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Agendas

- Introduction
- Experimental facilities and test procedures

Experimental results

- Effects of biodiesel sources on engine emission
- Effects of biodiesel blend ratio on engine emission
- Conclusions

Introduction

- On the past three decades, considerable efforts have been made to develop alternative fuels.
- Why do we need alternative fuels?
 - ✓ <u>Depletion</u> of non-renewable oil reserves in the coming 30 50 years.
 - Stringent emissions legislation for the <u>transport sector</u> (
 30% of emission caused by transport sector)
 - ✓ Vulnerability of fossil fuel resource to political <u>instability</u>



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<u>EU</u> emission standard for passenger diesel cars(g/km)

Stage	Date	СО	HC	HC+NOx	NOx	PM
Euro I	1992.07	2.72 (3.16)	-	0.97 (1.13)	-	0.14 (0.18)
Euro II, ID	1996.01	1.0	-	0.7	-	0.08
Euro II, DI	1996.01	1.0	-	0.9	-	0.10
Euro III	2000.01	0.64	-	0.56	0.50	0.05
Euro IV	2005.01	0.50	-	0.30	0.25	0.025
Euro V(a)	2009.09	0.50	-	0.23	0.18	0.005
Euro V(b)	2011.09	0.50	-	0.23	0.18	0.005
Euro VI	2014.09	0.50	-	0.17	0.08	0.005

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- This challenges are forced the world to develop alternative fuels:
- Ethanol
 - ✓ limited only to spark ignition engines
 - ✓ Limited with only 15% blend due to its effects on engine parts
- Hydrogen based fuel cells
 - ✓ Complexity of hydrogen production
 - ✓ Storage and transport challenge
 - ✓ High cost fuel cell production

• Biodiesel – most convenient for diesel

Advantage of biodic are working on:

- ✓ Easy portable ✓ Global availa
- ✓ Higher comb
- ✓ Lower sulphu
- ✓ Higher cetane
 biodegradability

Physical characterisation
Combustion
Performance
Emission
Engine life time

and high

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 Lapuerta et al. and Xue et al. reviewed 158 and 162 articles respectively about biodiesel engine performance and emissions, published by highly rated journals in scientific indexes covering up to 2008 and 2010.



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- A four-cylinder, four-stroke, turbo charged, watercooled and directinjection CI engine
- 4.4 litre capacity, 75kW
- The unit with a 200kWAC Dynamometer





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 Corn oil biodiesel, Rapeseed oil biodiesel, Waste oil biodiesel, Diesel and its blends were used



Property	Diesel (B0)	B10	B20	B50	B75	B100
Density (kg/m3)	853	859	865	871	872	879
LHV (MJ/kg)	42.67	42.26	41.84	40.58	39.54	38.50
Viscosity (mm2/s) 3.55	3.91	4.28	4.68	4.74	5.13

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- Preconditioning procedure at high speed and high load was implemented to purge any of the remaining effects from previous tests.
- The measurements of gaseous emissions were carried out using a gas test bench HORIBA.
- The sample line of the equipment is connected directly to the exhaust pipe and it is heated to maintain a wall temperature of around 191°C and avoid the condensation of hydrocarbons into the line.
- The test was carried out for range of engine speeds (from 1000 to 1800rpm with 200rpm increment) and at maximum engine load (420Nm).



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Effects of biodiesel blend fraction on <u>emissions</u>



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Conclusions

- 1. The source of biodiesel does not show significant effect on the CI engine's emissions (CO₂, CO, NOx and THC) as long as the fuel physical and chemical properties remain same.
- 2. The emission analyses of the CI engine running with biodiesel highlights a significant reduction in CO₂, CO and THC emission at working engine operation conditions.
- 3. It is also found that when the biodiesel content increases a further reduction in emissions is observed. This emission reduction is a result of the oxygen content in biodiesel and the low carbon hydrogen ratio.
- 4. For all biodiesel contents the NOx emission increases for all operating conditions during of the CI engine. This increase is mainly due to the higher oxygen content present in biodiesel and the advanced injection characteristics.

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