

# Package: volcalc (via r-universe)

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calc_vol	<i>Calculate volatility estimate for a compound</i>
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## Description

Estimate relative volatility index value and category for specified compounds using group contribution methods.

## Usage

```
calc_vol(
  input,
  from = c("mol_path", "smiles"),
  method = c("meredith", "simpoll"),
  environment = c("clean", "polluted", "soil"),
  validate = TRUE,
  return_fx_groups = FALSE,
  return_calc_steps = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

input	A path to a .mol file or a SMILES string.
from	The form of input. Either "mol_path" (default) or "smiles".
method	The method for calculating estimated volatility. See <a href="#">simpoll()</a> for more details.
environment	The environment for calculating relative volatility categories. RVI thresholds for low, moderate, and high volatility are as follows: "clean" (clean atmosphere, default) -2, 0, 2; "polluted" (polluted atmosphere) 0, 2, 4; "soil" 4, 6, 8. For more information about these thresholds see Meredith et al. (2023) and Donahue et al. (2006).
validate	logical; if TRUE (default), results are checked for possible errors in parsing by Open Babel and NAs are returned if possible errors are found. Setting to FALSE bypasses these checks—use at your own risk! Validation is not available on Windows. See <b>Details</b> of <a href="#">get_fx_groups()</a> for more information.
return_fx_groups	When TRUE, the returned tibble includes functional group counts.
return_calc_steps	When TRUE, the returned tibble includes intermediate volatility calculations. See <b>Details</b> .

## Details

$\log_{10}C^*$  is used for the calculated relative volatility index (rvi).  $\log_{10}C^* = \log_{10}(PM/RT)$  where  $P$  is the estimated vapor pressure for the compound,  $M$  is molecular mass of the compound,  $R$  is the universal gas constant, and  $T$  is temperature (293.14K or 20°C). When `return_calc_steps = TRUE`, the log of estimated vapor pressure, `log10_P`, and  $\log_{10}(M/RT)$ , `log_alpha`, are also returned.

## Value

A tibble with relative volatility index (rvi) and volatility category (category).

## References

Donahue, N.M., Robinson, A.L., Stanier, C.O., Pandis, S.N., 2006. Coupled Partitioning, Dilution, and Chemical Aging of Semivolatile Organics. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 40, 2635–2643. doi:10.1021/es052297c

Meredith L, Ledford S, Riemer K, Geffre P, Graves K, Honeker L, LeBauer D, Tfaily M, Krechmer J. 2023. Automating methods for estimating metabolite volatility. *Frontiers in Microbiology*. doi:10.3389/fmicb.2023.1267234

## See Also

[get\\_fx\\_groups\(\)](#), [simpol1\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
mol_paths <- mol_example()
calc_vol(mol_paths)

# Return functional group counts from get_fx_groups()
calc_vol(mol_paths, return_fx_groups = TRUE)

# Return intermediate calculations
calc_vol(mol_paths, return_calc_steps = TRUE)
```

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get\_fx\_groups

*Count compound functional groups*

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## Description

Returns functional group counts relevant to calculating estimated volatility for specified compounds. Users will not typically interact with this function directly, but rather by using [calc\\_vol\(\)](#).

## Usage

```
get_fx_groups(compound_sdf, validate = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

compound_sdf	a <code>ChemmineR::SDFset</code> object returned by <code>ChemmineR::read.SDFset()</code> or <code>ChemmineR::smiles2sdf()</code> , for example.
validate	logical; if TRUE (default), results are checked for possible errors in parsing by Open Babel and NAs are returned if possible errors are found. Setting to FALSE bypasses these checks—use at your own risk! Validation is not available on Windows. See <b>Details</b> for more information.

## Details

It is unfortunately difficult to capture errors and warnings produced by the command line tool OpenBabel used by ChemmineOB, a dependency of volcalc. These errors and warnings are printed to the R console, but they are *not* R errors and do not stop code from running and producing potentially incorrect data. `validate = TRUE` checks the output of certain OpenBabel procedures for the *symptoms* of these errors, namely missing values for InChI and molecular formula. Unfortunately, since InChI generation is not available with the Windows version of ChemmineOB, this validation step cannot be performed on Windows and `validate = TRUE` will simply print a warning that can be silenced by setting `validate = FALSE`.

## Value

A tibble with columns of basic compound info and functional group counts.

## Note

This function currently does **not** capture the carbon number on the acid-side of amide, one of the functional groups used in SIMPOL.1. Contributions of SMARTS strings or other methods to capture this "functional group" are welcome.

## See Also

[calc\\_vol\(\)](#)

## Examples

```
mol_path <- mol_example()[1]
sdf <- ChemmineR::read.SDFset(mol_path)
get_fx_groups(sdf)
```

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get\_mol\_kegg

*Download compound .mol files from KEGG*

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## Description

Downloads mol files corresponding to individual compounds or compounds in a pathway from KEGG.

**Usage**

```
get_mol_kegg(compound_ids, pathway_ids, dir, force = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

compound_ids	Character vector of KEGG compound IDs—5 digits prepended with a "C".
pathway_ids	Character vector of KEGG pathway or pathway module IDs—5 digits prepended with "map" or "M", respectively.
dir	Path to a folder to save .mol files in. Folder will be created if it does not already exist.
force	Logical; by default (FALSE), .mol files will not be downloaded if they are found in dir. Set this to TRUE to download and overwrite existing files.

**Value**

A tibble with the columns `compound_ids`, `pathway_ids` (if used), and `mol_paths` (paths to downloaded .mol files).

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
get_mol_kegg(compound_ids = c("C16181", "C06074"), dir = tempdir())  
get_mol_kegg(pathway_ids = "map00253", dir = tempdir())  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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mol_example	<i>Example .mol files</i>
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**Description**

volcalc comes bundled with some example .mol files in its `inst/extdata` directory. This function provides easy access to them.

**Usage**

```
mol_example()
```

**Details**

File names are the KEGG identifiers. Compound names are as follows:

- C00031: D-Glucose
- C00157: Phosphatidylcholine
- C08491: (-)-Jasmonic acid
- C16181: beta-2,3,4,5,6-Pentachlorocyclohexanol
- C16286: Geosmin
- C16521: Isoprene

**Value**

File paths to installed example .mol files.

**Examples**

```
#return paths to all example .mol files
mol_example()

#examine the contents of a file
readLines(mol_example()[1])
```

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simpol1

*SIMPOL.1 method for calculating estimated volatility*


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**Description**

Implements the SIMPOL.1 group contribution method for predicting liquid vapor pressure of organic compounds as described in Pankow & Asher (2008) and a modified version described in Meredith et al. (2023). Users will not usually use this function directly, but rather through [calc\\_vol\(\)](#).

**Usage**

```
simpol1(fx_groups, meredith = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

fx_groups	A data.frame or tibble with counts of functional groups produced by <a href="#">get_fx_groups()</a> (or manually, with the same column names).
meredith	Logical; FALSE: use the original SIMPOL.1 method. TRUE: use the modified version in Meredith et al. (2023).

**Details**

The output includes a column for  $\log_{10} P$  where  $\log_{10} P_{L,i}^{\circ}(T) = \sum_k \nu_{k,i} b_k(T)$ , or the sum of the counts of functional groups ( $\nu_{k,i}$ ) times the coefficients for each functional group ( $b_k(T)$ ). Units are in  $\log_{10}$  atmospheres.

The modified method in Meredith et al. (2023) adds the following additional functional groups and coefficients:

- Phosphoric acid (-2.23)
- Phosphoric ester (-2.23)
- Sulfate (-2.23)
- Sulfonate (-2.23)
- Thiol (-2.23)
- Carbothioester (-1.20)

**Value**

The fx\_groups tibble with the additional log10\_P column.

**Note**

The method described in Pankow & Asher (2008) allows for calculations of logP at different temperatures. This implementation currently only calculates values at 20°C.

**References**

Meredith L, Ledford S, Riemer K, Geffre P, Graves K, Honeker L, LeBauer D, Tfaily M, Krechmer J. 2023. Automating methods for estimating metabolite volatility. *Frontiers in Microbiology*. doi:10.3389/fmicb.2023.1267234

Pankow, J.F., Asher, W.E. 2008. SIMPOL.1: a simple group contribution method for predicting vapor pressures and enthalpies of vaporization of multifunctional organic compounds. *Atmos. Chem. Phys.* doi:10.5194/acp827732008

**See Also**

[calc\\_vol\(\)](#)

**Examples**

```
mol_path <- mol_example()[3]
sdf <- ChemmineR::read.SDFset(mol_path)
fx_groups <- get_fx_groups(sdf)
simpoll(fx_groups)
```

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