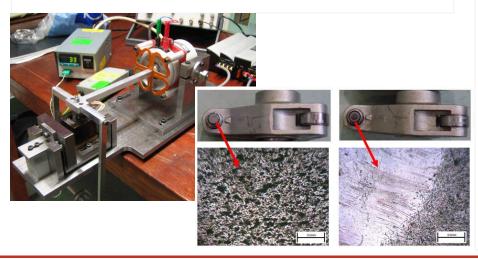


## **Soot Contamination of Engines**

## **How Does Engine oil get Dirty?**

- Diesel combustion produces soot particles
- Up to 70% are retained within the engine and adsorbed by the lubricant
- Soot is the main contaminant in engine oil from diesel engines
- Engine oil also degrades with time and use, affecting petrol engines too





## What Happens when Oil is Dirty?

- Friction increases, reducing the efficiency
- Wear of engine components increases and eventually can starve areas of lubricant
- Sludge deposits created within the engine
- Ultimately a reduction in effectiveness of an engine lubricant's function can lead to failure or damage







