

## Dissolved chloride markedly changes the nanostructure of the protic ionic liquids propylammonium and ethanolammonium nitrate - Supporting Information

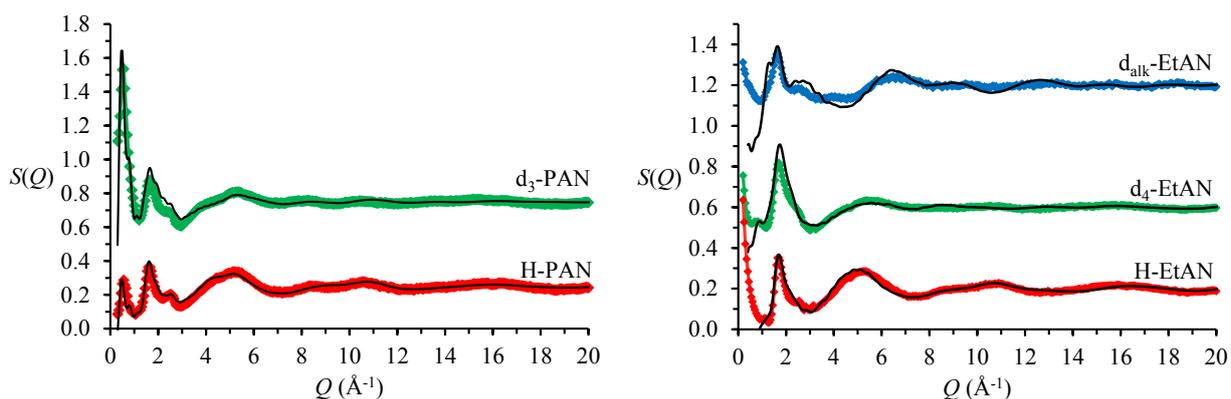
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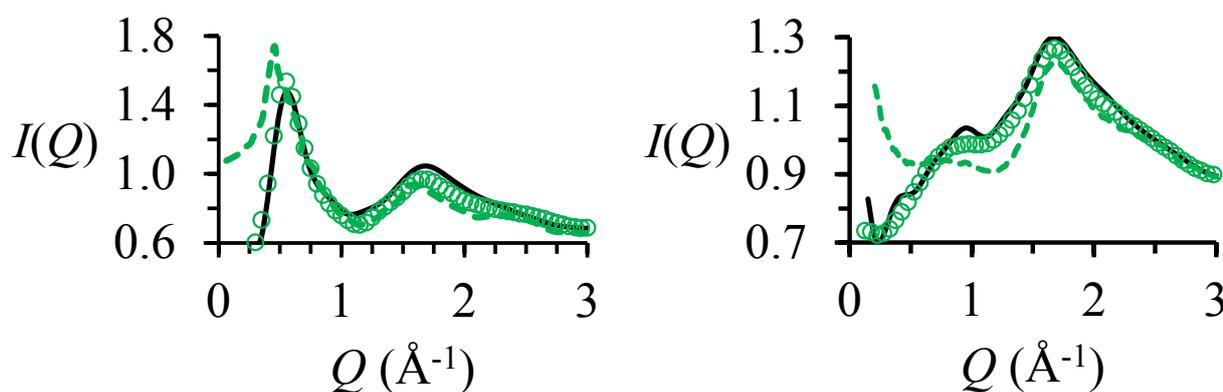
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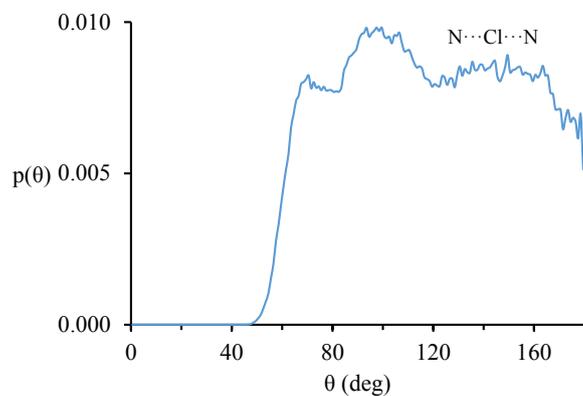
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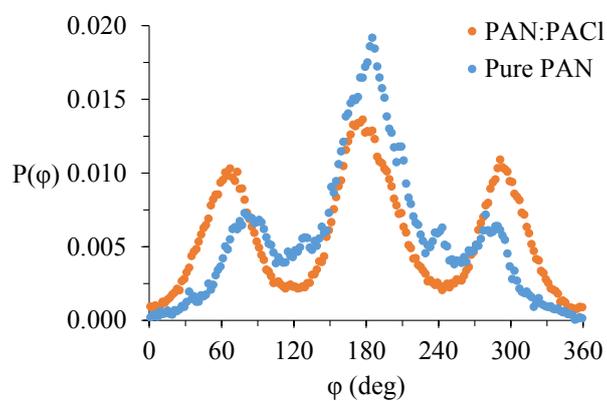
**Figure S1.** Measured (coloured diamonds) and EPSR fits (black lines) for pure propylammonium nitrate, PAN, (left) and pure ethanolammonium nitrate, EtAN, (right).



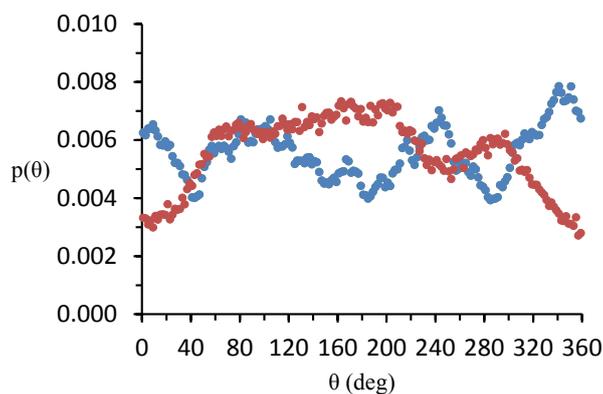
**Figure S2.** Expanded view of the low  $Q$  region (0 – 3 Å) for the  $d_3$ -PAN:PACl contrast (left) and  $d_4$ -EtAN:EtACl contrast (right). Open circles give the measured diffraction data, Solid lines give the EPSR fits and dashed lines give the diffraction data for the respective pure ILs.



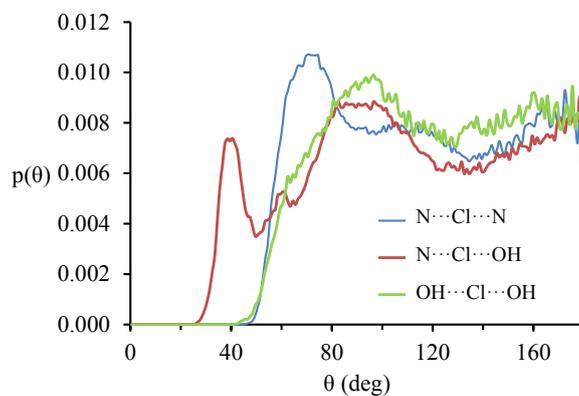
**Figure S3.** Normalized angle probability distribution ( $p(\theta)$ ) for  $N\cdots Cl\cdots N$  triplets. The separation between N and Cl atoms were constrained to only consider atoms within distances closer than the first local minimum in the corresponding  $N\cdots Cl$   $g_{ij}(r)$  data.



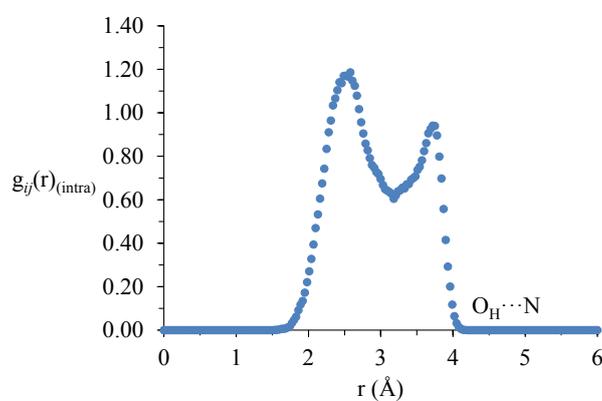
**Figure S4.** Dihedral angle distributions for the propylammonium cation (considering rotation about the  $C_E-C_P$  bond) for cations in a 15 mol% PAN:PACl mixture (blue data) and pure PAN (red data)



**Figure S5.** Dihedral angle distributions for the ethanolammonium cation (considering rotation about the  $C_1-C_2$  bond) for cations in a 15 mol% EtAN:EtACl mixture (blue data) and pure EtAN (red data)



**Figure S6.** Normalized angle probability distribution ( $p(\theta)$ ) for atom cation-chloride-cation atom triplets involving the cation hydroxyl (OH) and ammonium (N) groups. The atom-atom separations were constrained to only consider atoms within distances lower than the first local minima in the corresponding  $g_{ij}(r)$  data.



**Figure S7.** Intramolecular  $g_{ij}(r)$  function for the hydroxyl O atom and ammonium N atom correlation for ethanolammonium cations in a 15 mol% EtACl in EtAN mixture.