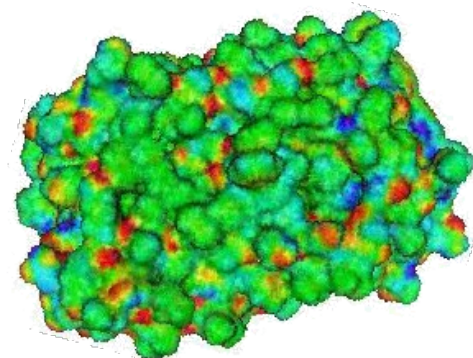
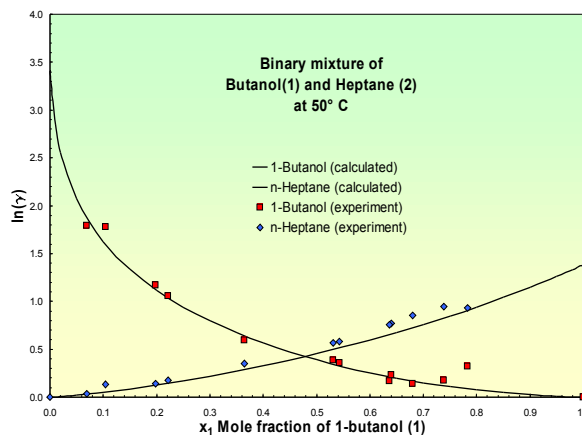
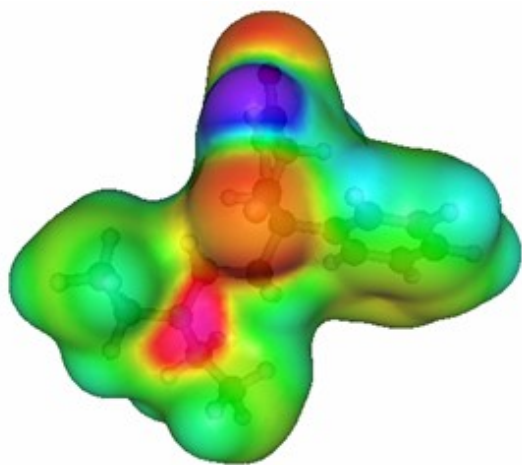


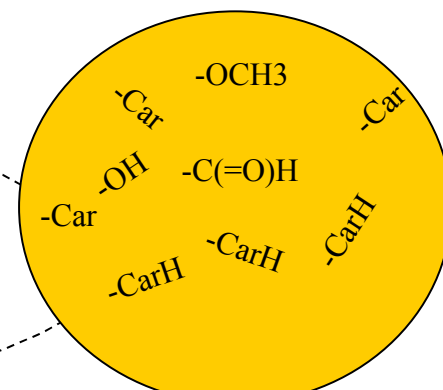
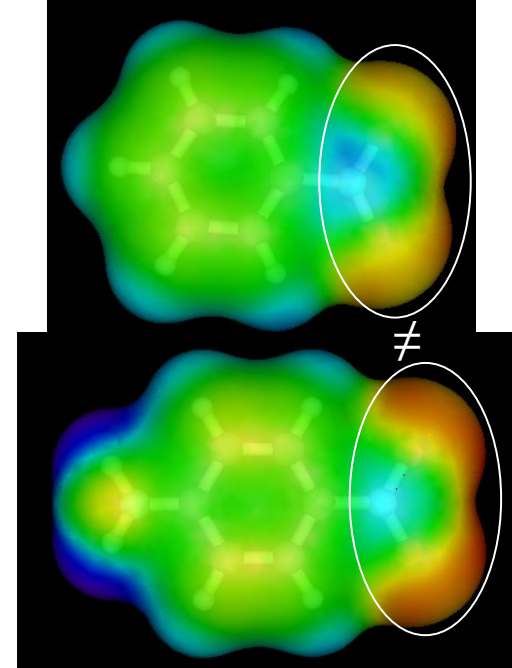
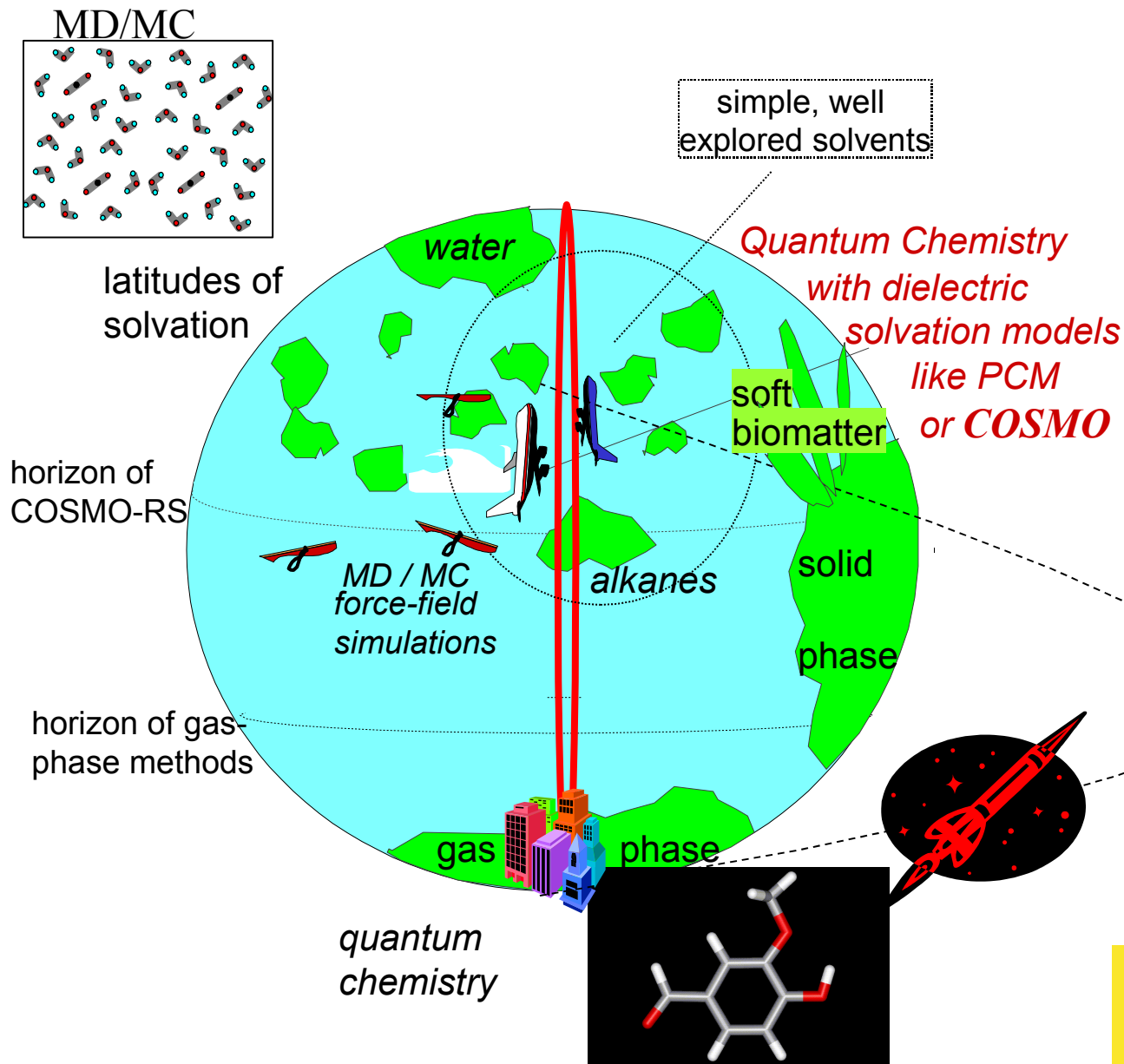
# COSMO-RS: From quantum chemistry to Cheminformatics



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# Thermophysical data prediction methods

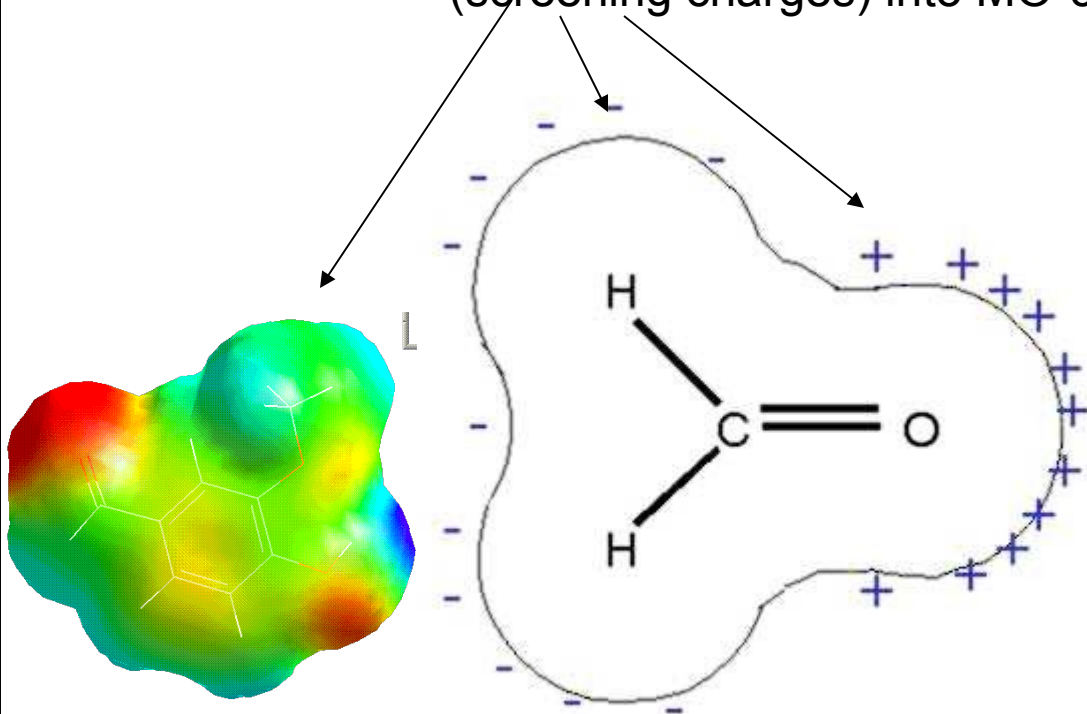


Group contribution methods  
UNIFAC, CLOGP,  
LOGKOW, fingerprints,.. etc.

fitted parameters:  
CLOGP: ~ 1500  
UNIFAC: ~5000 +50% gaps

# Dielectric Continuum Solvation Models (CSM)

solute molecule embedded in a dielectric continuum,  
self-consistent inclusion of solvent polarisation  
(screening charges) into MO-calculation (SCRF)



- Born 1920, Kirkwood 1934, Onsager 1936
- Rivail, Rinaldi et al.
- Katritzky, Zerner et al.
- Cramer, Truhlar et al. (AMSOL)
- Tomasi et al. (PCM) - Orozco et al.
- Klamt, Schüürmann (COSMO)  
e.g. DMol<sup>3</sup>/COSMO and others

COSMO =

COnductor-like Screening Model,  
just a (clever) variant of dielectric CSMs

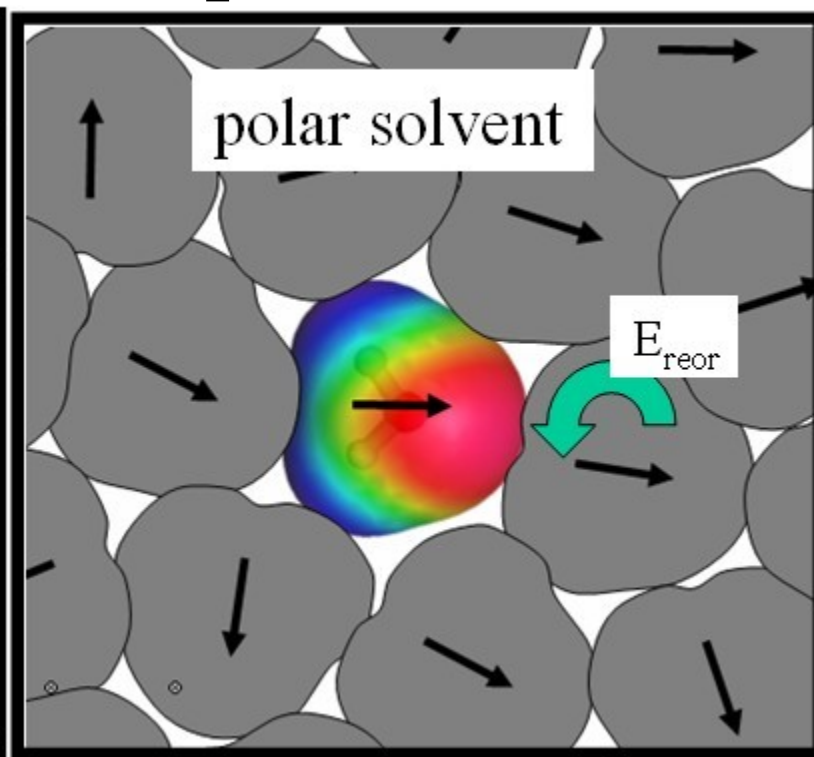
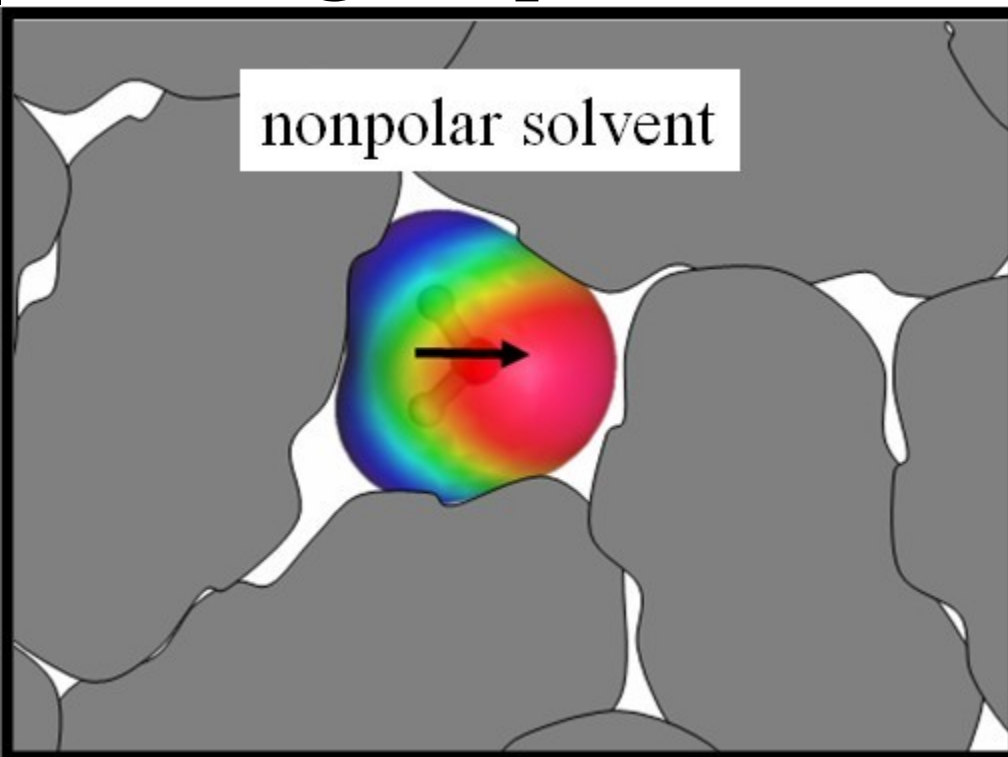
Density Functional Theory (DFT)  
is appropriate level of QC!  
COSMO almost as fast as gasphase!  
programs: DMol<sup>3</sup>, Turbomole,  
Gaussian98\_release2001  
up to 25 atom: < 24 h on LINUX PC

- empirical finding: cavity radii should be about 1.2 vdW-radii

- promising results for solvents water, alkanes, and a few other solvents

**But CSMs are basically wrong and give a poor, macroscopic description of the solvent !**

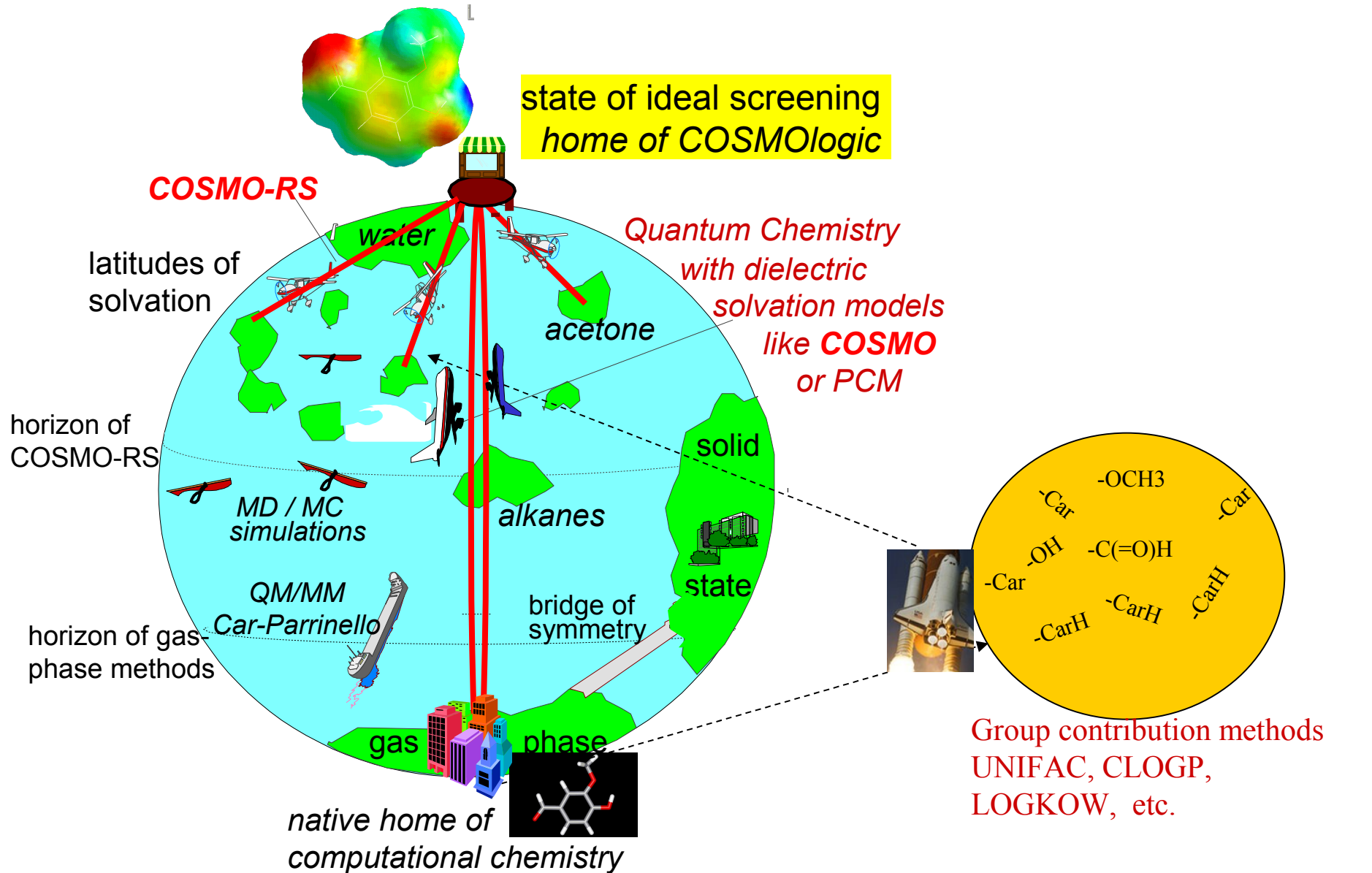
# Why are Continuum Solvation Models wrong for polar molecules in polar solvents?



- only electronic polarizability
- homogeneously distributed
- linear response up to very high fields
- dielectric continuum theory should be reasonably applicable

- discrete permanent dipoles
- mainly reorientational polarizability
- linear response requires  $E_{reor} \ll kT$
- typically  $E_{reor} \sim 8$  kcal/mol !!!
- no linear response, no homogeneity
- no similarity with dielectric theory

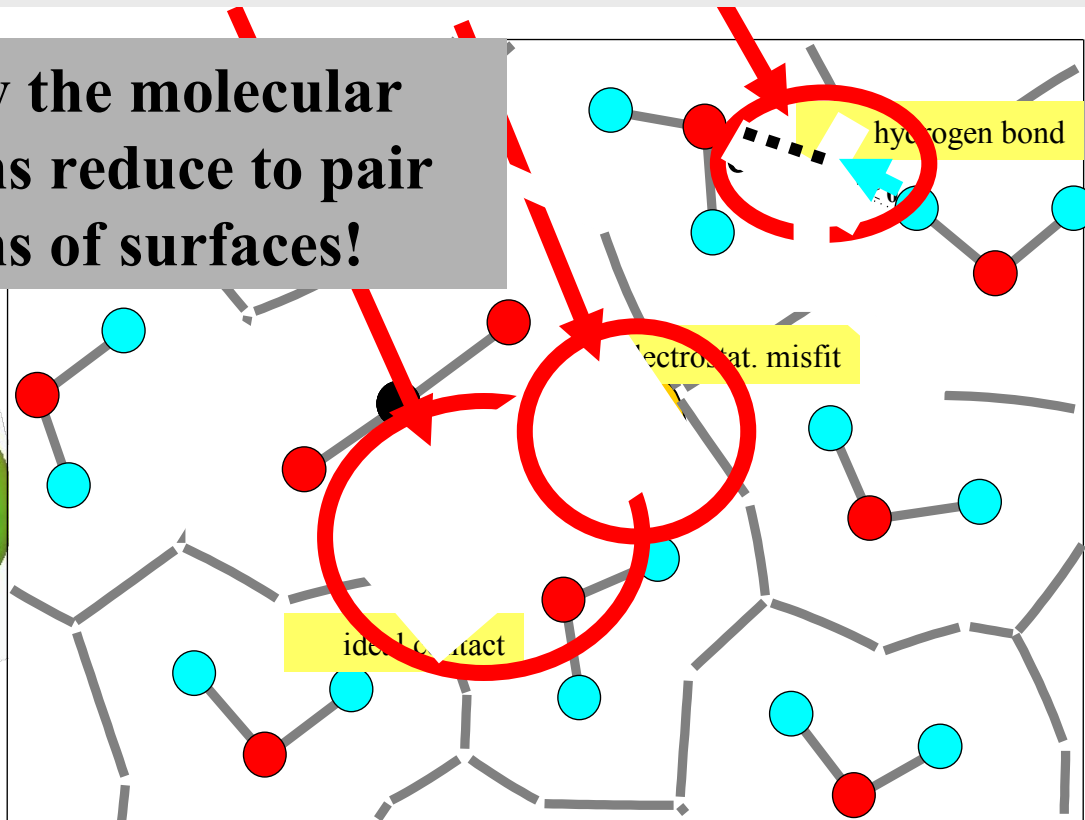
# How to come to the latitudes of solvation?



# COSMO-RS:

- 1) Put molecules into ,virtual' conductor (DFT/COSMO)
- 2) Compress the ensemble to approximately right density
- 3) Remove the conductor on molecular contact areas (stepwise) and ask for the energetic costs of each step.

In this way the molecular interactions reduce to pair interactions of surfaces!



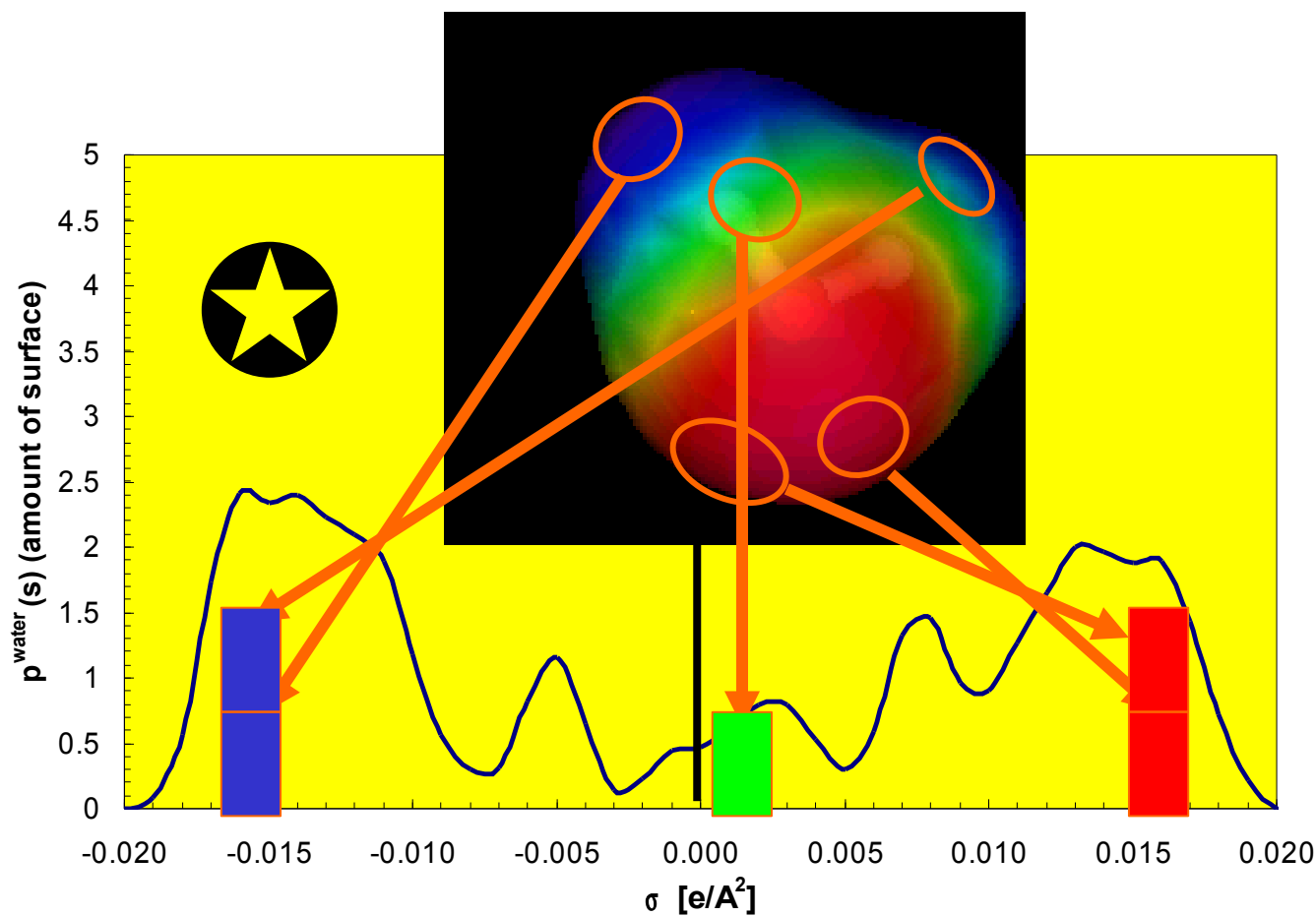
(3) specific interactions

$$G_{misfit}(\sigma, \sigma') = a_{eff} \frac{\alpha'}{2} (\sigma + \sigma')^2$$

$$G_{hb}(\sigma, \sigma') = a_{eff} c_{hb}(T) \min\left\{0, \sigma\sigma' + \sigma_{hb}^2\right\}$$

# COSMO-RS

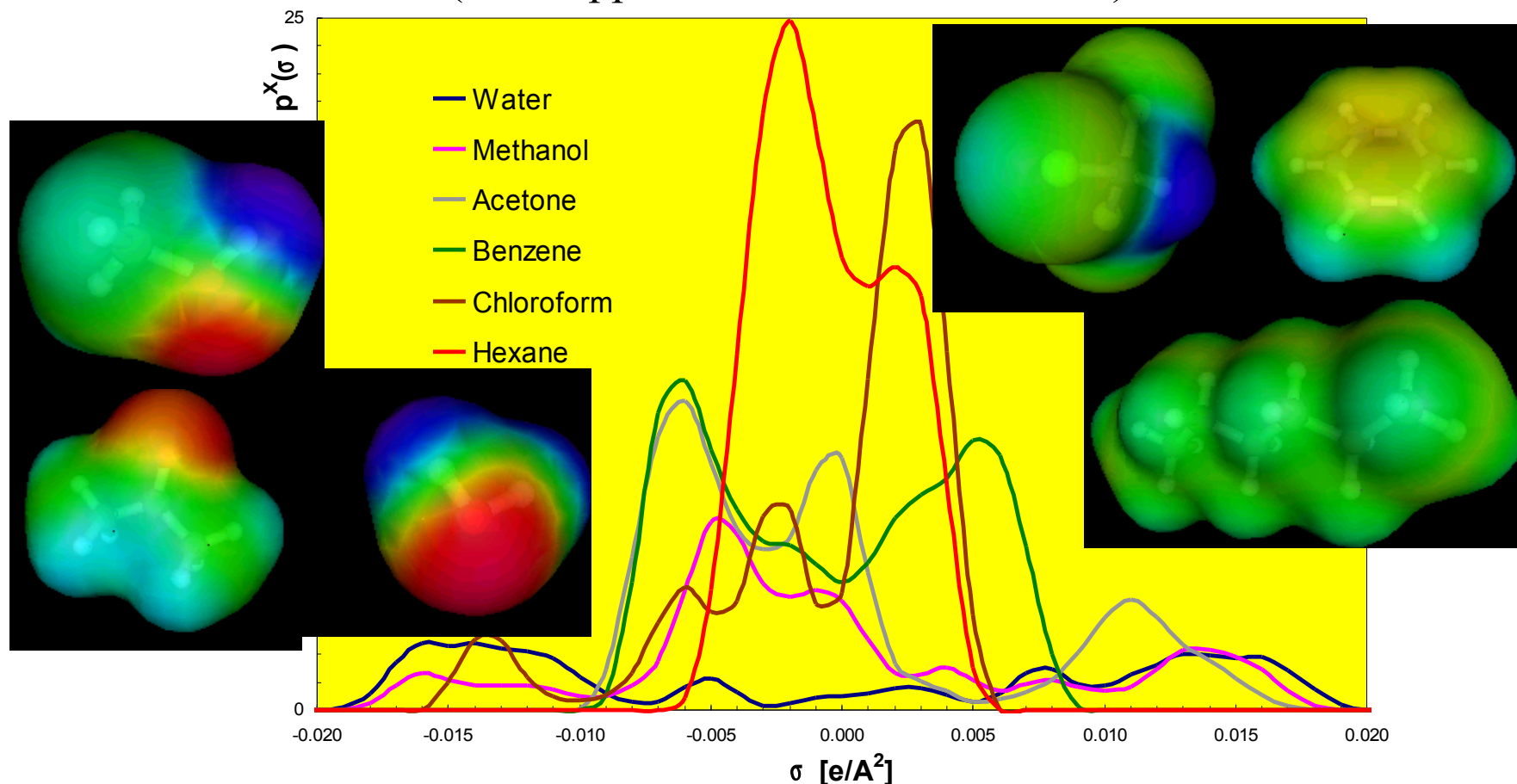
**For an efficient statistical thermodynamics reduce the ensemble of molecules to an ensemble of pair-wise interacting surface segments !**



**Screening charge distribution on molecular surface  
reduces to "σ-profile"**

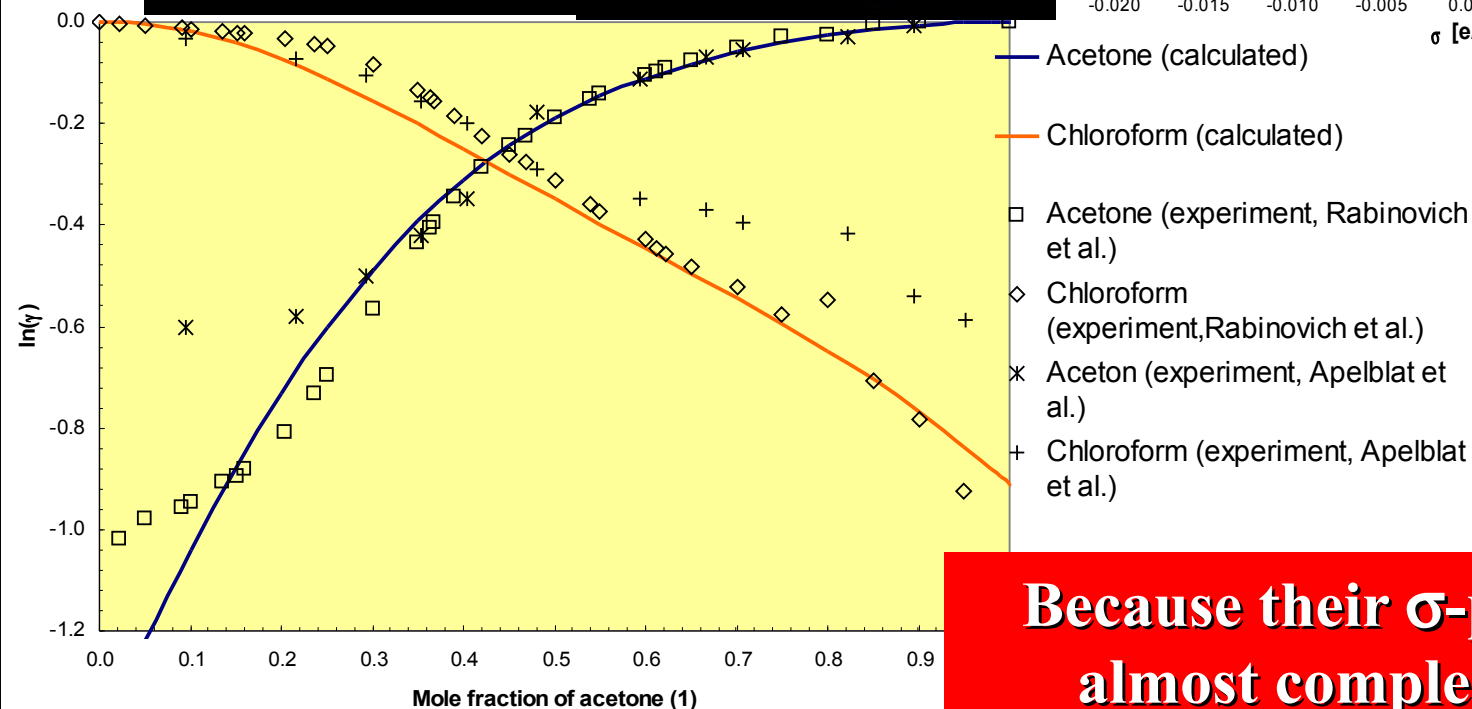
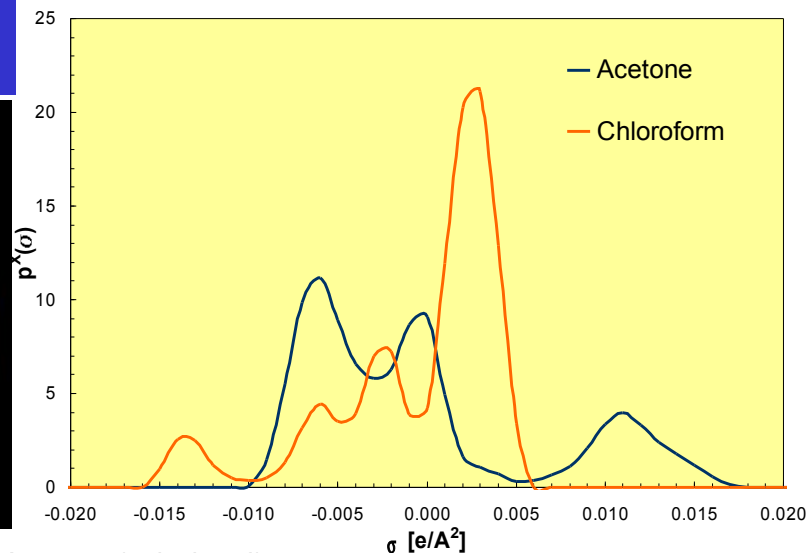
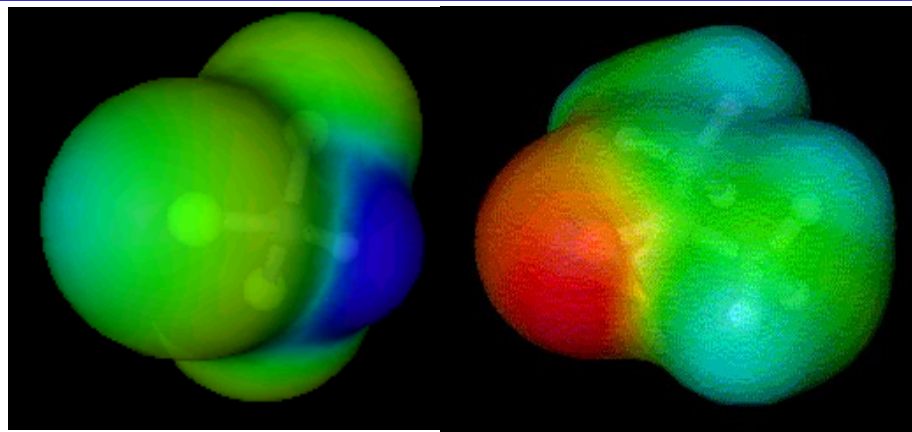
**For an efficient statistical thermodynamics reduce the ensemble of molecules to an ensemble of pair-wise interacting surface segments !**

(same approximation as is UNIFAC)



Screening charge distribution on molecular surface  
reduces to " $\sigma$ -profile"

# Why do acetone and chloroform like each other so much?



**Because their  $\sigma$ -profiles are almost complementary!**



# Statistical Thermodynamics

- Replace ensemble of interacting molecules by an ensemble S of interacting pairs of surface segments
- Ensemble S is fully characterized by its  $\sigma$ -profile  $p_S(\sigma)$ 
  - (  $p_S(\sigma)$  of mixtures is additive! -> no problem with mixtures! )
- Chemical potential of a surface segment with charge density  $\sigma$  is **exactly(!)** described by:

$$\mu_S(\sigma) = -kT \ln \int d\sigma' p_S(\sigma') \exp \left\{ - \frac{E_{int}(\sigma, \sigma') - \mu_S(\sigma')}{kT} \right\}$$

$\sigma$ -potential:  
affinity of solvent for  
specific polarity  $\sigma$

chemical potential of solute X in S:

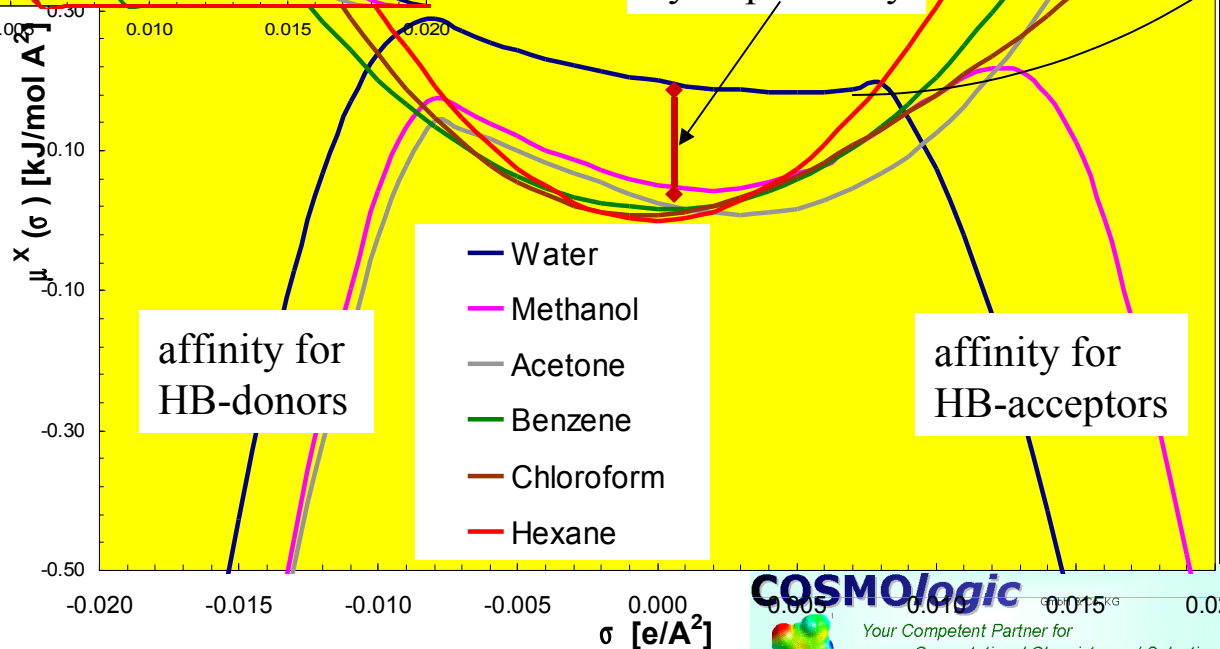
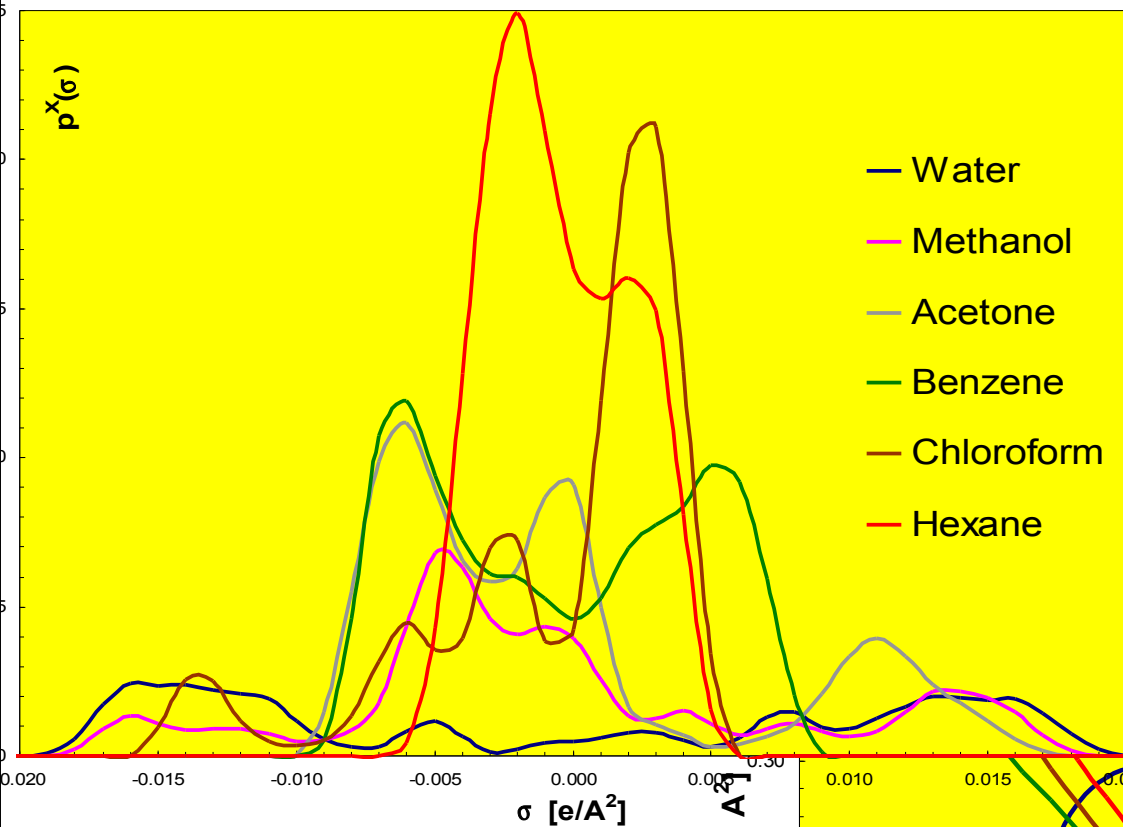
$$\mu_S^X = \int d\sigma p^X(\sigma) \mu_S(\sigma) - \lambda kT \ln \gamma_S^{SX, comb}$$

combinatorial contribution:  
solvent size effects

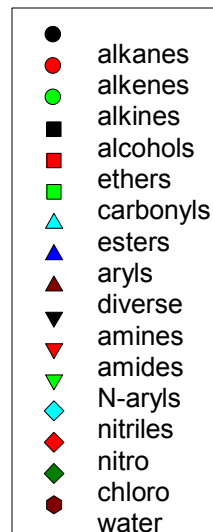
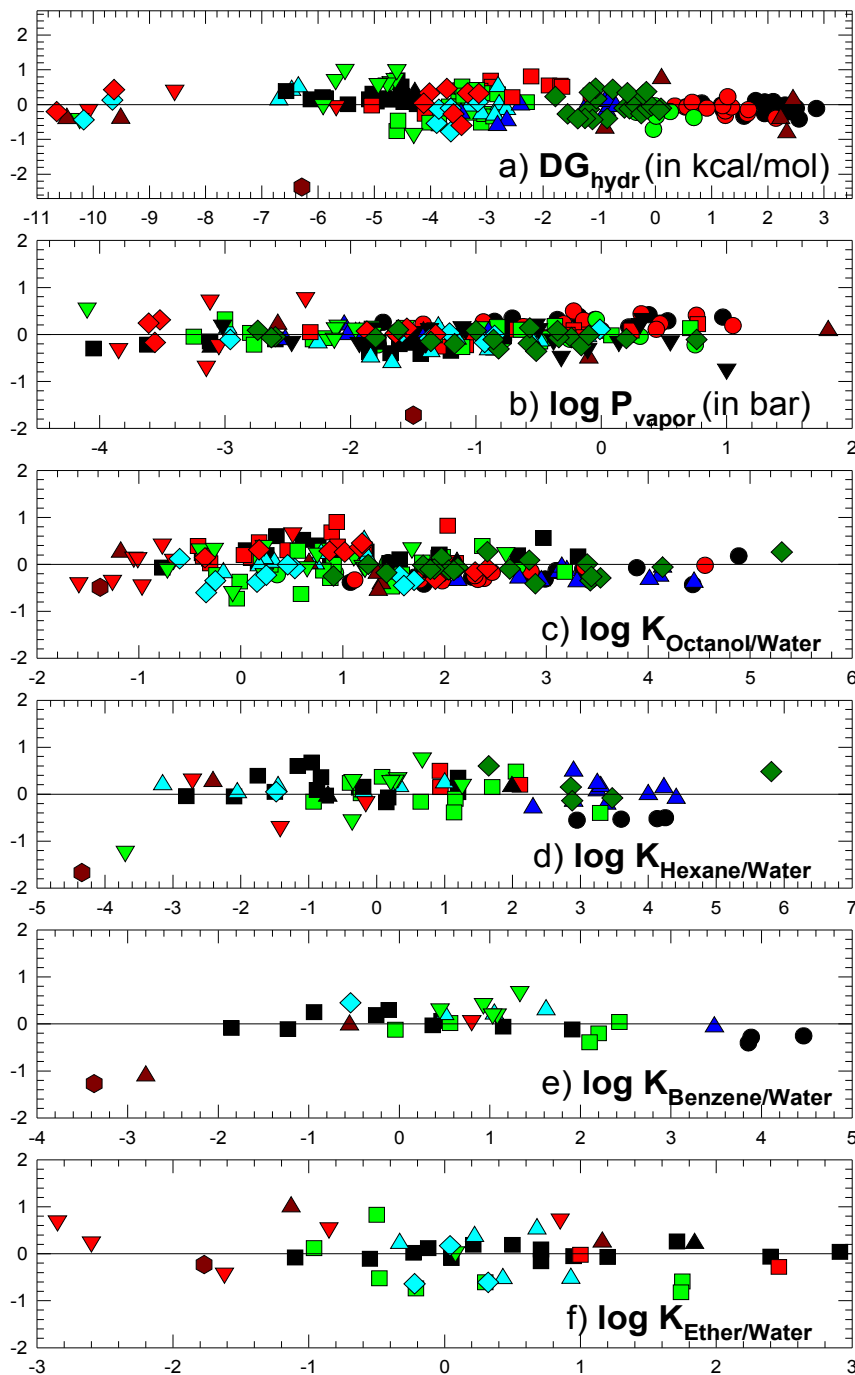
activity coefficients  $\rightarrow$  arbitrary liquid-liquid equilibria



# $\sigma$ -profiles and $\sigma$ -potentials of representative liquids



Residuals



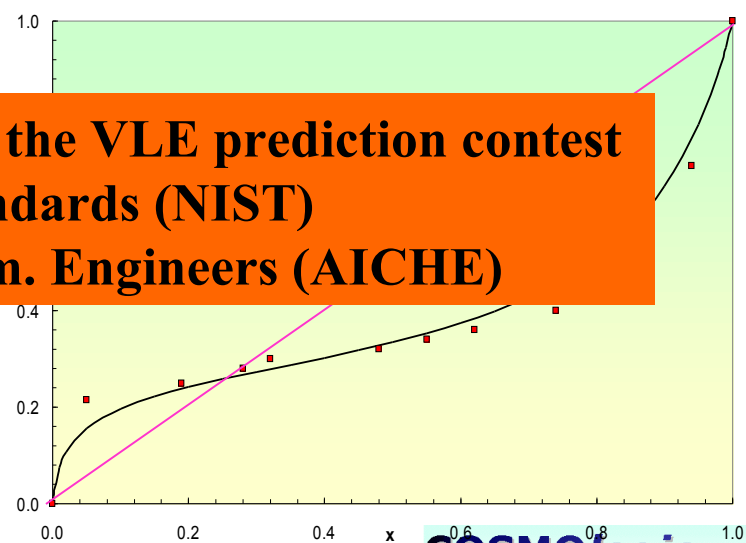
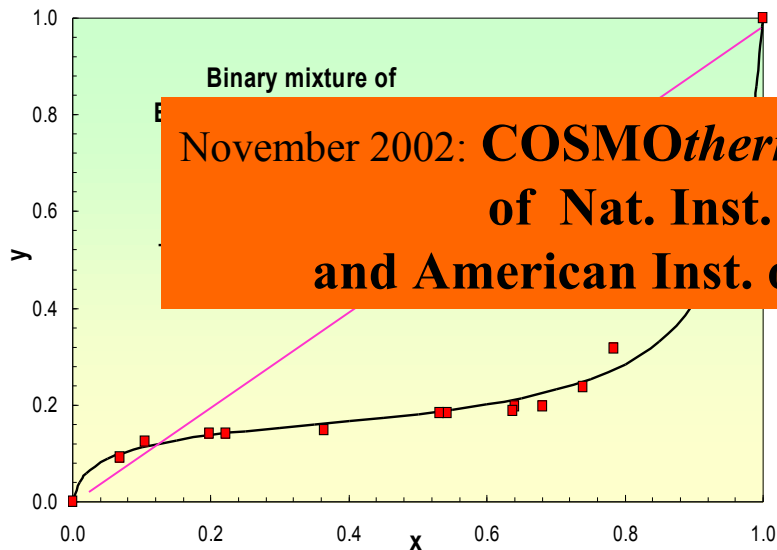
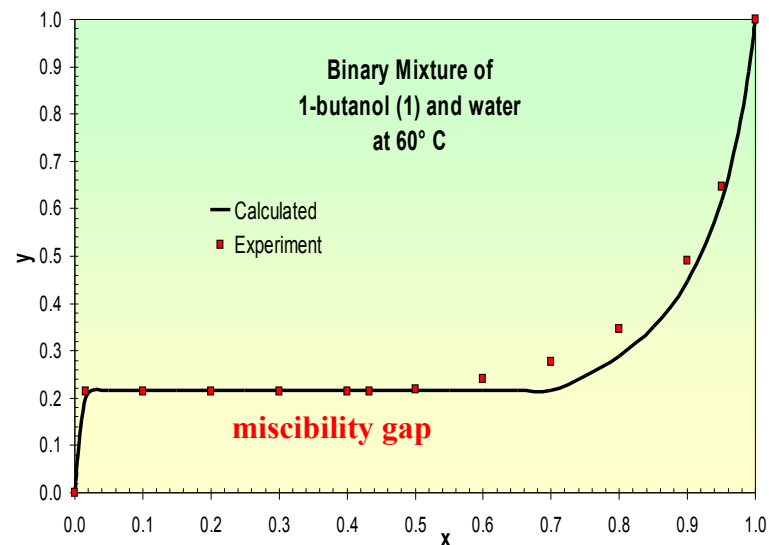
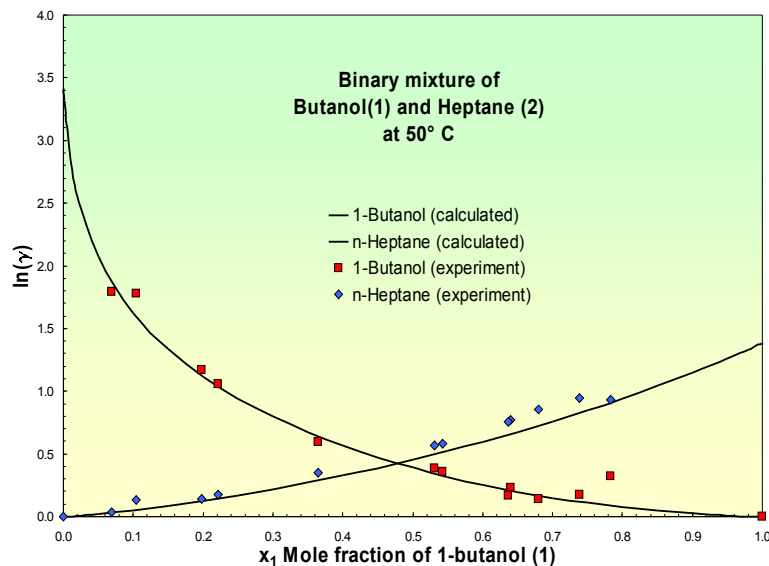
Results of parametrization based on DFT  
(DMol<sup>3</sup>: BP91, DNP-basis)

650 data  
17 parameters  
rms = 0.41 kcal/mol

*A. Klamt, V. Jonas, J. Lohrenz, T. Bürger,  
J. Phys. Chem. A, 102, 5074 (1998)*

meanwhile:  
COSMOtherm5.0 with Turbomole BP91/TZVP  
rms = 0.36 kcal/mol

# Applications to Phase Diagrams and Azeotropes

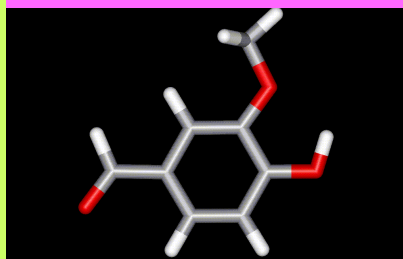


November 2002: **COSMOtherm** wins the VLE prediction contest of Nat. Inst. of Standards (NIST) and American Inst. of Chem. Engineers (AIChE)

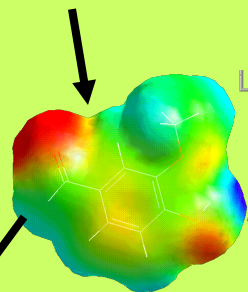


# Flow Chart of COSMO-RS

Chemical Structure



Quantum Chemical Calculation with COSMO (full optimization)



ideally screened molecule energy + screening charge distribution on surface

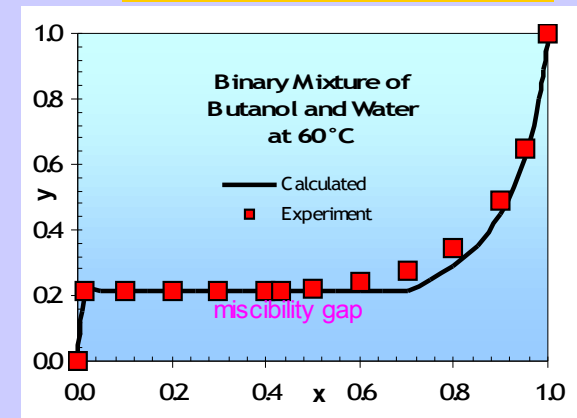
Database of COSMO-files (incl. all common solvents)

other compounds

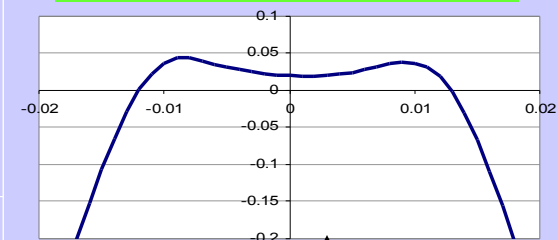
DFT/COSMO

Equilibrium data: activity coefficients, vapor pressure, solubility, partition coefficients

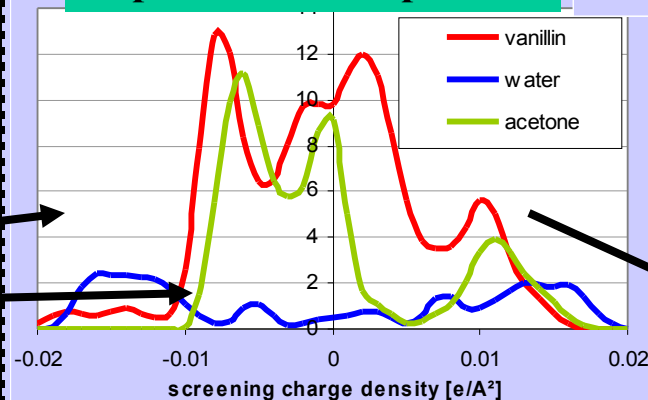
Phase Diagrams



$\sigma$ -potential of mixture



$\sigma$ -profiles of compounds

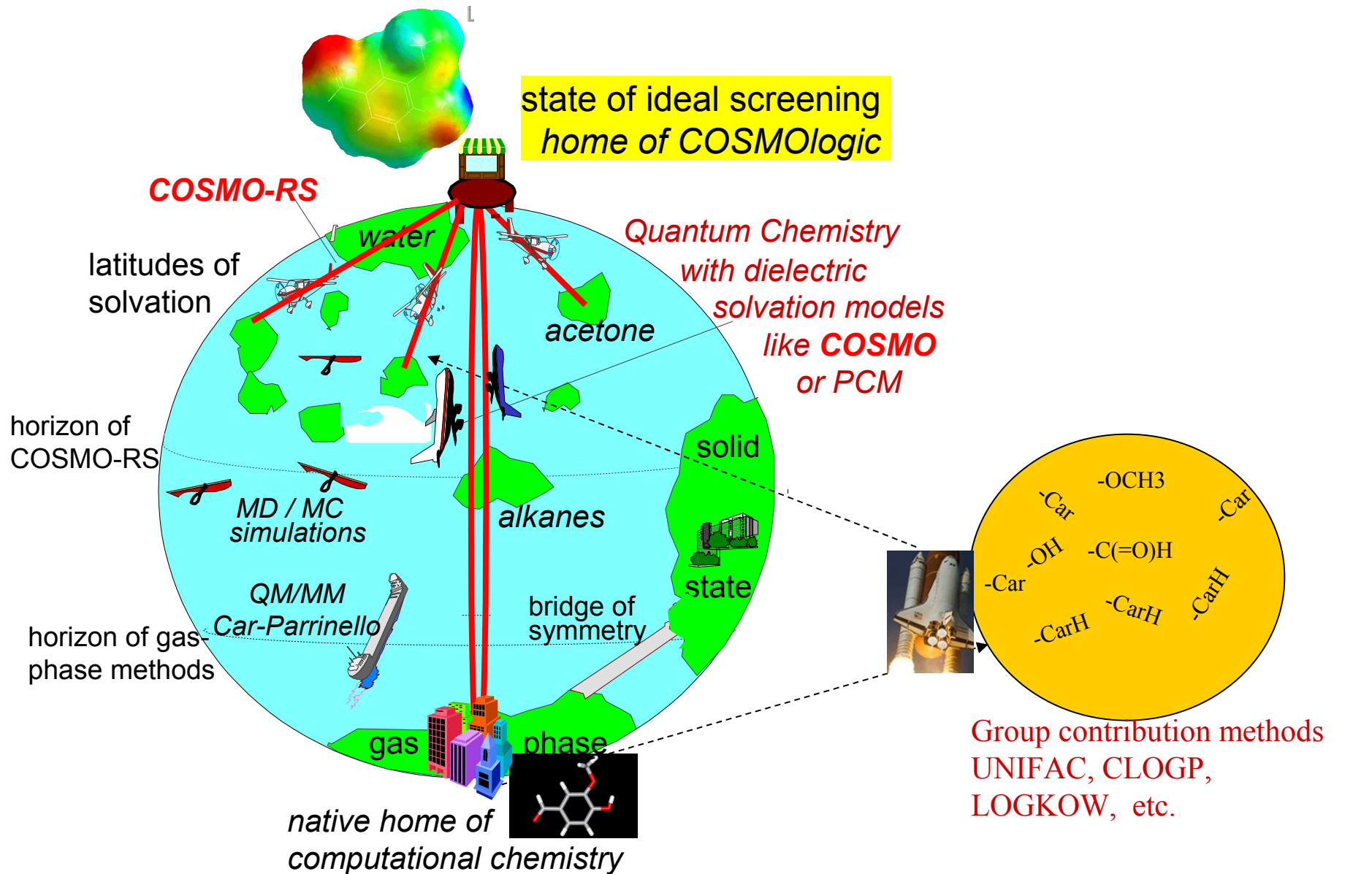


Fast Statistical Thermodynamics

$\sigma$ -profile of mixture

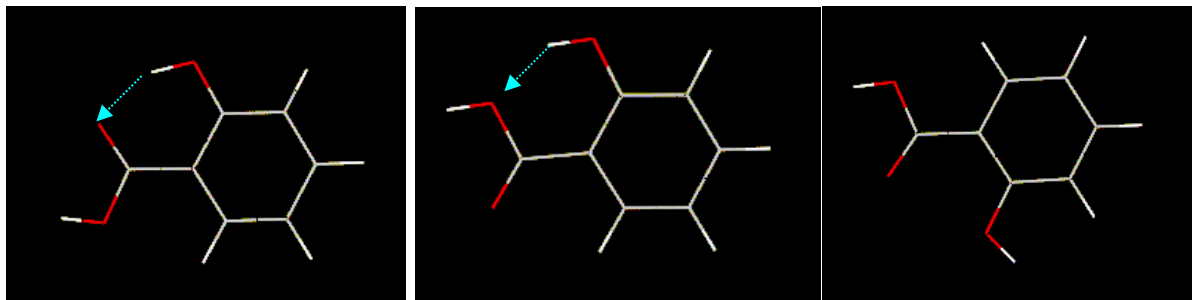
COSMOtherm

# How to come to the latitudes of solvation?



## Extension of COSMOtherm to multi-conformations

Unfortunately, many molecules have more than one relevant conformation



COSMOtherm can treat a compound as a set of several conformers

- each conformer needs a COSMO calculation
- conformational population is treated consistently according to total free energy of conformers (by external self-consistency loop)

# Conformational effects for glycerol

lowest COSMO conformer  
all 3 donors are bound in  
one 6-ring and two 5-rings,  
also least polar conformer

partition coefficient between

## Conclusions:

- Conformational effects can be important for the detailed understanding of phase equilibria
- In most cases one conformation dominates in all phases
- Effects are especially large for molecules with sub-optimal intramolecular HBs in solvents having strong HB acceptors, but a deficit of HB-donors.
- Tautomers can be considered as a kind of conformers.
- Unfortunately the DFT level of QC is not always reliable regarding the energy differences between conformers and even more between tautomers. Energy corrections may be required.

27% in octane  
41% in acetone

-0.02 -0.015 -0.01 -0.005 0 0.005 0.01 0.015 0.02

olvation

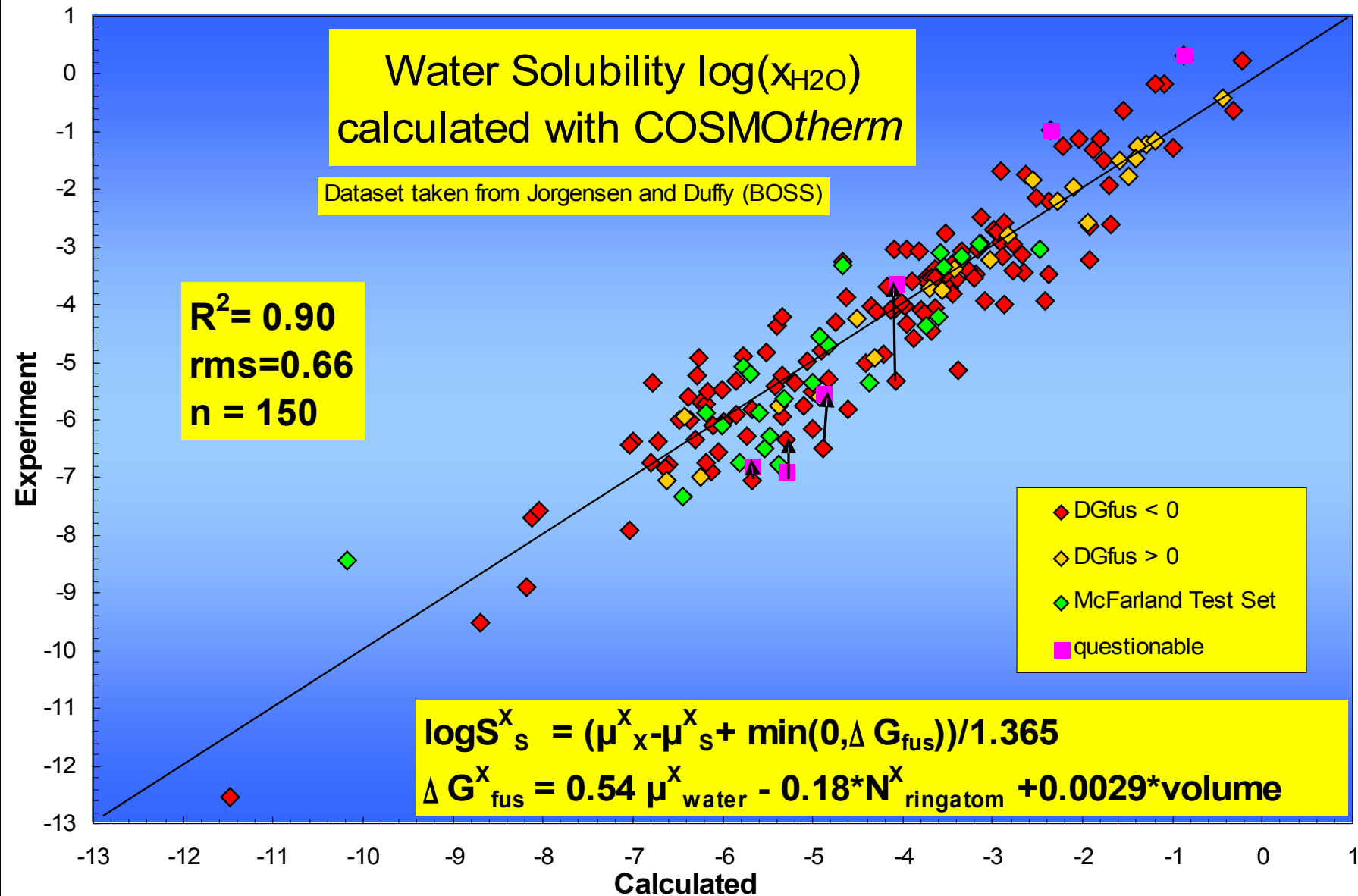
# „Conformational analysis of cyclic acidic $\alpha$ -amino acids in aqueous solution - an evaluation of different continuum hydration models.”

by Peter Aadal Nielsen, Per-Ola Norrby, Jerzy W. Jaroszewski, and Tommy Liljefors  
(private comm., Ph.D. thesis)

<i>Method</i>	<i>Solvent</i>	<i>rms</i>	<i>rms (4 points)</i>	<i>Max Dev</i>
	<i>Model</i>	<i>(kJ/mol)</i>	<i>(kJ/mol)</i>	<i>(kJ/mol)</i>
AM1	SM5.4A	4.6	5.6	9.2
PM3	SM5.4P	13.6	16.2	20.5
AM1	SM2.1	7.4	9.0	16.7
HF/6-31+G*	C-PCM	3.1	3.8	5.9
HF/6-31+G*	PB-SCRF	4.7	5.8	8.8
AMBER*	GB/SA	13.2	16.2	24.3
MMFF	GB/SA	18.5	19.9	31.4

**BP-DFT/TZVP COSMO-RS 2.2 2.6 4.8**

COSMO-RS was evaluated as a blind test !!!



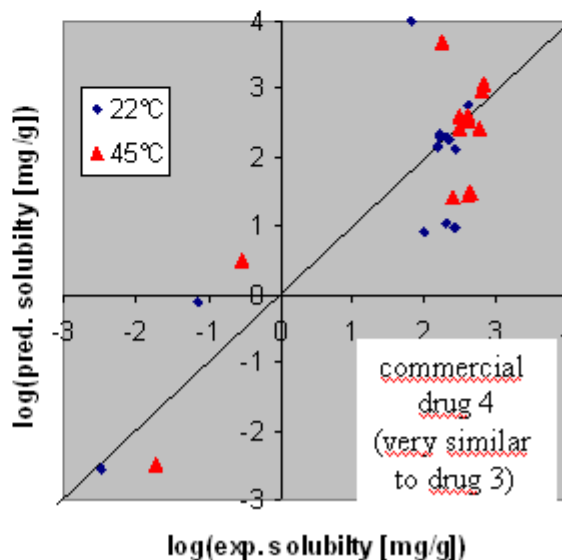
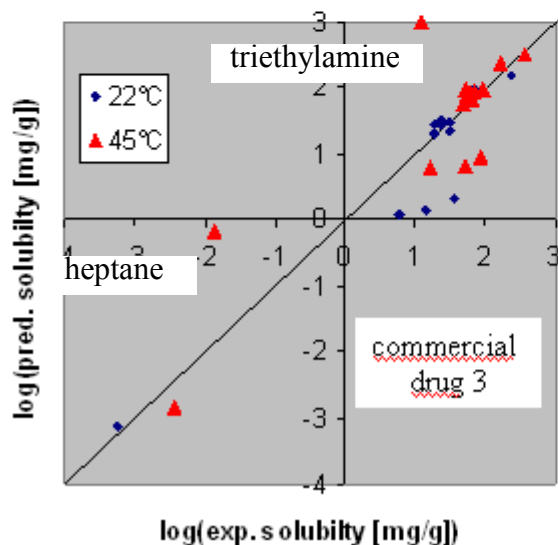
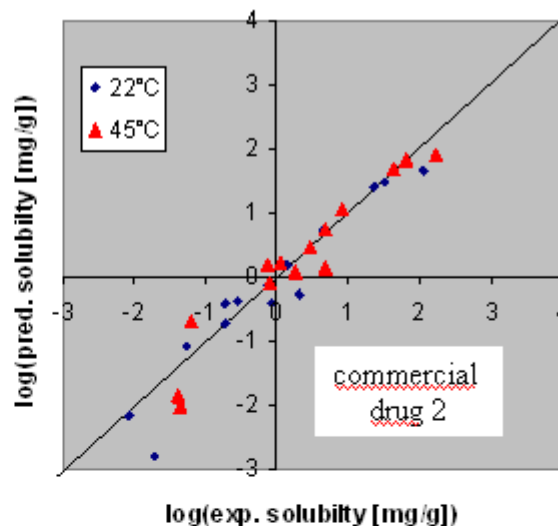
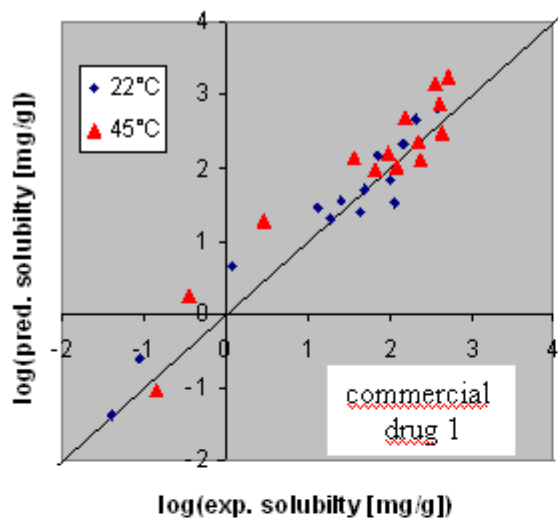
Stable model: No changes required for pesticides!

A.Klamt, F. Eckert, M. Hornig, M. Beck, and T. Bürger:

J. Comp. Chem. 23, 275-281 (2002)

# COSMOtherm prediction of drug solubility in diverse solvents

(blind test performed with Merck&Co., Inc., Rahway, NJ, USA)



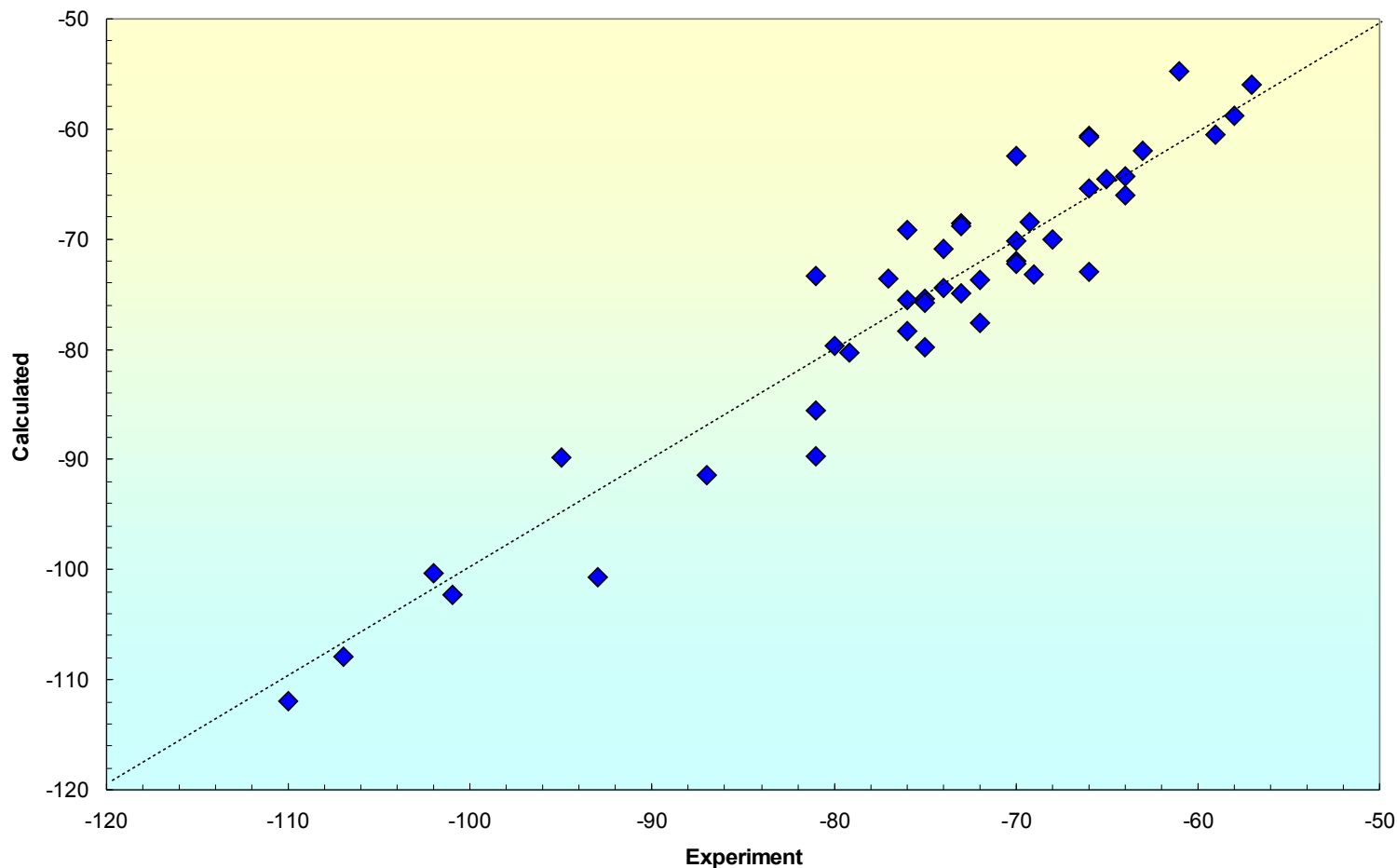
all predictions are relative to ethanol

solvents:

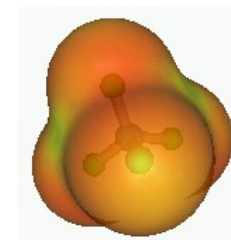
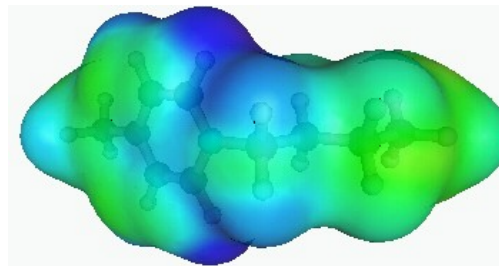
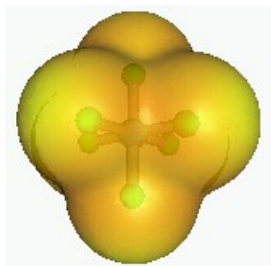
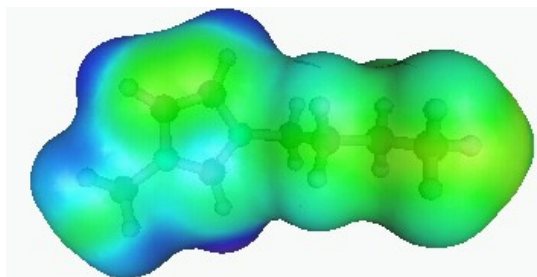
Water  
1-Propanol  
2-Propanol  
DMF  
Ethyl Acetate  
Methanol  
Heptane  
Toluene  
Chlorobenzene  
Acetone  
Ethanol  
Acetonitrile  
Triethylamine  
Butanol

# Ionic Free Energies of Hydration by COSMOtherm-Ion-Extension

Free energy of Hydration [kcal/mol] for Ions

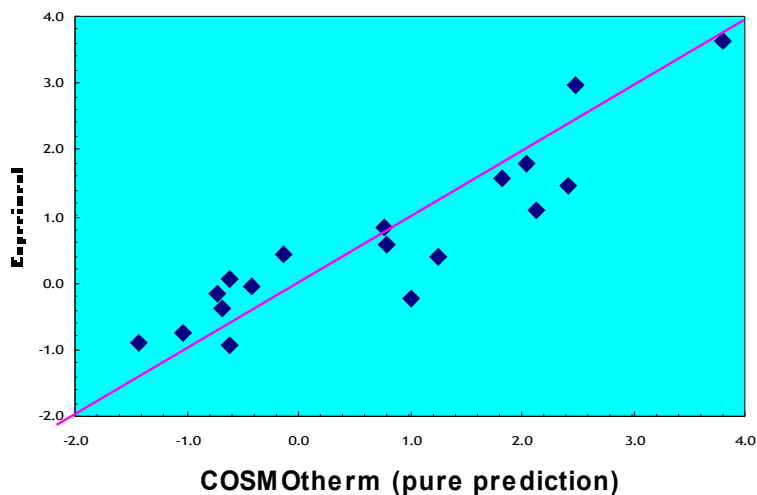


# Applications of COSMOtherm to Ionic Liquids



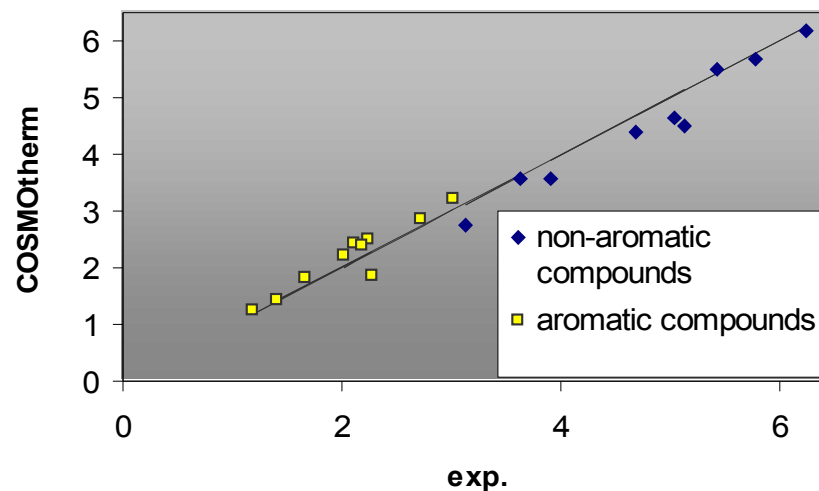
**log(Partition) for H<sub>2</sub>O / 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium(+) - PF<sub>6</sub>(-)**

exp.: J.G. Huddleston, University of Alabama



**ln( $\gamma_{inf}$ ) calc. / exp. (T=314/333K)  
in 4-methyl-n-butylpyridinium BF<sub>4</sub>**

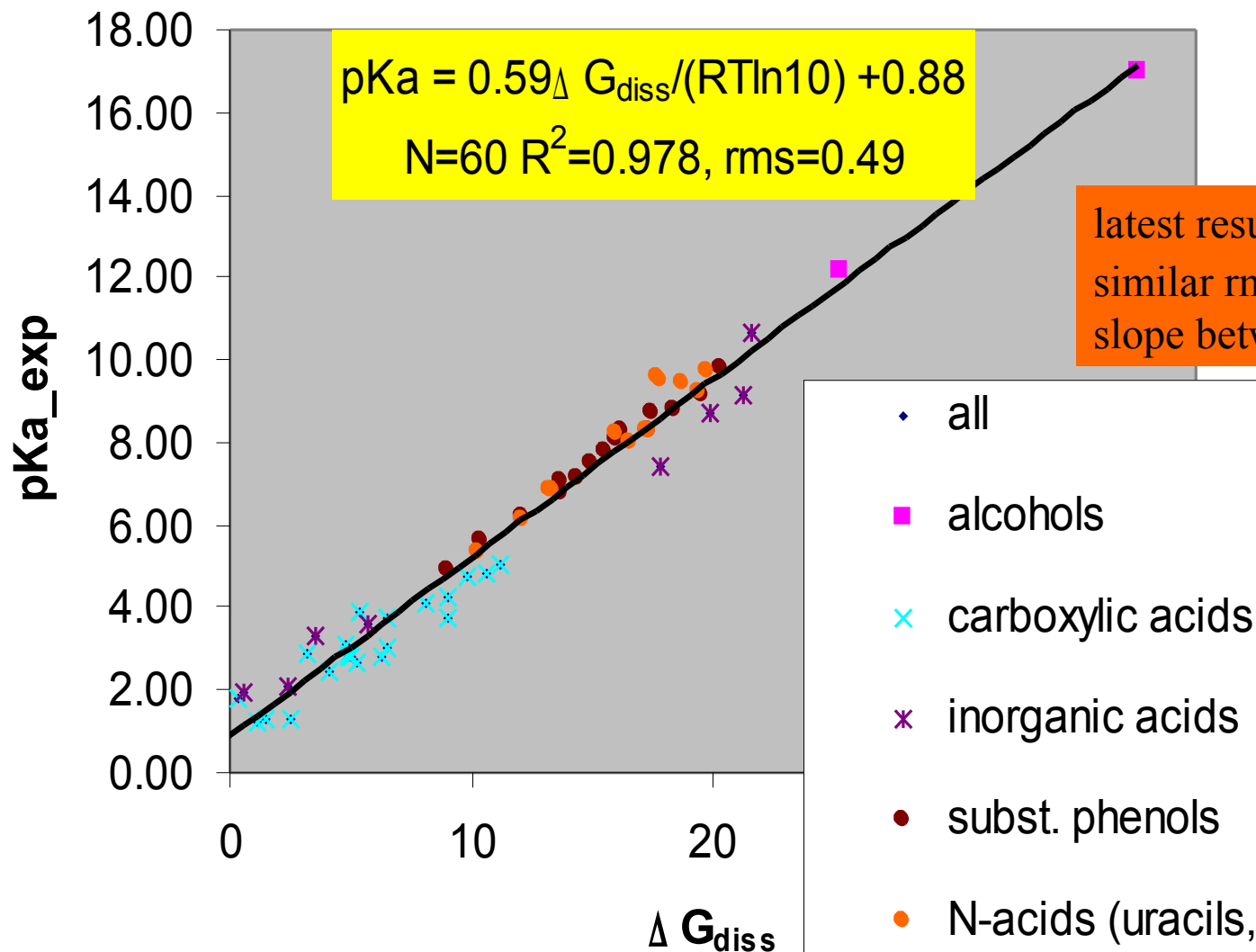
Lit: Andreas Heintz, Dmitry V. Kulikov, Sergey P. Verevkin, J. Chem. Eng. Data 2001, 46, 1526-1529



**COSMOtherm appears to work well for Ionic Liquids**

# COSMOtherm first principle pKa prediction

( A. Klamt, et. al. J. Phys. Chem. A, Nov. 2003)



formicacid  
 aceticacid  
 chloroaceticacid  
 dichloroaceticacid0  
 trichloroaceticacid  
 n-pentanoicacid  
 dimethylpropanoicacid  
 benzoicacid  
 oxalicacid0  
 maleicacid3  
 fumaricacid

2,2,2-trichloroethanol  
 hypochlorousacid  
 hypobromousacid  
 hypoiodousacid  
 nitrousacid  
 sulfurousacid  
 phosphoricacid2  
 boricacid  
 5-fluorouracil  
 5-nitouracil  
 cis-5-formyluracil  
 thymine  
 trans-5-formyluracil  
 Uracil  
 and others

# $\sigma$ -Moment Approach

$$\mu_S(\sigma) \cong \sum_{i=-2}^m c_S^i f_i(\sigma) \quad \text{with} \quad f_i(\sigma) = \sigma^i \quad \text{for } i \geq 0 \text{ and}$$

$$f_{-2/-1}(\sigma) = f_{acc/don}(\sigma) \cong \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \pm \sigma < \sigma_{hb} \\ \mp \sigma + \sigma_{hb} & \text{if } \pm \sigma > \sigma_{hb} \end{cases}$$

Now the chemical potential of a solute X in this matrix S is:

$$\mu_S^X = \int p^X(\sigma) \mu_S(\sigma) d\sigma \cong \int p^X(\sigma) \sum_{i=-2}^m c_S^i f_i(\sigma) d\sigma \cong \sum_{i=-2}^m c_S^i M_i^X$$

$$\text{with } M_i^X = \int p^X(\sigma) f_i(\sigma) d\sigma = \sigma\text{-moments of solute } X$$

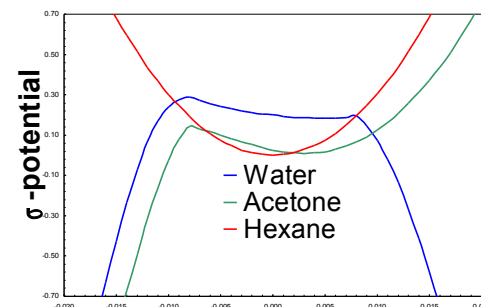
The coefficients can now be derived from experimental (log.) partition data by linear regression. =>  $\sigma$ -moments are excellent QSAR-descriptors for general partition behaviour of molecules.

**“The solvent space is approximately 5-dimensional!”**

Zissimos, et al.: ‘A comparison between the two general sets of linear free energy descriptors of Abraham and Klamt’, J. Chem. Inf. Comput. Sci., **42**, 1320-1331 (2002)

→  $\sigma$ -moment models for ADME properties as

logBB, intestinal absorption, logHSA, ...

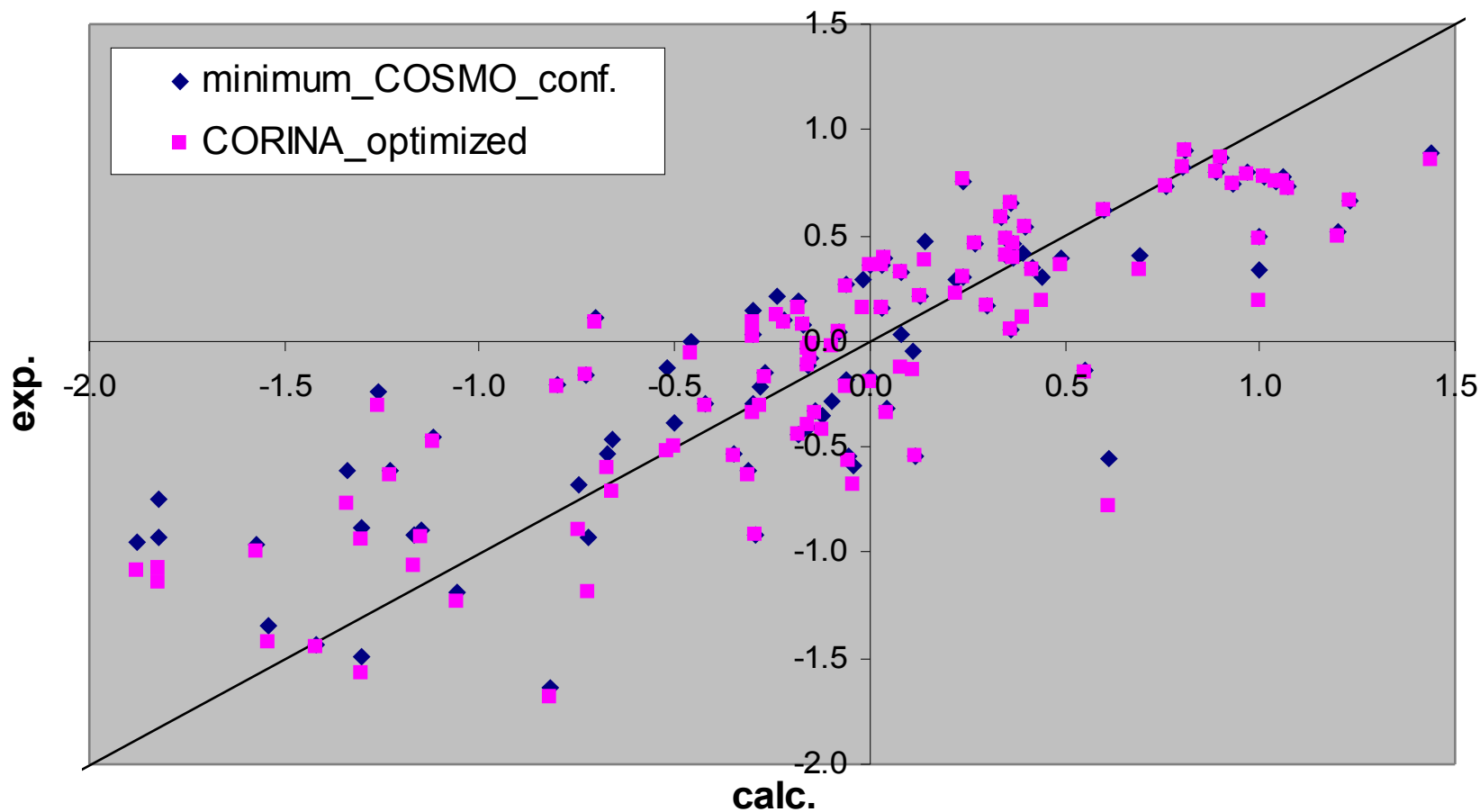


## $\sigma$ -moment logBB regression

$\log BB = 0.0046 \text{ area} - 0.017 \text{ sig2} - 0.0029 \text{ sig3} + 0.19$

$n = 103, r^2 = 0.71, \text{rms} = 0.40$

data from: "Modeling Blood-Brain Barrier Partitioning Using Topological Structure Descriptors", Rose, Hall, Hall, and Kier, MDL-Whitepaper, 2003

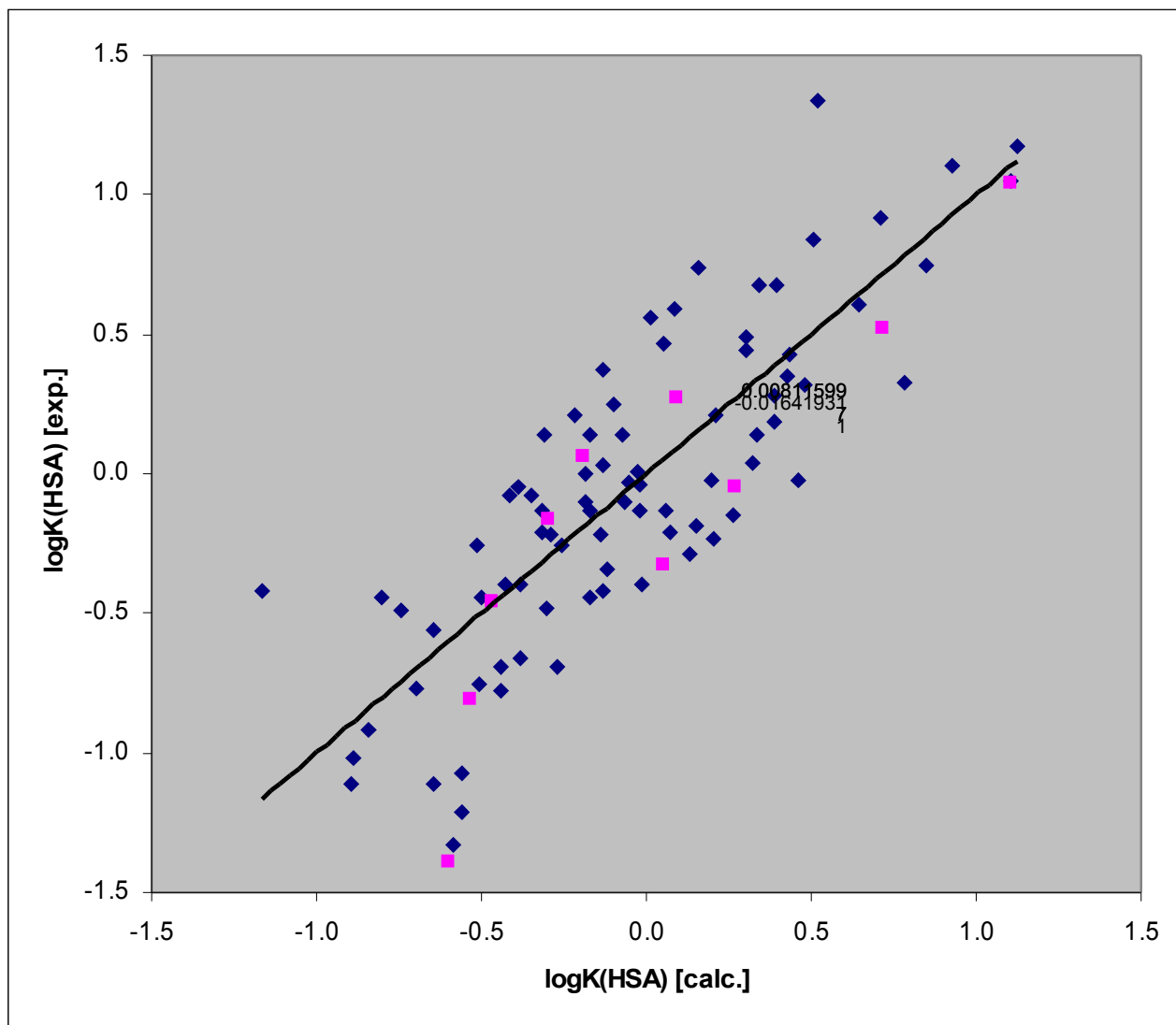


# $\sigma$ -moment logK<sub>HSA</sub> regression

$$\log K_{HSA} = 0.0081 \text{ area} - 0.016 \text{ sig}2 - 0.013 \text{ sig}3 + 0.145 \text{ sigHacc} + 0.88$$

n = 82, r<sup>2</sup> = 0.69, rms = 0.33

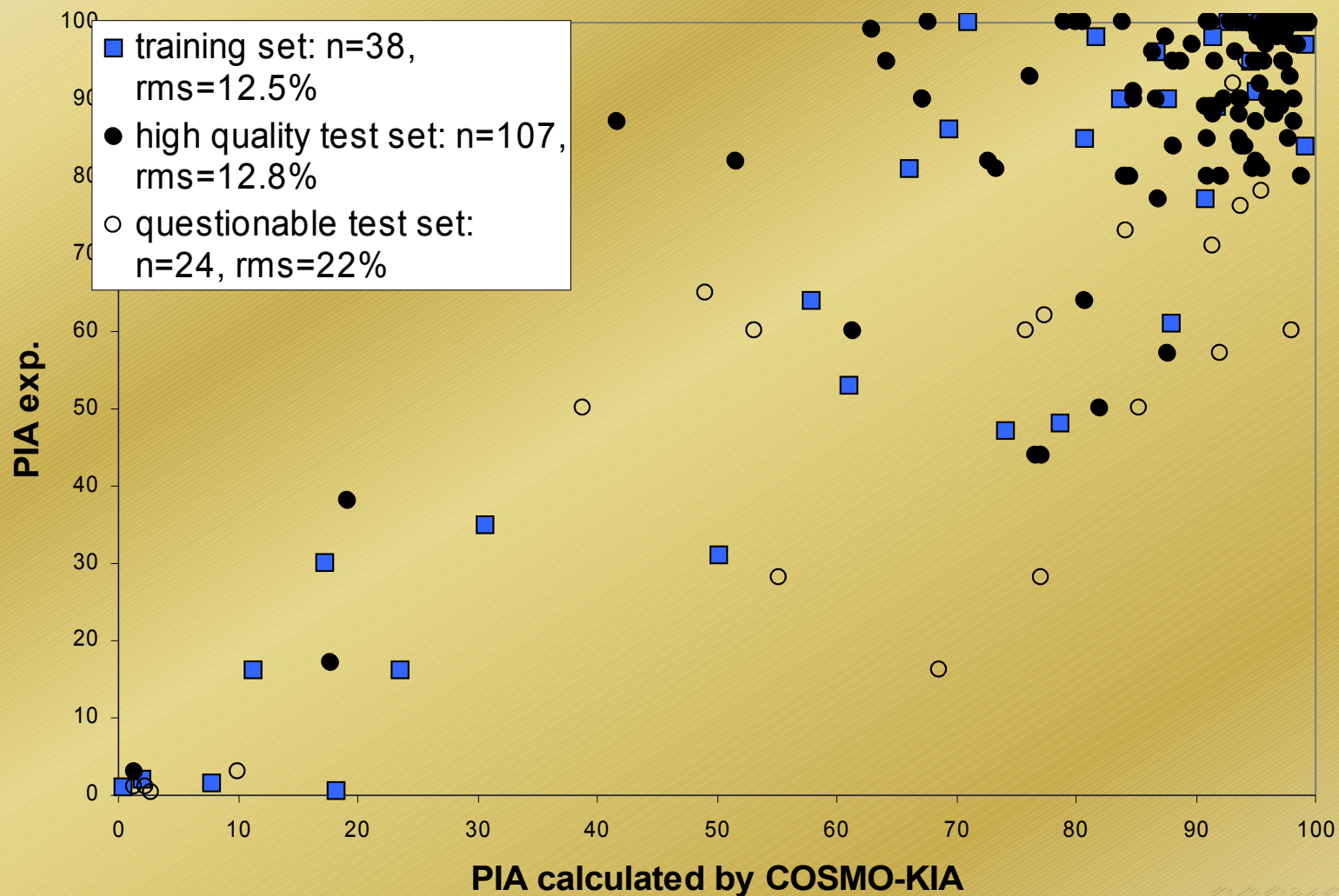
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# COSMO-RS for Percentage Intestinal Absorption (PIA)

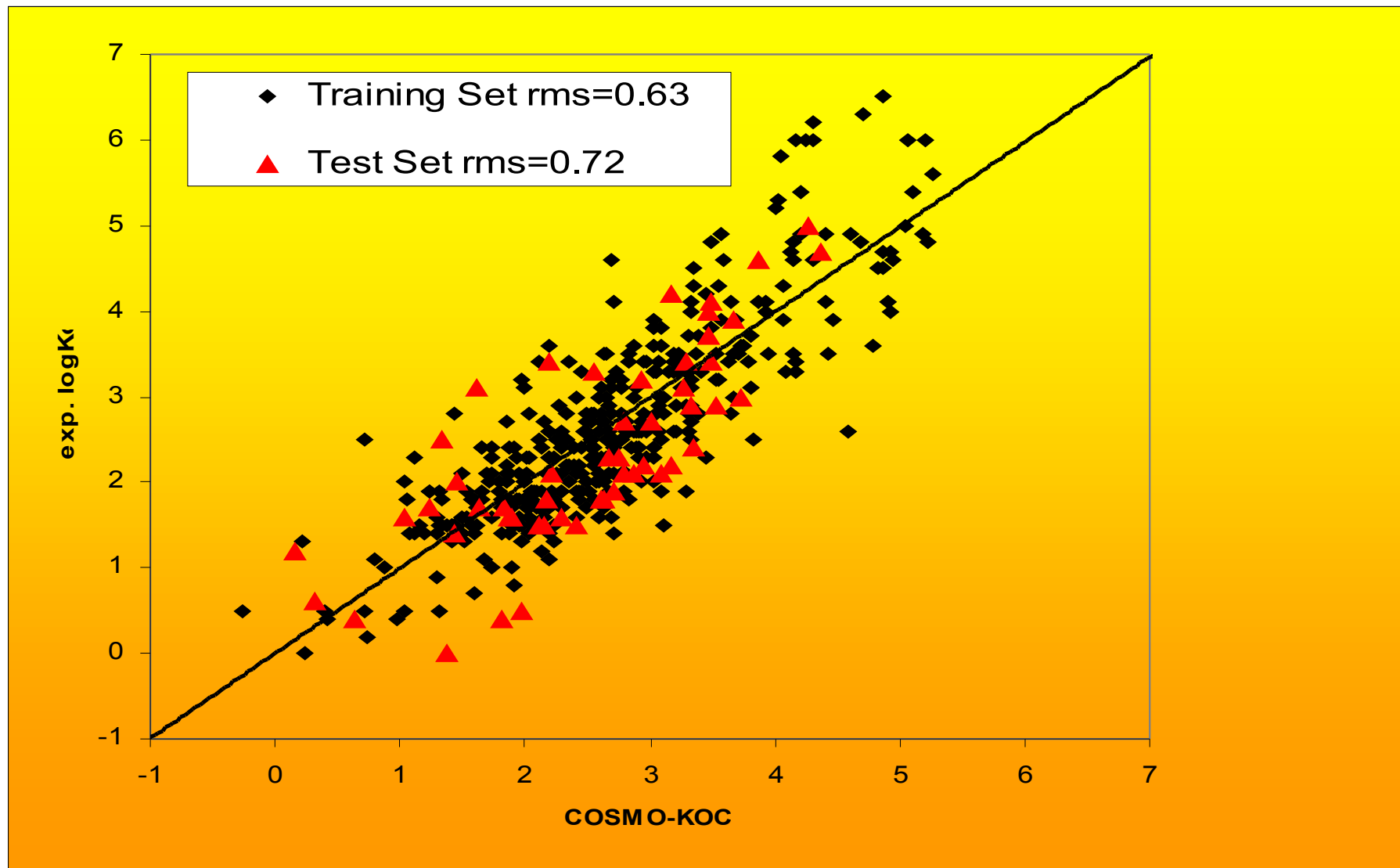
Klamt, Diedenhofen, Connolly\*, Jones\* (submitted) \*) GlaxoSmithKline

$$\log KIA = 0.0040M_0 - 0.0053M_2 - 0.0024M_3 - 0.113M_{acc} - 0.117M_{don} + 1.37$$

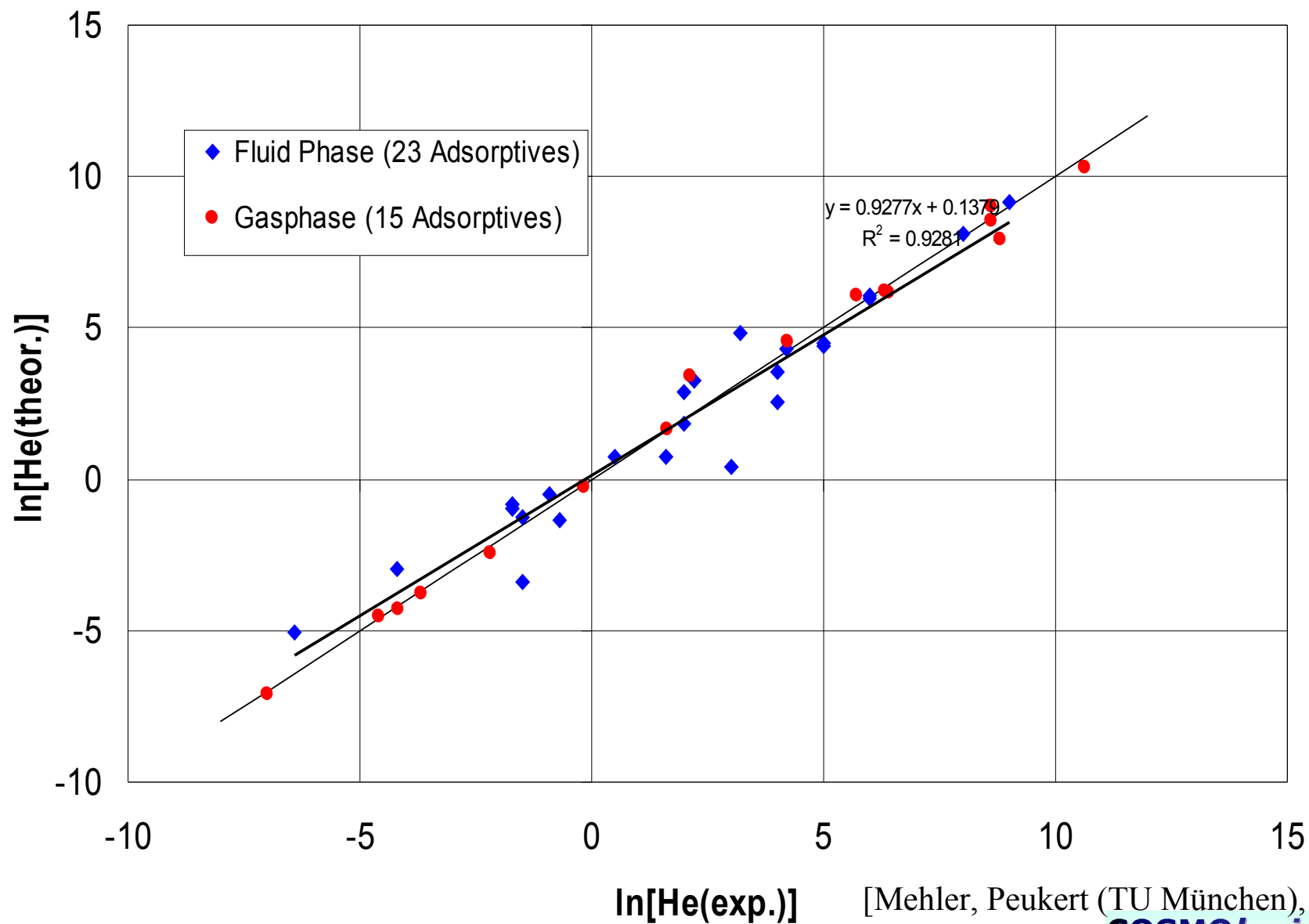


# Prediction of Soil Sorption

Journal of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry, in print

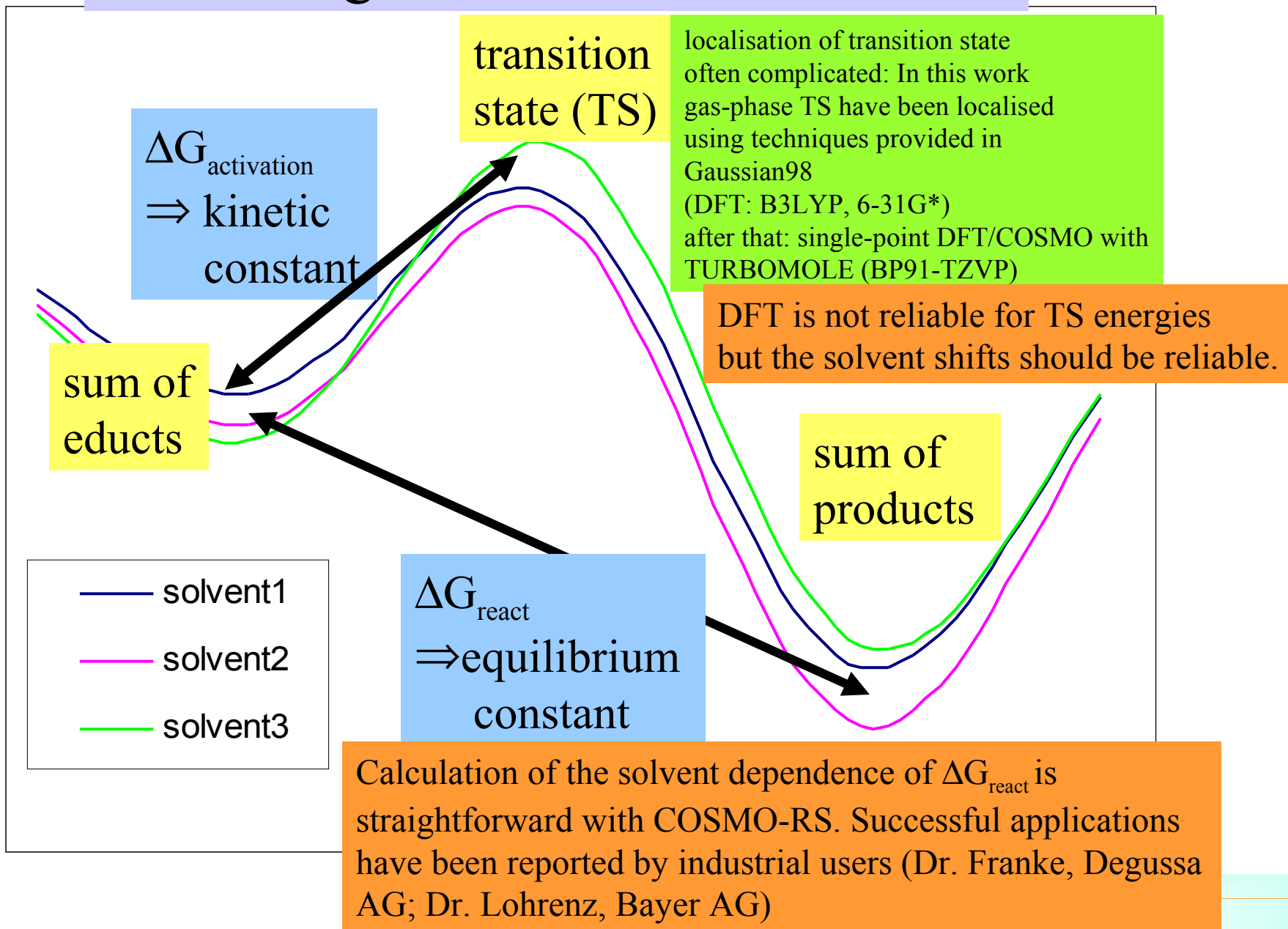


# Adsorption to Activated Carbon

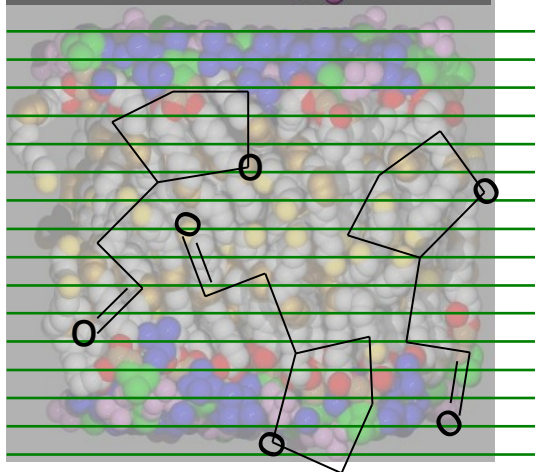
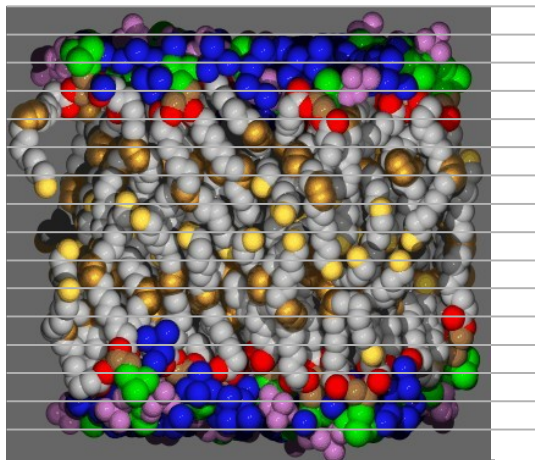


[Mehler, Peukert (TU München), Klamt;  
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# Free Energies relevant for Reactions

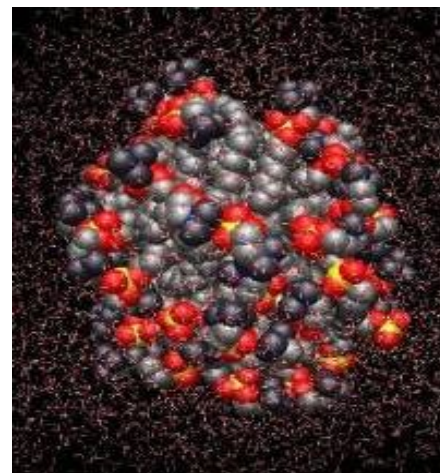


# COSMOmic: Simulation of molecules in micelles and membranes



## Concept:

- define layers of membrane (shells of micelle)
- get probability to find a certain atom of surfactant in each layer (e.g. from MD)
- convert this into a  $\sigma$ -profile  $p(\sigma, r)$  for each layer  $r$  using the COSMO-file of the surfactant
- use COSMOtherm to calculate  $\mu(\sigma, r)$  considering each layer as a liquid mixture
- now calculate the chemical potential of a solute  $X$  in a certain position and orientation by summing the chemical potentials of its segments in the respective layer.
- sample the chemical potentials all positions and orientations of  $X$
- construct a total partition sum and get the probability to find the solute in a certain depth and orientation.
- also get the average volume expansion in each layer
- get a kind of micelle or membrane-water partition coefficient



The tool COSMOmic facilitates all the previous steps together with COSMOtherm

Perspective: self-consistent treatment of new surfactants; CMC prediction

# COSMOfrag: A fast shortcut of COSMOtherm suited for HTS-ADME prediction

- 1) large database of precalculated drug-like compounds (about 45000)
- 2) for new compound find most similar fragments in database
- 3) compose COSMO surface from surface fragments (write a meta-file)
- 4) do usual COSMOtherm: solubility, partition properties

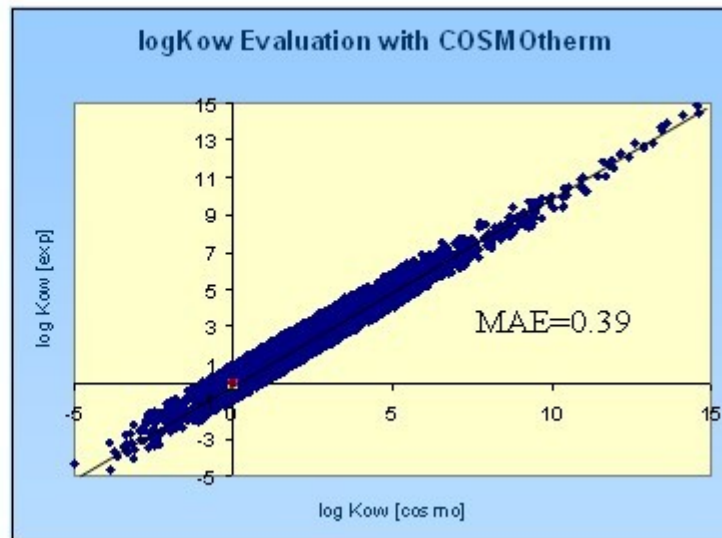
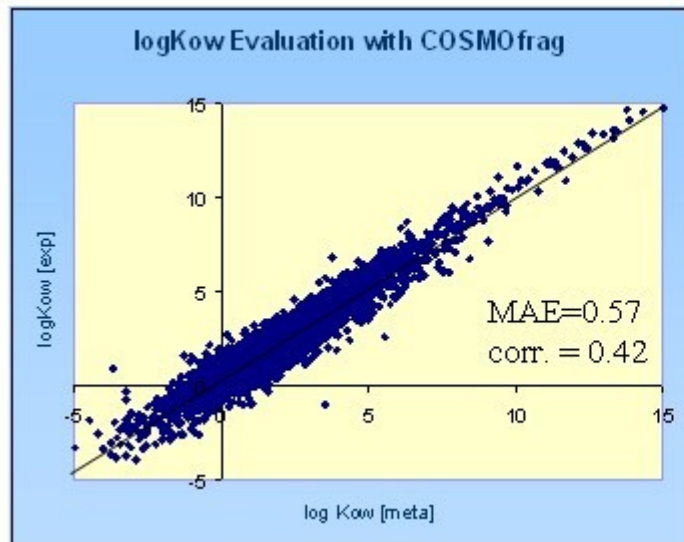
advantages:

- about 1 sec. per compound!
- you can add your typical inhouse structures to database
- simple refinement of calculations

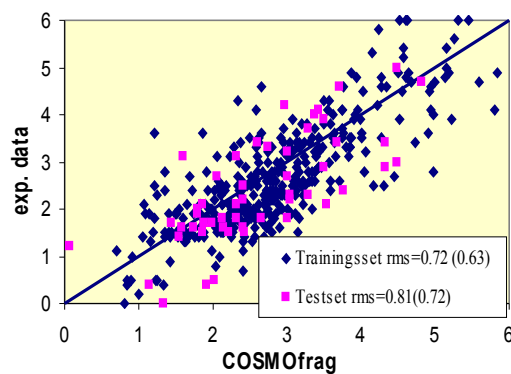


COSMOfrag ports COSMO-RS to Cheminformatics!

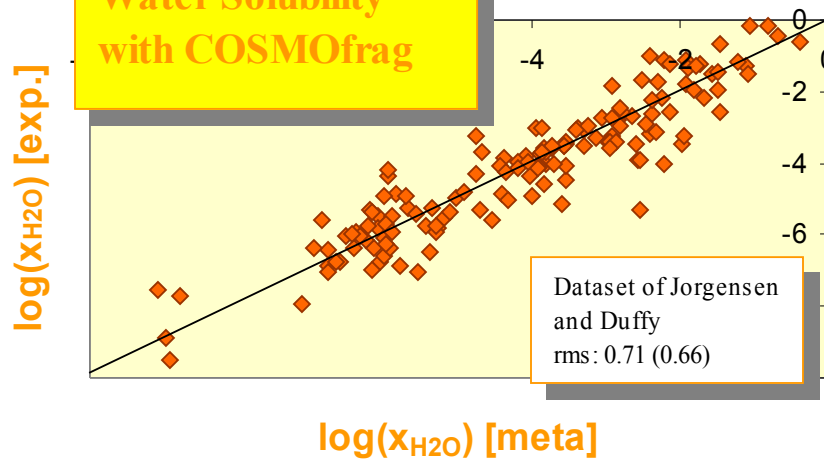
# COSMOfrag: statistics and examples



## Prediction of Soil Sorption Coefficients with COSMOfrag

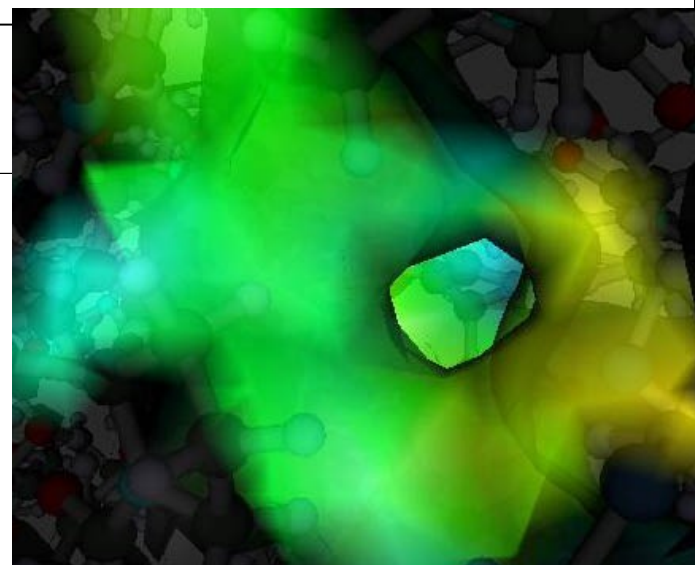


## Water Solubility with COSMOfrag

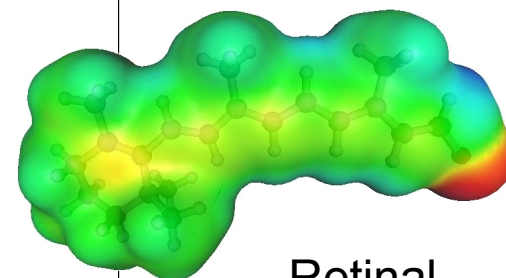
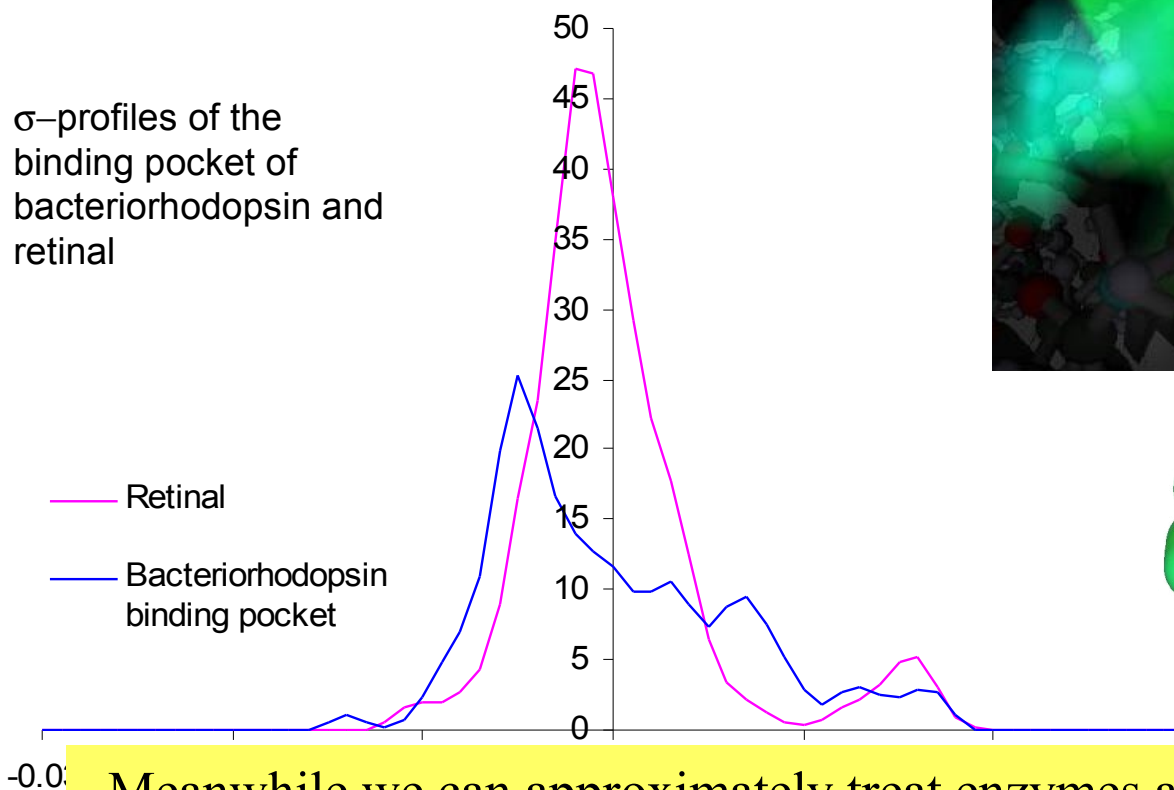


# Ligand – Receptor Binding

Mouth of the Retinal binding pocket



$\sigma$ -profiles of the binding pocket of bacteriorhodopsin and retinal



Retinal

Meanwhile we can approximately treat enzymes and receptor pockets. The goal is to describe ligand receptor binding (incl. desolvation) based COSMO polarization charge densities  $\sigma$ .

# COSMOsim

## bio-isoster search based on $\sigma$ -profiles

examples by Dr. M. Thormann, Morphochem AG

If the physiological distribution and the drug-receptor binding are governed by the COSMO  $\sigma$ -profiles, it is reasonable to use these for drug-similarity searching:

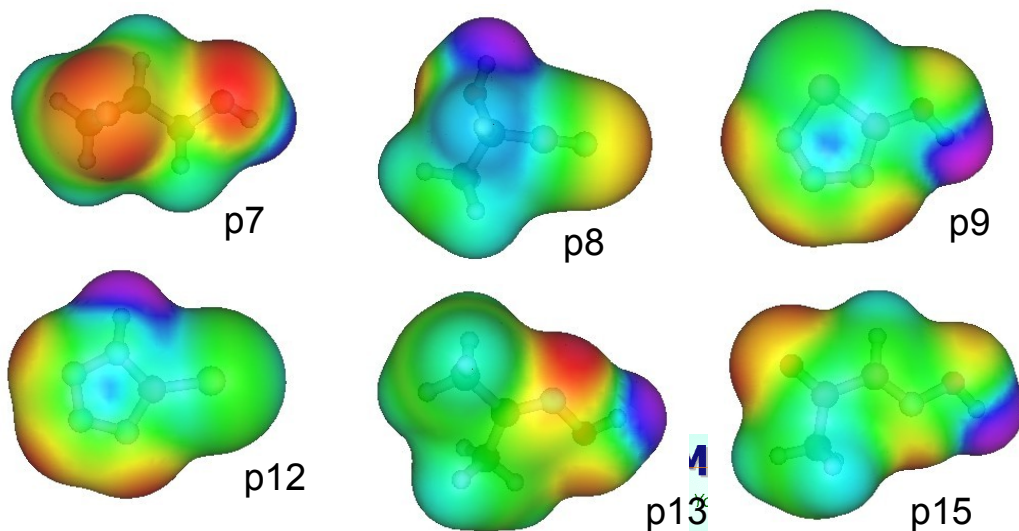
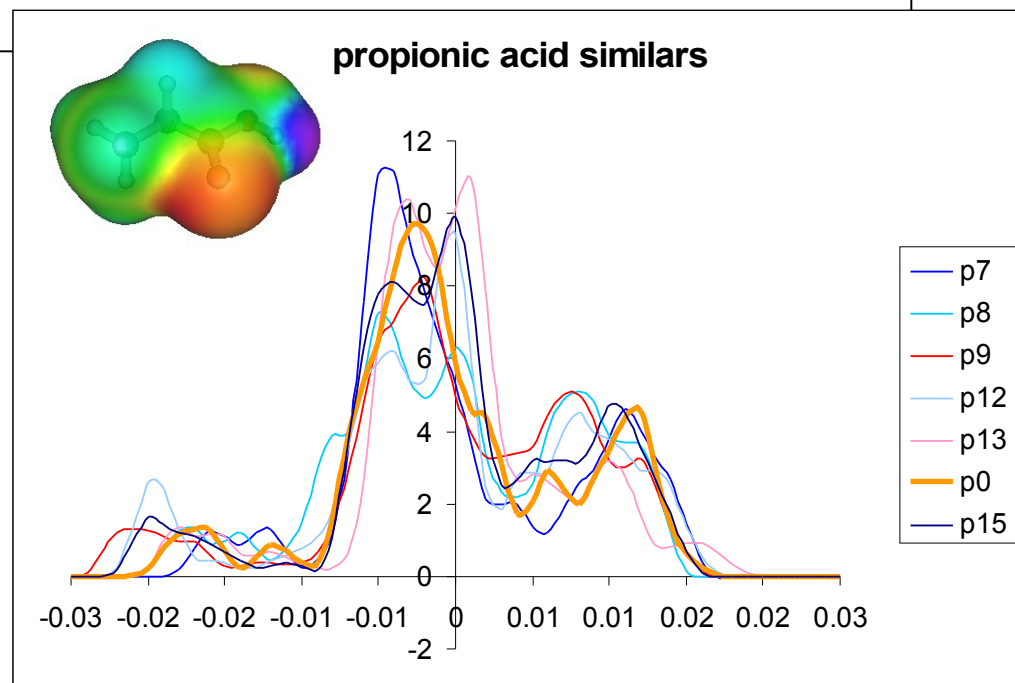
- search for molecules with maximum similarity of  $\sigma$ -profiles in order to find molecules with similar interactions, but different chemistry
- search is only based on surface polarity ( $\sigma$ ) and not on structure
- scaffold hopping
- either search over full COSMO-files of COSMOfrag-DB (48000 compounds)
- screen millions of candidate compounds using the COSMOfrag method
- Refine your search by explicit COSMO calculations on the most similar ~500 compds.

Lit: M. Thormann, A. Klamt, M. Hornig and M. Almstetter, "COSMOsim: Bioisosteric Similarity Based on COSMO-RS  $\sigma$ -Profiles", *J. Chem. Inf. Model.* **46**, (2006).

A.Bender, A. Klamt, K. Wichmann, M. Thormann, and R.C. Glen,  
„Molecular Similarity Searching Using COSMO Screening Charges (COSMO/3PP)“,  
in M.R. Berthold et al. (Eds.): *CompLife 2005*, LNBI 3695, pp. 175–185, 2005.Springer,  
Berlin Heidelberg 2005

# Example 1: propionic acid

<chem>CCC(=O)O</chem>	ZFQCMUCKI	0	1
<chem>OC(=O)C=C</chem>	ITPZMBCLI	1	0.8169
<chem>CCCC(=O)O</chem>	IAVMXKDKI	2	0.7996
<chem>CC=CC(=O)O</chem>	RGQGAEHMI	3	0.791
<chem>CC(=C)C(=O)O</chem>	WCMTTAFI	4	0.765
<chem>CC=CC(=O)O</chem>	VGZSDPDLI	5	0.7584
<chem>CC(C)C(=O)O</chem>	DGWQYNDKI	6	0.7487
<chem>OCC1CO1</chem>	SDLNNSMIA	7	0.7269
<chem>CC(O)C#N</chem>	HTYYARCJZ	8	0.7233
<chem>Oc1nnns1</chem>	NBAKLRQLI	9	0.7171
<chem>CC(O)C(=O)O</chem>	WOJBMNDKV	10	0.7109
<chem>CC(=O)O</chem>	CZWYICCKI	11	0.7052
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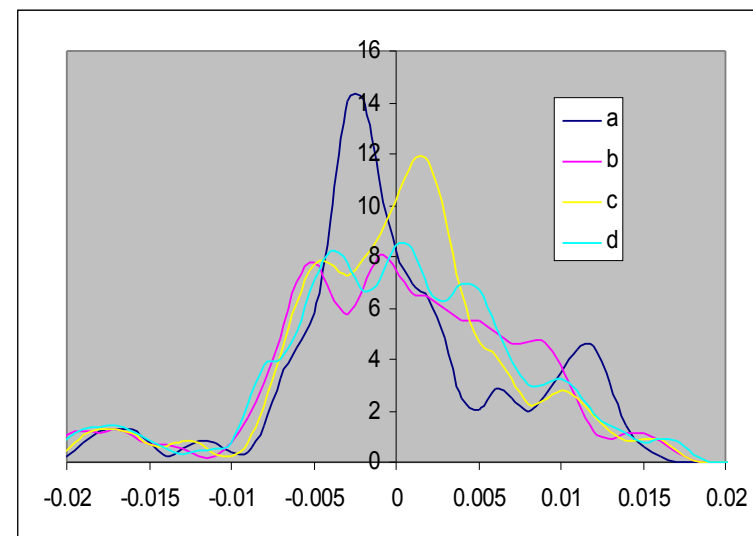
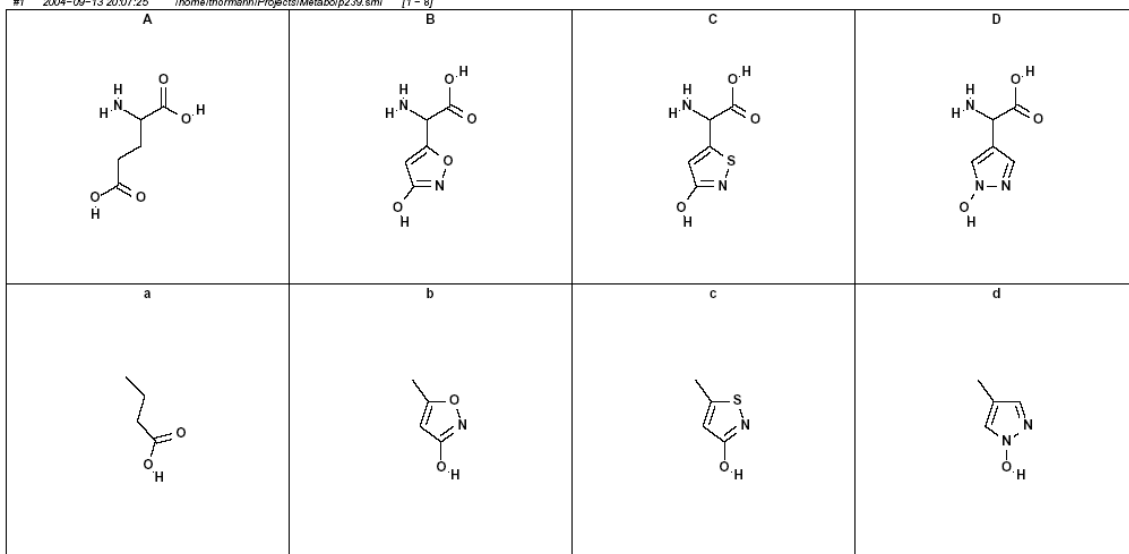
# Example 2: Metabotropic Glutamate Receptor Ligands

Synthesis and Pharmacology of Metabotropic Glutamate Receptor Ligands

Grube-Jørgensen et al., ISMC 2004P239

Drugs of the Future 2004 (29) Suppl. A: XVIIIth Symposium on MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY

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	A	B	C	D	a	b	c	d
A	1.000	0.711	0.666	0.697	0.396	0.440	0.459	0.488
B	0.711	1.000	0.852	0.835	0.406	0.487	0.459	0.530
C	0.666	0.852	1.000	0.857	0.378	0.461	0.455	0.507
D	<b>0.697</b>	<b>0.835</b>	<b>0.857</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>0.357</b>	<b>0.437</b>	<b>0.403</b>	<b>0.492</b>
a	0.396	0.406	0.378	0.357	1.000	0.665	0.679	0.642
b	0.440	0.487	0.461	0.437	0.665	1.000	0.742	<b>0.792</b>
c	0.459	0.459	0.455	0.403	0.679	0.742	1.000	0.700
d	<b>0.488</b>	<b>0.530</b>	<b>0.507</b>	<b>0.492</b>	<b>0.642</b>	<b>0.792</b>	<b>0.700</b>	<b>1.000</b>

## Tanimotoprime coefficients for COSMOsim matrix

Glu (A), ibotenic acid (B), and thioibotenic acid (C) are known mGluR agonists. D is novel and does also show mGluR agonist activity with mGluR subtype specificity most similar to that of C. The query of d to our inhouse database containing > 2.000.000 sigma profiles employing the Tanimotoprime coefficient retrieves b at rank 3 with a similarity of 0.792.

(M. Thormann, Morphochem, 2004)

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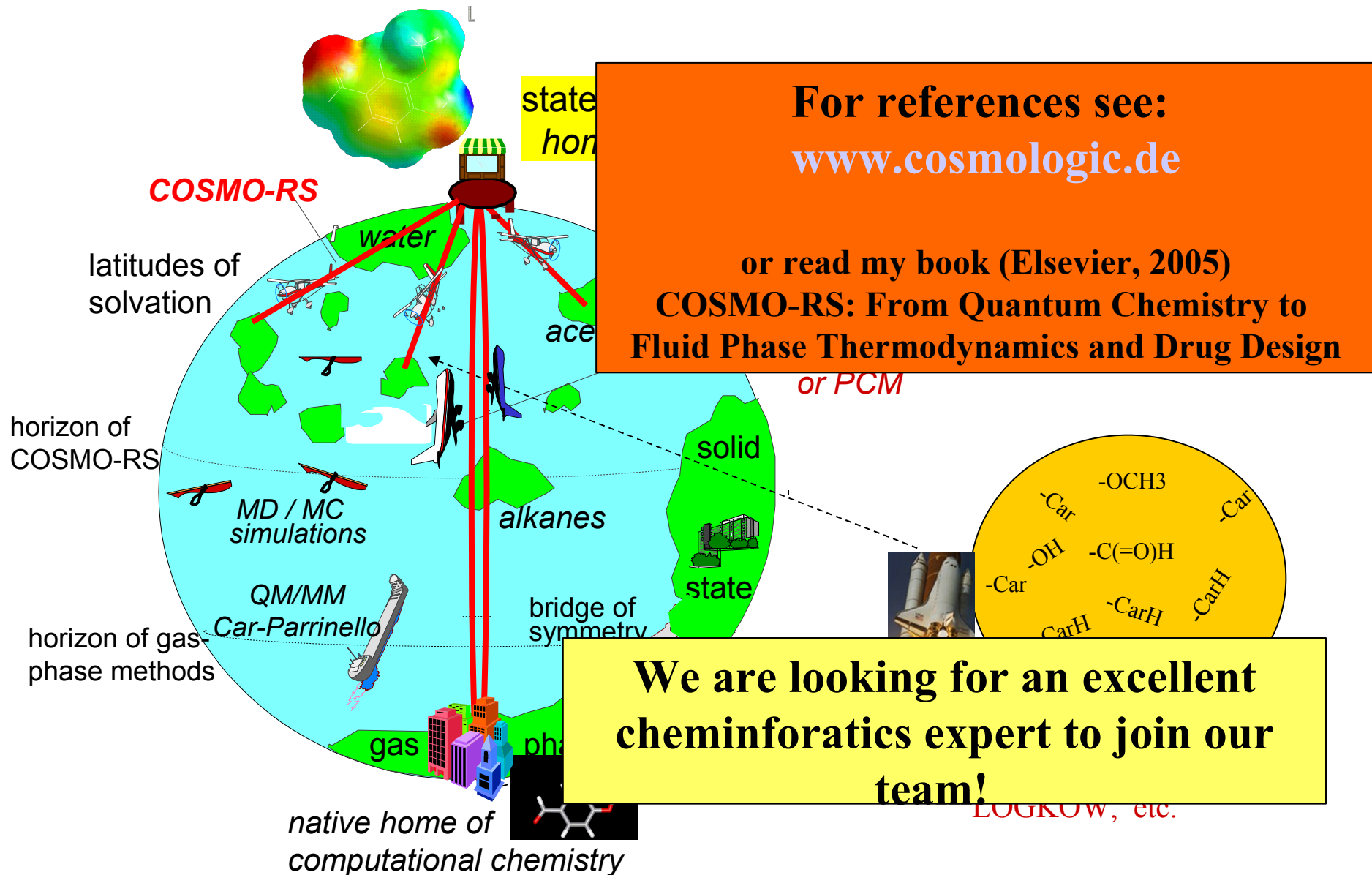
# COSMO-RS: From Quantum Chemistry to Cheminformatics

- The quantum-chemically derived surface polarization charge densities  $\sigma$  provide a novel and very rich description of molecular interactions in liquids and pseudo-liquids phases, combining electrostatics, hydrogen bonding and “hydrophobic interactions” in one picture.
- COSMO-RS provides a novel, extremely fast and efficient way to do thermodynamics based on  $\sigma$ -profiles.
- drug solubility and many important ADME properties can be calculated with COSMO-RS
- Quantum chemical DFT/COSMO calculations are reasonably feasible for a few hundred or thousand drug-like molecules.
- COSMO*frag* derives approximate s-profiles for druglike compounds in a second.
- COSMO*sim* enables drug-similarity screening based on  $\sigma$ -profiles

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Outlook: Ligand receptor binding based on  $\sigma$ -profiles

Hope you enjoyed the trip to the latitudes of solvation!



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# COSMO-RS for Drug-Design and -Development

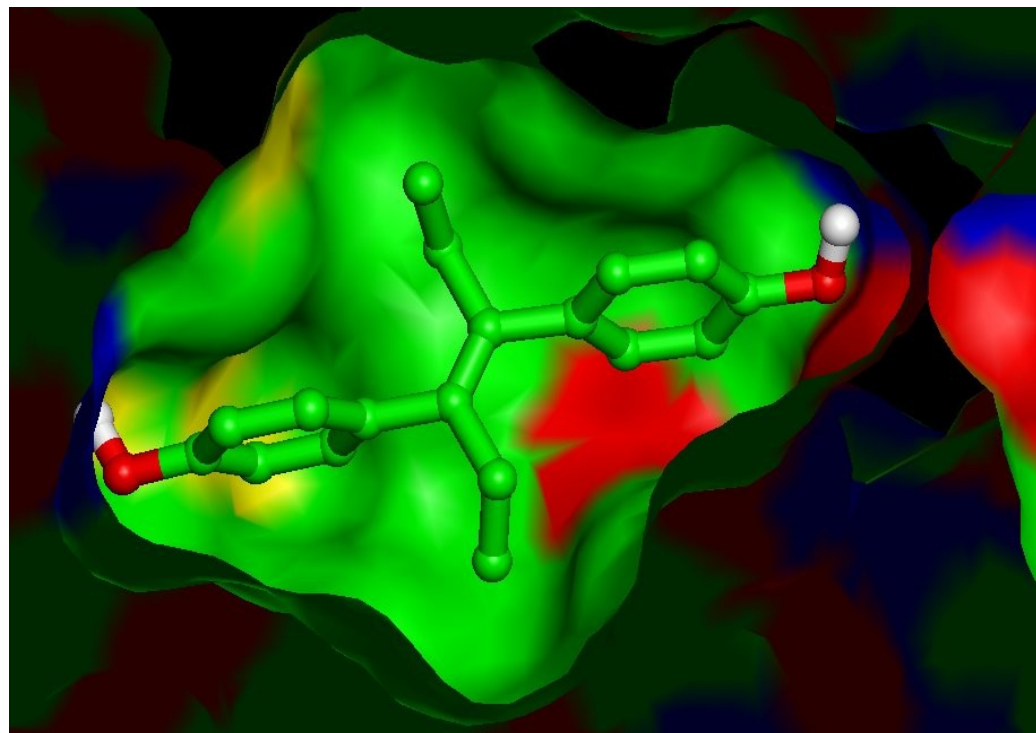
- water solubility of drugs,
  - Solvent Screening: relative solubilities of drugs in various solvents and mixtures
  - partition behaviour between almost arbitrary phases (blood-brain, intestinal absorption, BCF, ...)
  - $pK_a$  prediction
  - visualization of partition coefficients and solubility as surface properties
  - one descriptor ( $\sigma$ ) for entire interactions
    - electrostatics
    - hydrogen bonding
    - lipophilicity/hydrophobicity
- => useful property for MFA
- chemical potential of crystal surfaces in solution (morphology of drugs)
  - identification of binding sites from  $\sigma$ -hotspots
  - surface integral scoring function for docking, including desolvation
    - extension to membrane and micelle partitioning

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**COSMOfrag:**  $\sigma$ -profiles built from similar fragments out of 30000 compound database  
brings COSMO-RS in to the range of 5 sec./compound => applicable to HTS



## Ideas for drug drug-receptor binding with COSMOtherm



-we need the  $\sigma$ -profile of the receptor once (QM/MM? not yet solved)

- we simply have the  $\sigma$ -profile of the ligands (even from COSMOfrag)

Idea 1: generate scoring function from COSMO-RS surface interaction model

Idea 2: consider receptor pocket as a kind of pseudo-liquid (overestimated receptor flexibility, but may be interesting)

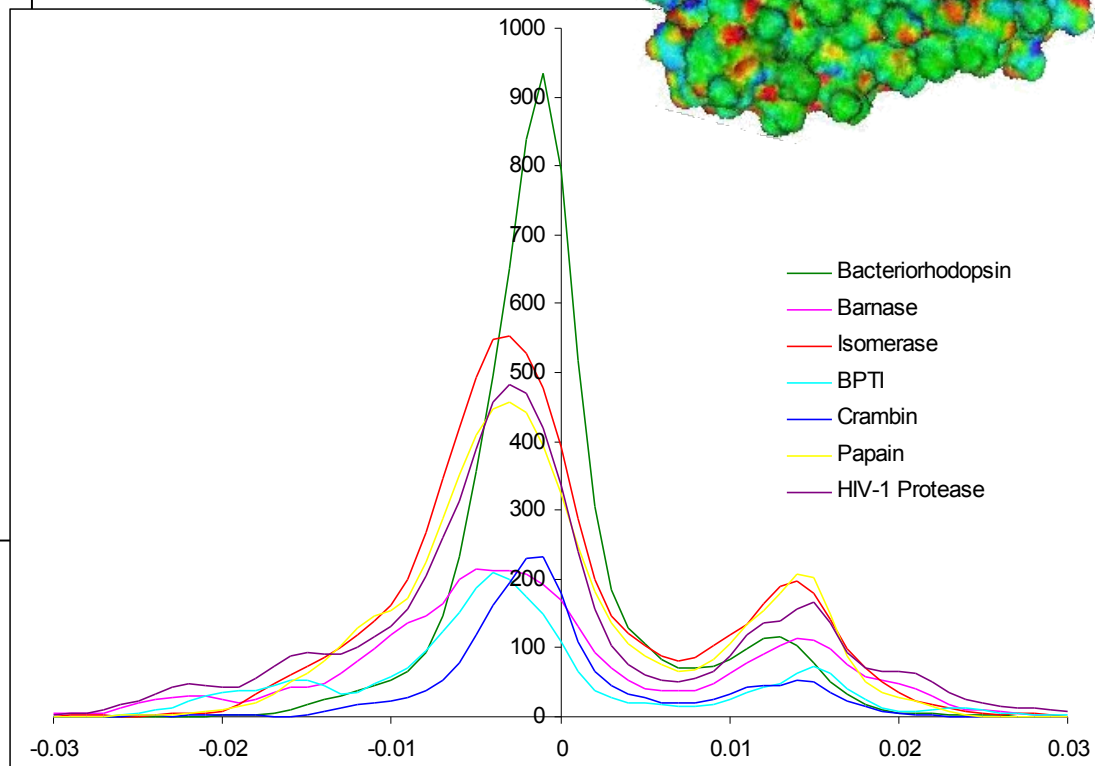
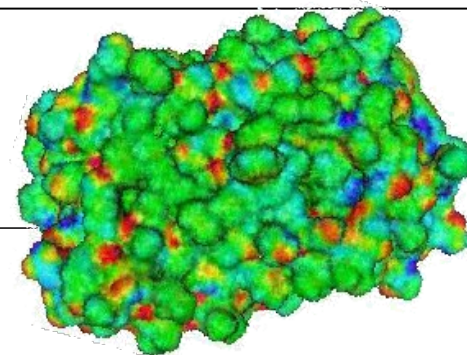
Both simply include desolvation

# Sigma profiles of Enzymes

calculated with linear-scaling AM1/COSMO  
(MOZYME in MOPAC2002)

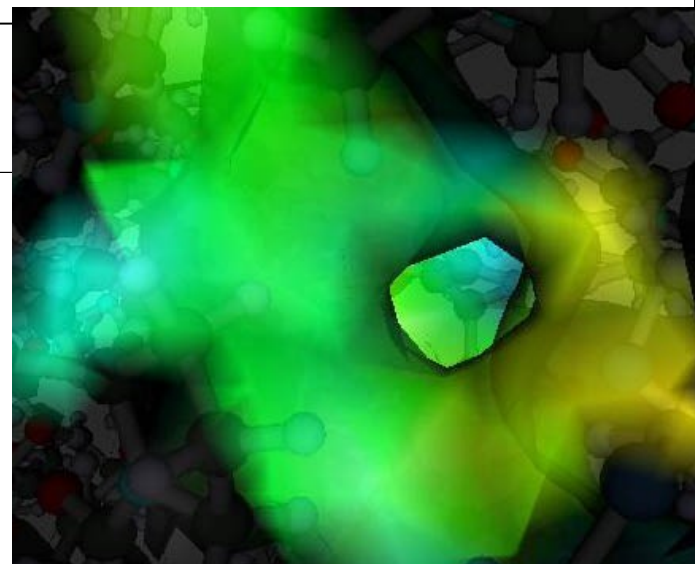
Some common features:

- Large charge distribution in the region around  $\sigma = 0$ .
- Carbonyl oxygen between 0.01 and 0.02.
- Charged side chains in the outer regions ( $\sigma < -0.02$  and  $\sigma > 0.02$ )

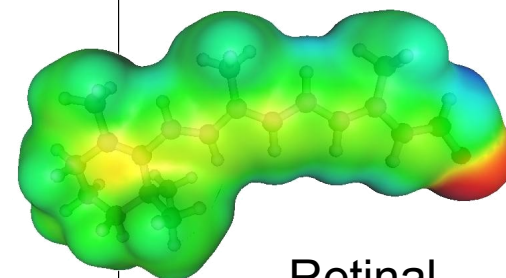
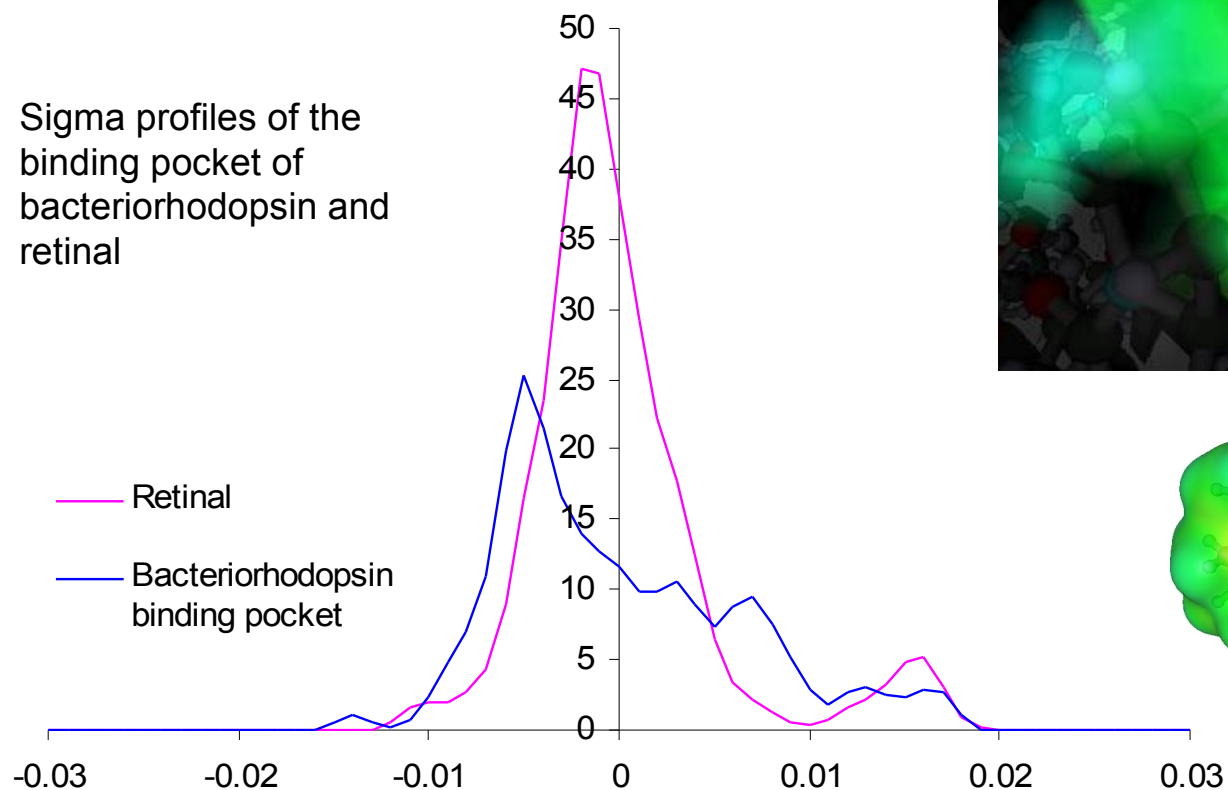


# Bacteriorhodopsin and Retinal

Mouth of the Retinal  
binding pocket



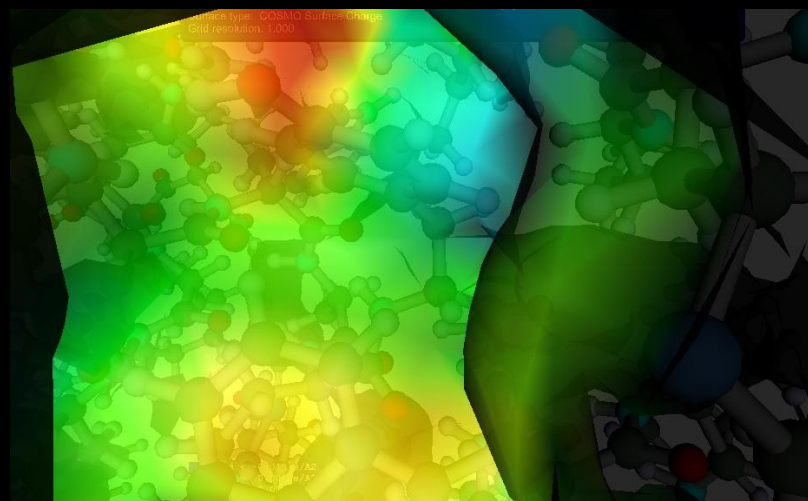
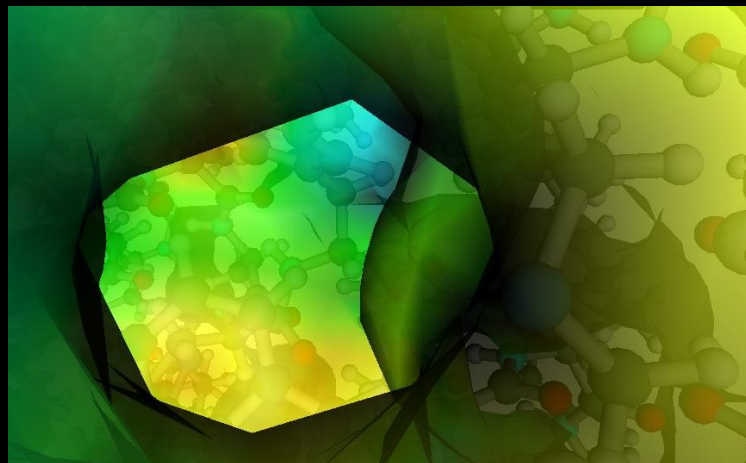
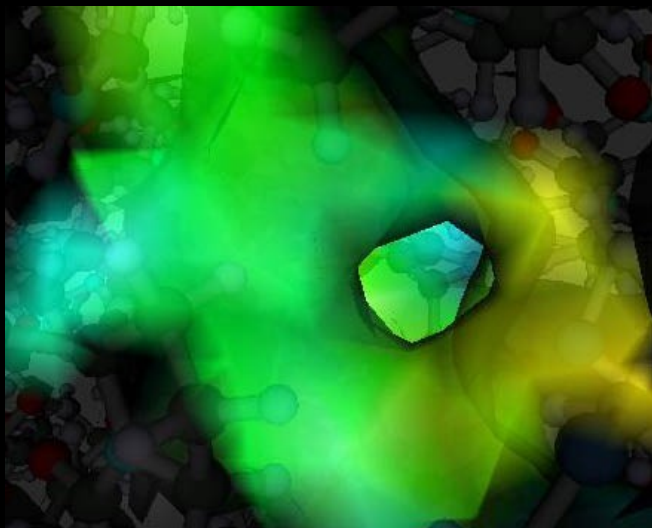
Sigma profiles of the  
binding pocket of  
bacteriorhodopsin and  
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Retinal



# A few shots of the binding pocket



# Amino Acids: Sigma profiles on two computational levels

