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Mercury Oxidation by SCR Catalyst

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- ❖ Mercury Speciation
- ❖ PRB Testing
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Form of vapor phase mercury (Speciation)

Elemental Mercury - Hg^0

Oxidized or ionic mercury - Hg^{++}

The form of mercury in the flue gas is critical to performance of emissions control systems.

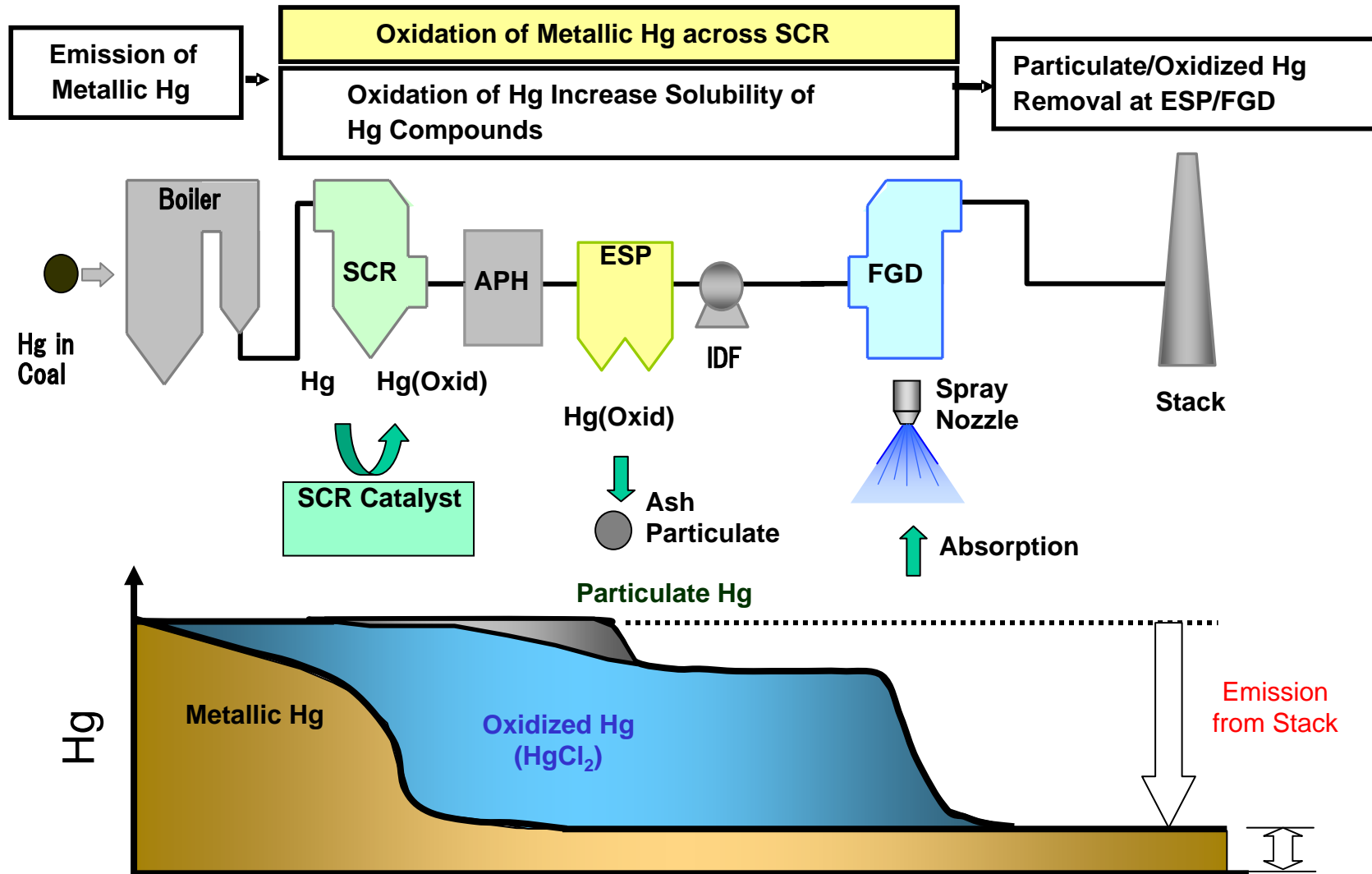
- Elemental Mercury: Hard to remove from flue gas
- Oxidized or ionic Mercury: Easier to remove from flue gas (downstream ESP, FGD)

To achieve higher Hg removal, Hg oxidation is indispensable.

US Coal Speciation

	% Coal-Fired Installations	Relative Content		% Elemental Mercury in Flue Gas
		Cl	Hg	
Lignite	5	Low	High	>90
Sub-bituminous	38	Low	Low	80-90
Bituminous (Western)	7	Int	Low	NA
Bituminous (Eastern)	50	High	Int	30-40

Typical Behavior of Mercury

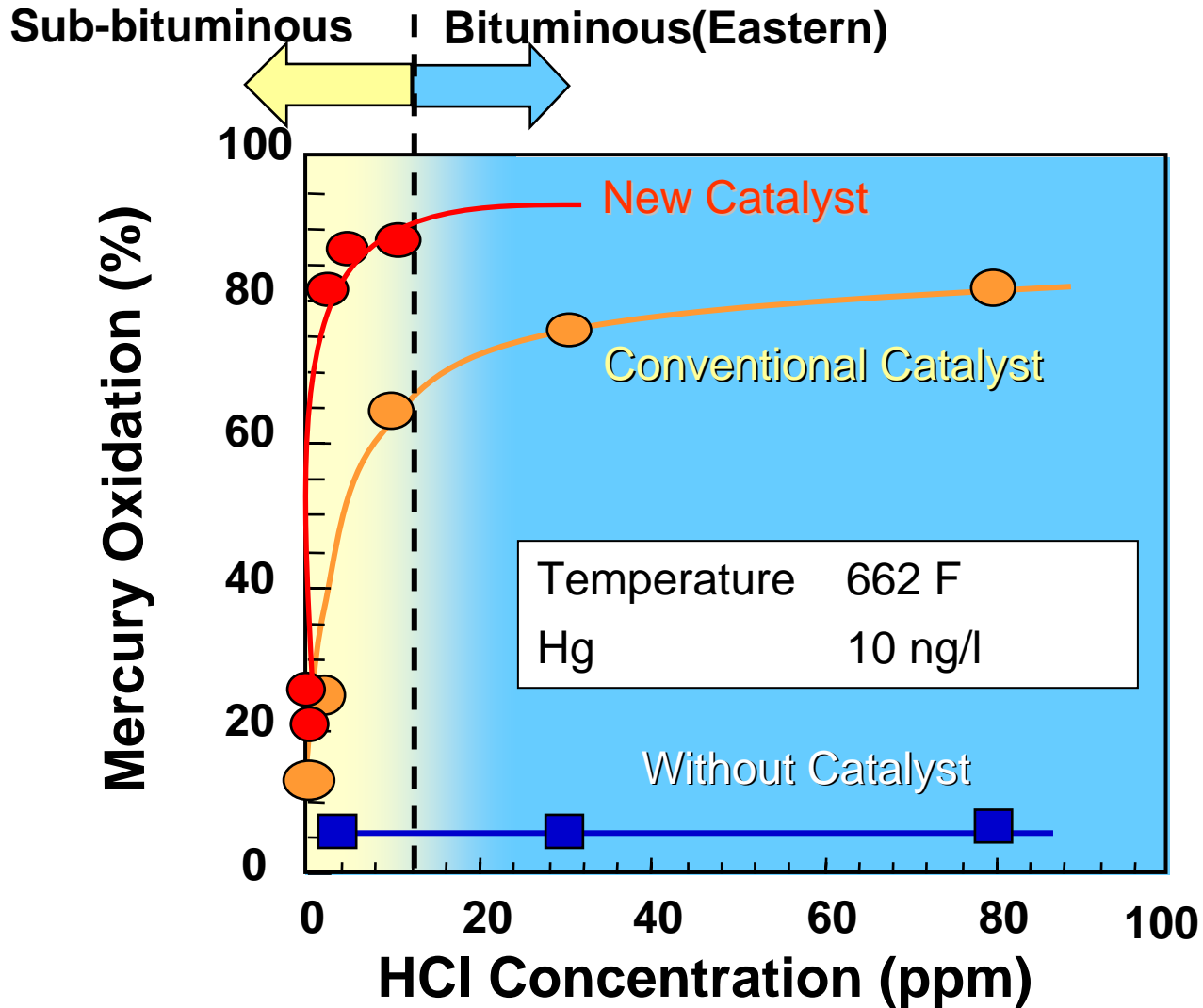


Hitachi R&D History for Mercury Oxidation catalyst

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
E.B. Coal	Characteristics for Conventional Catalyst				[Bar: 2005-2006]			
			Basis Study for PRB		[Bar: 2005-2007]			
			Testing in US Plants [Bar: 2006-2008]					
PRB Coal		Basis Study for PRB			[Bar: 2004-2006]			
	Durability Study of New catalyst at actual plant				[Bar: 2005-2007]			

Mercury Oxidation Catalyst for PRB Coal

New Hitachi Hg Oxidation Catalyst



Test Site – Slip Stream Reactor

- 620 MWg
- Fires 100% PRB
- SCR System began operation in 2003



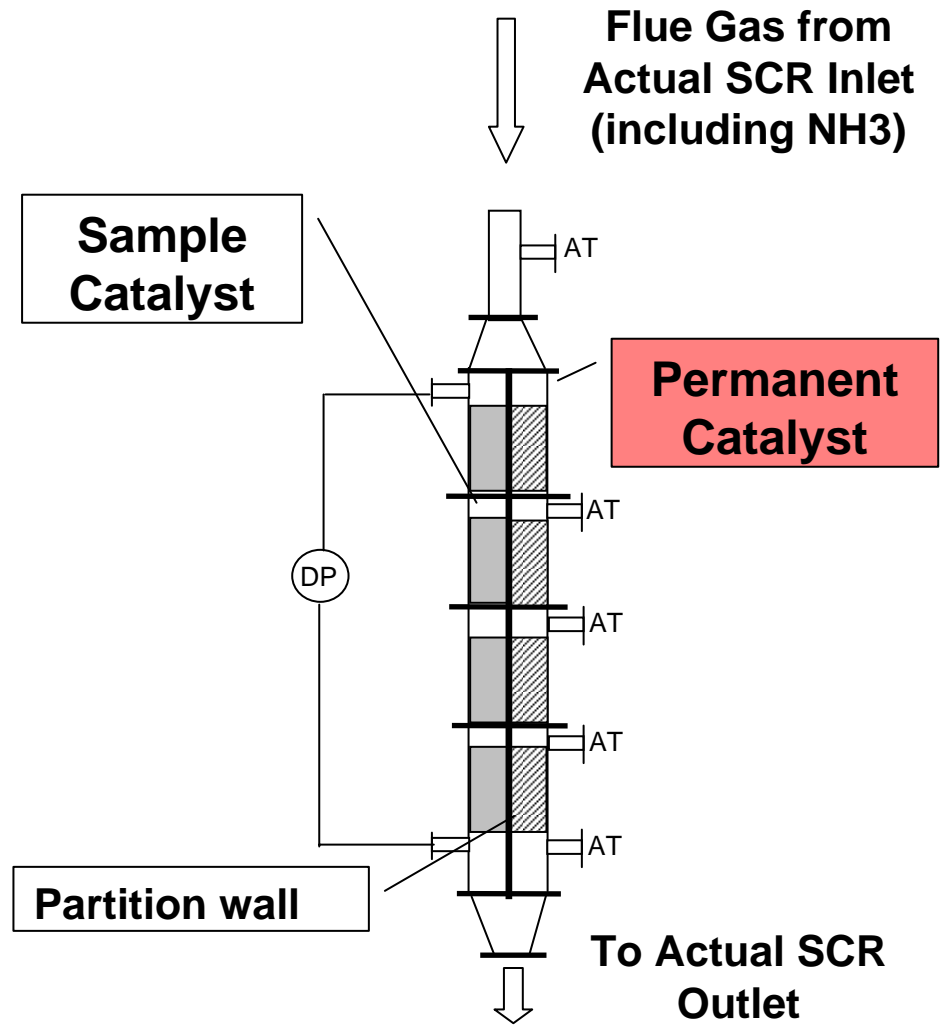
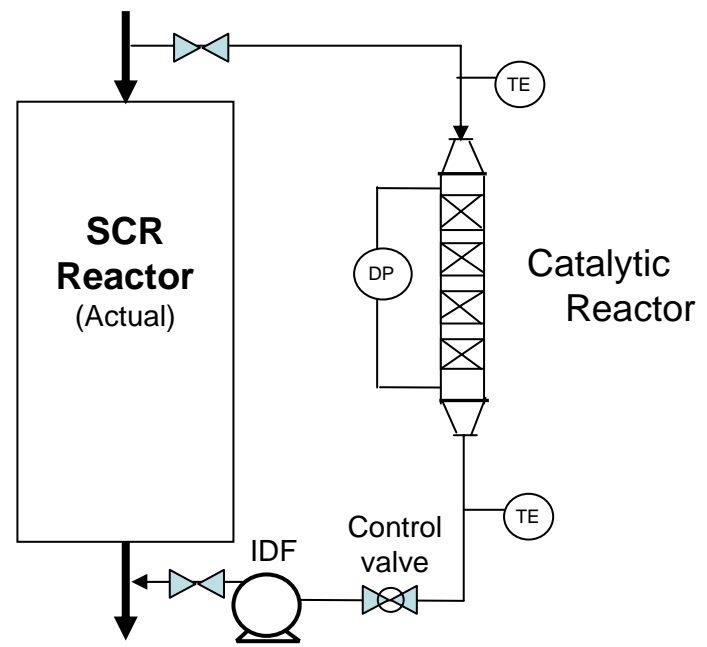
- Install a Slipstream Reactor for catalyst exposure in **actual** operating conditions
- Allow for periodic sampling of catalyst performance and extraction of samples for laboratory analysis
- Utilize results to optimize catalyst design for commercial applications

- Installed next to full-scale operating SCR
- Takes flue gas from just above the 1st layer of catalyst
 - ◆ Flue gas contains NH_3
- Used to expose catalyst to flue gas for:
 - ◆ Ongoing periodic performance testing
 - ◆ Periodic catalyst sample extraction for laboratory analysis

- SSR equipped with:
 - ◆ Four (4) layers of catalyst
 - ◆ Sootblowers at each catalyst level
 - ◆ I.D. fan
 - ◆ Control valve for flow adjustment
 - ◆ Heaters
 - ◆ Instrumentation for measurement of flow, temperature and pressure drop throughout SSR
 - ◆ Local control panel and PLC with communication to DCS and remote monitoring (via modem)

- Measurement ports for onsite testing of:
 - ◆ Hg (Ontario Hydro Method)
 - ◆ NH₃ (wet chemistry)
 - ◆ NO_x
 - ◆ Gas Flow

Outline of SSR



Started operation December, '2005

SSR Reactor (One Catalyst Layer)

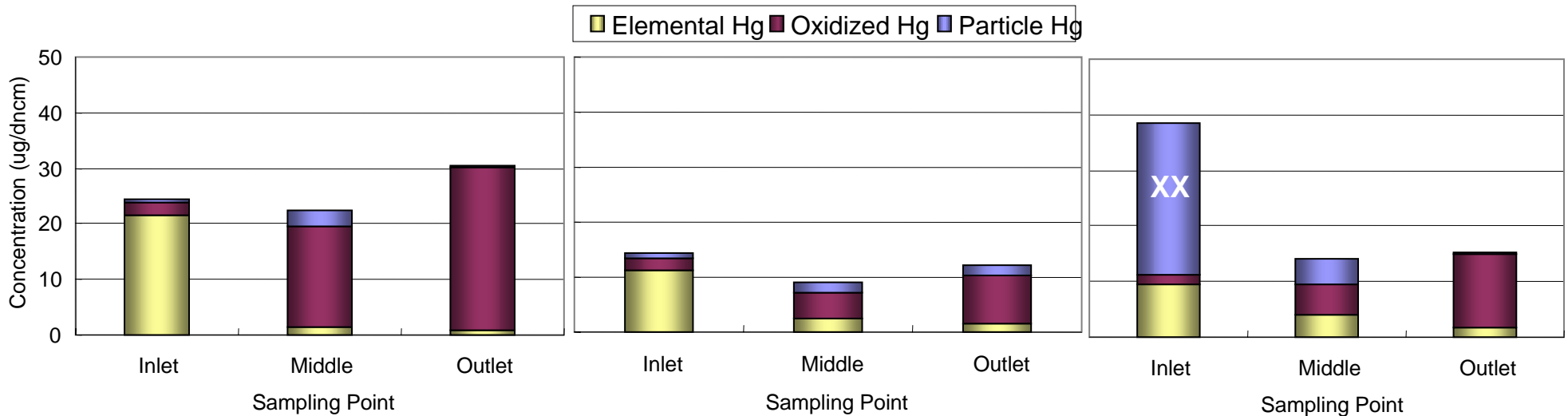


Mercury Speciation at Each Sampling Point

1st sampling Date: Jan. 10, '06

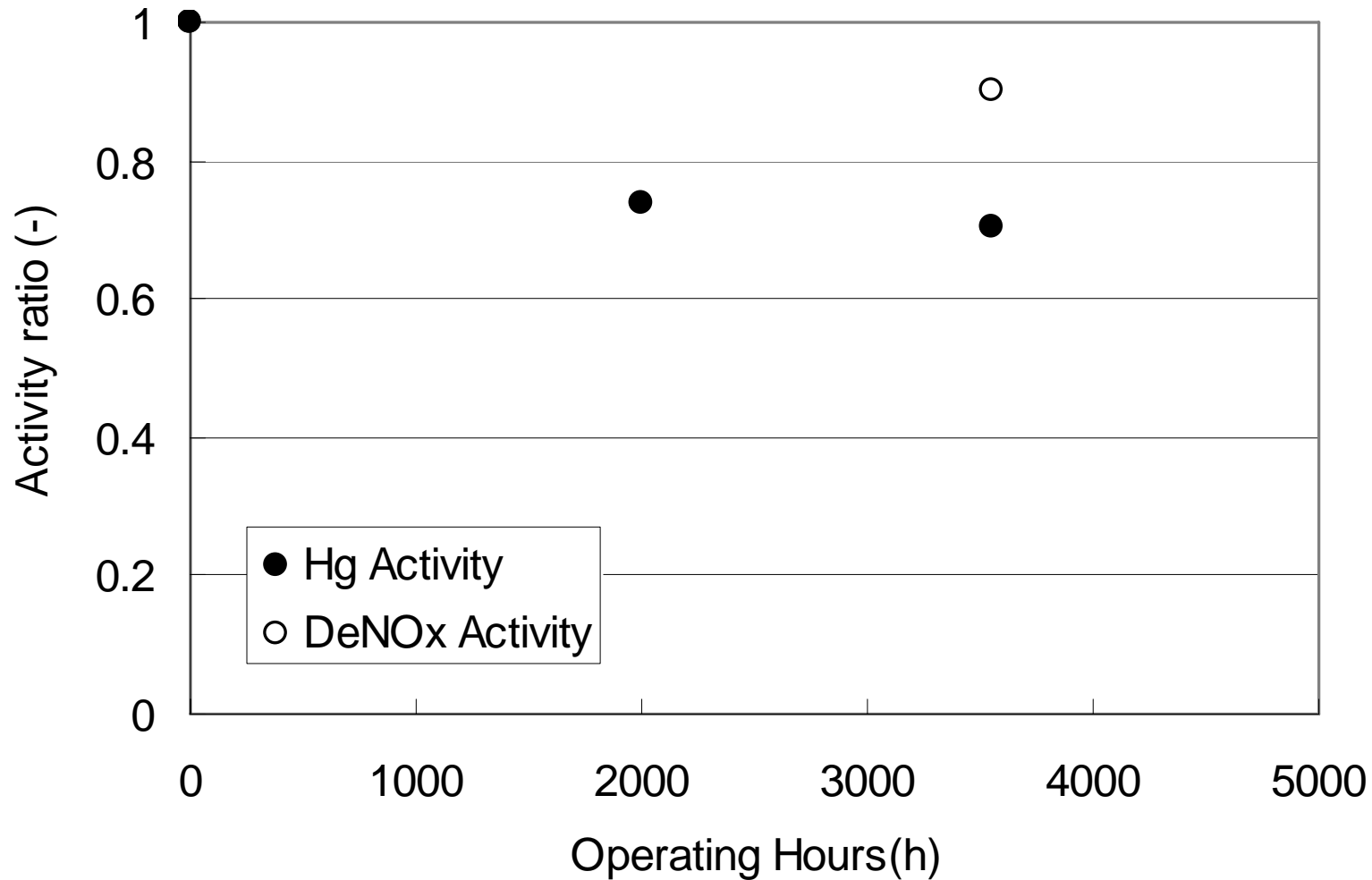
2nd sampling Date: Apr. 24, '06

3rd sampling Date: Jul. 6, '06



XX: Particle bound mercury was extremely high among a series of trials

Mercury Oxidation Performance Over Time



Mercury Oxidation Catalyst for E.B. Coal

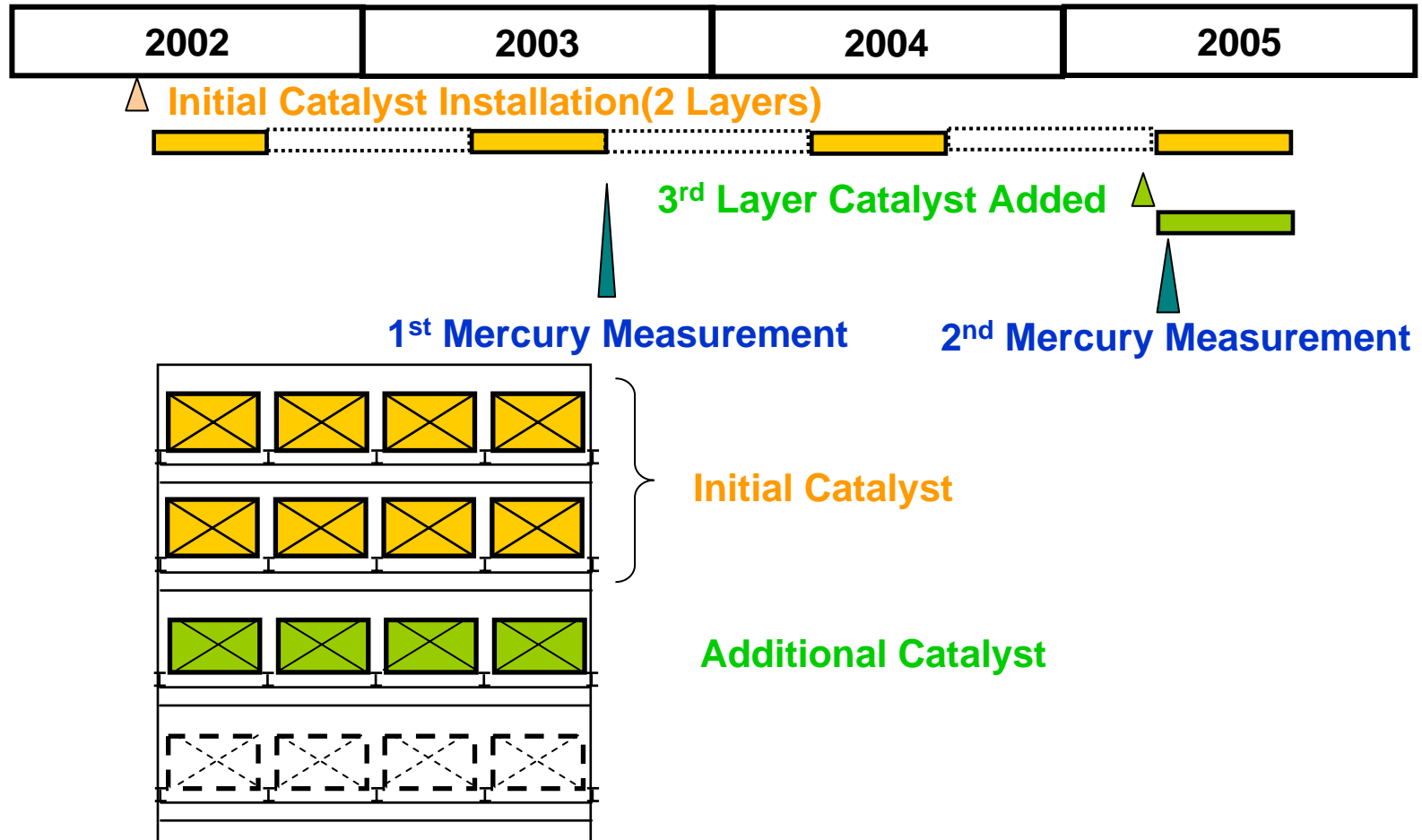
Test Site – Eastern Bituminous Plant

- 550 MWg
- Burns High Sulfur Eastern Bituminous Coal
- SCR placed in Service in 2002 Ozone Season
- All SCR catalyst supplied by Babcock-Hitachi K.K.

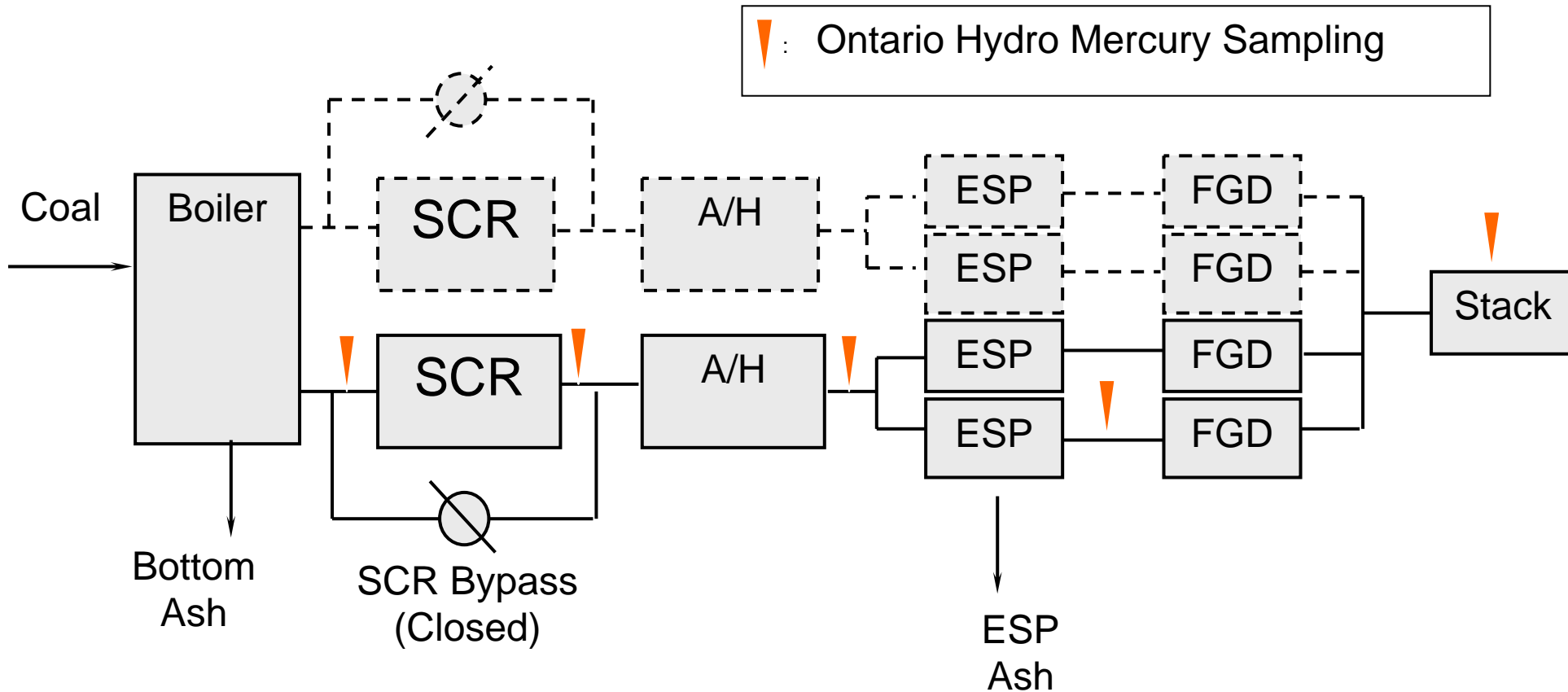


- Perform Hg Speciation Tests through the system to ascertain Hg Oxidation and Removal
- Ascertain SCR Catalyst Hg Oxidation for:
 - ◆ Performance Over Time
 - ◆ Performance with Additional Catalyst Layer
- Utilize results to optimize catalyst design for commercial applications

SCR Catalyst Management History



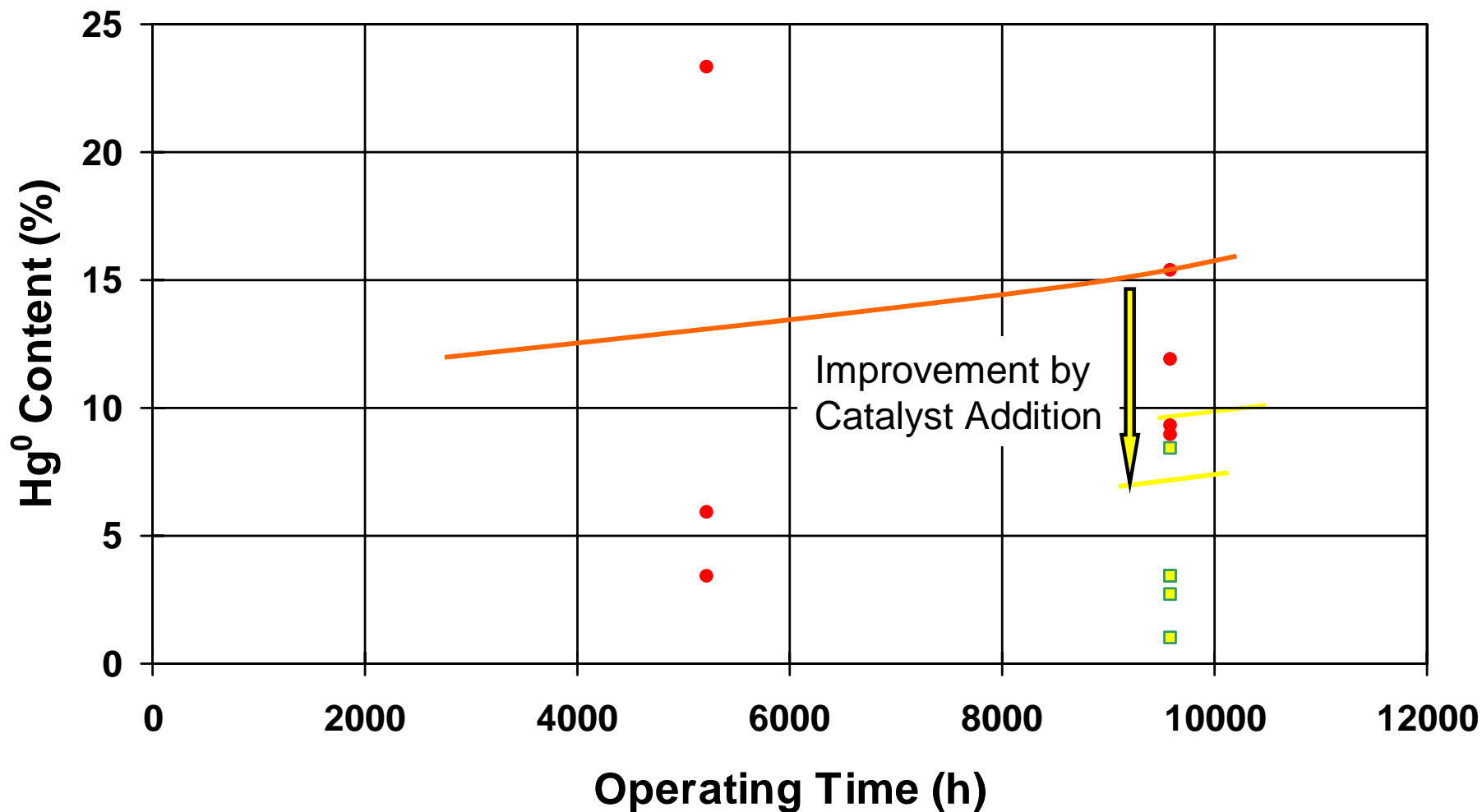
Flue Gas Mercury Sampling Locations



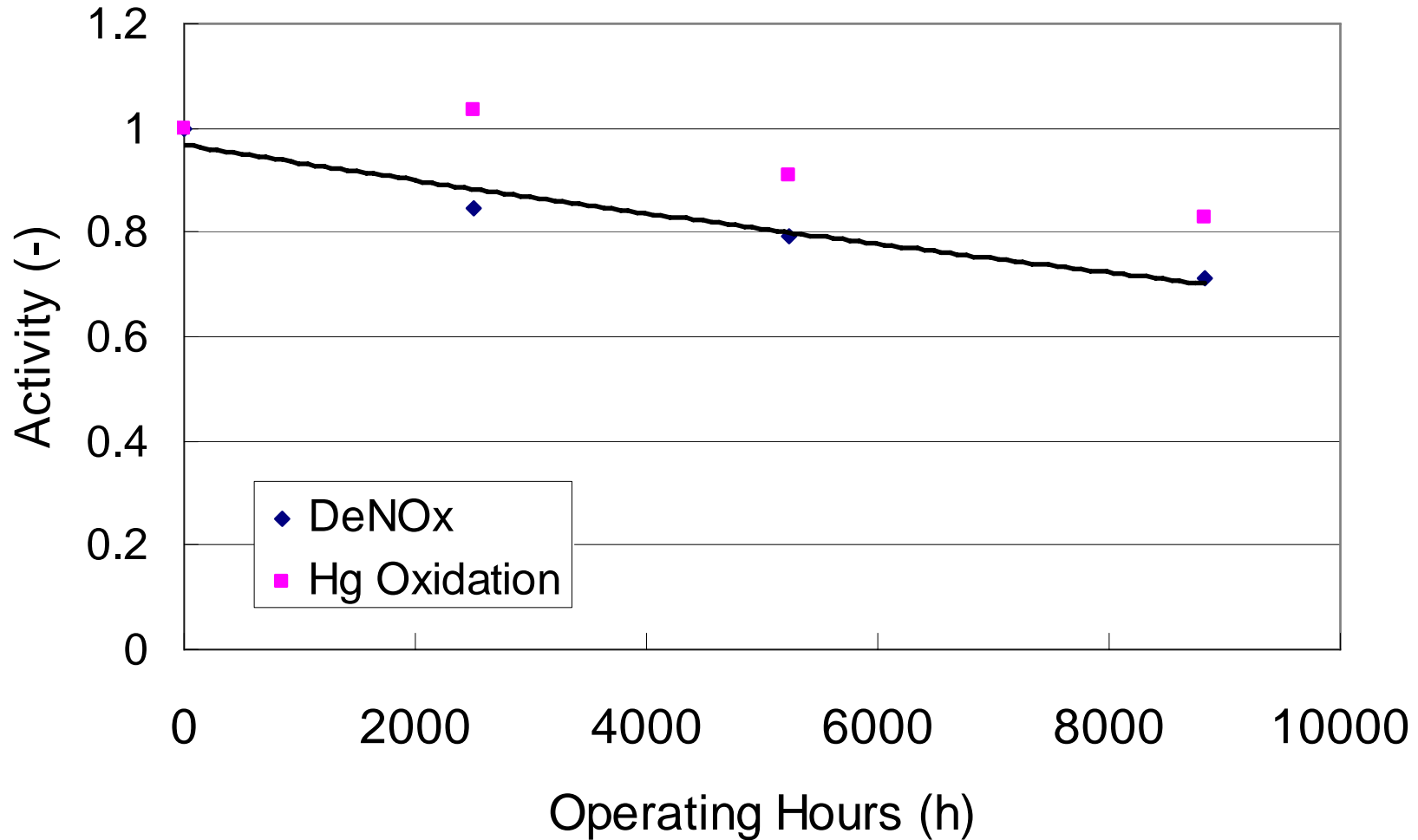
Note: Mercury sampling at both 2nd layer SCR catalyst outlet and 3rd layer SCR catalyst outlet was performed during the 2nd Mercury testing.

Operating Time vs Hg⁰ Content at SCR Outlet

● Outlet of 2nd Layer Catalyst ■ Outlet of 3rd Layer Catalyst

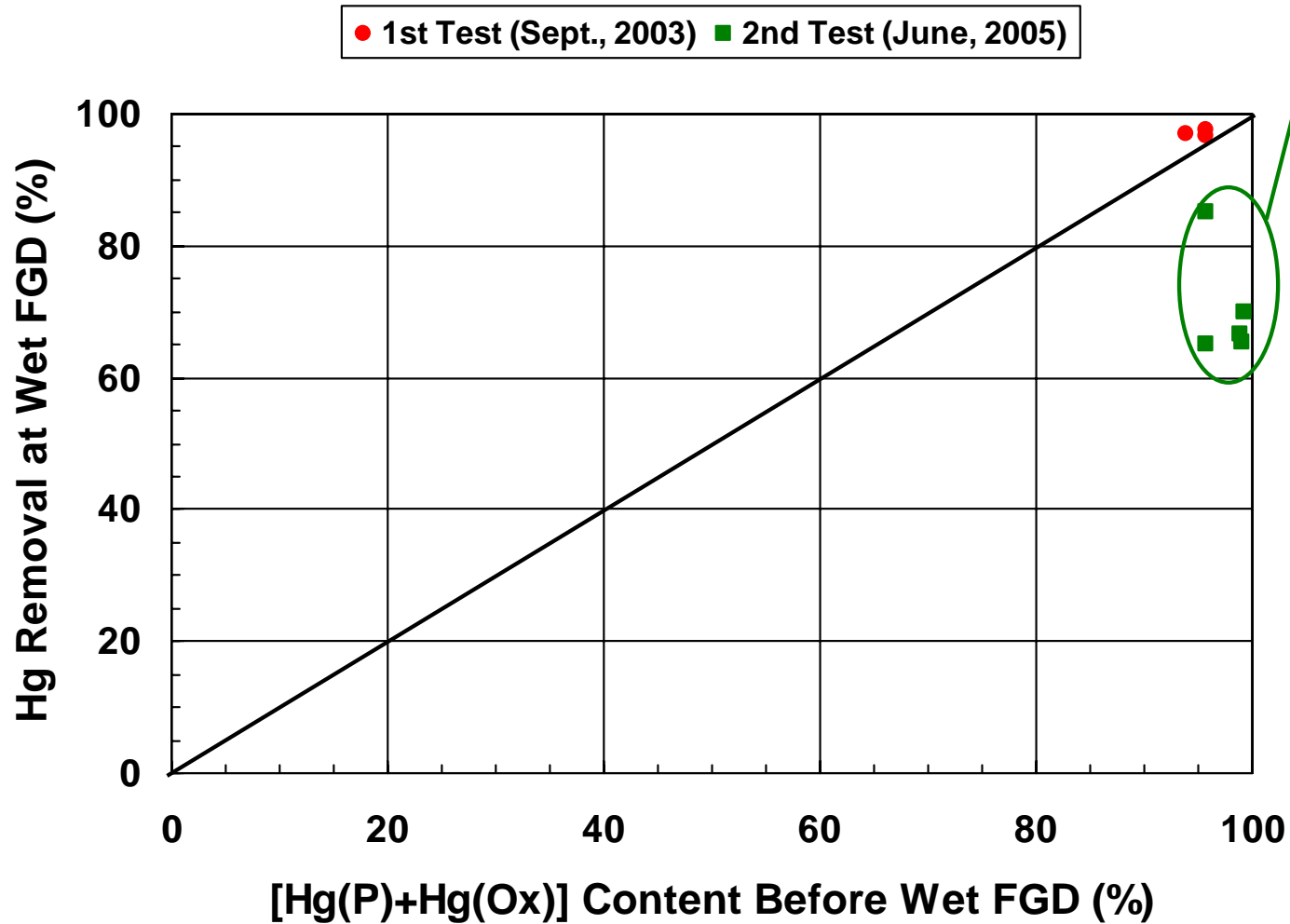


Hg Oxidation Activity* of Samples



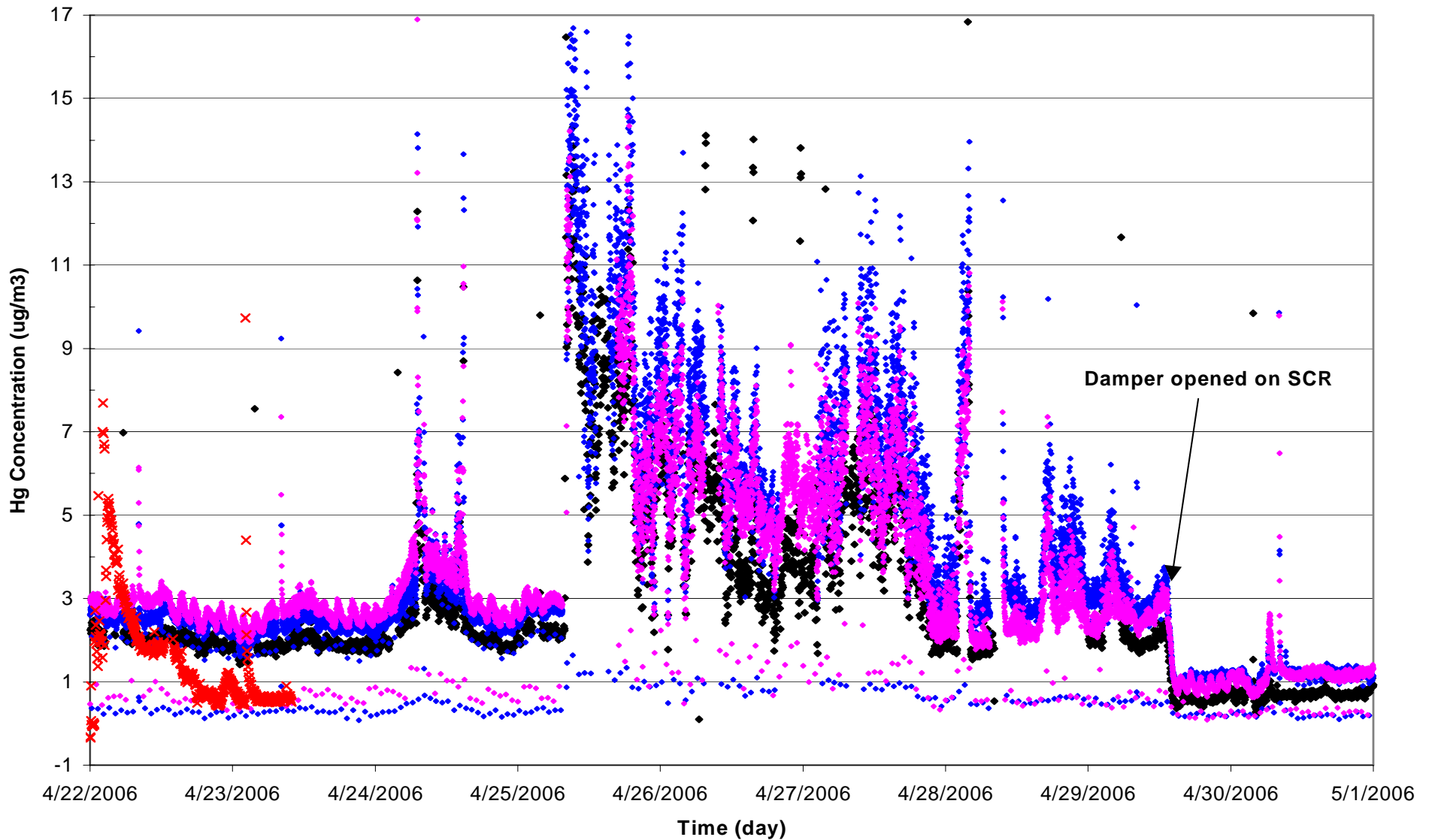
* Laboratory Analysis

Mercury Capture at Wet FGD



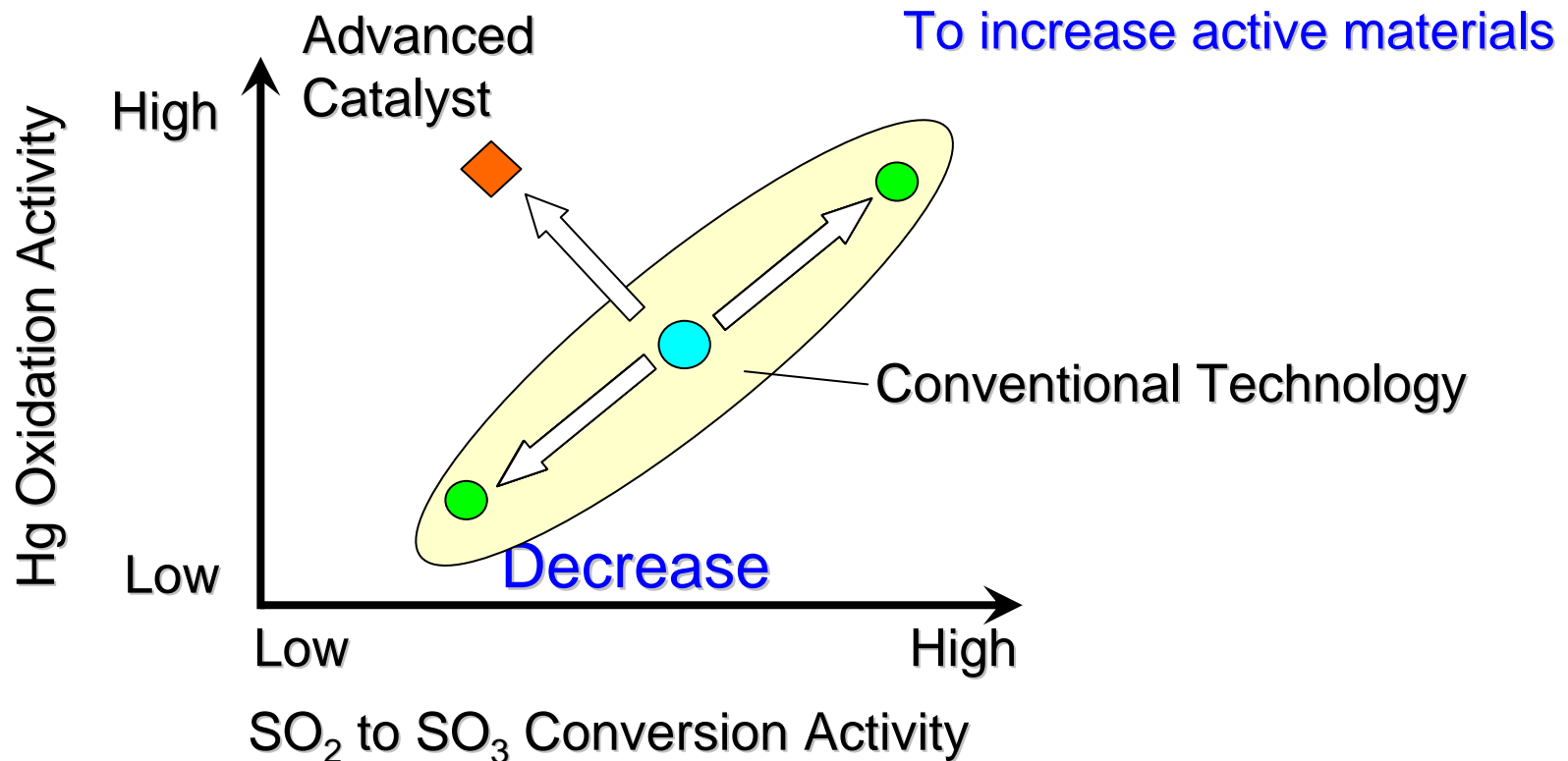
FGD system had nozzle plugging problem and pH control difficulty during test

EPA Mercury Stack CEMS Data



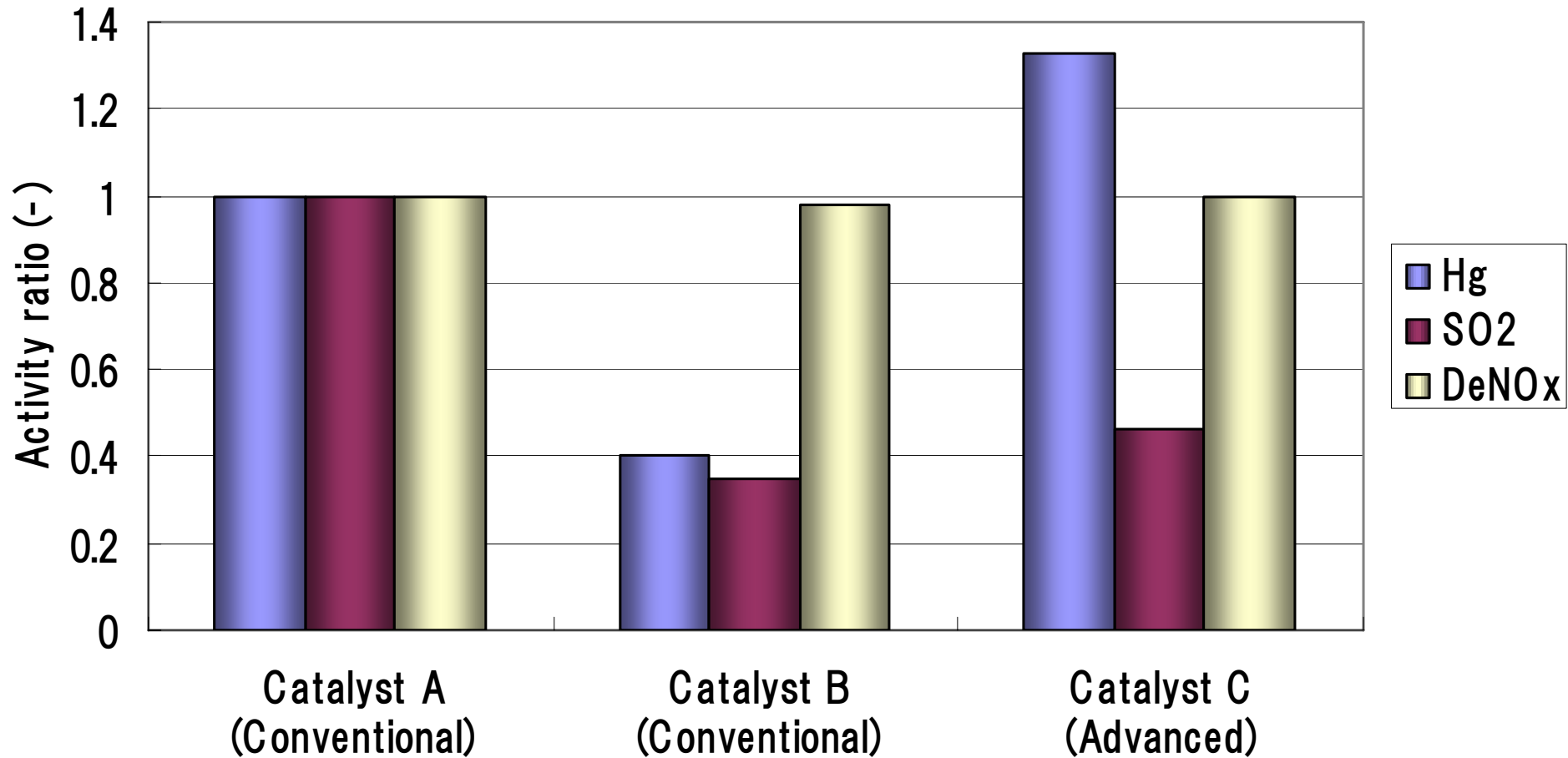
Eastern Bituminous Mercury Oxidation Catalyst

Lower SO₂ conversion is required while keeping higher Hg oxidation.

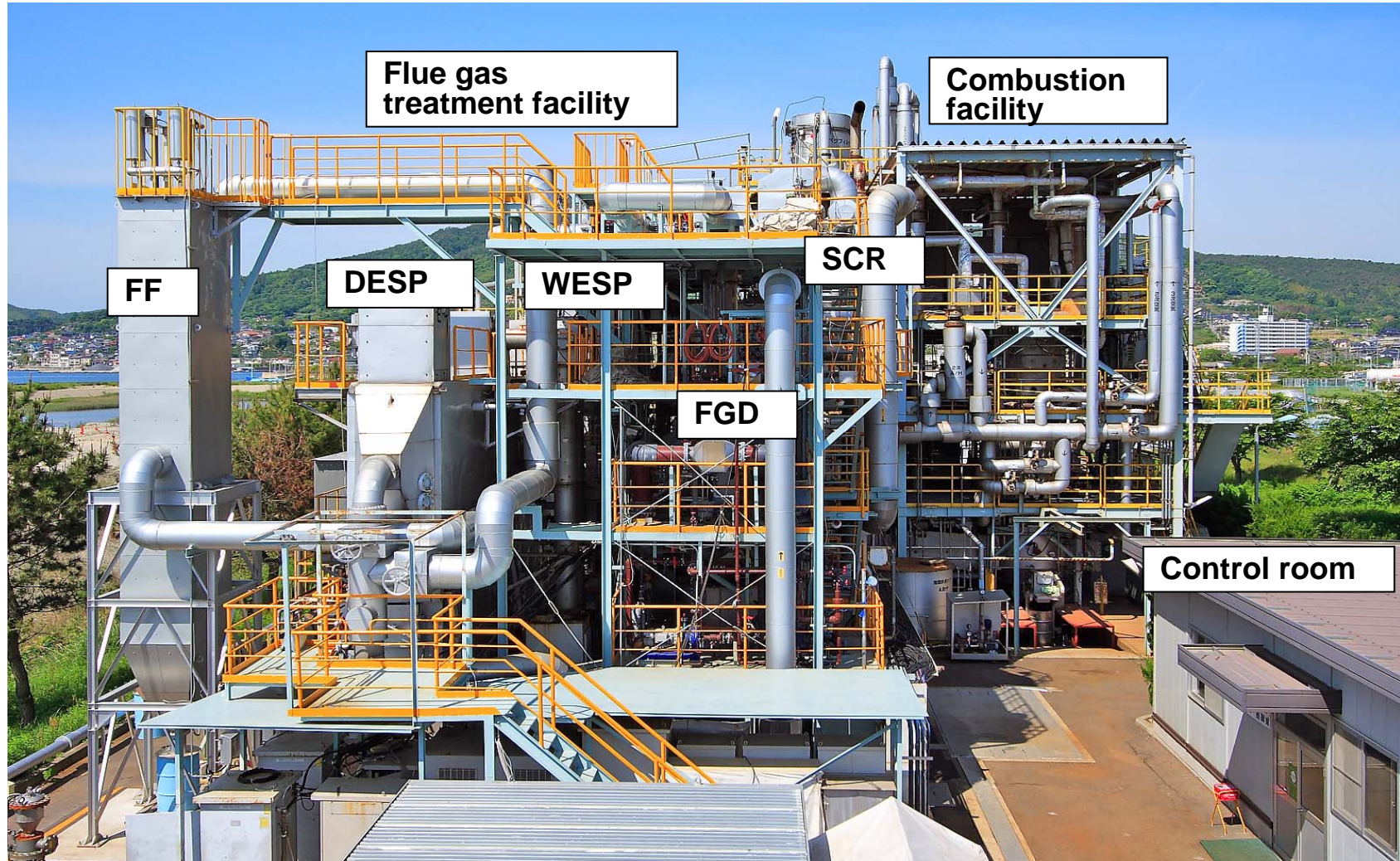


We started development of a new SCR catalyst with
Higher Hg Oxidation & Lower SO₂ Conversion

Mercury vs. SO₂ Oxidation Activity



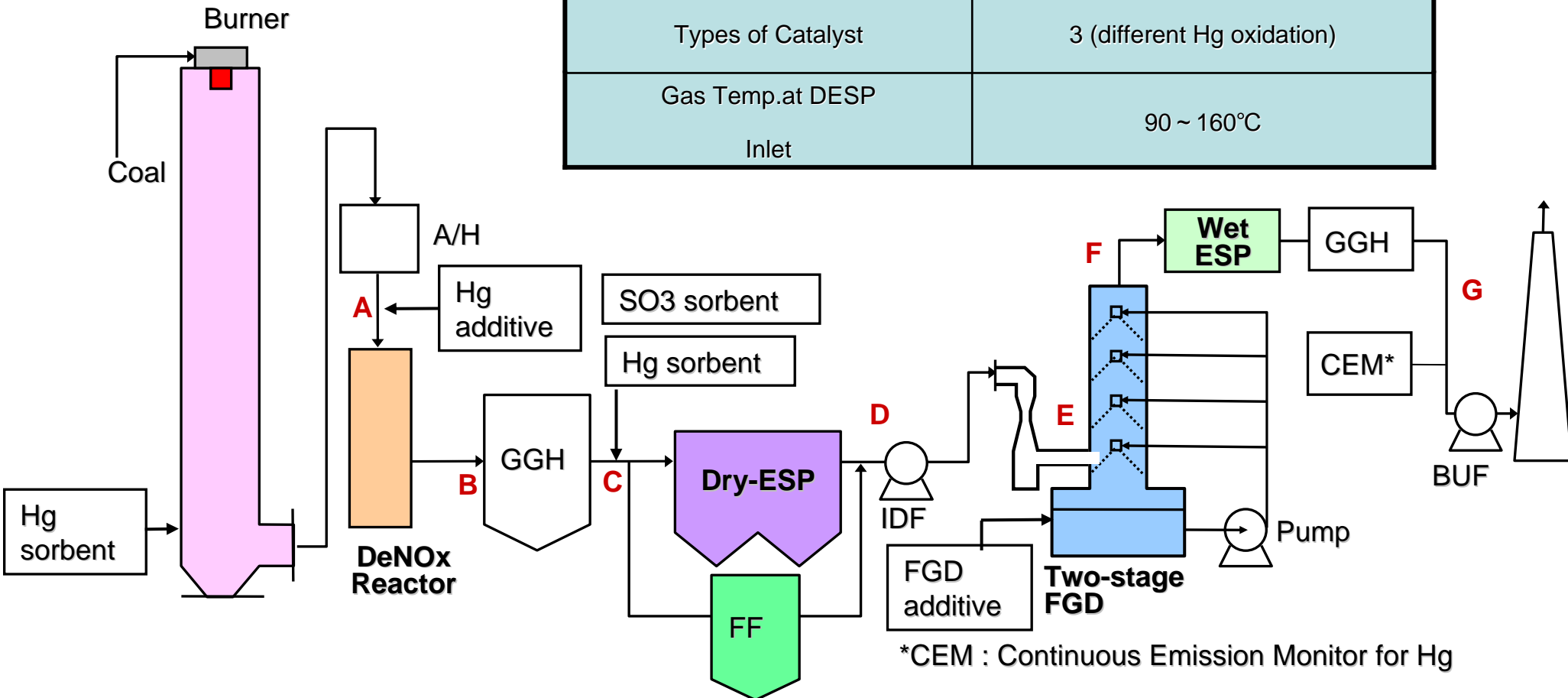
Test Facility at Akitsu Works



Schematic Flow and Test Conditions

A ~ G : Hg Sampling Points

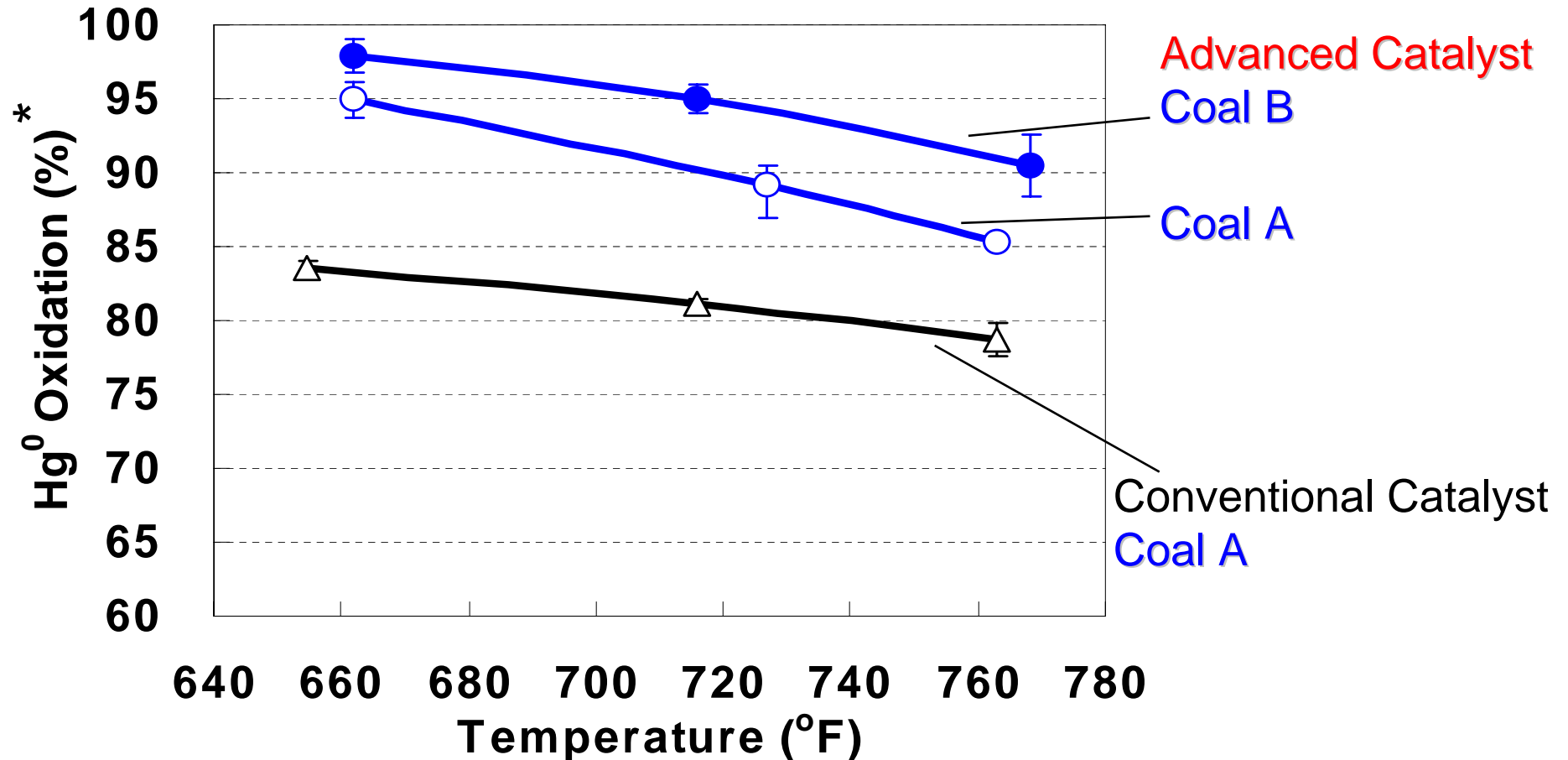
Item	Condition
Coal Feed Rate	100 ~ 150 kg/h
Gas Flow Rate	1000 ~ 1500 m ³ /h
Types of Coal	3 (Eastern Bituminous Coal)
Types of Catalyst	3 (different Hg oxidation)
Gas Temp.at DESP	90 ~ 160°C
Inlet	



Coal Type	A	B
Proximate Analysis, wt %		
Moisture	7.16	1.32
Volatiles	40.62	37.11
Fixed Carbon	48.70	55.68
Ash	10.68	7.21
High Heating Value (MJ/kg, dry)	27.88	32.48
Elemental Analysis, dry, wt %		
Ash	10.61	7.13
C	71.32	78.48
H	5.14	5.03
O	8.45	6.41
N	1.58	1.35
S	2.90	1.60
Trace Elements, dry, mg/kg		
Hg	0.10	0.06
Cl	300	650

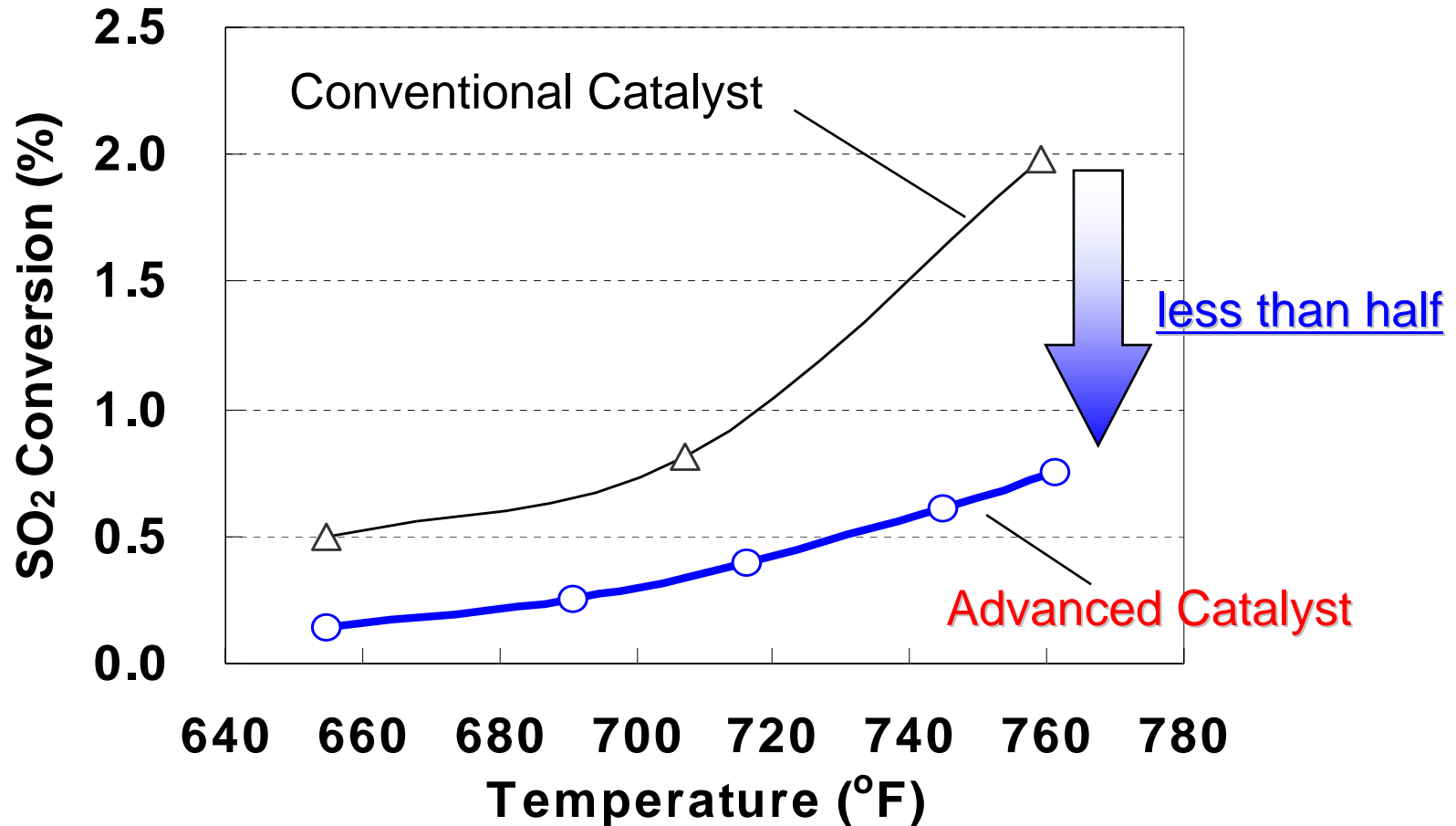
Mercury Oxidation Performance vs. Temperature

* corrected moisture volume, approximately 10 vol%



Hg Oxidation : > 95% below 716°F(380°C)

SO₂ to SO₃ Conversion Rate vs. Temperature



SO₂ to SO₃ Conversion : < 0.5% below 734°F(390°C)

Summary

- Mercury oxidation more than 80% across the catalyst was obtained at SSR after 3,500 hours, although HCl concentration in flue gas for PRB firing was very low.
- Additional SSR testing will continue for further reliability check...

- A new-plate-type catalyst is developed which can achieve high Hg oxidation and low SO₂ to SO₃ conversion for power plants burning bituminous coal.
- This catalyst can meet Hg oxidation up to 95% at a temperature of 716°F while keeping SO₂ to SO₃ conversion less than half that of a conventional catalyst. (below 0.5% at below 734°F).
- Durability testing at actual plant in the U.S. is underway.