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13 Abstract

14 A qualitative and quantitative analysis of toxic but currently non-regulated hydrocarbon compounds ranging from $C_5 - C_{11}$, before and after a zoned three-way catalytic converter (TWC) in a modern 15 16 gasoline direct injection (GDI) engine has been studied using gas chromatography-mass spectrometry 17 (GC-MS). The GDI engine has been operated under conventional and advanced combustion modes, 18 which result in better fuel economy and reduced levels of NOx with respect to standard SI operation. 19 However, these fuel-efficient conditions are more challenging for the operation of a conventional 20 TWC, and could lead to higher level of emissions released to the environment. Lean combustion leads 21 to the reduction in pumping losses, fuel consumption and in-cylinder emission formation rates. 22 However, lean HCCI will lead to high levels of unburnt HCs while the presence of oxygen will lower 23 the TWC efficiency for NOx control. 24 The effect on the catalytic conversion of the hydrocarbon species of the addition of hydrogen 25 upstream the catalyst has been also investigated. The highest hydrocarbon engine-out emissions were 26 produced for HCCI engine operation at low engine load operation. The catalyst was able to remove 27 most of the hydrocarbon species to low levels (below the permissible exposure limits) for standard 28 and most of the advanced combustion modes, except for naphthalene (classified as possibly 29 carcinogenic to humans by the International Agency for Research on Cancer) and methyl-naphthalene 30 (which has the potential to cause lung damage). However, when hydrogen was added upstream of the 31 catalyst, the catalyst conversion efficiency in reducing methyl-naphthalene and naphthalene was 32 increased by approximately 21%. This results in simultaneous fuel economy and environmental 33 benefits from the effective combination of advanced combustion and novel aftertreatment systems.

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35 Keywords: Hydrogen, HCCI, Hydrocarbon Speciation, GDI; Three Way Catalytic Converter

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40 **1. Introduction**

41 The motor vehicle is a significant cause of air pollution and human health hazards, especially in 42 urban areas. Automotive exhaust emission regulations are, therefore, becoming progressively stricter 43 due to increasing awareness of the hazardous effects of the chemicals released by road traffic. These 44 include environmental issues such as photochemical smog and undesirable health effects, which are 45 caused by hydrocarbon species emitted into the atmosphere. Furthermore, it is well known that skin, 46 lung and bladder cancer is associated with polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) in the 47 environment [1]. Therefore, in addition to the regulated engine exhaust emissions (i.e. carbon 48 monoxide, hydrocarbons, nitrogen oxides), it is critical that unregulated species such as methane [2], 49 carbonyl compounds [3] including aldehydes [4] and ketones [2], toluene, benzene [5] and 50 polyaromatic compounds [6] such as naphthalene are monitored and that their impact (i.e. toxicity and 51 photochemical reactivity) on the environment is assessed.

52 Gasoline direct injection engines are seen as the future of commercial internal combustion engine 53 powertrains due to their benefits on fuel economy and gaseous emissions. However, it is reported that 54 the levels of PM produced by these engines are higher than port fuel injection engines and diesel 55 engines equipped with a diesel particulate filter, thus there is an increased need to investigate the 56 emission of PM [7] and PAHs [8] by GDI engines. Due to their low emissions of NO_x and particulate 57 matter (PM) as well as their fuel economy benefits, HCCI and lean burn engines have been also seen 58 as enablers for cleaner vehicles. During lean combustion operation more air than needed for the 59 combustion is induced to the cylinder in order to favour the complete oxidation, this leads to 60 improvements in fuel economy and in-cylinder emissions formation. However, the presence of 61 oxygen in the exhaust dramatically reduces the NOx performance of a conventional TWC. On the 62 other hand, in HCCI the target is to achieve low combustion temperatures and locally lean conditions 63 in order to reduce NOx and PM, although HCCI results in high levels of CO and unburnt total 64 hydrocarbons emissions (THC) due to the low in-cylinder combustion temperature. Furthermore, lean 65 HCCI leads to high levels of CO and unburnt HCs as well as the presence of oxygen in the exhaust. 66 Due to this, there has been a growing interest over the last few years in the study of the carbonyl [9], 67 PAHs [10] and oxygenated emissions, and their origin [11], in this type of engine running on 68 advanced combustion operation. Most of the THCs are derived from unburned fuel being released 69 from the crevice volumes during the expansion stroke, with increasing molecular weight of the fuel 70 increasing the total emissions [12]. The complex reactions that take place during fuel combustion are 71 not yet fully understood [13], but it is reported that the air/fuel (A/F) ratio plays a major role in HC 72 emissions formation during combustion [14]. Furthermore, SI (including GDI and HCCI) engines can 73 operate under stoichiometric, lean and rich conditions, making the function of catalysts in controlling 74 the combustion pollutants challenging, requiring that catalytic technologies are adapted to take care of 75 pollutants under specific conditions such as cold start and stop-start operation.

76 Catalysts have been used in engine exhaust aftertreatment systems for almost four decades, with 77 continuous research and development leading to some highly effective technologies. However, there 78 remain notable challenges associated with low temperature combustion modes such as low engine-out 79 temperature, high unburned hydrocarbon emissions and the presence of oxygen in the exhaust in 80 conventional TWC [15][16]. Hydrogen has been researched as an additive to improve the combustion 81 process in GDI engines [17] and advanced HCCI combustion operation [18], as well as a low-82 temperature performance enhancer of different aftertreatment components such as diesel oxidation 83 catalysts [19] and HC-SCR systems [20]. The beneficial effects of hydrogen are attributed to its 84 exothermic oxidation increasing the temperature of the active sites as well as its chemical role as a 85 promoter of catalytic reactions [21]. The main drawback associated with the use of hydrogen on-board 86 a vehicle is its low density. However, it has been previously demonstrated that only small quantities 87 of hydrogen are needed, which can be produced on-board the vehicle via catalytic fuel reforming 88 [18][22].

89 In the area of hydrocarbon emissions, speciation studies are required because total elemental 90 concentration may be uninformative and even misleading. There are no regulations or protocols 91 established for the sampling and speciation of HC molecules. However, there are methodologies 92 which have been adopted by international bodies for the measurement of different HC species. The 93 Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) use the method found in [23] for the measurement of 94 carbonyl emissions and the standard published in [24] has been used by Karavalakis et al. [25] and 95 Fontaras et al. [26]. The Auto-Oil Air Quality Improvement Research Program (AQIRP), using capillary GC, [27], achieved separation of more than 140 compounds in the $C_1 - C_{12}$ range. This type 96 97 of single-column chromatographic approach has also been used in Europe, where extensive studies 98 have been reported [12][14]. It is become increasingly clear that speciation of the individual 99 hydrocarbons in gasoline-engine exhaust can provide valuable information about the fuel combustion 100 process in the engine, the performance of the emissions control systems [28] and the human and 101 environmental hazards of the pollutants when they are released to the atmosphere.

102 The overall objectives of this study are to analyse different medium-to-heavy hydrocarbon species 103 formed under HCCI and SI stoichiometric and lean engine operation, and to understand the influence 104 of hydrogen addition on a catalyst in reducing these compounds. Hydrocarbon speciation (C_5 to C_{11}) 105 of the exhaust gases from HCCI/SI engine operation before and after the catalyst was therefore carried 106 out. The parameters studied here are a) engine load effect under HCCI stoichiometric condition, b) air 107 to fuel ratio (stoichiometric and lean), c) HCCI and SI combustion modes under the same load and d) 108 hydrogen addition upstream of the catalyst.

109 **2. Material and Methods**

Engine - The experimental engine was a 3L gasoline direct-injection (wall guided) V6 engine; the
 specifications are listed in Table 1. The engine was coupled to a Froude EC 38 eddy current

dynamometer. The valve-train was modified to permit operation in HCCI mode by the provision of a 112 113 cam profile switching mechanism. This cam profile switching (CPS) system was used to switch 114 between SI and HCCI modes. This system allowed on-line switching of valve lift from 9mm (SI 115 operation) to 3mm (HCCI) operation. The HCCI operation was achieved by internal EGR, using 116 negative valve overlap which trapped exhaust gases in order to retain enough energy for auto-ignition. 117 The variable valve timing system of the engine made it possible to change the valve timing for the 118 inlet and exhaust valves within a 60 crank angle (CA) degree range. More details regarding the engine 119 can be found elsewhere in [29] and [30]. In HCCI mode the engine was operated with a wide open 120 throttle significantly reducing pumping losses. A DSPACE- based system coupled to a computer 121 using MATLAB/SIMULINK software was used to control the engine parameters during operation 122 and data acquisition. The fuel flow rate to the engine was measured with the use of an AVL 123 gravimetric meter. The fuel injection pulse width was adjusted by the engine management system to 124 maintain the required engine operation condition and A/F ratio.

125 **Catalyst** - The 3-zone monolith catalyst (supplied by Johnson Matthey as part of the project) was 126 connected to the actual engine exhaust manifold [31]. The first zone was designed to reduce HC and 127 NOx under lean and stoichiometric engine conditions at high temperatures >400°C, the second zone 128 was designed to reduce NOx by reaction with hydrocarbon under lean engine operation in the 129 temperature range of 250° C – 400° C. The third catalyst zone was designed to control part of the 130 exhaust hydrocarbons and CO at temperatures below 300° C.

Gaseous emissions analysis - A Horiba MEXA 7100 DEGR equipped with a heated line (191°C)
 was used to measure total hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, NOx and oxygen.

Fuel - Unleaded gasoline of 95 RON, composed of 48.3% saturated hydrocarbon, 16.2% olefins,
3.7% napthenes and 30.2% aromatics, was used in this study.

Hydrogen addition - H₂ was added to the engine exhaust upstream of the catalyst and was
 measured using a gas chromatograph (Hewlett-Packard Model GC-5890) fitted with a thermal
 conductivity detector (GC-TCD).

138 *Hydrocarbon speciation* – There is no standard procedure for measuring specific HC species, as 139 they are not individually regulated, thus both the sampling and measurement method were optimised 140 for the experimental conditions and HC species studied. The hydrocarbon speciation of $C_5 - C_{11}$ was 141 carried out using an on-line GC-MS. A Fisons 8000 series GC equipped with direct injector was 142 connected to a Fisons MD 800 mass spectrometer, used as a detector. The gas samples were 143 introduced via a heated line into a six-port Valco valve fitted with a 0.1ml sample loop. The gas 144 sampling apparatus was kept at a constant temperature of 200°C. A 30m long x 0.53mm i.d. DB-1 145 capillary column with a 3µm film thickness was used for the separation of both the polar and non-146 polar compounds. The column head pressure was kept at 10psi. The helium carrier gas flow rate was

controlled at a flow rate of 6ml/min. The temperature programme settings (Table 2) were set to flush 147 148 the heavier hydrocarbons from the column. As there is no established reference procedure and in 149 order to ensure the accuracy of the results, standard mixtures of paraffins, olefins and aromatics with 150 known concentrations were used to calibrate the chromatograph. The components of the standards 151 sample were generally stable under the operation conditions used in this analysis. The retention time 152 of each species was calibrated daily before each set of experiments, by the analysis of a 15 component 153 reference gas (sourced from BOC). The total run time was 20 minutes for the retention times of the 154 species given in Table 3. The integrated area of each specific peak in the chromatogram was used to 155 calculate the concentration of the associated component. The VG Mass-Lab software was used to 156 acquire and integrate the basic GC-MS data.

157 Hydrocarbon species – The individual compounds that are quantified in this study were chosen 158 because of the impact they have on air quality and ultimately to human health. The Occupational 159 Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) have introduced permissible exposure limits for these 160 species. The limits (are time-weighted average values, calculated for an exposure time of 8 hours. The 161 individual limits are shown in Table 4 [32]. General information regarding the studied species is given 162 below.

<u>Iso-octane</u> is studied as it is a major component in gasoline fuels. <u>Iso-pentane</u> is chosen as one of the typical hydrocarbon species derived from iso-octane. <u>Benzene</u> has been chosen as it has been classified as human carcinogen by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). <u>Toluene</u>, which is a derivative of benzene, is another major component of gasoline fuels and one of the major volatile compounds in the atmosphere [33]. It has been reported that the higher the content of toluene, isooctane and aromatic hydrocarbons in the parent fuel the higher the benzene concentration formed during combustion [15][34].

<u>Ethyl-benzene</u> has been classified as possible human carcinogenic by the International Agency for
Research on Cancer (IARC) [35][36]. It is a major combustion by-product of aromatic species such as
xylene isomers during the combustion process [37]. It also participates in the formation of benzene,
toluene [38] and PAHs. <u>P-xylene</u>, which is also included in this study, is often formed by the
replacement of two hydrogen atoms of benzene by methyl groups, during the combustion process.

175 <u>Naphthalene</u> has been studied as it has been reported to be the most abundant PAHs in polluted urban 176 atmospheres [39]. It has been defined as a hazardous air pollutant by the US environmental protection 177 agency (EPA) [40] and classified as possibly carcinogenic to humans by the international agency for 178 research on cancer (IARC) [35]. Finally, <u>methyl-naphthalene</u> is monitored, which could be formed 179 from two benzene rings joining together while simultaneously a hydrogen from the naphthalene group 180 can be replaced by a methyl group [41].

181 Engine operation condition – Two different engine operating conditions defined by engine speed 182 and load have been chosen. Those engine conditions selected are representative of a wide range of

urban driving conditions of the vehicle equipped with this engine, where the exhaust conditions (i.e. low temperature and high HC emissions) are challenging for efficient catalyst operation (Table 5). The influence of the combustion mode (SI or HCCI), engine load (3bar or 4bar NMEP) and A/F ratio (stoichiometric or lean) in the engine output concentration of NOx and the magnitude and speciation profile of THC emissions has been studied.

- 188 **3. Results and Discussion**
- 189 3.1 Engine-out hydrocarbon species emissions

190 Engine output NOx and hydrocarbon speciation comparing HCCI and SI stoichiometric 191 combustion modes were carried out at 4 bar NMEP engine operation condition. Engine output NOx 192 emissions were reduced around 4x times while the total concentration of C_5 - C_{11} hydrocarbon species 193 was approximated 12% higher under HCCI stoichiometric in comparison to stoichiometric SI engine 194 operation (Table 5 and Figure 2). In general terms, the engine output emission concentration for all 195 the studied species were higher for HCCI combustion with the exception of benzene, ethyl-benzene 196 and iso-octane (Table 6 and Figure 3). The higher unburned hydrocarbon emissions under HCCI 197 combustion are due to the lower in-cylinder temperature and available energy to drive the complete 198 oxidation reactions of the hydrocarbons part of the fuel and to also reduce hydrocarbon oxidation post 199 combustion. On the other hand, the lower concentration of the rest of species under HCCI conditions 200 can be attributed to i) the conversion of iso-octane to methane [42] (this finding supports the results of 201 a previous study from this group where high concentration of methane was found under HCCI 202 stoichiometric engine operation [31]), ii) a higher formation rate of toluene, p-xylene, naphthalene, 203 methyl-naphthalene or any other compounds derived from benzene due to the higher presence of 204 hydrocarbon to react with, and iii) the breakdown of the already formed toluene and p-xylene during 205 SI combustion process producing benzene and ethyl-benzene.

206 The engine operation at lean HCCI combustion enables simultaneous reduction of both NOx and the total hydrocarbon concentration of the species from C_5 to C_{11} , compared to HCCI stoichiometric 207 208 operation (Figure 2). HCCI lean operation especially reduces very harmful aromatic compounds such 209 as p-xylene, naphthalene and methyl-naphthalene, while mainly increasing iso-pentane (alkane) and 210 iso-octane. Total C_5 - C_{11} unburned hydrocarbon emissions were reduced when increasing the engine 211 load under both lean (λ =1.4) and stoichiometric HCCI operation (Table 5). Under HCCI 212 stoichiometric operation, increasing the engine load reduces the total hydrocarbon species in the range 213 of C₅ to C₈, while increasing the naphthalene and methyl-naphthalene engine output emissions (Table 214 6). This phenomenon could be attributed to the higher in-cylinder temperature at high load which 215 could increase the reaction rate of naphthalene formation through the fusion of two benzene rings. 216 Further reaction pathways will form methyl-naphthalene, by replacing the hydrogen atoms by methyl 217 groups [41]. A second mechanism for this could be the cyclisation of long-chain hydrocarbons found 218 in the partial combustion products. At lean HCCI operation the engine output concentration of all the

species are reduced when engine load is increased (Table 6). It is suggested that the temperature in the post-combustion phase of the engine cycle, where naphthalene is formed [43], is not high enough to significantly enhance naphthalene formation at any of the studied loads under lean combustion operation.

223 *3.2. Catalyst conversion efficiency*

The NOx conversion of the catalyst was significantly decreased under HCCI stoichiometric operation in comparison to stoichiometric SI (Figure 4). However, the total hydrocarbon conversion (C_5 - C_{11}) at 4bar NMEP for HCCI stoichiometric operation was even higher compared to stoichiometric SI operation, despite the large reduction in the exhaust gas temperature. Figure 4 also shows that HCCI lean operation at 4bar NMEP enables an increase in both NO and HC conversion by the catalyst, when compared to HCCI stoichiometric operation.

230 The average conversion of HC species over the catalyst under both SI and HCCI combustion 231 modes was higher than 90% for all engine conditions, except for HCCI stoichiometric operation at 232 3bar NMEP (Figure 5). Figure 5 (bottom) shows that the catalytic conversion was reduced to 60% for 233 most of the hydrocarbon species at HCCI stoichiometric operation. It is as though, at these low exhaust gas temperatures, only the 3rd catalyst is active in oxidation of C-containing species (Table 5, 234 235 Figure 1), thus under these conditions i) the effective space velocity (SV) is significantly increased as 236 only 1/3 of the catalyst array is active, and the presence of available oxygen is required to catalytically 237 oxidise the HC species in the catalyst active sites. Therefore, the low exhaust temperature and absence 238 of oxygen in stoichiometric HCCI operation at low load resulted in the reduced HC oxidation rates. 239 As expected, hydrocarbon conversion over the catalyst was significantly improved for HCCI lean 240 operation (second zone of the catalyst is also active thanks to the higher oxygen availability) and at 241 high engine load conditions (higher exhaust gas temperatures activating all the three catalyst layers). 242 For instance, the conversion of iso-pentane was approximately 63% during HCCI stoichiometric 243 operation and improved to 93% during HCCI lean operation (Figure 2), this is despite the compound 244 being a saturated alkane (ie with single C-C bonds). Iso-octane conversion was approximately 65% 245 during HCCI stoichiometric operation at low load, and as the temperature was increased (i.e for high 246 load SI mode, Figure 3 condition 5) the net conversion rose to 100%.

247 The conversion efficiency for light aromatic HC components, i.e. benzene and toluene was high 248 for most engine conditions. For the aromatic hydrocarbon p-xylene (a benzene ring with two methyl 249 substituents), an average of 85% catalyst efficiency was achieved. However, for heavier and more 250 dangerous aromatic compounds that are known to be difficult to combust catalytically [44], such as 251 naphthalene and methyl-naphthalene, the catalyst conversion was in the range of 15-80%. The low 252 conversion could be because the aromatic rings are more susceptible to further dehydrogenation than 253 to combustion. As a result, the contact time required for catalytic combustion of heavy aromatic 254 species is longer than that for saturated HCs, which reduces the probability of naphthalene and

methyl-naphthalene decomposition to smaller hydrocarbon species [44][46]. Conversion was improved at higher temperatures as the kinetic limitations to combustion were overcome [42]. Storage of some of the HC species, including both naphthalene and methyl-naphthalene, is expected to occur in the middle zone, which contributes to the reduction in the concentration of these species.

259 3.3 Catalyst performance with H₂ addition, HCCI lean operation

The effect of hydrogen has been investigated by injecting approximately 2400 ppm H_2 upstream of the catalyst, in order to improve the catalyst performance in the reduction of harmful HC species such as naphthalene (classified as possible carcinogenic by IARC) and methyl-naphthalene.,. Comparison is drawn between the same engine operating condition (lean HCCI combustion at 4bar NMEP) with and without hydrogen addition, (Figure 6 and 7).

265 From the results it can be observed that hydrogen greatly enhances the catalyst performance by 266 66% and 100% respectively (Figure 6) in reducing naphthalene and methyl-naphthalene (Figure 7). 267 There are several likely causes: (i) Hydrogen oxidation in the first zone increases the catalyst 268 temperature by 5 to 20°C, enhancing the oxidation rate of the aromatic hydrocarbons (ie the exotherm 269 effect of hydrogen); (ii) We have earlier reported that hydrogen oxidation in for example a Pt/Al_2O_3 270 catalysts, increases the availability of NO₂ that is consequently consumed in the oxidation of the C-271 containing species [19]; (iii) Hydrogenation is another possibility, in which H₂ reacts with the 272 aromatic compounds to form less unsaturated cyclic and aliphatic hydrocarbons that are easier to 273 combust. However, although the hydrogenation reactions are overall exothermic, there is a high 274 activation barrier to overcome.

4. Conclusions

Engine operation under low temperature combustion and lean engine operation strategies enable the simultaneous increase in fuel efficiency and a decrease in both NOx and particulate matter emissions. However the CO and unburnt HC emission levels increase, while the low exhaust temperature and presence of oxygen result in more challenging conditions for conventional aftertreatment devices to reduce CO and unburnt hydrocarbon emissions.

In this research a catalytic system was evaluated with the aim of oxidising the HC species produced under those fuel-efficient, but challenging exhaust conditions. Exhaust hydrocarbons have been speciated, and the efficiency with which they are oxidised by the catalyst has been assessed under different engine operation conditions. Species such as iso-octane, benzene, and ethyl-benzene are mainly found in the engine exhaust during SI engine operation, while heavier species such as naphthalene and methyl-naphthalene are present in higher concentrations under stoichiometric HCCI engine operation.

The three-zone catalyst reduced most of the hydrocarbon compounds in both (HCCI and SI) combustion modes, except for methyl-naphthalene and naphthalene, which are known to be hazardous

290 both to the environment and to human health, and are commonly found in the atmosphere in urban 291 areas. The catalyst was, therefore, less capable of activating a fused pair of benzene rings than 292 aliphatic or mono-aromatic molecules. However, the addition of hydrogen upstream of the catalyst 293 during HCCI lean engine operation substantially enhances the conversion of both methyl-naphthalene 294 and naphthalene species. This is attributed to an increase in the local temperature as a result of 295 hydrogen oxidation, and due to its reactivity with the aromatic compounds to form molecules that are 296 more readily oxidised by the catalyst. Therefore, this research work has demonstrated that, through 297 the integration of advanced combustion technologies with novel aftertreatment systems, it should be 298 possible to achieve notable benefits in fuel economy and in air quality.

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Abbreviations

AQIRP	Auto-Oil Air Quality Improvement Research Program
A/F	Air to fuel ratio
Al_2O_3	Alumina
BOC	British Oxygen Company
CA	Crank Angle
CO	Carbon Monoxide
CPS	Cam profile switching
EGR	Exhaust Gas Recirculation
EPA	Environmental protection agency
GC-MS	Gas chromatography-mass spectrometry
GC-TCD	Gas chromatography-thermal conductivity detector
GDI	Gasoline direct injection
HC	Hydrocarbons
HCCI	Homogeneous charge compression ignition
IARC	International agency for research on cancer
NOx	Nitrogen oxide
NO	Nitrogen Monoxide
NO_2	Nitrogen dioxide
NMEP	Net Indicated Mean Effective Pressure
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PAH	Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon
PM	Particulate Matter
Pt	Platinum
RON	Research Octane Number
SI	Spark Ignition
SV	Space Velocity
THC	Total Hydrocarbon
TWA	Time-weighted average
TWC	Three-way catalytic converter

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Description	Specification
Engine type	V6, 24-V, GDI
Bore	89mm
Stroke	79.5mm
Fuel	Gasoline, RON 95
Compression ratio	11.3
Intake valve timing	Variable
Exhaust valve timing	Variable
Intake temperature	Variable

Table 1

Table	2
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Instrument Parameters	Description
Column	DB-1; 30m; 0.53mm ID; 3µm film
Detector	MS; Source 200°C
Oven Temperature	40°C initial; 5 min hold,
	10°C/min to 240°C; 5 min hold,
Flow Rate	6ml/minute; He
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Compound	Retention Time (minute)
iso-pentane	3.77
benzene	7.04
iso-octane	7.85
toluene	9.42
ethyl-benzene	11.54
p-xylene	11.72
naphthalene	18.19
methyl-naphthalene	20.66
	Compound iso-pentane benzene iso-octane toluene ethyl-benzene p-xylene naphthalene methyl-naphthalene

Table 3

Chemical Species	Exposure Limits (ppm) TWA
iso-pentane	1000
Benzene	1
iso-octane	300
Toluene	200
ethyl-benzene	100
p-xylene	150
Naphthalene	10
methyl-napthalene	N.A

Table 4

TWA- time weighted average

	Mode	HCCI	НССІ	HCCI	HCCI	SI	HCCI+H ₂
Eng	λ	1.0	1.0	1.4	1.4	1.0	1.4
ine	NMEP (bar)	3.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Coi	O ₂ (%)	1.2	1.2	6.29	6.55	1.06	6.55
ndi	CO ₂ (%)	12.31	13.92	10.31	10.34	13.81	10.34
tior	C ₅ -C ₁₁ (ppm)	1718	1683	1731	1222	1500	1222
	T_{Ex} (°C)	385	413	349	386	661	406

Table 5

Compound	HCCI λ=1, 3.0bar (ppm)		HCCI λ =1, 4.0bar (ppm)		HCCI λ =1.4, 3.0bar (ppm)		HCCI λ =1.4, 4.0bar (ppm)		SI λ =1, 4.0bar (ppm)		HCCI+H ₂ $\lambda = 1.4,$ 4.0bar (ppm)	
	В	Α	В	Α	В	А	В	А	В	Α	В	А
iso-pentane	150	55	100	15	174	15	125	8	36	6	125	39
benzene	72	25	58	2	68	0	52	4	140	10	52	27
iso-octane	151	52	N.A	N.A	180	39	160	27	80	0	160	N.A
toluene	597	144	420	41	616	30	508	14	345	34	508	40
ethyl-benzene	130	29	105	19	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	115	19	N.A	N.A
p-xylene	454	115	442	46	476	20	296	39	360	63	296	27
naphthalene	114	55	344	69	170	144	58	44	335	159	58	0
methyl-napthalene	50	33	214	66	47	42	23	23	89	89	23	0
Total C ₅ -C ₁₁	1718	508	1683	258	1731	290	1222	159	1500	380	1222	133

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Figure 1



Figure 2











Toxic non-regulated hydrocarbon compounds $C_5 - C_{11}$ from modern GDI engine were analysed

The analysis was carried out for stoichiometric and lean combustion engines.

The catalyst ability to control heavy HC (C5 - C11) was also studied

Naphthalene and methylnaphthalene were the most resistant compounds

Hydrogen addition in the catalyst improved methylnaphthalene and naphthalene reduction