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Mixtures of 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium Acetate Ionic Liquid with Different Inorganic Salts: Insights into their Interactions.

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Position	x[NH <sub>4</sub> ][Ac]						
1 05111011	0	0.0520	0.1000	0.1688	0.2466	0.3302	0.4346
2	10.214	10.131	10.073	9.991	9.895	9.762	9.657
4	8.114	8.062	8.024	7.972	7.913	7.833	7.774
5	7.939	7.894	7.863	7.819	7.770	7.702	7.653
6	3.627	3.619	3.610	3.600	3.597	3.587	3.593
7	3.902	3.901	3.896	3.891	3.893	3.889	3.900
8	0.891	0.900	0.903	0.909	0.928	0.946	0.984
10/10'	1.128	1.143	1.147	1.155	1.176	1.193	1.225
11	-	-	-	8.140	8.248	8.039	8.080
Position	x[NH <sub>4</sub> ]Cl						
	0	0.0492	0.0988	0.1688	0.2479	0.3250	-
2	10.214	10.094	10.016	9.874	9.705	9.534	-
4	8.114	8.044	8.011	7.940	7.851	7.757	-
5	7.939	7.876	7.848	7.786	7.706	7.621	-
6	3.627	3.598	3.597	3.578	3.552	3.526	-
7	3.902	3.879	3.882	3.868	3.847	3.827	-
8	0.891	0.873	0.880	0.875	0.866	0.862	-
10	1.128	1.110	1.115	1.106	1.092	1.086	-
11	-	-	8.209	8.190	8.147	8.072	-
Position	x[NH <sub>4</sub> ][SCN]						
1 05111011	0	0.0494	0.0995	0.1610	0.2490	0.3298	-
2	10.214	10.103	9.967	9.784	9.478	9.166	-
4	8.114	8.028	7.928	7.804	7.628	7.484	-
5	7.939	7.866	7.781	7.676	7.526	7.398	-
6	3.627	3.611	3.588	3.567	3.543	3.526	-
7	3.902	3.891	3.872	3.857	3.841	3.830	-
8	0.891	0.902	0.906	0.919	0.946	0.973	-
10	1.128	1.144	1.152	1.167	1.191	1.214	-
11	-	8.525	8.447	8.339	8.204	7.996	-
Position	<i>x</i> [NH <sub>4</sub> ][EtSO <sub>3</sub> ]						
	0	0.0503	0.1002	0.1702	0.2481	-	-
2	10.214	10.084	9.955	9.765	9.541	-	-
4	8.114	8.033	7.957	7.851	7.738	-	-
5	7.939	7.868	7.802	7.711	7.612	-	-
6	3.627	3.608	3.592	3.567	3.547	-	-
7	3.902	3.890	3.880	3.861	3.847	-	-
8	0.891	0.894	0.898	0.899	0.911	-	-
10	1.128	1.137	1.145	1.147	1.156	-	-
11	-	8.284	8.306	8.197	8.080	-	-
12	-	2.000	2.008	2.016	2.035	-	-
13	-	0.526	0.534	0.540	0.555	-	-
Position	xNa[Ac]			xNa[SCN]			
	0	0.0493	0.1017	0.1406	0.0495	-	-
2	10.214	10.162	10.110	10.075	10.098	-	-
4	8.114	8.086	8.061	8.045	8.031	-	-
5	7.939	7.916	7.896	7.884	7.868	-	-
6	3.627	3.626	3.622	3.621	3.613	-	-
7	3.902	3.909	3.912	3.915	3.897	-	-
8	0.891	0.898	0.898	0.900	0.898	-	-
10/10'	1.128	1.136	1.133	1.132	1.138	-	-

**Table S1.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR chemical shifts for the  $[C_2MIM][Ac]$ + IS systems at 298.15 K.



Figure S1. Effect of  $[NH_4][Ac]$  concentration on the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $[C_2MIM][Ac]$  at 298.15 K.



**Figure S2**. Effect of [NH<sub>4</sub>]Cl concentration on the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of [C<sub>2</sub>MIM][Ac] at 298.15 K.



Figure S3. Effect of  $[NH_4][EtSO_3]$  concentration on the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $[C_2MIM][Ac]$  at 298.15 K.



Figure S4. Effect of  $[NH_4][SCN]$  concentration on the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $[C_2MIM][Ac]$  at 298.15 K.



**Figure S5**. Effect of Na[SCN] and Na[Ac] concentration on the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of [C<sub>2</sub>MIM][Ac] at 298.15 K.



**Figure S6**. Raman spectrum of  $[C_2MIM][Ac]$  measured with 1064 nm excitation at 298.15 K;  $[Ac]^-$  vibrational modes are designated with asterisk ( $v_{O-C=O}$  in green and  $v_{C-COO}$  in red). Inset: The influence of  $[NH_4][SCN]$  with molar faction,  $x_{IS}$ , of 0.05 (red), 0.10 (blue), 0.17 (green), 0.25 (gray) and 0.33 (magenta) on frequency and bandwidth of  $v_{O-C=O}$  (left) and  $v_{C-COO}$  (right).

**Table S2.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR self-diffusion coefficients of the different ions (*D*, in  $10^{-11} \cdot m^2 \cdot s^{-1}$ ) in the [C<sub>2</sub>MIM][Ac]+ IS systems at 323.15 K.

	$D_{\mathrm{II}}$ +	D11 <sup>-</sup>	$D_{IS}^+$	$D_{1S}$			
$x_{\rm IS}$ -	$\frac{110^{-1} \times 10^{-1}}{[C_2 MIM][Ac] + [NH_4][Ac]}$						
0	4.42	3.84	-	3.84			
0.0520	4.45	3.54	-	3.54			
0.1000	4.09	3.01	-	3.01			
0.1688	3.54	2.35	3.90	2.35			
0.2466	3.09	1.88	3.21	1.88			
0.3302	2.69	1.52	-	1.52			
0.4361	1.93	1.03	1.69	1.03			
	$[C_2MIM][Ac] + [NH_4]Cl$						
0	4.42	3.84	-	-			
0.0492	4.13	3.30	-	-			
0.0988	3.56	2.64	-	-			
0.1688	2.75	1.83	-	-			
0.2479	2.02	1.22	2.03	-			
0.3250	1.42	0.82	1.31	-			
$[C_2MIM][Ac] + [NH_4][SCN]$							
0	4.42	3.84	-	-			
0.0494	4.52	3.58	4.72	-			
0.0995	4.43	3.19	5.04	-			
0.1610	4.42	2.80	5.05	-			
0.2490	4.52	2.45	4.83	-			
0.3290	4.81	2.27	4.75	-			
$[C_2MIM][Ac] + [NH_4][EtSO_3]$							
0	4.42	3.84	-	-			
0.0503	4.26	3.36	-	3.13			
0.1002	3.89	2.84	4.33	2.77			
0.1702	3.30	2.10	3.61	2.21			
0.2481	2.74	1.56	2.54	1.73			
$[C_2MIM][Ac] + Na[Ac]$							
0	4.42	3.84	-	-			
0.0493	3.93	3.14	-	3.14			
0.1017	3.43	2.58	-	2.58			
0.1406	3.03	2.16	-	2.16			
$[C_2MIM][Ac] + Na[SCN]$							
0	4.42	3.84	-	-			
0.0495	4.23	3.41	-	-			



**Figure S7**. Ion self-diffusion coefficients plotted against  $k_{\rm B}T/\pi\eta$  in the [C<sub>2</sub>MIM][Ac] + IS systems at 323.15 K. Panel a) represents the cations of the system [C<sub>2</sub>MIM]<sup>+</sup> (•) and [NH<sub>4</sub>]<sup>+</sup> ( $\blacktriangle$ ) whereas panel b) represents the anions [Ac]<sup>-</sup> ( $\blacksquare$ ) and [EtSO<sub>3</sub>]<sup>-</sup> ( $\bigtriangledown$ ).



**Figure S8**. <sup>1</sup>H NMR relative self-diffusion coefficients for the different ions in the  $[C_2MIM][Ac] + IS$  systems at 323.15 K. Each panel represents a different IS: a)  $[NH_4][Ac]$ ; b)  $[NH_4]Cl$ ; c)  $[NH_4][EtSO_3]$ ; d)  $[NH_4][SCN]$ ; e) Na[Ac] and f) Na[SCN];

**Table S3.** Electronic energies, SP and ZPVE, as well as the final energy (sum of SP andZPVE), *E*, for the optimized structures of the pure IL and ISs.

Compound	SP / KJ·mol <sup>-1</sup>	ZPVE / KJ·mol <sup>-1</sup>	$E / \text{KJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$
[C <sub>2</sub> MIM][Ac]	-1500984	577	-1500407
[NH <sub>4</sub> ][Ac]	-748152	259	-747893
[NH <sub>4</sub> ]Cl	-1356605	130	-1356475
[NH <sub>4</sub> ][SCN]	-1436975	154	-1436821
[NH <sub>4</sub> ][EtSO <sub>3</sub> ]	-1992313	339	-1991974
Na[Ac]	-1023702	131	-1023571
Na[SCN]	-1712557	25	-1712532

**Table S4.** Electronic energies, SP and ZPVE, as well as the final energy of the cluster (sum of SP and ZPVE),  $E_{\text{cluster}}$ , for the optimized structures of the IL + IS systems.

System	Conformation	SP / KJ·mol <sup>-1</sup>	ZPVE / KJ·mol <sup>-1</sup>	$E_{\text{cluster}} / \text{KJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$
	1	-2249198	839	-2248359
	2	-2249183	840	-2248343
	3	-2249204	840	-2248364
	4	-2249196	843	-2248353
	5	-2249174	841	-2248333
	6	-2249174	839	-2248335
	1	-2857664	710	-2856954
	2	-2857648	708	-2856940
	3	-2857662	710	-2856952
	4	-2857659	712	-2856947
[C <sub>2</sub> MIM][Ac]	1	-2938041	734	-2937307
+	2	-2938048	737	-2937311
[NH <sub>4</sub> ][SCN]	3	-2938043	734	-2937309
$[C_2MIM][Ac]$	1	-3493379	918	-3492461
+	2	-3493370	919	-3492451
[NH <sub>4</sub> ][EtSO <sub>3</sub> ]	3	-3493381	921	-3492460
[C <sub>2</sub> MIM][Ac]	1	-2524703	711	-2523992
+	2	-2524719	712	-2524007
Na[Ac]	3	-2524736	716	-2524020
$[C_2MIM][Ac]$	1	-3213595	608	-3212987
+	2	-3213597	609	-3212988
Na[SCN]	3	-3213587	606	-3212981



**Figure S9.** Conformations drawn for the system  $[C_2MIM][Ac] + [NH_4][Ac]$ . a) Initial conformation. b) Final conformation in ethanol.



**Figure S10.** Conformations drawn for the system  $[C_2MIM][Ac] + [NH_4][Cl]$ . a) Initial conformation. b) Final conformation in ethanol.



**Figure S11.** Conformations drawn for the system  $[C_2MIM][Ac] + [NH_4][SCN]$ . a) Initial conformation. b) Final conformation in ethanol.



**Figure S12.** Conformations drawn for the system  $[C_2MIM][Ac] + [NH_4][EtSO_3]$ . a) Initial conformation. b) Final conformation in ethanol.



**Figure S13.** Conformations drawn for the system  $[C_2MIM][Ac] + [Na][Ac]$ . a) Initial conformation. b) Final conformation in ethanol.



**Figure S14.** Conformations drawn for the system  $[C_2MIM][Ac] + [Na][SCN]$ . a) Initial conformation. b) Final conformation in ethanol.



Figure S15. Binding energies for the different conformations of all IL + IS systems studied.