

From Modeling Separations to
Estimation of Biopartitioning
Properties: Use of the Solvation
Parameter Model in Thin-Layer
Chromatography

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Solvation Parameter Model

$$SP = c + eE + sS + aA + bB + wW$$

System Constant	Solute Descriptor	Interaction
v	V	Cavity formation Dispersion
e	E	Electron lone pair
s	S	Dipole-type
a	A	Solvent HBB-solute HBA
b	B	Solvent HBA-solute HBB



Solute Descriptors

- V is McGowan's Characteristic Volume
- E is the excess molar refraction
- S is the solute dipolarity/polarizability
- A is the effective solute hydrogen-bond acidity
- B is the effective solute hydrogen-bond basicity

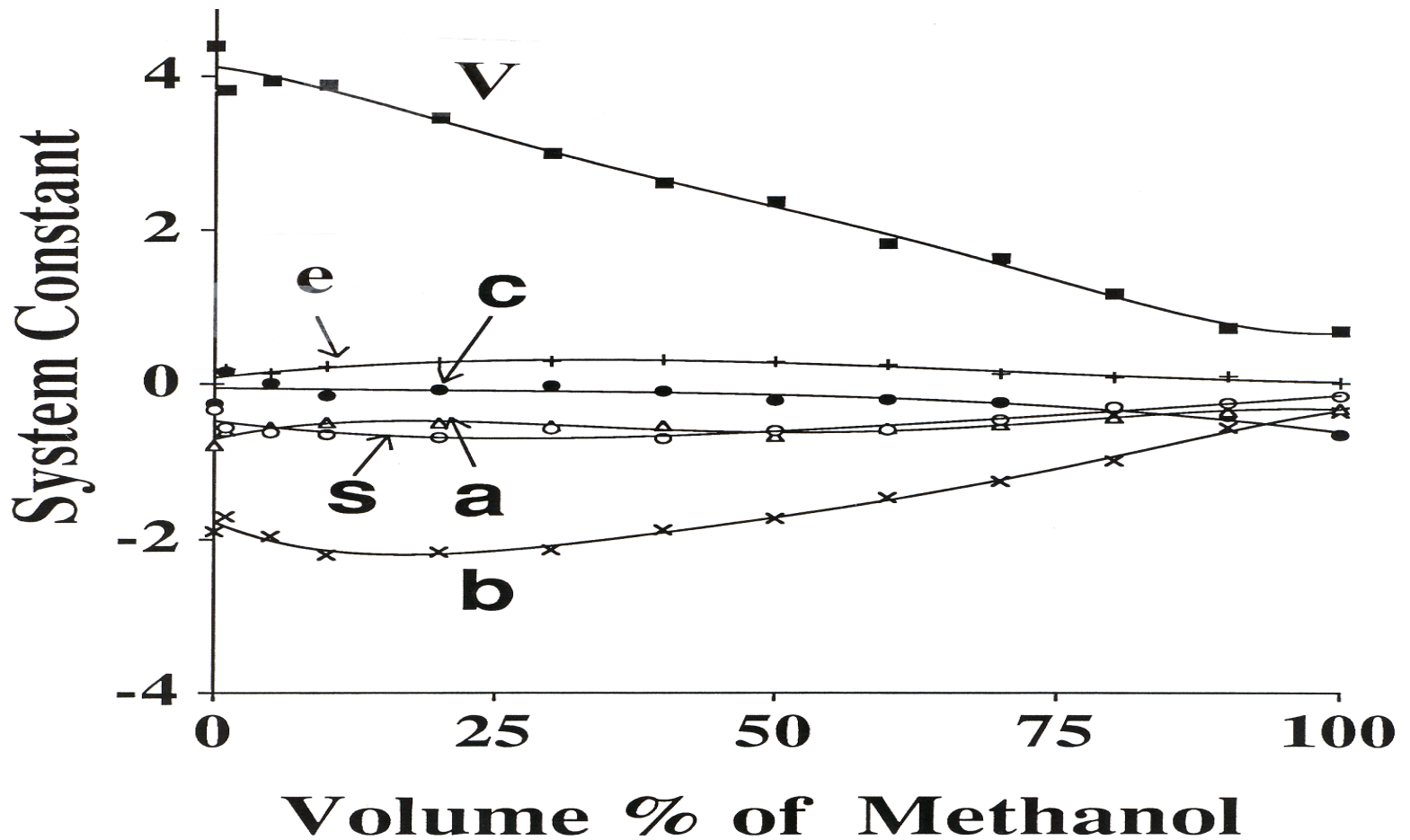


Free Energy Related Property

- For TLC this is the R_M Value
- For GC and LC this is $\log K$ or $\log k$
- For condensed phase distribution systems this is $\log K$
- For gas to condensed phase systems this is $\text{Log } L$

$$R_M = \log (1 - R_F) / R_F$$

System Map



System Maps

Solvent

Methanol

2-Propanol

Trifluoroethanol

Acetonitrile

Tetrahydrofuran

Acetone

Dimethylformamide

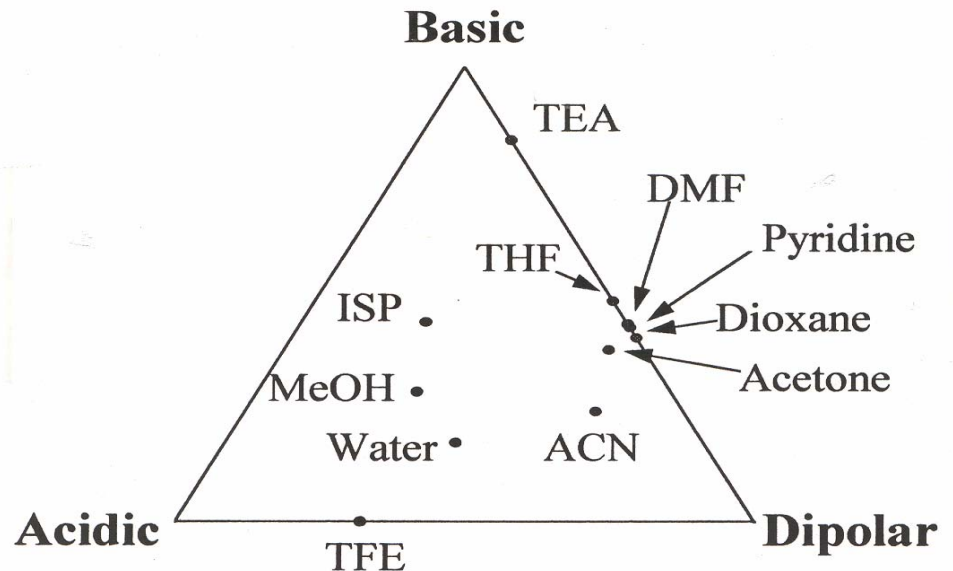
Pyridine

Stationary Phase

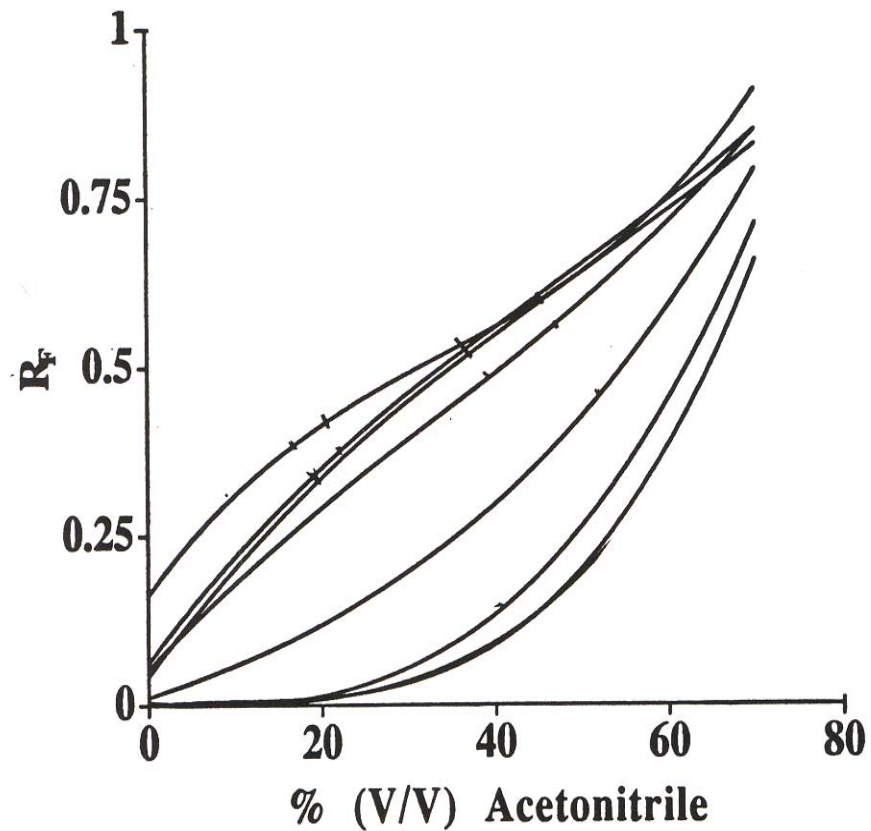
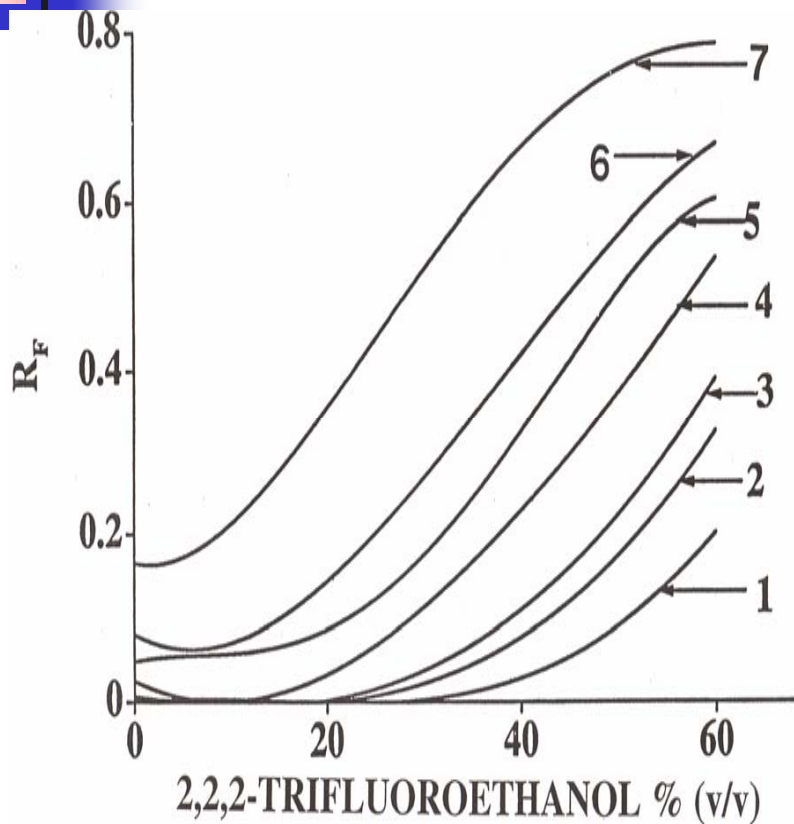
Octadecylsiloxane

Cyanopropylsiloxane

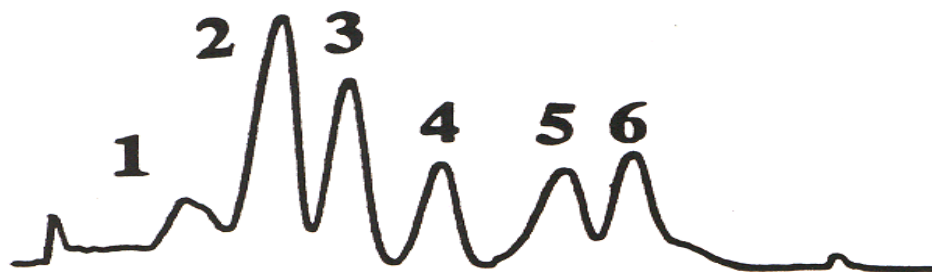
Diol (few systems)



Retention Maps



Separation of Analgesics



	R_F Values	
	Predicted	Experimental
2,2,2-trifluoroethanol-water (3:7)		
Ibuprofen	0.06	0.06 ± 0.01
Naproxen	0.09	0.12 ± 0.03
Phenacetin	0.20	0.19 ± 0.02
Caffeine	0.30	0.30 ± 0.01
Asprin	0.40	0.46 ± 0.05
Acetaminophen	0.64	0.63 ± 0.01



Separation of Phenols

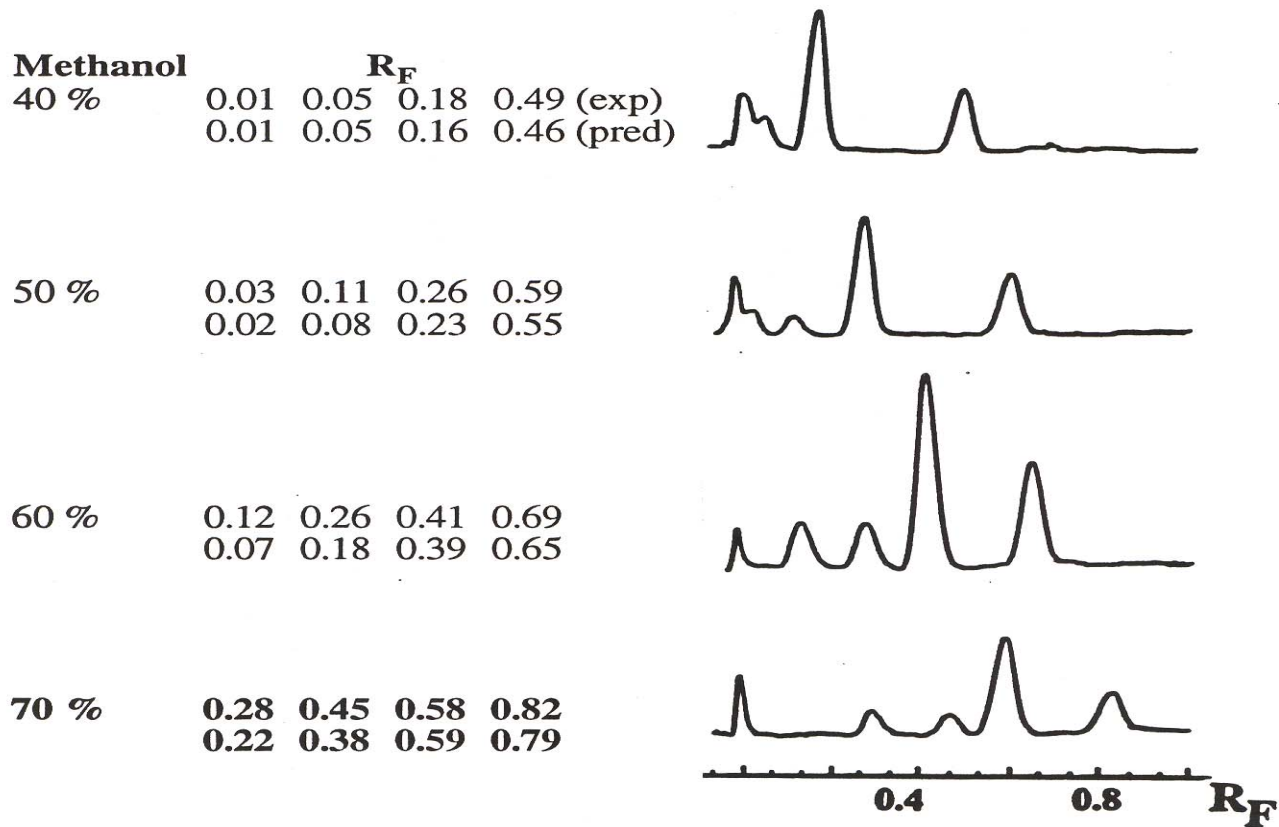
Mobile Phase	Predicted ΔR_F		
70% Methanol	0.16	0.21	0.21
50% Trifluoroethanol	0.16	0.16	0.17
50% Dimethylformamide	0.13	0.24	0.20
50% Acetonitrile	0.12	0.21	0.20

Stationary Phase: Cyanopropylsiloxane

Sample: Pentachlorophenol, 2,4,6-Trichlorophenol, 4-Nitrophenol, and Catechol

Separation of Phenols

Confirmation of Predictions with Solvent Ranked First





Calculation of Solute Descriptors

Compound = Ephedrine

$$V = 1.4385$$

$$SD = 0.083$$

$$E = 0.920$$

$$N = 12$$

$$S = 0.65$$

Solver used to solve simultaneous set of equations by changing descriptor values to minimize ΔR_M

$$A = 0.20$$

$$B = 1.24$$

$$\Delta R_M = R_M \text{ observed} - R_M \text{ predicted}$$

System	v	e	s	a	b	c	$(\Delta R_M)^2$
1	2.21	0	-0.17	-0.33	-1.24	-0.82	0.012
2	1.52	0.41	0	0	-1.92	-0.57	0.058
3	etc.						



Surrogate Models

Similarity of sorption properties is established by comparison of the capacity of the system for all solute-solvent interactions measured and defined in the same way

•Emulation

⇒The system constants should be (nearly) identical

•Correlation

⇒The ratio of the system constants (usually normalized by division by v) should be the same (or nearly the same) for both processes

$$\log K_2 = p \log K_1 + q$$



Lipophilicity

	v	e/v	s/v	a/v	b/v
<u>Log P_{OW}</u>	3.81	0.15	-0.28	0.01	-0.91
60% DMF	0.80	0.26	-0.18	0	-0.84
20% ISP	2.84	0	-0.06	-0.12	-0.74
20% Pyridine	1.97	0	-0.15	0	-0.80

Stationary Phase RP-18WF

Best model is 30-60% Dimethylformamide

No Good TLC Models for Lipophilicity



SYSTEM CONSTANTS DATABASES

Biopartitioning

- Intestinal Absorption
- Blood-Brain Distribution
- Water-Skin Distribution
- Soil-Water Distribution
- Plant Cuticle Matrix-Water Distribution
- Non-Specific Toxicity to Fish and Bacteria
- Nasal Pungency
- Eye Irritation



Search for Correlation Models

There are no useful models in the TLC system constants database for

Intestinal Absorption

Blood-Brain Distribution

Soil-Water Distribution

Plant Cuticle Matrix-Water Distribution



Search for Correlation Models

There are suitable models in the TLC database to estimate non-specific toxicity

Fathead Minnow

Guppy

Tadpole

Tetrahymena pyriformis (Tetratox test)



Search for Correlation Models

Fathead Minnow LD₅₀

	v	e/v	s/v	a/v	b/v
Fish	3.39	0.07	0	0.12	-1.08
TLC	1.32	0	0	0.13	-1.00

Stationary Phase RP-18WF

Mobile Phase 10-40% Pyridine



Search for Correlation Models

Microtox Test

	v	e/v	s/v	a/v	b/v
Microtox	2.88	0.22	0	0	-0.87
TLC	2.31	0.17	0	0	-0.87

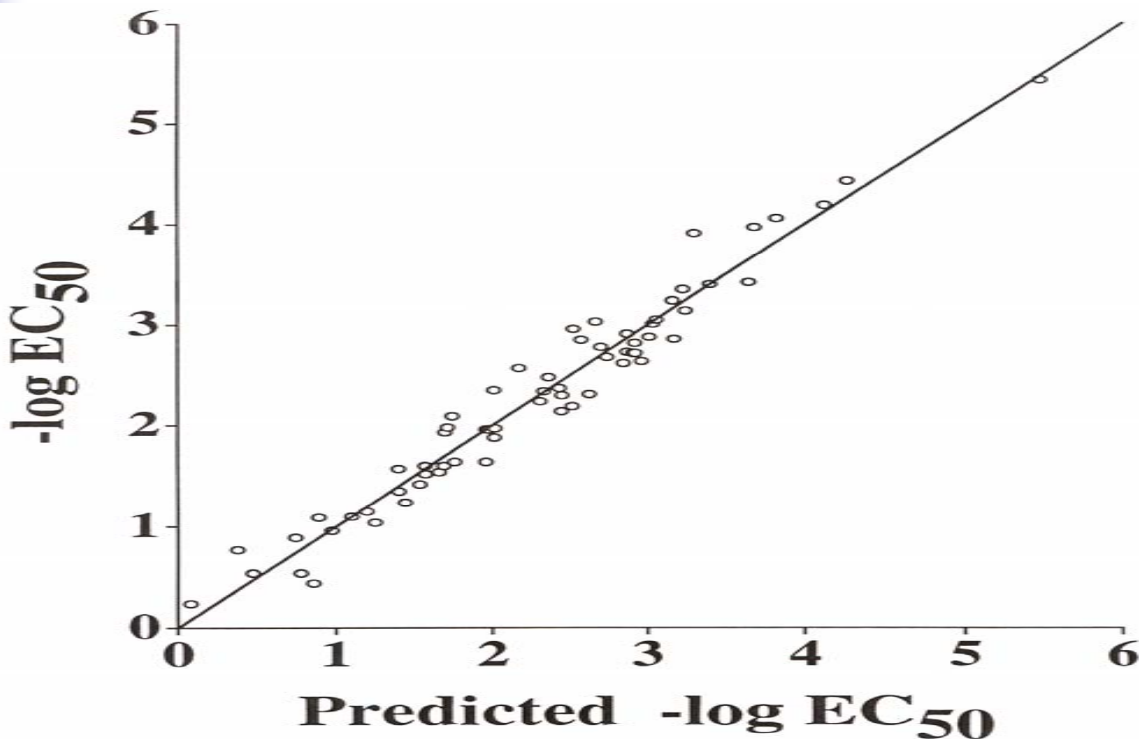
Stationary Phase CN

Mobile Phase 10-35 % 2-Propanol (best)

5-20 % Acetonitrile (good)

10-20 % Methanol (useful)

Non-specific Toxicity: Guppy



Stationary Phase RP-18 WF

Mobile Phase 30% Acetonitrile



Alternative

- Use TLC to estimate solute descriptors for use in any of the biopartitioning models.
- Allows TLC data to be used in a broader sense to estimate biopartitioning properties
- Unlike for correlation models a standard set of TLC systems suffices to estimate correlation models



Inorganic Oxides

Simultaneous contribution of solute and solvent interactions with the adsorbent folded into the R_M value

The heterogeneous energy distribution of sites) and steric requirements (fixed position of sites) conceptually not accommodated by the model



Inorganic Oxides

The solute term ($\varepsilon^\circ A_S$) and solute term (S) of the simple competition model can be modeled independently and successfully

The definitions of S and A_S are difficult to reconcile with their predicted properties

The simple competition model ignores contributions from solute-solvent interactions in the mobile phase



Inorganic Oxides

- Solvent strength parameter for silica gel

$$\varepsilon^{\circ} = -0.264V + 0.199S + 0.384A + 0.355B + 0.272$$

Can be used to estimate ε° values to about 0.04 units for solvents lacking experimental values