

# Inter-laboratory interior air quality test results

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The quantitative content of pollutants in the air of the passenger compartment is determined with using of gas analyzers working on the basis of the methods described in VIAQ-12-08.

It is important to establish how the results of on-line and stationary analysis are reproduced during of same test modes.

Only measurements of nitrogen oxide and dioxide were compared during these tests.

Quantitative measurements of carbon monoxide can be carried out only on-line, since it is always possible to select CO - analyzer with the required technical characteristics reliable in road conditions and having small dimensions, which is also an important factor.

Measurement data of nitrogen oxide and dioxide with using of on-line and stationary determination with preliminary air sampling in the bags are shown in Table 1.

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Table 1. Measurement data of nitrogen oxide and dioxide with using of on-line and stationary determination with preliminary air sampling into the bags

| Test vehicle | Test mode/<br>Fuel | Cate<br>gory | Test date  | NO, mg/m <sup>3</sup>      |                                 |   | NO <sub>2</sub> , mg/m <sup>3</sup> |                               |  |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------|------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
|              |                    |              |            | On-line<br>analysis,<br>Re | Stationary<br>analysis,<br>R st | Relative<br>difference<br>of defi-<br>nition,**.<br>RDD,% | On-line<br>analysis                 | Stationary<br>analysis        | Relative<br>difference<br>of<br>definition,% |
| Vehicle 1    | Idle/petrol        | M1           | 2.04.2017  | 0,035                      | 0,026                           | 29,5  | 0,001                               | 0,001                         | 0,0  |
| Vehicle 2    | Idle/petrol        | M1           | 3.04.2014  | 0,001                      | 0,001                           | 0,0   | 0,005                               | 0,004                         | 22,2   |
| Vehicle 3    | Idle/diesel        | M1           | 4.04.2014  | 0,017                      | 0,033                           | 64,0  | 0,010                               | 0,004                         | 0,0  |
| Vehicle 4    | Idle/diesel        | M1           | 07.04.2014 | 0,140                      | 0,164                           | 15,8  | 0,008                               | 0,012                         | 40,0   |
| Vehicle 5    | Idle/petrol        | M1           | 08.04.2014 | 0,002                      | 0,002<br>0,002 <sup>(1)</sup>   | 0,0   | 0,005                               | 0,005<br>0,006 <sup>(1)</sup> | 0,0  |
| Vehicle 6    | Idle/petrol        | M1           | 9.04.2014  | 0,001                      | 0,001                           | 0,0   | 0,004                               | 0,005                         | 22,2   |
| Vehicle 7    | Idle/diesel        | M1           | 10.04.2014 | 0,129                      | 0,133                           | 3,1   | 0,004                               | 0,007                         | 54,5   |

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Table continuation

| Test vehicle | Test mode/<br>Fuel | Cate-<br>gory | Test date  | NO, mg/m <sup>3</sup>      |                                |   | NO <sub>2</sub> , mg/m <sup>3</sup> |                               |  |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
|              |                    |               |            | On-line<br>analysis,<br>Re | Stationary<br>analysis,<br>Rst | Relative<br>difference<br>of defi-<br>nition,**.<br>RDD,% | On-line<br>analysis                 | Stationary<br>analysis        | Relative<br>difference<br>of<br>definition,% |
| Vehicle 10   | Idle/petrol        | M1            | 21.04.2014 | 0,010                      | 0,013                          | 26,1  | 0,014                               | 0,017                         | 19,4   |
| Vehicle 11   | Idle/diesel        | M1            | 22.04.2014 | 0,087                      | 0,081                          | 7,1   | 0,001                               | 0,002                         | 66,7   |
| Vehicle 12   | Idle/petrol        | N1            | 23.04.2014 | 0,005                      | 0,001                          | 133,3   | 0,022                               | 0,032<br>0,025 <sup>(1)</sup> | 37,0   |
| Vehicle 13   | Idle/petrol        | M1            | 23.04.2014 | 0,007                      | 0,007<br>0,011 <sup>(1)</sup>  | 0,0   | 0,001                               | 0,001<br>0,001 <sup>(1)</sup> | 0,0  |
| Vehicle 14   | Idle/petrol        | M1            | 5.06.2014  | 0,005                      | 0,001                          | 133,3   | 0,002                               | 0,004                         | 66,7   |
| Vehicle 15   | Idle/diesel        | M1            | 30.05.2014 | 0,012                      | 0,019                          | 45,4  | 0,276                               | 0,270                         | 2,2  |

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| Test vehicle | Test mode/<br>Fuel      | Cate-<br>gory | Test date  | NO, mg/m <sup>3</sup>      |                                |   | NO <sub>2</sub> , mg/m <sup>3</sup> |                        |  |
|--------------|-------------------------|---------------|------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--|
|              |                         |               |            | On-line<br>analysis,<br>Re | Stationary<br>analysis,<br>Rst | Relative<br>difference<br>of defi-<br>nition,**.<br>RDD,% | On-line<br>analysis                 | Stationary<br>analysis | Relative<br>difference<br>of<br>definition,% |
| Vehicle 18   | Idle/petrol<br>V-50km/h | M1            | 21.10.2014 | 0,012                      | 0,010                          | 18,2  | 0,024                               | 0,019                  | 23,3   |
|              |                         |               |            | 0,001                      | 0,005                          | 133,3   | 0,032                               | 0,024                  | 28,6   |
| Vehicle 19   | Idle/petrol             | M1            | 7.11.2014  | 0,051                      | 0,045                          | 12,5  | 0,012                               | 0,012                  | 0,0  |
| Vehicle 20   | Idle/petrol<br>V-50km/h | M1G           | 23.10.2014 | 0,094                      | 0,090                          | 4,3   | 0,061                               | 0,051                  | 17,9   |
|              |                         |               |            | 0,002                      | 0,002                          | 0,0   | 0,063                               | 0,060                  | 4,9  |

Note . \* The average reading of the measured component in 20 minutes, mg/m<sup>3</sup> ;

(1- the result of measurement from the bag after storage of the sample during 24 h, mg/m<sup>3</sup> );

\*\* Relative difference of definition  $RDD = (Re - Rst) / ((Re + Rst) / 2)$ .



## Conclusion (inter-laboratory test 1, 2014-2017)

As can be seen, in the course of long-term tests conducted during 2014, a good convergence of quantitative measurements of nitrogen oxides was achieved with using both on-line and stationary measurements. When the relative difference in measurements, exceeded 25%, the compared results were of the same order (0.004 and 0.007, 0.005 and 0.001; 0.001 and 0.002, etc.) mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

The nitrogen oxides emissions of 2 category M1 test cars with gasoline and diesel engines were determined during several modes (idling, movement with different speeds and acceleration) at different positions of the ventilation system and are shown in Tables 2 and 3.

The inter laboratory reproducibility of measurement results of chemiluminescent analyzers P-310A and CLD-60 was evaluated at on-line in this work.

The readings of gas analyzers R 310A and CLD60 were taken during on-line measurements when these MT was at the board of test vehicles.

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Table 2. Comparison the results of measurements nitrogen oxide and dioxide obtained during on-line analysis . Test vehicle category M1, diesel engine. Test date 5 February

| Test modes                                  | Position of ventilation system |     | NO, mg/m <sup>3</sup> |        | NO <sub>2</sub> , mg/m <sup>3</sup> |        |
|---|--------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|--------|
|   |                                |     | Model of gas analyzer |        | Model of gas analyzer               |        |
|   |                                |     | R 310A                | CLD 60 | R 310A                              | CLD 60 |
| Idling                                      | Recirculaton                   | OFF | 0,254                 | 0,244  | 0,012                               | 0,014  |
|   | Ventilation                    | ON  |                       |        |                                     |        |
|   | Recirculaton                   | ON  | 0,236                 | 0,380  | 0,003                               | 0,005  |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        |
| V – 50 km/h                                 | Recirculaton                   | OFF | 0,003                 | 0,006  | 0,003                               | 0,006  |
|   | Ventilation                    | ON  |                       |        |                                     |        |
|   | Recirculaton                   | ON  | 0,003                 | 0,004  | 0,003                               | 0,004  |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        |
| V – 90 km/h                                 | Recirculaton                   | OFF | 0,001                 | 0,003  | 0,003                               | 0,006  |
|   | Ventilation                    | ON  |                       |        |                                     |        |
|   | Recirculation                  | ON  | 0,003                 | 0,004  | 0,003                               | 0,006  |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        |
| Acceleration up to 130 m/h, down to 60 km/h | Recirculation                  | OFF | 0,001                 | 0,008  | 0,003                               | 0,007  |
|   | Ventilation                    | ON  |                       |        |                                     |        |
|   | Recirculation                  | ON  | 0,006                 | 0,003  | 0,005                               | 0,002  |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        |





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Table 3. Comparison the results of measurements of nitrogen oxide and dioxide during on-line analysis. Test vehicle category M1, gasoline engine. Test date 6 February

| Test modes                                      | Position of ventilation system |     | NO, mg/m <sup>3</sup> |        | NO <sub>2</sub> , mg/m <sup>3</sup> |        |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|---|--------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|--------|---|---------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-----|---|---------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-----|---|---------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-----|---|---------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-----|---|---------------|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-----|---|---------------|----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-----|--|---------------|----|-------|
|   |                                |     | Model of gas analyzer |        | Model of gas analyzer               |        |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   |                                |     | R 310A                | CLD 60 | R 310A                              | CLD 60 |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
| Idling  | Recirculation                  | OFF | 0,029                 | 0,030  | 0,003                               | 0,004  |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Ventilation                    | ON  |                       |        |                                     |        |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,044 | 0,047 | 0,003 | 0,006 | Ventilation | OFF | V – 50 km/h                                     | Recirculation | OFF | 0,003 | 0,005 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | ON  |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,007 | 0,010 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF | V – 90 km/h                                     | Recirculation | OFF | 0,003 | 0,007 | 0,003 | 0,003 | Ventilation | ON  |   | Recirculation | ON | 0,011 | 0,012 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF | Acceleration up to 130 km/h,<br>down to 60 km/h | Recirculation | ON | 0,015 | 0,011 | 0,004 | 0,002 | Ventilation | OFF |  | Recirculation | ON | 0,029 |
|   | Recirculation                  | ON  | 0,044                 | 0,047  | 0,003                               | 0,006  |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        | V – 50 km/h                                     | Recirculation | OFF | 0,003 | 0,005 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | ON  |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,007 | 0,010 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF | V – 90 km/h                                     | Recirculation | OFF | 0,003 | 0,007 | 0,003 | 0,003 | Ventilation | ON  |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,011 | 0,012 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF | Acceleration up to 130 km/h,<br>down to 60 km/h | Recirculation | ON | 0,015 | 0,011 | 0,004 | 0,002 | Ventilation | OFF |   | Recirculation | ON | 0,029 | 0,017 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF |  |               |    |       |
| V – 50 km/h                                     | Recirculation                  | OFF | 0,003                 | 0,005  | 0,003                               | 0,004  |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Ventilation                    | ON  |                       |        |                                     |        |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,007 | 0,010 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF | V – 90 km/h                                     | Recirculation | OFF | 0,003 | 0,007 | 0,003 | 0,003 | Ventilation | ON  |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,011 | 0,012 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF | Acceleration up to 130 km/h,<br>down to 60 km/h | Recirculation | ON  | 0,015 | 0,011 | 0,004 | 0,002 | Ventilation | OFF |   | Recirculation | ON | 0,029 | 0,017 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Recirculation                  | ON  | 0,007                 | 0,010  | 0,003                               | 0,004  |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        | V – 90 km/h                                     | Recirculation | OFF | 0,003 | 0,007 | 0,003 | 0,003 | Ventilation | ON  |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,011 | 0,012 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF | Acceleration up to 130 km/h,<br>down to 60 km/h | Recirculation | ON  | 0,015 | 0,011 | 0,004 | 0,002 | Ventilation | OFF |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,029 | 0,017 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
| V – 90 km/h                                     | Recirculation                  | OFF | 0,003                 | 0,007  | 0,003                               | 0,003  |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Ventilation                    | ON  |                       |        |                                     |        |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,011 | 0,012 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF | Acceleration up to 130 km/h,<br>down to 60 km/h | Recirculation | ON  | 0,015 | 0,011 | 0,004 | 0,002 | Ventilation | OFF |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,029 | 0,017 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Recirculation                  | ON  | 0,011                 | 0,012  | 0,003                               | 0,004  |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        | Acceleration up to 130 km/h,<br>down to 60 km/h | Recirculation | ON  | 0,015 | 0,011 | 0,004 | 0,002 | Ventilation | OFF |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,029 | 0,017 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
| Acceleration up to 130 km/h,<br>down to 60 km/h | Recirculation                  | ON  | 0,015                 | 0,011  | 0,004                               | 0,002  |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        |   | Recirculation | ON  | 0,029 | 0,017 | 0,003 | 0,004 | Ventilation | OFF |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Recirculation                  | ON  | 0,029                 | 0,017  | 0,003                               | 0,004  |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |
|   | Ventilation                    | OFF |                       |        |                                     |        |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |     |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |   |               |    |       |       |       |       |             |     |  |               |    |       |



## Technical characteristics of gas analyzers

Technical characteristics of gas analyzers R-310A and Eco-Physics CLD-60 are shown in Table 4.

Table 4 Technical characteristics of gas analyzers R-310A and Eco-Physics CLD-60

| Technical parameters  | R-310A (OPTEC), Russia                                      | CLD-60, Eco-Physics, Swiss  |
|---|---|---|
| Detector  | Chemilumiscent (heterogeneous type)                         | Chemilumiscent (converter type)   |
| Destination   | Measuring of NO, NO <sub>2</sub> in ambient atmospheric air | Measuring of NO, NO <sub>2</sub> in ambient atmospheric air               |
| Nominal resolution of LCD display                                   | 0,001 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (0,001 ppm)                         | 0,0005 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (0,0005 ppm)                                     |
| The limit of allowable main error (reduced, relative)               | ±25%  | There is no concept of “main measurement error” in international practice |
| Limits of the readings allowable variation                          | ±0,5 parts of main error                                    | -   |
| Discreteness of the analysis (change of indications on the display) | 180 s   | 1 s   |
| Power consumption   | 400 VA  | 250 VA  |
| Weight  | 12 kg   | 16 kg (excl. Pump)  |
| Time for analyzer indication setting                                | Does not exceed 6 min                                       | Approx. 20 min  |
| Supply voltage  | 230 V, 50 Gz  | 24 V  |

## Conclusion (inter-laboratory test 2, 2018)

The good convergence of measurement results was achieved at these test regimes during the tests as can be seen from the tables. And even when the relative measurement difference was more than 25%, the comparable results were also at the same order (0.003 and 0.006, 0.015 and 0.021, 0.005 and 0.002 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, etc.).

This allows to use the various models of gas analyzers with the same detectors and the measurement methods, both on-line and in a stationary state with preliminary sampling into the bags.

**Thank you for your attention!**

