

# **RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COMPOSITION AND TOXICITY OF ENGINE EMISSION SAMPLES**

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# BACKGROUND

## CHALLENGES:

What are *really* the most important emissions to control (and to avoid in technology choices)?

Can we estimate the relative health *hazards* of different emissions from knowledge of their *composition*?

## OPPORTUNITIES:

**We had:**        7 emission samples  
Detailed physical-chemical characterization  
Relative lung toxicity and mutagenicity data

**We knew:**     Ingvar Eide at Statoil had succeeded in relating complex chemistry of petroleum samples to mutagenicity with *good predictive ability*

**We tried:**     Using Ingvar's approach to relate composition of the 7 samples to their relative toxicity

# MUTAGENIC AND INFLAMMATORY POTENCY OF DIESEL & GASOLINE EMISSION SAMPLES WAS RANKED

(Seagrave et al. *Toxicol. Sci.* 70: 212-226, 2002)

1. **PM and vapor-phase SVOCs collected on chassis dynamometer**
2. **Combined the 2 phases in original mass ratio for testing**
3. **Instilled into rat lungs and measured inflammation at 24 hours**
4. **Measured mutagenicity in bacteria (Ames TA98 and TA100 ± S9)**

**Samples (7):**

<b>Gasoline (5)</b>	<b>G</b>
<b>Gasoline 30°</b>	<b>G<sub>30</sub></b>
<b>White smoker gas.</b>	<b>WG</b>
<b>Black smoker gas.</b>	<b>BG</b>
<b>Diesel (3)</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>Diesel 30°</b>	<b>D<sub>30</sub></b>
<b>High-emitter diesel</b>	<b>HD</b>

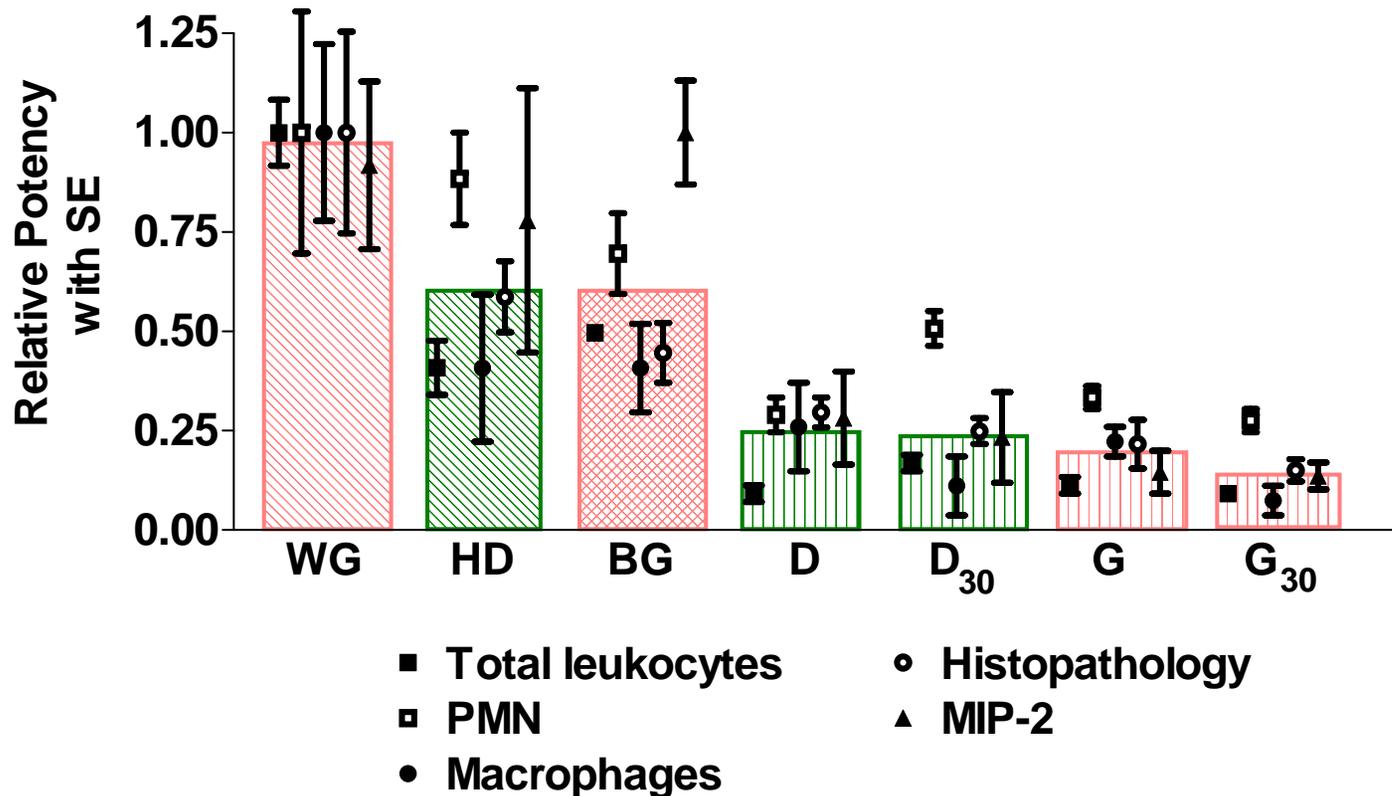
**Measures of inflammation:**

<b>Lung Lavage</b>
<b>Total leukocytes</b>
<b>PMNs</b>
<b>Macrophages</b>
<b>MIP-2</b>
<b>Histopathology</b>

# SAMPLES HAD A 5-FOLD RANGE OF LUNG TOXICITY PER UNIT OF MASS

E.g., five measures of inflammation gave good agreement

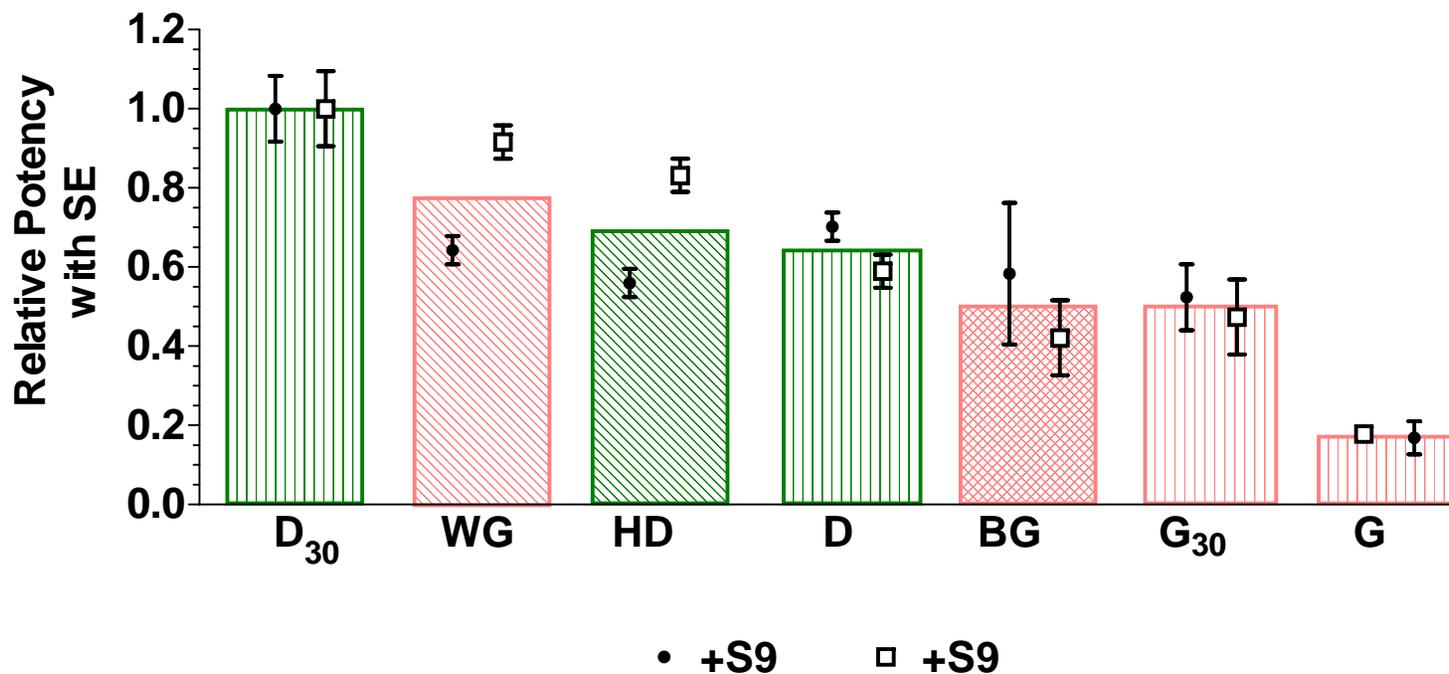
1. High-emitters not only contribute more mass, but are also more toxic per unit of mass
2. Normal-emitter diesel and gasoline have very similar toxicity per unit of mass



# SAMPLES ALSO HAD A 5-FOLD RANGE OF MUTAGENICITY, BUT WITH DIFFERENT RANKING THAN LUNG TOXICITY

E.g., rankings by TA100 ± S9

1. Cold diesel highest, normal gasoline lowest
2. Not much difference among others



# RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN COMPOSITION AND RESPONSE WERE EVALUATED BY PCA/PLS

Strategy used successfully by Ingvar Eide, Statoil, to identify chemical compounds in petroleum samples driving mutagenicity

**PCA = Principal component analysis**

**PLS = Partial least squares regression (aka: “projection to latent surfaces”)**

**Simca 10.0<sup>®</sup> software (Unimetrics)**

**Finds relationships between dependent (toxicity) and predictor (composition) variables by regression techniques involving simultaneous projection of Y and X variables to multi-dimensional planes**

**Minimizes key problems:**

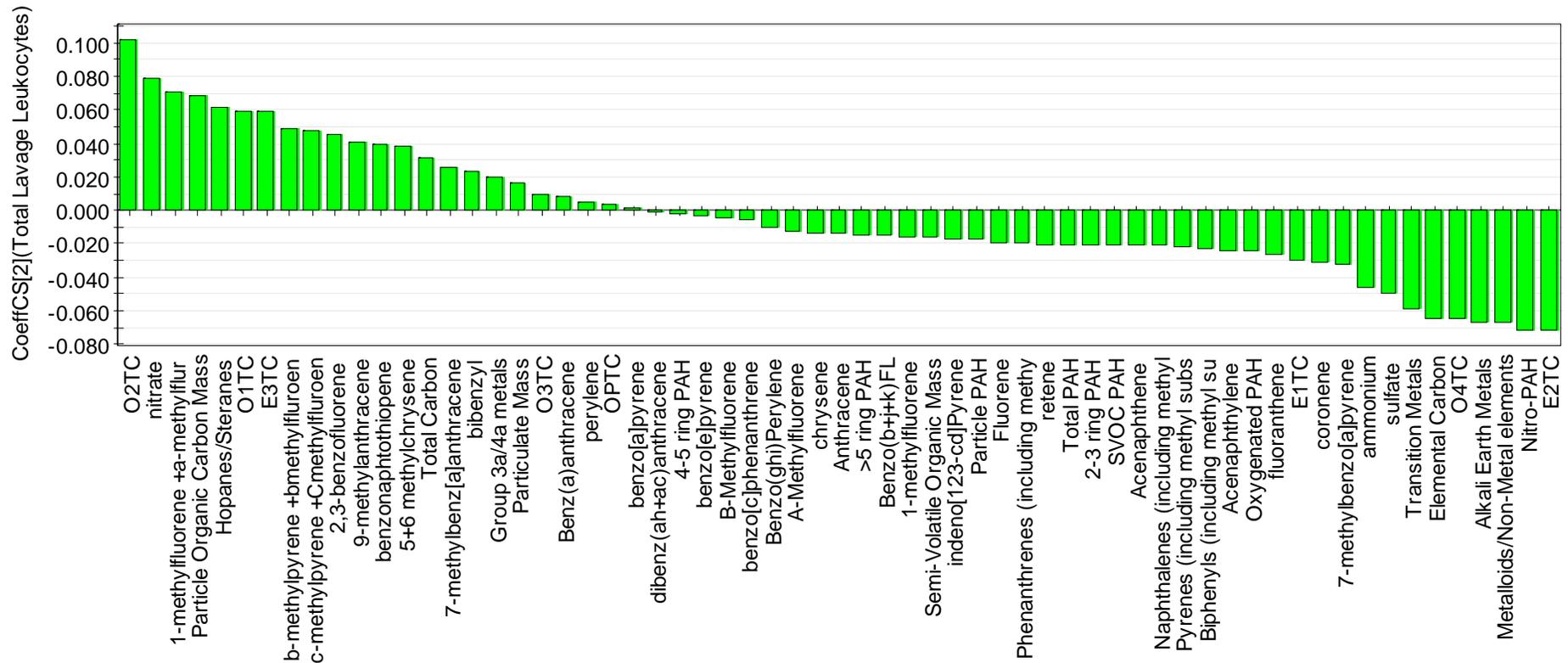
- 1. Inter-correlated composition variables**
- 2. Greater number of variables than samples**

**PLS can be used to develop predictions of effect from composition**

**Determines which, and number of, composition variables giving best prediction of the differences in toxicity**

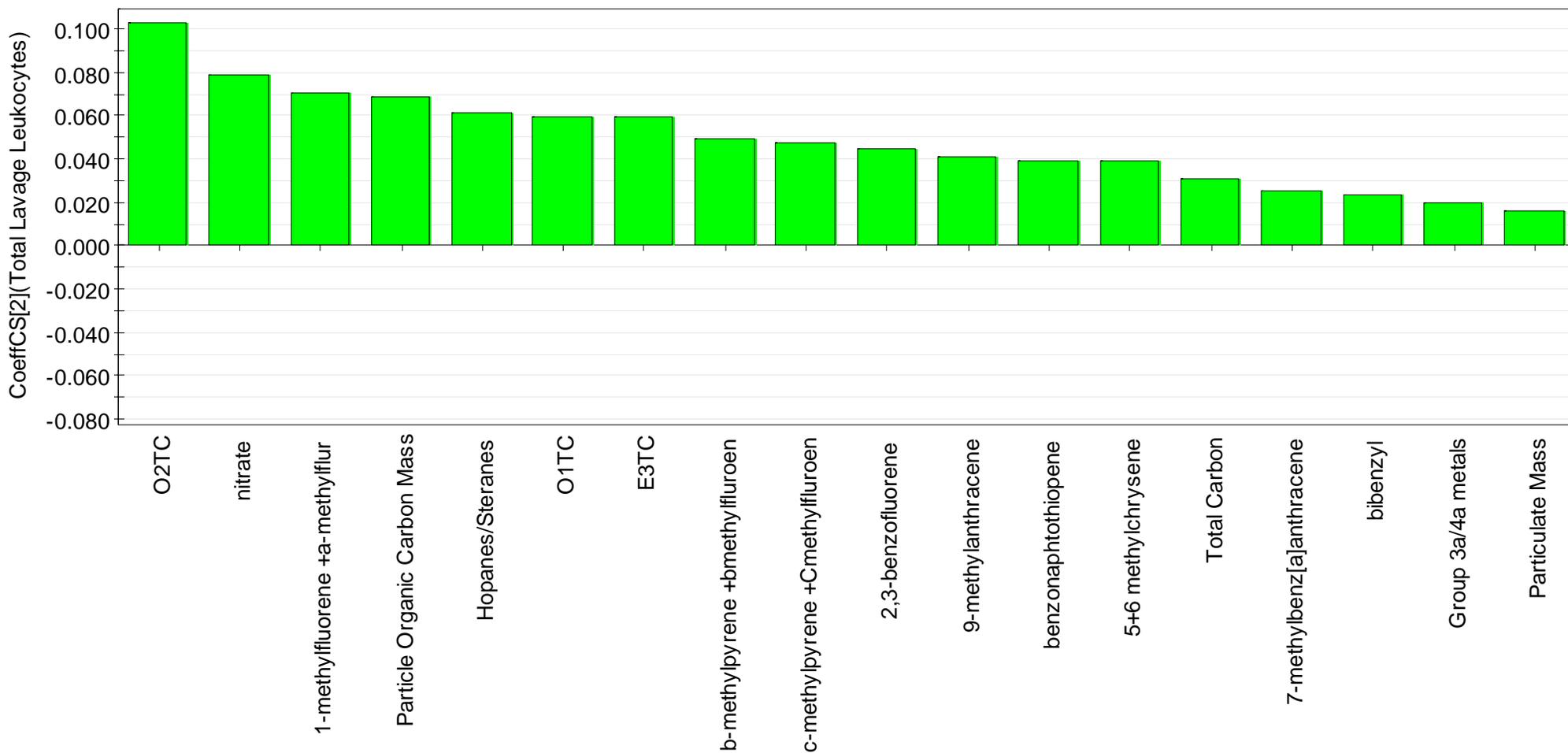
# RELATIVE ASSOCIATIONS BETWEEN PHYSICAL-CHEMICAL PROPERTIES AND INFLAMMATORY RESPONSE

E.g., total lung lavage inflammatory cells

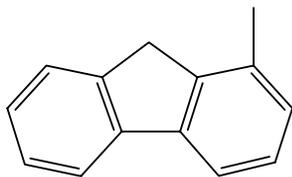


- Shows classes & compounds varying most strongly with toxicity
- Does not prove causality

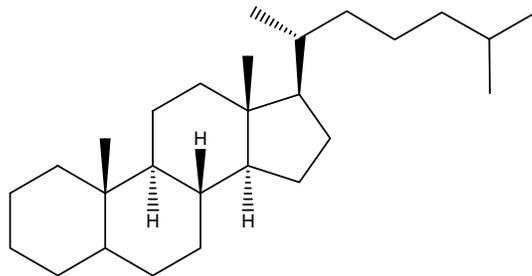
# TOP 18 PHYSICAL-CHEMICAL PROPERTIES TRACKING WITH INFLAMMATION



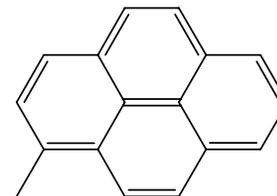
# ORGANIC SPECIES HAVING HIGHEST CORRELATION WITH INFLAMMATION



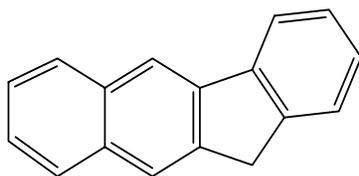
1-Methylfluorene  
mw. 216



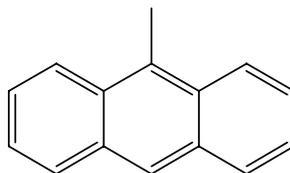
Representative Sterane  
m.w. 372



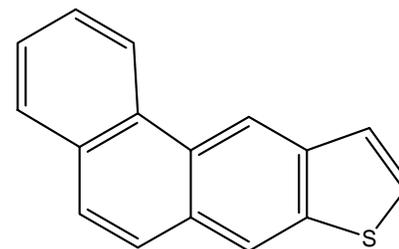
7-Methylpyrene  
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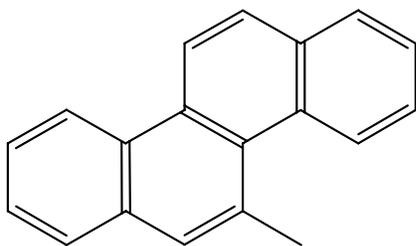
Benzofluorene  
mw. 220



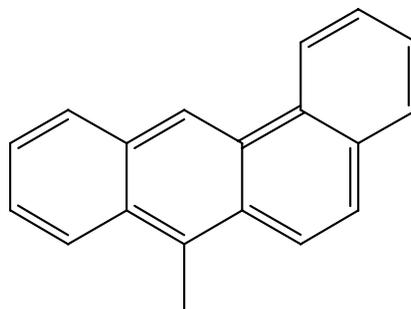
9-Methylanthracene  
m.w. 192



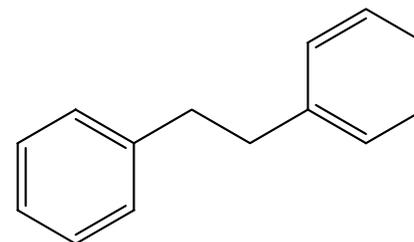
Benzonaphthothiophene  
m.w. 234



5-Methylchrysene  
m.w. 242



7-Methylbenz(a)anthracene  
m.w. 242



Bibenzyl  
m.w. 182

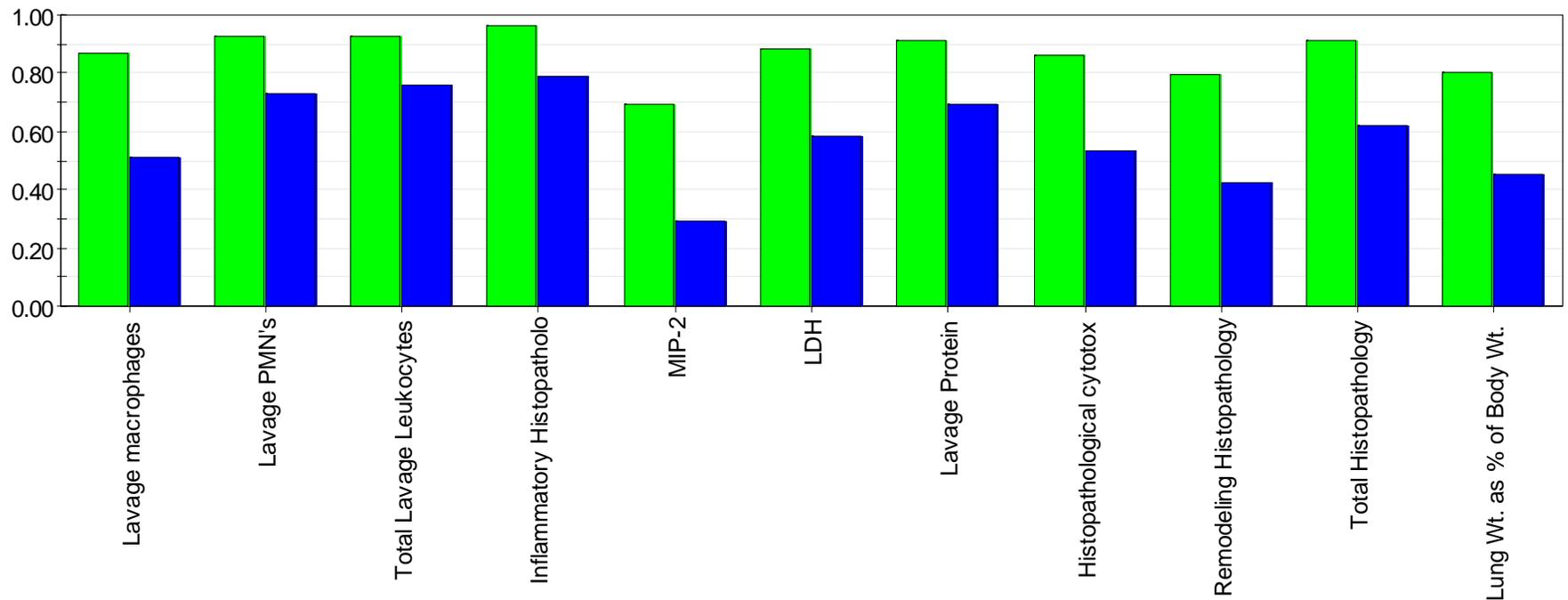
[SVOCs range  $\approx$  from naphthalene (MW 128) to benz(a)anthracene (MW 228)]

# QUALITY OF MODEL USING 63 COMPOSITION VARIABLES TO PREDICT EACH OF 11 LUNG TOXICITY PARAMETERS

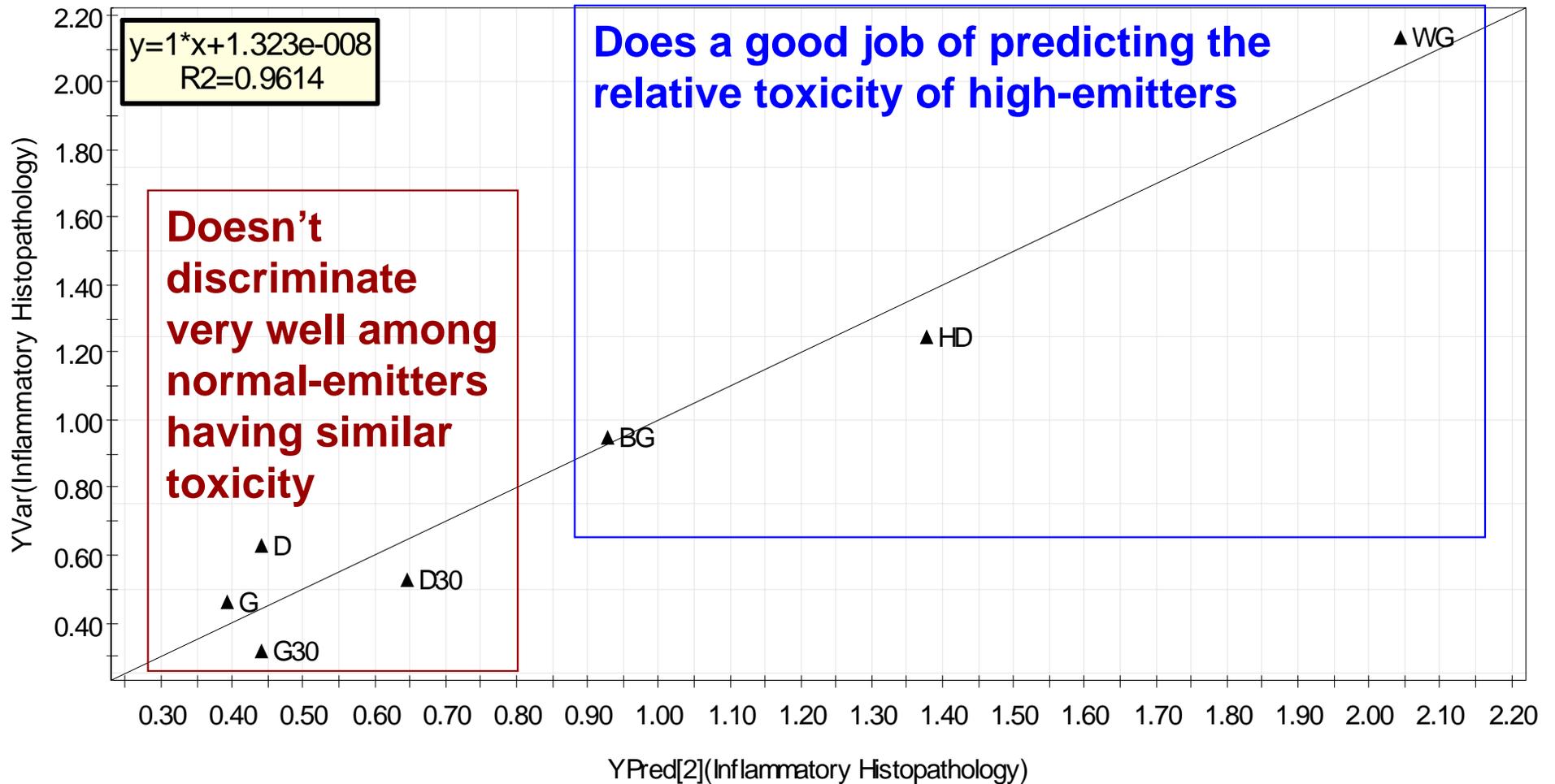
$R^2$  = goodness of fit  
 $Q^2$  = predictive ability

**Best fit**  
**Highest predictive ability**

 R2VY[2](cum)  
 Q2VY[2](cum)

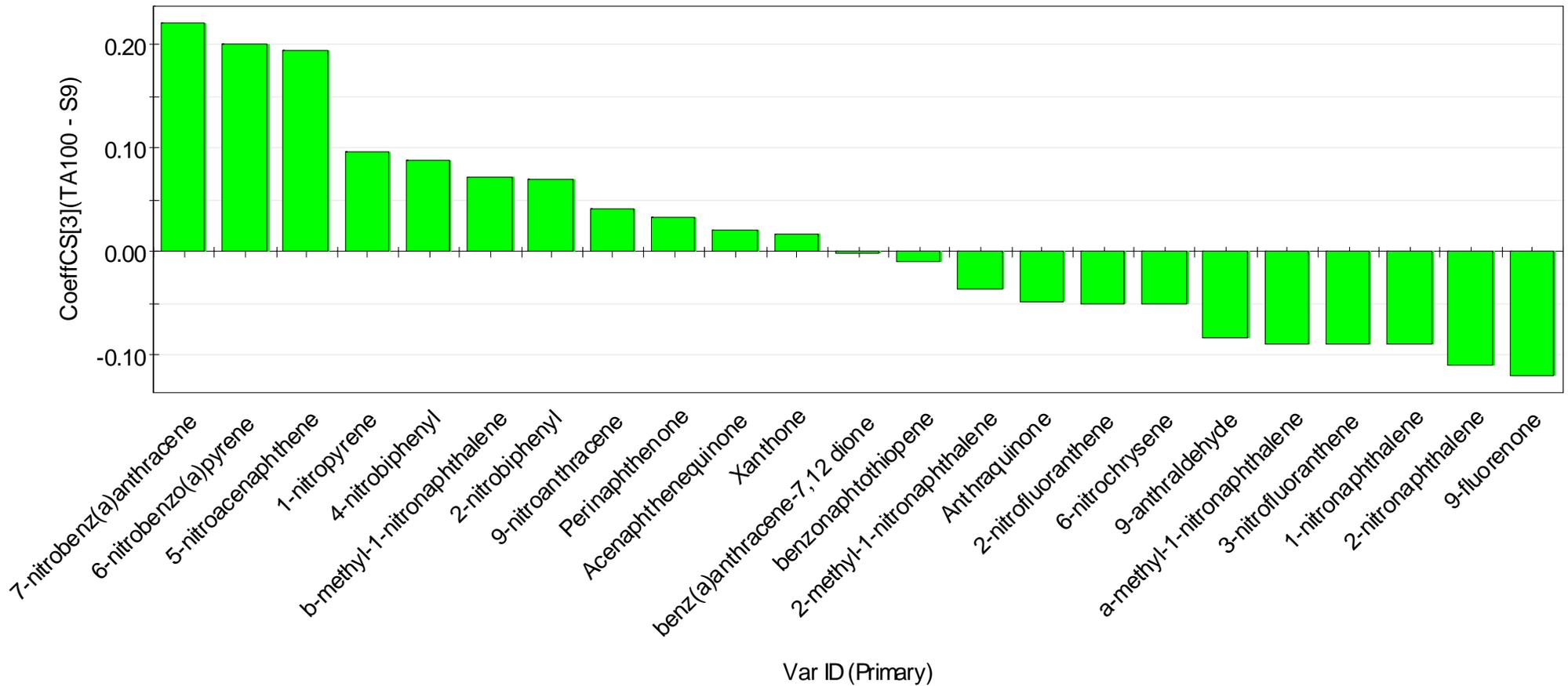


# OBSERVED vs PREDICTED RELATIVE HISTOPATHOLOGICAL EVIDENCE OF INFLAMMATION



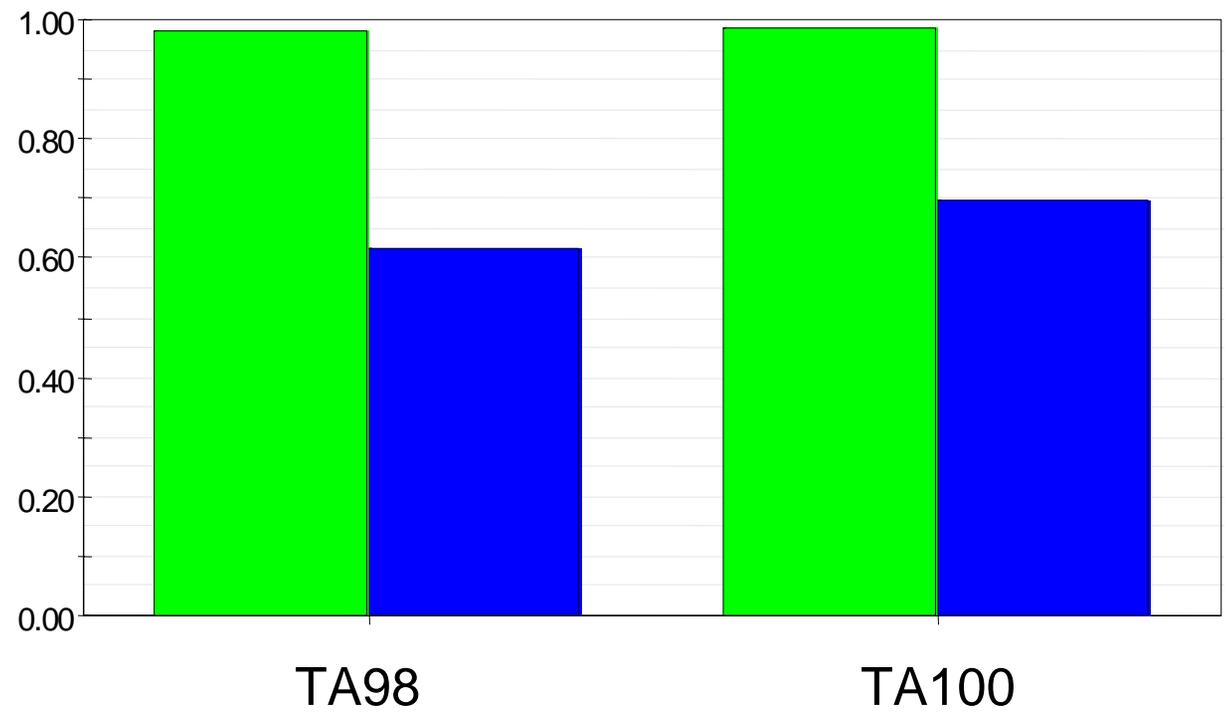
# RELATIVE ASSOCIATIONS BETWEEN PHYSICAL-CHEMICAL PROPERTIES AND MUTAGENICITY

E.g., TA100 –S9



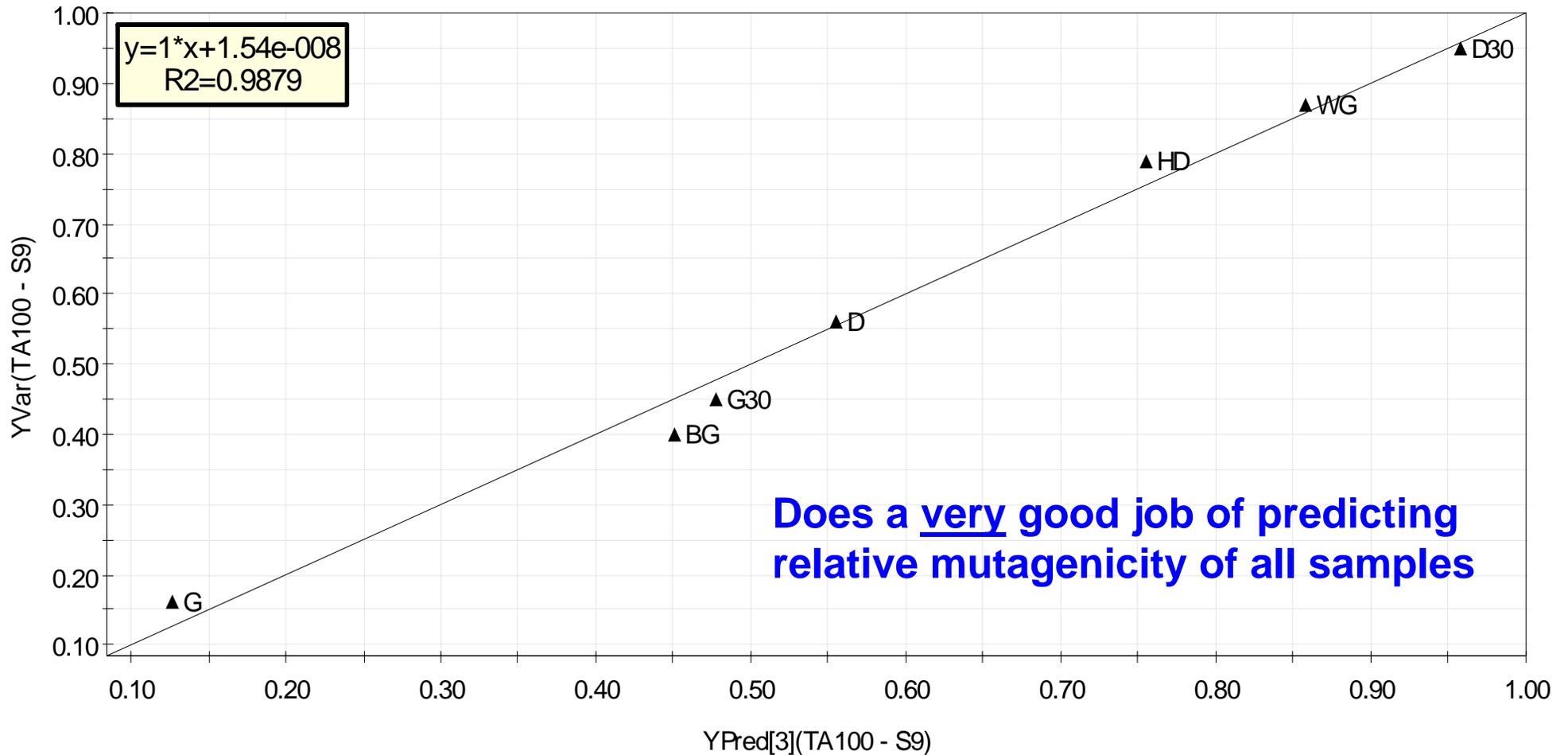
# QUALITY OF MODEL USING 23 NITRO- AND OXY-PAHs TO PREDICT MUTAGENICITY IN TA98 AND TA100

$R^2$  = goodness of fit  
 $Q^2$  = predictive ability

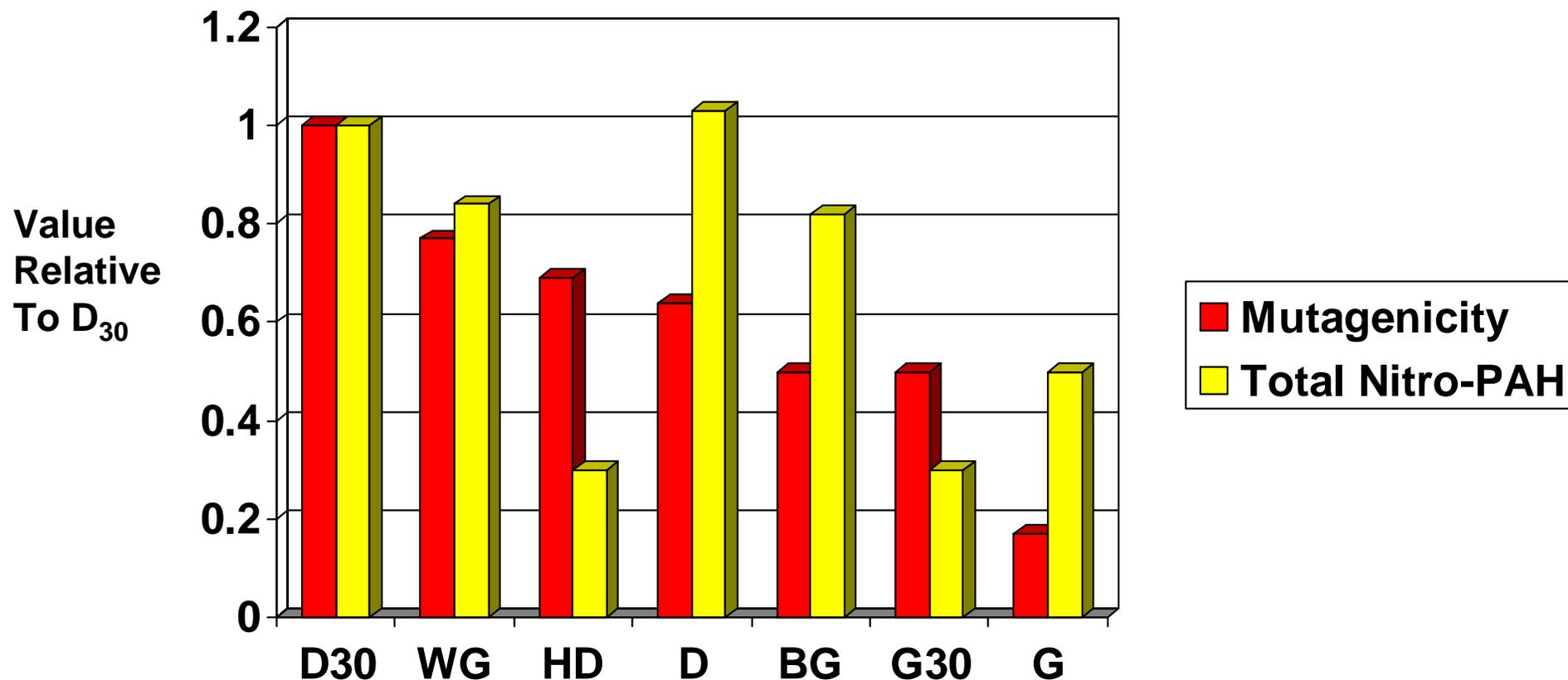


↑ **Best fit**  
**Highest predictive ability**

# OBSERVED vs PREDICTED RELATIVE MUTAGENICITY IN TA100



# MUTAGENICITY WAS RELATED TO SPECIFIC NITRO-PAHs



Top 8 compounds:

- 7-nitrobenz(a)anthracene
- 6-nitrobenzo(a)pyrene
- 5-nitrocenaphthene
- 1-nitropyrene

- 4-nitrobiphenyl
- b-methyl-1-nitronaphthalene
- 2-nitrobiphenyl
- 9-nitroanthracene

**Validates PCA/PLS approach against years of “bio-directed fractionation”**

## SO NOW WHAT?

Expand PCA/PLS analysis to more and different samples

The analysis is made more robust by increasing the number of samples and diversity of composition

See if composition-effect relationships hold for a broader range of engine emissions (and other air contaminants)

Confirm health significance of results using “doped” samples

Necessary to move from “association” to “cause”

Thereby gain confidence in predicting hazards of new technologies

**We're chuggin' right along!**

