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Project objectives (max 100 words)	The goal of this interlaboratory comparison was to verify the technical competence of our laboratory and to validate our measurement methods and uncertainty statements against reference laboratory - WCCAP.
Description of work (max 100 words):	Intercomparison measurement of condensation particle counter TSI 3772 belonging to Czech Metrology Institute was successfully performed using silver aerosol particles at World Calibration Center for Aerosol Physics. Details of this work can be found in this report.



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Instrument Intercomparison Workshop (Condensation Particle Counter) Project title: CPC-2019-4 Period: September 17, 2019 - September 18, 2019 (two days)

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Introduction and motivation

Condensation particle counter TSI CPC Model 3772 (serial number 3772133801) belonging to Czech Metrology Institute is used as a reference for aerosol measurements in our laboratory. We also use this device for research purposes. We are interested in intercomparison measurements, in knowledge transfer during intercomparison workshops and in networking with other colleagues in aerosol community.



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Scientific objectives

The goal of this interlaboratory comparison was to verify the technical competence of our laboratory and to validate our measurement methods and uncertainty statement against reference laboratory.

Reason for choosing the calibration facility

We choose this interlaboratory comparison at WCCAP because this center has experiences with large number of tested instruments, which is very appropriate from metrology point of view. They have also experience with Condensation Particle Counter Model 3772, TSI.

Method and experimental set-up

Condensation particle counter TSI 3772 belonging to Czech Metrology Institute was transported to WCCAP. Instrument was checked after the transport, the status of the instrument was archived for the report (no damages or problems were found) and comparison measurement was performed using silver aerosol particles. There were six instruments taking part in this comparison measurement on September 17, 2019 including WCCAP reference CPC . TSI electrometer was used as a reference. Results of the measurement were discussed after finished workshop, condensation particle counter TSI 3772 was prepared for transport.

Scheme of experimental setup can be found in figure below, this figure is copied from Intercomparison of Condensation Particle Counter report provided after calibration by WCCAP [1].



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Data description

Measured counting efficiency curve can be found in figure below, this figure is copied from Intercomparison of Condensation Particle Counter report provided after calibration by WCCAP [1].

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Fig. 1: Counting efficiency for TSI CPC Model 3772 #3772133801 against aerosol electrometer 3068 S/N 70838596; silver particles between 6 and 40 nm were used for calibration; the calculated Dp50 is 8.24 nm.

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Preliminary results and conclusions

The final result is that the instrument passed the quality standards of ACTRIS and GAW. The candidate reached 99% efficiency at 40 nm. The Dp50 was at 8.65 nm. The CPC efficiency curve corresponds to the standard of ACTRIS and GAW.

Outcome and future studies

Intercomparison measurement was successfull, instrument belonging to Czech Metrology Institute doesn't exhibit any problem according to the results. In the future, we would like to return to WCAPP again for the same intercomparison workshop.

References

[1] Intercomparison of Condensation Particle Counter report provided after calibration by WCCAP, Reviewed by TROPOS / Kay Weinhold, four pages intotal, 2019

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