



# Preliminary results on contamination in SRF cavities mass production

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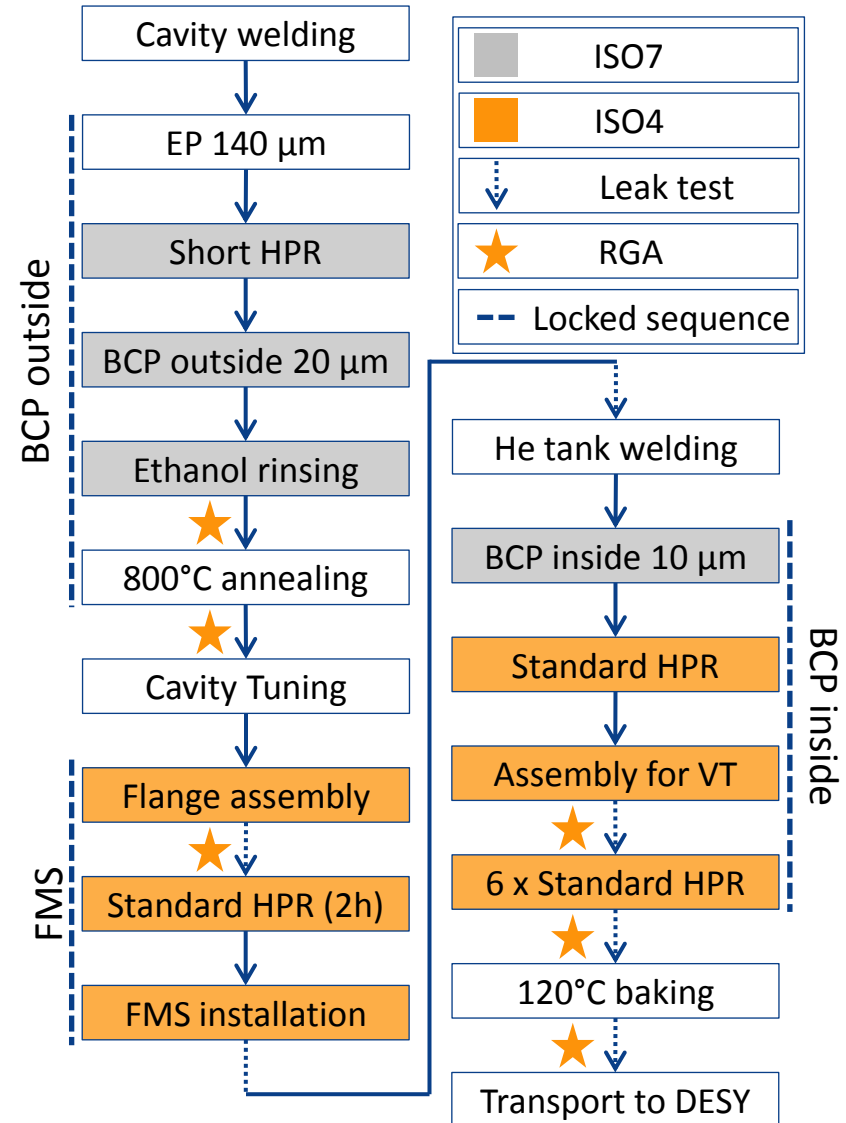
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# BCP Flash cycle

Possible contamination sources:

- Electropolishing  
Sulphur
- Equipment  
Hydrocarbons from assemblies' components  
Hydrocarbons from UP water pumps  
Additives from plastics/detergents
- Vacuum systems  
Pre-assembled components (e.g. valves)  
Defective components' cleaning process
- Others?



# DEHP

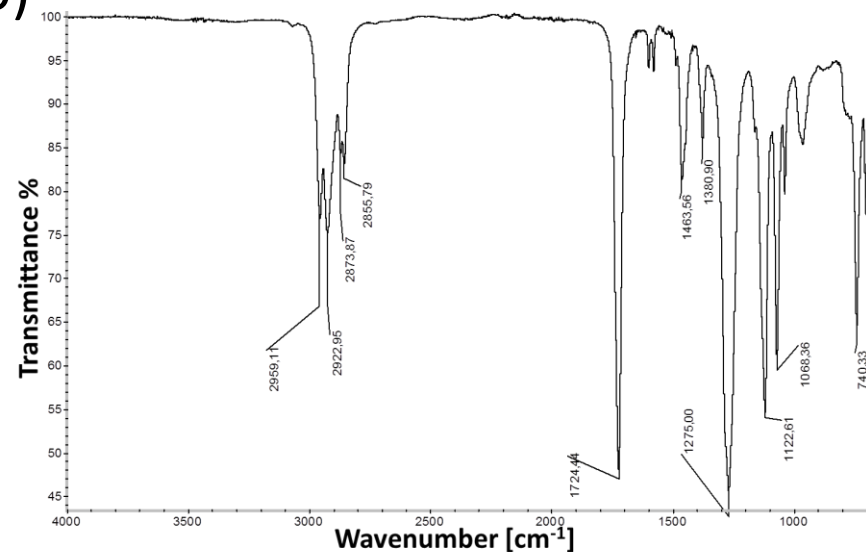
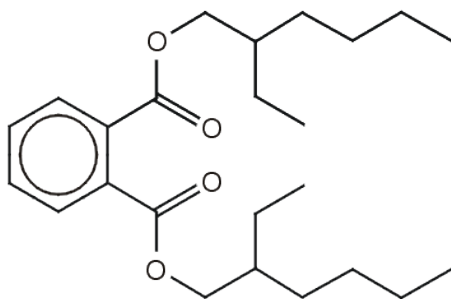
Viscous residues found in ethanol rinsing filters

FT-IR analysis determines DEHP (diethylhexyl phthalate)

- Ethanol-soluble PVC plasticizer
- Present in ethanol rinsing PVC piping
- RGA gives no evidence ( $m/z < 100$ )

## Corrective action:

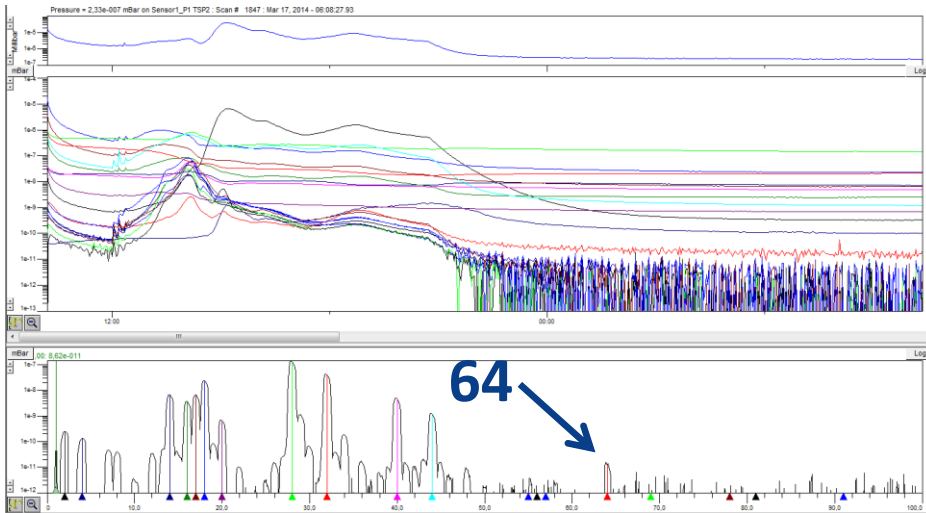
- Use of PVC free piping



# Sulphur contamination

## Sulphur in ethanol

Sulphur in new ethanol rinsing pipe  
Ethanol got coloured yellow well before  
foreseen change period

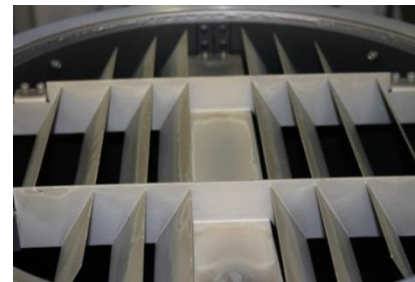


### Corrective actions:

EtOH period of usage halved  
(change every 15 CAVs instead of 30)

## Sulphur in 800°C oven's cryopump

1st stage



2nd stage

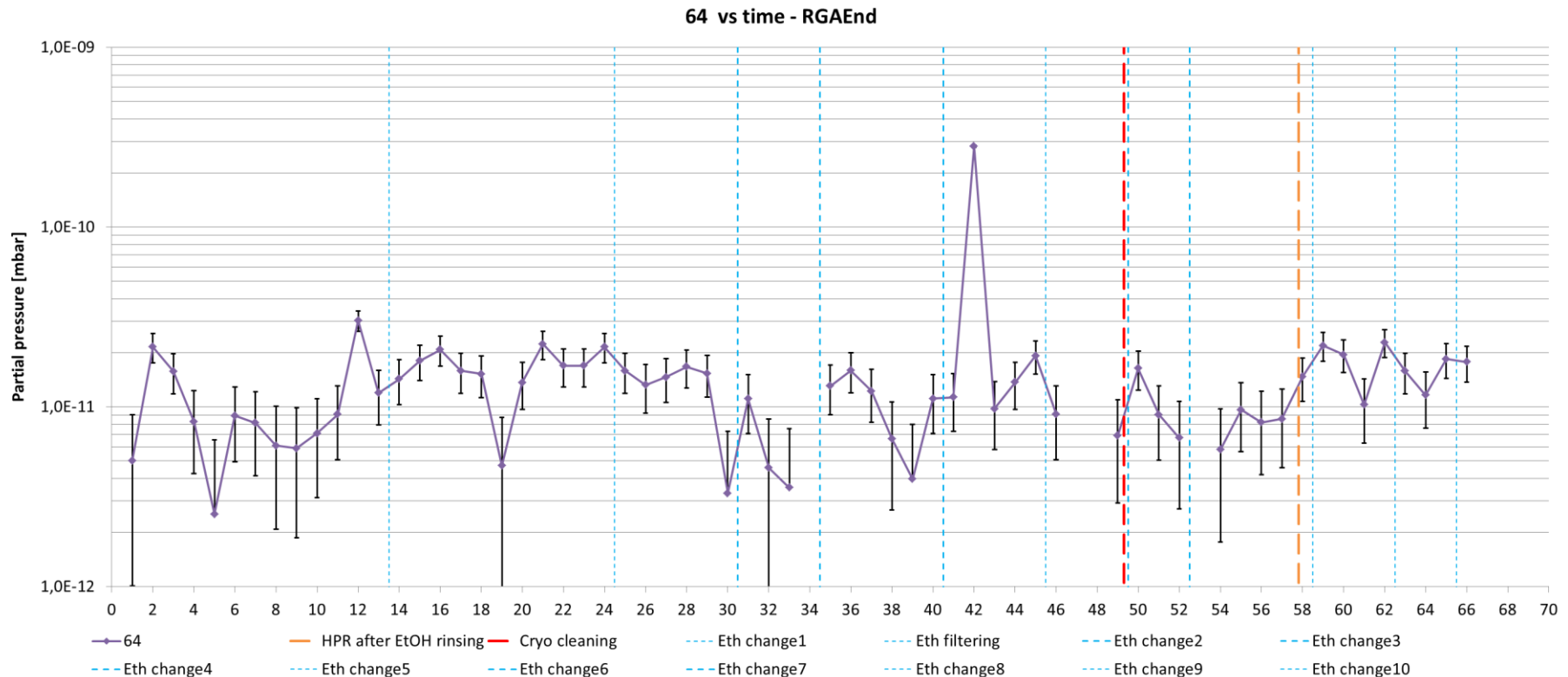


### Corrective actions:

More 1100°C oven cleaning cycles  
HPR after EtOH rinsing and after 800°C

# After 800°C treatment

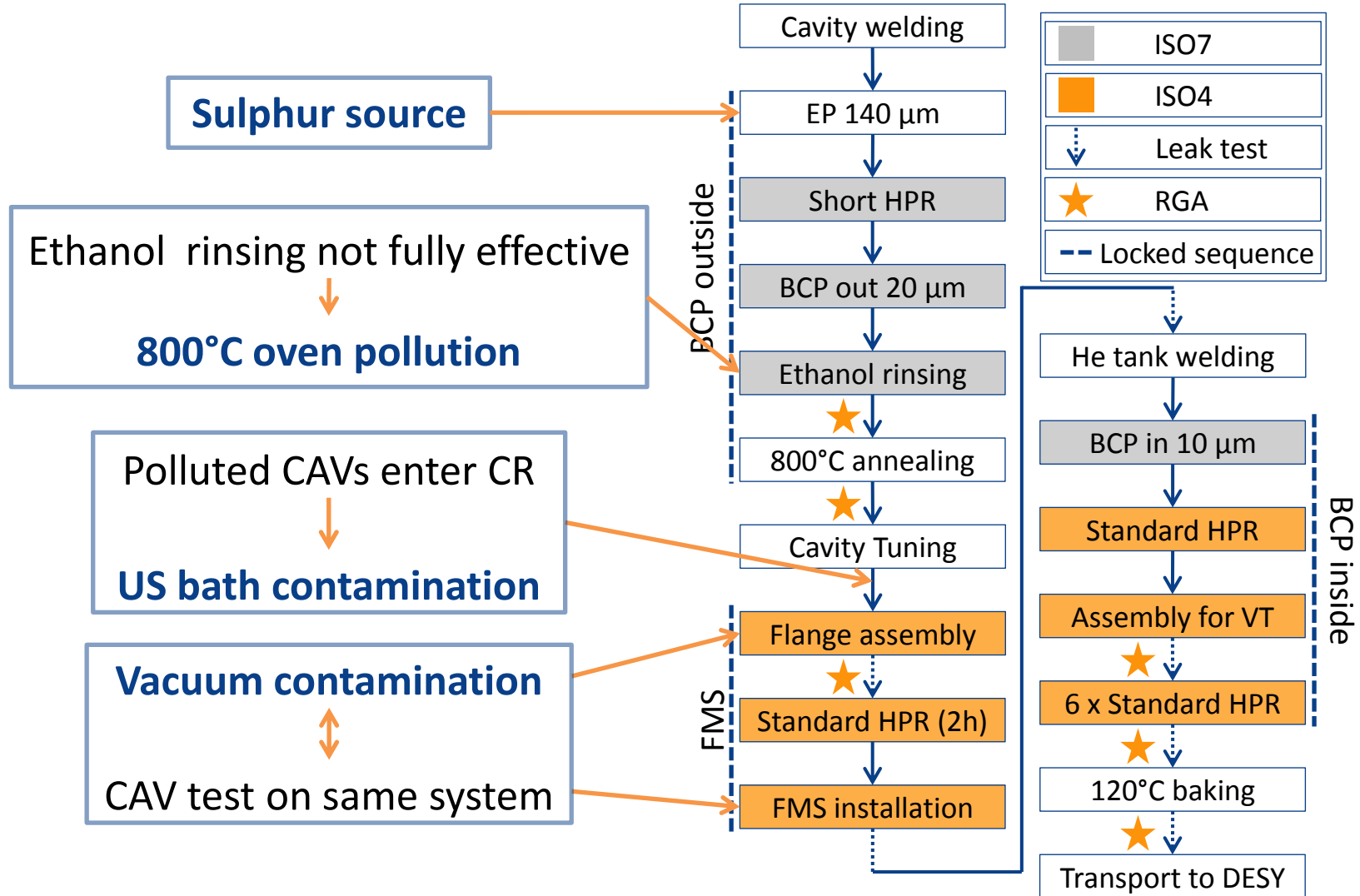
800°C oven - Tracking of sulphur as mass 64 ( $S_2$ ,  $SO_2$ ) with RGA



RGA after TT: 64 pp slightly increasing at ultimate pressure ( $1e-7$  mbar range)

**Oven is accumulating sulphur**

# Sulphur in production cycle



# Sulphur decontamination

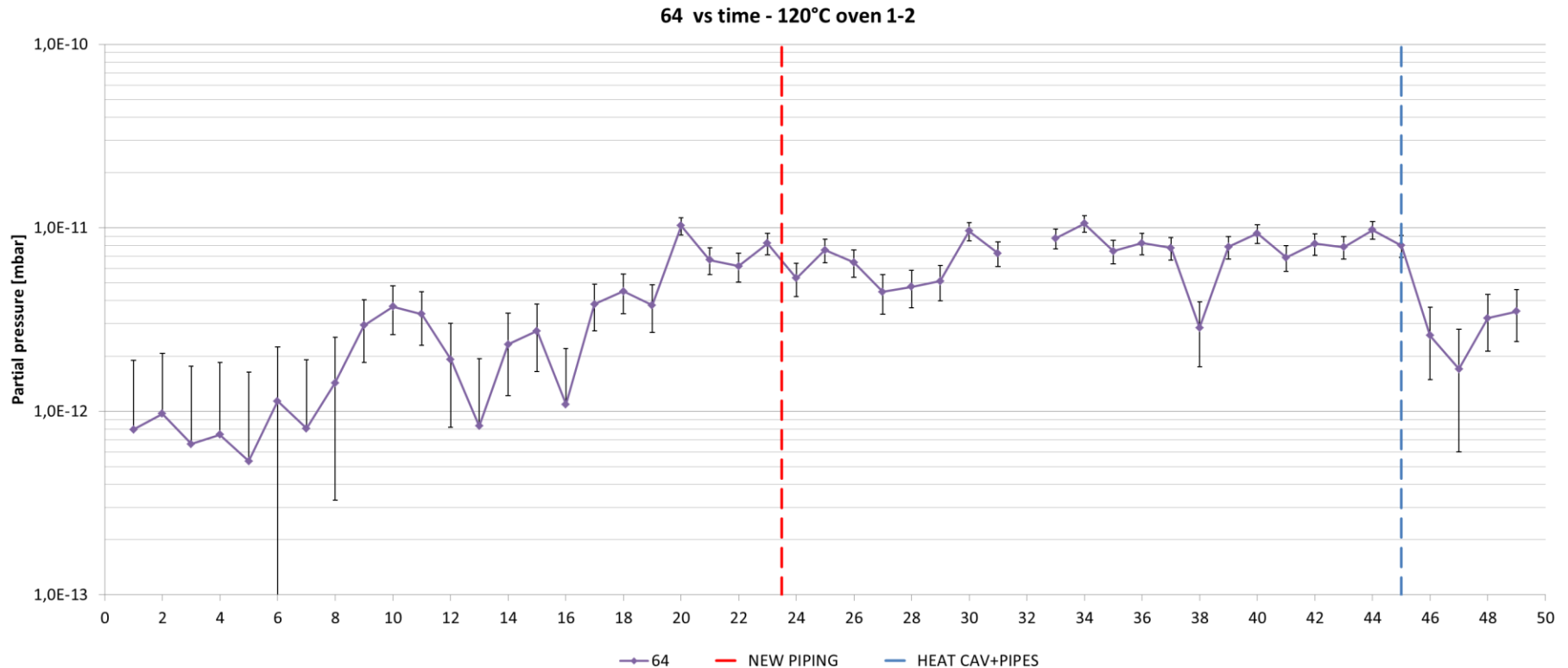
## Sampling campaign:

1. Analysis of sulphur samples from cryopump screens
2. Sampling of ethanol after every cavity in ethanol rinsing  
Quantitative determination of sulphur amount per cavity.  
In progress. 30 samples collected.
3. Niobium and Silicon samples to be put in some cycle steps under analysis with TOF SIMS  
Tracking of sulphur contamination throughout the production cycle.  
On going at the moment.

# 120°C oven

120°C oven - Tracking of sulphur as mass 64 ( $S_2$ ,  $SO_2$ ) with RGA

Total pressure at some  $1e-9$  mbar. Sulphur & hydrocarbons pps at some  $1e-12$  mbar.

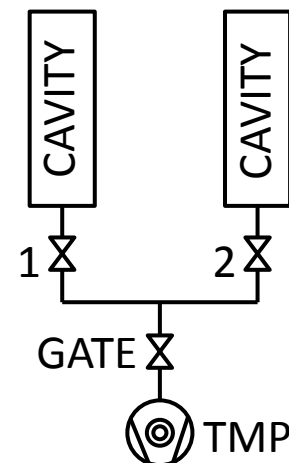
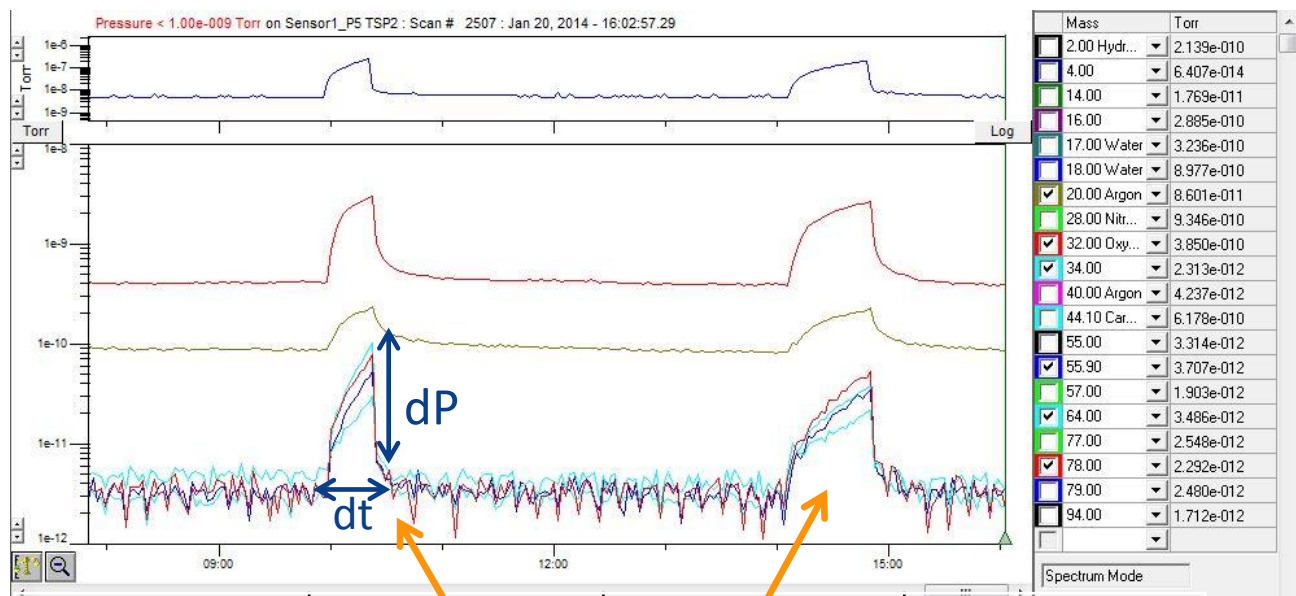


Contamination grows and arrive to equilibrium with new pipes.

Improvement heating both cavities and vacuum piping.



# Test on 120°C oven



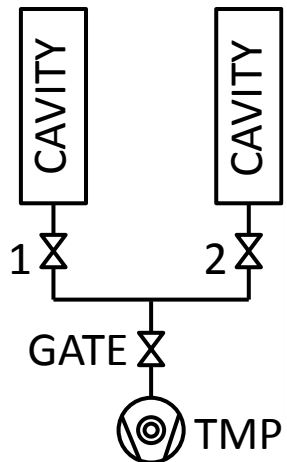
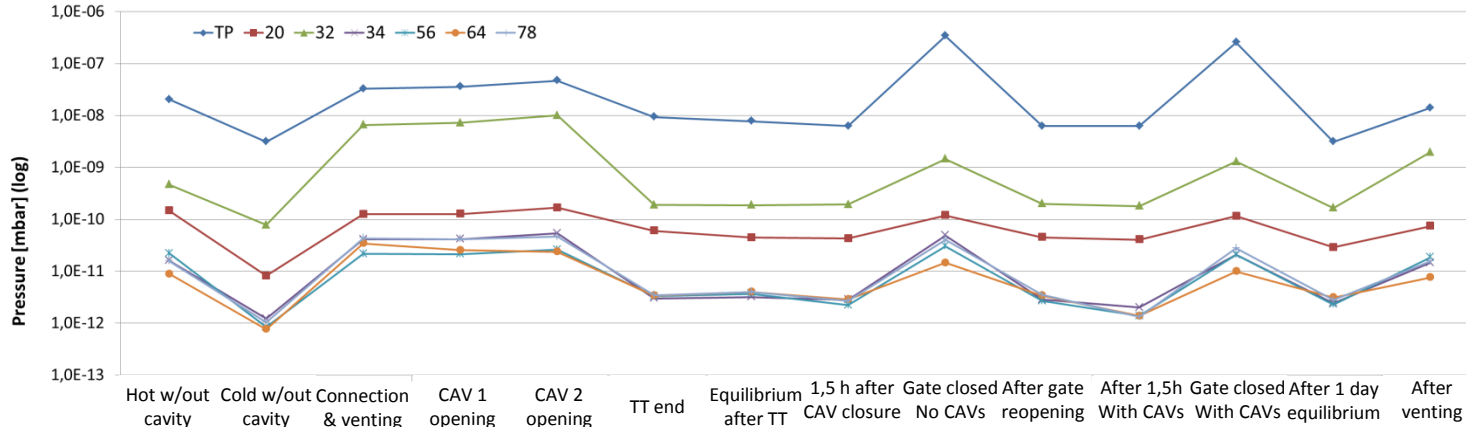
|         | dP/dt<br>(No CAVs) | dP/dt<br>(With CAVs) | Variation (%) |
|---------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| TP      | 1.34E-08           | 6.27E-09             | -36.2         |
| PP( 20) | 3.07E-12           | 1.87E-12             | <b>-24.3</b>  |
| PP(32)  | 5.05E-11           | 2.78E-11             | <b>-28.9</b>  |
| PP(34)  | 1.85E-12           | 4.71E-13             | <b>-59.4</b>  |
| PP(56)  | 1.13E-12           | 4.89E-13             | -39.7         |
| PP(64)  | 4.7E-13            | 2.15E-13             | -37.2         |
| PP(78)  | 1.52E-12           | 6.62E-13             | -39.2         |

Pressure rise rate decreases with cavities connected.

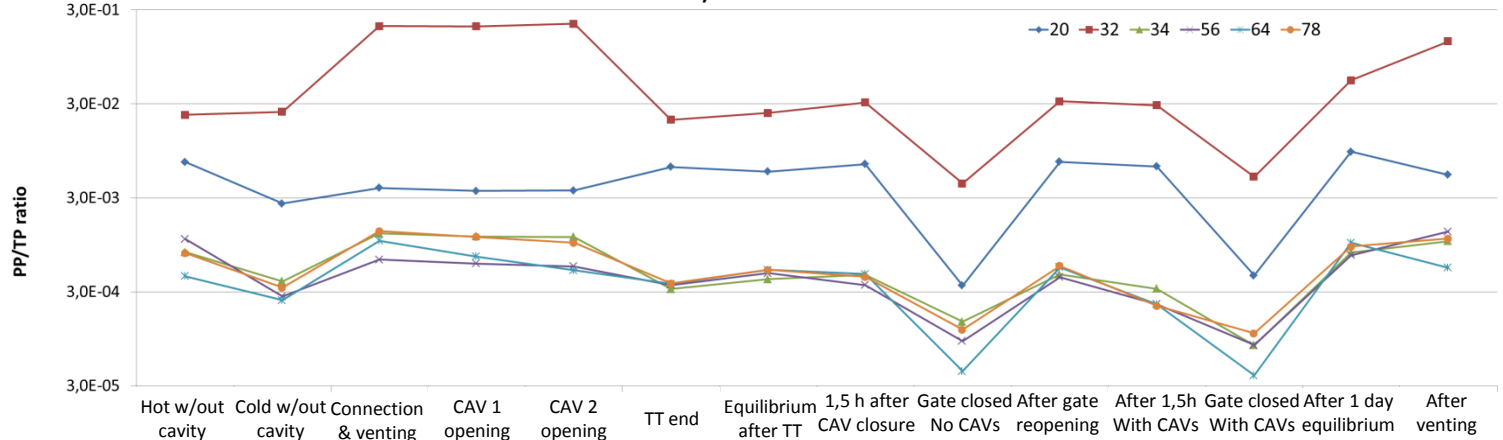
- M=20 & 32 rates decrease less than total pressure
- M=34 shows the biggest rate reduction

# Test on 120°C oven

PP & TP variation



PP/TP variation



**Pollution seems to reside in piping**  
**CAVs are cleaner than piping and act as getters**

# Other issues in RGA & Vacuum

Contaminants are at low level but spread all over the systems

We are working on how they move and on their removal

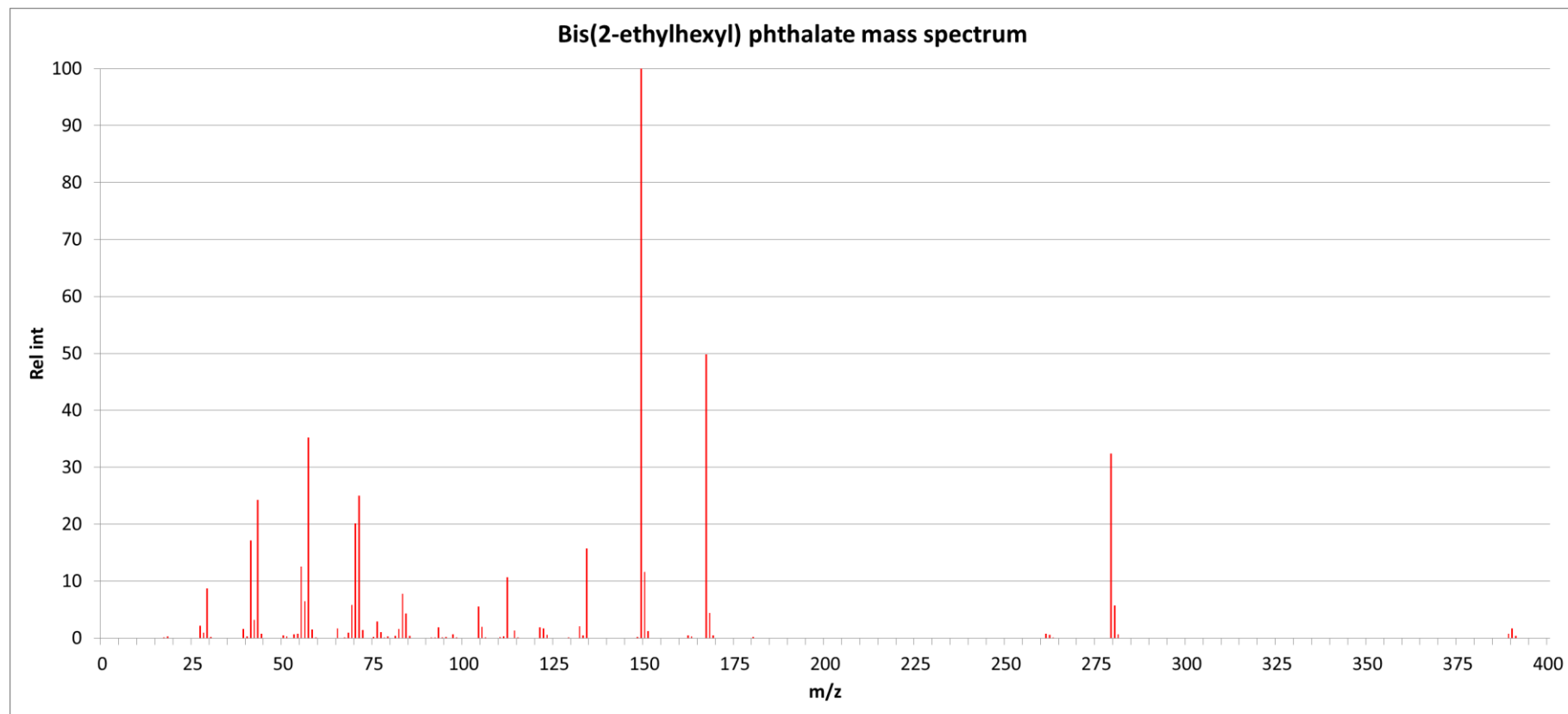
## Still open issues:

- Unusual 28/32 ratio in all RGAs
- Mass 32: which are the contributions?
- 78: is it an aromatic compound? Why is it growing? From where does it comes?
- 91: is it an aromatic compound?
- Noticeable background noise at ultimate pressure after 120°C (some 1e-12 mbar at 1e-9 mbar TP)
- Background noise increased recently. Spectrometer's source or detector degradation due to pollutants?



# Thanks for your attention

# DEHP Mass spectrum

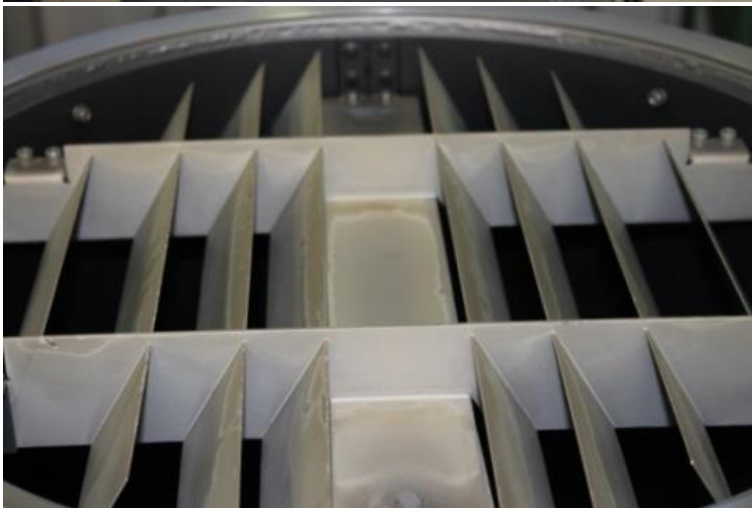


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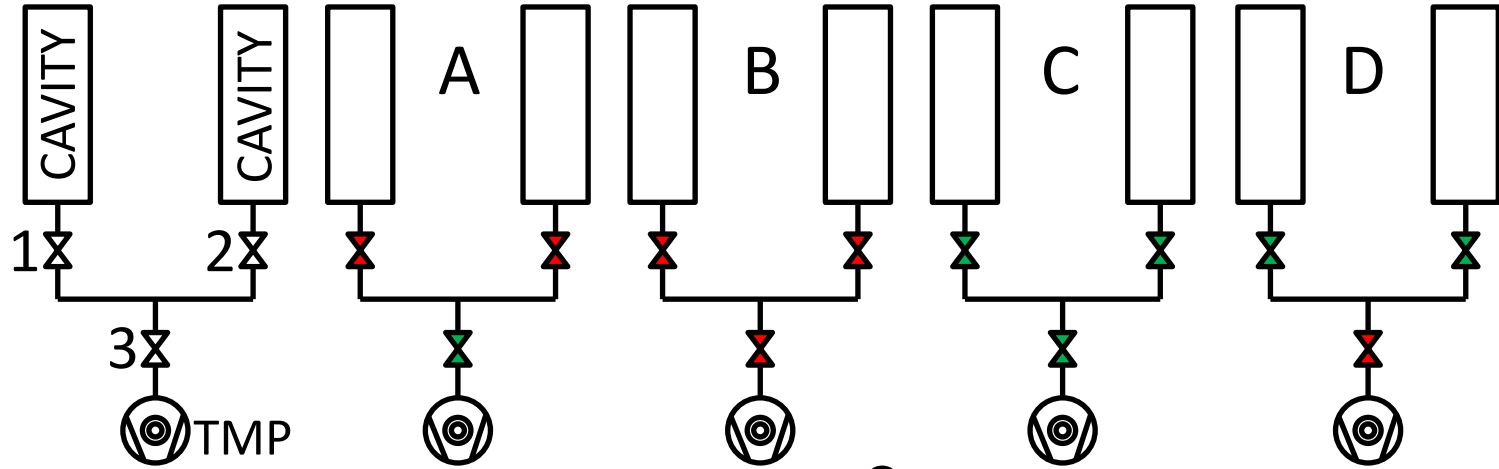
1st stage



2nd stage



# Contaminants behaviour



- A

Mass 64 almost constant excluding CAVs.

- B

Mass 64 is less volatile than other compounds of comparable mass.

Pollution from gate valve.

- C

With CAVs connected pollutants levels are lowered, especially mass 64.

- D

Lower pressure rise rate respect to B.

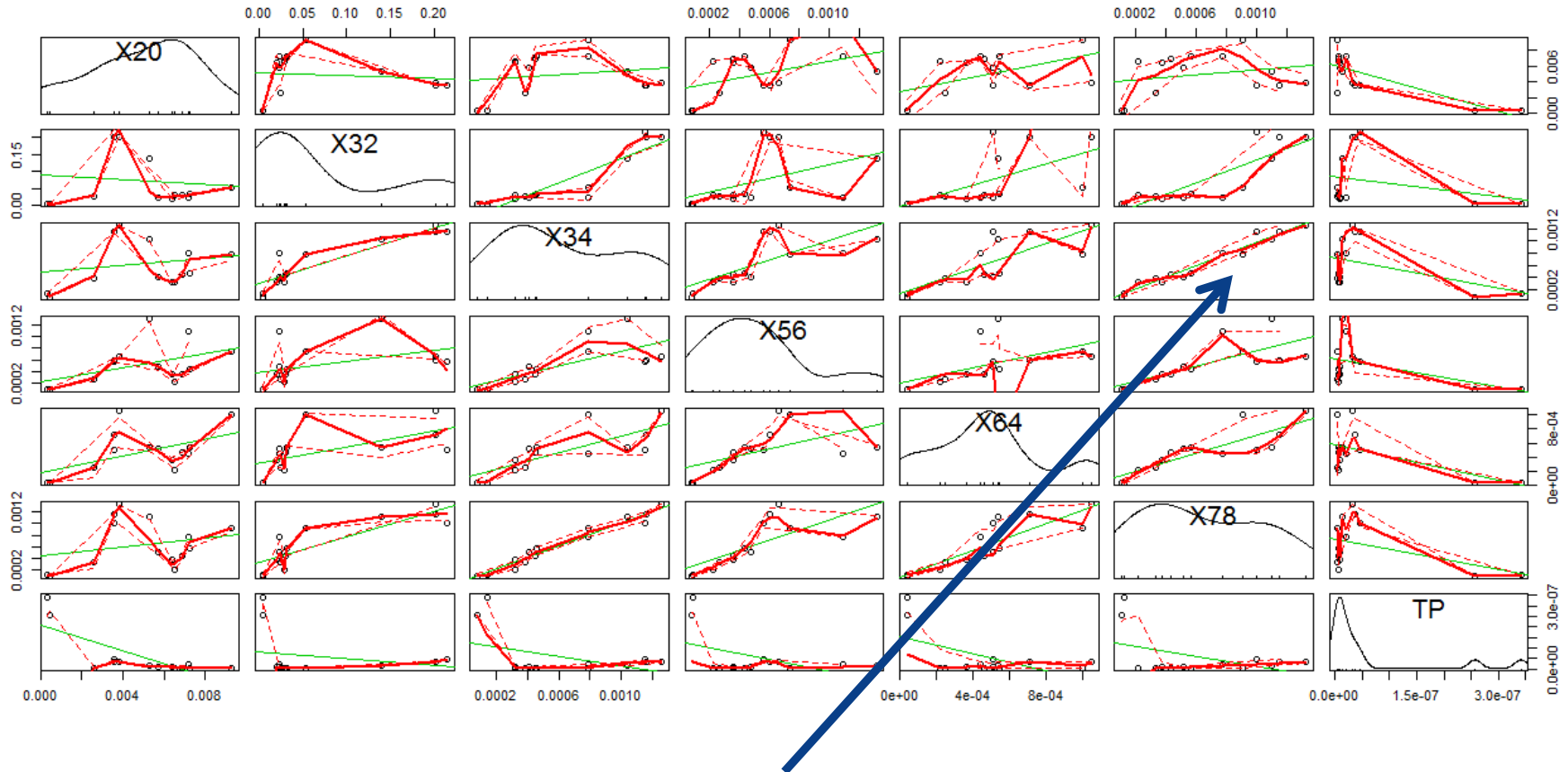
Contaminants rose  $\approx 40\%$  less than in B.

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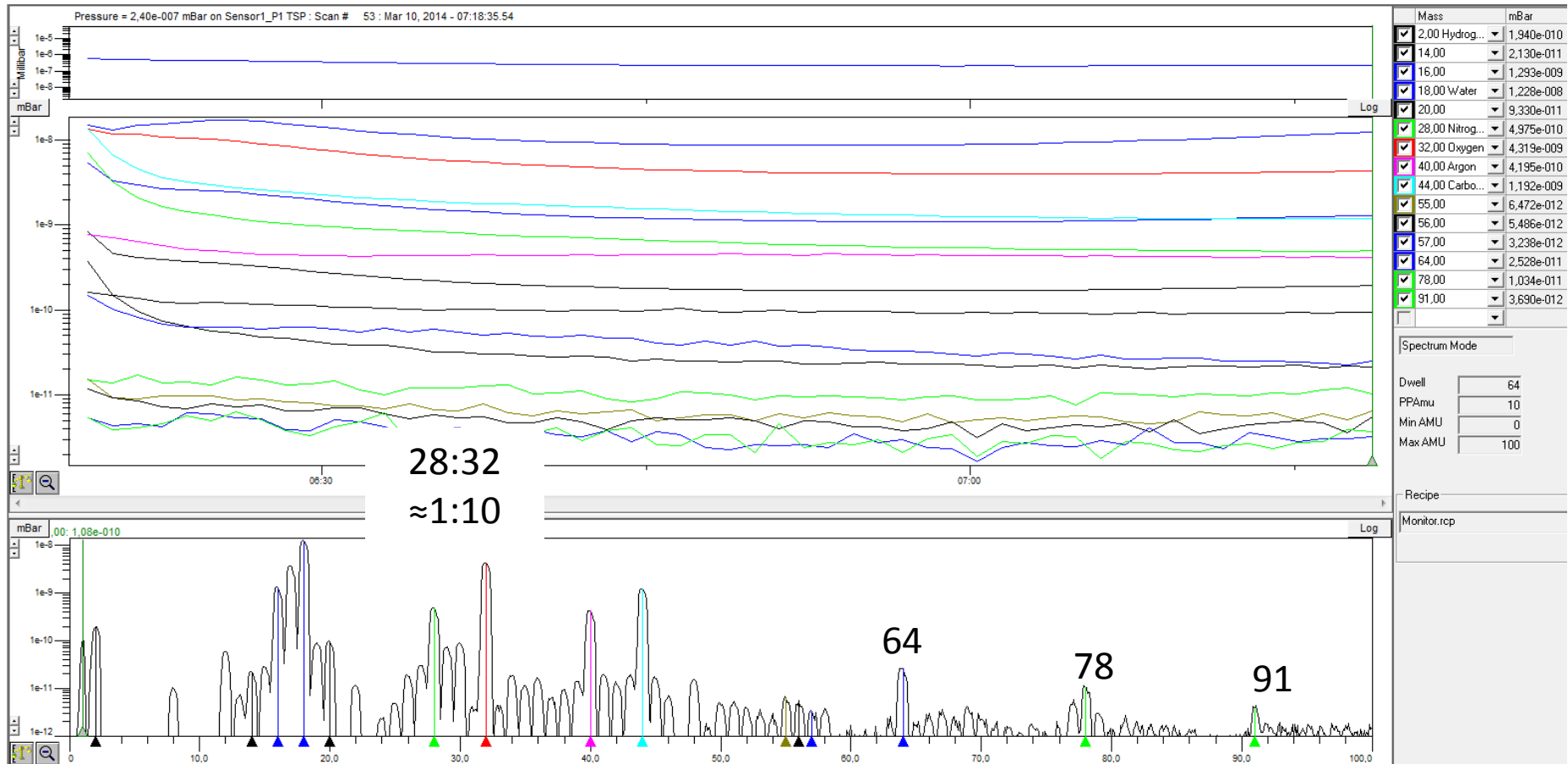
# Scatterplot of PP vs PP dependence



M=34 and M=78 seems to be strongly correlated



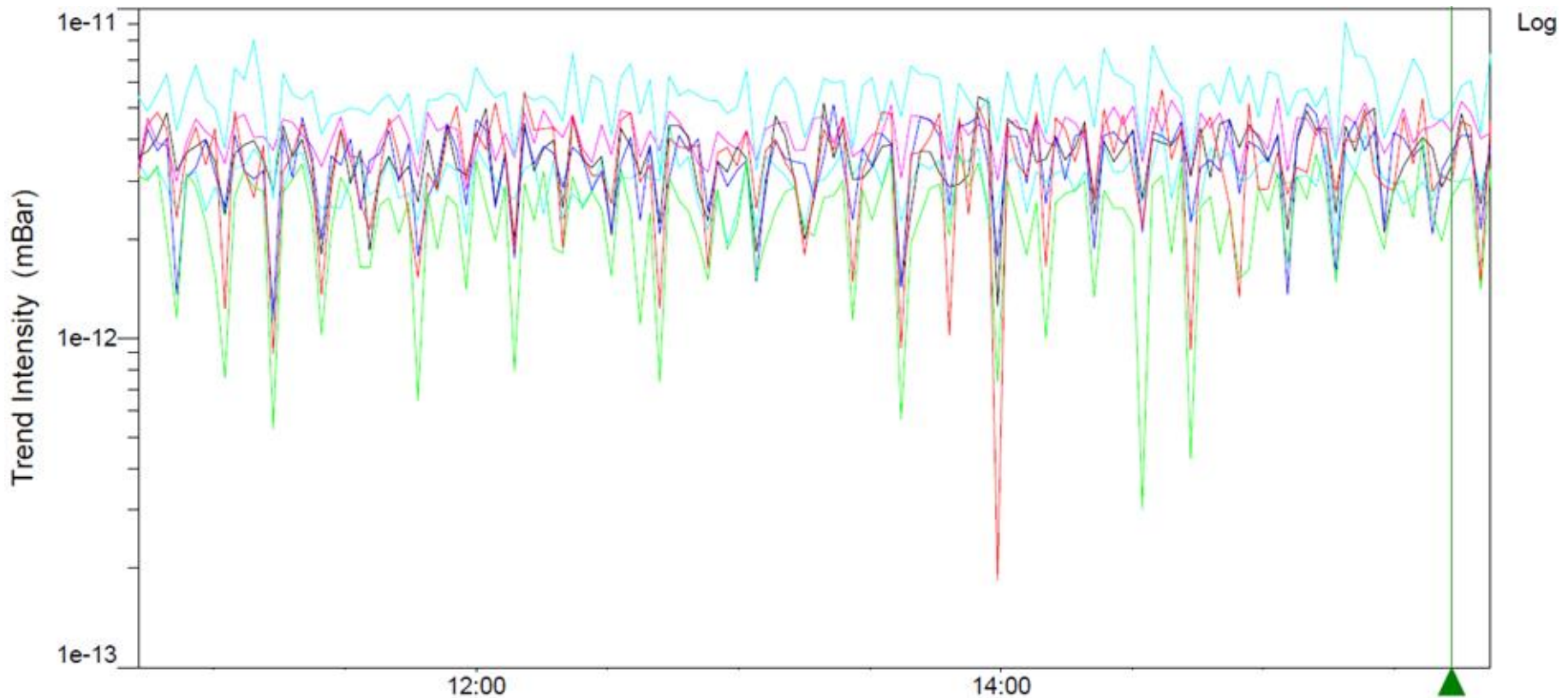
# RGA issues



# Noise

Background signal of RGA at  $1\text{e-}9$  mbar total pressure range.

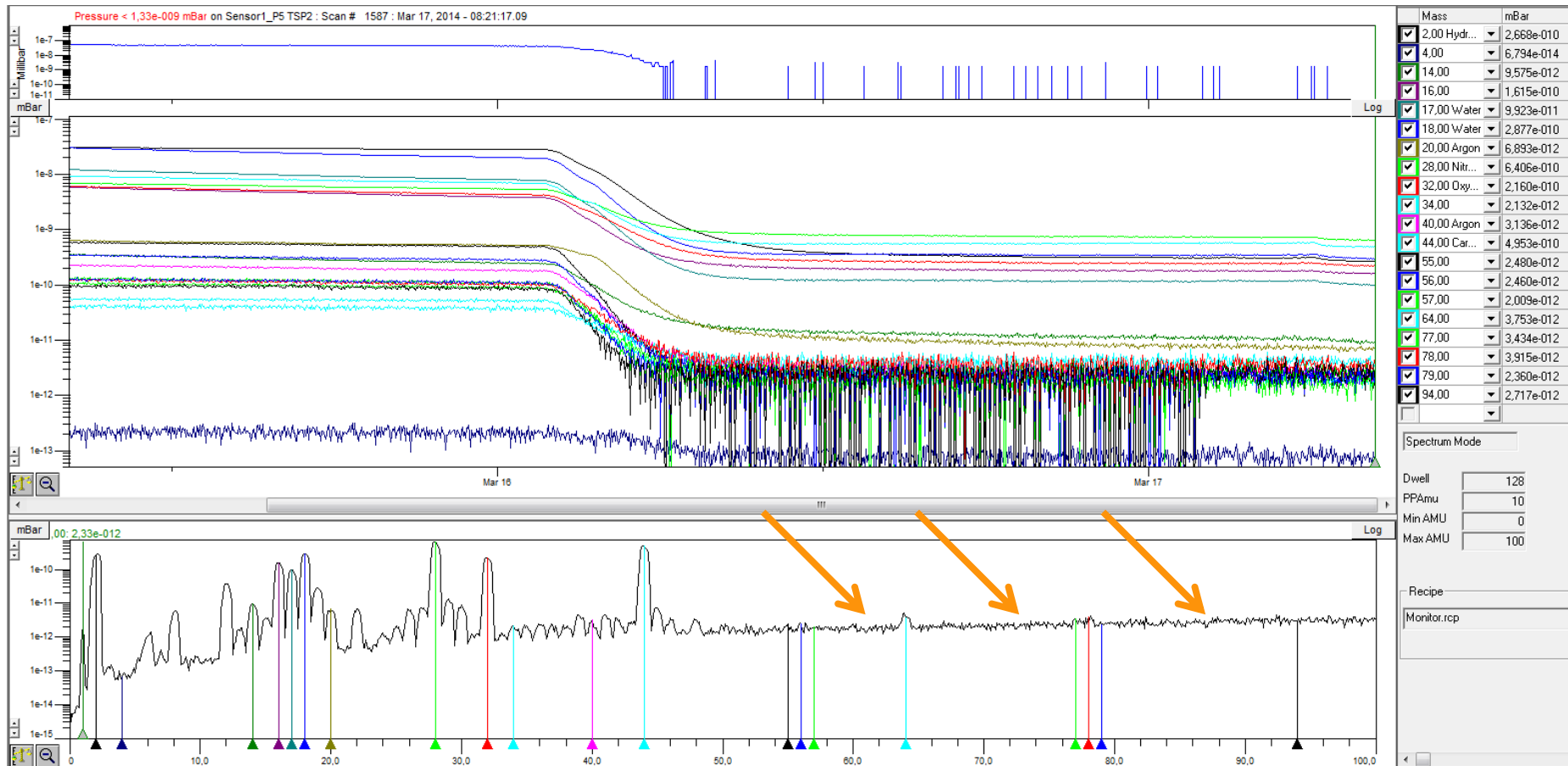
$\Delta p \approx 5\text{-}7 \text{ e-}12$  mbar



# Background increase

Background signal of RGA at 120°C TT end (1e-9 mbar range).

For  $M > 50$  background is high and increasing.



# 120°C final RGA

