

**Perma Pure LLC**

**Dry Extractive Measurements  
for  
Low HCl Levels**

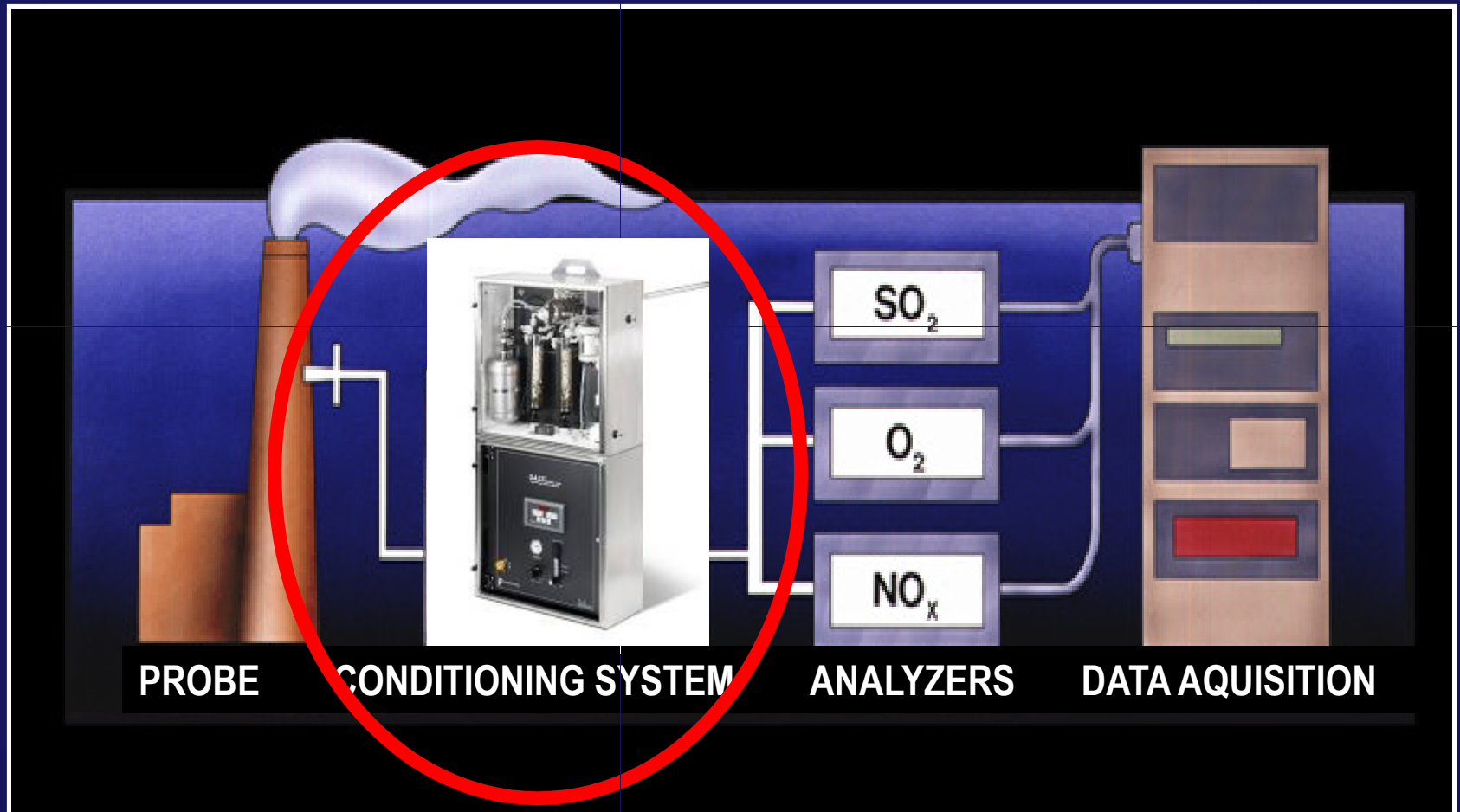
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# Sample Handling – Critical Path for CEMS



# Perma Pure – Gas Sample Handling

## 3 Technologies:

- **Dilution Probes**
  - Wet measurement
- **Baldwin™ Thermoelectric Coolers**
  - Water removal through flash condensation
- **Nafion® permeation dryers and systems**
  - Water removal at the stack through unique membrane dryer technology
- **Plus probes, filters, scrubbers, accessories**





## Utility MACT

- Proposed rule March 2011, final rule Nov 2011
- HCl, as a surrogate for acid gasses, reduced average of 91%. Target of 0.30 lb per GWh.
- Continuous HCl measurement now required.
- Option to measure SO<sub>2</sub> if wet scrubbers installed, but then you have to meet the SO<sub>2</sub> standard of 0.40 lb per MWh.
- Approx. 45% of coal fleet does not have SCR or FGD technologies installed.



# HCl Measurement Options: Not Good!

## Method

## Challenges

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| • <b>Wet Chemistry</b>  | <b>Not continuous or immediate</b>                   |
| • <b>FTIR</b>           | <b>Expense, maintenance, low PPMs, all that data</b> |
| • <b>TDL</b>            | <b>Expense, calibration</b>                          |
| • <b>Dilution</b>       | <b>Below detectable limit</b>                        |
| • <b>Dry Extractive</b> | <b>HCl dissolves in water</b>                        |



# HCl Measurement Options

**Is there another approach for Dry Extractive?**

**YES. The key is to remove water in VAPOR phase before HCl can dissolve.**

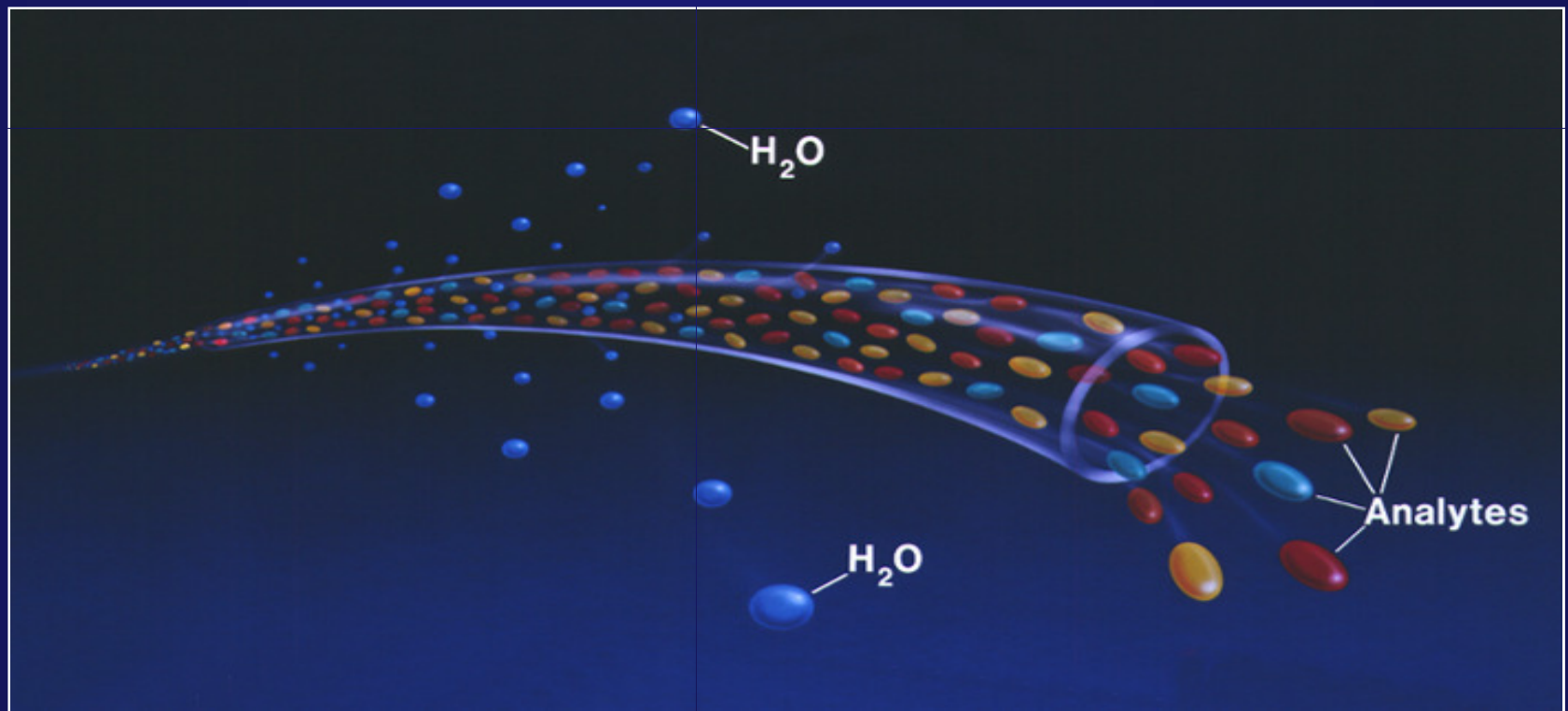
**How?**

**Nafion<sup>®</sup> is a Teflon<sup>®</sup>-derivative co-polymer that selectively and chemically removes water in vapor phase while retaining acid gases.**



# Nafion<sup>®</sup> Drying Technology

**Fast • Selective • Continuously Self-regenerating  
Powerless • No Moving Parts • No Maintenance**



# Nafion<sup>®</sup> Selectivity

- Nafion permeation selectivity is based on chemical reactivity, not size
- Only compounds that chemically associate with sulfonic acid permeate through Nafion
- Water and bases associate with sulfonic acid and permeate through Nafion
- Very few bases are gases at typical operating temps, so very few compounds permeate





# Nafion<sup>®</sup> Im-Permeability

## Totally Retained in Sample

Atmospheric Gases

Ar He H<sub>2</sub> N<sub>2</sub> O<sub>2</sub> O<sub>3</sub>

Halogens

Br<sub>2</sub> Cl<sub>2</sub> F<sub>2</sub> I<sub>2</sub>

Hydrocarbons

Simple forms (alkanes)

Inorganic Acids

HCl HF HNO<sub>3</sub> H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

Other Organics

Aromatics Esters Ethers

Oxides

CO CO<sub>2</sub> SO<sub>x</sub> NO<sub>x</sub>

Sulfur

COS H<sub>2</sub>S Mercaptans

Toxic Gases

COCl<sub>2</sub> HCN NOCl

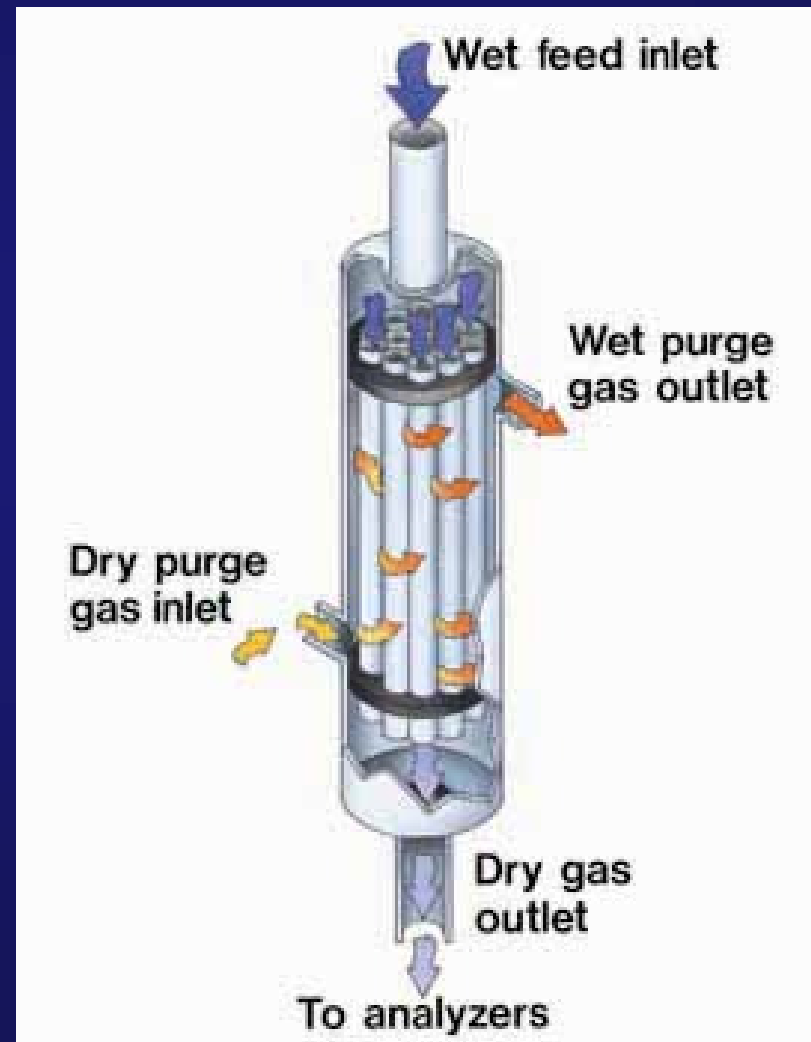
**Typical Combustion Analytes**



# Nafion<sup>®</sup> Dryer Construction

Tube-in-shell, heat and moisture exchanger

To increase drying capacity, simply increase the surface area (wider, longer or more tubes)



# GS-2040 Stack-Mounted Sample System

- Integrated probe & sample system
- Final dew point of  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $-45^{\circ}\text{C}$  eliminates water condensation
- Non-corrosive wetted parts
- Dry sample lines
- Low maintenance and high reliability



# GS-2040 Current Applications

- Used for 15 years in US refineries
- FCC, sulfur units, tailgas, process applications
- Biomass, incinerators
- Low SO<sub>2</sub> (under 2 PPM) and low NO<sub>x</sub> applications
- Hundreds in use in US and around the world



# HCl Future Tests and Studies

- **Refused Derived Fuel (RDF) Facility, online February 2010, will publish 18 month HCl results at EUEC, February 2012**
- **New mountain states coal facility launched May 2011. Initial RATA this summer.**
- **Stack tests ongoing using portable MG-2812 Nafion<sup>®</sup>-based system.**

