

# CelFX<sup>™</sup> Carbon Technology: Puff-by-Puff Profile

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## **Outline**

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## Objective:

Compare CelFX puff-by-puff smoke filtration vs. results for conventional filters.

- CelFX technology overview
- Previous research overview
- Method and experimental setup
- ► CelFX puff-by-puff results
- ▶ Conclusions







## **CelFX™** Overview



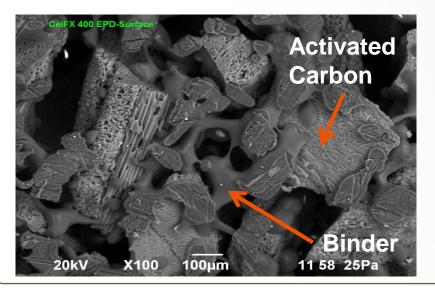


Carbon







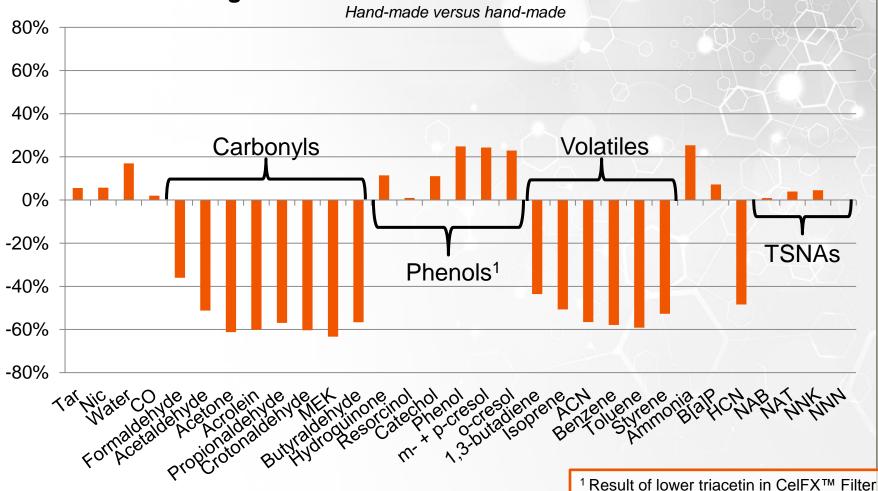


- Benefits
  - High carbon loading
  - Low carbon taste
  - Superior gas-phase filtration
  - Clean, low dust product
  - Firm filter feel
  - Tight control of quality parameters
  - Product design flexibility
    - Any pressure drop
    - Full range of sizes
  - Approved ingredients
- Commercialized technology, in use in commercial cigarettes today

## Past CelFX™ Research

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#### % Change with 12 mm CelFX vs Carbon-on-tow Control



Significant improvement in removal efficiency of gas-phase components vs. carbon-on-tow (40-60% improvement)

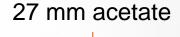
## **Experimental**



- Cerulean CR 20i smoking machine
- Kentucky Reference 3R4F, matched pressure drop
  - Control 27 mm acetate
  - CelFX = 17 mm acetate + 10 mm CelFX (140 mg carbon)
- ► ISO 3088 Protocol with ventilation blocked
- Triplicate testing
  - Standard smoke analysis
    - 1-8 puff collected
  - Volatiles (CRM 70)
    - 1-4 puffs collected
    - 5-8 puffs collected
  - Carbonyls (CRM 74)
    - 1-8 puffs collected



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17mm acetate 10 mm CelFX™ carbon 140 mg/filter

Carbon	Properties
Activity	60 %
Mesh	30 x 70
Surface Area	1000 meter <sup>2</sup> /gram

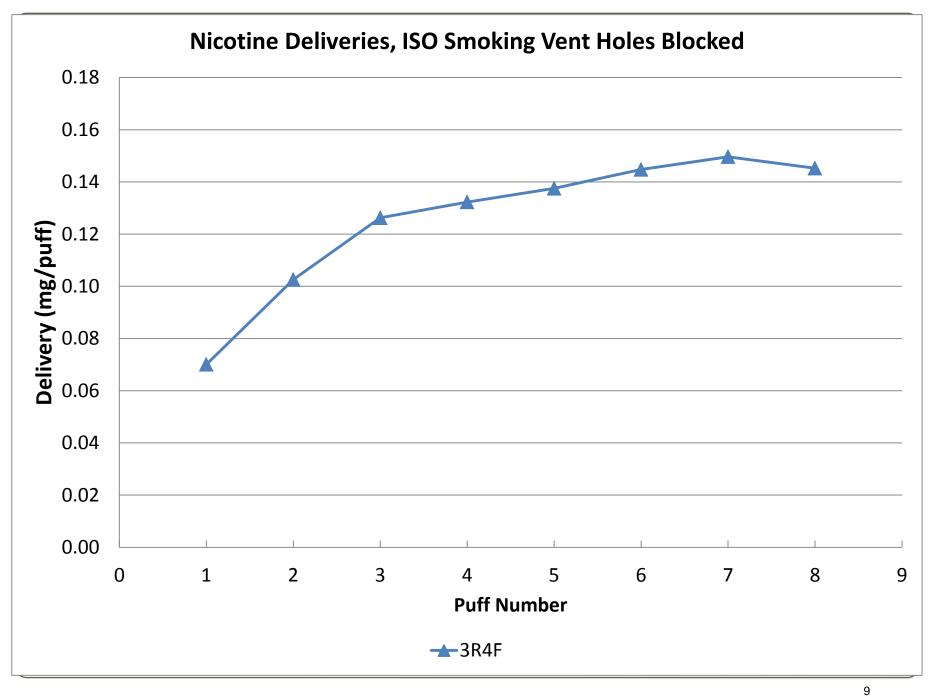
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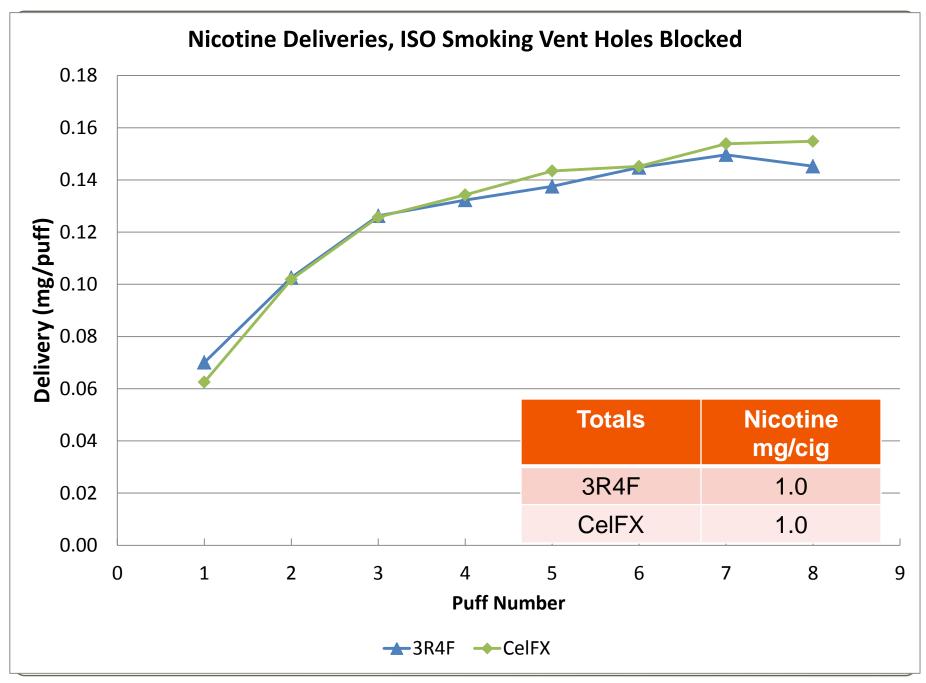


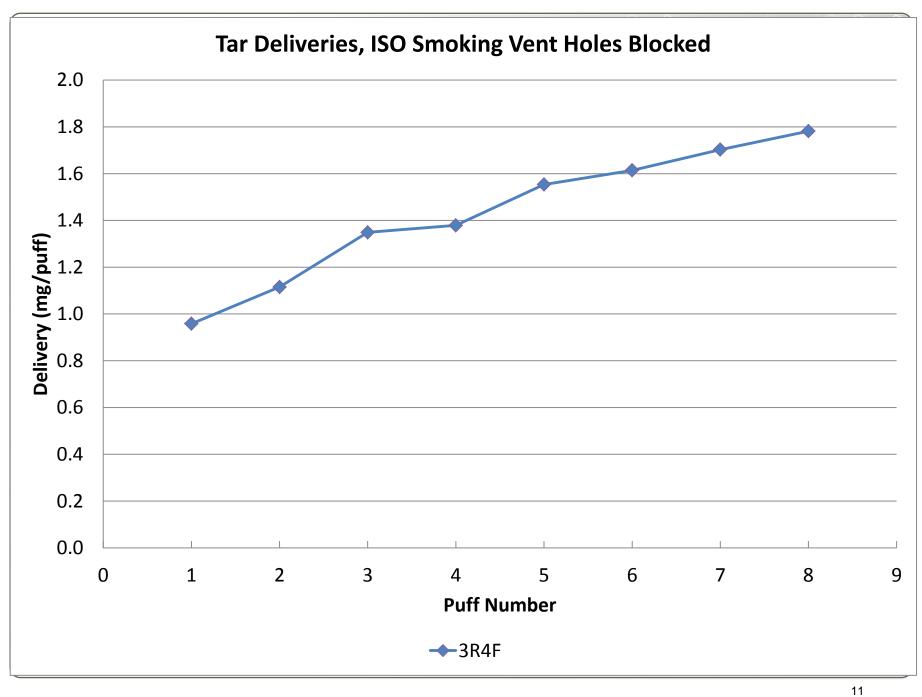


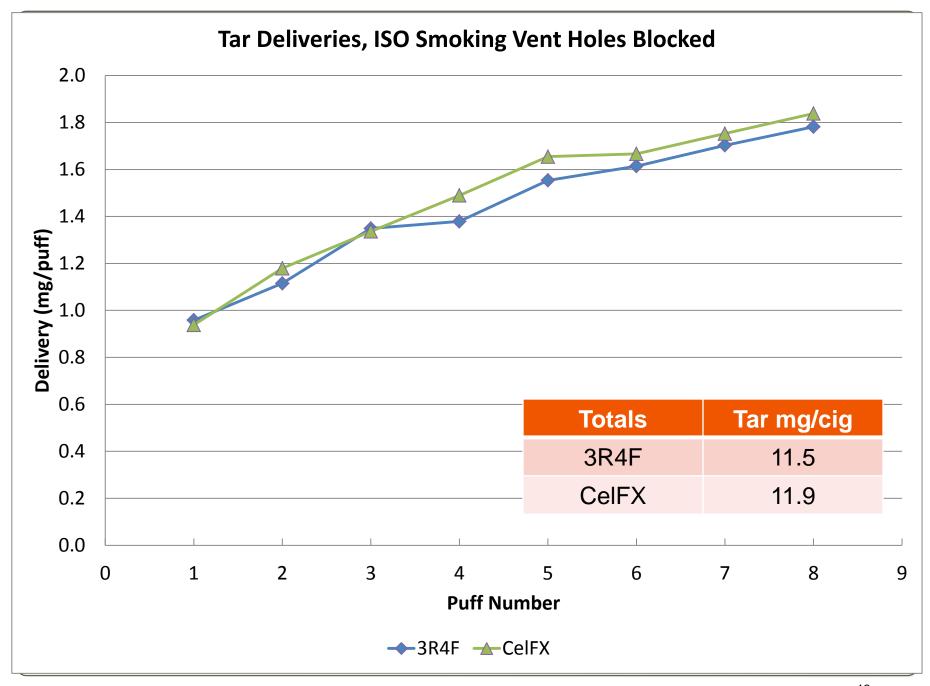


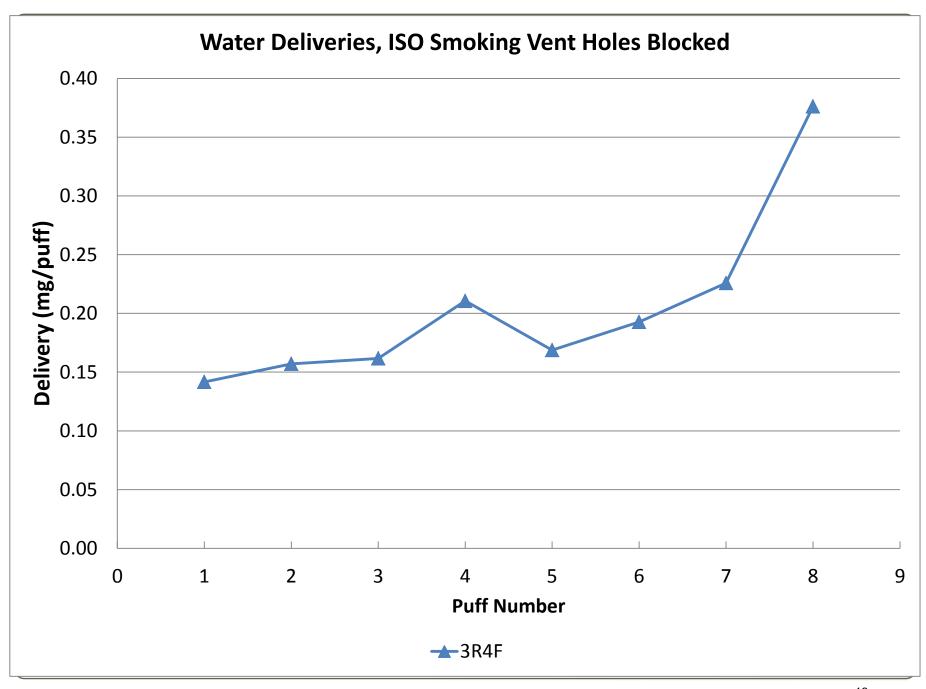
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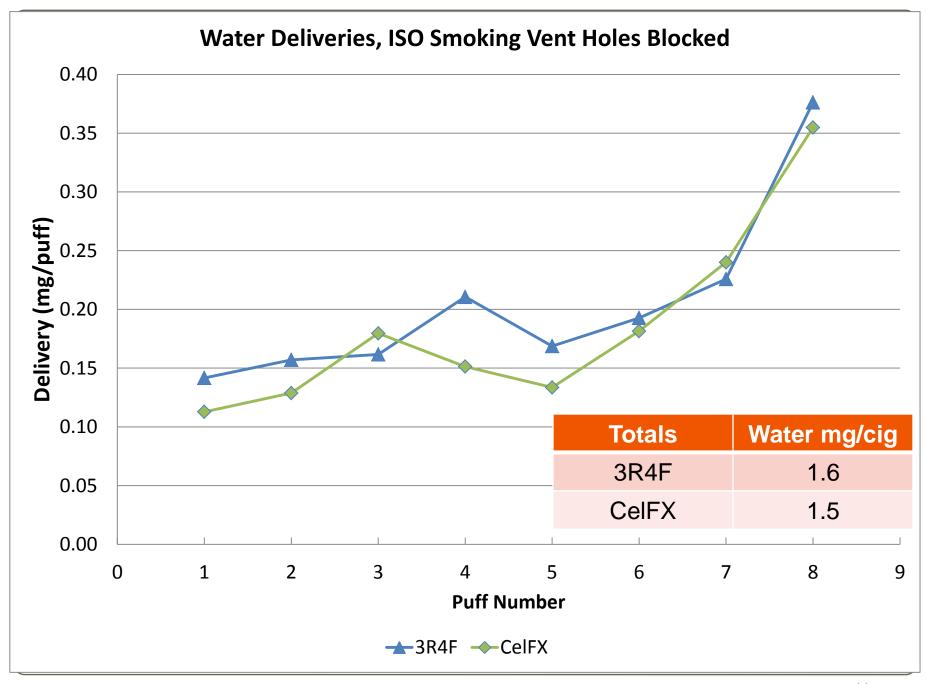












## **Observations**

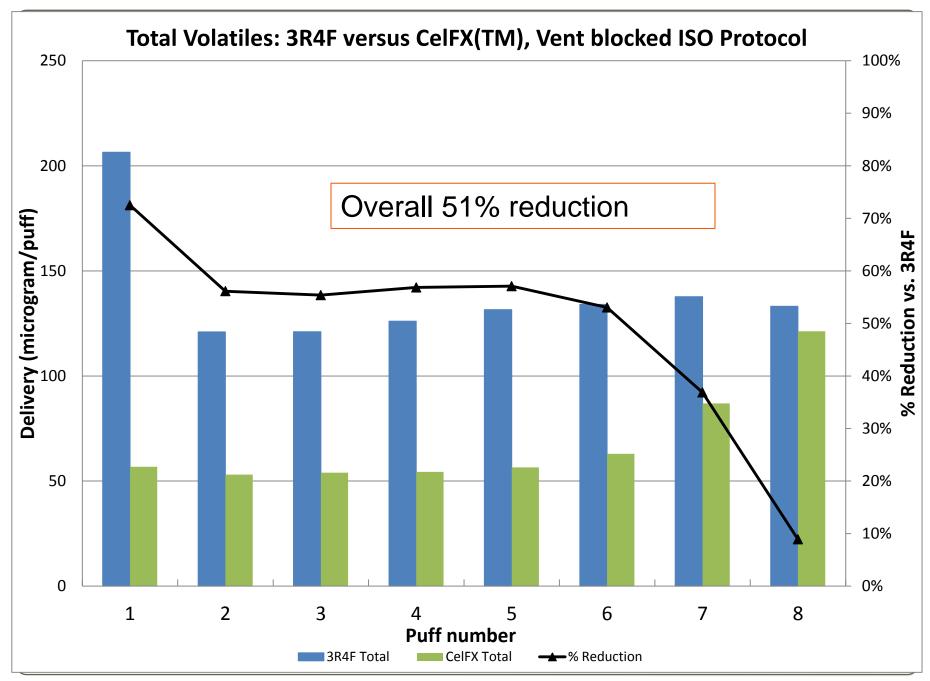
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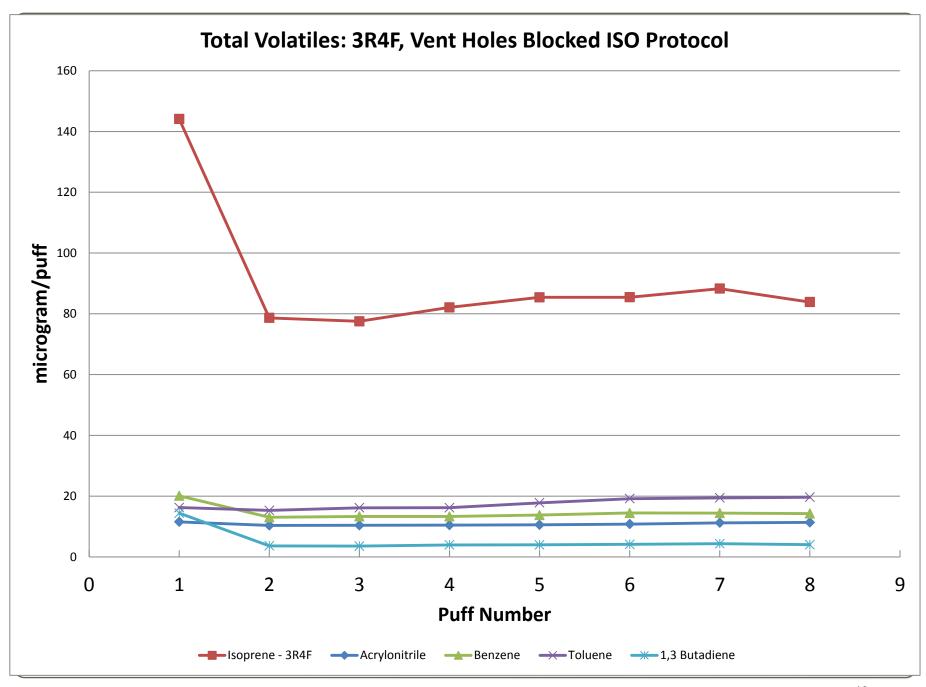
- Matched pressure drop
- ▶ No impact on deliveries
  - Nicotine
  - NFDPM
  - Water
- Profiles similar to published work<sup>1</sup>

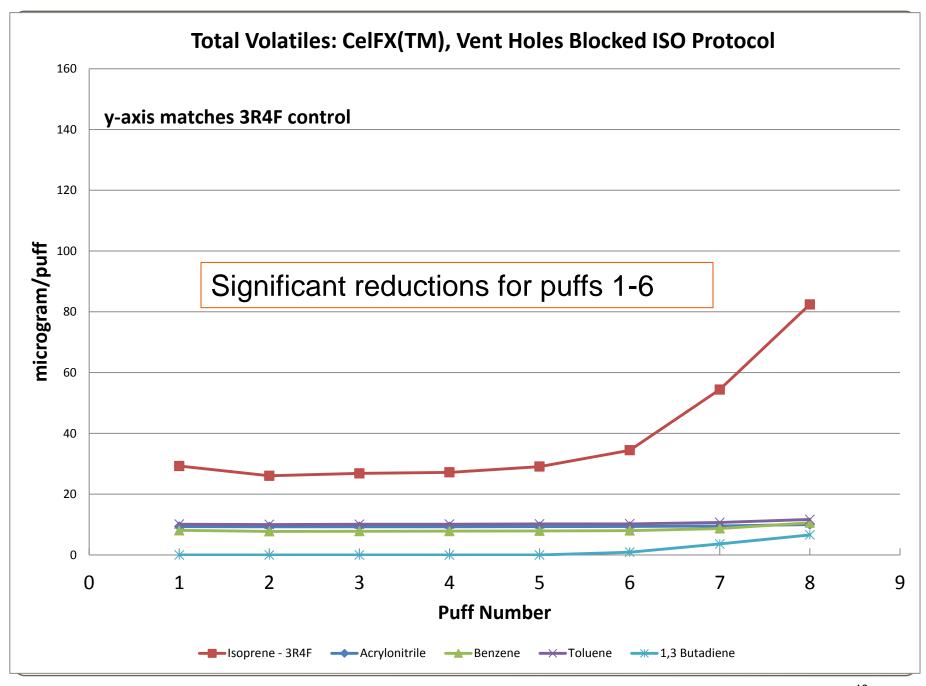
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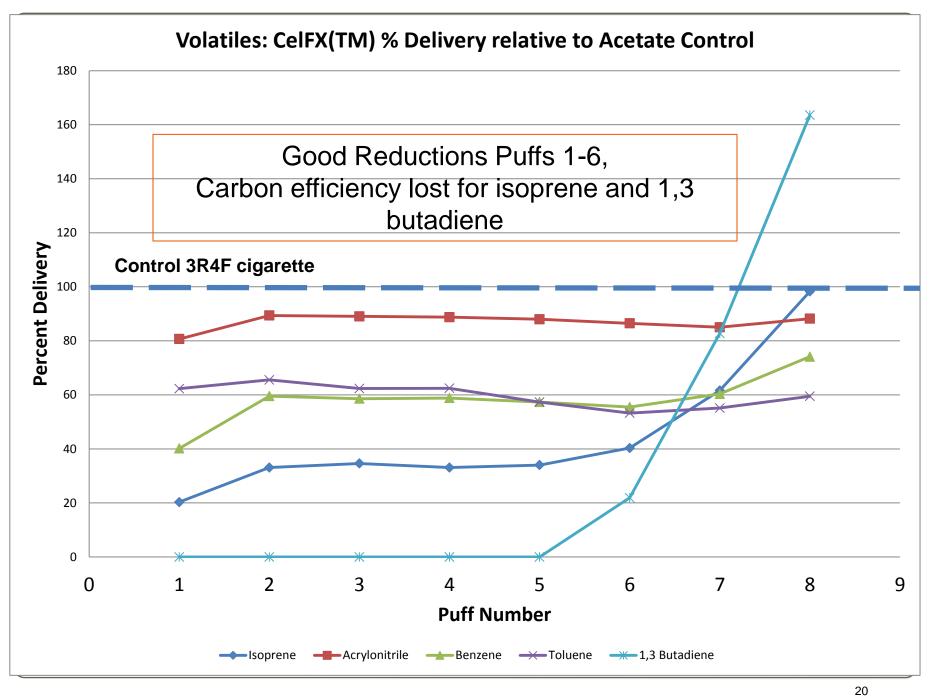


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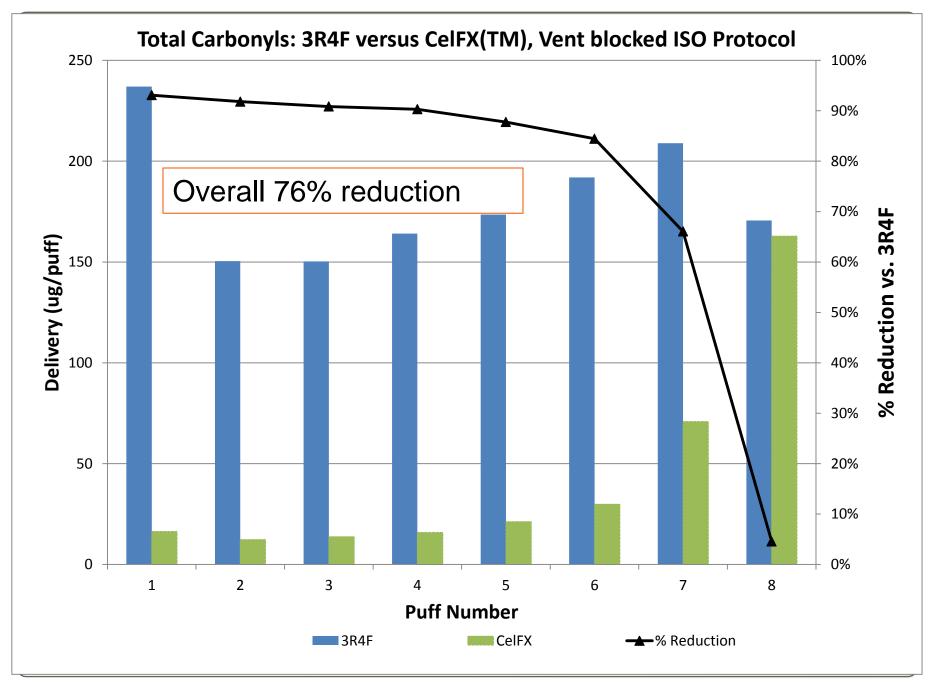


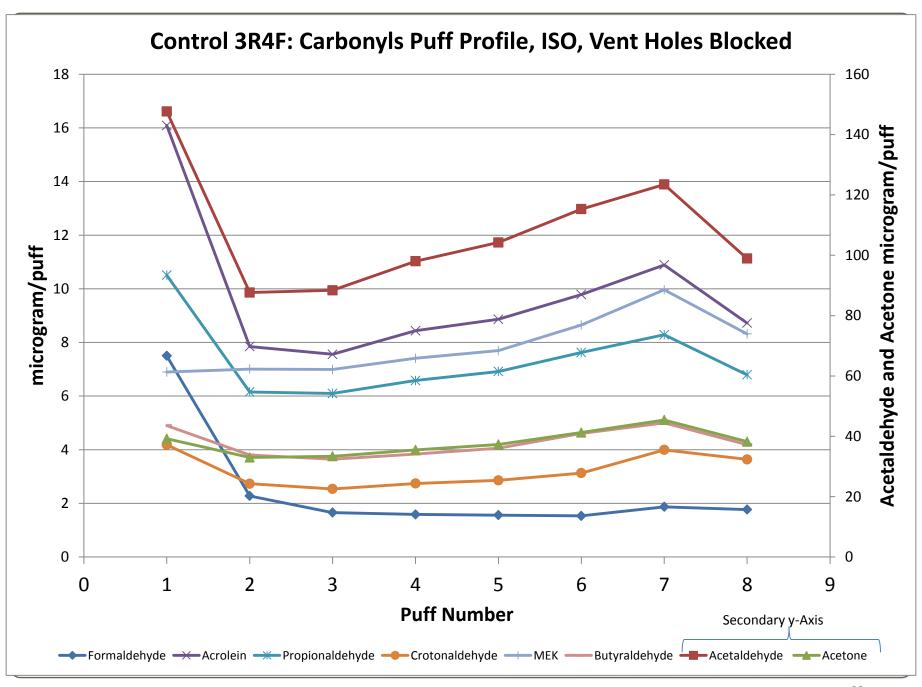


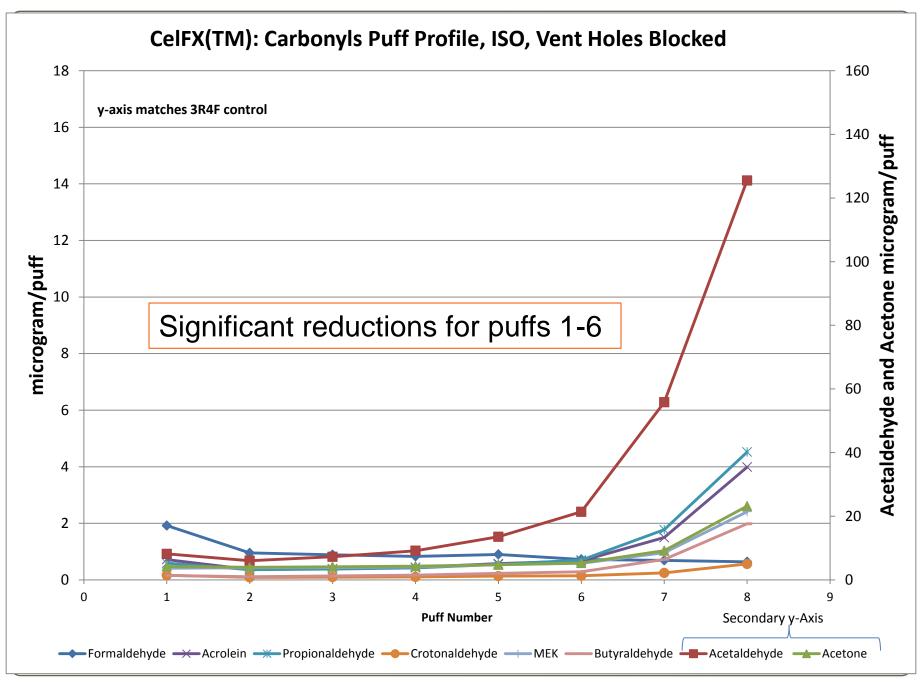


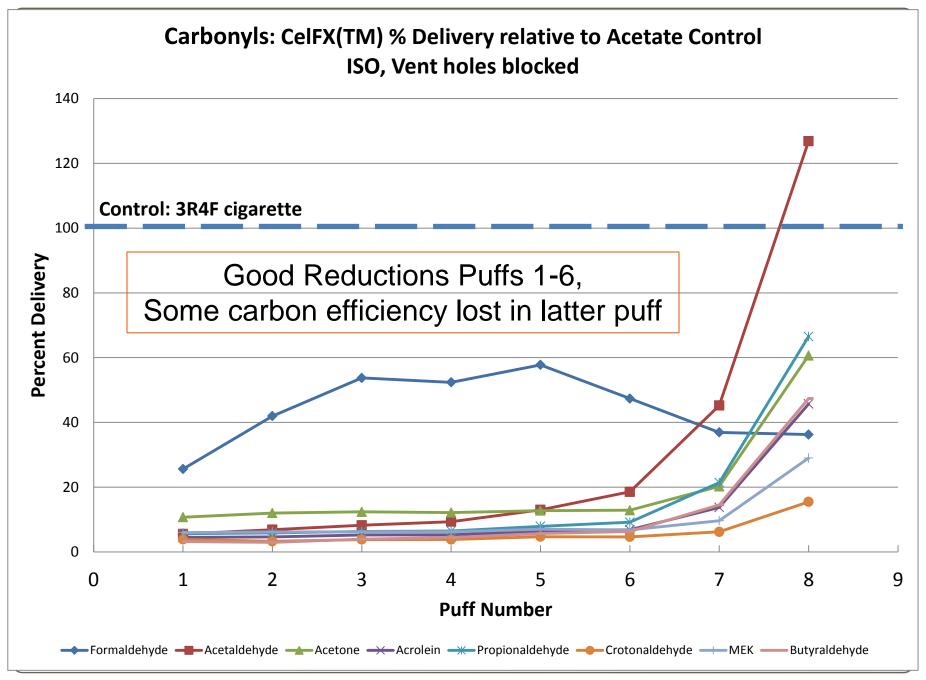


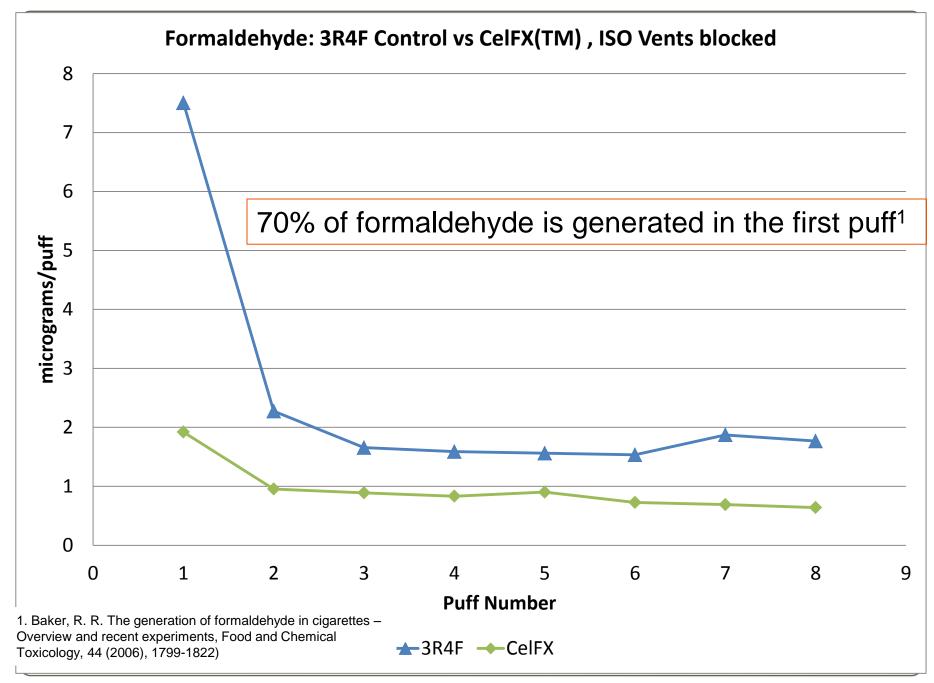
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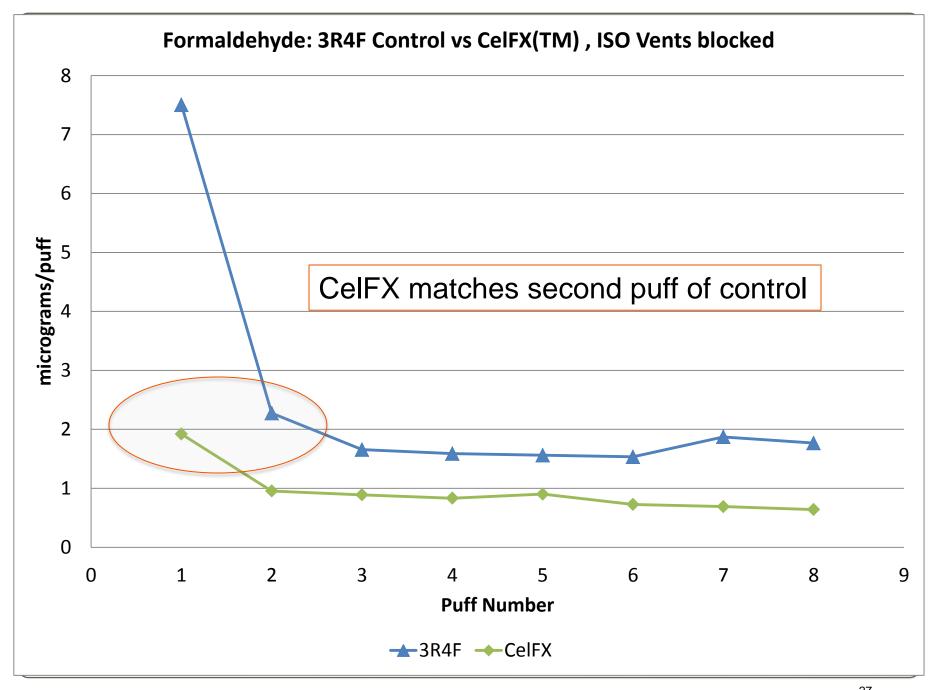


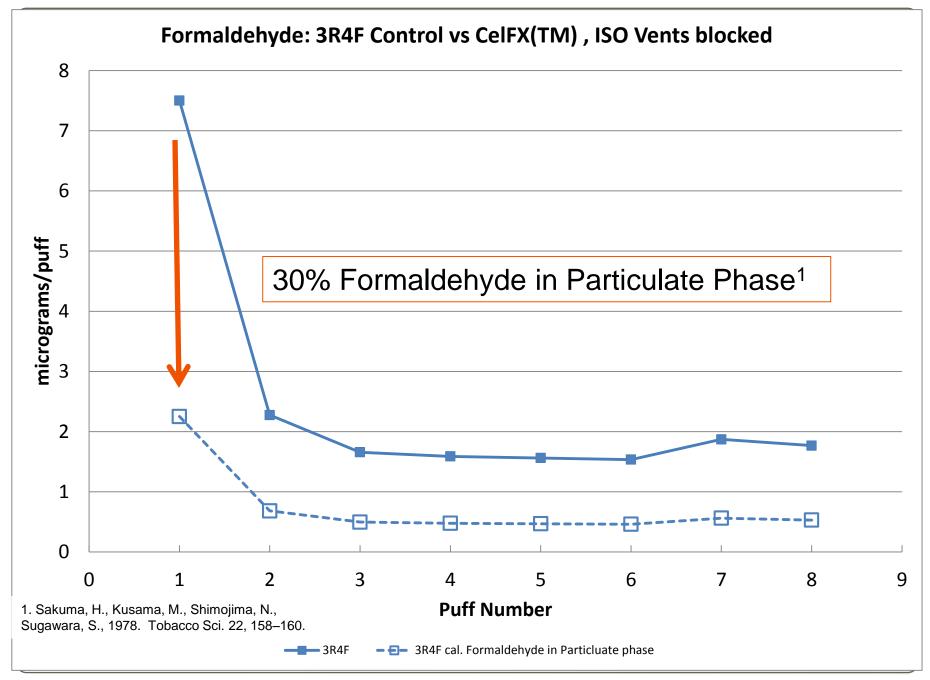


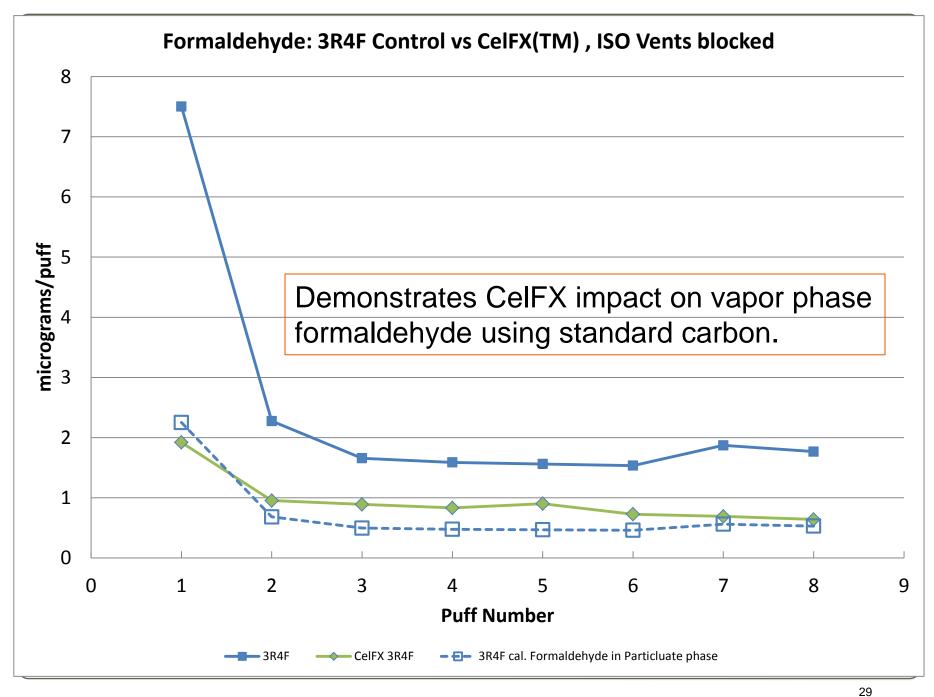












## **Conclusions**



- Standard Smoking
  - No impact NFDPM, Water, Nicotine Delivery
- Carbonyls
  - Overall 76% reduction
  - 90% reduction, puffs 1-6
  - 38% reduction, puff 7-8
    - potentially diminished removal capacity in final puffs
  - Gas phase formaldehyde almost entirely removed
- Volatiles
  - Overall 51% reduction
  - 60% reduction, puffs 1-6
  - 23% reduction, puffs 7-8

#### Overall

- CelFX seems to significantly homogenize early puffs – no "spikes"
- High reductions possible
- ► Future Work
  - Ventilation Impact
  - Constituent mitigation in latter puffs
  - Optimized filter designs to maintain reductions through final puffs
    - Longer CelFX, higher activity carbon, etc.

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