# Assessment of ambient temperature impact to interior air quality

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## Tested cars, measured pollutants, temperature conditions

#### **Tested Car:**

- ✓ gasoline fuel
- ✓ automatic transmission

The list of measured pollutants in vehicle interior air under test:

- ✓ Carbon monoxide (CO)
- ✓ Nitric oxide (NO)
- ✓ Nitrogen dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>)

**Temperature range:** 



### **Test equipment**

#### **Technical data of test equipment**

Equipment, model, type of detector	Pollutant	Minimal measurable concentrations, mg/m³	Range of measurable concentrations, mg/m³	Relative error of measurements, %	Absolute measurement error, mg/m³
Gas analyzer"Opto gas 500.4-CO" with electrochemical detector	Carbon mono- oxide, CO	0.1	0 - 3 0 - 50	γ- ± 20	0.06
Gas analyzer "R-310A" with chemiluminescent detector	Nitrogen oxides, NO, NO <sub>2</sub>	0.001	NO (0- 0.08) NO <sub>2</sub> (0- 0.08) NO (0.08 - 1.0) NO <sub>2</sub> (0.08 -1.0)	$\gamma$ - $\pm$ 25 $\delta$ - $\pm$ 25	NO - 0.02 NO <sub>2</sub> - 0.02

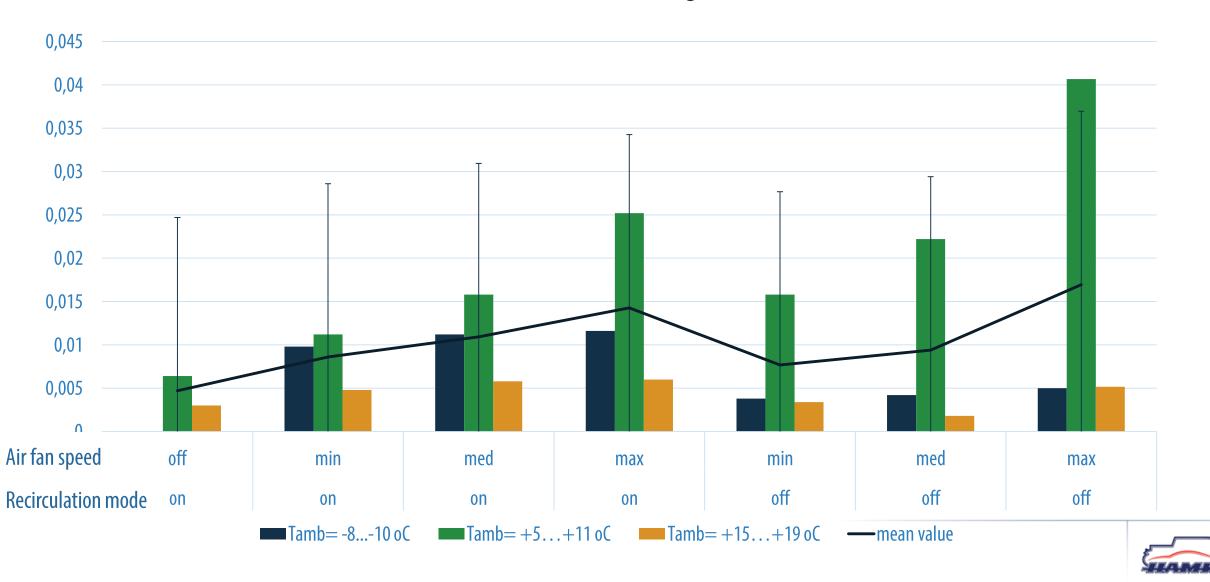
Note:  $\gamma$  - limit of the allowed basic reduced measurement error;

 $\delta$  - limit of the permissible basic relative error of measurements;

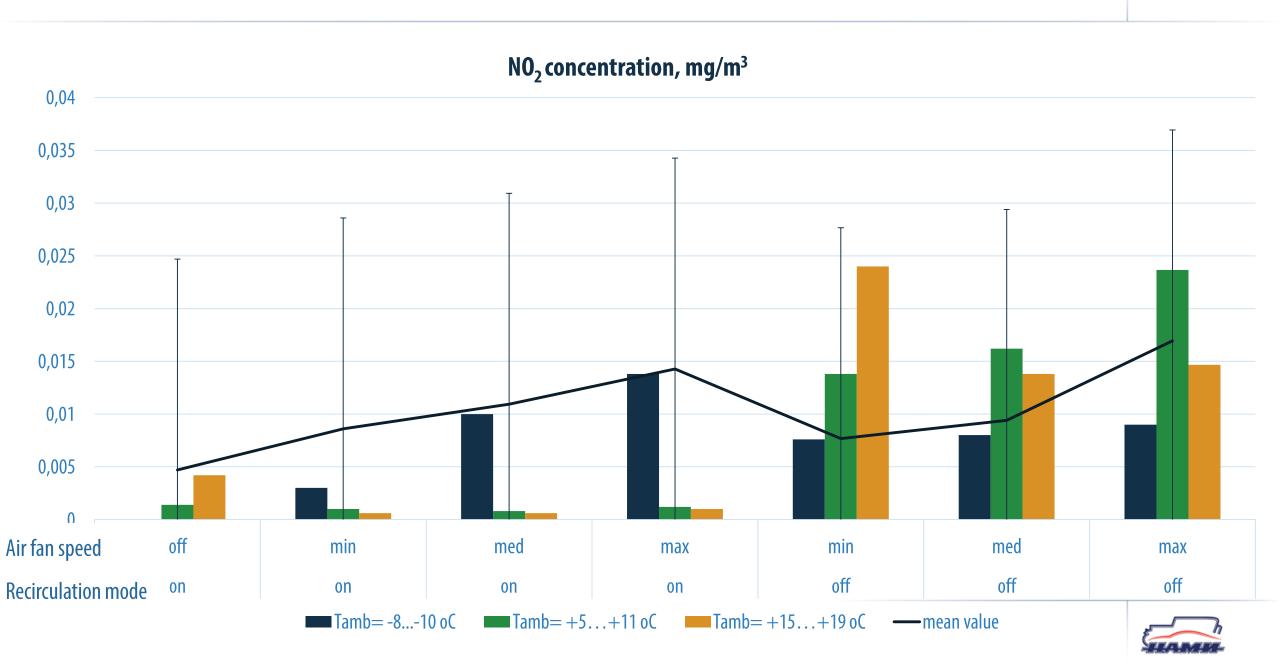


#### **Test results**

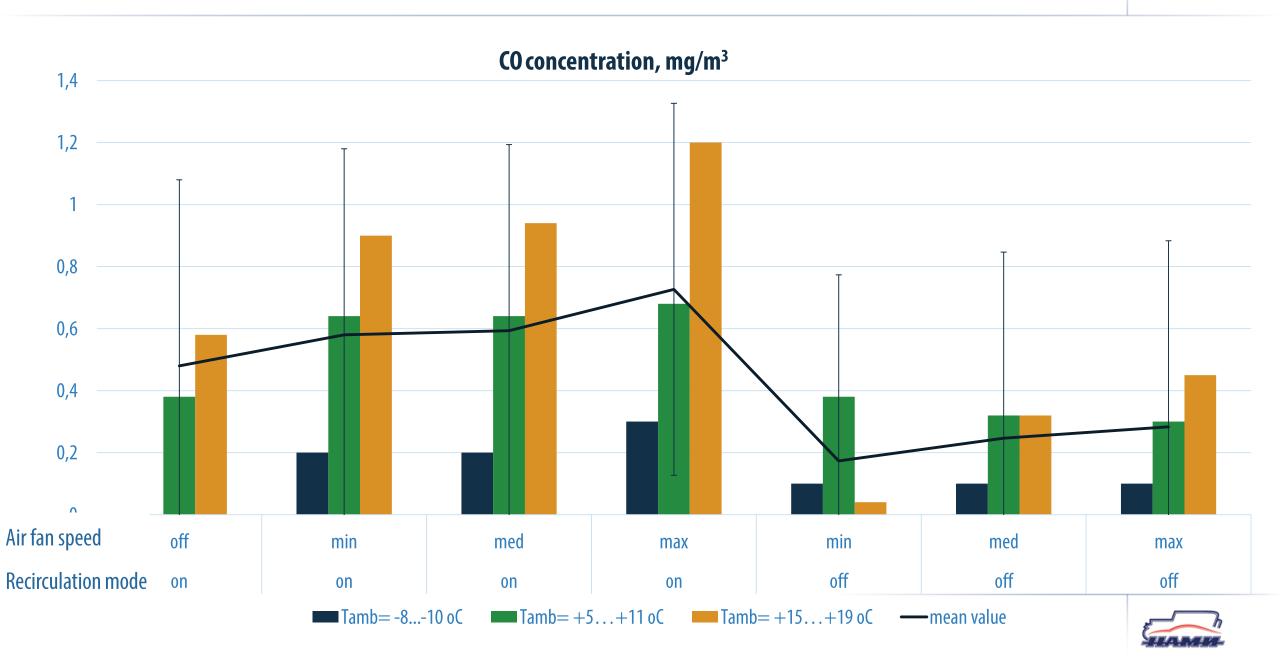
#### NO concentration, mg/m<sup>3</sup>



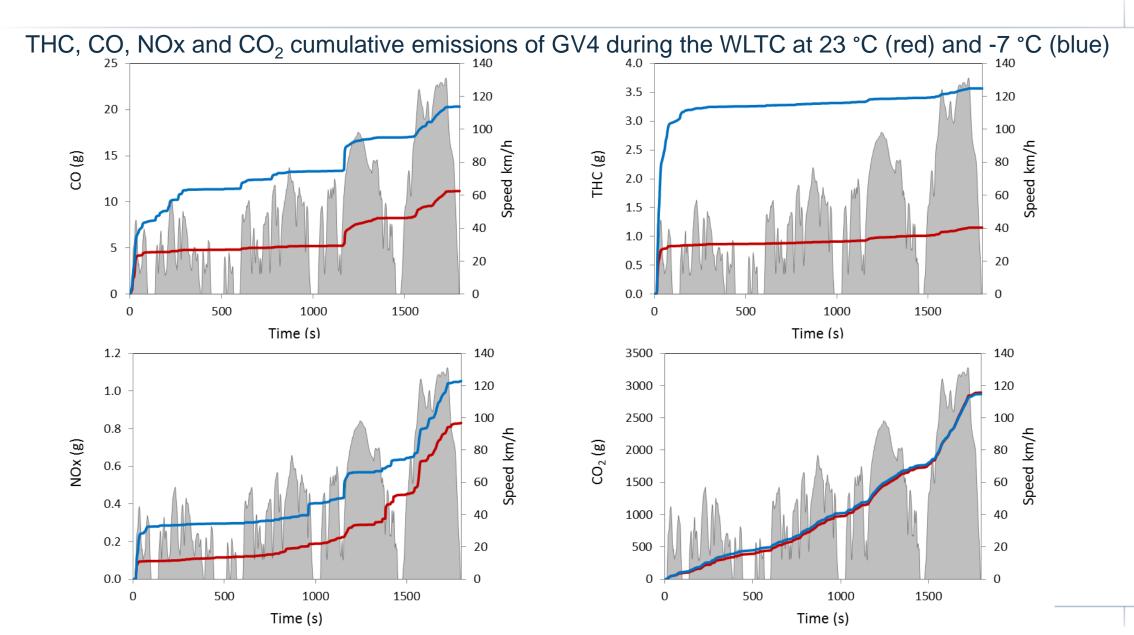
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#### **Emission during the WLTC at different ambient temperatures**



Ricardo Suarez-Bertoa, Covadonga Astorga, Impact of cold temperature on Euro 6 passenger car emissions, Environmental Pollution, Vol. 234, 2018, P. 318–329, European Commission Joint Research Centre <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2017.10.096">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2017.10.096</a>

#### **Conclusions**

- 1. Test of a gasoline car at the same conditions and different temperatures ranged from -8 to +15°C was carried out.
- 2. Measured concentration of harmful substances (CO, NO and  $NO_2$ ) was in the range of gas analyzers error of measurements and any kind of relationship of measured concentrations from the temperature was not observed.
- 3. From another hand relationship of measured substances concentrations and ventilation/recirculation mode had very similar shape.
- 4. Taking into account reported results and modern emission legislation it is advisable to use the temperature range from -7 to  $+30^{\circ}$ C for interior air quality testing.



#### **Meteorological conditions**

- ✓ ambient air temperature: from -7°C to +30°C
- ✓ relative humidity: from 30% to 90%
- ✓ atmospheric pressure from 84.0 to 108.7 kPa



# Thank you for your attention!





