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# Verbrennung von Pyrolyseöl mit Abgas aus einem BHKW

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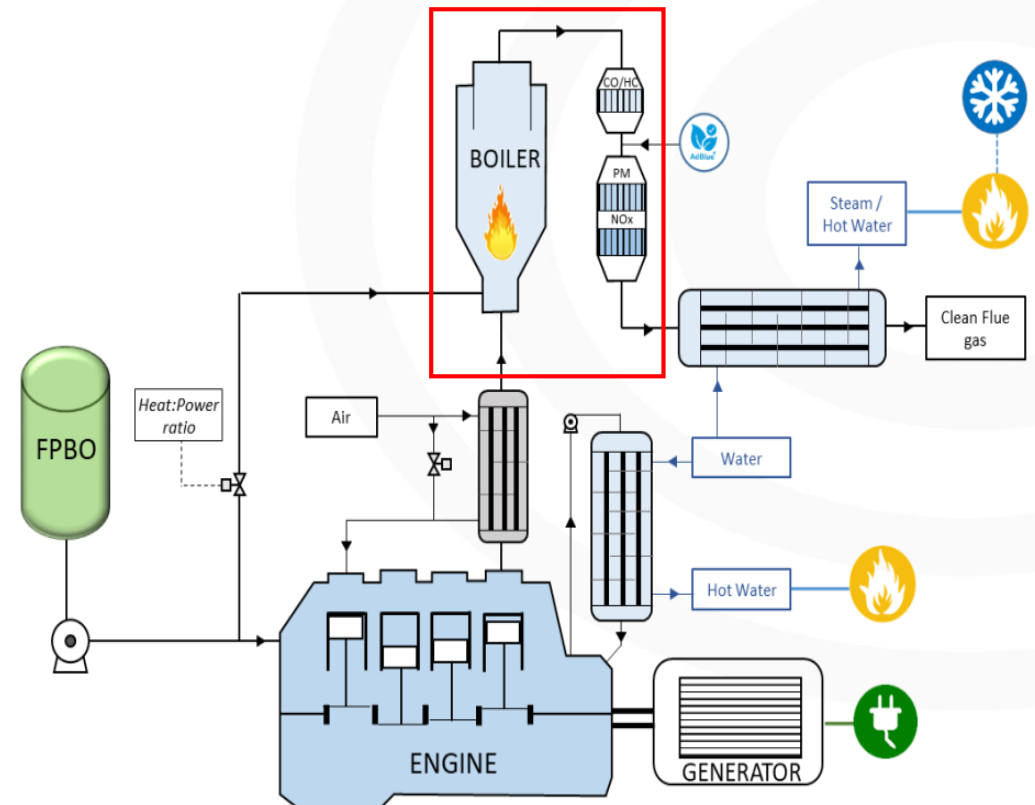




# Task objectives

- To develop a boiler (approx. 100 kW<sub>th</sub>) to operate with FPBO under various conditions of the flue gas of the engine (temperature, mass-flows, composition), depending on the load of the engine.
- Properties of the flue gas from the engine

Properties flue gas	Minimum	Maximum	Unit
Oxygen - O <sub>2</sub>	4	18	v %
Carbon dioxide - CO <sub>2</sub>	2	16	v %
Flow rate	140	250	Nm <sup>3</sup> /hr
Temperature	175	550	°C





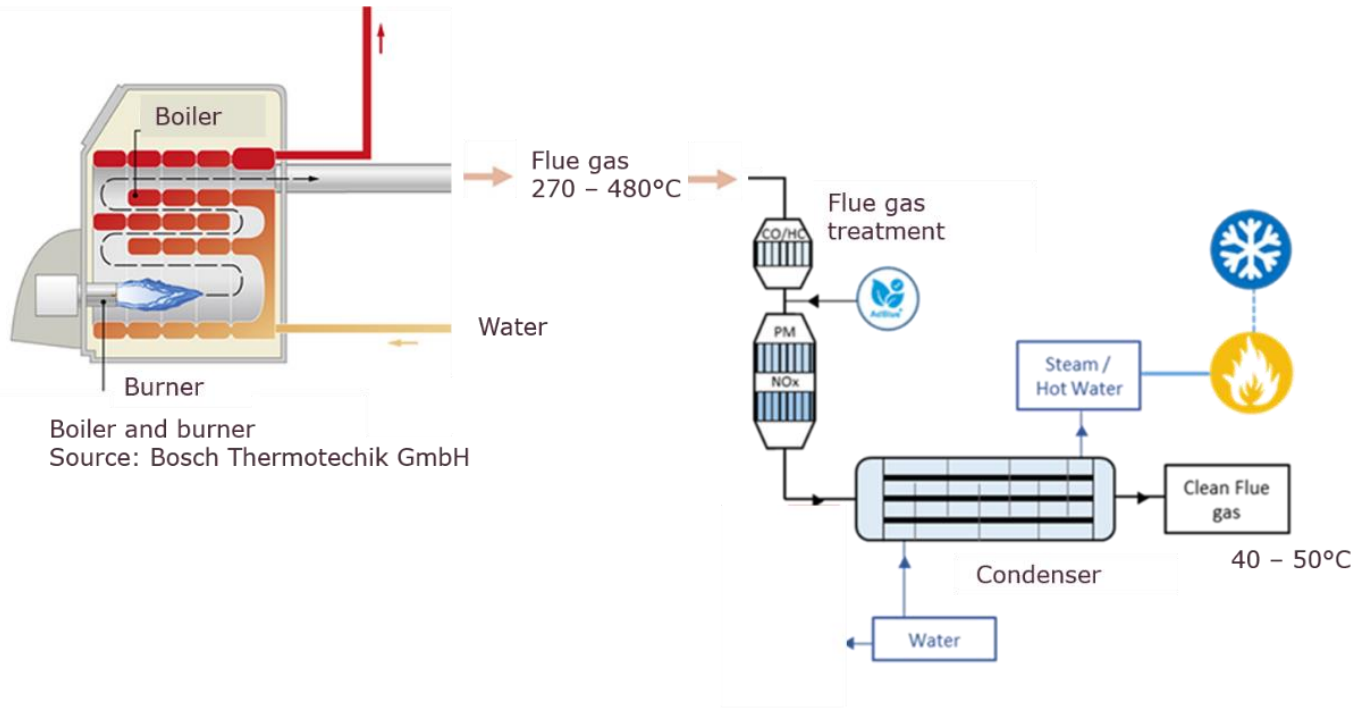
## Properties engine flue gas / flame speed

O <sub>2</sub> content engine flue gas, dry [vol%]	Temperature engine flue gas [°C]	Flame speed [cm/s]	Volume flow increase [%]
17.5	219	41	105
17.1	233	40.01	117
16.2	256	37.29	142
15	290	33.79	182
13.7	328	29.68	234
11.7	376	21.74	331
10.5	414	18.14	414
9.25	448	14.17	520
8.3	478	11.72	627
7.16	515	9.26	793
6.47	542	8.35	928

- Properties engine flue gas - experiments BTG, 80% FPBO & 20% Ethanol
- Flame speed of FPBO with flue gas at  $\lambda = 1.1$
- Calculation Cantera
- Skeletal version of FPBO-mechanism by Pelucci et. al
- Volume flow increase of engine flue gas compared to reference point: 21% O<sub>2</sub>, T = 20° C,  $\lambda = 1.1$ , p = 1 atm



# Boiler concept



- Integration of burner into low-temperature boiler for oil
- Considering requirements of flue gas treatment
- Reduction of heat exchanger surface



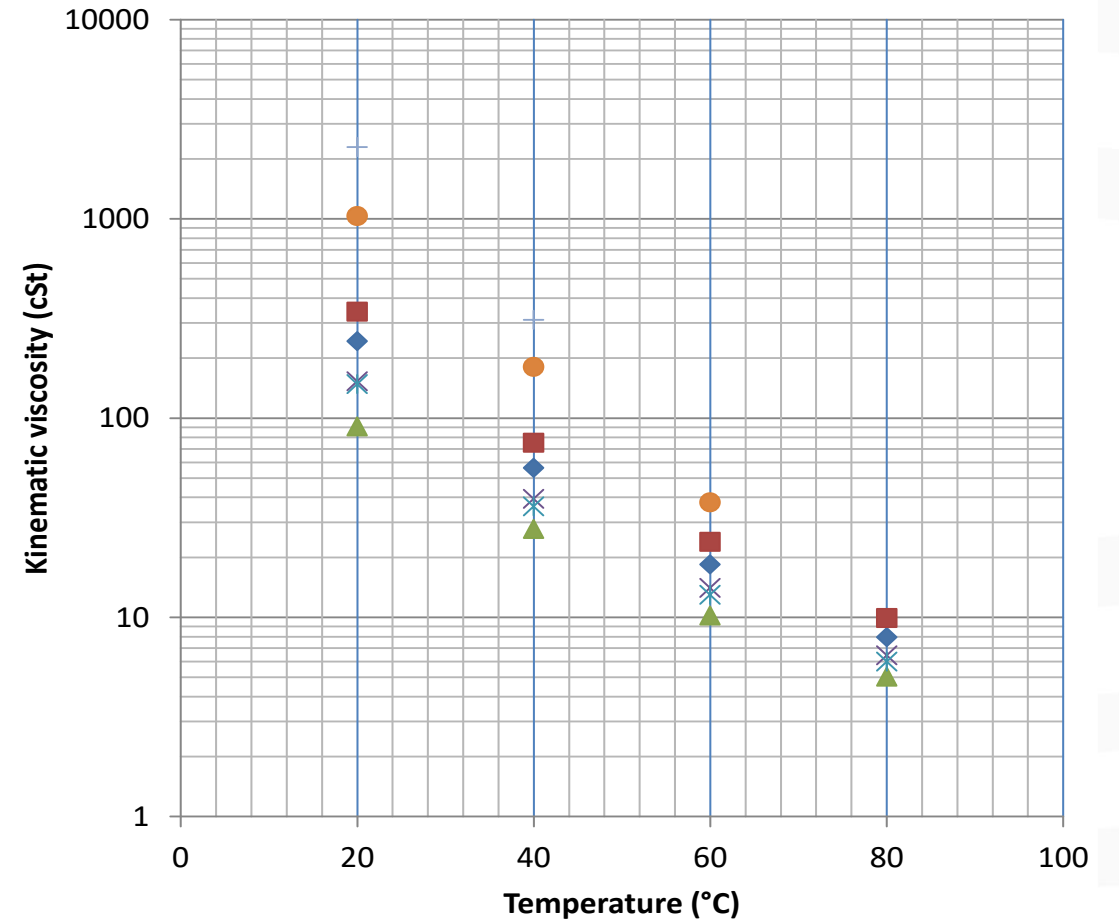
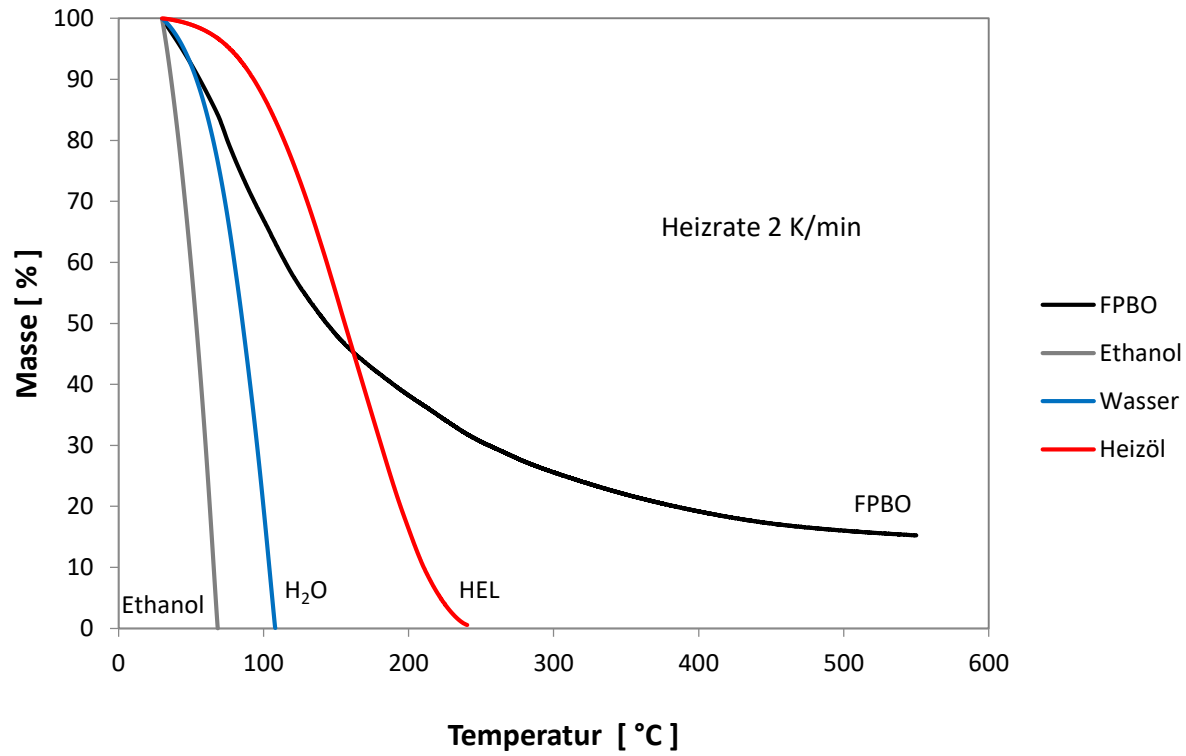
# Fuel properties

Physical property	Ethanol	FPBO	Diesel / LFO
Water content [wt.%]	< 0.1	<b>25</b>	<b>~ 0</b>
pH [-]	-	2.5	-
Density [kg/dm <sup>3</sup> (15°C)]	0.78	1.1 – 1.3	0.82 - 0.85
Nitrogen content [wt.%]	-	0 – 1 <sup>a</sup>	0.005 – 0.05
Lower Heating Value (LHV) [MJ/kg]	28.9	<b>16</b>	<b>42.6</b>
Kinematic Viscosity [cSt] (40°C)	1.1	<b>20 – 100</b>	<b>2.0 – 4.5</b>
Solids [wt.%]	-	0.02 – 0.25	Water + sediment < 0.02
Surface tension [mN/m]	20	30	26
Acid Number [mg KOH/g]	-	80 – 100	< 0,08
Cetane number	10	0 - 20	45 - 55
	<sup>a</sup> strongly depends on biomass resource the FPBO is originating from		



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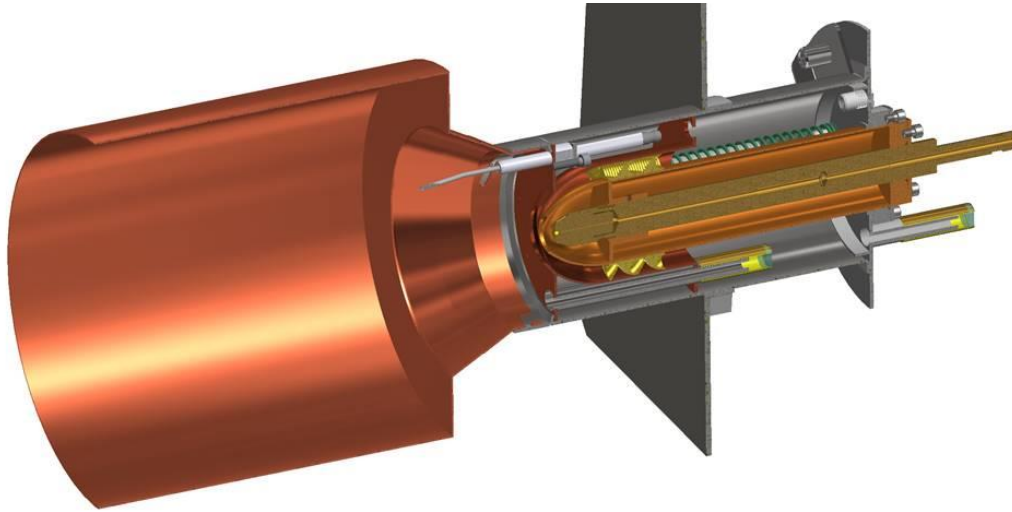
### Thermogravimetric analysis



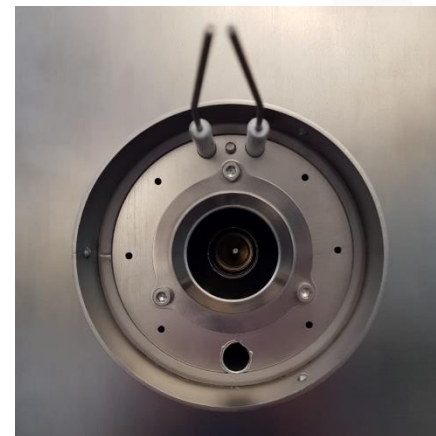


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## Burner design 100 kW



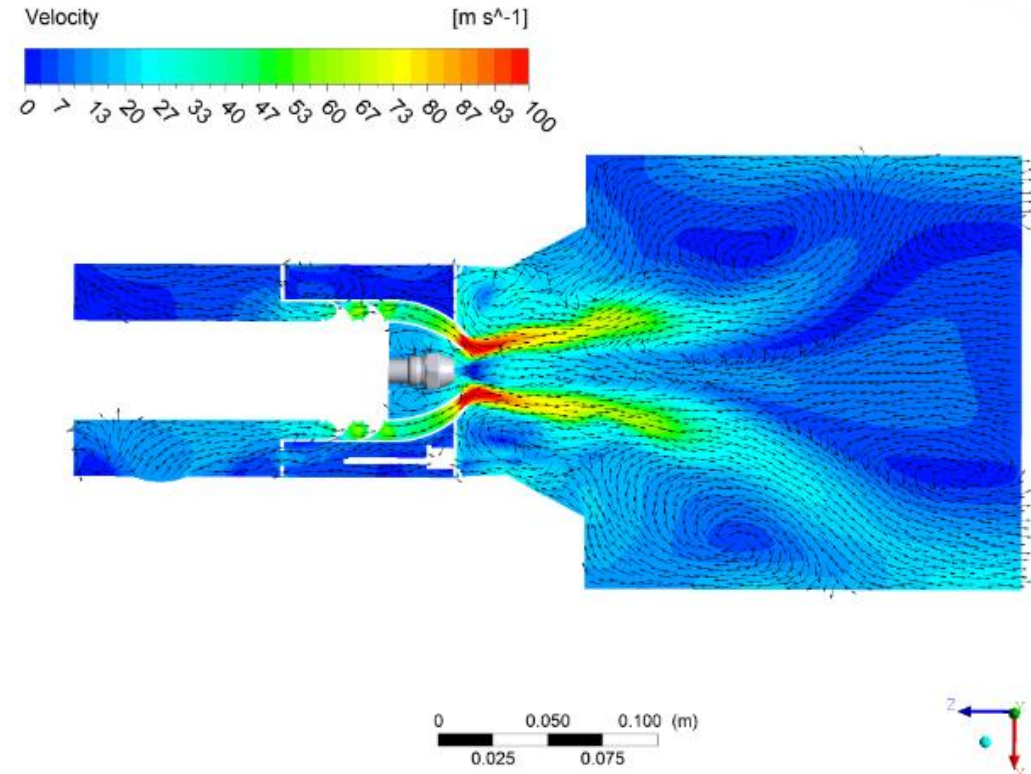
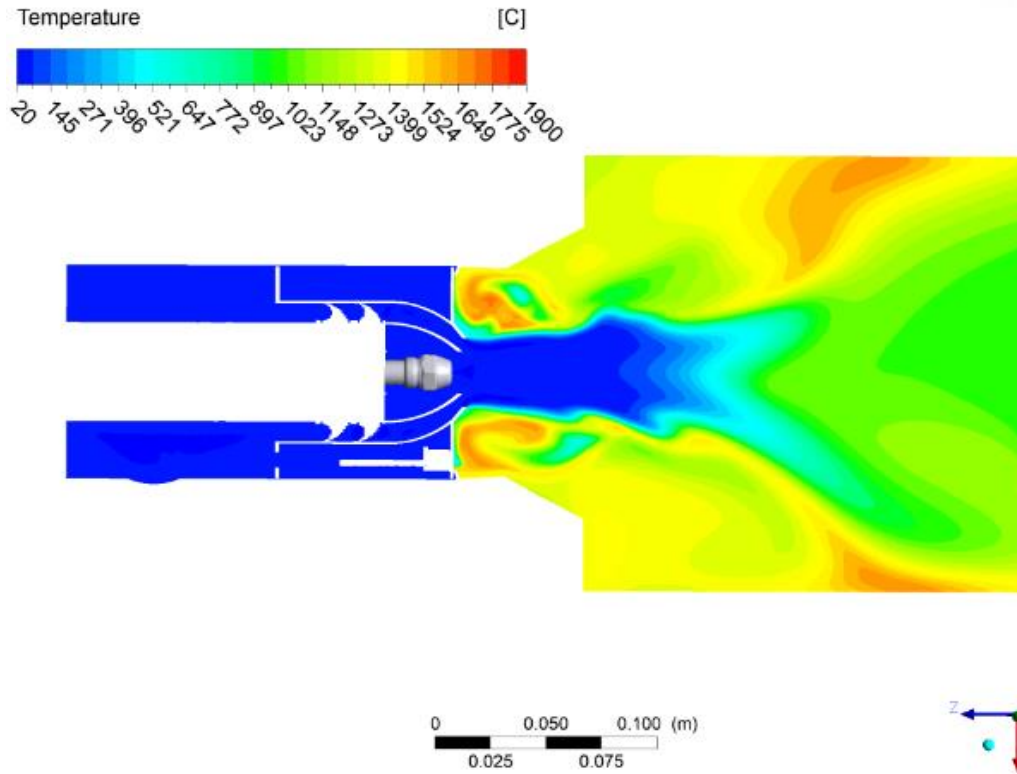
CAD drawing burner 100 kW for FPBO  
constructed by MEKU Metall Processing  
GmbH



- Adjustable fuel nozzle position
- Annular gap around nozzle for thermal protection
- Suitable for up to 500°C



# Burner design 100 kW



100 kW, FBPO 80% and 20% ethanol, non-preheated air, lambda 1.5, insulation of flame tube, temperatures (left), velocities (right)





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## Boiler design 100 kW

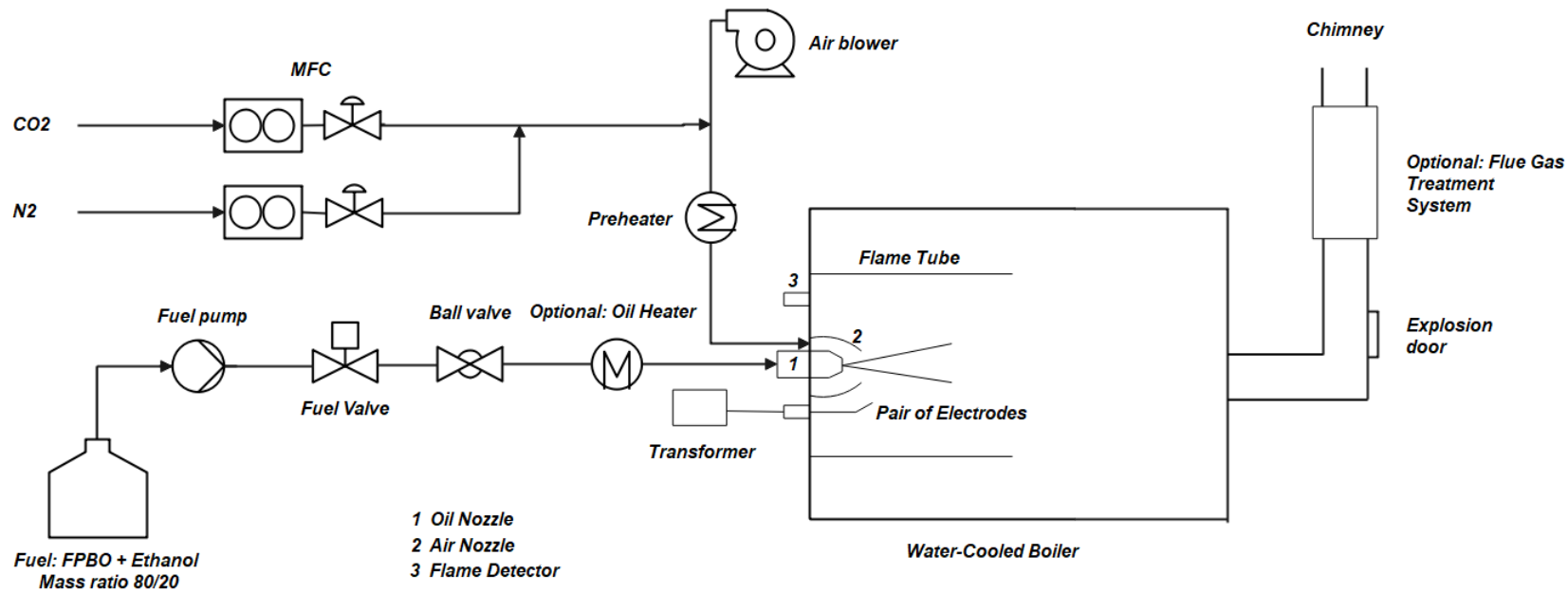


- Boiler Logano plus GE515 (195 kW) without condenser form Bosch Buderus GmbH
- Boiler with insulation and covering (left)
- Principle sketch openings to the heat exchanger (right)

Source: Bosch Buderus GmbH



# Boiler and burner test



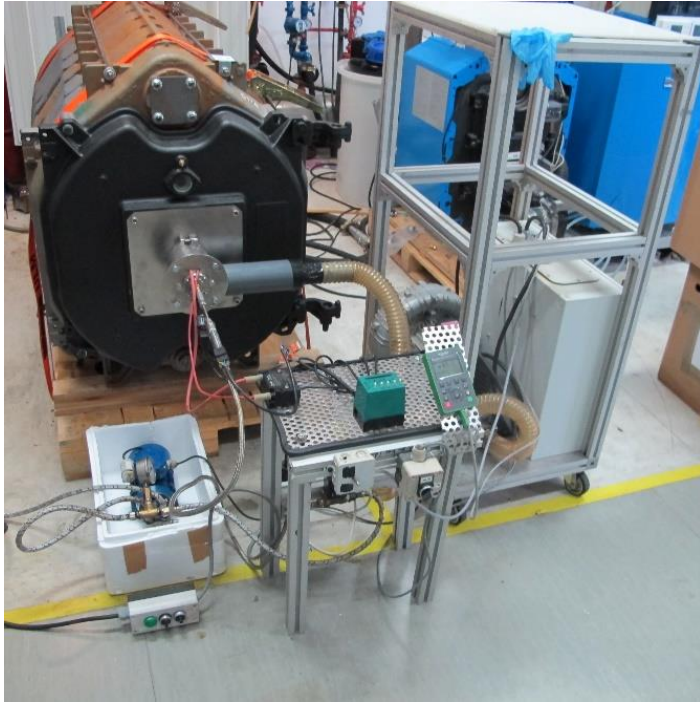
- Simulated flue gas: mixture of N<sub>2</sub>, (CO<sub>2</sub>), air
- Preheating of mixture
- Integration of new fuel pump
- Tests with 80% FPBO and 20% Ethanol

Process diagram of test bench



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## Boiler and burner test



Boiler (not insulated) and burner



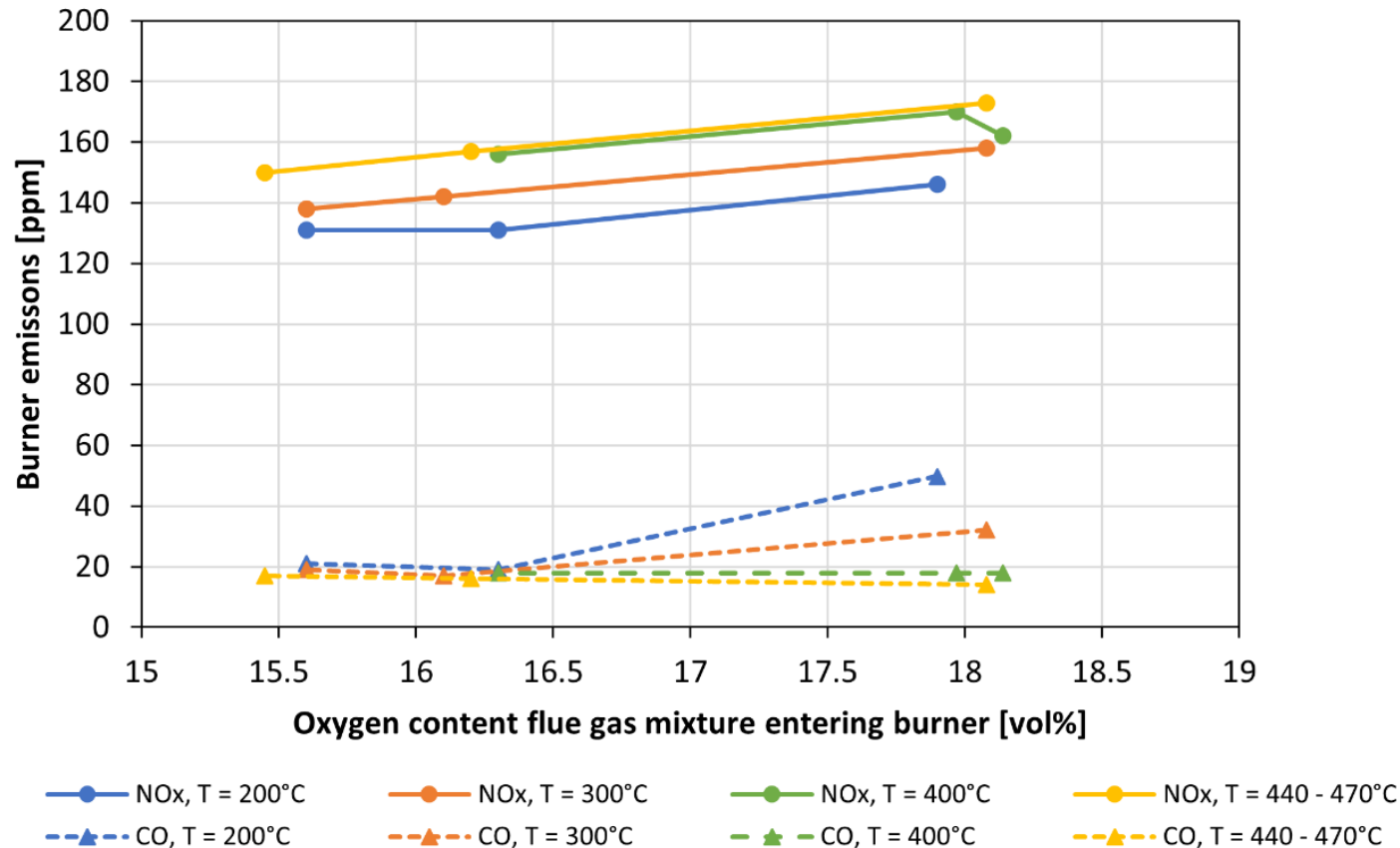
View into the boiler



Verderbar Hydracell Diaphragm Pump



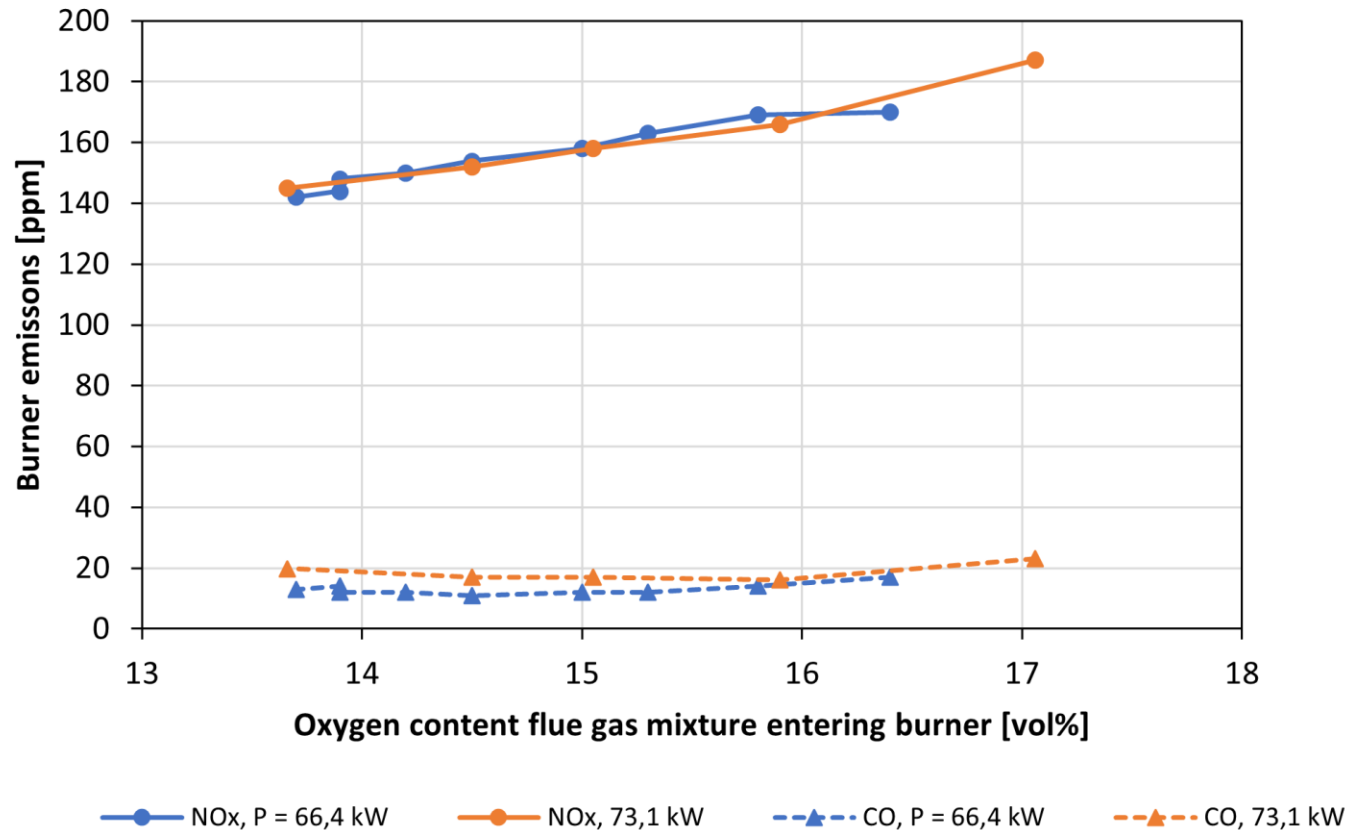
# Boiler and burner test



- Burner emissions
- Fuel input: 61.5 – 63.5 kW
- 80% FPBO, 20% Ethanol, T = 40° C
- Oxygen content flue gas entering burner: 18.2 – 15.4%
- Temperature flue gas entering burner: 200 – 470° C
- Air ratio: 1.1 – 1.2
- Hydrocarbon emissions ≤ 5 ppm (CH4 equivalent)



# Boiler and burner test



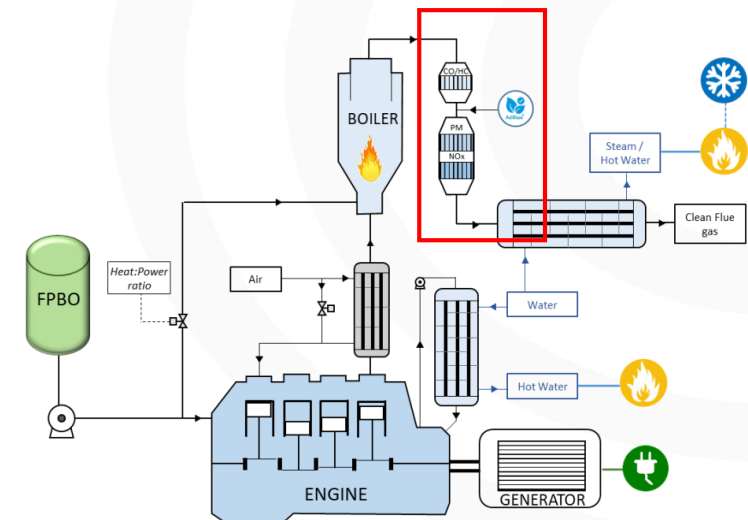
- Burner emissions
- Fuel input: 66.4 & 73.1 kW (10 – 12 bar fuel pressure)
- 80% FPBO, 20% Ethanol, T = 40° C
- Oxygen content flue gas entering burner: 17.1 – 13.6%
- Temperature flue gas entering burner: 416 - 424° C
- Air ratio: 1.05 – 1.1
- No deposits and instabilities



## Subtask objectives

- The development a flue gas treatment system for the CHP system respecting emission legislations.
- To set up a test environment to be able to test the flue gas treatment system for their suitability with FPBO
- Emissions limitations after flue gas treatment

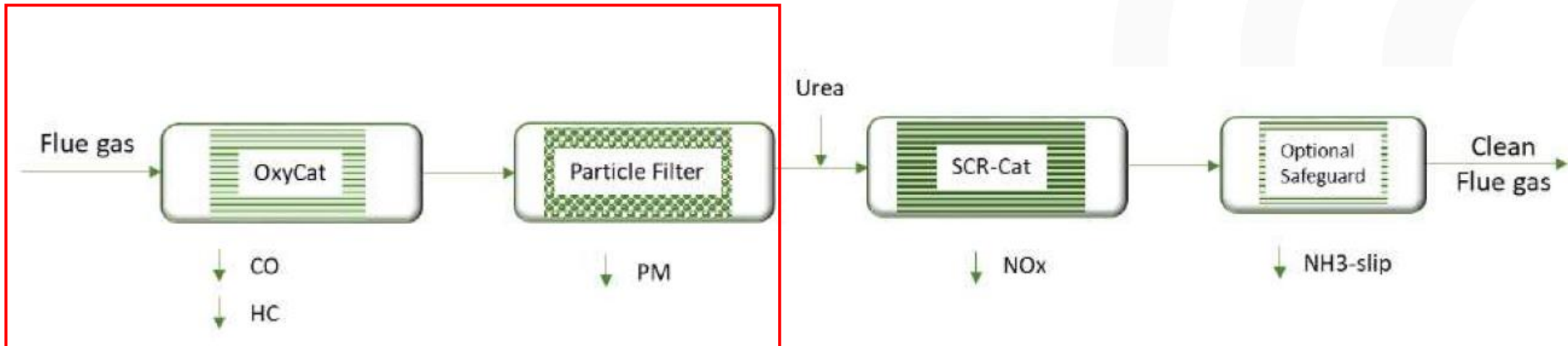
Emissions	Maximum	Unit
Carbon monoxide - CO	80	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Hydrocarbons - HC	10	ppm
Nitrogen oxides - NO <sub>x</sub>	180	mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Particulate matter - PM	10	mg/m <sup>3</sup>





## Test of filter at OWI

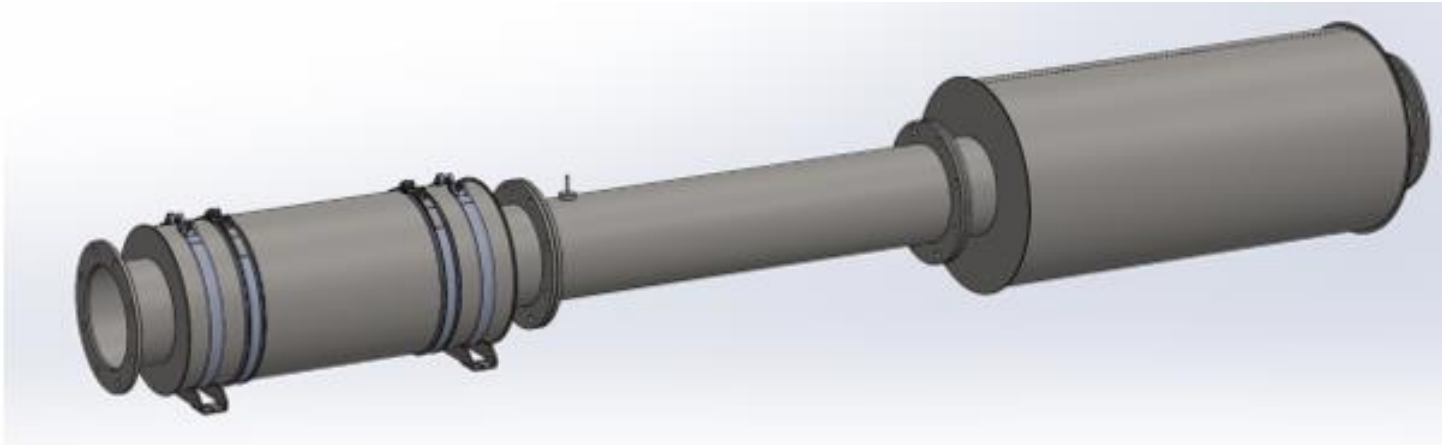
- Design of compact filter system
  - Filter minimizes CO, HC und PM emissions
  - Construction of filter system for test





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# Flue gas treatment design with SCR - THEAG

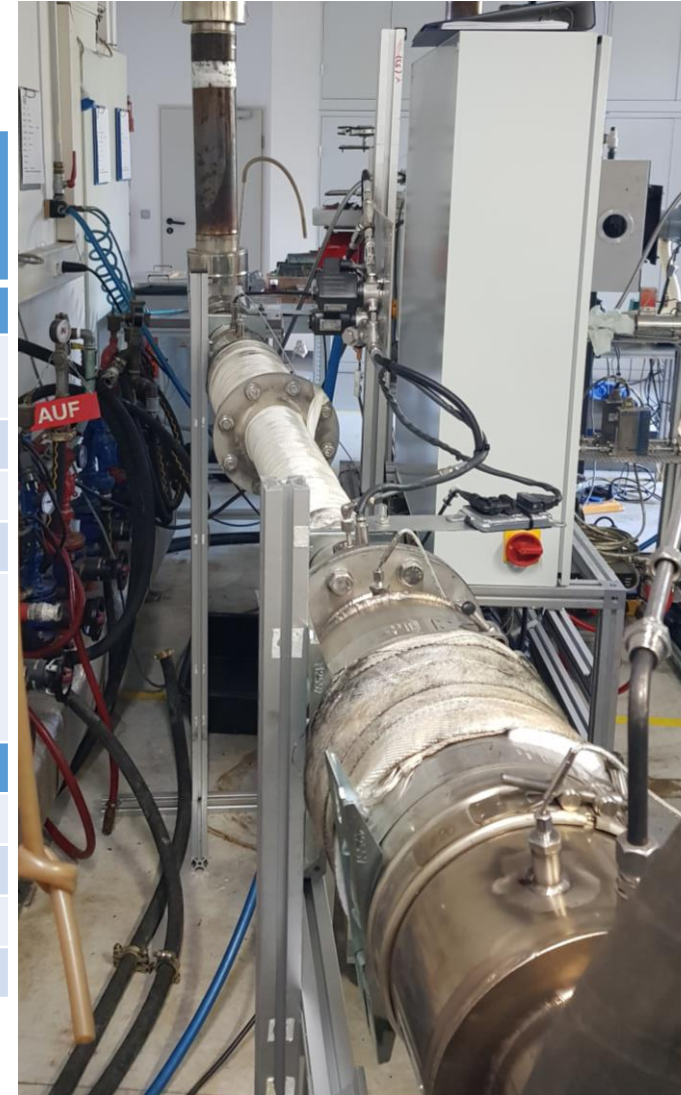






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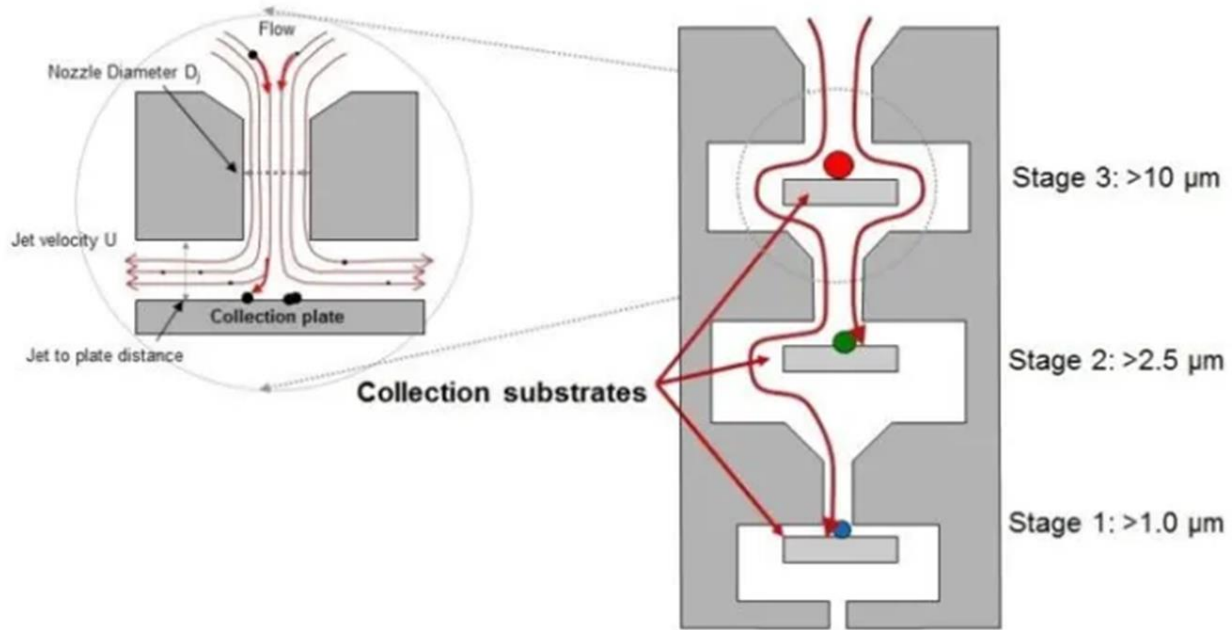
Time	O2	$\lambda$	CO	CO	NOx	NOx	Temp. before cat	Additional air temp.
upstream								
hh:mm	vol%	-	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup> <sub>N</sub>	ppm	mg/m <sup>3</sup> <sub>N</sub>	°C	°C
16:07	5	1,32	3	4	77	145	336	180
16:18	5,3	1,34	0	0	77	145	338	200
16:29	4,8	1,32	0	0	76	143	368	235
								9 mbar back-pressure
downstream								
16:12	5,2	1,33	0	0	3...5	6...9	336	180
16:19	5,9	1,37	0	0	3,5...4	7...8	338	200
16:31	5,3	1,36	0	0	0...3	0...6	368	235



Flue gas treatment system

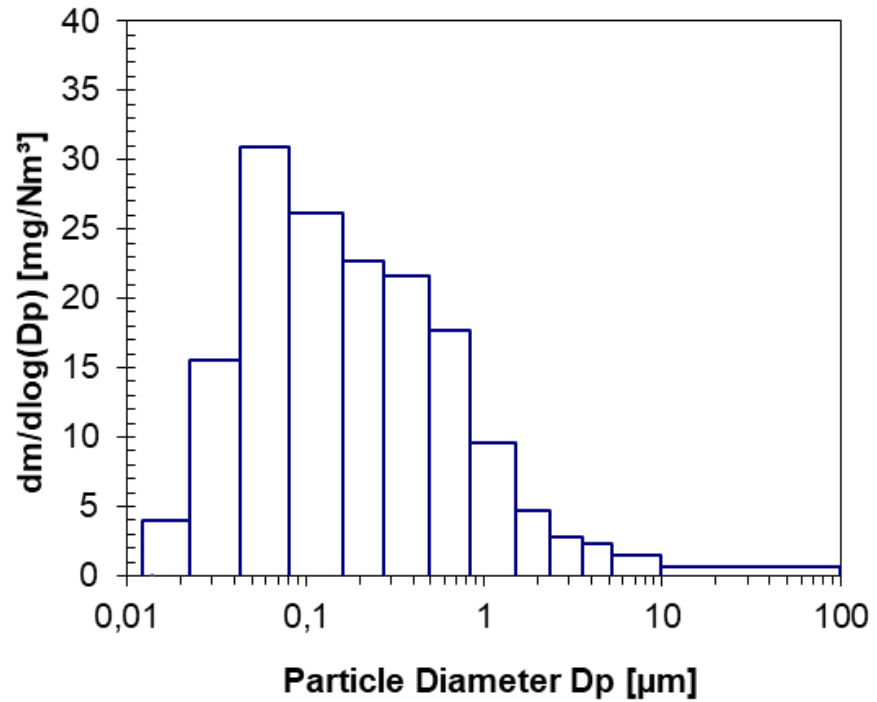


# Particulate measurement





# Flue gas treatment @ OWI



PM<sub>1</sub>: 5,8 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>

PM<sub>2.5</sub>: 22,2 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>

PM<sub>10</sub>: 41,7 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>

PM<sub>Σ</sub>: 42.4 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>

PM upstream

FPBO with 20% ethanol

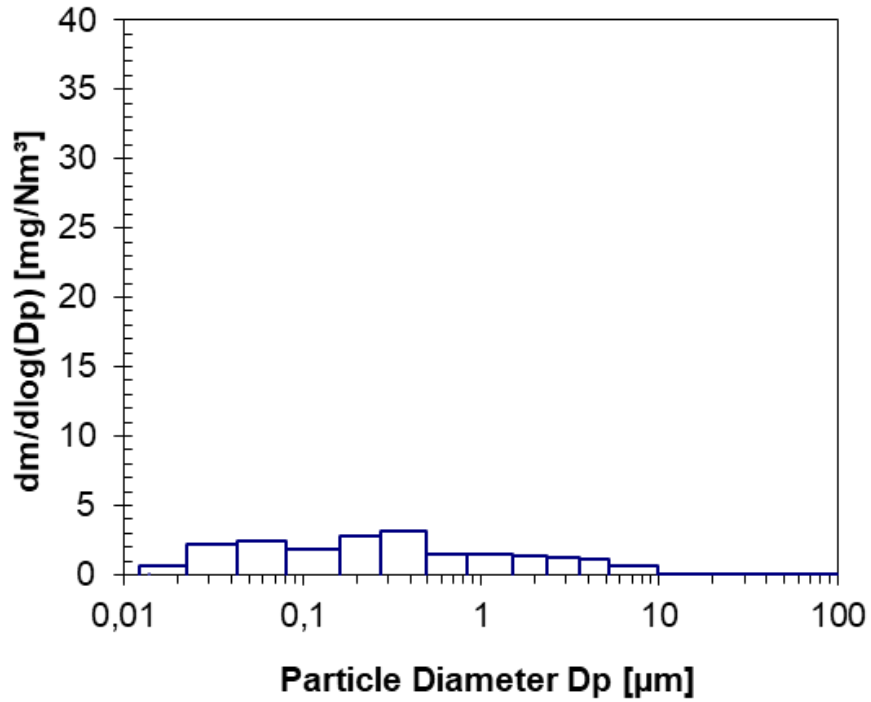
100 kW, λ = 1.3



Impactor / Particle measurement device



# Flue gas treatment @ OWI



PM<sub>1</sub>: 3,8 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>  
PM<sub>2.5</sub>: 4,5 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>  
PM<sub>10</sub>: 5,1 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>  
PM<sub>Σ</sub>: 5,1 mg/Nm<sup>3</sup>

PM downstream  
FPBO with 20% ethanol  
100 kW, λ = 1.3



Impactor / Particle measurement device

# Thank you!

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