



SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS OF HYDROGEN FROM REFUELLING STATIONS IN EUROPE

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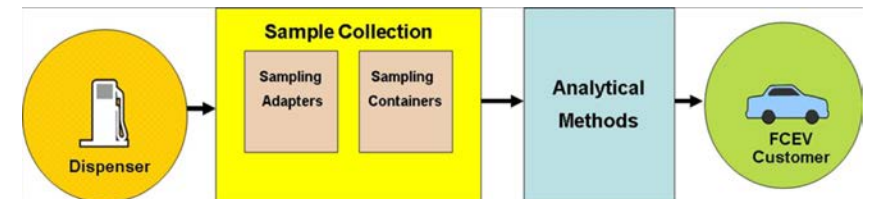
Outline

- Sampling strategies for H₂ from HRS nozzle
 - Methods described by ISO 19880-1 Annex K
 - Sampling cylinders and preparation thereof
- Analysis of H₂ samples
 - Fuel quality requirement as defined by ISO 14687
 - Analytical methods
 - Requirements set by ISO 21087
 - Results from HyCoRA project
 - 28 gas samples, 13 particulate samples collected
 - Comparison of analytical results from two (three) laboratories

Sampling strategies

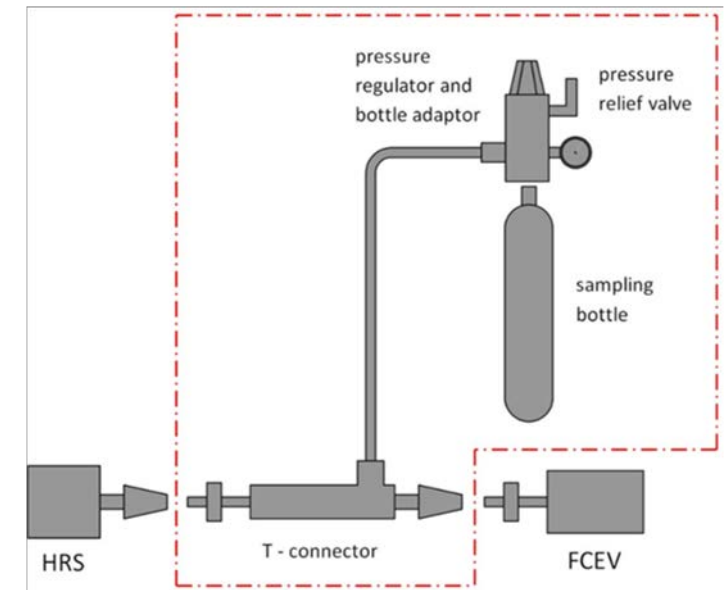
ISO 19880-1 Annex K: Sampling procedures and hardware for hydrogen fuel quality analysis

Method	Sampling time	HRS fueling override	Sink	Sample Cylinder volume (example)	Reference Sample pressure
Gas Parallel	~ 3 min	No*	FCEV or test CHSS	≤ 10 L	< 16 MPa
Gas Serial	< 1 min / cylinder	Yes	Vent system	≤ 2 L	< 7 MPa
Gas Direct	<10 min	Yes	Vent system	47 L	< 12 MPa
Particulate Direct	~ 3 min	Yes	Vent system	not applicable	APRR according to SAE J 2601**
Particulate series	~ 3 min	No *	FCEV or test CHSS	No applicable	APRR according to SAE J 2601**



Gas parallel sampling

- Linde Qualitizer 70 MPa adapter
- FCEV used as sink
- No IrDA
- Normal HRS operation while sampling
- Bleed valve depressurization

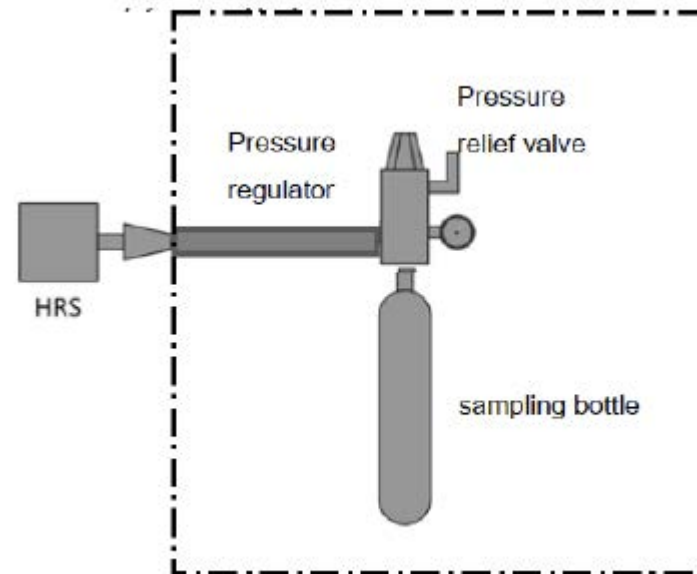


Gas parallel sampling



Gas sampling direct method

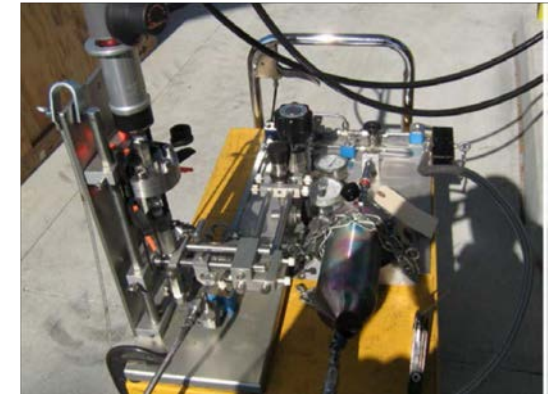
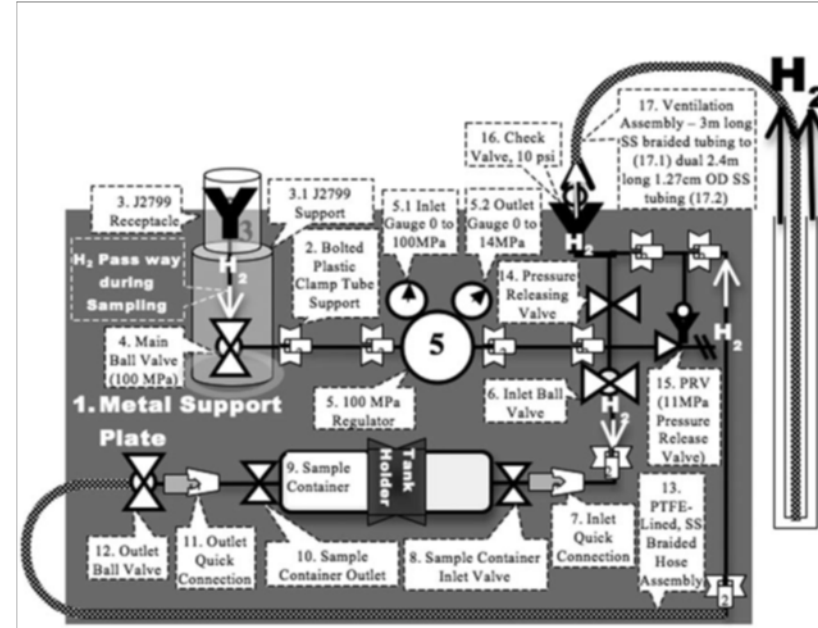
- Japanese approach
- Large volume, low pressure cylinder
- P, T monitoring
- Purging on-site
- HRS override



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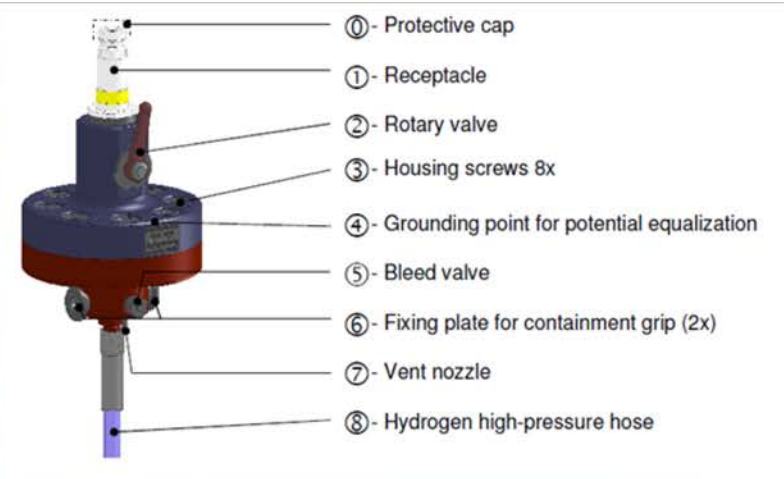
Gas serial sampling

- ASTM D7606-17
- Sample cylinder purge-through
- Sample collected at ca. 7 Mpa
- Venting of large volume of H_2
- HRS override



Particulate sampling

- HYDAC PSA-70
- 70 Mpa sampling
- No IrDA
- Vent valve



Sample cylinders

- Linde Qualitizer throttled to fill 10 L bottle during refuelling
- Linde spectra-seal (lined) cylinder used
- Cylinders prepared by
 - Pressurization to 6-10 bar
 - Evacuation to 2 mbar
 - Repeat sequence 2 times



ISO/DIS 14687 Fuel specification

Constituent	Tolerance limit
Hydrogen fuel quality (minimum mole fraction)	99.97 %
Total non-hydrogen gases	300 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Water	5 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Total hydrocarbons except methane (C1 basis)	2 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Methane (CH_4)	100 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Oxygen (O_2)	5 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Helium (He)	300 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Nitrogen (N_2)	300 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Argon (Ar)	300 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Carbon dioxide (CO_2)	2 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Carbon monoxide (CO)	0.2 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Total sulfur compounds (S1 equivalent)	0.004 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Formaldehyde (HCHO)	0.2 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Formic acid (HCOOH)	0.2 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Ammonia (NH_3)	0.1 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Halogenated compounds (halogen ion eq.)	0.05 $\mu\text{mol} / \text{mol}$
Maximum particulate concentration	1 mg / kg

Analytical methods: Smart Chemistry

Analyte	ASTM	Technique	Pre-concentration
THC (C1), HCHO, C-X	D7892	GC-MS	Cryo/TD/Cryo
He	D1946	GC-TCD	
N ₂ , Ar, O ₂ , H ₂ O, CO ₂	D7649	GC-MS	
CO	D1946	GC-TCD	Cryo
HCO ₂ H, NH ₃ , HCl, HBr, Cl ₂	WK34574(v1)	GC-ELCD	Cryo/TD/Cryo
Total sulfur	D7652	GC-SCD	Cryo/Cryo

Analytical methods: NPL

Analyte	ASTM	Technique	Pre-concentration
Ar, N ₂ , O ₂		GC-PDHID	None
He		GC-TCD	None
CO, CO ₂ , CH ₄ , HCHO, THC		GC-FID	None
H ₂ O		CRDS	None
Total halogenated compounds	(D7892)	TD-GC-MS	Thermal desorption
Total sulfur	*	GC-SCD	None
Formic acid		FTIR	None
Ammonia		UV	

* Downey ML. Et al., <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chroma.2014.11.076>

Analytical methods

- ISO 14687 gives normative reference to ISO 21087
 - Validation of method
 - Selectivity
 - LOD/LOQ
 - Working range
 - Trueness
 - Precision
 - Uncertainty
 - Ruggedness
 - Fit for purpose
 - Sampling strategy
 - Sampling vessels

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**Gas analysis — Analytical methods for hydrogen fuel —
Proton exchange membrane (PEM) fuel cell applications
for road vehicles**

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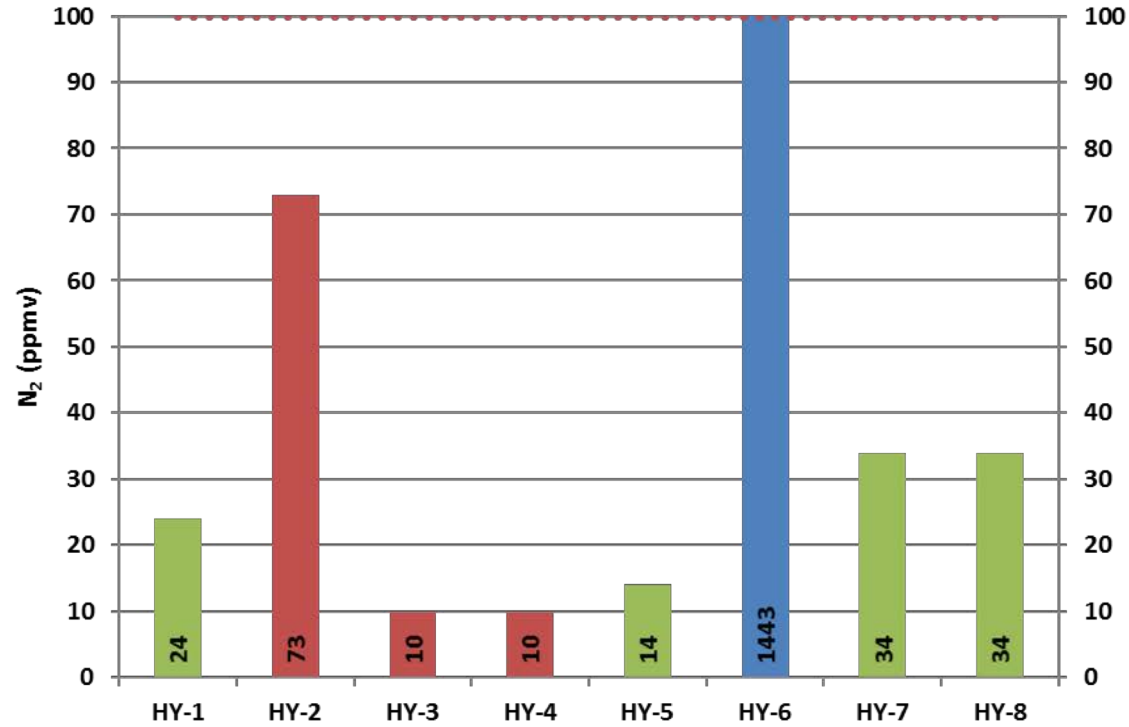
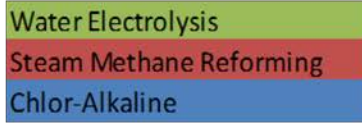
Results from HyCoRA 2014-2017

- 28 gas samples collected from HRS in Europe
- 13 particulate samples
- Analyzed in compliance with SAE J2719 by Smart Chemistry (US)
- 1st campaign: Feedstock diversity
- 2nd campaign: Newly commissioned HRS
- 3rd campaign: No strategy (close to Norway)
 - Samples analyzed by Smart Chemistry, NPL, and SINTEF

1st campaign: feedstock

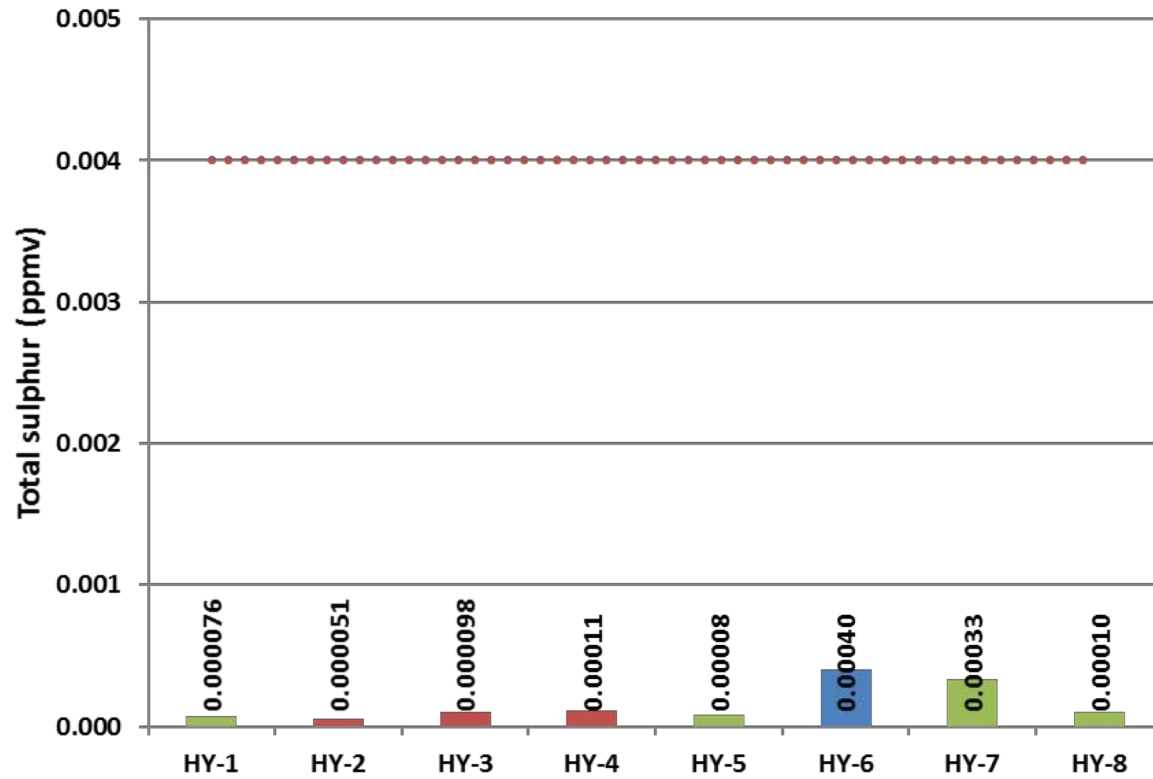
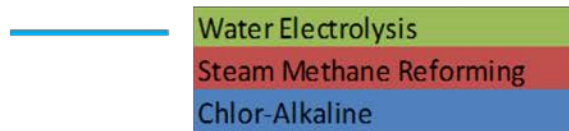
ID	Tol	HY-1	HY-2	HY-3	HY-4	HY-5	HY-6	HY-7	HY-8
Feed		WE	SMR	SMR/BIO	SMR/BIO	WE	CA	WE	WE
Storage		C	C	L	L	C	C	C	C
On-site		Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N
H ₂ O	5	< 1	< 1	< 1	< 1	< 1	2.9	< 1	< 1
THC (C1)	2	0.049	0.17	0.04	0.11	0.14	0.55	0.1	0.048
O ₂	5	3.3	3.5	1.7	2.3	2.4	4.1	5.7	1.1
He	300	< 10	< 10	< 10	54	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10
N ₂ + Ar	100	24	74	10	10	14	1444	34	34
CO ₂	2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	0.20	0.43	< 0.2	< 0.2
CO	0.2	0.0040	0.0033	0.001503	0.000661	0.00096	0.0037	0.0014	0.0015
HCHO	0.01	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
CHOOH	0.2	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005	< 0.005
NH ₃	0.1	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
TS	0.004	0.000076	0.000051	0.000098	0.00011	0.00008	0.0004	0.00033	0.0001
TX	0.05	0.020	0.013	0.022	0.019	0.018	0.019	0.019	0.028
FI (%)	99.97	99.9973	99.9923	99.9988	99.9934	99.9983	99.8551	99.9960	99.9965

1st campaign: N₂ fuel dilution



ID	Tol	HY-1	HY-2	HY-3	HY-4	HY-5	HY-6	HY-7	HY-8
O ₂	5	3.3	3.5	1.7	2.3	2.4	4.1	5.7	1.1
He	300	< 10	< 10	< 10	54	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10
N ₂	100	24	73	10	10	14	1443	34	34
Ar		< 0.5	0.75	< 0.5	< 0.5	< 0.5	0.67	0.46	< 0.5
Sum		27	77	12	66	16	1448	40	35

1st campaign: sulfur distribution

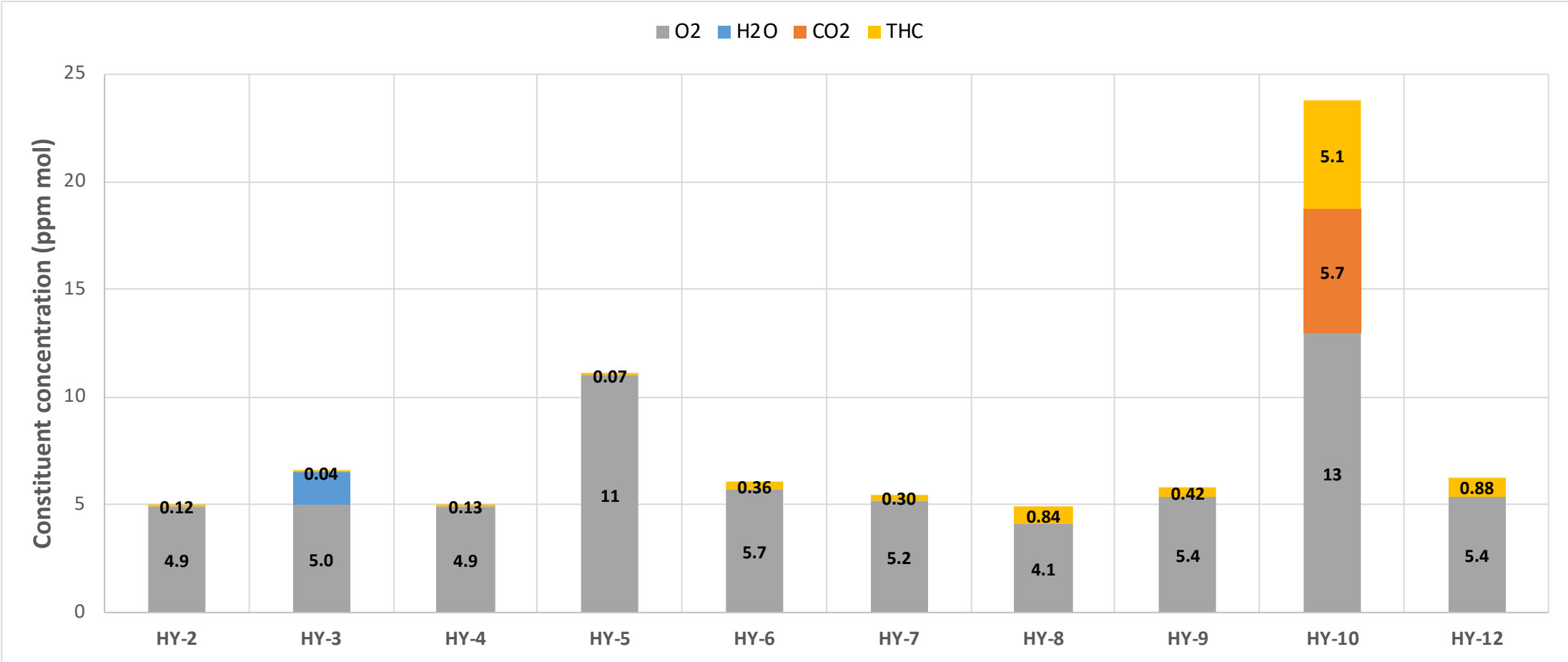


ID		HY-1	HY-2	HY-3	HY-4	HY-5	HY-6	HY-7	HY-8
TS	ppmv	0.000076	0.000051	0.000098	0.00011	0.000080	0.000400	0.000330	0.00010
H ₂ S	frac	0.25	0.37	0.23	0.19	0.30	0.22	0.27	0.39
COS	frac	0.36	0.29	0.59	0.35	0.28	0.38	0.30	0.39
CS ₂	frac	0.38	0.33	0.17	0.50	0.43	0.25	0.42	0.23

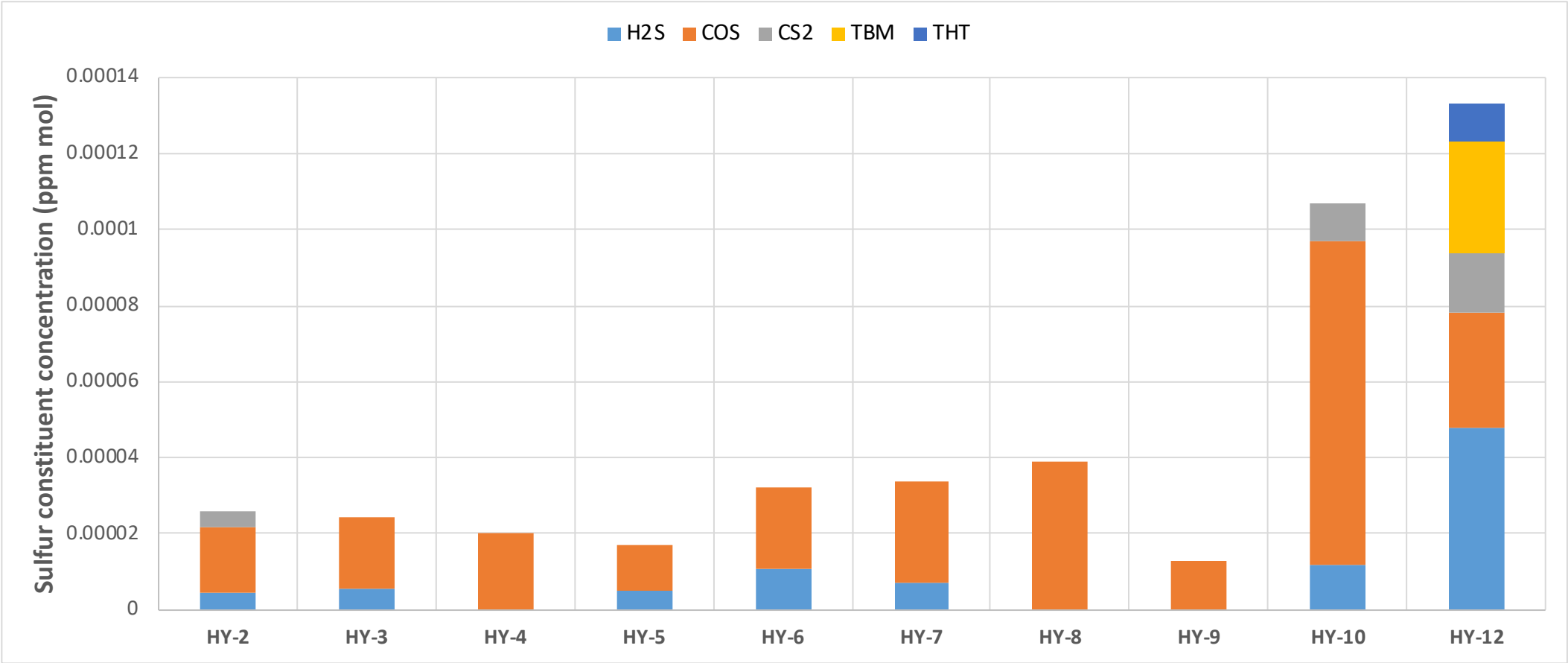
2nd campaign: commissioning

ppm mol	HY-2	HY-3	HY-4	HY-5	HY-6	HY-7	HY-8	HY-9	HY-10	HY-12	LOD	Tol
Commissioned	2013	2015	2015	2015	2015	2016	2016	2015	2015	2016		
Fuel Index	99.99396	99.99750	99.99259	99.99634	99.99371	99.99384	99.99199	99.96163	99.95574	99.99180		99.97
H2O		1.5									1	5
THC (C1)	0.12	0.04	0.13	0.07	0.36	0.30	0.84	0.42	5.1	0.88		2
O2	4.9	5.0	4.9	11	5.7	5.2	4.1	5.4	13	5.4	1	5
He			51		40						10	300
N2 & Ar	56	19	16	26	18	56	75	378	419	76		100
N2	55	19	16	26	18	56	75	378	416	76	5	
Ar	0.57								3.1		0.4	
CO2									5.7		0.1	2
CO	0.0047	0.0011	0.0040	0.0014	0.0048	0.0032	0.0025	0.0016	0.015	0.0023	0.0005	0.2
TS	0.000026	0.000024	0.000020	0.000017	0.000032	0.000034	0.000039	0.000013	0.00011	0.00015		0.004
HCHO											0.001	0.01
HCOOH											0.001	0.2
NH3											0.01	0.1
TH	0.00048	0.0019	0.00042	< 0.001	0.00048	0.026	0.015	0.023	0.0033	0.0049		0.05

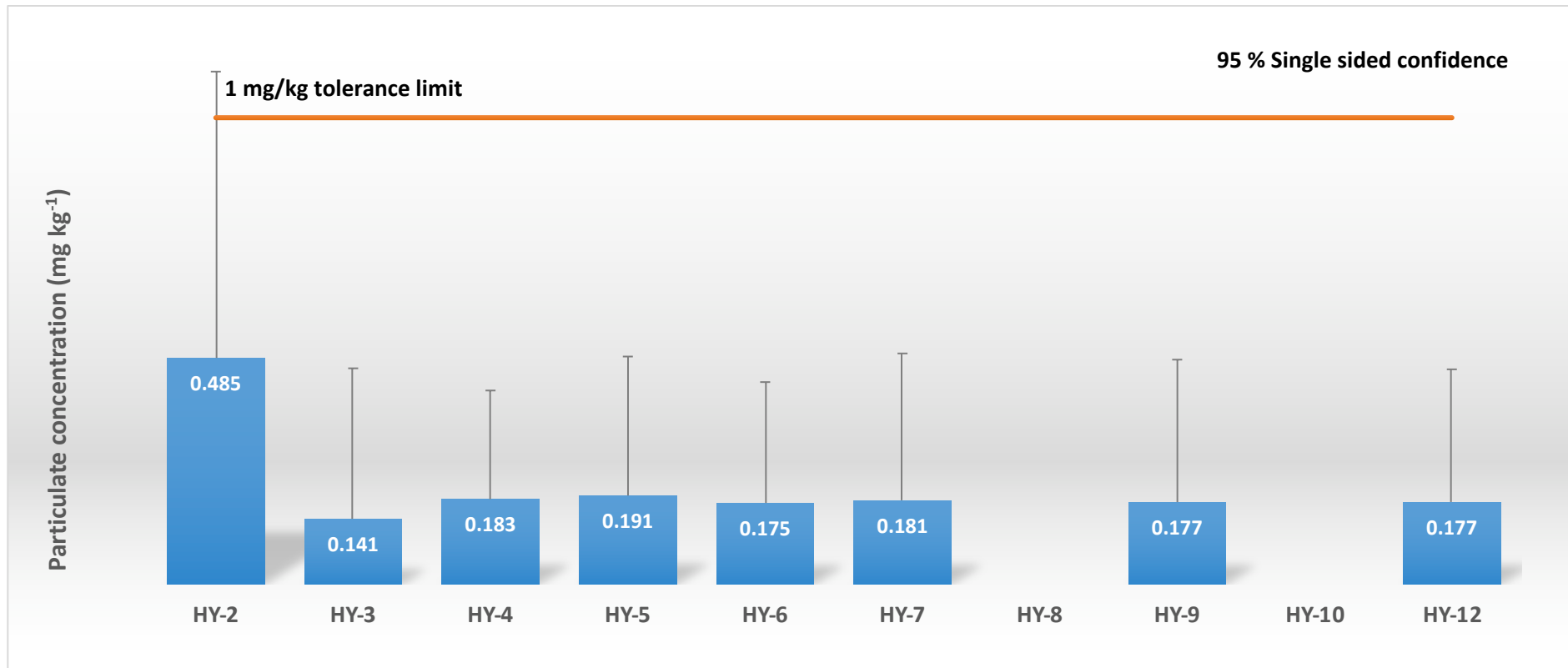
2nd campaign: oxygen



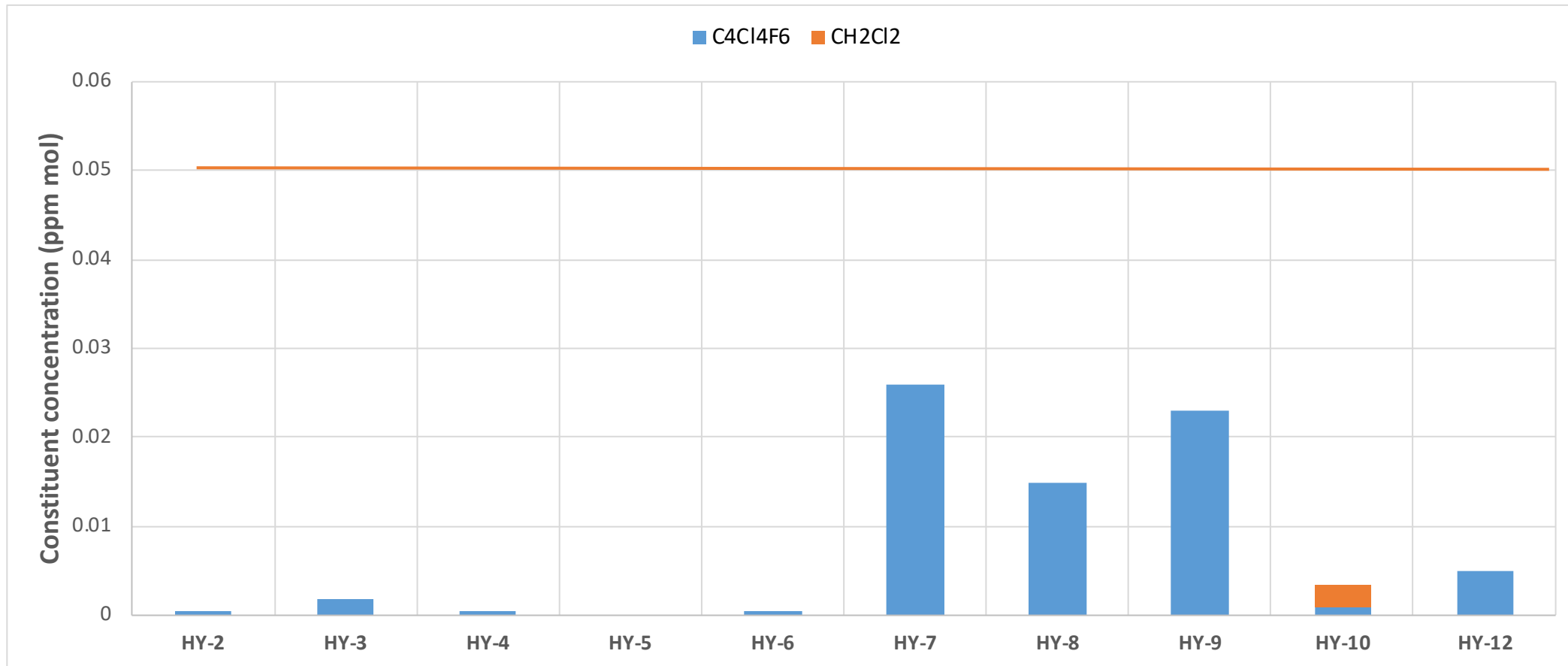
2nd campaign: sulfur



2nd campaign: Particulates



2nd campaign: halogen compounds



3rd campaign: Scandinavian

Country	HY-1 NO	HY-2 NO	HY-3 NO	HY-4 NO	HY-5 DK	HY-6 DK	HY-7 SE	HY-8 SE	HY-9 NO	HY-10 NO	LOD	Tol
Fuel Index	99.99894	99.999	99.99803	99.94969	99.99539	99.99457	99.99719	99.99866	99.99781	99.99714		99.97
H2O				1.3							1	5
THC (C1)	0.22	1.7	1	47	1.2	0.27	0.42	0.15	0.8	0.72		2
THC (C1 - CH4)	0.01	1.1	0.53	30	0.98	0.04	0.09	0.03	0.22	0.53		
Methane	0.21	0.6	0.47	17	0.22	0.23	0.33	0.12	0.58	0.2		
Ethane				5.6	0.87	0.016	0.01		0.11			
Propane	0.003	0.018	0.013	8.7	0.028	0.014	0.025	0.011	0.017	0.025		
O2			4.10	1.8	3.1	4.8	3.4		4.2	4.4	1	5
He	10							13			10	300
N2 & Ar		8	15	452	41	49	24	0	17	23		100
N2		8.3	15	448	41	49	24		17	23	5	
Ar				4.3	0.48	0.41				0.4	0.4	
CO2				0.37			0.36			0.2	0.1	2
CO	0.0022	0.001	0.00087	0.0093	0.003	0.0017	0.0015	0.0027	0.0035	0.0023	0.0005	0.2
TS	0.000016	0.00001	0.000016	0.000004	0.000015	0.000016	0.00002	0.000022	0.000017	0.000018		0.004
HCHO											0.001	0.01
HCOOH											0.001	0.2
NH3											0.01	0.1
TH	0.00067	0.0026	0.0037	0.0062	0.0028	0.0035	0.002	0.0038	0.0042	0.01		0.05
C4Cl4F6	0.00067	0.0026	0.0037	0.0062	0.0028	0.0035	0.002	0.0038	0.0042	0.0100	0.001	

3rd campaign: laboratory comparison

	#1		#2		#4			#5		#6	
	SC	NPL	SC	NPL	SC	NPL	SINTEF	SC	NPL	SC	NPL
Water	< 1	2.93	< 1	2.51	1.3	13.2		< 1	3.44	< 1	1.38
Nitrogen	< 5	4.8	8.3	18.3	452	579		41.0	89.3	49.4	87.7
Argon	< 0.4	< 1	< 0.4	< 1	4.3	< 1		0.48	< 1	0.51	< 1
Helium	10	< 20	< 10	< 20	< 10	< 20		< 10	< 20	< 10	< 20
Oxygen	< 1	0.59	< 1	0.67	1.8	< 0.5		3.1	4.84	4.8	0.272
Carbon dioxide	< 0.1	< 0.02	< 0.1	< 0.02	0.37	0.316	0.250	< 0.1	0.0306	< 0.1	< 0.02
Carbon monoxide	0.0022	< 0.02	0.0010	< 0.02	0.0093	< 0.02		0.0030	< 0.02	0.0017	< 0.02
Methane	0.21	< 0.02	0.60	0.0491	17	14.28	12	0.22	0.242	< 0.2	< 0.02
Ethane					5.6	319	400				
Propane					8.7	0.117	1				
N-butane					15	0.46	1				
Total hydrocarbons	0.22	< 0.02	1.7	< 0.02	47	> 200		1.2	< 0.02	0.27	< 0.02
Total Sulfur	0.000016	< 0.001	0.000010	< 0.001	0.0000042	< 0.001		0.000015	< 0.001	0.000016	< 0.001
Total halogenates	0.00067	< 0.052	0.0026	< 0.052	0.0062	< 0.052		0.0028	< 0.052	0.0035	< 0.052

Sample carry-over?

- No indications

Country	SC2 HY-10 SE	SC3 HY-2 NO
Fuel Index	99.95574	99.999
H2O	ND	
THC (C1)	5.1	1.7
Methane	5.0	0.6
Acetone	0.045	
Ethane		
EtOH		
Isopropyl Alcohol		
Propane	0.066	0.018
Toluene	0.0027	
Isobutane		1.1
N-Butane		
Isobutene		
O2	13	
He		
N2 & Ar	419	8
N2	416	8.3
Ar	3.1	
CO2	5.7	
CO	0.015	0.001
TS	0.00011	0.00001
HCHO		
CH3COOH		
NH3		
TH	0.0033	0.0026
Cl2		
HCl		
HBr		
C2Cl2	0.0023	
C4Cl4F6	0.0010	0.0026

Country	SC1 HY-6 NO	SC2 HY-6 DE
Fuel Index	99.8551	99.99371
H2O	2.9	ND
THC (C1)	0.55	0.36
Me	0.093	0.18
Ac	0.0078	0.0069
Ethane	0.38 NA	
EtOH	0.0038	0.017
Isoprop	0.0036 NA	
Propane	0.063	
Toluene	NA	0.0032
O2	4.1	5.7
He		40
N2 & Ar	1444	18
N2	1443	18
Ar	0.67	
CO2	0.43	
CO	0.0037	0.0048
TS	0.00040	0.000032
H2S	0.000086	0.000011
COS	0.00015	0.000021
MTM		
ETM		
DMS	0.0001	
TH	0.038	0.00048
TOH	0.019	
C4Cl4F6	0.019	0.00048

Conclusions

- Good sampling strategy
 - Need FCEV coordination
- Hydrogen fuel quality generally good
 - Few violations observed since 2012
- Significant impurity levels observed for
 - N₂, He
 - O₂, CO₂, H₂O, THC
 - C₄Cl₄F₆
- Impurities does not correlate with H₂ feedstock
- No correlation between commissioning date and fuel quality found
 - Maintenance schedule probably important

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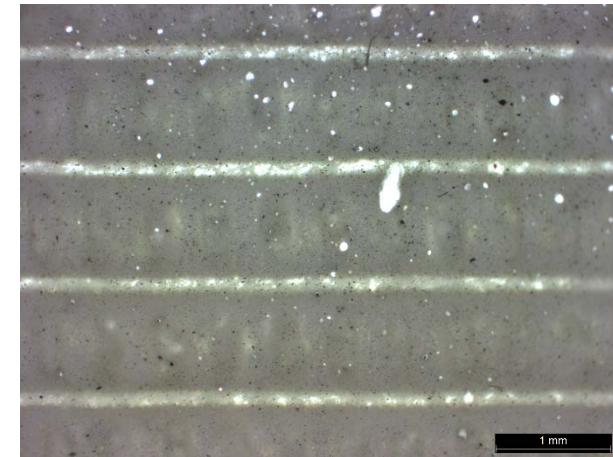




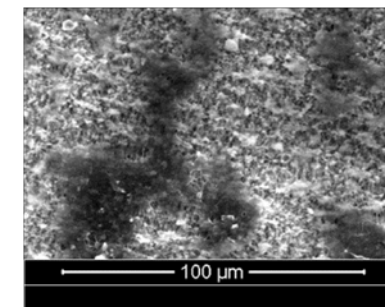
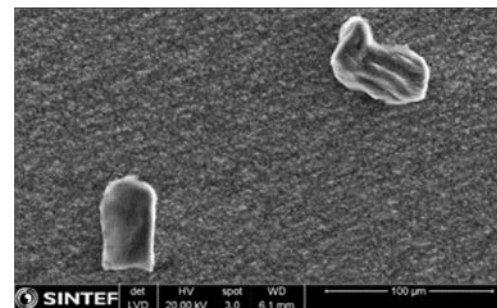
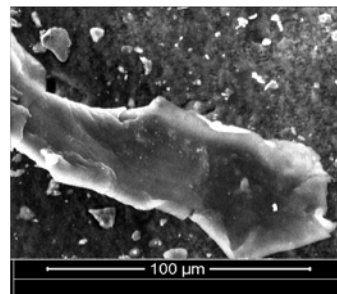
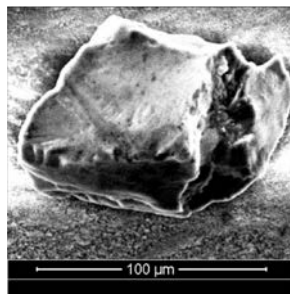
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Results: particulates

Filter	Total	Stainless steel	Ni-P	Other metals	Oxides	Organic particles	Organic residues
HY-2	medium	+	+	+	+	+	+
HY-3	low	-	-	-	+	++	-
HY-4	medium	+	++	+	+	++	++
HY-5	low	-	-	+	+	++	-
HY-6	medium	+	++	+	-	++	++
HY-7	low	+	-	+	-	++	-
HY-8	low	-	-	-	+	+	-
HY-9	low	-	++	-	+	-	+
HY-10	low	++	+	-	+	+	-
HY-12	high	+	++	-	+	+	-



0.2 µm PTFE filter penetration



Uncertainty

	RSD	HY-2	HY-3	HY-4	HY-5	HY-6	HY-7	HY-8	HY-9	HY-10	HY-12
Fuel Index											
H2O			9.8								
THC (C1)											
O2	4.9	17	7.0	15	5.8	7.9	12	8.4	15	8.1	
He			6.2			1.2					
N2 & Ar											
N2	2.9	12	9.1	18	17	2.3	0.53	2.7	7.6	3.7	
Ar	6.5								11		
CO2									8.7		
CO											
TS											
HCHO											
HCOOH											
NH3											
TH											