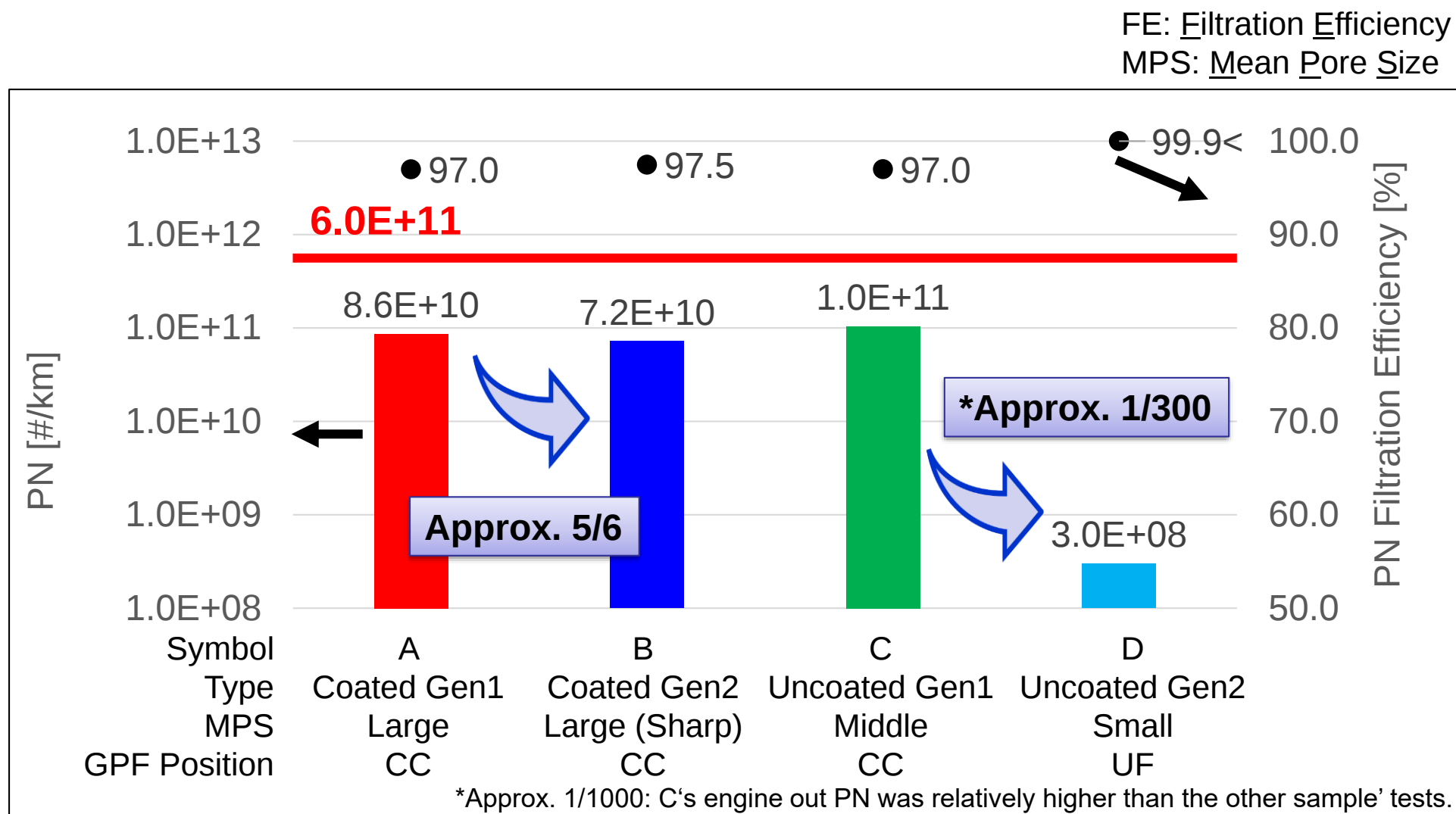
MIDC Pressure Drop



※Estimated PD based on stabilized data, assuming 225° C and a flow rate of 1 m³/min.

PD results	Comments
A, B (Coated) > C, D (Uncoated)	Washcoat penetration in pores resulting in blockage of substrate channels.
A > B (Sharper pore distribution)	Fewer small pores resulting in restricted washcoat penetration.
C ≥ D (Smaller MPS)	Supports in prevention of soot penetration in GPF pores.

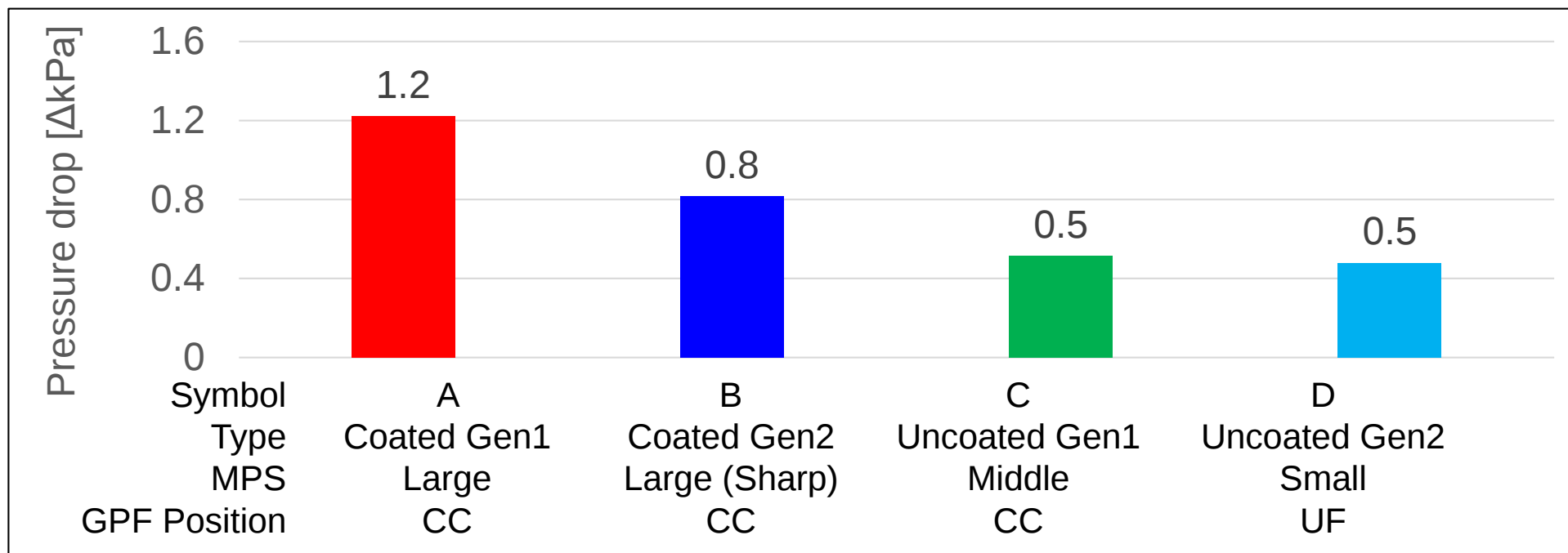
WLTC PN emission & Filtration Efficiency



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- Gen2 exhibited better PN results than Gen1 as expected.

WLTC Pressure Drop

PD: Pressure Drop
MPS: Mean Pore Size

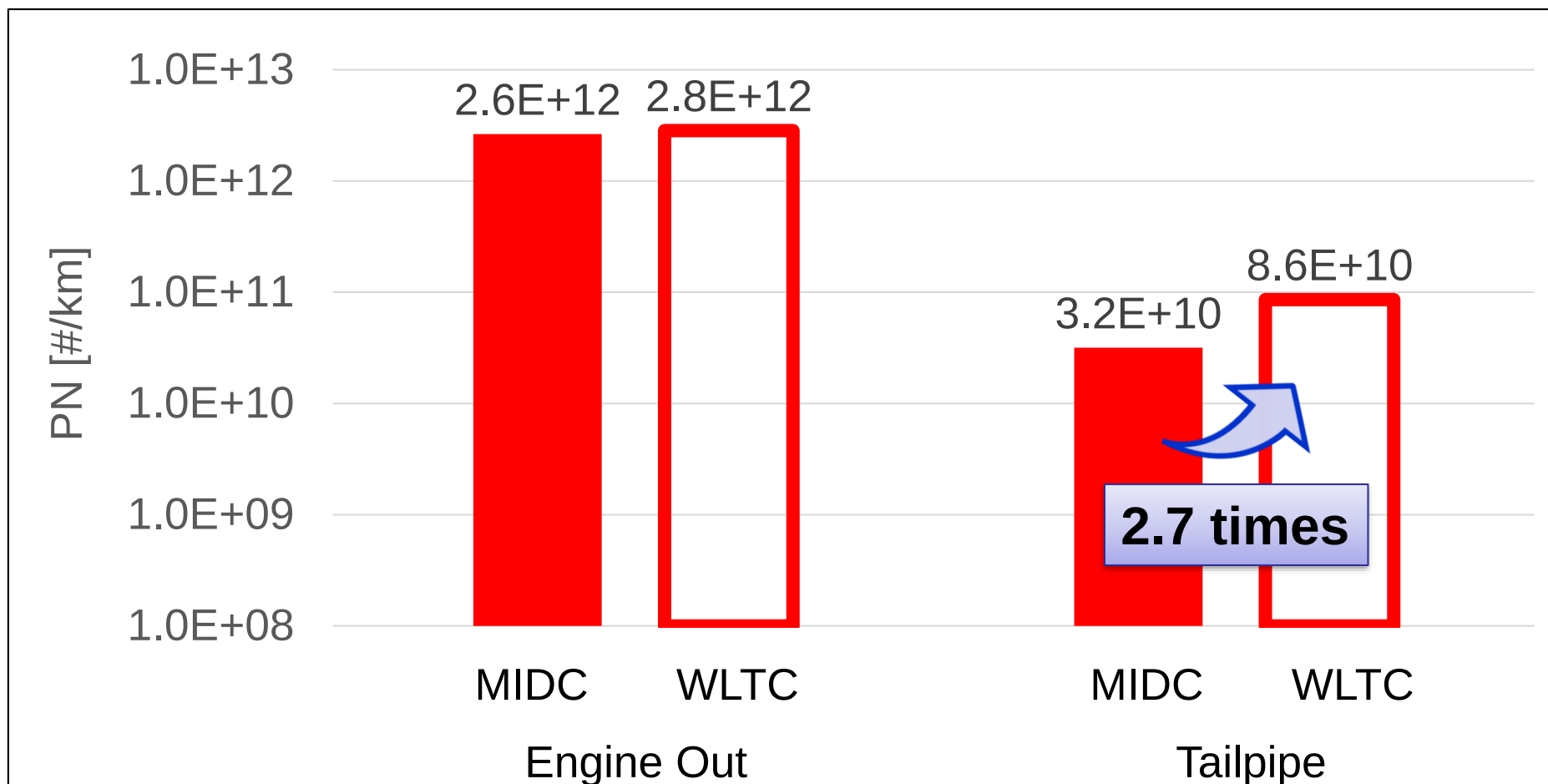


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PN differences between MIDC and WLTC

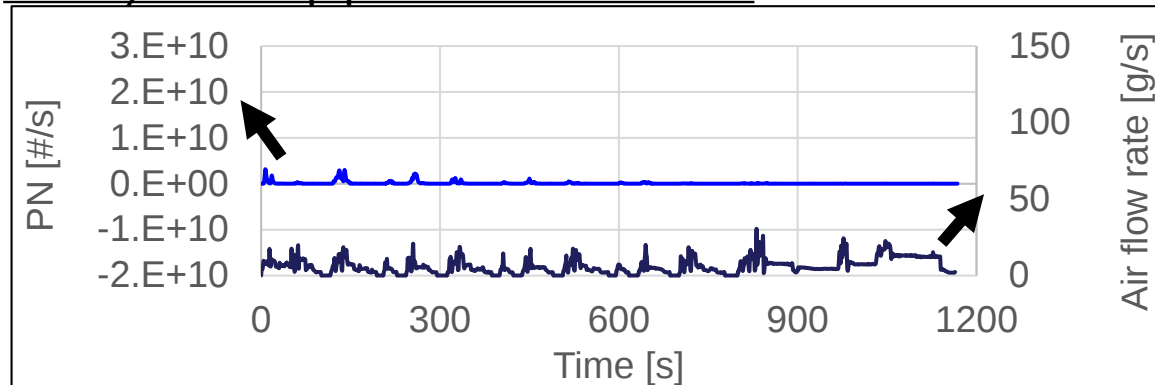
PN Engine out & Tailpipe under Coated Gen1 (A)



- Tailpipe PN in WLTC was **2.7 times higher** than that in MIDC while the Engine out PN were almost same.

Consideration for PN differences b/w MIDC & WLTC

MIDC) PN Tailpipe and Air flow rate



WLTC) PN Tailpipe and Air flow rate

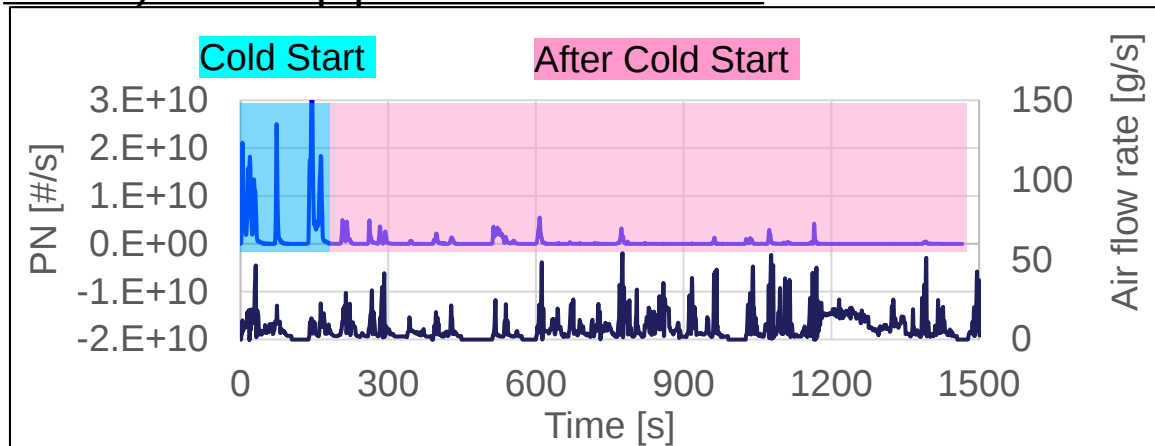
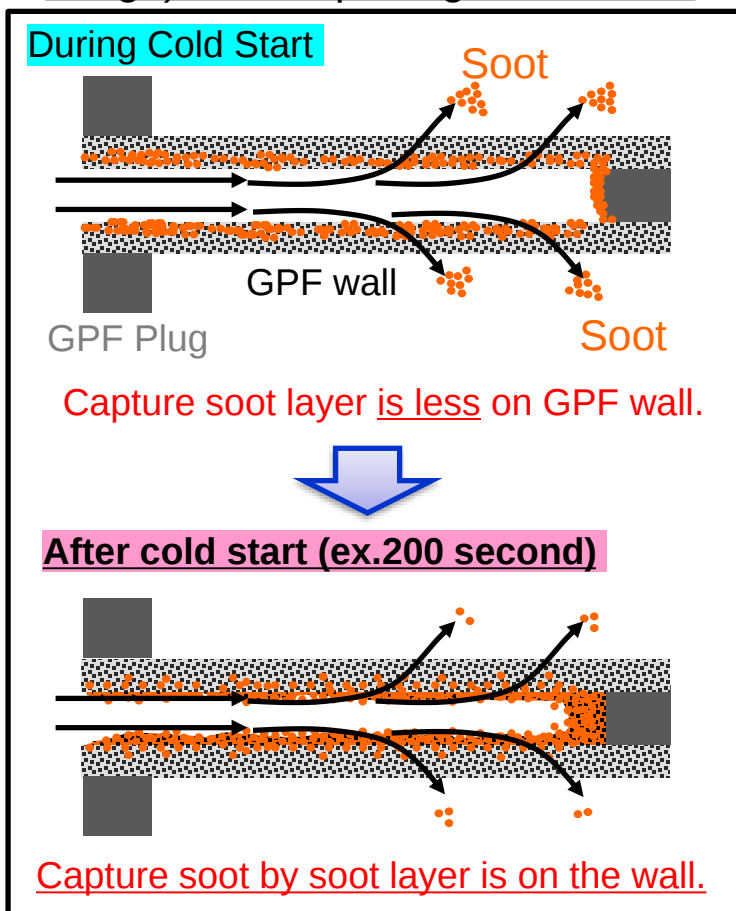
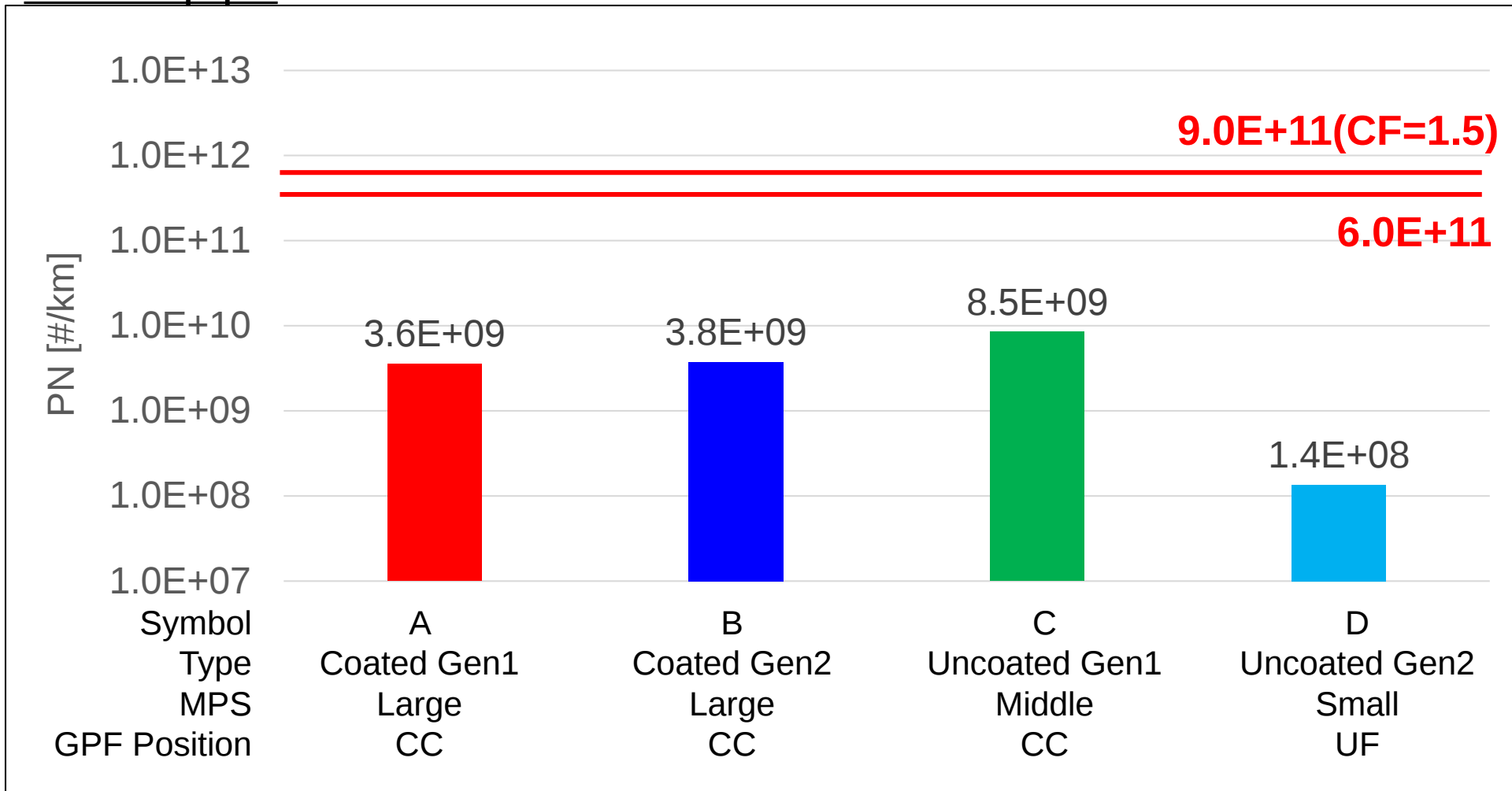


Image) Soot capturing mechanism



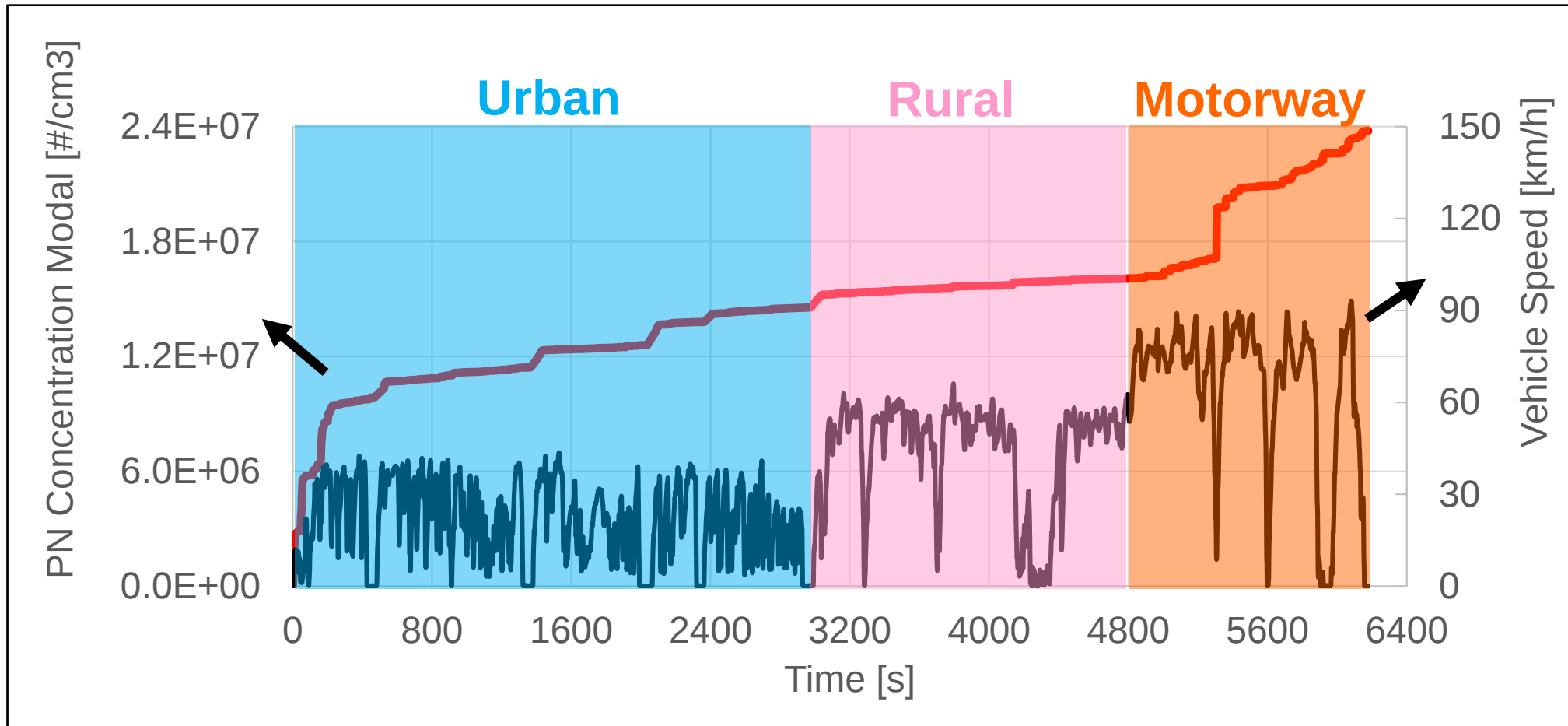
- WLTC (more rapid accelerations & higher driving loads than MIDC) ➡ Higher air flow rate and PN emission.
- Absence of soot layer on the GPF wall resulting in major PN emissions during cold start.

PN Tailpipe



All GPFs achieved sufficient margin below regulatory limits.

PN times series data for Coated Gen1(A)



Most of the PN emissions were observed in urban areas.
(Total PN ratio...Urban: 61.7%, Rural: 5.9%, Motorway: 32.4%.)

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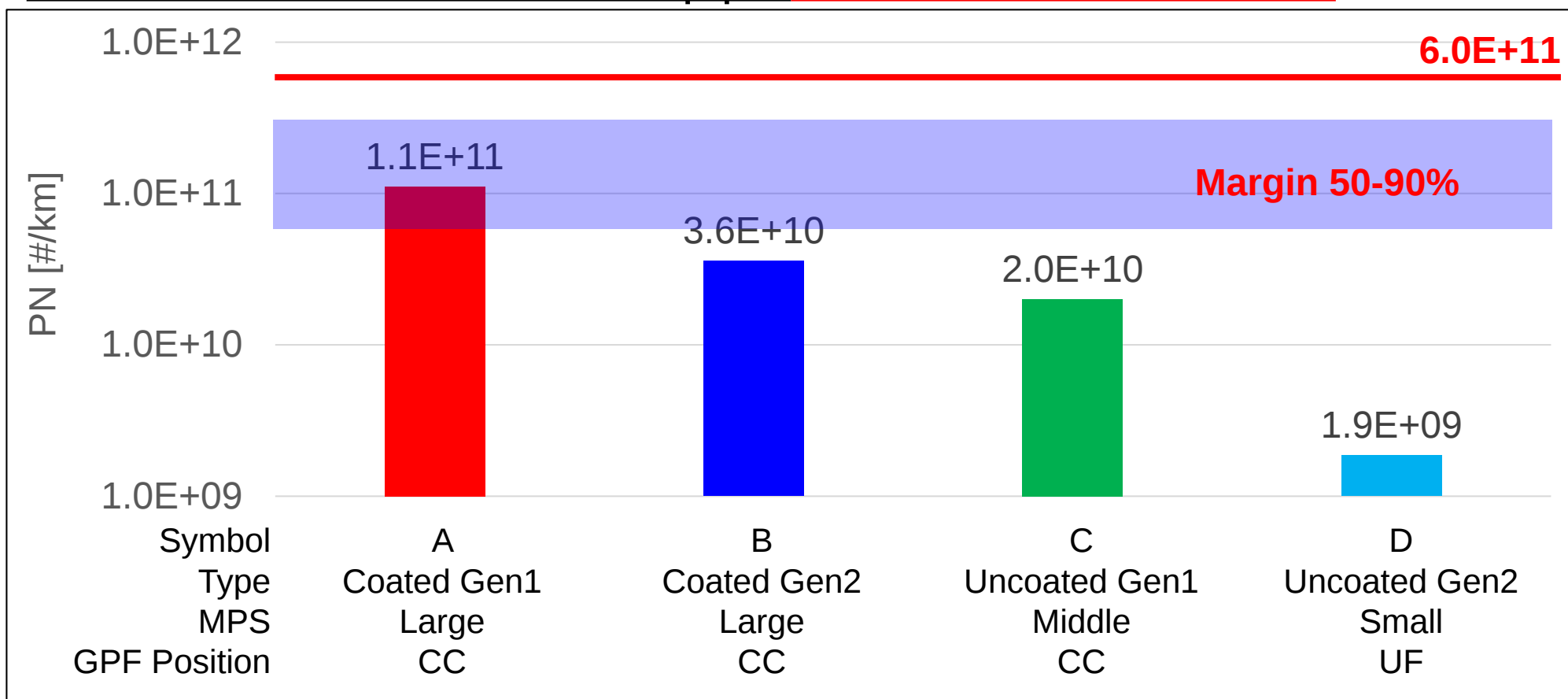
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Considering Suitable GPF for India Gasoline GDI

Estimated PN emission at tailpipe under WLTC with *PN10



*Estimated 30% increase in PN tailpipe when switching from PN23 to PN10, presumed from past findings.

The selection of GPF technology to be based on the allowable PN regulation limit.

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- NGK GPF technologies currently used in the European market are highly to comply with PN requirements under actual Indian driving conditions.
- For the upcoming BS VII regulation, NGK is planning to test GPF technologies for MPI vehicles with PN10 emission limits.

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