

**Descriptors for Neutral Molecules, Ions, Ionic Species,  
and Ion Pairs:  
Application to Partition and Permeation Processes**

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# **Outline**

**Descriptors for neutral molecules**

**Descriptors for ions and ionic species**

**Partition into Solvents**

**Partition into Liposomes**

**Permeation into brain**

**Conclusions**

# Solute Descriptors

**E** = Excess Molar Refraction

**S** = Polarisability / Dipolarity

**A** = Hydrogen Bond Acidity

**B** = Hydrogen Bond Basicity

**V** = McGowan's Volume

# General Solvation Equation

**SP = Solute property, in a given system**

$$\mathbf{SP = c + e.E + s.S + a.A + b.B + v.V}$$

**Coefficients describe the given system**

**J. Chromatogr (A), 2004, 1037, 29.**

# **Solute Descriptors**

**E and V can be calculated**

**S, A and B need to be obtained.**

**Three logP values in three systems will yield  
the three unknowns**

**Aim to have as many systems as possible**

<b>Solvent (wet)</b>	<b>e</b>	<b>s</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>v</b>
<b>Octanol</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>-3.5</b>	<b>3.8</b>
<b>Butyl acetate</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>-1.4</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-3.8</b>	<b>3.7</b>
<b>Chloroform</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-3.2</b>	<b>-3.4</b>	<b>4.2</b>
<b>Cyclohexane</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>-1.7</b>	<b>-3.7</b>	<b>-4.9</b>	<b>4.6</b>
<b>Toluene</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-3.0</b>	<b>-4.8</b>	<b>4.5</b>

<b>Solvent (dry)</b>	<b>e</b>	<b>s</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>v</b>
<b>Ethanol</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-3.6</b>	<b>3.9</b>
<b>THF</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-4.9</b>	<b>4.5</b>
<b>Acetonitrile</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>3.2</b>

## Some values of descriptors

	<b>E</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>V</b>
<b>Helium</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.068</b>
<b>Chlorine</b>	<b>0.36</b>	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.353</b>
<b>Dieldrin</b>	<b>2.09</b>	<b>1.69</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.65</b>	<b>2.007</b>
<b>Fullerene</b>	<b>1.87</b>	<b>1.48</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.54</b>	<b>3.906</b>
<b>Cortisone</b>	<b>1.96</b>	<b>3.50</b>	<b>0.36</b>	<b>1.87</b>	<b>2.755</b>
<b>Me<sub>2</sub>Hg</b>	<b>0.70</b>	<b>0.62</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.665</b>



## Descriptors for Ions

Same general method as for neutrals

Need log P values for single ions from water to various solvents

$$\text{Log } P(\text{Ph}_4\text{As}^+) = \log P(\text{Ph}_4\text{P}^-)$$


The coefficients  $e, s, a, b, v$  are the same as those in equations for neutrals

Require two additional terms:  $J^+$  for cations and  $L^-$  for anions

$$\text{Log } P = c + e.\mathbf{E} + s.\mathbf{S} + a.\mathbf{A} + b.\mathbf{B} + v.\mathbf{V}$$

$$+ j+ . \mathbf{J+} + j- . \mathbf{J-}$$

cations (Na+, AmineH+)



anions (Cl-, RCO2-, ArO-)



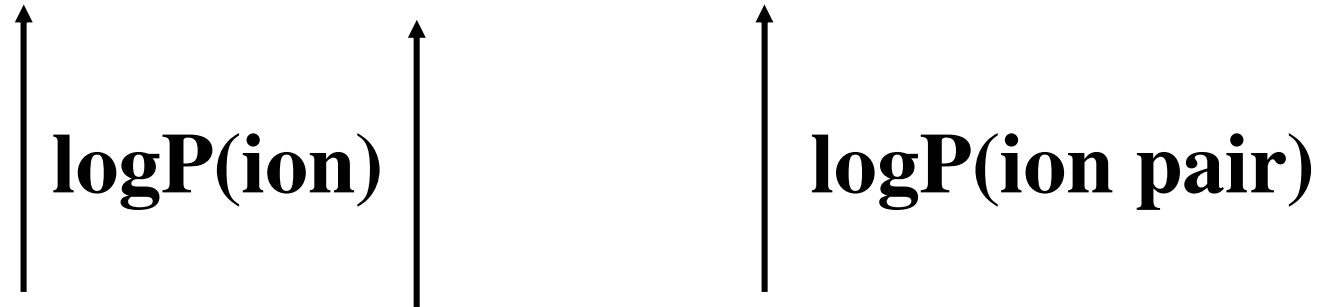
<b>Solute</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>J+</b>	<b>J-</b>
<b>Me<sub>3</sub>N</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Me<sub>3</sub>NH<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Pyridine</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>PyridineH<sup>+</sup></b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Acetic acid</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Acetate<sup>-</sup></b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>2.1</b>

# Descriptors for Ion Pairs

- **Need log P values for ion pairs**
- **Obtained from log P for single ions plus the association constant in water and the solvent:**



- **Then need both J<sup>+</sup> and J<sup>-</sup> for any ion pair**



## Descriptors for some ion pairs

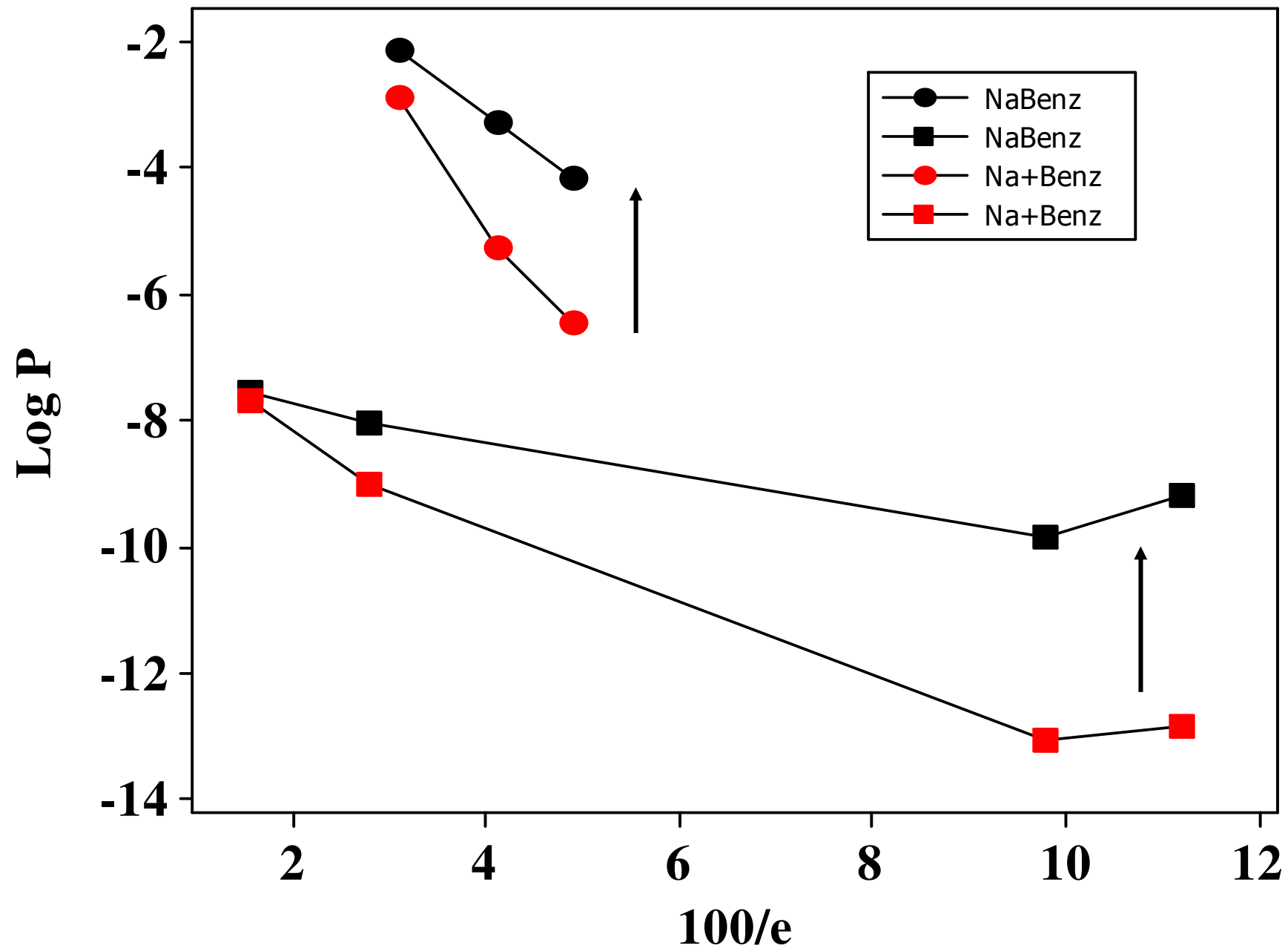
	<b>E</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>J+</b>	<b>J-</b>
<b>Na+Cl-</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>3.85</b>	<b>1.29</b>	<b>2.52</b>	<b>0.26</b>	<b>-1.05</b>	<b>1.30</b>
<b>Et4N+I-</b>	<b>0.78</b>	<b>2.73</b>	<b>0.89</b>	<b>1.31</b>	<b>1.76</b>	<b>0.21</b>	<b>-0.19</b>
<b>Na+Acetate-</b>	<b>0.40</b>	<b>2.61</b>	<b>1.18</b>	<b>3.01</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>-0.62</b>	<b>1.33</b>
<b>PyridineH+Cl-</b>	<b>0.58</b>	<b>3.47</b>	<b>2.55</b>	<b>2.44</b>	<b>0.92</b>	<b>-0.28</b>	<b>1.13</b>

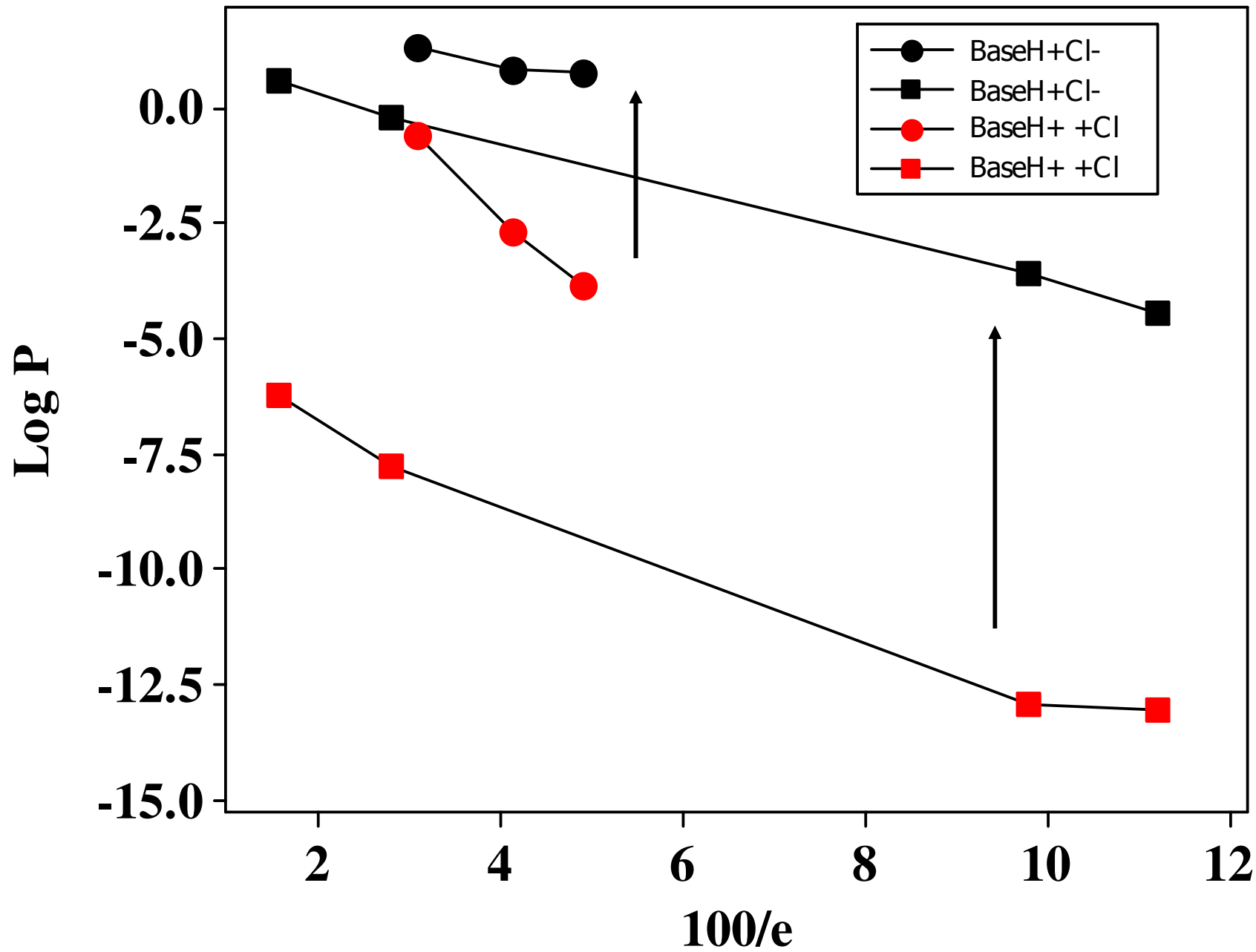
	<b>Acetone</b>	<b>50% EtOH</b>	<b>D(aq)</b>
<b>Benzoic acid</b>	<b>1.85</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>9.1</b>
<b>Benzoate-</b>	<b>-9.58</b>	<b>-0.04</b>	<b>9.4</b>
<b>Na+Benzoate-</b>	<b>-9.15</b>	<b>-0.64</b>	<b>6.8</b>
<b>Na+ + Benz</b>	<b>-10.86</b>	<b>-0.88</b>	<b>10.3</b>
<b>4-MeAniline</b>	<b>1.82</b>	<b>1.98</b>	<b>9.1</b>
<b>4-MeAnilineH+</b>	<b>0.83</b>	<b>1.44</b>	<b>9.3</b>
<b>4-MeAnH+Cl-</b>	<b>-6.49</b>	<b>0.70</b>	<b>5.6</b>
<b>4-MeAnH+ +Cl-</b>	<b>-9.21</b>	<b>0.54</b>	<b>12.8</b>

## Partition from water to solvents

	<b>c</b>	<b>e</b>	<b>s</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>v</b>	<b>j+</b>	<b>j-</b>
<b>MeOH</b>	<b>0.28</b>	<b>0.33</b>	<b>-0.71</b>	<b>0.24</b>	<b>-3.32</b>	<b>3.55</b>	<b>-2.61</b>	<b>3.03</b>
<b>Oct/w</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>-1.05</b>	<b>0.03</b>	<b>-3.46</b>	<b>3.81</b>	<b>-3.02</b>	<b>2.58</b>
<b>MeCN</b>	<b>0.41</b>	<b>0.08</b>	<b>0.33</b>	<b>-1.57</b>	<b>-4.39</b>	<b>3.36</b>	<b>-2.34</b>	<b>0.10</b>
<b>Acetone</b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>-0.12</b>	<b>-0.61</b>	<b>-4.75</b>	<b>3.94</b>	<b>-2.29</b>	<b>0.08</b>
<b>DMSO</b>	<b>-0.19</b>	<b>0.33</b>	<b>0.79</b>	<b>1.26</b>	<b>-4.54</b>	<b>3.36</b>	<b>-3.29</b>	<b>0.13</b>
<b>12DCE</b>	<b>0.18</b>	<b>0.29</b>	<b>-0.13</b>	<b>-2.80</b>	<b>-4.29</b>	<b>4.18</b>	<b>-3.43</b>	<b>0.01</b>
<b>CH2C2</b>	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>-0.19</b>	<b>-3.06</b>	<b>-4.09</b>	<b>4.32</b>	<b>-3.99</b>	<b>0.09</b>







# **Water-liposome distribution**

**Esher et al Env.Sci.Technol. 1996, 30, 260**

**Dipalmitoylphosphatidylcholine**

**LogK for neutral phenols, phenoxides**

**anilines and anilineH<sup>+</sup>**

**Only neutrals and ions partition – no ion pairs**

**22 Neutral species, 20 phenoxides, 2 amineH+**

$$\text{LogK} = -0.41 + 1.00 \text{ E} - 0.60 \text{ S} + 1.01 \text{ A} \\ - 2.07 \text{ B} + 3.06 \text{ V} - 3.00 \text{ J+} + 2.39 \text{ J-}$$

$$\text{N} = 44, \text{SD} = 0.36, \text{R}^2 = 0.896, \text{F} = 44.1$$

$$\text{Anilines/AnilinesH+} = 1.6$$

$$\text{Phenols/Phenoxides} = 1.2 \text{ to } 74, \text{av} = 15$$

**Xiangli Liu and co-workers**

**J.Pharm.Sci, in press**

**Cerasome liposome - hydrogenated lecithin,  
cholesterol, ceramides and fatty acids. Model  
for skin.**

**LogK measured for 38 neutral compounds, 17  
anions and 16 cations.**

$$\text{LogK} = -1.92 + 0.20 \text{ E} - 0.63 \text{ S} - 0.11 \text{ A} \\ - 1.45 \text{ B} + 1.76 \text{ V} + 0.34 \text{ J}^+ + 1.96 \text{ J}^-$$

$$\text{N} = 71, \text{SD} = 0.29, \text{R}^2 = 0.814, \text{F} = 39.5$$

**Acid/acid anion = 4.00 av of 17**

**Base/BaseH<sup>+</sup> cation = 0.36 av of 16**

## **Diffusion in water**

**E. Hills et al., Fluid Phase Eq., 2011, 303, 45-55**

**Diffusion coefficient in  $10^5 \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$**

$$\text{Log Diff} = 0.31 - 0.027 A - 0.36 V + 0.096 J+ \\ -0.004 J-$$

**133 Neutrals, SD = 0.080**

**29 Cations, 28 Anions, SD = 0.091**

## Some values of Diff in $10^6 D$

<b>Benzoic acid</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>Picric acid</b>	<b>6.8</b>
<b>Benzoate-</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>Picrate</b>	<b>6.9</b>
<b>Na+Benzoate-</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>Na+Picrate-</b>	<b>6.2</b>
<b>Na+ + Benz</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>Na+ + Picrate-</b>	<b>9.5</b>
<b>4-MeAniline</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>PyridineH+</b>	<b>13.4</b>
<b>4-MeAnilineH+</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>Et4N+</b>	<b>8.9</b>
<b>4-MeAnH+Cl-</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>ImidazoleH+</b>	<b>14.7</b>
<b>4-MeAnH+ +Cl-</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>CodeineH+</b>	<b>5.2</b>



## **Vascular Perfusion (Saline pH 7.4)**

**Rate of transfer from perfusate (saline, blood) to brain after intravenous injection. Passive transfer**

$$\mathbf{P_m * S \text{ in } cm^3 \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ g}^{-1}}$$

$$\mathbf{P_m \text{ in } cm \text{ s}^{-1} \quad \text{Permeability}}$$

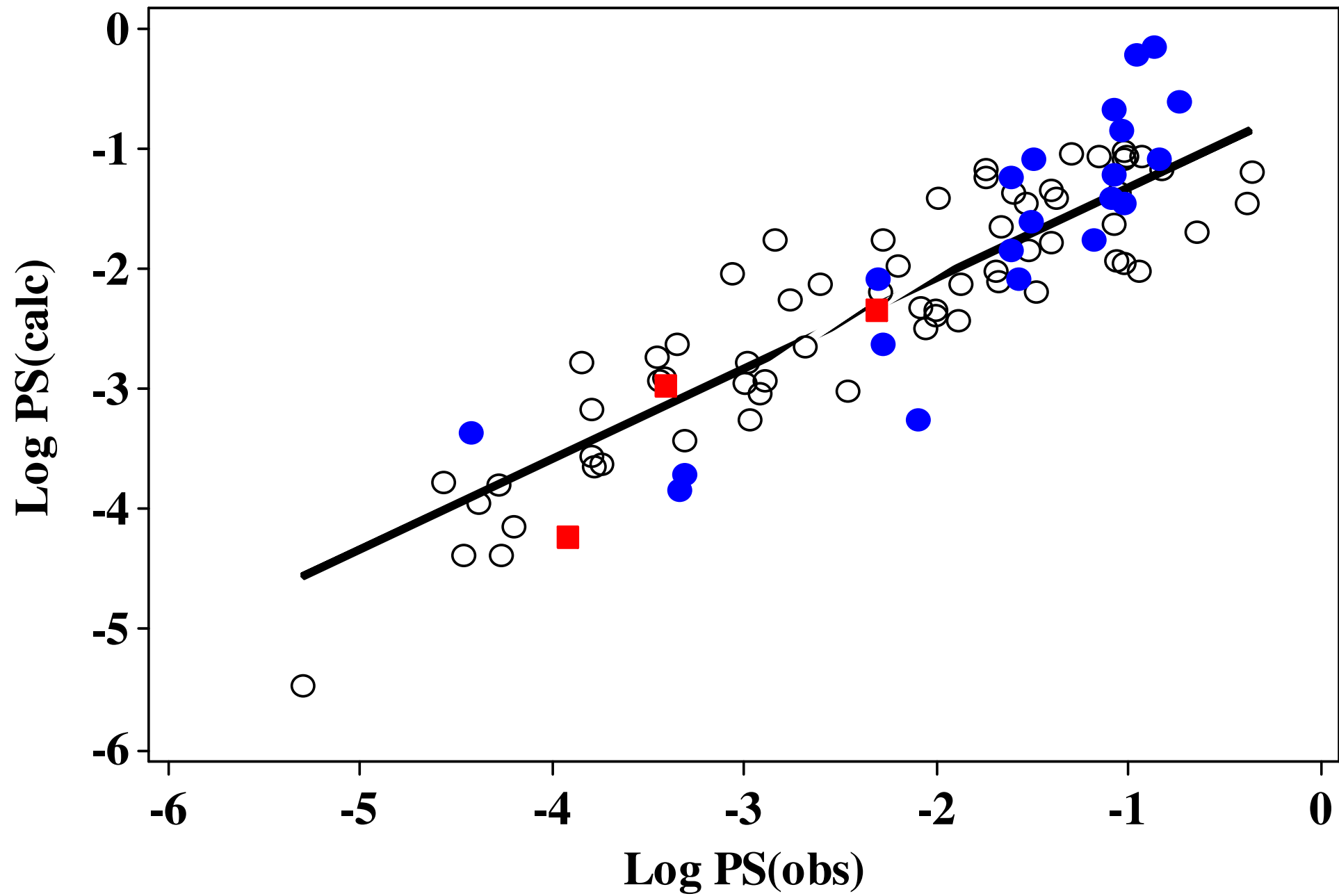
$$\mathbf{P_m * l \text{ in } cm^2 \text{ s}^{-1} \quad \text{Diffusion coefficient}}$$

**J. Pharm. Sci., 2011, 100, 1690-1701.**

$$\text{Log PmS} = - 1.268 - 0.047 E - 0.876 S - 0.719 A \\ - 1.571 B + 1.767 V + 0.469 J^+ + 1.663 J^-$$

$$N = 88, R^2 = 0.810, SD = 0.534, F = 48.8$$

**Acid/acid anion = 120    Base/base cation = 10**



## **Human Intestinal Absorption %**

$$\text{HIA} = 95.6 - 2.3 E - 0.4 S - 14.3 A - 21.4 B + 16.5V$$

$$\text{Neutrals, } N = 257, \text{ SD} = 15.1\%, R^2 = 0.605$$

$$\text{HIA} = 100.0 + 0.7 E - 6.0 S - 6.3 A - 25.5 B$$

$$+ 20.6 V - 5.9 J^+ + 29.2 J^-$$

$$\text{Neutral/Ions, } N = 257, \text{ SD} = 15.5\%, R^2 = 0.588$$

$$\text{Acid - Anion} = 3\%, \text{ Base-Cation} = 1\%,$$

$$\text{Log } k = 0.553 + 0.003 E - 0.105 S - 0.083 A \\ -0.388 B + 0.310 V + 0.083 J+ + 0.464 J- \\ N = 257, SD = 0.238, R^2 = 0.605, F = 54.5$$

**Acid/Acid anions = 1.39, Base/BaseH+ = 1.25**

- **Structural effects are very small**
- **Acid anions and base cations absorbed at almost the same rate as the neutral species.**

# **Analysis of Permeation**

**Observed quantity,  $P_m \cdot S$**

$$P_m = P \cdot \text{Diff} / L$$

$$\text{Log } P_m \cdot S = \log P + \log \text{Diff} + \text{constant}$$

$$\text{Log } P_m \cdot S \approx \log P + \text{constant}$$

**Log P for water - membrane perfusion**

**Log k for human intestinal absorption**

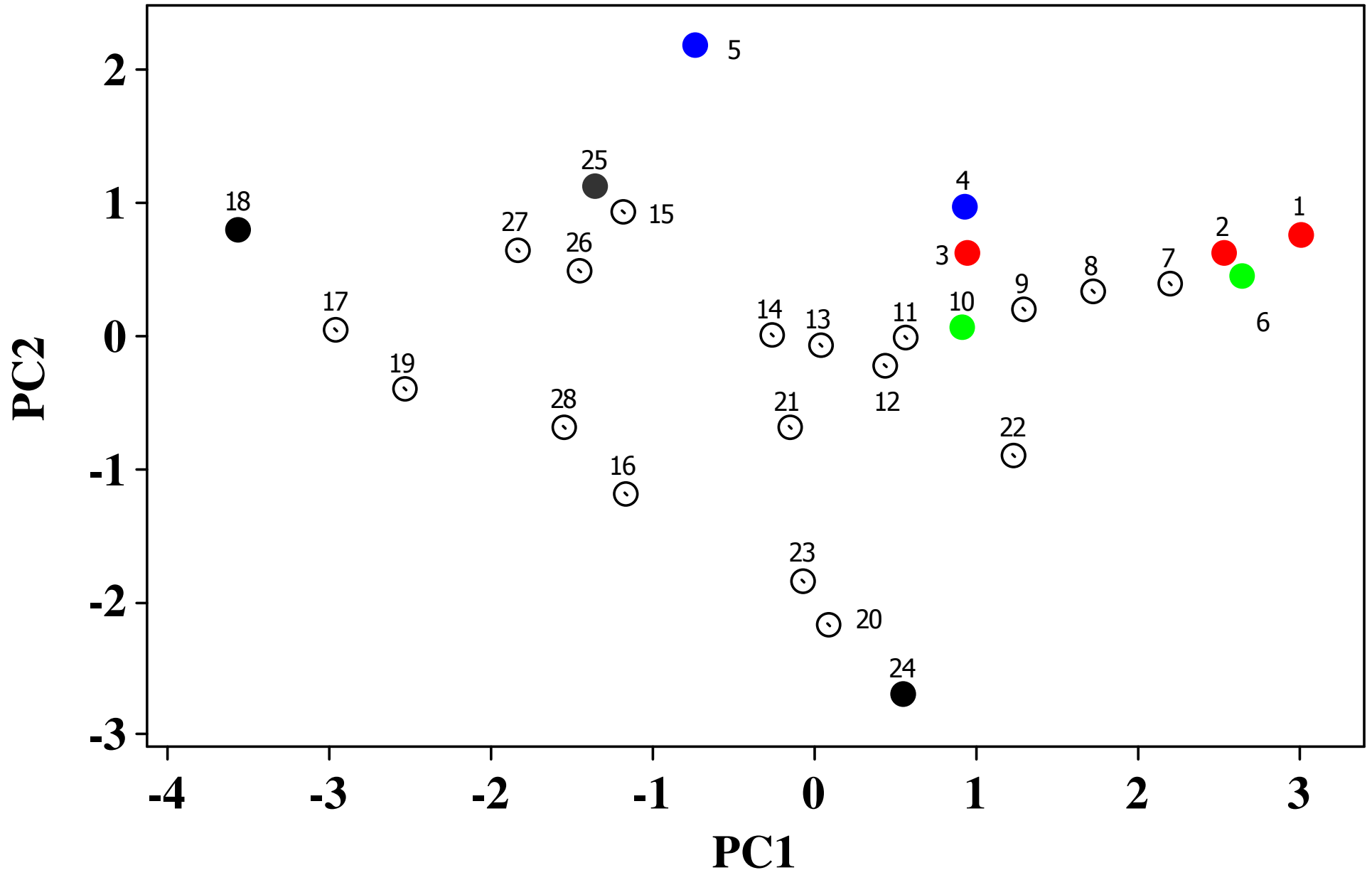
**Log P for water - solvents**

**Log K for water- liposome (Esher)**

**Log K for water- cerasome**

**Log Diff for diffusion in water**

**Compare coefficients by PCA**





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|----------|------------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| <b>1</b> | <b>Log Diff</b>        | <b>6</b>  | <b>10 % Ethanol</b> |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Log k(HIA)</b>      | <b>10</b> | <b>50 % Ethanol</b> |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Log PS</b>          | <b>18</b> | <b>Hexadecane</b>   |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Log K(Cerasome)</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>Nitromethane</b> |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Log K(Esher)</b>    | <b>25</b> | <b>Wet octanol</b>  |

## **Conclusions**

**HIA very close to simple diffusion.**

**Neutral species and ions diffuse at almost the same rate.**

**Hence strong bases and strong acids are absorbed no matter if ionized or not.**

**Base/cation = 1.25    Acid/ anion = 1.39**

## **Permeation from saline**

- 1. Partition from water into a very polar part of the membrane, that is close to 50% ethanol- 50% water in properties. Structural effects on this partition lead to obs PS values.**
- 2. Structural effects in the subsequent diffusion across the nonpolar part of the membrane are relatively small**
- 3. Neutral species permeate faster than ions.**

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