

FT001 – APBF Effects on Combustion

(advanced petroleum based fuels, DOE project # 18546)

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Project overview

- **TIMELINE**

- Started in 2004 with advent of APBF and NPBF projects
- Work has continued and evolved to new areas
 - New fuels, new engines, kinetics, statistical analysis
- Future of APBF unknown for 2011

- **BUDGET**

- DOE funding of \$950K (2010) and \$730K (2009)
- On related projects, industry funding of \$50K to \$150K per year

- **BARRIERS / TECHNICAL TARGETS**

- Determine fuel characteristics enabling emission compliant, high efficiency engines
- Enable more effective use of LTC and HCCI combustion strategies

- **PARTNERS, PAST AND PRESENT**

- Cummins, 3 major oil companies, algae/biodiesel processor, Reaction Design, U. Wisconsin, MIT, Michigan State, U. Tennessee, CRC

Objectives

- **VEHICLE TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM GOALS**
 - Improve energy security, energy options, and energy efficiency
 - Develop cost-competitive fuel options which displace petroleum
 - Develop data and predictive tools for fuel property effects on combustion and engine optimization
- **ORNL PROJECT OBJECTIVES**
 - Determine how fuel chemistry and properties interact with conventional and advanced combustion engines to produce optimal performance
 - Study wide range of conventional and emerging fuels on multiple research platforms

Advanced petroleum based and Non-petroleum based fuels research

- **APBF and NPBF overlap in many areas and projects have moved from one to the other as budgets and priorities evolve**
 - **Catalyst aging and poisoning has shifted to NPBF support, with a new emphasis on biodiesel effects**
 - **Most fuels research includes both APBF and NPBF fuels**
 - **Kinetic modeling and advanced statistics are funded by NPBF, but used in both APBF and NPBF programs**
- **APBF also now includes GM ionic liquid lubrication CRADA**
- **Currently, there is more interest and emphasis on NPBF**

Milestone chart by fuel type

| | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
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| Conventional diesel fuels | | XXX | XXX | | | | | |
| FACE diesel fuels | | | | | XXX | XXX | XXX | |
| FACE gasoline fuels | | | | | | | XXX | XXX |
| Oil sands derived | | | | XXX | | | | |
| Oil shale derived | | | | | XXX | | | |
| Biodiesels | | | XXX | XXX | XXX | | XXX | XXX |
| Conventional gasolines | XXX | | | | XXX | XXX | | |
| Gasoline surrogates | | XXX | XXX | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX |
| Diesel surrogates | | | | | XXX | | XXX | XXX |
| EtOH + other alcohols / blends | | | | | XXX | XXX | XXX | XXX |
| Fungible, compatible biofuels | | | | | | | | XXX |

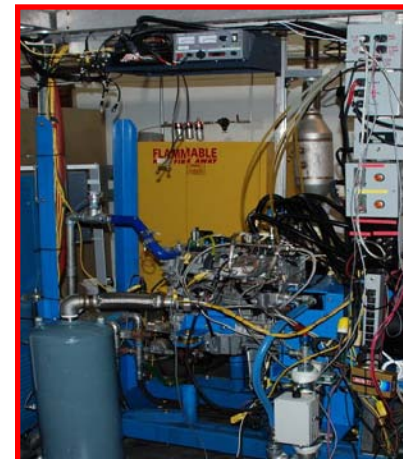
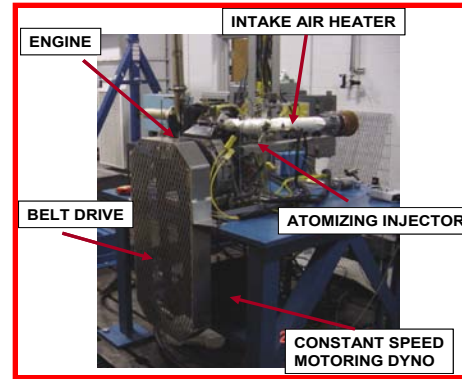
- 2010 milestones are:
 - follow up study of FACE diesel fuels in GM 1.9 liter engine
 - Run 4 additional fuel series in HCCI and PCCI
 - Both will be completed this year

Approach

- Use a wide range of **fully formulated fuels and surrogate blends** to study effects of fuel properties and chemistry on advanced combustion engines
- Use **multiple research platforms** (single cylinder, multi-cylinder gasoline, and diesel advanced combustion engines) to produce broadly applicable data
- Emphasis on **fuel efficiency, system approach** to understanding of engine and fuel, and on **fuel robustness** of engines
- **Statistical analysis** and **kinetic modeling** of results
- **Collaborations** with industry, other labs, and universities to leverage capabilities and disseminate results
- **APBF fuels** include conventionally derived hydrocarbon fuels with normal and modified properties and chemistry for improved operation
 - Separate talk at 1:45pm will cover NPBF fuels

Multiple research platforms

- **HCCI single diesel / gasoline**
 - Existing engine
 - PFI, intake heating
- **GM 1.9 liter 4 cylinder diesel**
 - Existing engine
 - Full authority control
- **GM Ecotec gasoline**
 - New engine
 - Operates as single cylinder
 - Hydraulic valve actuation
 - GDI and PFI capable

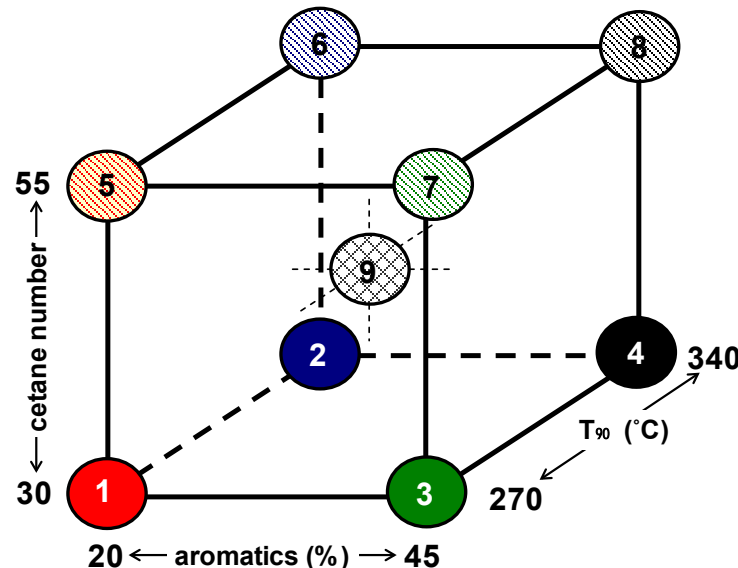


New work since 2009 merit review

- **FACE fuels**
 - **HCCI vs. HECC results**
- **Gasoline and diesel surrogate blends**
 - **Detailed HCCI exhaust chemistry**
 - **Multi-zone kinetic modeling study**
- **Combustion kinetics studies (in NPBF)**
 - **New project on kinetic mechanism reduction (with U Wisc.)**
 - **Reaction Design Model Fuels Consortium CRADA continuing**
- **Statistical analysis of fuel and engine results (in NPBF)**
 - **CRC AVFL 13C project (funds in project)**
 - **Currently evaluating 2 statistical analysis software packages**
- **Engine control research**
 - **Combustion stability modeling study (with LLNL)**
- **Ionic liquid lubrication CRADA with GM**

FACE diesel fuels run on two engines

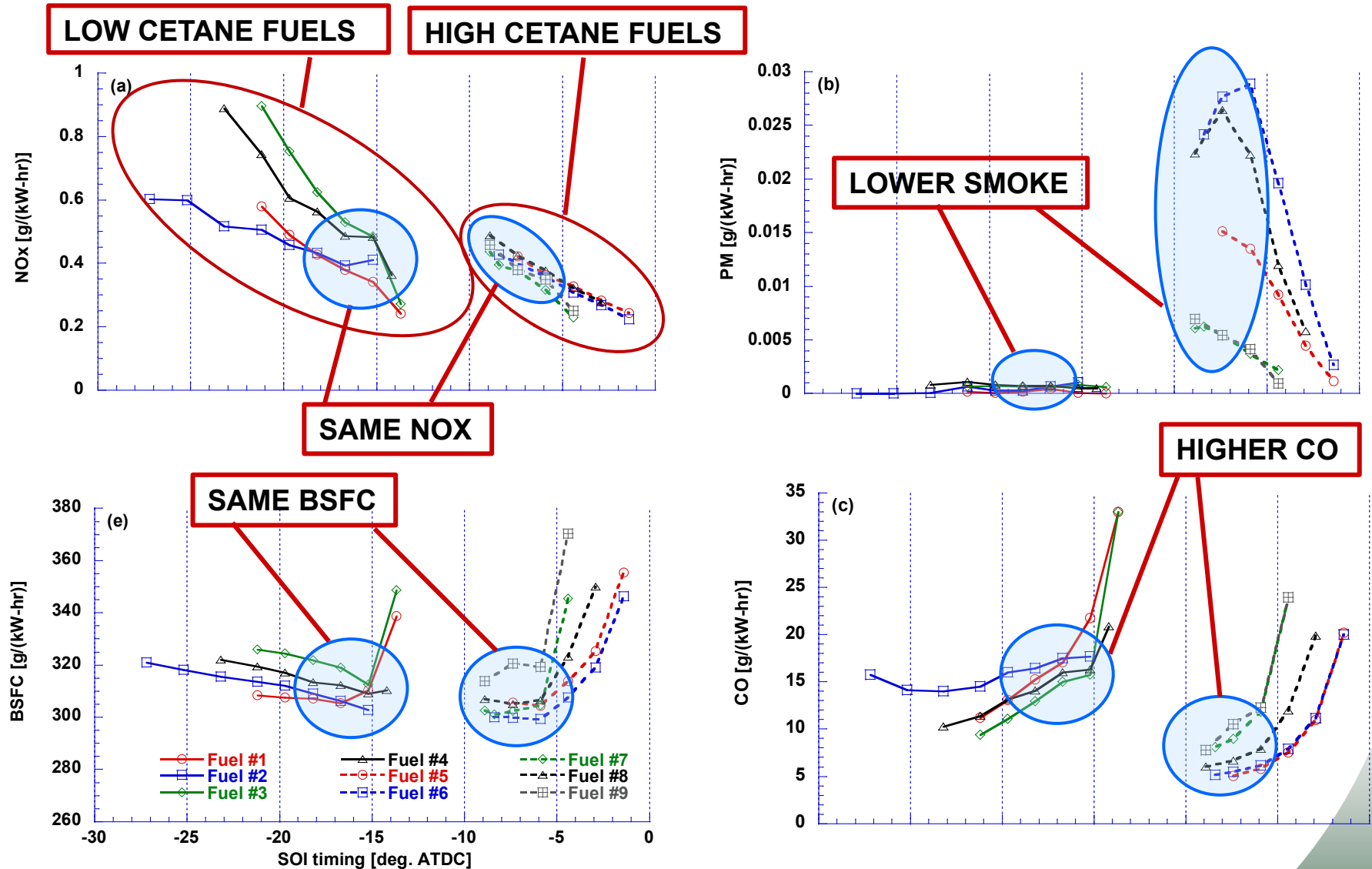
- HCCI single cylinder engine
 - Mixing controlled in intake manifold, fairly constant
 - Combustion phasing controlled by intake temperature
 - Combustion quenching at lower intake temperatures
- GM 4 cylinder diesel engine operated in PCCI
 - With single injection, combustion phasing and mixing are both controlled by injection timing and ignition delay



Performance differences between engines

- **HCCI engine**
 - **Definitely prefers low cetane fuels for best ISFC**
 - **Higher intake temperatures reduces cylinder quenching**
- **PPCI engine**
 - **Achieves same BSFC and NOx with high and low cetane fuels**
 - **Higher cetane fuels required later injection**
 - **Less mixing time**
 - **Higher smoke, lower CO and HC**
 - **Lower cetane fuels required earlier injection**
 - **More mixing time**
 - **Lower smoke, higher CO and HC**

GM 1.9 engine, FACE diesel fuels, low vs. high cetane fuels



Detailed exhaust chemistry for HCCI engine

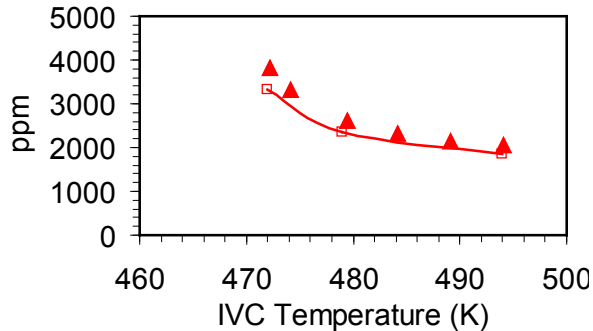
- **Two series of surrogate fuels**
 - **Gasoline surrogates**
 - 87 RON PRF (non-aromatic blend)
 - 87 RON TRF (aromatic blend)
 - 87 RON PRF + 30% ethanol (i-blend)
 - **Diesel surrogates**
 - FACE 9 (baseline)
 - 44 cetane n-hexadecane + 1-methylnaphthalene
 - Sooting fuel
 - 44 cetane n-hexadecane + heptamethylnonane
 - Non-sooting fuel
- **Fixed speed and fuel rate**

Major conclusions – detailed HCCI exhaust chemistry

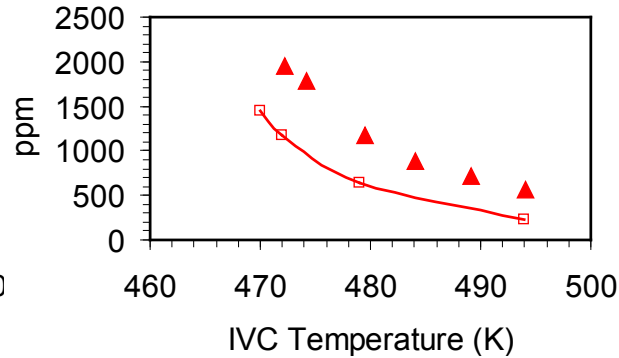
- **About 90% of HC emissions are unburned fuel, with fuel chemistry profile maintained in exhaust**
- **Combustion intermediates can be measured in exhaust**
 - **Major species are formaldehyde (40 to 120 ppm), acetaldehyde (20 to 80 ppm), butadiene (2 to 14 ppm)**
 - **Other species such as benzaldehyde and benzoic acid are present if fuel contains aromatics**
 - **These species can be reproduced with CFD kinetic modeling**
- **Particulates from engine are mainly volatile condensation particles, not representative of diesel soot**

HCCI CFD modeling, particulate characteristics

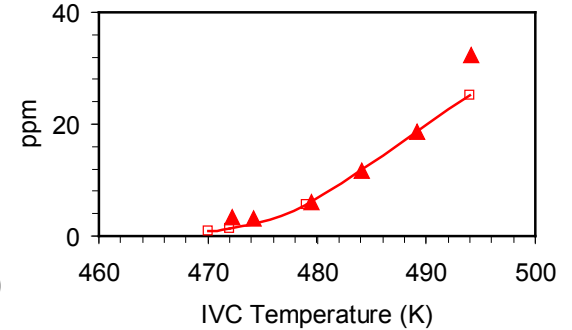
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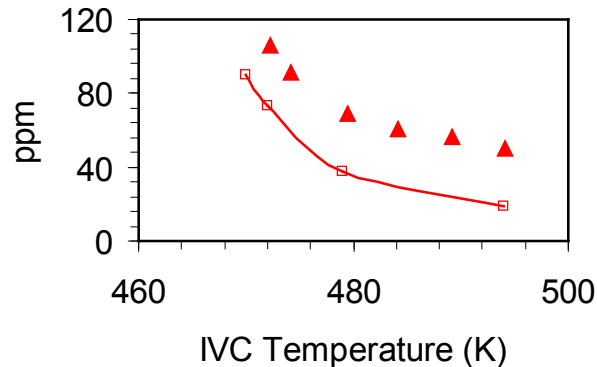
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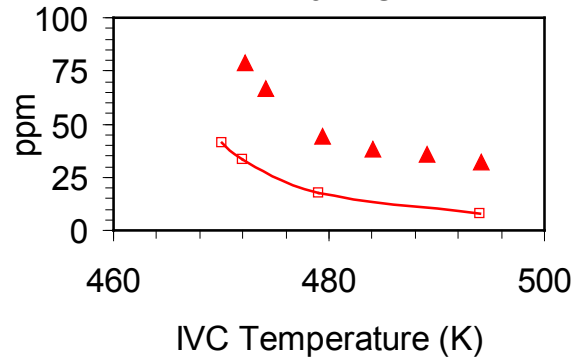
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CH2O



CH3CHO



▲ Data —□— Model

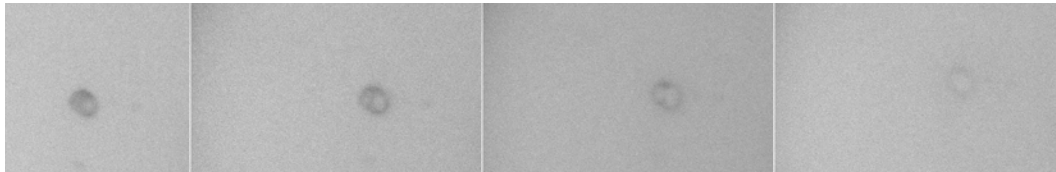
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Reaction Design MFC reduced mechanism

428 species, 2378 reactions

Reaction Design Forte CFD

53,800 cells at TDC



TIME IN BEAM



TEM image of HCCI exhaust particulate

-- 10-20 nm diameter

-- indistinct

-- evaporate in microscope

CRADA with GM: Ionic Liquid Lubricants

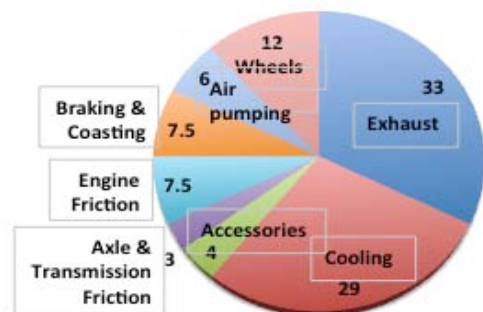
- **Goal: develop new class of lubricants based on ionic liquids and demonstrate benefits for internal combustion engines**
 - As base stock or blending stock
 - As lubricant additive
- **Team: ORNL: J. Qu, P.J. Blau, S. Dai, H. Luo, and B.G. Bunting
GM: G. Mordukhovich and D.J. Smolenski**
- **Program timeline: 5/09 - 2/13 (45 months)**
 - Phase I. Design, Synthesis, and Characterization of Candidate Ionic Liquids
 - Phase II. Friction and Wear Bench Tests and Analysis
 - Phase III. Instrumented Single- and Multi-Cylinder Engine Tests
 - Phase IV. Full-Scale Multi-Cylinder Engine Tests

Ionic Liquids as Lubricants and/or Lubricant Additives (ORNL-GM CRADA)



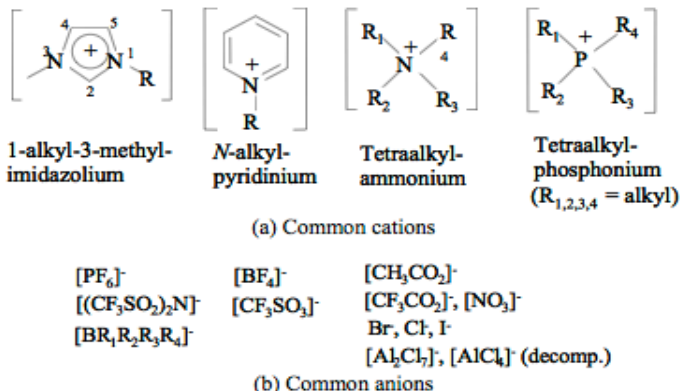
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In an automobile, ~10% of energy is lost to friction



Distribution of energy consumption in car

Molecular structures



Unique properties

- Inherent polarity
- Higher thermal stability
- Reduced volatility
- Can be non-flammable
- High flexibility of molecular design

Superior lubricating characteristics compared to fully-formulated engine oils

- Up to 50% friction reduction
- Up to 55% wear reduction

Projected cost <\$5/L with scale-up

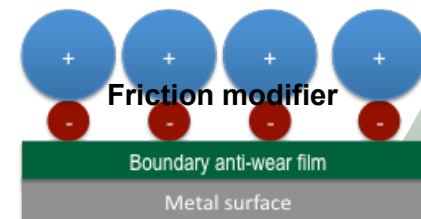
Output

As base stock:

- Friction and wear reduction
- Operating temperatures up to 500 °C
- Non-flammable
- Tailor to special applications

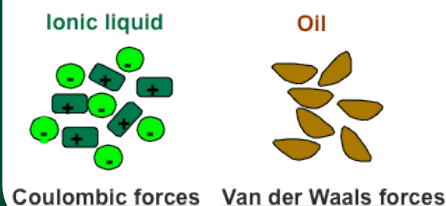
As oil additive:

- Multi-functions possible: friction, wear, detergent
- Potentially reduction or elimination of ZDDP (catalyst poisoning)
- Easier penetration into current market.



ILs as multi-function additives

Ionic Liquids – A new class of more effective, environmentally friendly lubricants or lubricant additives could potentially leads to huge energy savings



Patent: J. Qu, J.J. Truhan, S. Dai, H. Luo, P.J. Blau, "Lubricants or Lubricant Additives Composed of Ionic Liquids Containing Ammonium Cations," U.S. Patent, published on Mar. 20, 2008, Publication# US-2008-0070817-A1.

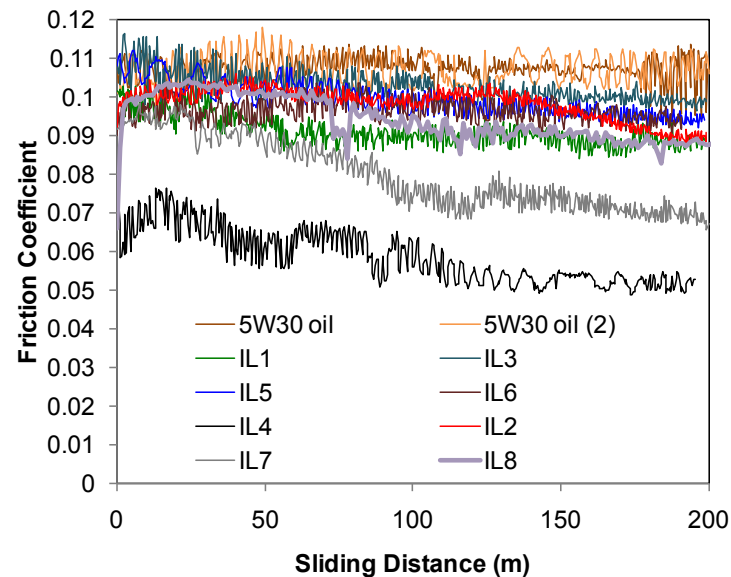
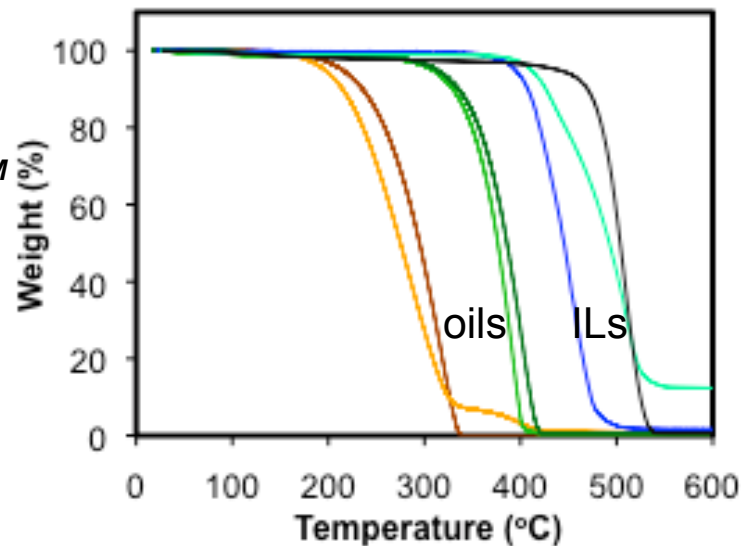
Technical Progress and Plan

Progress

- **Ionic liquids as neat lubricants (vs. *Mobil 1TM* 5W-30 fully-formulated engine oil)**
 - Higher thermal stability (350-470 °C vs. 230-250 °C)
 - Friction reduction up to 50% in bench tests
 - Most are much less corrosive than water for cast iron
- **Ionic liquids as oil additives (5% mixed with *Mobil 1TM* 5W-30 fully-formulated engine oil)**
 - Required development of oil-soluble ILs
 - Wear reduction up to 30% in bench tests
 - Partnering with Chevron for supply of partially-formulated engine oils for blending studies

Plan for FY10-11

- Tailoring and optimization of molecular structures
- Tribological bench tests - investigation of lubricating mechanisms
- Single cylinder engine evaluation
- Prepare for multi-cylinder engine evaluation



Future work

- **FACE gasoline fuels will be evaluated when available**
 - **Stoichiometric, spark-assisted HCCI with ORNL GDI HVA engine**
 - **Operation up to 7.5 bar IMEP**
 - **Focus on operating range, efficiency, and emissions**
 - **Dilute, premixed HCCI**
 - **Focus on kinetics, property and chemistry effects**
- **FACE diesel fuels will be evaluated a second time on GM diesel with more complex PCCI control strategies and at multiple speeds and loads**
- **Surrogate blends will be prepared and evaluated for comparison to FACE gasoline and diesel fuels**
 - **Evaluations in support of CRC AVFL18 project (diesel surrogates)**
 - **Evaluations in support of Reaction Design CRADA (NPBF)**
- **Mining of past data using statistics to determine common responses between fuels and engines and determine common, controlling fuel characteristics (NPBF)**

Overall summary

- **Cetane number remains a major fuel variable for advanced combustion engines**
 - **Advanced combustion engines respond differently to fuels based on how mixing and ignition are controlled**
- **Fuel studies have been expanded to include detailed exhaust chemistry, kinetic modeling and statistical analysis of trends**
- **Ionic liquids represent a new class of lubricants or lubricant additives with potential to reduce engine friction and wear**

