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Intercomparison of Condensation Particle Counter

Project No.: CPC-2019-5-3

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Candidate: CERNESIM Water CPC
Counter (SN): TSI CPC Model 3787 #3787123904

Location of the quality assurance: TROPOS Leipzig, lab 130

Comparison period: October 08, 2019

Last Intercomparison (with Project No.):

TROPOS Reference Instrument: Electrometer: TSI model 3068B
#70838596, Last calibration in September 2018

Additional Equipment: Bubble flow meter 'Gilibrator', Gilian (Sensidyne)
#1711008-S, Last calibration in January 2018

Summary of Intercomparison

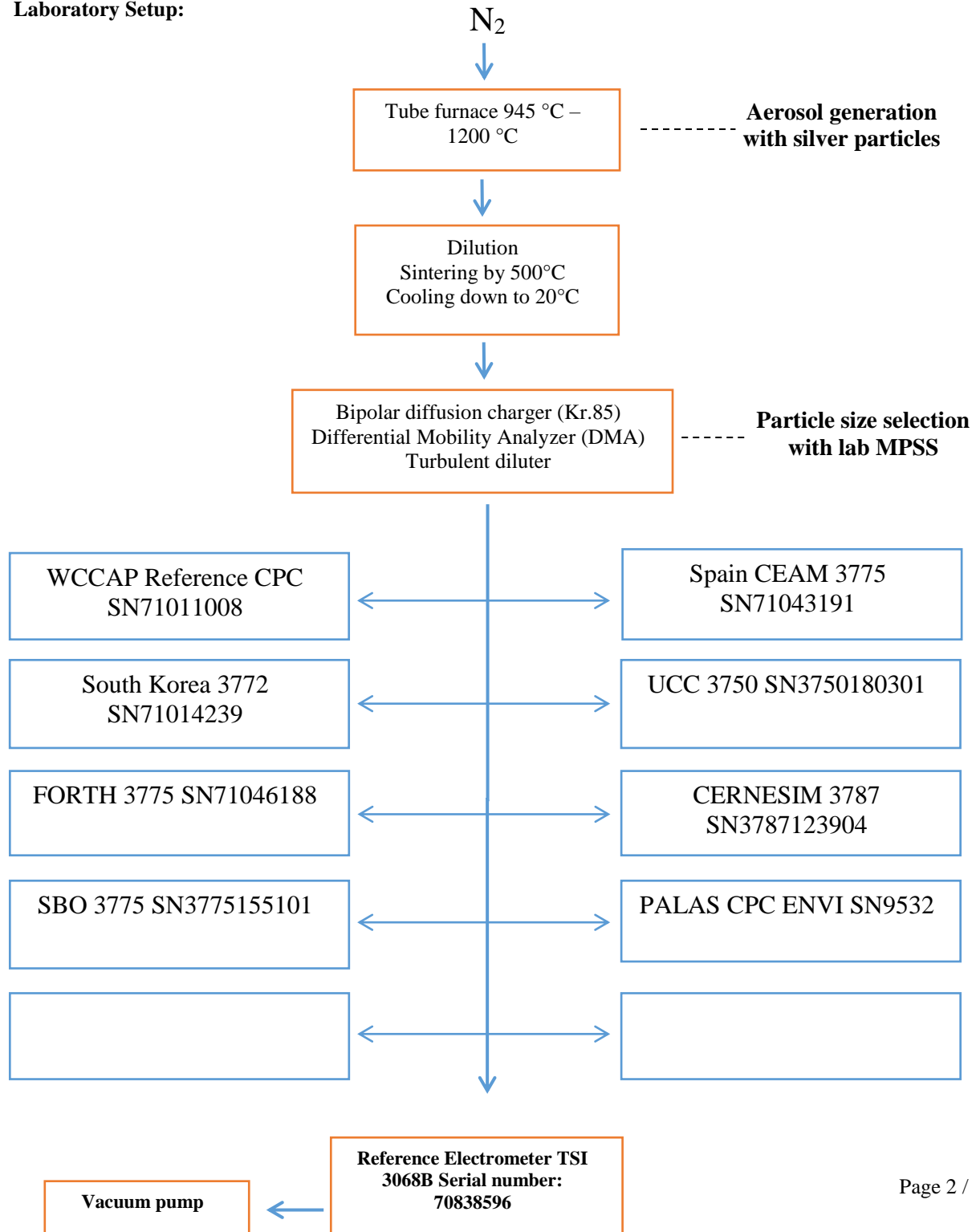
Status:

The candidate passed the quality standards of ACTRIS and GAW. The candidate reached 93% efficiency at 40 nm. The Dp50 is at 9.62 nm.

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Laboratory Setup:





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Date of arrival of instrument in calibration lab:

October 08, 2019

Instrument:

Condensation Particle Counter

Model and serial number of instrument:

CPC 3787 S/N 3787123904

Result of physical inspection:

no damages

Result of functional test:

no repair

Internal parameters of instrument

nominal flow rate 0.6 l/min

**Model and identification number of
aerosol electrometer:**

TSI Electrometer Model 3068, S/N 70838596

Electrometer calibration certificate:

*September 05, 2018, calibrated at PTB
Braunschweig*

**Corrections of electrometer, for instance,
differing flow rate:**

*Within tolerance range (+/-2%); reference: 4.0
l/min, measured: 4.00 l/min*

Software for recording:

*LabView 2010; National Instruments; Program
„LabCount.vi“*

Date of calibration:

October 08, 2019

Lab temperature and pressure:

22.2°C, 985 mbar

Measured aerosol flow rate of CPC:

0.609 l/min

Uncertainty in measured flow rate:

3%

Flowmeter used:

*Gilian Gilibrator V; S/N 1711008-S,
January, 2018*

Particles and gases used for calibration:

silver particles and nitrogen

Method of particle generation:

tube furnace generator

Zero measurement of instrument:

0 particles/cm³ in 5 minutes

Results (using pulse output):

Particle size (nm)	40	30	20	15	10
Number concentration (cm-3)	1197	1453	1042	952	619
Counting efficiency η	0.95	0.93	0.87	0.82	0.53
Particle size (nm)	09	08	07	06	05
Number concentration (cm-3)	557	382	77	3	0
Counting efficiency η	0.39	0.18	0.04	0.00	0.00
Particle size (nm)	40				
Number concentration (cm-3)	1009				
Counting efficiency η	0.96				

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Special Information regarding to the Candidate:

Was it necessary to:	yes/no	information
do a second run	no	-
clean the optics	no	-
clean the nozzle	no	-
clean the saturator	no	-
change the wick	no	-
change the laser	no	-
change internal settings	no	-

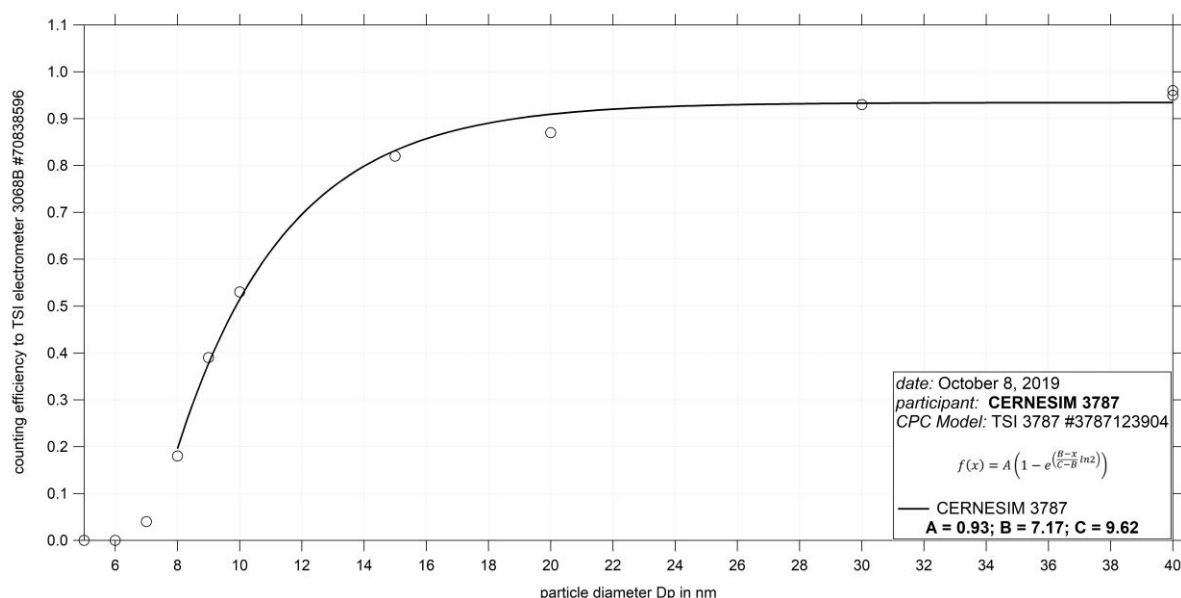


Fig. 1: Counting efficiency for CERNESIM Water CPC 3787 S/N 3787123904 against aerosol electrometer 3068 S/N 70838596; silver particles between 5 and 40 nm were used for calibration; the calculated D_{p50} is 9.62 nm.

Status information:

Status	T SAT	T CON	T OPT	T CAB	P AMB
from display	-	20.4	60	-	-
Status	P OR	P NO	Laser	LV	flow
from display	-	104%	-	full	0.609

Date of issue: October 08, 2019

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