

# Emission measurement from older owner fired wood stoves in residential house



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Presentation of measured real-world emissions of particles, PAH and dioxins from wood stoves and one wood boiler, performed at 13 houses in Gundsømagle in 2003 and 2005.

The stoves was operated as usual by the owner during the test.

# Type test emissions



**How does real-world emissions differs from the emissions measured in type test?**

- **The wood burned is standardized logs or laths in well defined size and wood type.**
- **Operated by a very experienced operator watching the stove during the whole test.**
- **Constant chimney draught.**
- **Direct measured values of CO and O2 concentration and temperatures.**
- **Tests are repeated if the emissions are too high.**

**Is real-world emission always higher than emissions from the type test?**

**No, it can be lower, but it is expected to be higher in most cases!**

**The real-world emissions depends of many parameters, as:**

- **stove type and quality,**
- **chimney draught**
- **wood type, size and quality**
- **kindling method**
- **the operators firing skills**
- **etc.**

# Wood type - emissions



Average emission factors.

| Fuel            | CO<br>[mg MJ <sup>-1</sup> ] | NO <sub>x</sub><br>[mg MJ <sup>-1</sup> ] | C <sub>x</sub> H <sub>y</sub><br>[mg MJ <sup>-1</sup> ] | PM10<br>[mg MJ <sup>-1</sup> ] | Odor<br>[OU] |
|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------|
| WP FL1          | 118                          | 94                                        | 58                                                      | 21                             | ND           |
| WPFL2           | 188                          | 131                                       | 5                                                       | 31                             | ND           |
| WP PL           | 245                          | 74                                        | 8                                                       | 16                             | ND           |
| BR              | 1482                         | 63                                        | 163                                                     | 32                             | 1804         |
| EH              | 1234                         | 110                                       | 462                                                     | 41                             | 536          |
| EB              | 1410                         | 95                                        | 234                                                     | 66                             | 1563         |
| BPop            | 1856                         | 65                                        | 216                                                     | 20                             | 2843         |
| TO              | 1816                         | 88                                        | 206                                                     | 59                             | 1781         |
| SO              | 3681                         | 131                                       | 657                                                     | 222                            | 4226         |
| PO              | 3253                         | 104                                       | 452                                                     | 57                             | 1973         |
| BL              | 2000                         | 118                                       | 239                                                     | 67                             | 1689         |
| SF              | 3497                         | 105                                       | 581                                                     | 100                            | 5217         |
| EL <sup>a</sup> | 1263                         | 58                                        | 179                                                     | 21                             | 2422         |
| NS              | 1901                         | 69                                        | 267                                                     | 53                             | 3815         |
| BP              | 1710                         | 64                                        | 243                                                     | 101                            | 1589         |
| SP              | 1189                         | 70                                        | 109                                                     | 53                             | 2134         |

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# Wood stove emissions



| Wood Stove<br>mg/m <sup>3</sup> (13%O <sub>2</sub> ) | Ideal operation<br>2 x 0.7 kg dry<br>wood at a time | Typical operation<br>3 x 1.5 kg wood<br>at a time | Smoldering<br>operation<br>air inlet closed |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| Salts                                                | < 20                                                | < 20                                              | < 20                                        |
| Soot                                                 | < 20                                                | < 100                                             | 5.000                                       |
| Tar                                                  | < 5                                                 | 400                                               | 10.000                                      |
| Total:                                               | < 50                                                | 500                                               | 15.000                                      |
|                                                      |                                                     |                                                   |                                             |
| Indeks - Soot                                        | 1                                                   | ≈ 5                                               | > 250                                       |
| Indeks - Tar                                         | 1                                                   | > 80                                              | > 2.000                                     |
| Indeks - Total                                       | 1                                                   | > 10                                              | > 300                                       |



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# Sampling errors



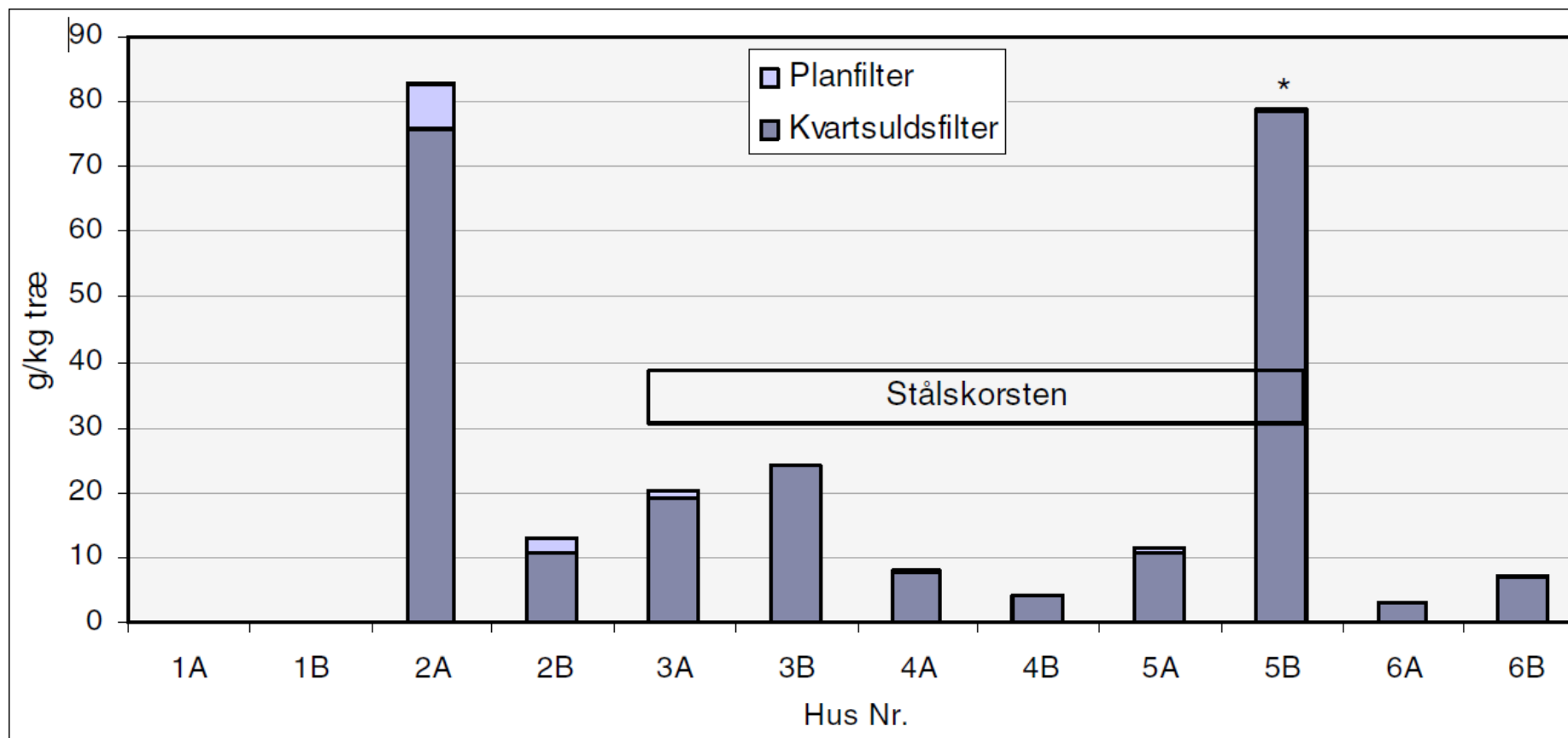
**The purpose of the project was to measure the emission of PAH and dioxin, and the emission of particles was only measured additionally, and did not followed the normal standard procedure.**

**The particle emission was measured by weighing the quarts woll filter used for sampling PAH and dioxin, and it was only dried in a conditioned room, and not in an oven, which means slightly higher values due to humidity in the particles.**

**Soot and particle was to some extend deposited inside the dilution tunnel, which means lower measured values.**



# Gundsømagle 2003 - Particle

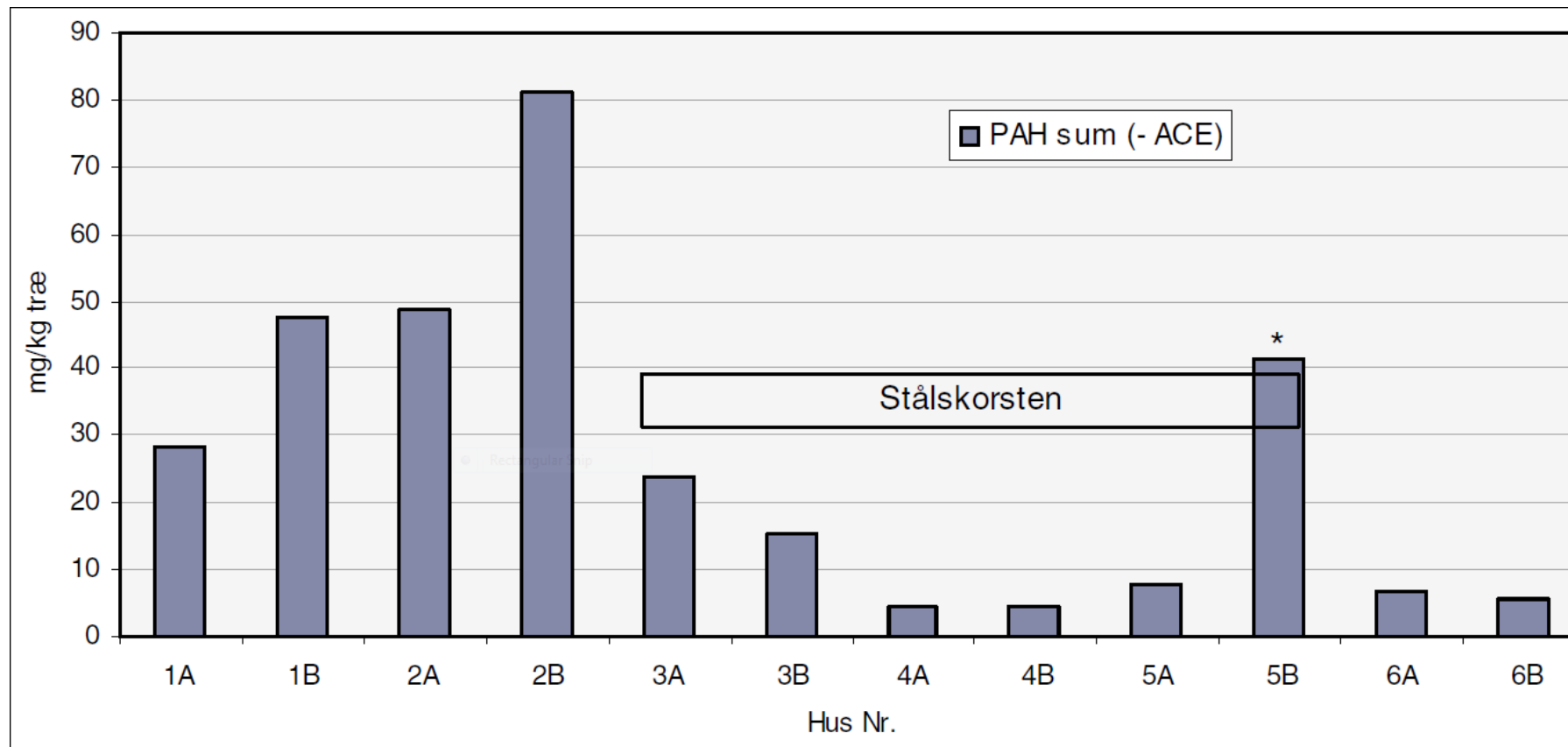


# 5B fired with demolition wood

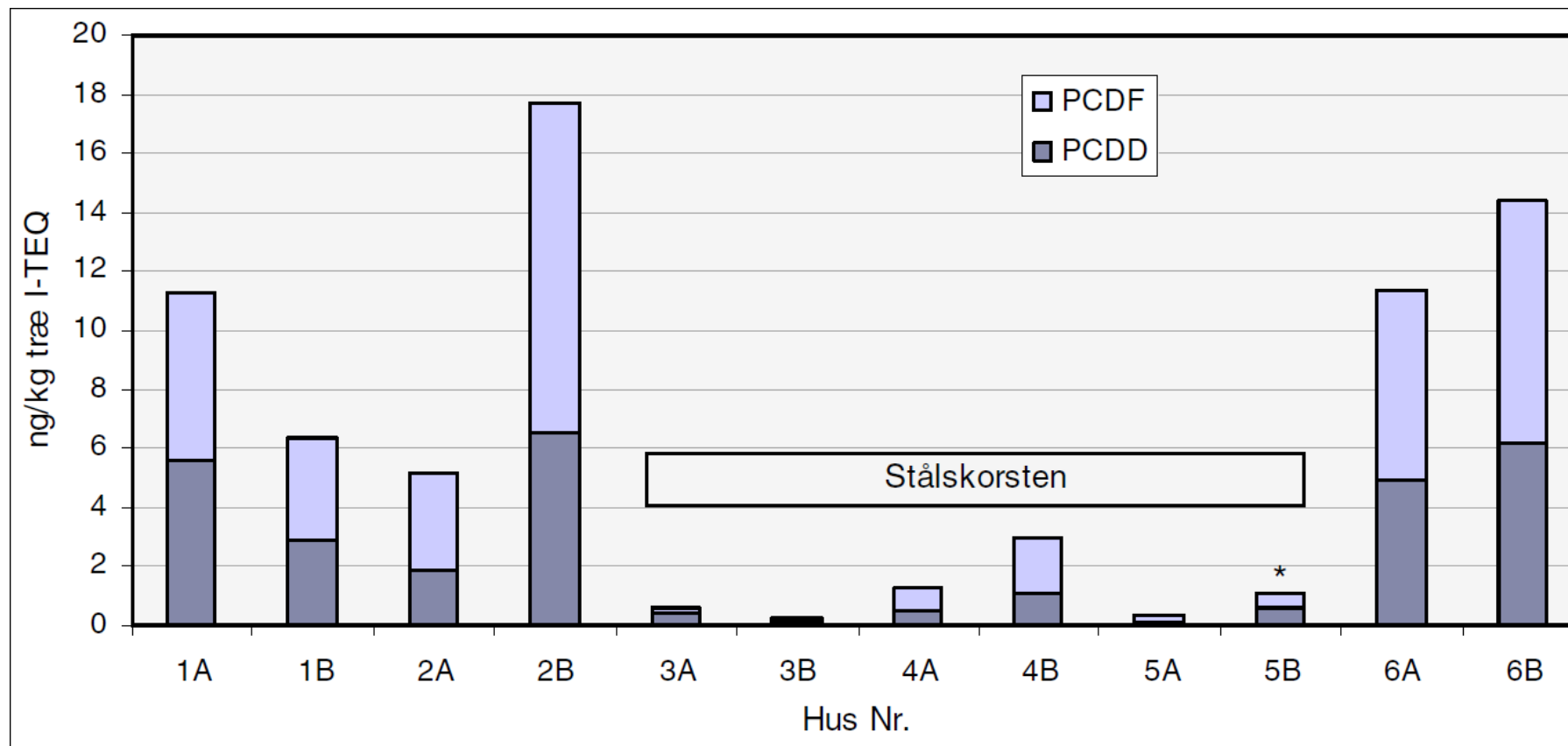




# Gundsømagle 2003 - PAH

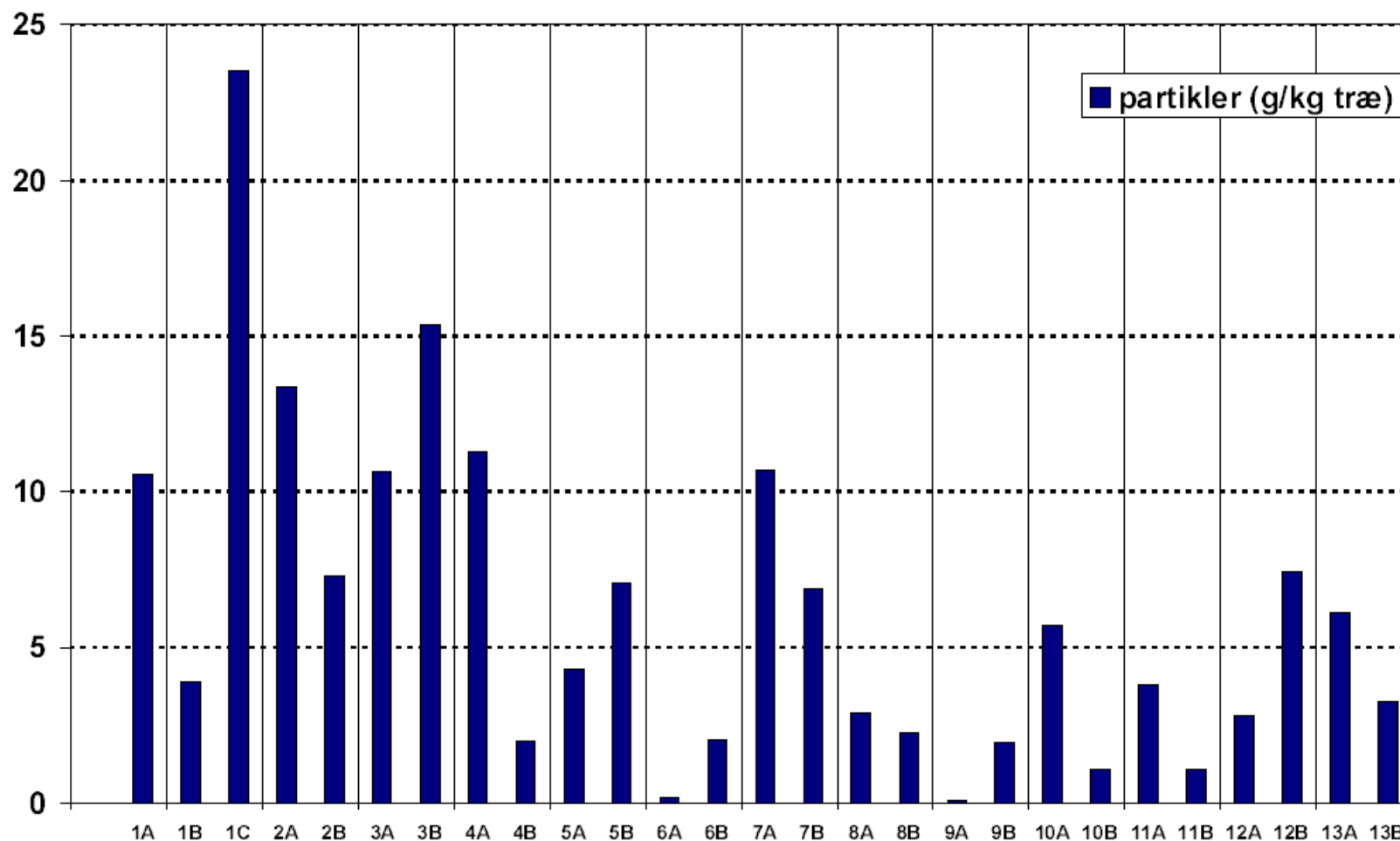


# Gundsømagle 2003 - Dioxins



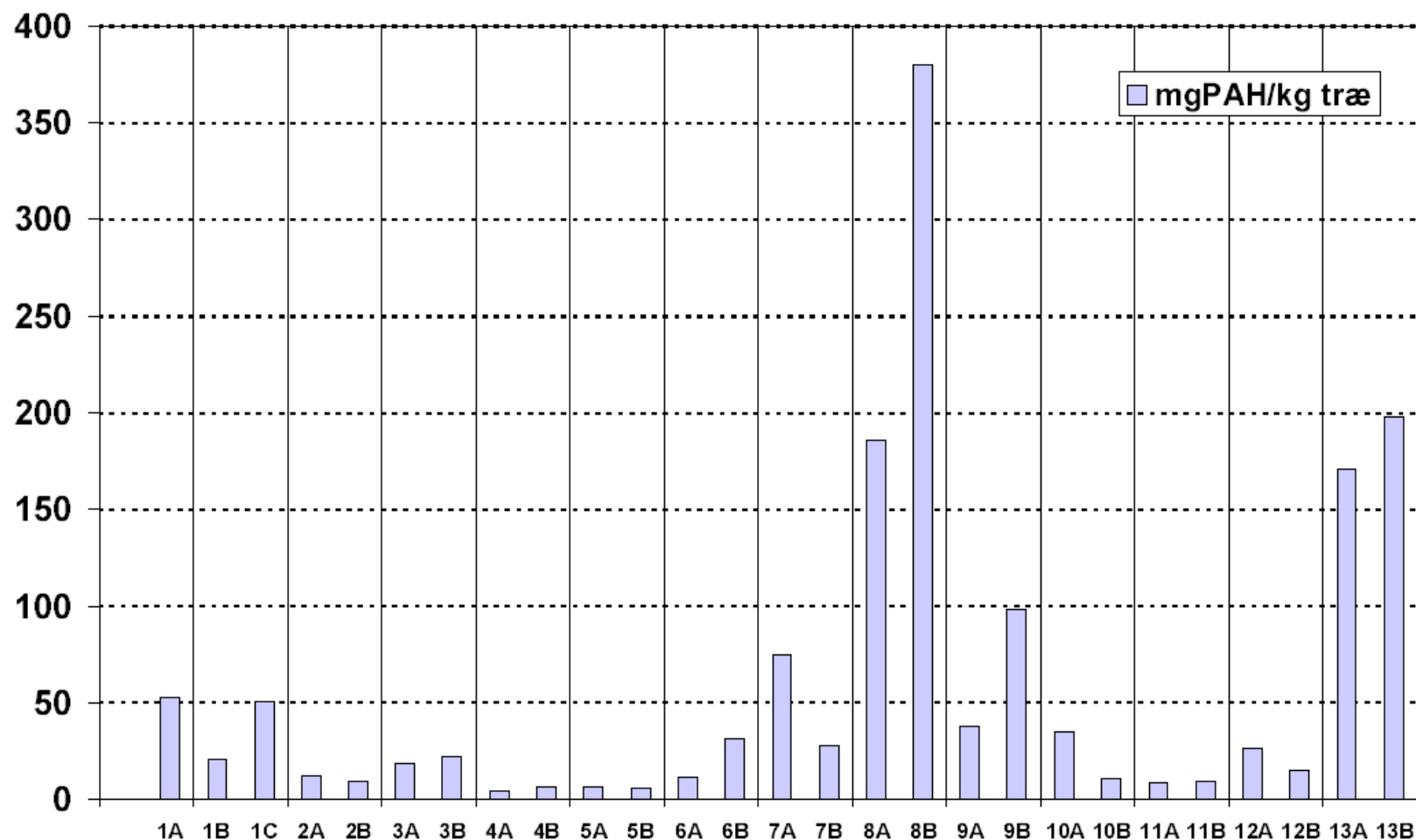


# Gundsømagle 2005 - Particles



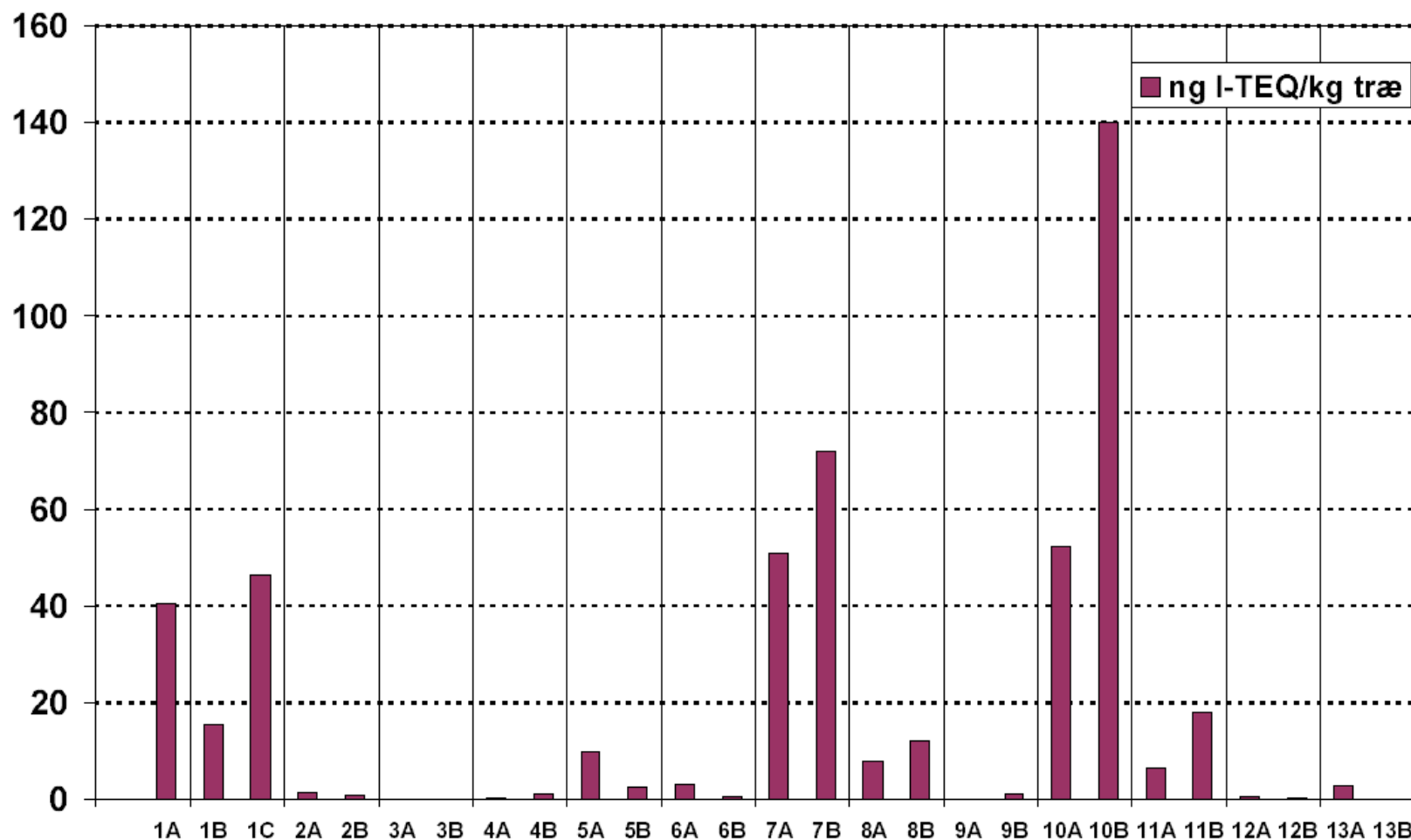
Average: 6.2 g/kg (0.1 – 23.5 g/kg = factor 235)

# Gundsømagle 2005 - PAH

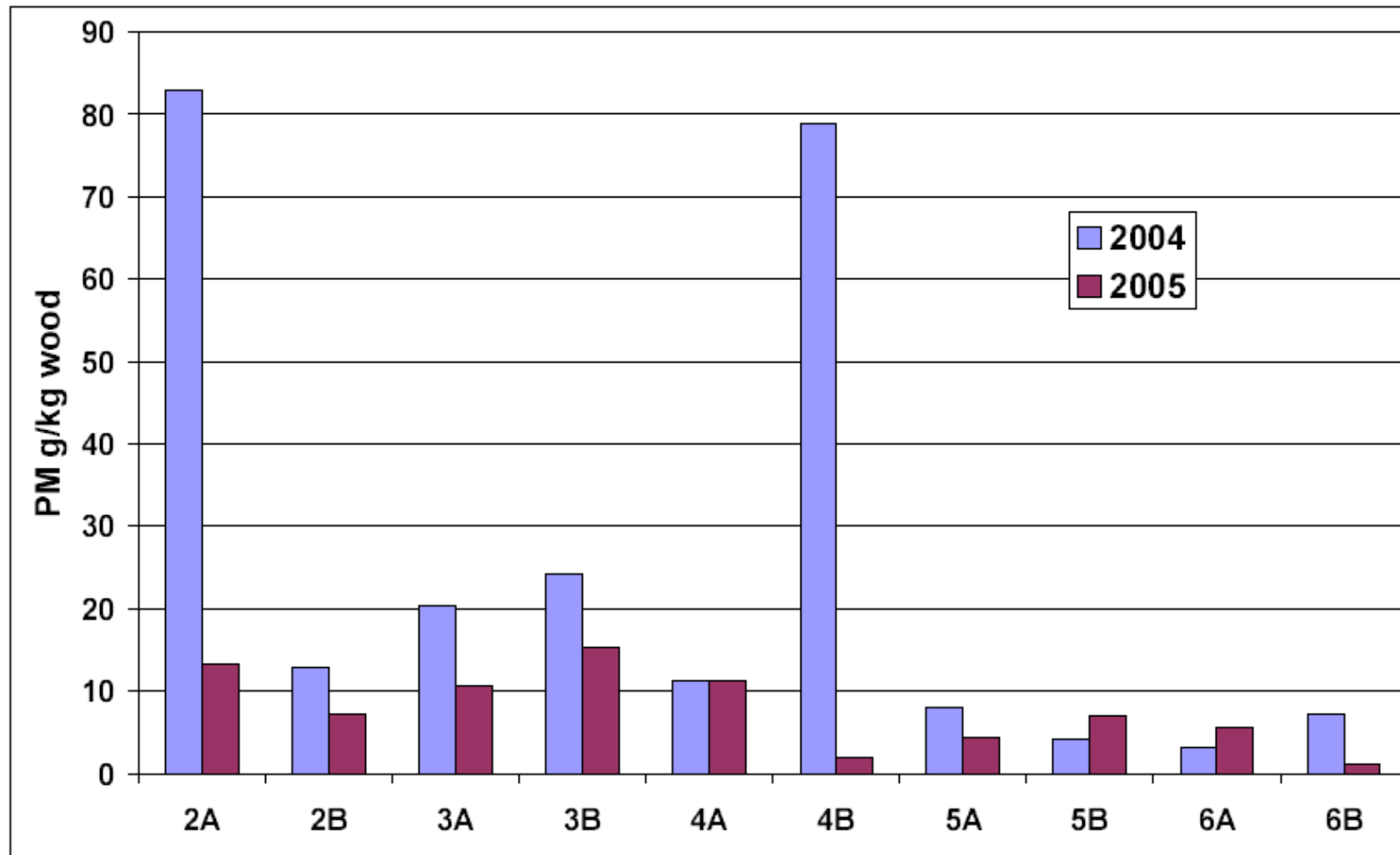




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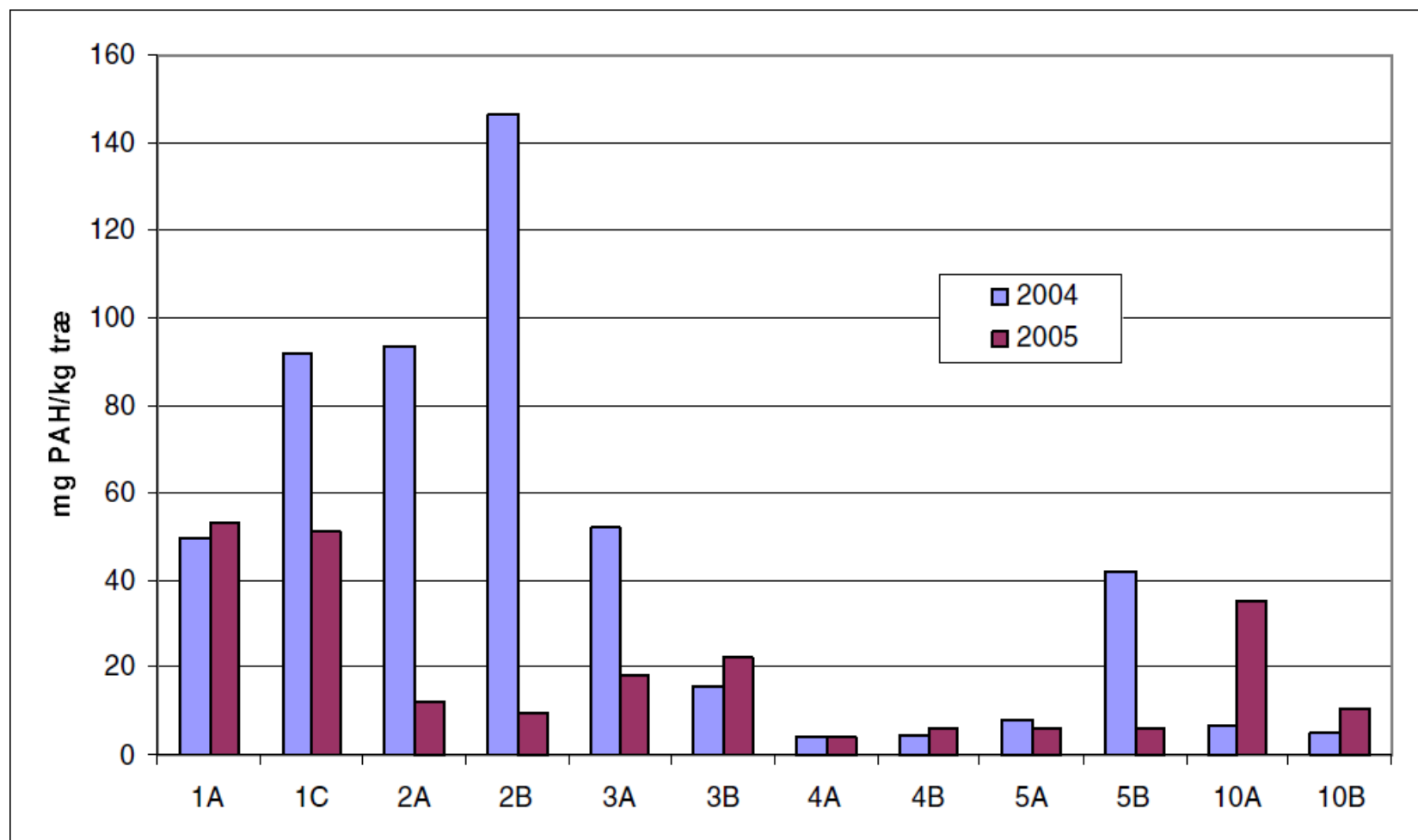


# Gundsømagle 2003/2005 - Particles

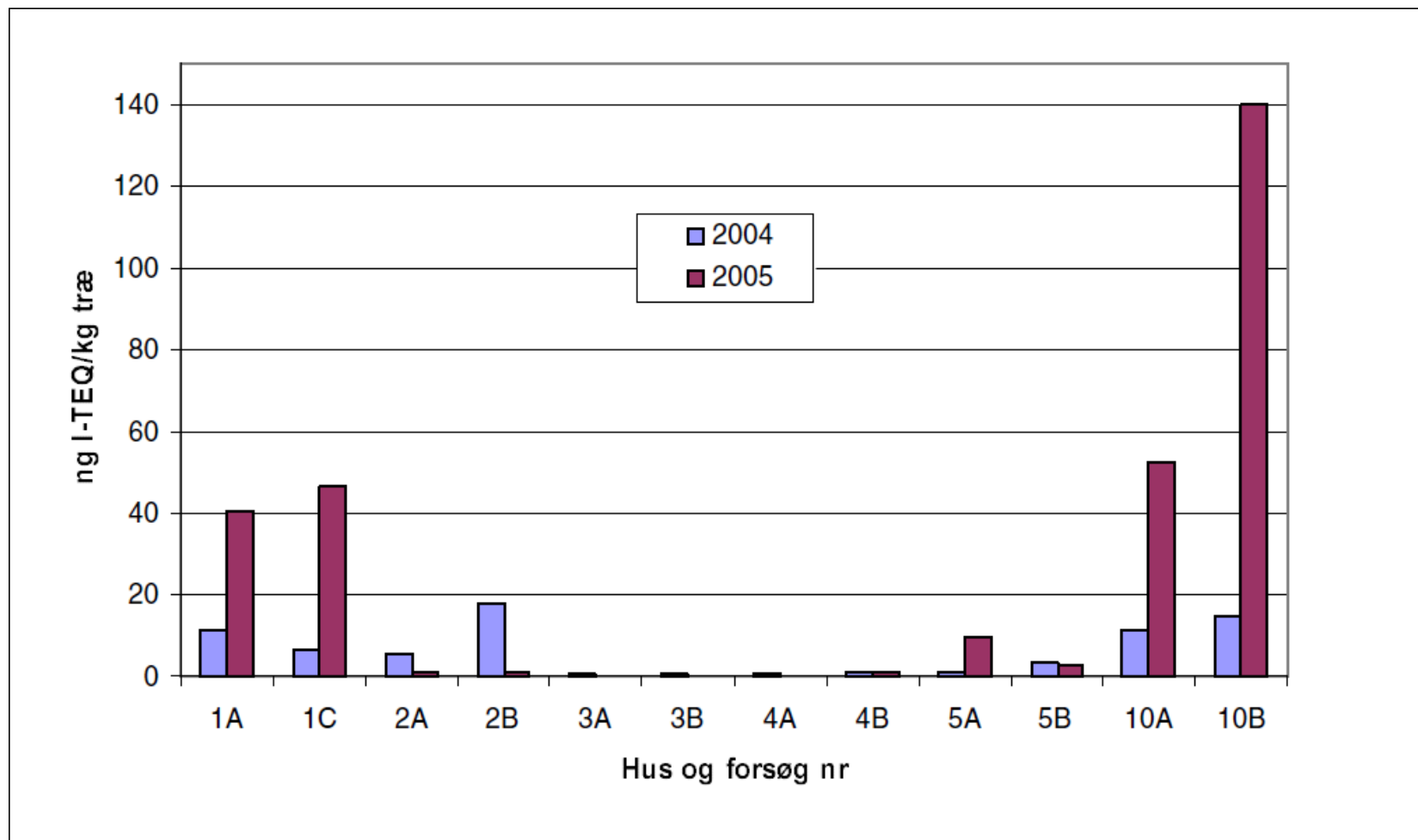




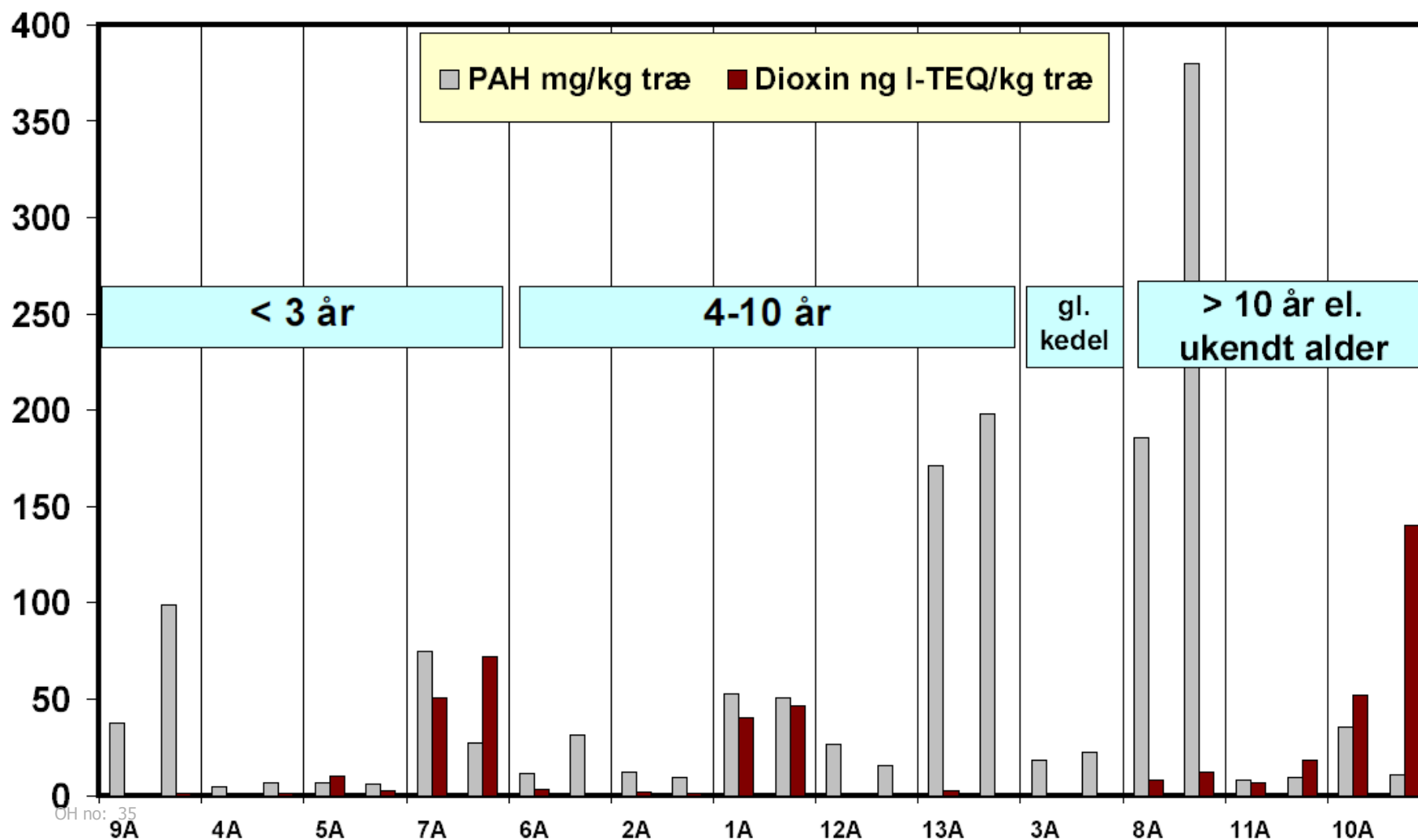
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# Gundsømagle 2003/2005 - Dioxins



# Gundsømagle 2005 - Stove age





# Conclusion and thoughts!



- **Real life PM emissions can apparently be lower than the former official limit value and emission factors**
- **Very big variations in the measured real-world emissions.**
- **The measured particle emission are most likely too low, because of sampling errors**
- **Sampling method with dilution tunnel could be improved by reducing the pipe by placing the sampling equipment on a platform on the roof!**



**Thanks for  
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attention!**