

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### **Highly efficient and reversible SO<sub>2</sub> capture by halogenated carboxylate ionic liquids**

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## NMR and IR data of the typical carboxylate ILs

[P<sub>66614</sub>][C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub>COO]: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 0.83 (m, 15H, 5×CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.20-1.59 (m, 54H, 27×CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.11 (t, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>COO), 2.37 (m, 8H, 4×PCH<sub>2</sub>) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 14.0, 14.1, 14.2, 18.7, 19.2, 21.7, 21.8, 22.0, 22.4, 22.5, 22.7, 22.8, 27.2, 27.7, 28.4, 29.1, 29.2, 29.4, 29.6, 29.7, 30.5, 30.7, 30.8, 30.9, 31.0, 31.2, 31.3, 31.4, 32.0, 32.5, 39.6, 179.3 (C=O) ppm; IR: 2955, 2923, 2854, 1578, 1465, 1417, 1376, 1301, 1262, 1213, 1162, 1110, 984, 914, 891, 865, 809, 721 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

[P<sub>66614</sub>][2-BrC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>COO]: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 0.85 (m, 15H, 5×CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.23-1.47 (m, 54H, 27×CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.25 (m, 8H, 4×PCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.55 (t, 1H, -CHBrCOO) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 13.7, 13.8, 14.0, 17.2, 17.3, 17.7, 17.8, 20.5, 20.6, 21.2, 21.8, 21.9, 22.1, 22.3, 27.7, 28.1, 28.7, 29.0, 29.7, 29.8, 29.9, 30.1, 30.2, 30.4, 30.8, 31.3, 34.7, 50.3, 176.0 (C=O) ppm; IR: 2956, 2924, 2855, 1742, 1616, 1465, 1409, 1378, 1301, 1264, 1212, 1188, 1132, 1111, 1093, 1048, 989, 891, 862, 809, 720 cm<sup>-1</sup>

[P<sub>66614</sub>][6-ClC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>COO]: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 0.85 (m, 12H, 4×CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.23-1.51 (m, 54H, 27×CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.25 (m, 10H, 4×PCH<sub>2</sub>, -CH<sub>2</sub>COO), 3.95 (t, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>Cl) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 13.7, 13.8, 14.0, 17.2, 17.3, 17.7, 18.0, 20.5, 20.6, 21.2, 21.8, 21.9, 22.1, 24.0, 26.4, 28.1, 28.4, 28.7, 28.9, 29.0, 29.1, 29.7, 29.9, 30.1, 30.4, 30.8, 31.3, 33.3, 33.6, 43.4, 172.6 (C=O) ppm; IR: 2955, 2924, 2855, 1735, 1580, 1465, 1416, 1378, 1300, 1250, 1214, 1164, 1111, 1043, 988, 891, 862, 811, 721 cm<sup>-1</sup>

[P<sub>66614</sub>][6-BrC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>COO]: <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 0.85 (m, 12H, 4×CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.24-1.49 (m, 54H, 27×CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.26 (m, 10H, 4×PCH<sub>2</sub>, -CH<sub>2</sub>COO), 3.32 (t, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>Br) ppm; <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): 13.7, 13.8, 14.0, 17.2, 17.3, 17.7, 17.8, 20.5, 20.6, 21.2, 21.8, 21.9, 22.1, 24.0, 27.8, 28.1, 28.7, 28.9, 29.0, 29.1, 29.7, 29.8, 29.9, 30.1, 30.4, 30.8, 31.3, 32.2, 33.3, 33.5, 174.5(C=O) ppm; IR: 2955, 2924, 2855, 1734, 1579, 1465, 1415, 1378, 1300, 1250, 1214, 1166, 1111, 1044, 988, 891, 862, 811, 720 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

**Table S1.** Physical properties of carboxylate ILs for SO<sub>2</sub> capture.<sup>a</sup>

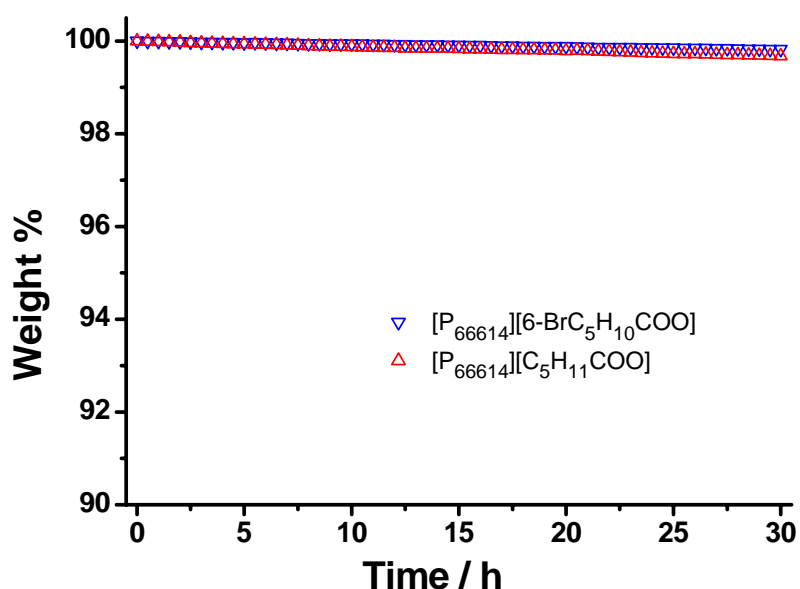
Ionic liquid	d / g cm <sup>-3</sup>	η / cP	T <sub>m</sub> / °C	T <sub>dec</sub> / °C
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> COO]	0.9072	108.0	-68	240
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][6-BrC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	0.9664	293.5	-63	279
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][2-BrC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	0.9642	493.0	-64	305
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][6-ClC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	0.9228	187.6	-62	277

<sup>a</sup> d is the density and η is the viscosity measured at 25°C. T<sub>m</sub> is the melting point measured from DSC. T<sub>dec</sub> is the decomposition temperature corresponding to a 10% mass loss measured using TGA.

**Table S2.** The effect of water constituent on SO<sub>2</sub> capture by acylamino-based ILs.<sup>a</sup>

Ionic liquid	Water loading <sup>b</sup> (mole/mole IL)	SO <sub>2</sub> dry (mole/mole IL)	SO <sub>2</sub> wet <sup>b,c</sup> (mole/mole IL)
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> COO]	1.76	3.82	3.28
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][6-BrC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	2.20	4.34	4.20
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][2-BrC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	1.64	3.97	3.83
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][6-ClC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	1.99	4.28	4.11

<sup>a</sup> Performed at 20 °C and 1 bar for 30 min. <sup>b</sup> Relative humidity is 100%. <sup>c</sup> Does not include mass of loaded water.

**Fig. S1** The thermal stability of [P<sub>66614</sub>][6-BrC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>COO] and [P<sub>66614</sub>][C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub>COO] as a function of time under typical desorption condition (120 °C, 1.0 bar, 60 ml min<sup>-1</sup> N<sub>2</sub>) for 30 h.<sup>1</sup>

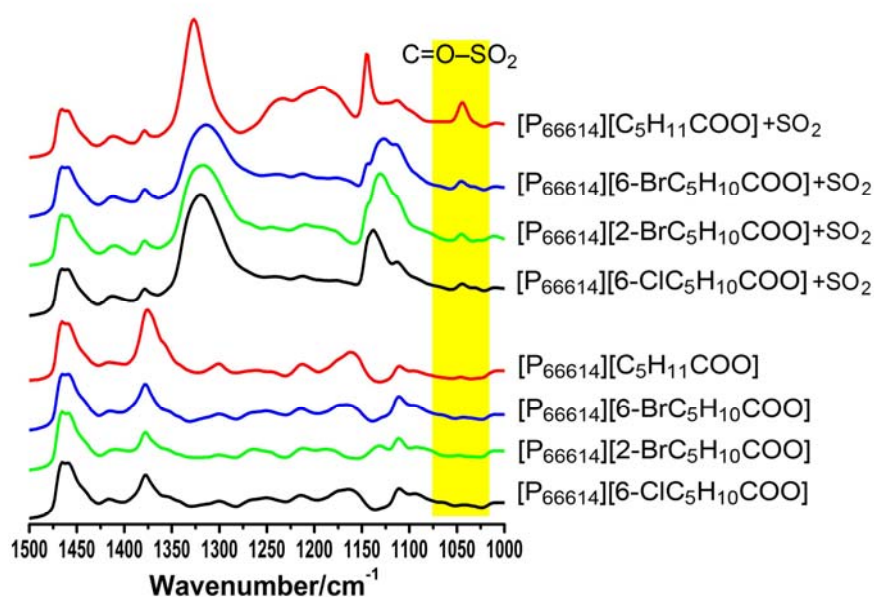
**Table S3.** The comparison of SO<sub>2</sub> absorption by anion-functionalized ILs.

ILs <sup>a</sup>	Temperature/°C		Available SO <sub>2</sub> absorption at 1 atm <sup>c</sup>	Reference
	Absorption	Desorption <sup>b</sup>		
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][6-BrC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	20	120	4.34	This Work
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][4-Br-PhCOO]	20	120	4.12	Wang <sup>2</sup>
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][BrCH <sub>2</sub> COO]	20	120	3.89	Wang <sup>2</sup>
[P <sub>66614</sub> ][Tetz]	20	80	3.72	Wang <sup>3</sup>
[Emim][SCN]	20	80	2.99	Wang <sup>4</sup>
[K(TX-7)][SCN]	20	80	3.96	Wang <sup>5</sup>
[Bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ]	20	20 <sup>e</sup>	1.50	Riisager <sup>6</sup>
[Bmim][Tf <sub>2</sub> N]	20	20 <sup>e</sup>	1.33	Riisager <sup>6</sup>
[TMGBu <sub>2</sub> ][Tf <sub>2</sub> N]	20	20 <sup>e</sup>	1.52	Riisager <sup>6</sup>
[TMG][L]	40 <sup>d</sup>	100	1.34	Han <sup>7</sup> , Kim <sup>8</sup>
[TMG][PhO]	20	100 <sup>e</sup>	1.78	Zhang <sup>9</sup>
[TMG][TE]	20	100 <sup>e</sup>	2.93	Zhang <sup>9</sup>
[E <sub>1</sub> mim][MeSO <sub>3</sub> ]	30	100	2.30	Kim <sup>8</sup>
[Bmim][MeSO <sub>4</sub> ]	50	130 <sup>f</sup>	0.98	Jung <sup>10</sup>
[Bmim][CH <sub>3</sub> COO]	25	130 <sup>f</sup>	1.31	Shiflett <sup>11</sup> , Jung <sup>10</sup>

<sup>a</sup>[P<sub>66614</sub>][6-BrC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>COO], trihexyl(tetradecyl)phosphonium 6-bromo-*n*-hexanoate;  
[P<sub>66614</sub>][BrCH<sub>2</sub>COO], trihexyl(tetradecyl)phosphonium bromoacetate;  
[P<sub>66614</sub>][4-Br-PhCOO], trihexyl(tetradecyl)phosphonium 4-bromobenzoate;  
[P<sub>66614</sub>][Tetz], trihexyl(tetradecyl)phosphonium tetrazolate;  
[Emim][SCN], 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium thiocyanate;  
[K(TX-7)][SCN], 4-nonylphenyl-polyethylene glycol potassium thiocyanate;  
[Bmim][BF<sub>4</sub>], 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate;  
[Bmim][Tf<sub>2</sub>N], 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium bis(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)imide;  
[TMGBu<sub>2</sub>][Tf<sub>2</sub>N], tetramethyldibutylguanidium bis(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)imide;  
[TMG][L], 1,1,3,3-tetramethylguanidium lactate;  
[TMG][PhO], 1,1,3,3-tetramethylguanidium phenolate;  
[TMG][TE], 1,1,3,3-tetramethylguanidium trifluoroethylate;  
[E<sub>1</sub>mim][MeSO<sub>3</sub>], 1-ethylene glycol monomethyl ether-3-methylimidazolium methanesulfonate;  
[Bmim][MeSO<sub>4</sub>], 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium methylsulfate;  
[Bmim][CH<sub>3</sub>COO], 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium acetate.

**Table S4.** The halogen group in anion-functionalized ILs on SO<sub>2</sub> absorption enthalpies of anion-SO<sub>2</sub> complexes.

Anion	The absorption enthalpy (kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> )		
	$\Delta H_1$ (CO $\cdots$ S)	$\Delta H_2$ (CO $\cdots$ S)	$\Delta H_3$ (X $\cdots$ S)
[6-BrC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	-102.0	-60.17	-13.8
[6-ClC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	-101.7	-59.3	-9.4
[2-BrC <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub> COO]	-88.3	-56.2	-28.3
[C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> COO]	-102.6	-60.18	-



**Fig. S2** The FT-IR spectra of [P<sub>66614</sub>][C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub>COO], [P<sub>66614</sub>][6-BrC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>COO], [P<sub>66614</sub>][2-BrC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>COO], and [P<sub>66614</sub>][6-ClC<sub>5</sub>H<sub>10</sub>COO] after the absorption of SO<sub>2</sub> at 20 °C and 1 bar to show the CO $\cdots$ SO<sub>2</sub> interactions clearly.

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