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# Particulate Filter Check

by means of a

## Particle test

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# Content presentation



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# 1. Introduction



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- Gerrit Kadijk Bsc (1963), Delft – The Netherlands
- Internal combustion engine and emission engineer
- Researcher/scientist @ TNO (1988 – 2020)
- Owner of Emission Training Services (2021)
- Lecturer at Da Vinci College in Dordrecht (2021)
- Developer of the Dutch Particulate Filter Check (2012 – 2020)



## 2. What's in a name?



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- New PTI-PN emission test procedure
- Fully developed between 2015 and 2020
- Implementation in 2022 in The Netherlands and Belgium
- **A clear dedicated new name is needed for communication purposes.**



## 2. What's in a name?



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- PTI test procedure: **Particulate Filter Check (PFC)**
- PTI emission test: **Particle Test (PT)**
- PTI measuring device: **Particle Number Counter (PNC)**

# 3. Development and implementation PFC



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- 2012-2015 Investigation of improved opacity meters
- 2015-2019 Investigation and specification of particle counter and development of test procedure and limit values.
- 2019-2020 Publication of the specifications of low cost particle counters and calibration procedures
- 2020-2021 Type approvals of particle counters and implementation of PFC in PTI
- 2022 Start execution of the PFC



# Scientific reports of the PFC development



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1. Roadworthiness Test Investigations of Diesel Particulate Filters. TNO 2013 R10160 v3.
2. Roadworthiness Test Investigations of Diesel Particulate Filters on vehicles. TNO 2015 R10307 v2.
3. Investigation into a Periodic Technical Inspection test method to check for presence and proper functioning of Diesel Particulate Filters in light-duty diesel vehicles. TNO 2016 R10735.
4. Investigation into a Periodic Technical Inspection test method to check for presence and proper functioning of Diesel Particulate Filters in light-duty diesel vehicles – part 2. TNO 2017 R10530.
5. Follow-up research into the PN limit value and the measurement method for checking particulate filters with a particle number counter. TNO 2020 R 10006.

Reports to be downloaded on <https://www.pti-pf-test.com/publications>





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## 4. Key elements Dutch PFC

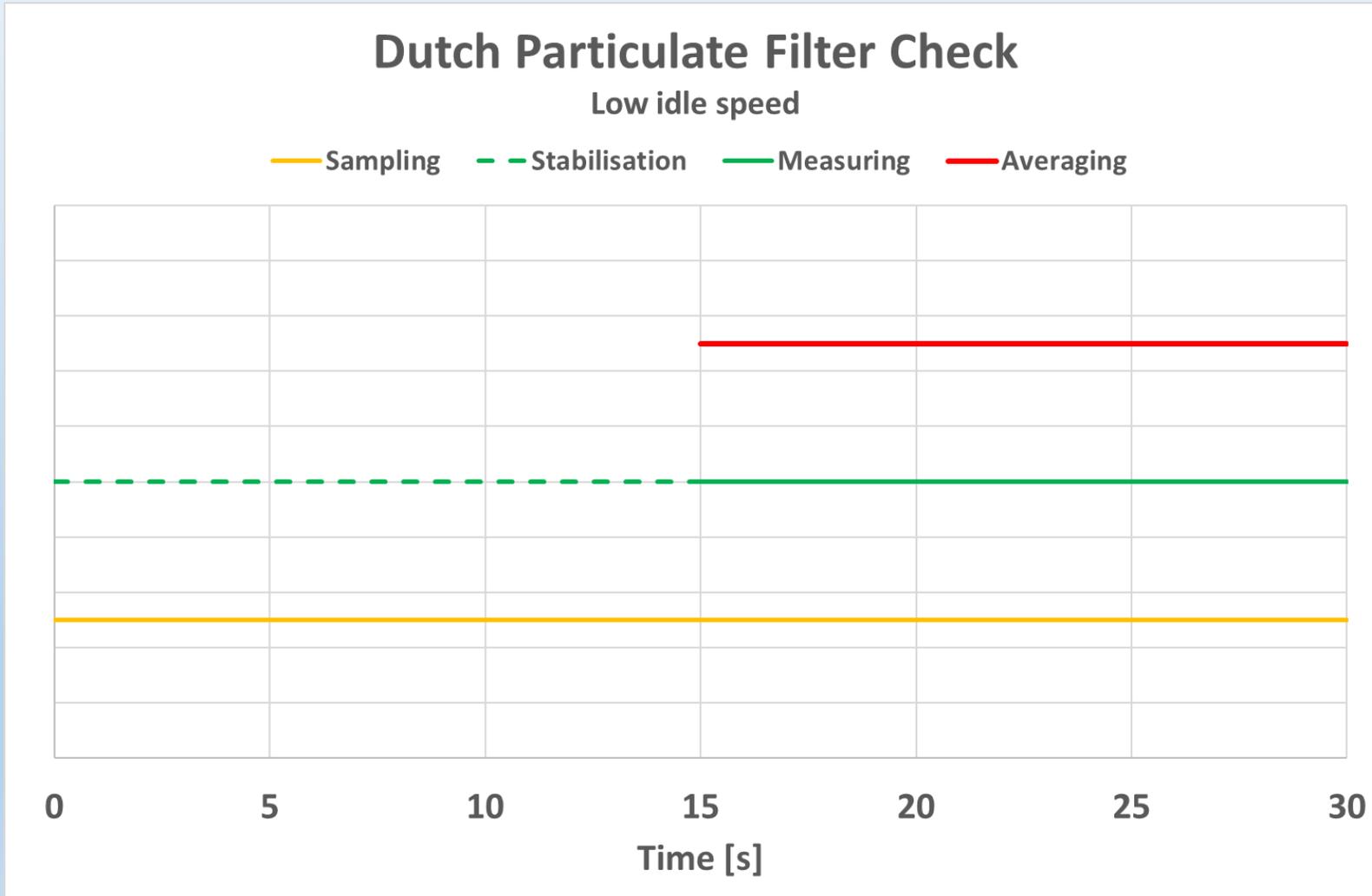
- Road vehicles: Euro 3, 4, 5, 6, VI with a wall flow particulate filter.
- Particle test: low idle speed, measurement of particle number concentration with a **low cost particle counter**.
- Duration of the total test procedure is appr. 90 seconds.
- No preconditioning required (Expected share of vehicles without preconditioning is 90%. The residual 10% must be tested with a warm engine)
- PTI limit value is 1,000,000 #/cm<sup>3</sup>



# 4. Key elements Dutch PFC



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Test procedure PFC:

Data input 20 seconds

Zeroing 20 seconds

Installation probe 10 seconds

Testing 30 seconds

Printing 10 seconds

Total duration 90 seconds.



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## 4. Preconditioning of the PFC

- No preconditioning required but you may precondition the vehicle

(Expected share of vehicles without preconditioning is 90%. The residual 10% must be tested with a warm engine)

- Reference conditions:

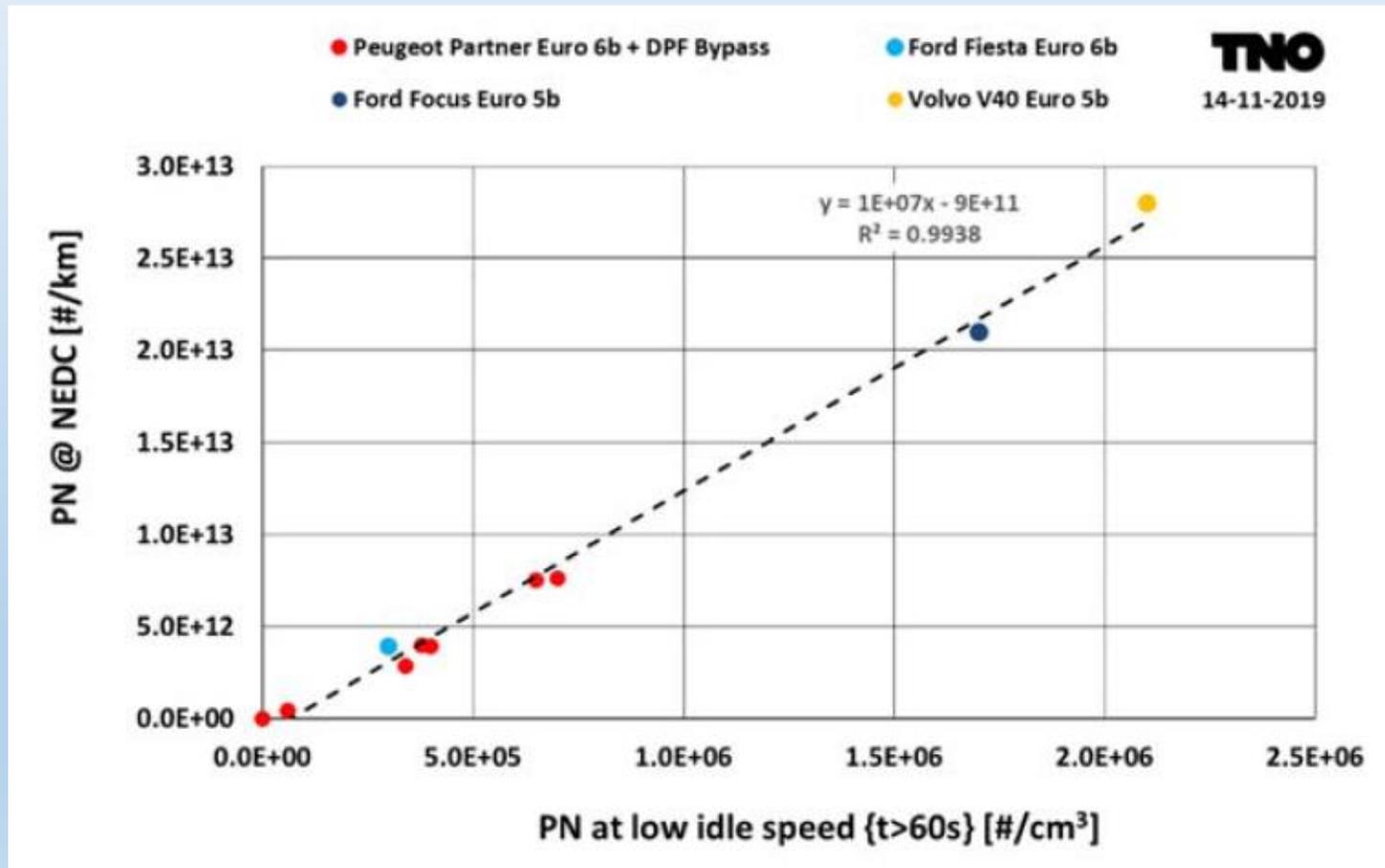
Warm engine, EGR valve closed (manipulation proof) , no DPF-regeneration

- Preconditioning is voluntary because in reference conditions the PN emission at low idle speed is the lowest.
- When a vehicle passes the PTI under random conditions at low idle speed it certainly passes under reference conditions.

# PFC has a very good correlation with NEDC chassis dynamometer test



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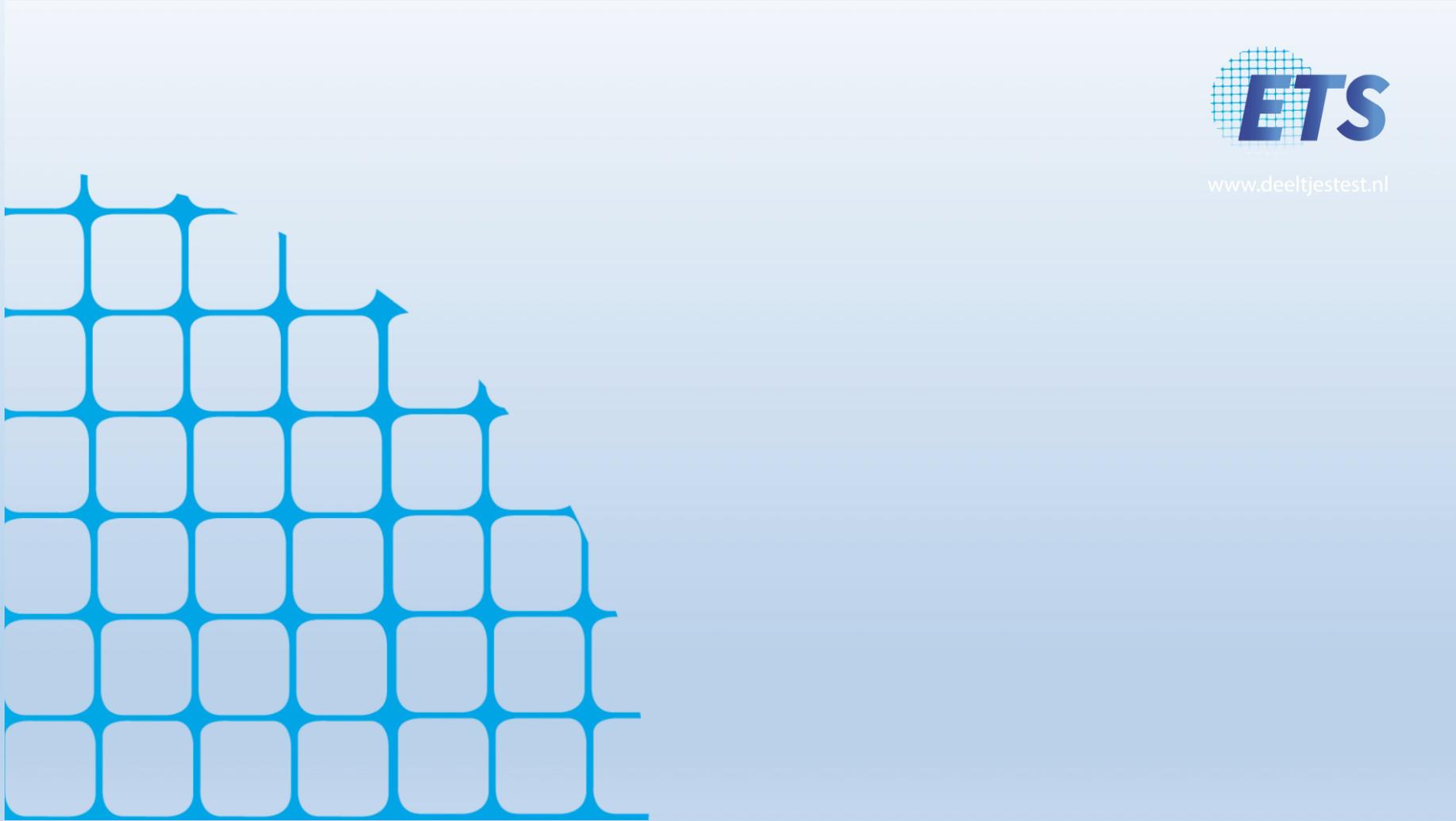
Why is this correlation so good?

A wall flow filter has a very constant filtration efficiency over the flow range.

# 4. Particulate Filter Check demonstration



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# 5. Low cost particle counters



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CPC and DC types

10 potential suppliers

3 particle counters are already type approved by the Dutch metrological institute.

Price range:

€ 4,750 to € 7,000

## 6. New books

Language Dutch

'Roet in beeld'      Launch 15-06-2021

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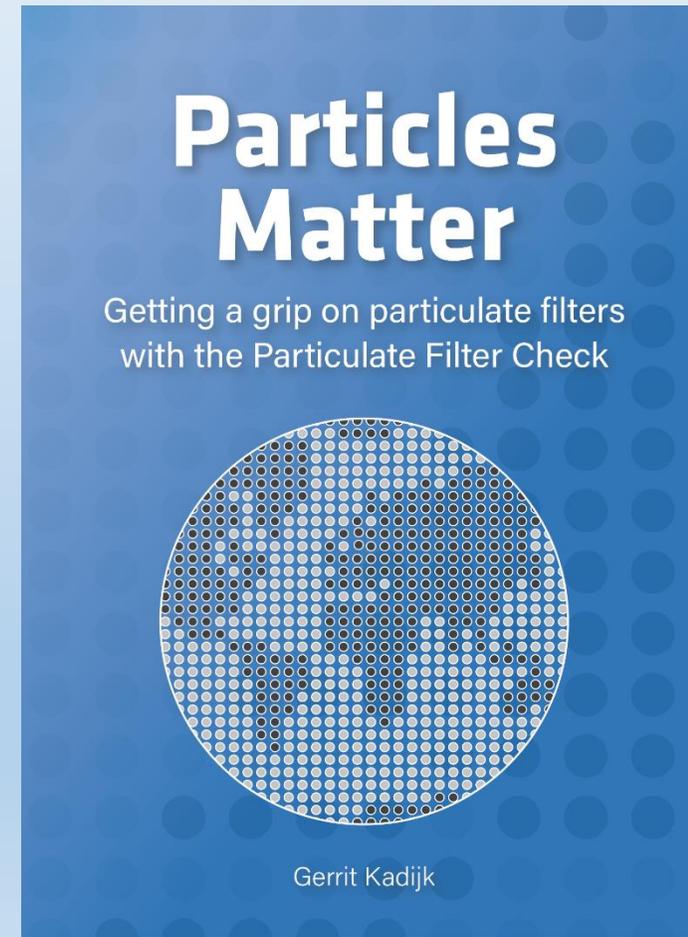
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Language English

### **‘Particles Matter’**

Launch December 2021

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