

Remote sensing for the reduction of traffic emissions: H2020 CARES project

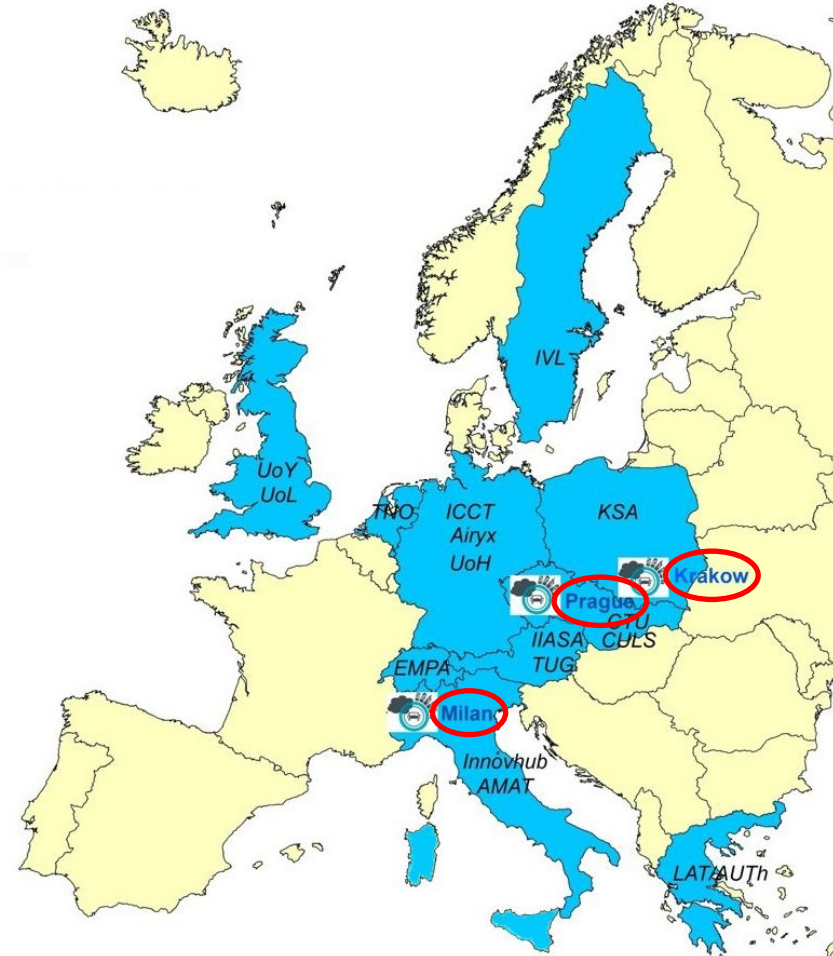
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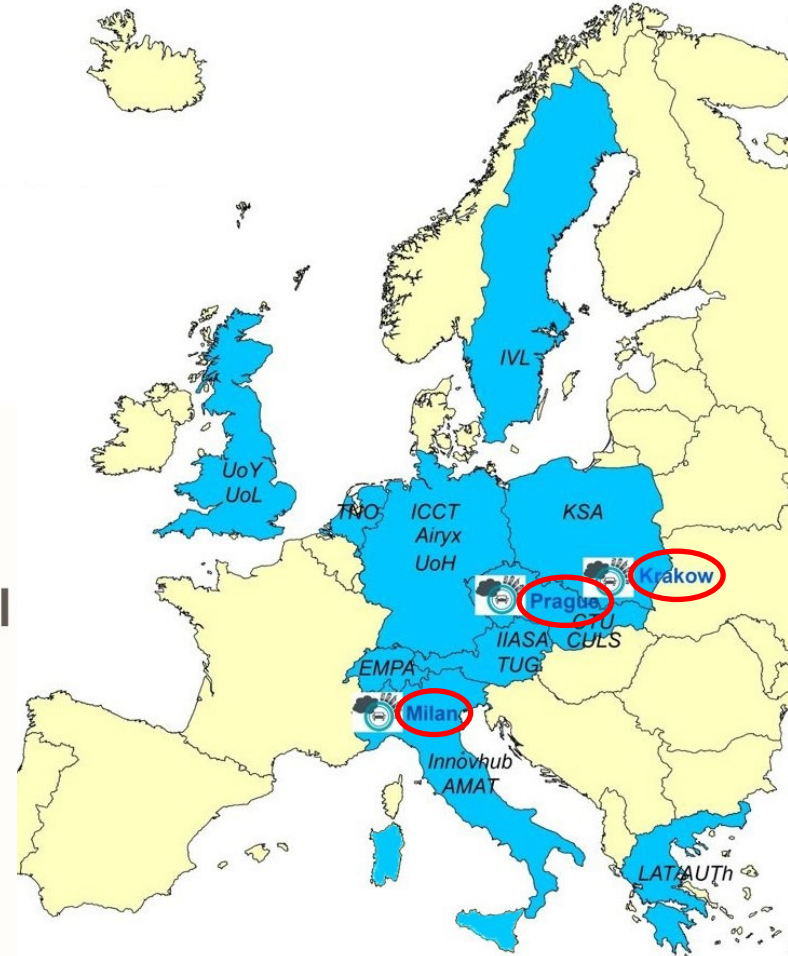


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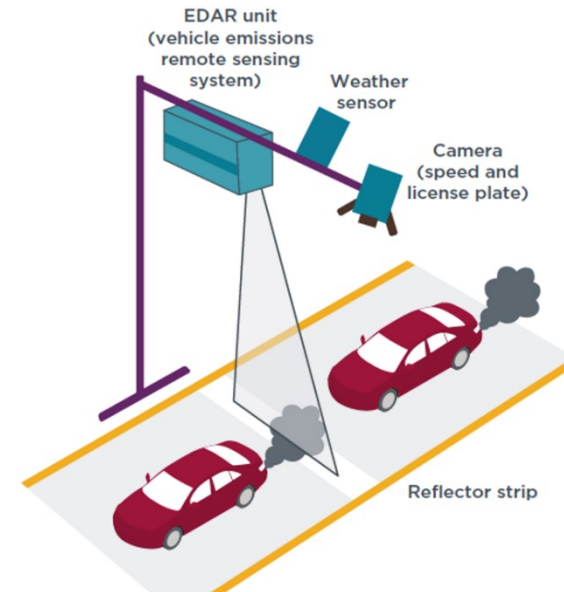
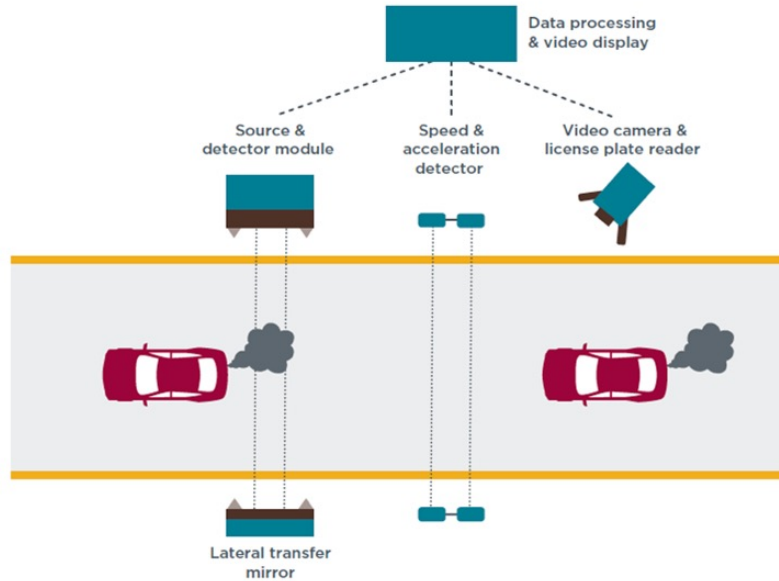


CARES overall objectives

“... reduce the hurdles for applications of **remote emission sensing (RES)** to make it a **widespread** means of both **monitoring and enforcement of vehicle emissions.**”



Conventional/commercial remote emission sensing

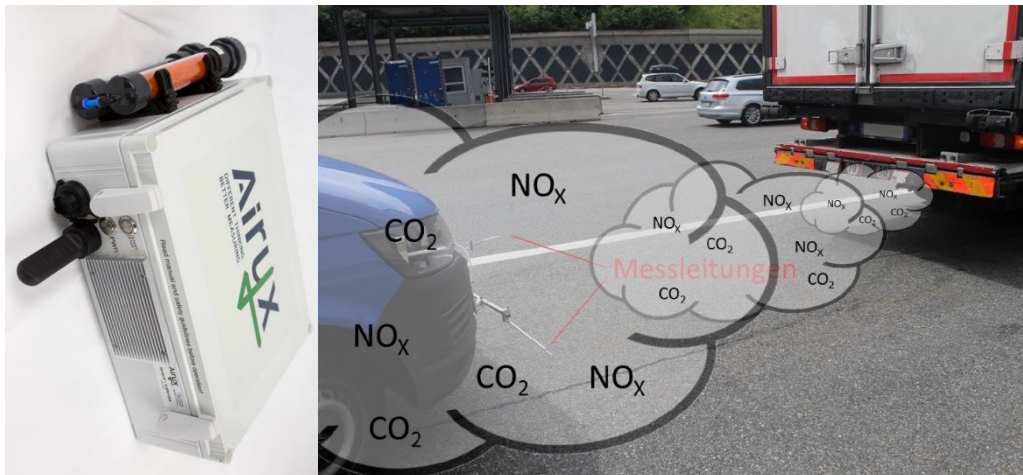


CARES is further developing RES techniques

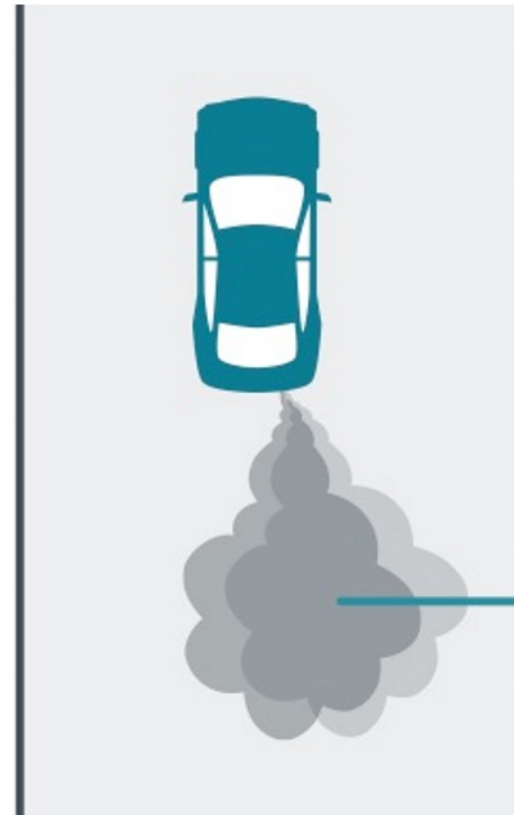
Plume chasing



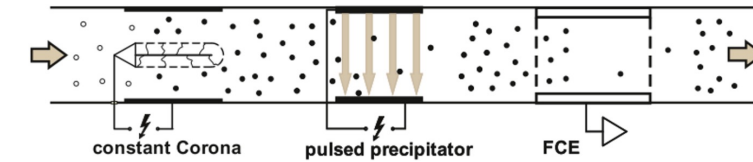
NO_x and PN are measured



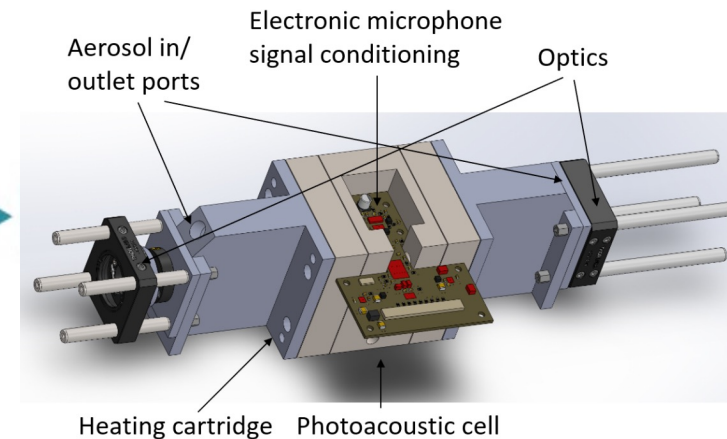
Point sampling



Particle number (PN) sensor



Black Carbon (BC) sensor



CARES challenges

Develop and demonstrate remote emission sensing hard- and software to:

- Improve the accuracy of measurements of **particulate matter**;
- Improve the detection of **high-emitting vehicles**;
- **Lower costs** of remote emission sensing measurements;
- **Facilitate use by unskilled personnel** to achieve a broader deployment potential;
- **Support local air quality plans**;
- Establish a proper **data infrastructure** built around **vehicle registration databases, traffic management** measures and **air quality monitoring** systems.

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 - > 35,000 measurements
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Reference instruments

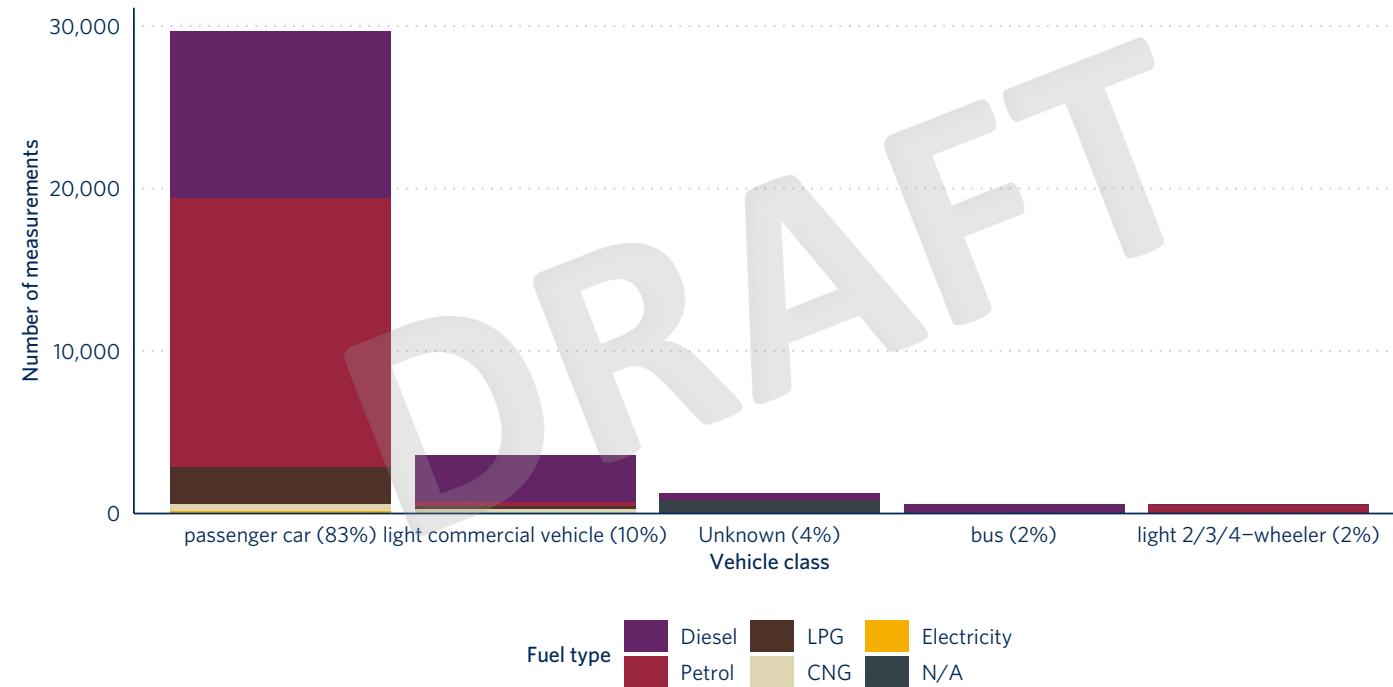
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Advanced Sensors

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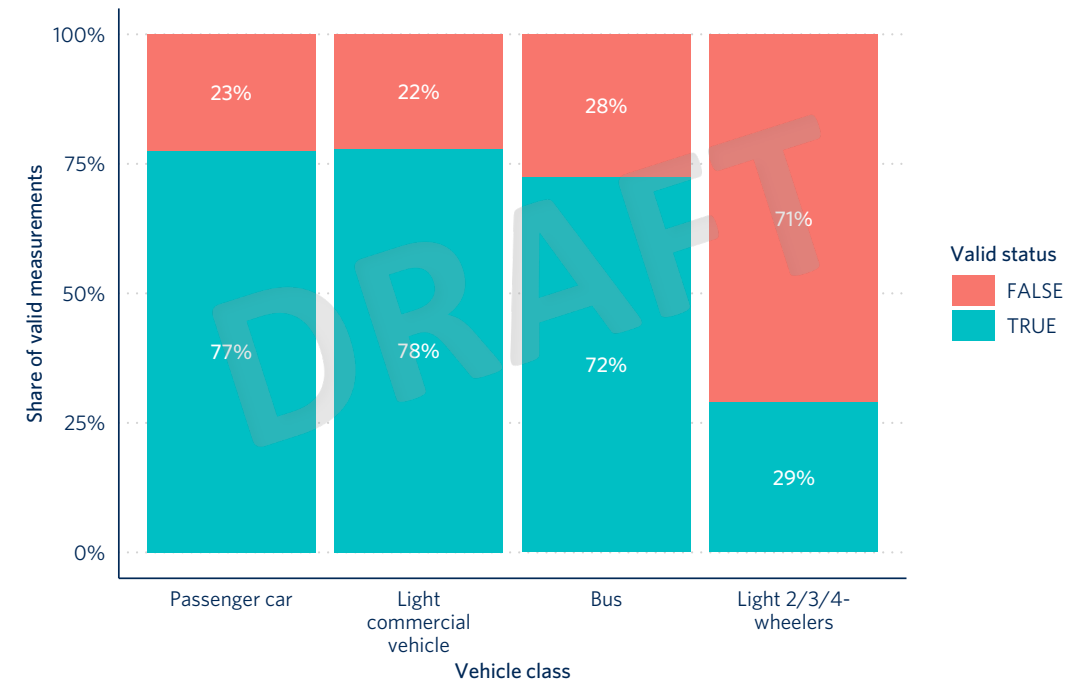
Milan's RS measurements from commercial systems

Fleet measurements

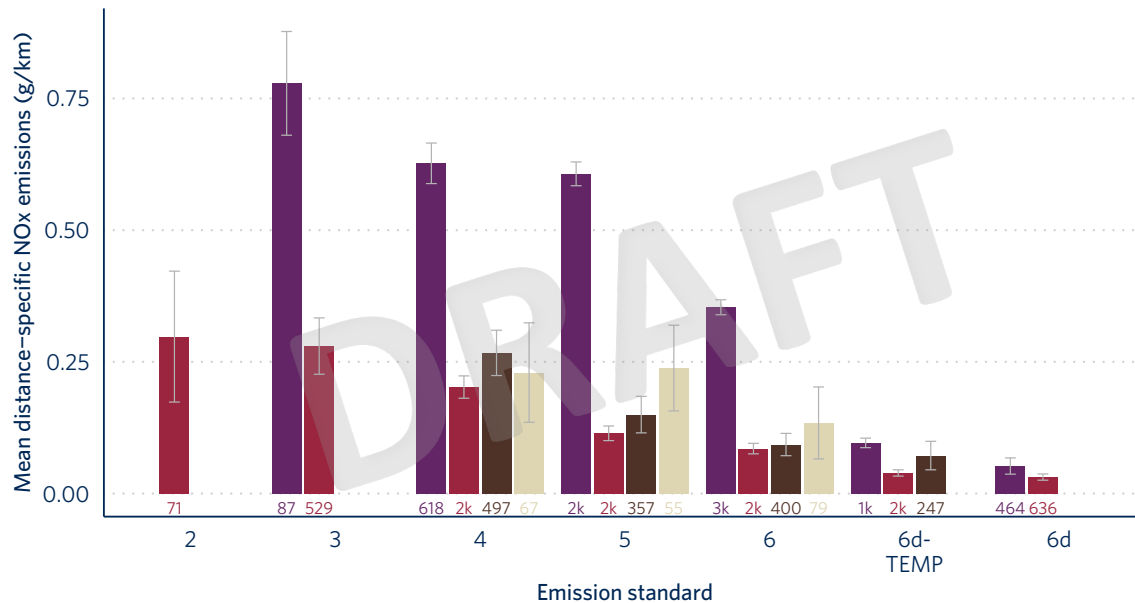
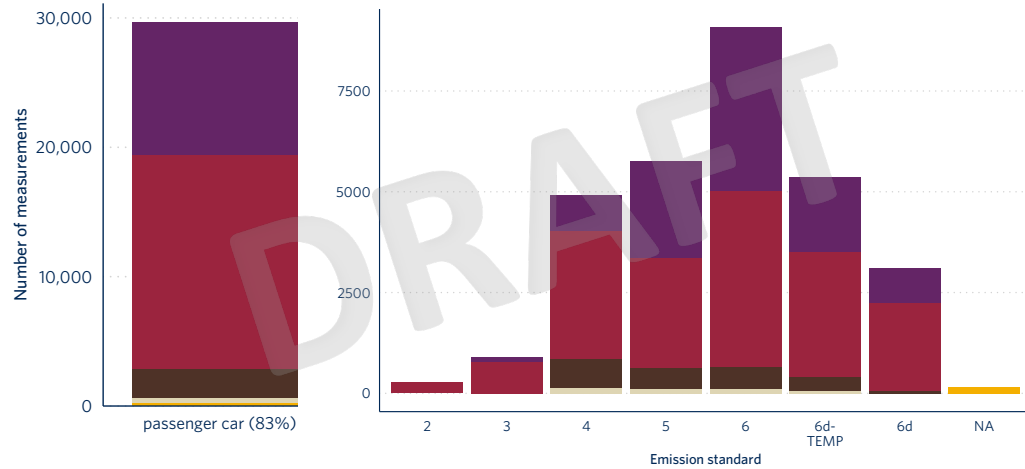


- Passenger car most commonly found
- Significant shares of LPG/CNG vehicles relative to other cities
- Lower share of valid emission measurements of scooters and motorcycles due to driving pattern and small plumes

Emissions measurements



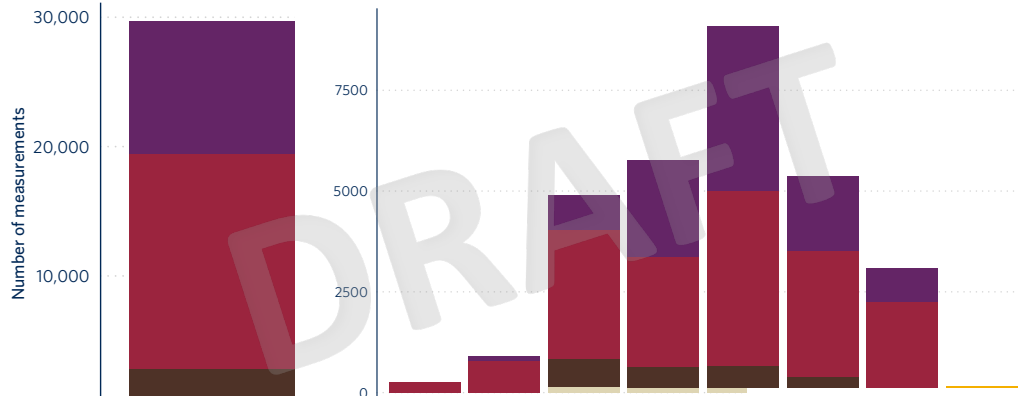
Milan's passenger car emissions



- Fair share of old diesel vehicles (< Euro 6), whose NO_x emissions
 - Multiple times higher than emissions from petrol, LPG, or CNG
 - Do not improve significantly until Euro 6d-TEMP (manufactured after 2019)
- Presence of LPG & CNG vehicles
 - Whose NO_x emissions higher than petrol counterparts
 - Responsible for high CO emissions (LPG) and high HC and CH₄ emissions (CNG)
 - Point sampling results point to the same direction for black carbon and NO_x

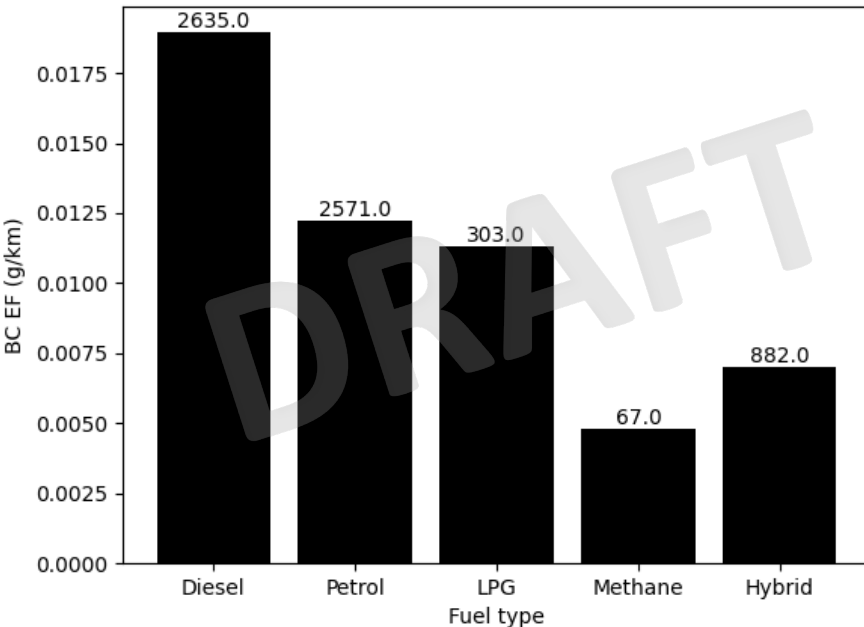


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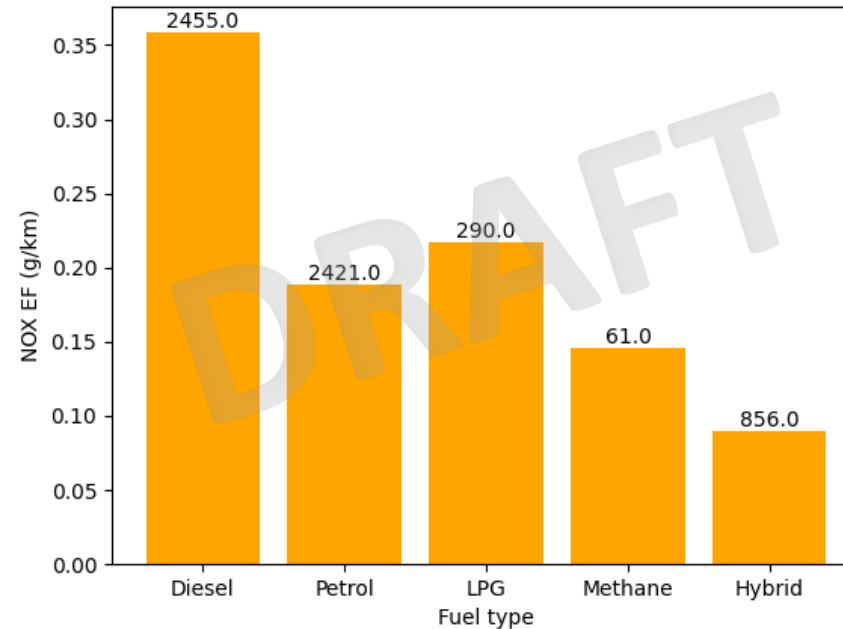


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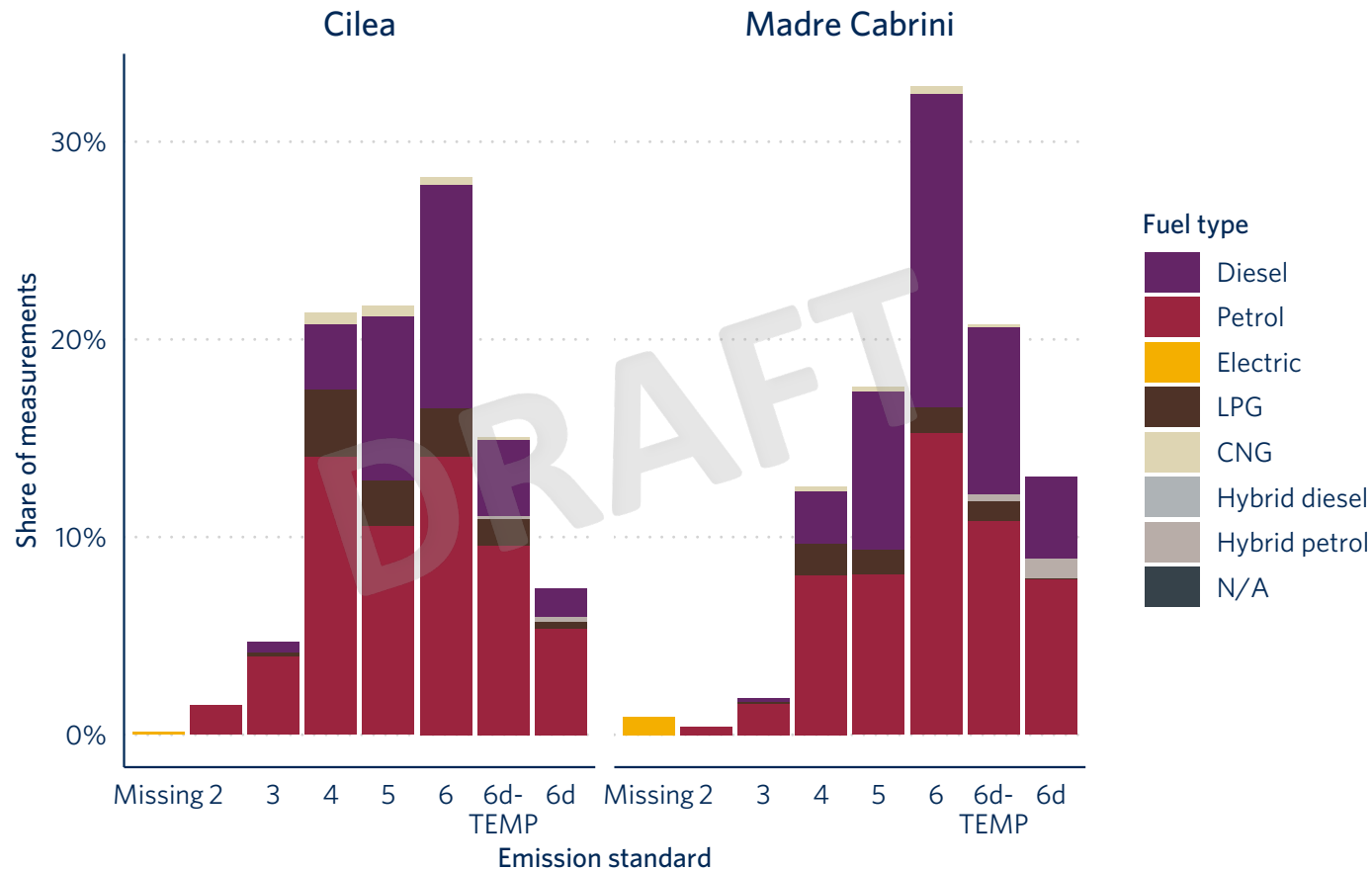


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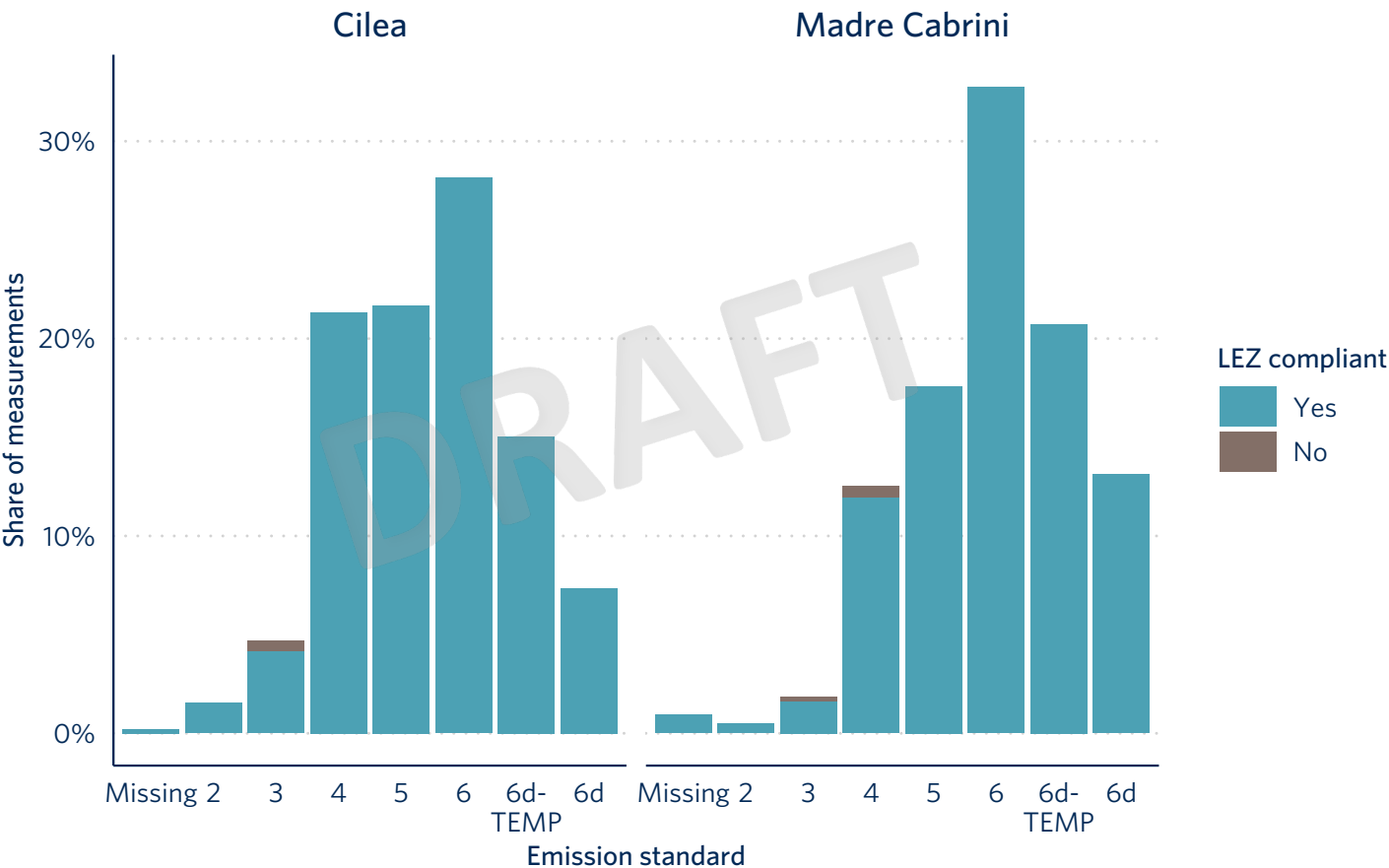
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Impact of Milan's low-emission zone (LEZ)



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- Restrictions in Area C (Via Madre Cabrini)
 - Stricter restrictions of diesel vehicles
 - 2.6% vehicles (mostly diesel) detected were not meeting LEZ requirements
 - 77% Euro 4 equipped with diesel particulate filters
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 - Further restrictions of successive standards (e.g., diesel Euro 6) or other fuels (e.g., LPG/CNG)
 - Expanding hours and days of low-emission zone

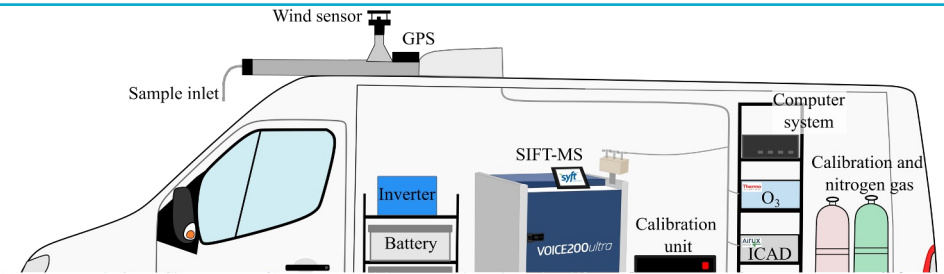
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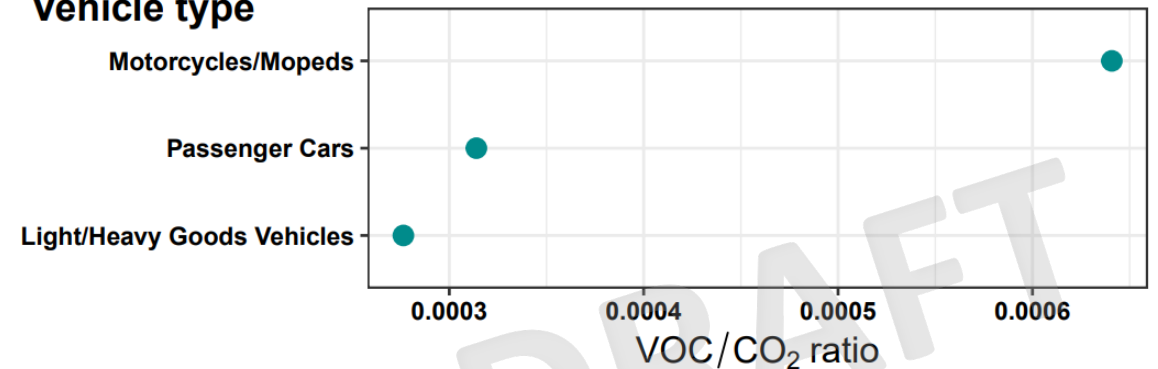
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Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) point sampling & mobile measurements

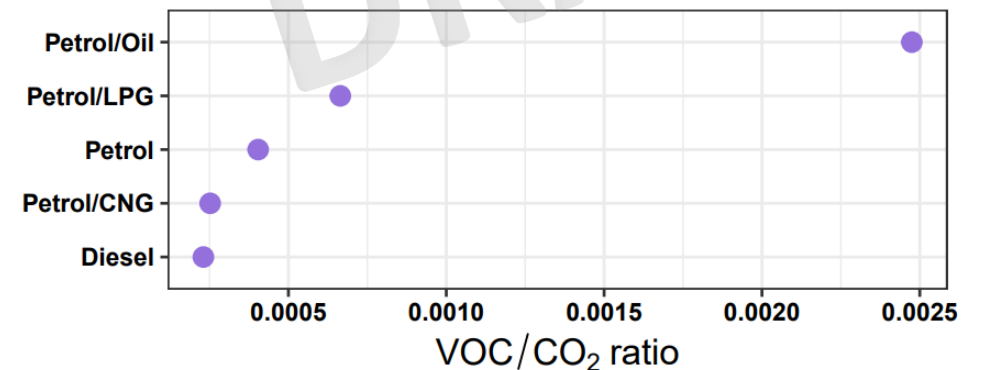
- Mobile laboratory equipped with a Selected-Ion Flow-Tube Mass Spectrometer (SIFT-MS) for sampling of speciated VOCs and other trace gases
- Motorcycles/mopeds and petrol/oil (2 stroke engines) fuel types as important VOC sources in Milan
 - Highest average VOC/CO₂ ratios
 - Motorcycles/mopeds not currently regulated by many LEZs
 - LPG and CNG increasingly popular as we try to reduce our carbon emissions
- Mobile measurements to be followed



Vehicle type



Fuel type



Summary and conclusions

- Various remote sensing techniques that complement each other were used to collect real-world emissions measurements of the Milan fleet.
- Milan is characterized by relatively high activity of vehicles with alternative fuels (LPG and CNG) and motorcycles and mopeds.
- Diesel vehicles manufactured between 2006 and 2014 (Euro 4-5) contribute a large share of NO_x emissions. The next step of the LEZ would address emissions from these vehicles.
- Vehicles run on LPG and CNG show high real-world emissions of NO_x , CO, HC, and black carbon contrary to conventional beliefs.
- Real-world emissions data can be used to better inform policies to reduce emissions in the city.

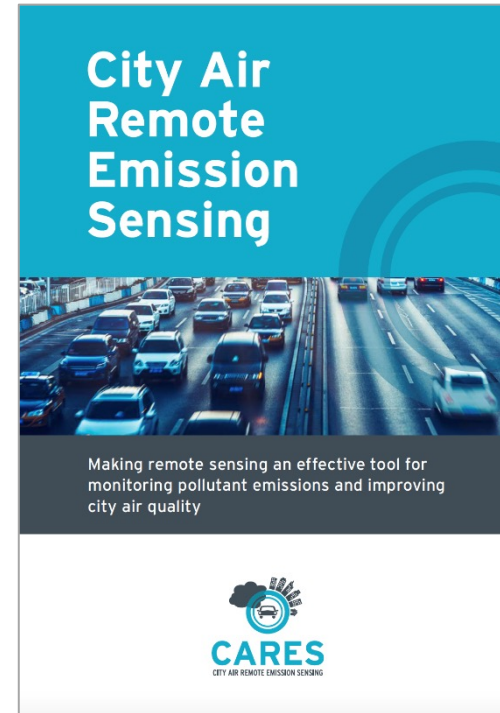
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