

We would like to thank the Editor for the valuable feedback.

Lines 100-103: We have amended the sentence as follows: NPET had been calibrated in a traceable manner according to the ISO 27891 standard, and showed a CE of 0.58 ± 0.02 , 0.77 ± 0.02 , 0.77 ± 0.01 , 0.80 ± 0.01 and 0.79 ± 0.02 at a GMD_{mob} of 23 nm , 50 nm , 70 nm , 80 nm and 100 nm , respectively and this counting efficiency was taken into account during data analysis (i.e. calibration factors [in the range 1.72 - 1.28](#) were applied to the concentrations reported by the NPET [depending on the particle size](#)).

Line 98: We now explain the abbreviation CS as follows: "... a catalytic stripper ([CS](#), Catalytic Instruments GmbH, Germany)...".