

O₂/N₂ measurements in the ICOS network

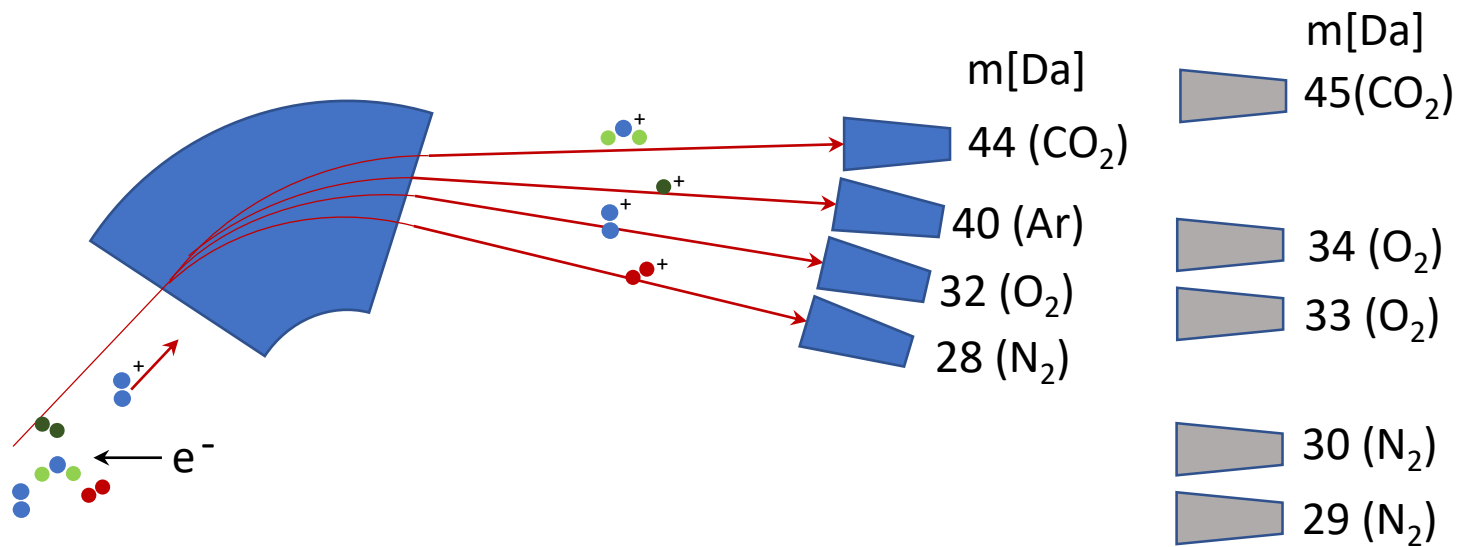
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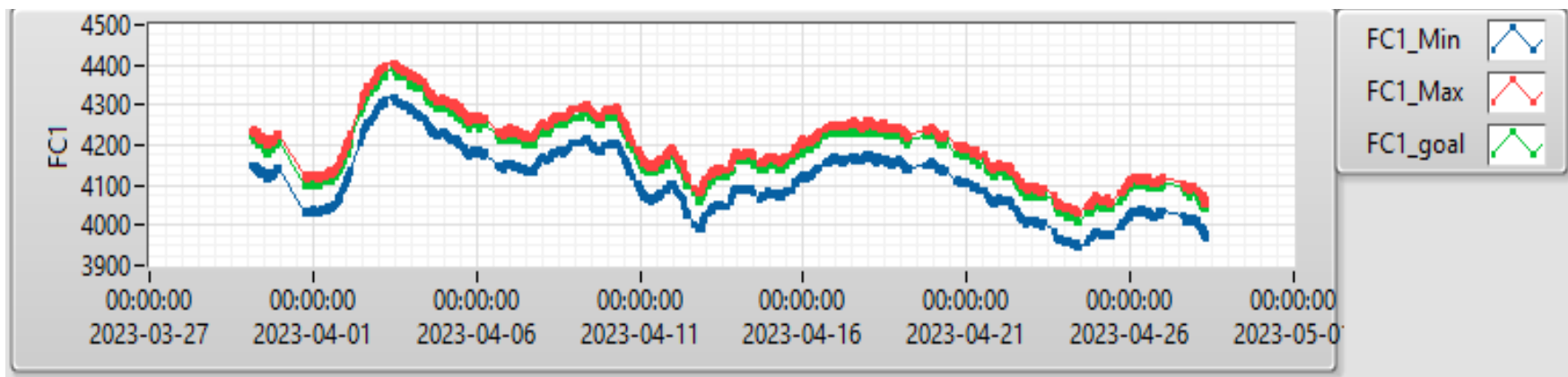
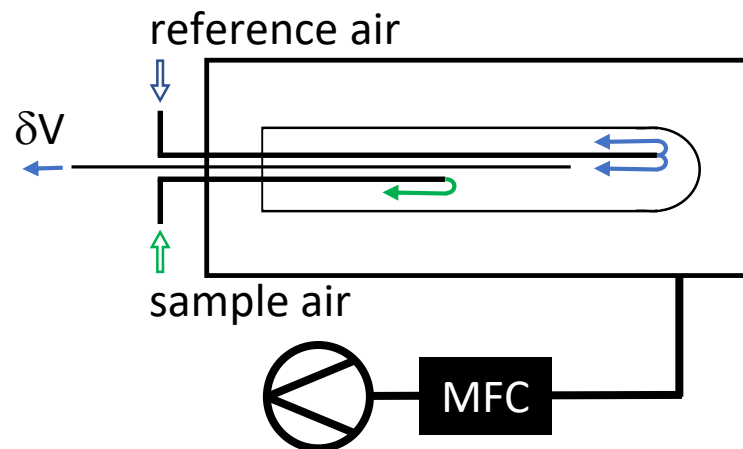
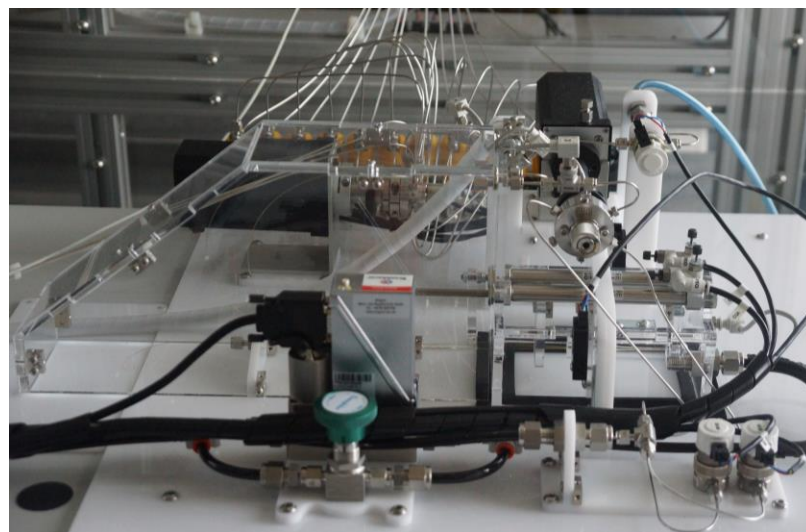


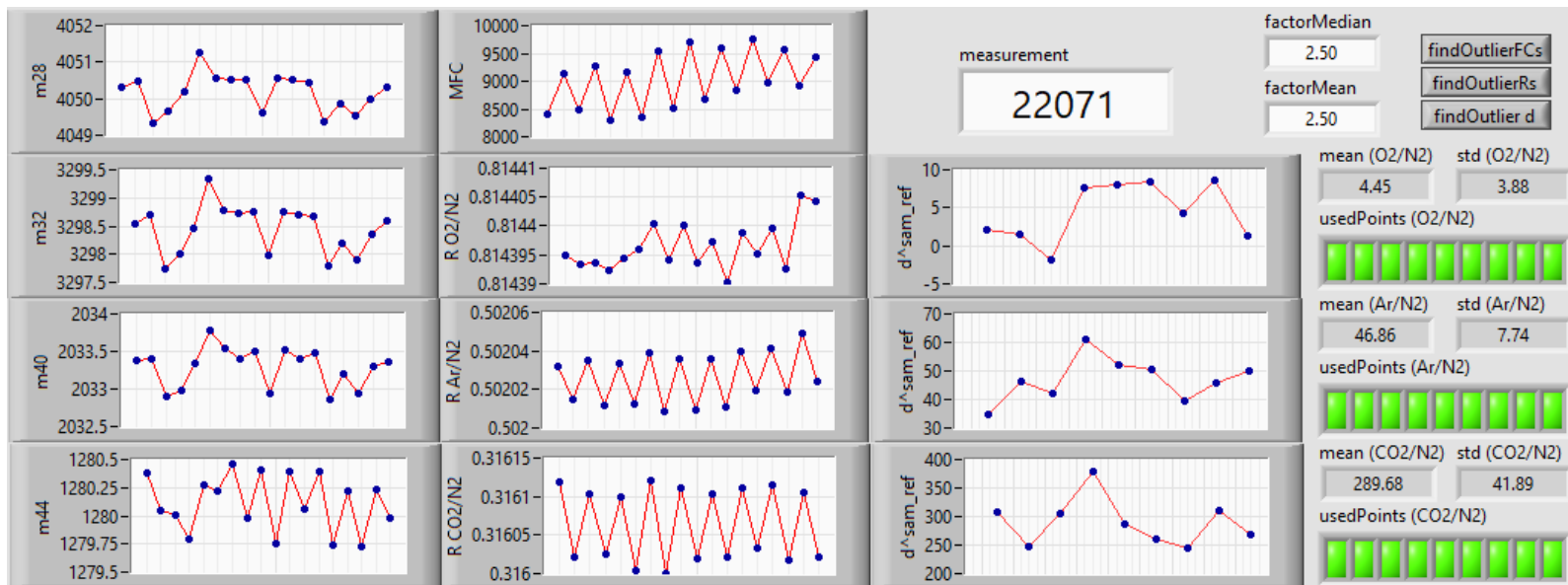
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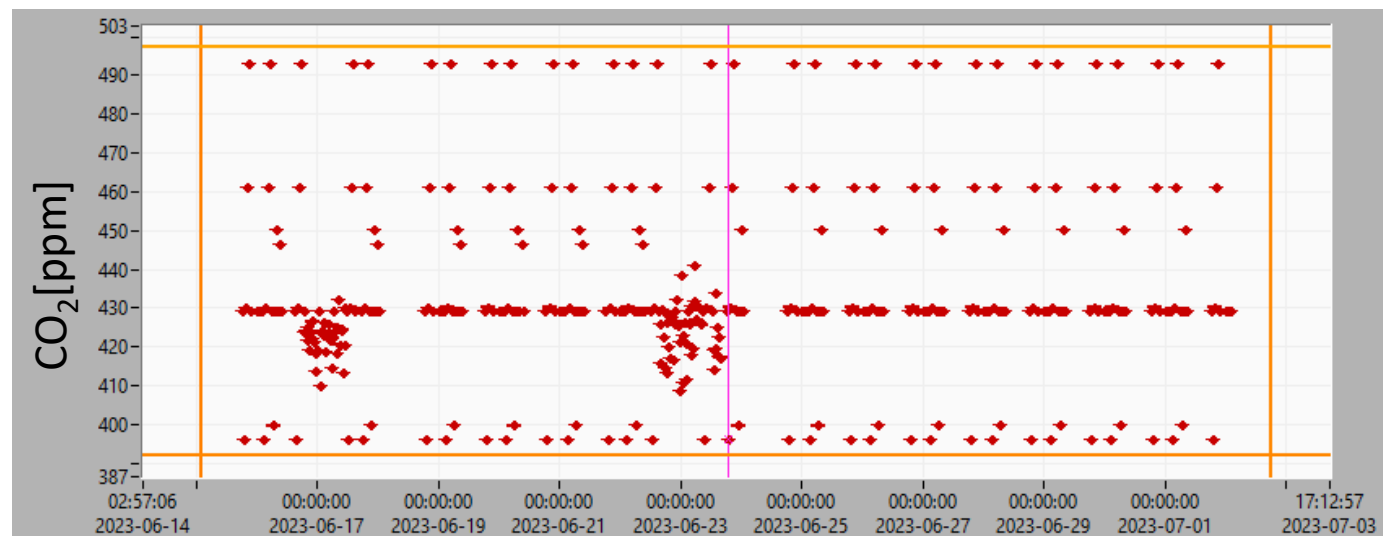
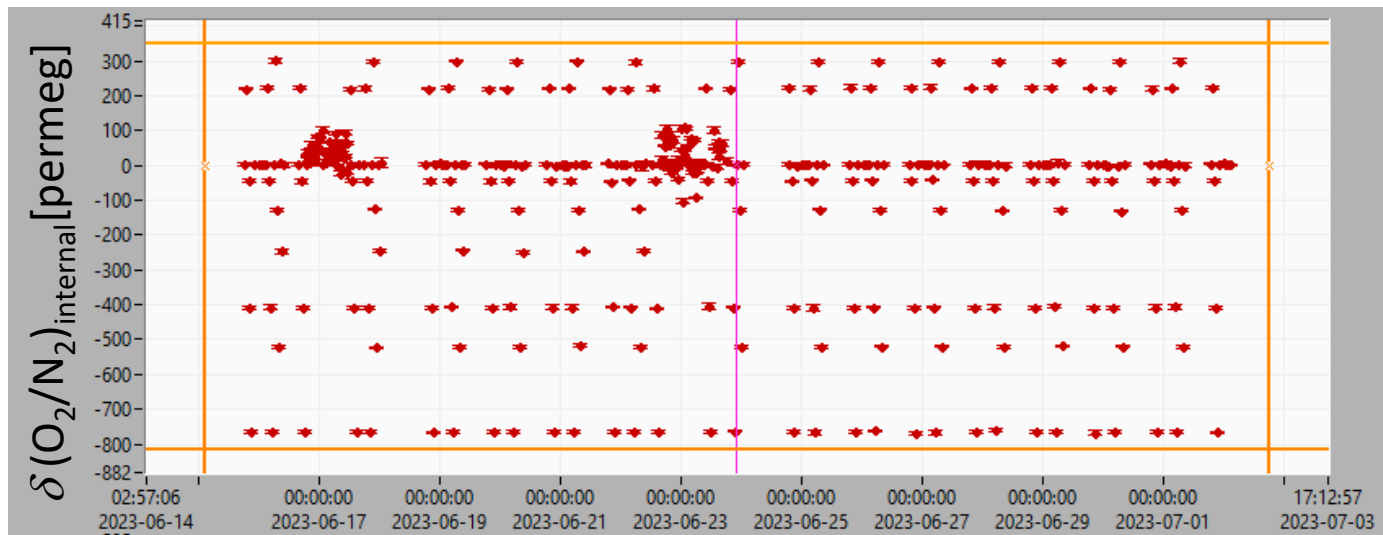
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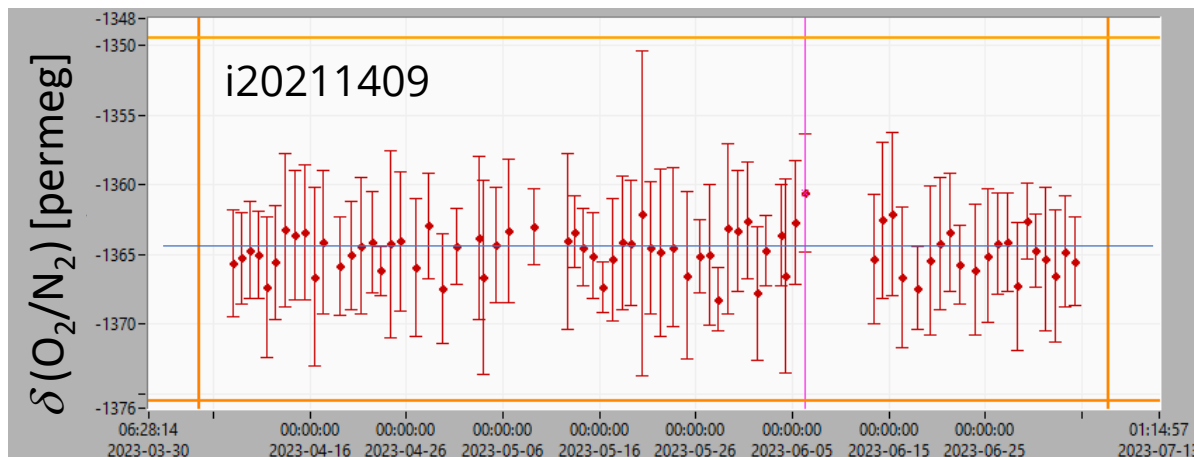








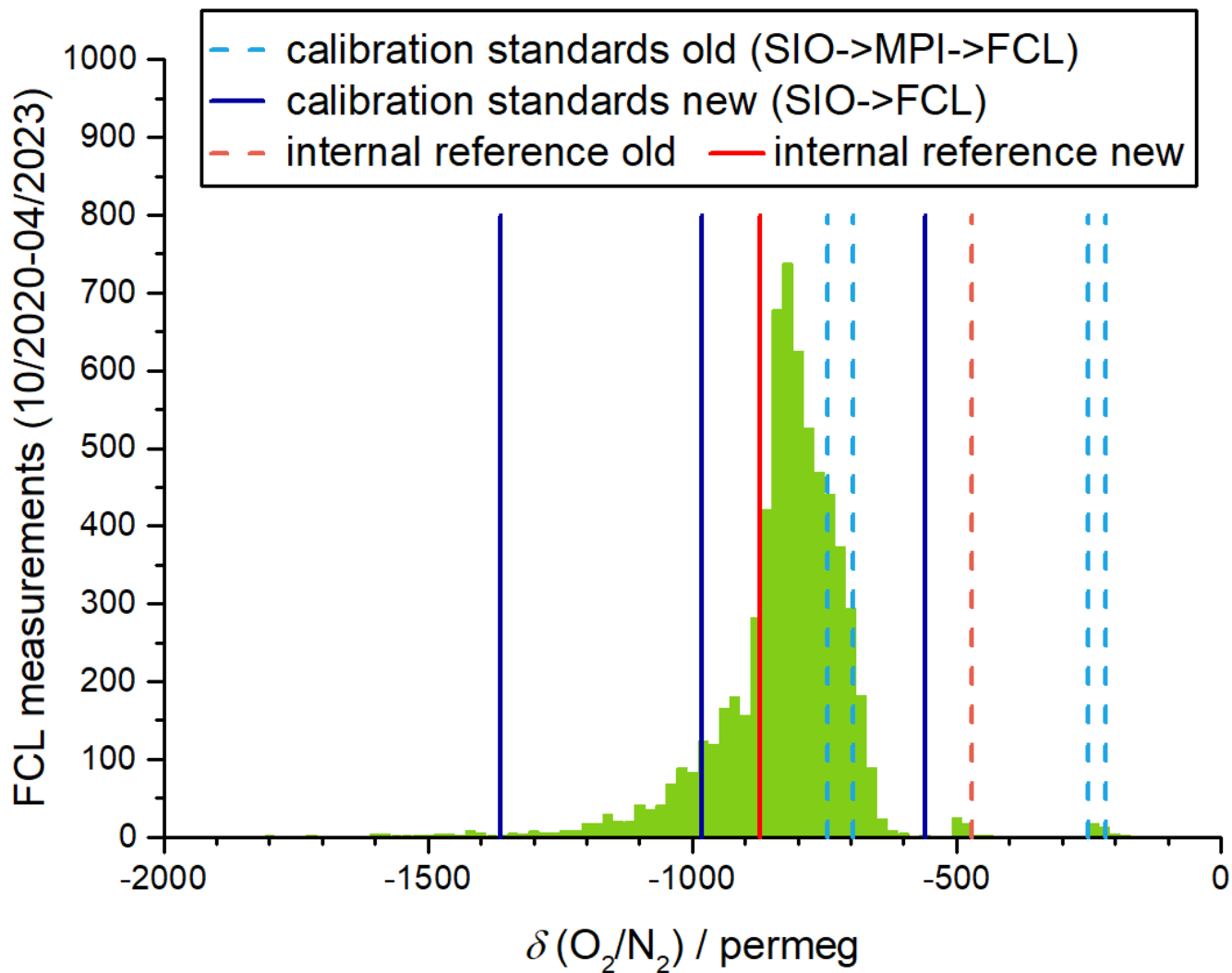




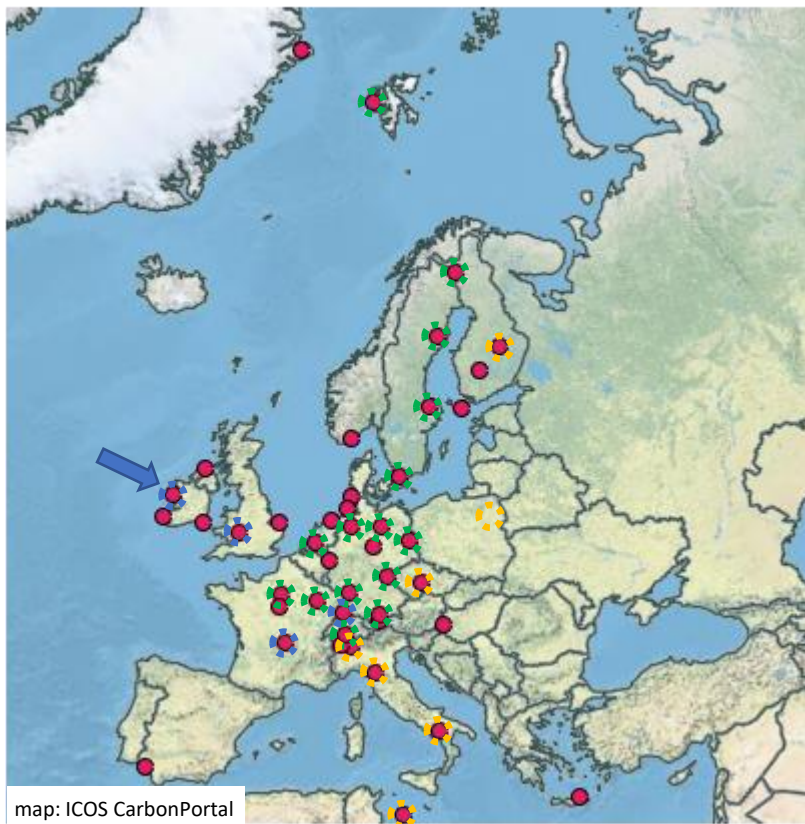
3 SCRIPPS assigned cylinders:

76 measurements (03/2023 -> 07/2023)

		O_2/N_2	Ar/N_2	CO_2
i20211438	D753839	-561.60 ± 1.59	-209.94 ± 3.44	399.77 ± 0.01
i20211413	D752840	-980.32 ± 1.89	-209.47 ± 3.28	429.33 ± 0.01
i20211409	D753841	-1364.76 ± 1.53	-624.19 ± 3.49	450.44 ± 0.01

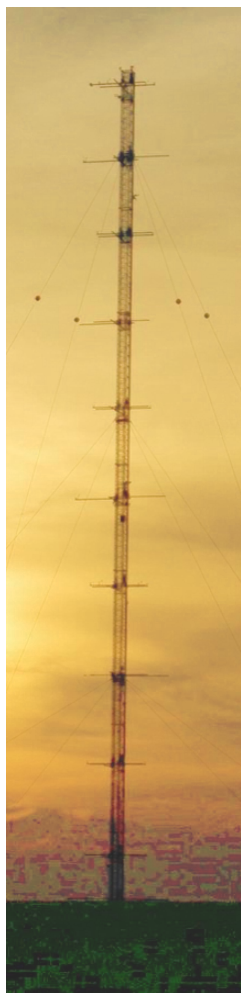


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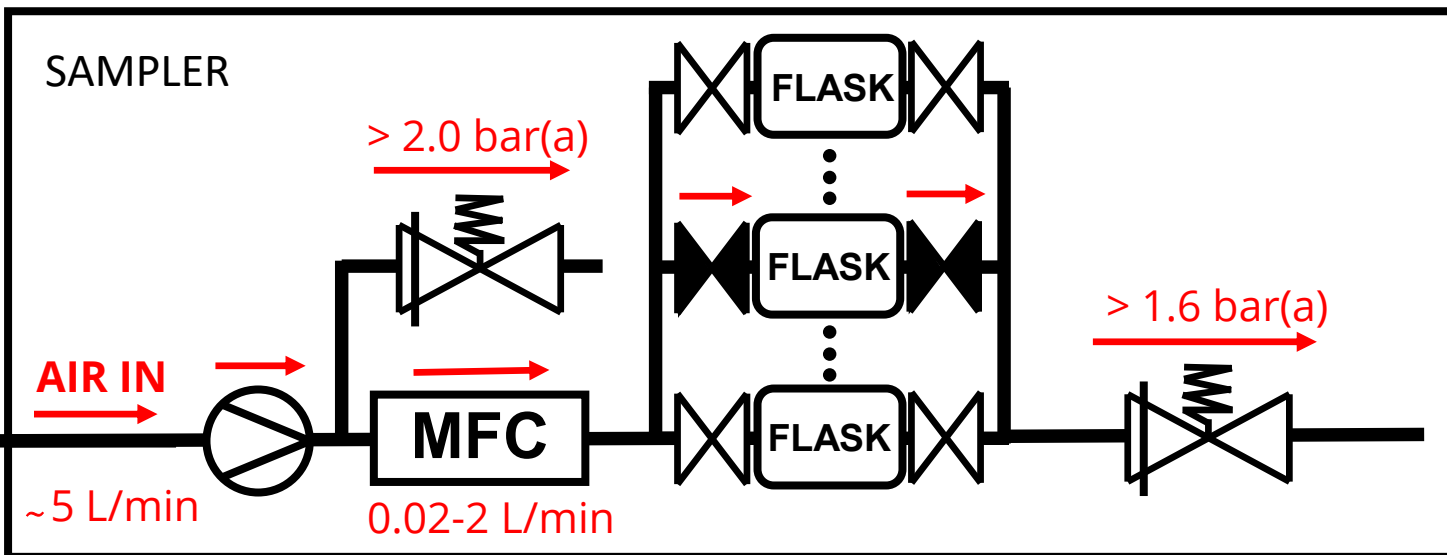
- ICOS Atmosphere Stations
- ⊕ Flasksampler taking samples
- ⊕ Flasksampler to be installed
- ⊕ Flasksampler in production





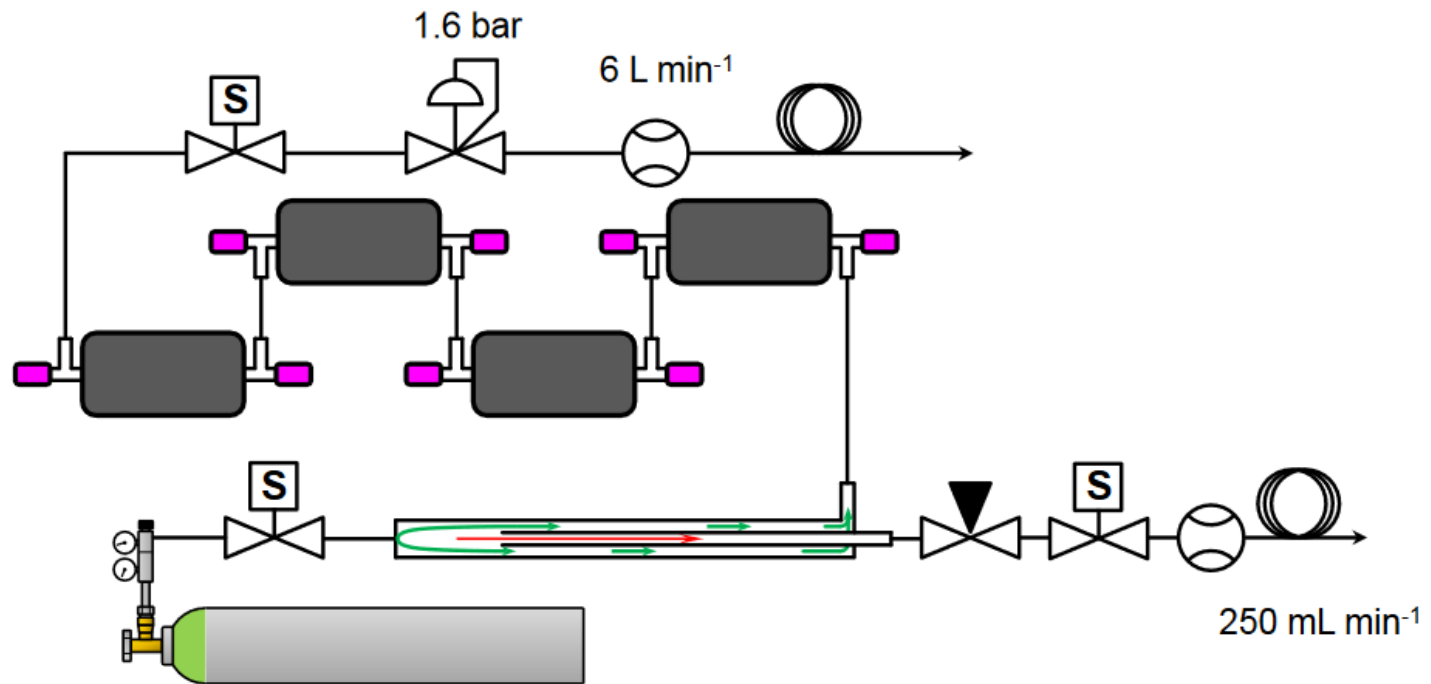
source: DWD via CarbonPortal

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plot shows flask sampling with constant weight over one hour

Measurement setup without flask sampler



Solenoid valve



Needle valve

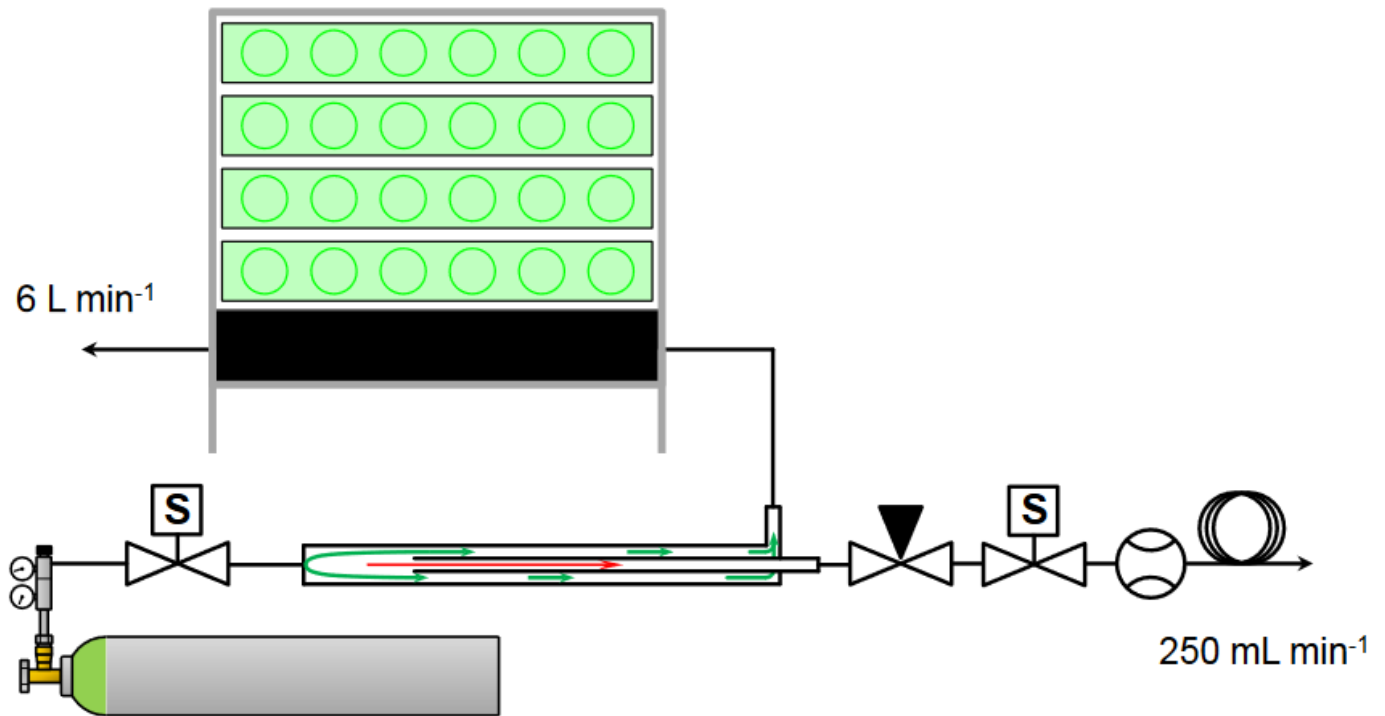


Flow meter



Pressure regulator

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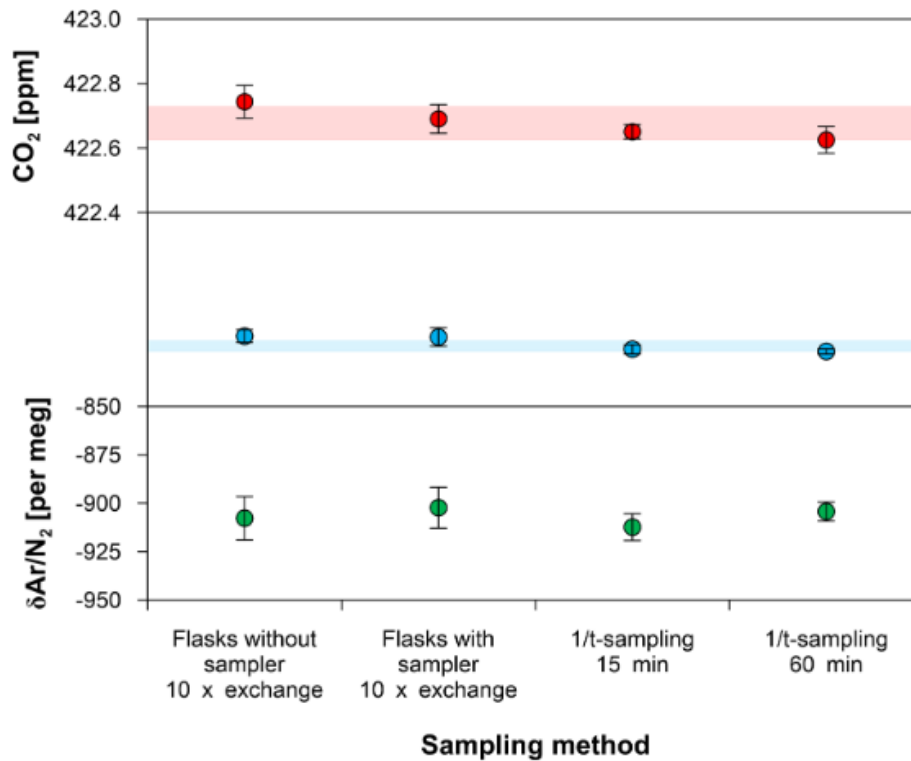


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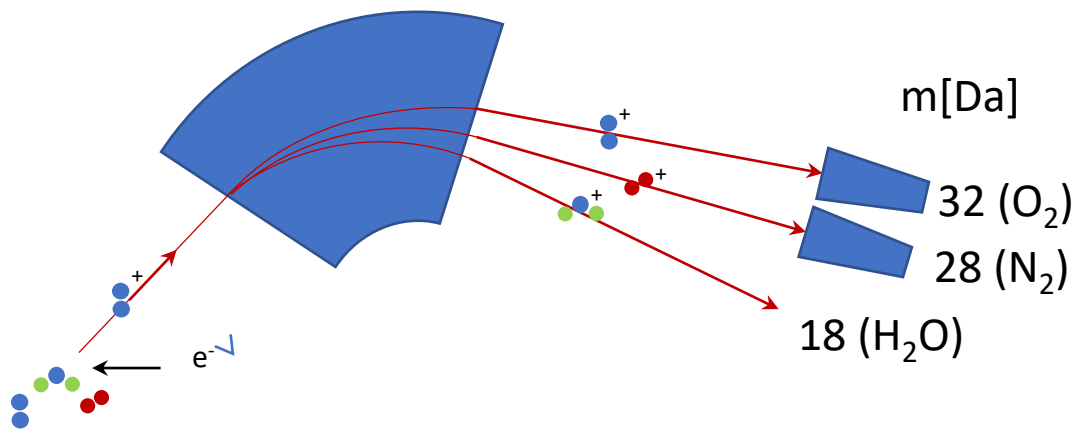
Summary



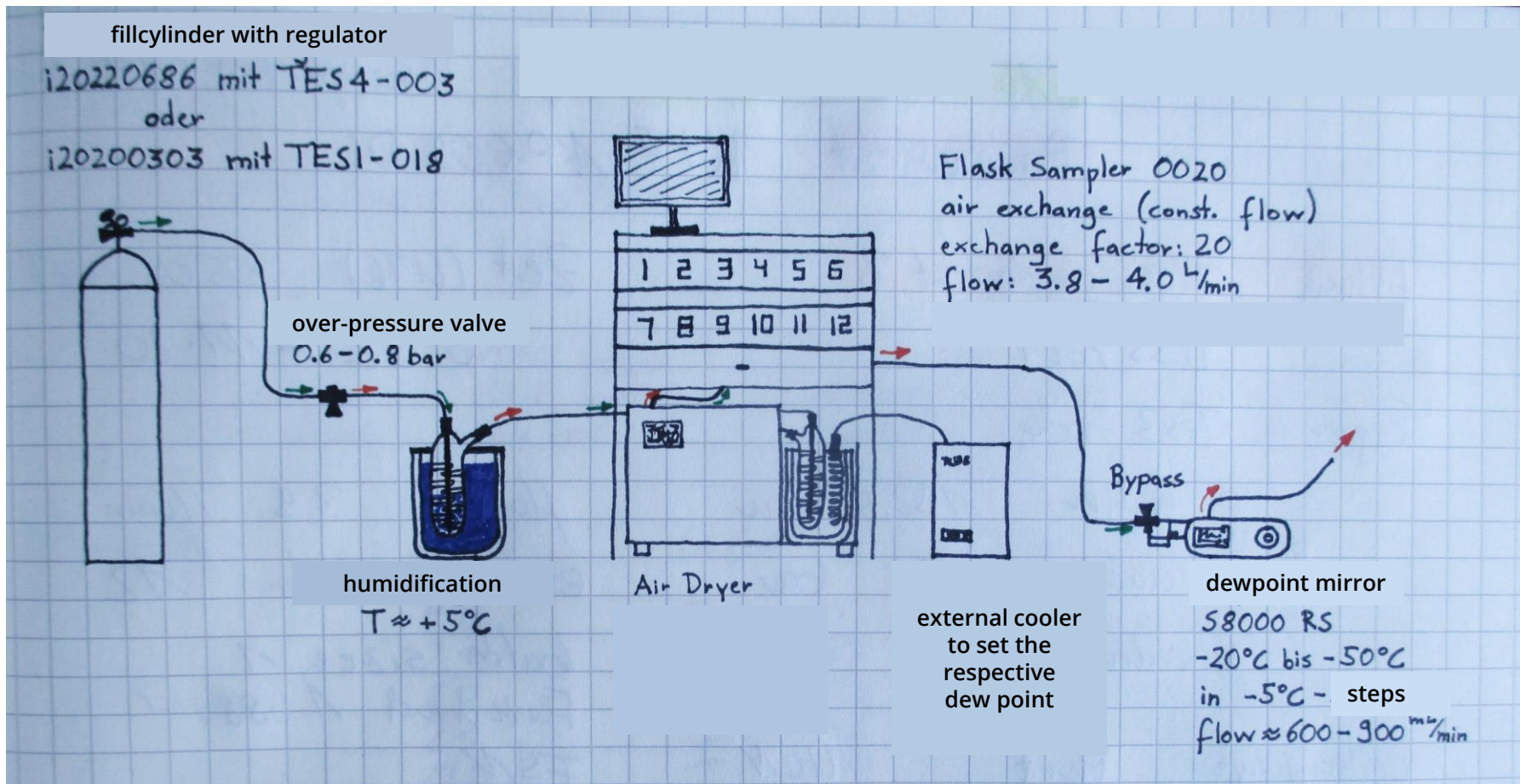
	CO ₂ [ppm]	O ₂ /N ₂ [per meg]	Ar/N ₂ [per meg]
Flasks without sampler (10 x exchange)	422.74 ± 0.05	-563.8 ± 3.2	-907.8 ± 11.1
Flasks with sampler (10 x exchange)	422.69 ± 0.04	-564.3 ± 4.8	-902.3 ± 10.5
Flasks with sampler 1/t 15 min	422.65 ± 0.02	-570.7 ± 2.4	-912.4 ± 6.9
Flasks with sampler 1/t 60 min	422.63 ± 0.04	-571.8 ± 1.3	-904.3 ± 4.9

- Conclusions**
- > Flask sampler seems to perform well in Bern
 - > The 24 sampling ports yield similar results
 - > No obvious fractionations of CO₂, O₂ or Ar with either of the sampling methods were observed
 - > Only one single gas was used for tests

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schematic setup



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