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# ***Fuel Additive Strategies for Enhancing the Performance of Engines and Engine Oils***

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# Presentation Outline

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- ◆ **Technical Challenges**
- ◆ **Program Milestones**
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  - **Proof of Concept Data**
- ◆ **Conclusion**

# Program Motivation

## *Opportunity to Improve Performance*



- ◆ **Deposit Control Additives**
  - Keep new engines clean
  - Clean up dirty engines
  
- ◆ **Novel Targets for Fuel Additives**
  - Performance not tied to deposits
  - Consumer will notice the benefit
  - Make vehicles perform better than new



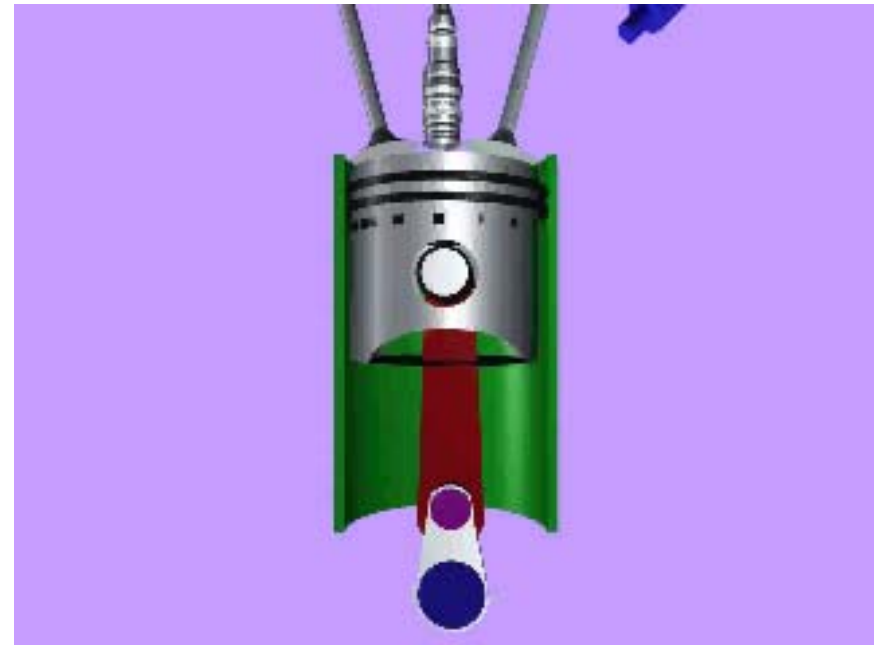
# Gasoline Friction Modifier

## *The Fuel/Lubricant Interface*



## Friction Modifier Delivery Mechanism

- ◆ Cylinder wall is the immediate target
- ◆ Long term gains are realized as the gasoline friction modifier collects in the crankcase



# Friction Modifying Gasoline Additive

## *Vehicle Performance Testing with Fuel \$aver*



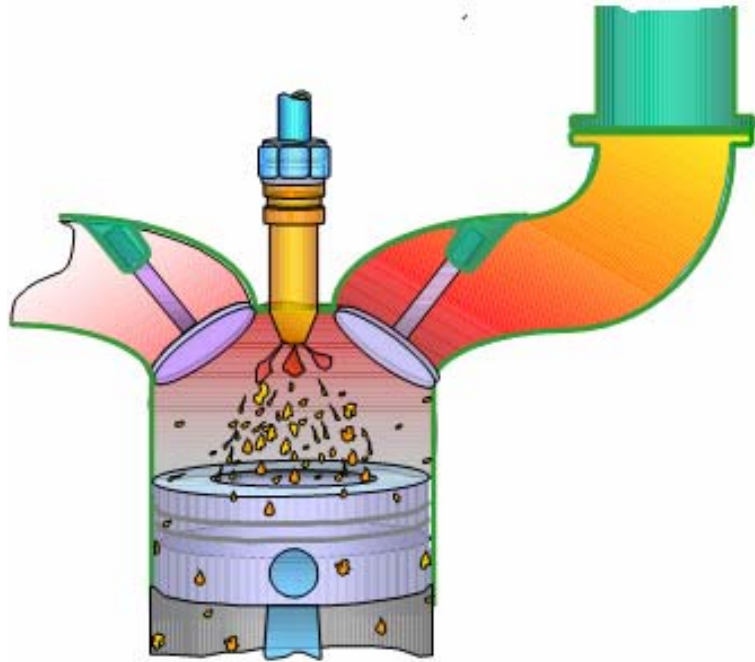
### ***FTP HWFET Results***

<b>Make</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Immediate Benefit Base Fuel + F\$</b>	<b>Long Term Benefit Base Fuel + F\$ &amp; F\$ in Oil Sump</b>
<b>Jeep</b>	<b>2002 Cherokee</b>	<b>2.42%</b>	<b>4.40%</b>
<b>Dodge</b>	<b>1998 Caravan</b>	<b>0.92%</b>	<b>1.49%</b>
<b>Dodge</b>	<b>1997 Intrepid</b>	<b>2.08%</b>	<b>2.55%</b>
<b>Toyota</b>	<b>1997 Camry</b>	<b>2.45%</b>	<b>4.07%</b>
<b>Dodge</b>	<b>1994 Ram 1500</b>	<b>1.71%</b>	<b>2.84%</b>
<b>Average</b>		<b>1.92%</b>	<b>3.07%</b>

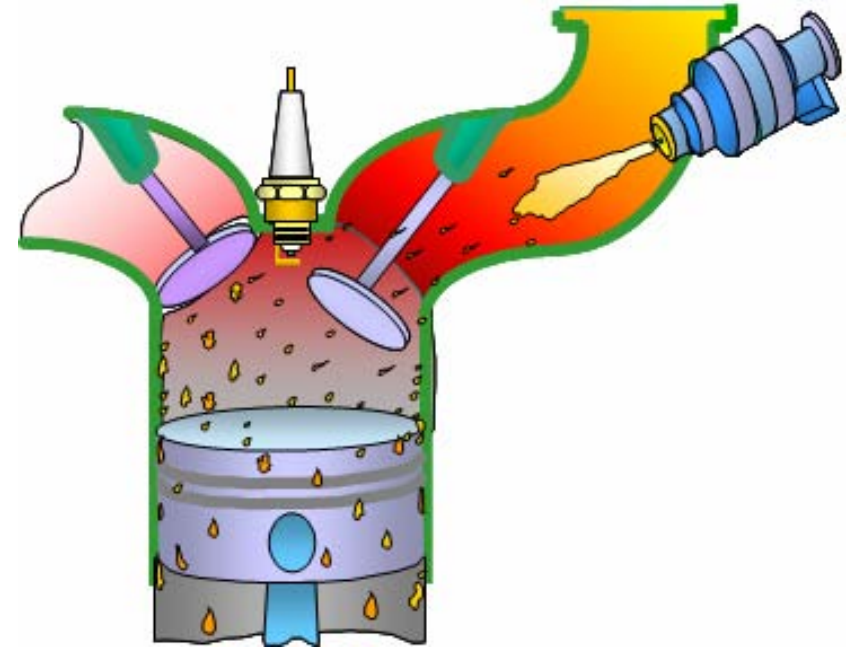


# New Diesel Fuel Additives

## *Technical Challenges*



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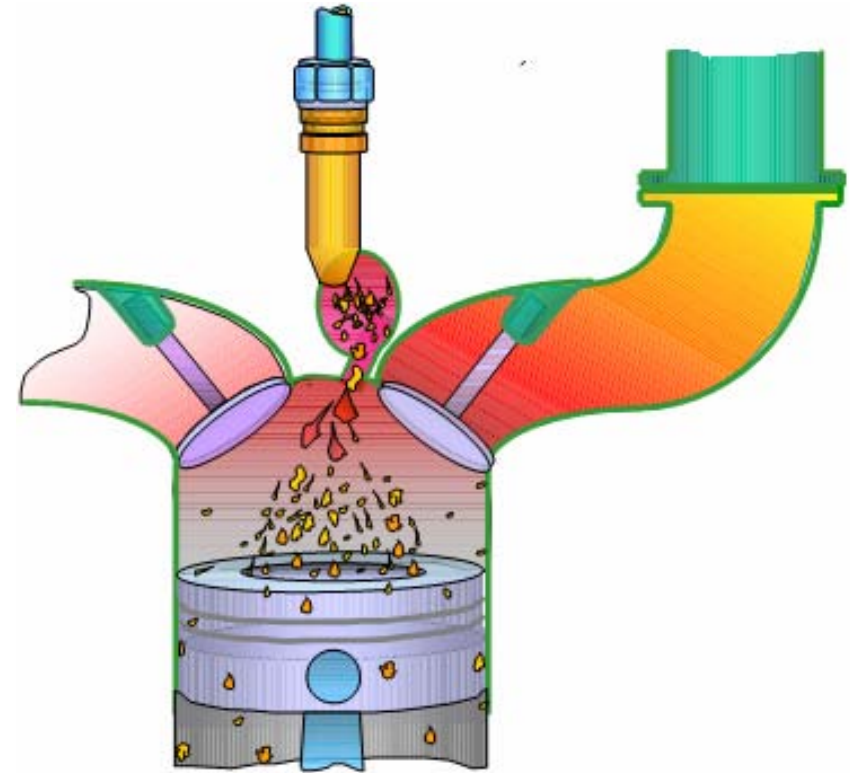
- ◆ Diesel engine design has the injector spray fuel at the piston to minimize fuel hitting the combustion chamber wall
- ◆ The cylinder wall is exposed to fuel for far less time relative to that of gasoline engines
- ◆ Less surface area is exposed to the fuel relative to gasoline engines

# New Diesel Fuel Additives

## *Technical Challenges*



- ◆ Various engine designs (DI and IDI)
- ◆ Range of injection pressures (250 to 3000 bar)
- ◆ The shear rate at the nozzle can impact the chemical integrity of the fuel additive



*Engine hardware may demand different chemistries*

*It is far more difficult for the additive to preferentially reach the fuel/lube interface*

# New Diesel Fuel Additives

## *Development Program - Chemistry*



### ◆ Candidate Synthesis

- Two distinct mechanisms are being pursued
- Each mechanism requires the additive reaches the cylinder wall
- Molecular weight and backbone type has been identified
- Desired performance defines molecule's functionality

### Molecule Design Strategy

Backbone	--Hook-->	Backbone-H
Backbone-H	--Performance--> Additive	Backbone-H-P



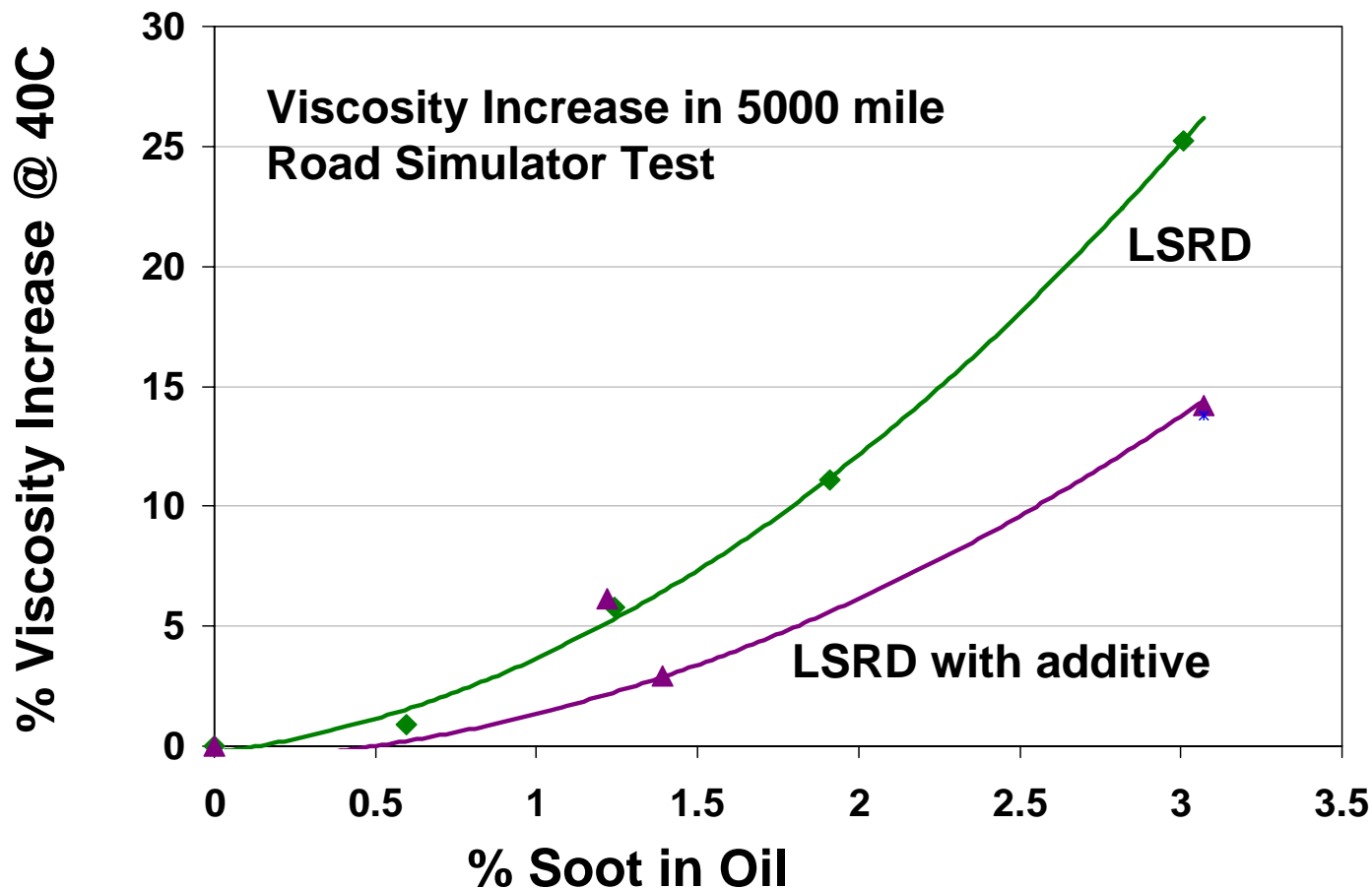


# Soot Dispersing Diesel Fuel Additive

## Passenger DI Vehicle Performance Data



### ◆ Soot Dispersant Delivered to Lubricant via Fuel



# Soot Dispersing Diesel Fuel Additive



## *Status*

- ◆ A soot dispersing additive was successfully delivered to the oil sump via the fuel in a small diesel engine test
- ◆ The additive remains chemically intact according to IR spectra
- ◆ The lubricant's viscosity increase control is continuously supplemented during the drain interval
- ◆ Retaining the viscometric characteristics of the oil during use yields a fuel economy benefit



# Soot Dispersing Diesel Fuel Additive

## *Performance Data*



- ◆ **Passenger Vehicle 1 on Base Fuel**
  - Accumulated Mileage = 7379
  - Weight % Soot in Oil = 3.7
- ◆ **Passenger Vehicle 1 on Base Fuel and Additive**
  - Accumulated Mileage = 6952
  - Weight % Soot in Oil = 3.4

### Fuel Economy Improvement of 7.6%

- ◆ **Passenger Vehicle 2 with Base Fuel**
  - Accumulated Mileage = 9659
  - Weight % Soot in Oil = 0.5
- ◆ **Passenger Vehicle 2 with Base Fuel and Additive**
  - Accumulated Mileage = 9651
  - Weight % Soot in Oil = 0.6

### No Fuel Economy Improvement Seen



# Friction Modifying Diesel Fuel Additive

## *Performance Data*



## DI Passenger Vehicle Test

**Time** 16 hrs conditioning followed by 12 hr hot/cool cycles  
**Speed** 2200 rpm in all stages  
**Load** 75 lb-ft during conditioning, 25 lb-ft during all other stages

### Fuel Order:

1. Non-FM base fuel
  2. Non-FM base fuel
  3. FM treated fuel
- FEI measurement: 3.- 2.

### RESULTS:

**Additive A = 1.9% FEI**

**Additive B = 2.0% FEI**



# Friction Modifying Diesel Fuel Additive

## *Performance Data*



## Additional DI Passenger Car Vehicle Test Sets

- ◆ Non-FM treated fuel
- ◆ FM treated fuel
- ◆ FM treated fuel + treated oil

## RESULTS:

Passenger vehicle 1 - **No improvement**

Passenger vehicle 2 - **1.04%FEI immediate benefit**

- **No appreciable predicted long term benefit**



# Conclusions



- ◆ **Performance additives other than deposit control have been identified for both gasoline and diesel engine applications**
- ◆ **Fuel/lubricant interactions in diesel engines are intrinsically more difficult to develop than for gasoline applications**
- ◆ **Additive chemistries successful in one application is not necessarily transferable to another application**
- ◆ **Soot dispersant and friction modifying additives added to the fuel can provide benefits in some diesel engines**
- ◆ **The chemistry needs to be optimized to perform across the breadth diesel engine designs**

