

# QSAR Prediction of Henry's Law Constant

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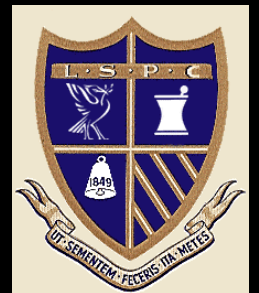
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# Henry's Law

## A textbook definition:

*“... the mass of gas dissolved by a given volume of solvent is proportional to the pressure of the gas with which it is in equilibrium...”*



# Henry's Law

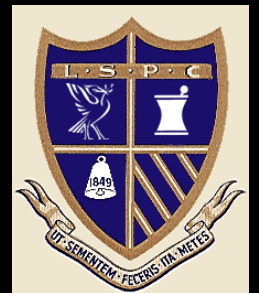
$$w = kp$$

- $w$**  is the mass of gas dissolved per unit volume of solvent at equilibrium pressure  $p$
- $k$**  is a constant (the Ostwald coefficient, or inverse of Henry's Law Constant)

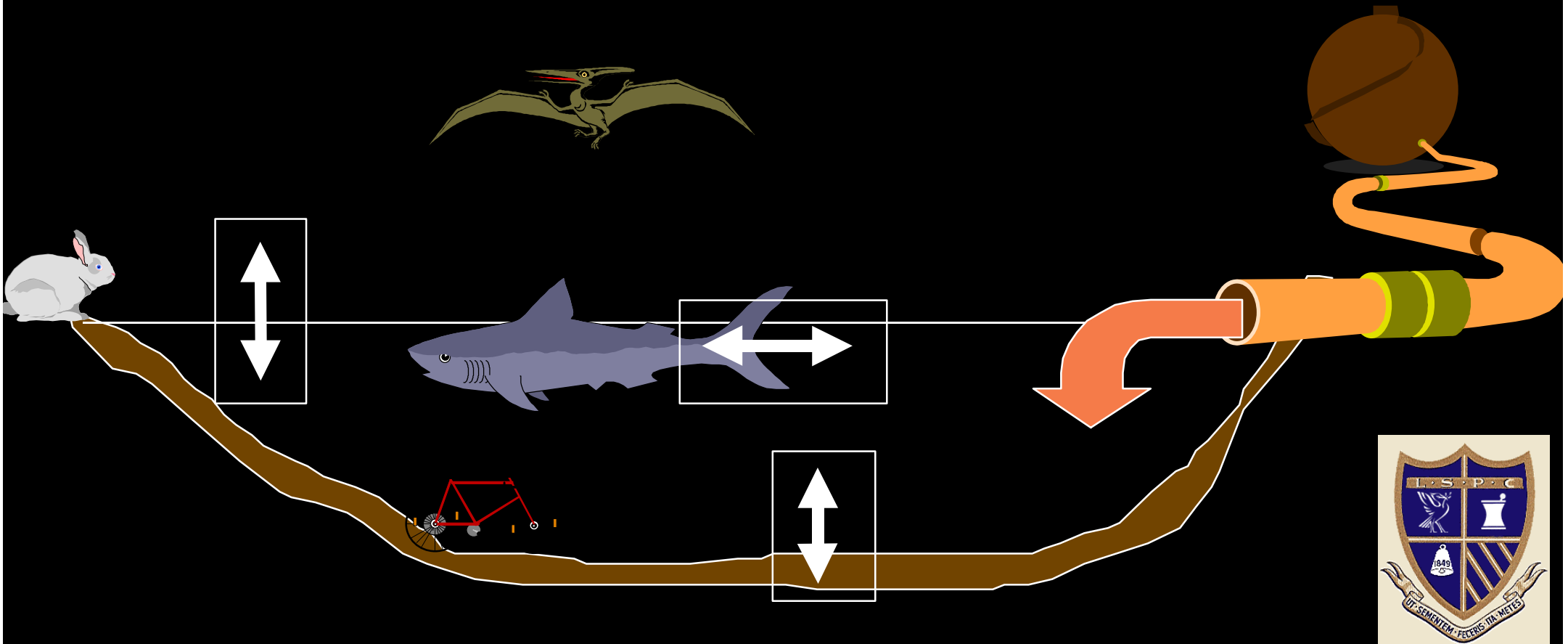


# Henry's Law Constant

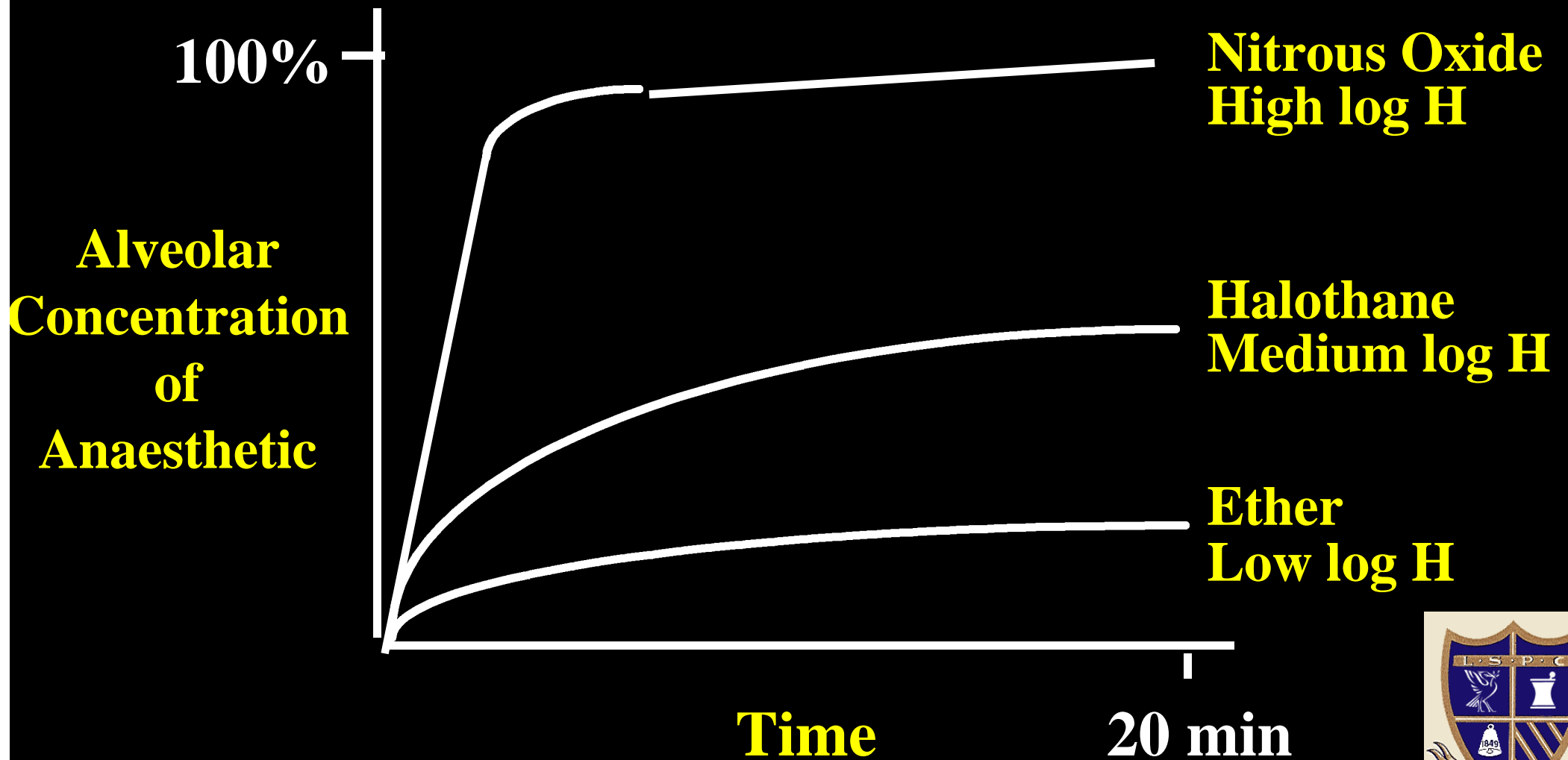
$$H = \frac{\text{concentration of solute in air}}{\text{concentration of solute in water}}$$



# Importance of Henry's Law Constant: Modelling Distribution and Fate of Environmental Pollutants

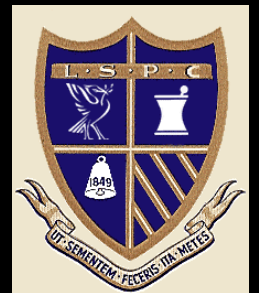


# Importance of Henry's Law Constant: Anaesthetic Gases



# Importance of Henry's Law Constant: Food Science

- ◆ **Release of volatile compounds following chewing of food influences flavour**
- ◆ **Pressurised carbonated drinks**
- ◆ **Pressurised gases as propellants**



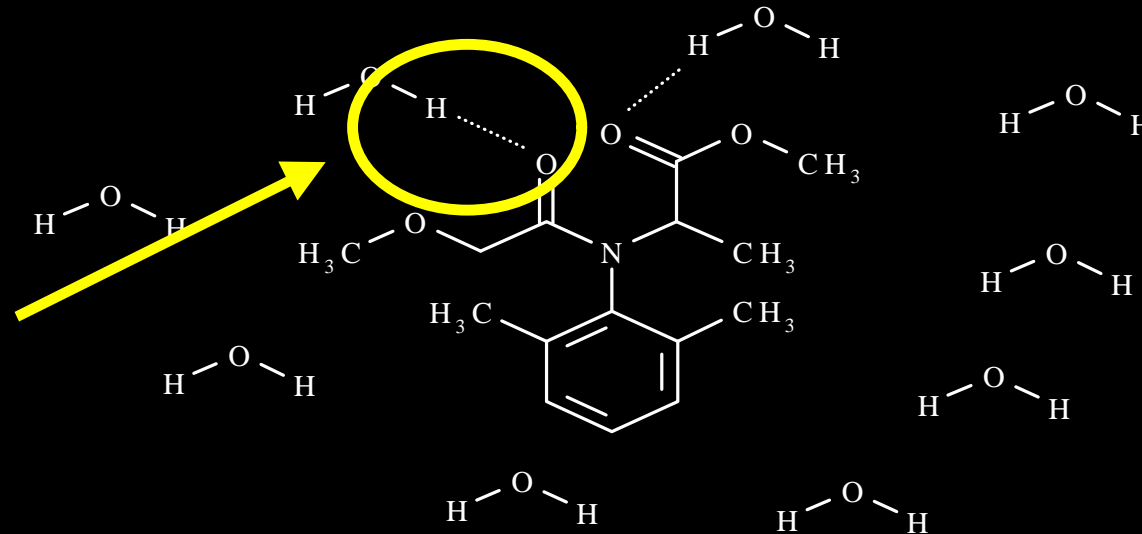
# Factors Affecting Distribution Between Air and Water

**Volatisation: Size, Entropy**

**AIR**

**WATER**

**Hydrogen  
Bonding**



**Intrinsic Hydrophobicity  
Enthalpy of Solvation**



# Methods to Calculate log H: Group Contribution Methods

**Hine and Mookerjee (1975)**

**Cramer (1980)**

**Cabani et al (1981)**

**Meylan and Howard (1991) - HENRYWIN**



# Methods to Calculate log H: Quantitative Structure-Property Relationships (QSPRs)

**Nirmalakhandan and Speece (1988)**

**Russell et al (1992)**

**Abraham et al (1994)**

**Katritzky et al (1996)**

**Dearden et al (1997, 1999)**



# Prediction using Solvatochromic Parameters

$$\log 1/H = 0.58 \Delta MR + 2.55 \pi + 3.81 \Sigma \alpha$$
$$+ 4.84 \Sigma \beta - 0.87 V_x + 0.99$$

$n = 408$     $r^2 = 0.99$     $s = 0.15$     $F = 16810$

Abraham et al (1994) *J. Chem. Soc. Perkin Trans*  
*2: 1777-1791*



# QSPR Prediction from Fundamental Physico-Chemical Properties

$$\log H = 2.31 \chi^v - 1.14 MR - 1.00 HB_{\Sigma ind} + 0.30 E_{LUMO} - 1.76 \alpha + 0.14 B_R + 1.09 \log P - 0.44$$

$$n = 294 \quad r^2_{adj} = 0.91 \quad s = 0.67 \quad F = 400$$

Dearden et al (1999) in Proceedings of 14th European Symposium on QSAR *in press*



# Aims of this study

- ◆ **To investigate the role of the enthalpy of solvation in modelling Henry's Law Constant**
- ◆ **To refine the QSPR for the prediction of Henry's Law Constant**



# Henry's Law Constants

- ◆ **Training set:**

**log H for 294 compounds largely compiled from Meylan and Howard (1991)**

- ◆ **Testing set:**

**log H for 48 compounds compiled from a variety of sources**



# 93 Physico-Chemical Descriptors

## ◆ Hydrophobicity

- log P

## ◆ Hydrogen bonding

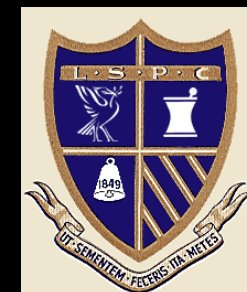
- counts of acceptors and donors
- HYBOT values

## ◆ Size, Shape, Topology

- molecular connectivities, topological indices
- molar refractivity
- flexibility, numbers of rotatable bonds

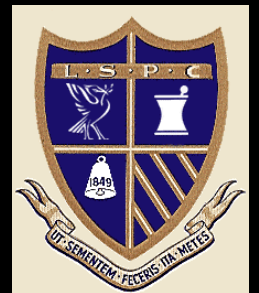
## ◆ Electronic

- HOMO, LUMO, Dipole Moment



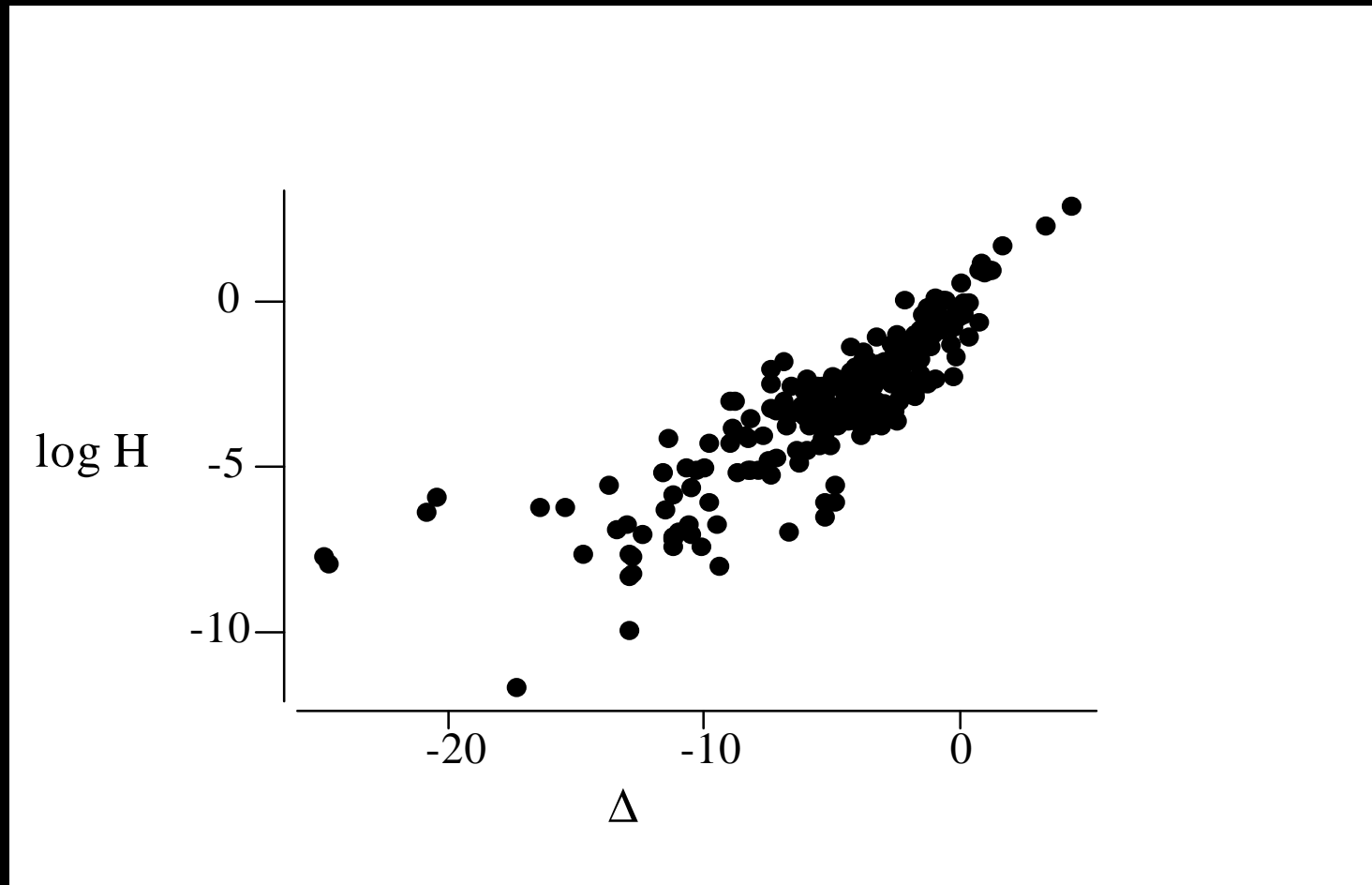
# AMSOL

- ◆ **Free energy of solvation**
- ◆ **Phosphorous containing compounds produced erroneous values**



$$\log H = 0.44 \Delta G_{AM} - 0.79$$

$n = 280$   $r^2_{adj} = 0.75$   $s = 1.08$   $F = 829$



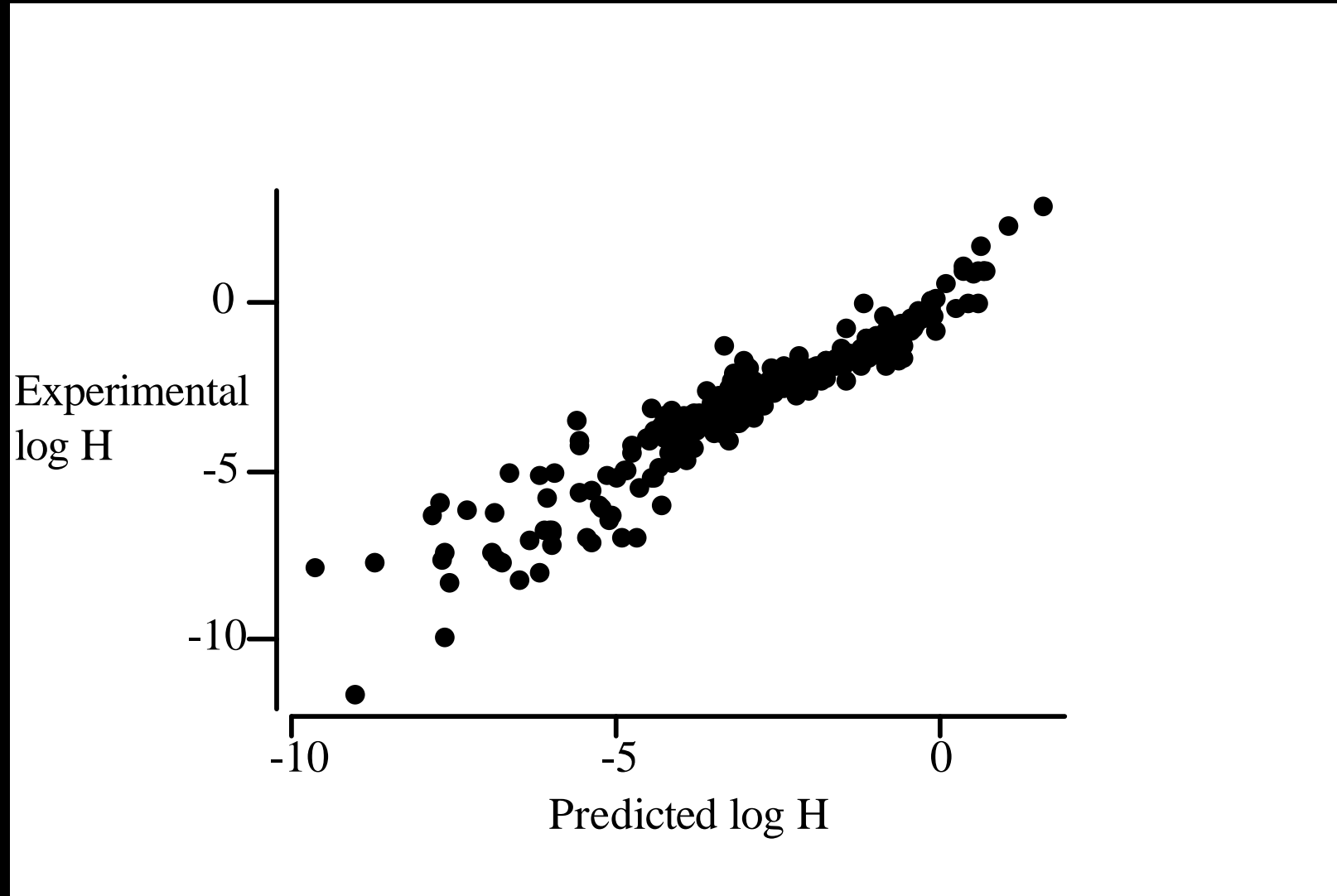
# QSPR for Henry's Law Constant

$$\log H = -0.89 MR - 1.10 HB_{\Sigma ind} + 0.16 B_R + 0.71 \log P + 0.19 \Delta G_{AM} + 0.28$$

$$n = 280 \quad r^2_{adj} = 0.90 \quad s = 0.68 \quad F = 510$$



# Predicted vs Experimental log H



# Validation - 44 Compound Test Set

$$\log H_{\text{exp}} = 0.91 \log H_{\text{pred}} - 0.097$$

$$n = 44 \quad r^2_{\text{adj}} = 0.95 \quad s = 0.57 \quad F = 799$$



# Comparison to SRC HENRYWIN

$$\log H_{\text{exp}} = 0.82 \log H_{\text{bond}} - 0.35$$

$$n = 48 \quad r^2_{\text{adj}} = 0.90 \quad s = 0.84 \quad F = 295$$

$$\log H_{\text{exp}} = 0.91 \log H_{\text{group}} - 0.15$$

$$n = 34 \quad r^2_{\text{adj}} = 0.87 \quad s = 0.79 \quad F = 229$$



# Conclusions

- ◆ **Enthalpy of solvation is an important feature in the description of Henry's Law Constant**
- ◆ **A five parameter QSPR, based on fundamental mechanistic understanding, models Henry's Law Constant accurately**



# Thank you

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