

Supplementary Information

Ionic liquid-based materials: a platform to design engineered CO₂ separation membranes

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List of Abbreviations

AA	Amino Acid
AAILs	Amino Acid-based Ionic Liquids
AMP	2-amino-2-methyl-1-propanol
CCS	Carbon Capture and Storage
DEA	Diethanolamine
DMPEG	Copolymer of polyethylene glycol mono and dimethacrylates
DOE	Department of Energy
FTIR	Infrared Spectroscopy
GHGs	Greenhouse Gases
IEA	International Energy Agency
ILs	Ionic Liquids
Im-PEKs	imidazolium functionalized poly(ether ketone)s
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
MDEA	Methyldiethanolamine
MEA	Monoethanolamine
MMD	Membrane Material Design
MMMs	Mixed Matrix Membranes
MOFs	Metal Organic Frameworks
MSE	Membrane Systems Engineering
NETL	National Energy Technology Laboratory
NMR	Nuclear Magnetic Resonance
PBI	Polybenzimidazole
PEG	Poly(ethylene glycol)
PES	Polyethersulfone
PI	Polyimide
PILs	Poly(ionic liquid)s
PLM	Polarized Light Microscopy
PPO	Poly(2,6-dimethyl-1,4-phenylene oxide)
PS-PIL-PS	Poly(styrene-b-1-[(2-acryloyloxy)ethyl]-3-butylimidazolium bis(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)-imide-b-styrene)
PVC	Poly(vinyl chloride)
PVDF-HFP	Poly(vinylidene fluoride-hexafluoropropyl) copolymer
RH	Relative Humidity

SEM	Scanning Electron Microscopy
SILMs	Supported ionic liquid membranes
SMS	Poly(styrene- <i>b</i> -methyl methacrylate- <i>b</i> -styrene)
SOS	Poly(styrene- <i>b</i> -ethylene oxide- <i>b</i> -styrene)
Syngas	Synthesis gas
UV	Ultraviolet
CO ₂	Carbon Dioxide
N ₂	Nitrogen
H ₂	Hydrogen
CH ₄	Methane
H ₂ O	Water
O ₂	Oxygen
CO	Carbon Monoxide
SO _x	Sulphur Oxides
H ₂ S	Hydrogen Sulfide
<i>P</i>	Permeability
<i>D</i>	Diffusivity
<i>S</i>	Solubility
<i>J</i>	Steady-state gas flux
Δp	Trans-membrane pressure drop
p_2	Upstream pressure
p_1	Downstream pressure
ℓ	Membrane thickness
<i>C</i>	Concentration
α_{ij}	Permselectivity
[R _n mim] ⁺	1-Alkyl-3-methylimidazolium
[R _n mthiaz] ⁺	1-Alkyl-3-methylthiazolium
[R _n mtriaz] ⁺	1-Alkyl-3-methyltriazolium
[R _n py] ⁺	1-Alkylpyridinium
[R _n mpyr] ⁺	1-Alkyl-3-methylpyrrolidinium
[R _n mpip] ⁺	1-Alkyl-3-methylpiperidinium
[Ch] ⁺	Cholinium
R _n [mim] ₂ ⁺	1, <i>n</i> -di(3-methylimidazolium)alkyl
[P _{m.n.o.p}] ⁺	Tetraalkylphosphonium
[N _{m.n.o.p}] ⁺	Tetraalkylammonium

[NTf ₂] ⁻	Bis(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)amide
[BETf] ⁻	Bis(perfluoroethylsulfonyl)amide
[PF ₆] ⁻	Hexafluorophosphate
[FAP] ⁻	Tris(pentafluoroethyl)trifluorophosphate
[BF ₄] ⁻	Tetrafluoroborate
[R _n SO ₄] ⁻	Alkylsulfate
[R _n SO ₃] ⁻	Alkylsulfonate
[R _n R _n PO ₄] ⁻	Alkylphosphate
[Ac] ⁻	Acetate
[Lev] ⁻	Levulinate
[Lac] ⁻	Lactate
[Glyc] ⁻	Glycolate
[Mal] ⁻	Malonate
[Gly] ⁻	Glycinate
[Pro] ⁻	Prolinate
[Ala] ⁻	Alaninate
[Ser] ⁻	Serinate
[mGly] ⁻	Methylglycinate
[SCN] ⁻	Thiocyanate
[N(CN) ₂] ⁻	Dicyanamide
[C(CN) ₃] ⁻	Tricyanomethanide
[B(CN) ₄] ⁻	Tetracyanoborate
[2-CNpyr] ⁻	2-cyanopyrrolide
[Br] ⁻	Bromide
[Cl] ⁻	Chloride
[CoCl ₄] ²⁻	Tetrachlorocobalt
[MnCl ₄] ²⁻	Tetrachloromanganese
[GdCl ₆] ³⁻	Hexachlorogadolinium
[FeCl ₄] ⁻	Tetrachloroferrate

Table S1 Gas permeabilities (P) and permselectivities (α_{ij}) of SILMs having different cations combined with fluorinated anions.

IL	Membrane support	Measurement conditions	Gas Permeability (Barrer)				Permselectivity (α_{ij})			Ref.	
			P_{CO_2}	P_{CH_4}	P_{N_2}	P_{H_2}	α_{CO_2/CH_4}	α_{CO_2/N_2}	α_{CO_2/H_2}		
Imidazolium											
[C ₄ mim][PF ₆]	Hydrophobic PVDF	30 °C, 0.5 bar	171	–	7.6	27.1	–	23	6.3	1	
[C ₆ mim][PF ₆]		single gas	281	–	10.0	36.1	–	28	7.8		
[C ₈ mim][PF ₆]				370	–	16.6	68.2	–	22		5.4
[C ₄ mim][BF ₄]	Hydrophobic PVDF	30 °C, 0.7 bar	390	3.4	9.6	33.7	113	35	11.6	2	
[C ₁₀ mim][BF ₄]		single gas	506	7.2	22.3	77.1	69	22	6.6		
[C ₂ mim][BF ₄]	PES	30 °C, 2 bar	968	–	–	–	22	44	–	3	
[C ₂ mim][CF ₃ SO ₃]		single gas	1171	–	–	–	18.5	40.5	–		
[C ₂ mim][NTf ₂]				1702	–	–	–	12.2	23		–
[C ₆ mim][NTf ₂]				1136	–	–	–	8.5	15		–
[C ₄ mim][BETI]			991	–	–	–	9.9	16.7	–		
[C ₂ mim][CF ₃ SO ₃]	Hydrophobic PVDF	30 °C, 2 bar single gas	486	21.1	14.3	37.2	23.1	34.0	13.1	4	
[C ₂ mim][NTf ₂]	Anodic alumina	23 °C, 1.15 bar	2640	–	–	–	–	20	–	5	
[C ₆ mim][NTf ₂]		single gas	1800	–	–	–	–	12	–		
Thiazolium											
[C ₄ mthiaz][NTf ₂]	PES	25 °C, 0.35 bar	362	–	–	–	–	28	–	6	
[B ₂ mthiaz][NTf ₂]		single gas	235	–	–	–	–	21	–		
[C ₃ H ₇ O ₂ mthiaz][NTf ₂]				248	–	–	–	–	18		–

[C ₂ H ₅ Omthiaz][NTf ₂]			284	–	–	–	–	25	–	
[C ₂ H ₅ OC ₂ mthiaz][NTf ₂]			435	–	–	–	–	36	–	
[C ₂ H ₅ OB ₂ mthiaz][NTf ₂]			96	–	–	–	–	12	–	
Triazolium										
[i-C ₃ mtriaz][NTf ₂]	PES	25 °C, 0.35 bar	641	–	–	–	–	24	–	
[C ₃ mtriaz][NTf ₂]		single gas	786	–	–	–	–	28	–	
[C ₄ mtriaz][NTf ₂]			483	–	–	–	–	22	–	
[C ₆ mtriaz][NTf ₂]			804	–	–	–	–	22	–	
[C ₈ mtriaz][NTf ₂]			859	–	–	–	–	17	–	
Pyridinium										
[B ₂ py][NTf ₂]	Hydrophobic	25 °C, 0.35 bar	518	–	18.4	–	–	27.9	–	7
[B ₂ 2mpy][NTf ₂]	PTFE	single gas	358	–	10.8	–	–	33.1	–	
[B ₂ 3mpy][NTf ₂]			446	–	20.3	–	–	22.0	–	
[B ₂ 4mpy][NTf ₂]			496	–	21.9	–	–	22.6	–	
[C ₂ mpy][(PFOc)SO ₃]	PES	20 °C, 0.75 bar	897	135	73	–	6.6	12.3	–	8
		single gas								
Pyrrolidinium										
[C ₁₂ mpyr][NTf ₂]	Hydrophobic	20 °C, 1 bar	340	24.2	12.0	–	14.0	28.4	–	9
	PVDF	single gas								
[B ₂ mpyr][NTf ₂]	Hydrophobic	25 °C, 0.35 bar	280	–	11.0	–	–	25.5	–	7
	PTFE	single gas								
Phosponium										

$[P_{(14)666}][NTf_2]$	Glass fiber	30 °C, 0.055 bar single gas	689	169	64	–	4.1	11	–	10
Ammonium										
$[N_{(4)111}][NTf_2]$	Glass fiber	30 °C	831	63	41	–	13	21	–	11
$[N_{(6)111}][NTf_2]$		0.11 bar	943	102	46.2	–	9.2	20	–	
$[N_{(10)111}][NTf_2]$		single gas	800	105	53.9	–	7.6	11	–	
$[N_{(4)113}][NTf_2]$			724	69	–	–	11	–	–	
$[N_{(6)113}][NTf_2]$			619	74	44	–	8.4	14	–	
$[N_{(10)113}][NTf_2]$			633	114	68	–	5.5	9.4	–	
$[N_{(1)444}][NTf_2]$			524	69	35	–	7.6	15	–	
$[N_{(1)888}][NTf_2]$			619	139	55	–	4.5	11	–	
$[N_{(6)222}][NTf_2]$			630	64	32	–	9.8	20	–	
$[N_{4444}][(PFOc)SO_3]$	PES	20 °C, 0.75 bar single gas	649	96	56	–	6.7	11.6	–	8
Ring-opened										
$[(N_{11})_2CH][NTf_2]$	Anodic alumina	25 °C, 0.35 bar	1882	–	66	–	–	28	–	12
$[(N_{11})_2N][NTf_2]$		single gas	1777	–	61	–	–	29	–	

Table S2 Gas permeabilities (P) and permselectivities ($\alpha_{i/j}$) of SILMs having functionalized groups attached to the imidazolium cation.

IL	Membrane support	Measurement conditions	Gas Permeability (Barrer)				Permselectivity ($\alpha_{i/j}$)			Ref.
			P_{CO_2}	P_{CH_4}	P_{N_2}	P_{H_2}	α_{CO_2/CH_4}	α_{CO_2/N_2}	α_{CO_2/H_2}	
Aminoalkyl groups										
[H ₂ NC ₃ mim][NTf ₂]	Cross-linked Nylon 66	37 – 95 °C, 1 bar Mixed gas	100–1000	–	–	–	–	–	0.4–1.4	13
[H ₂ NC ₃ mim][NTf ₂]	Hydrophilic PTFE	25 °C, 0.1 bar	~500	~11	–	–	~45	–	–	14
[H ₂ NC ₃ mim][CF ₃ SO ₃]		Mixed gas	~900	~26	–	–	~35	–	–	
Fluoroalkyl groups										
[C ₄ F ₅ mim][NTf ₂]	PES	23 °C	320	17	12	–	19	27	–	15
[C ₆ F ₉ mim][NTf ₂]		1 bar	280	17	14	–	17	21	–	
[C ₈ F ₁₃ mim][NTf ₂]		Single gas	210	16	13	–	13	16	–	
Etoxyalkyl groups										
[C ₃ H ₇ Omim][PF ₆]	Hydrophobic PVDF	25 °C	133	–	4	15	–	36	9	16
[C ₄ H ₉ Omim][PF ₆]		1.2 bar	93	–	5	18	–	20	5	
[C ₆ H ₁₃ O ₂ mim][PF ₆]		Single gas	126	–	3	17	–	37	7	
[C ₈ H ₁₇ O ₃ mim][PF ₆]			109	–	3	16	–	34	7	
Geminal										
C ₃ [mim] ₂ [NTf ₂] ₂	alumina	27 °C, 0.3 bar	190	7	–	–	27	–	–	17
C ₆ [mim] ₂ [NTf ₂] ₂		single gas	230	14	–	–	16	–	–	

Table S3 Gas permeabilities (P) and permselectivities ($\alpha_{i/j}$) of SILMs containing different anions.

IL	Membrane support	Measurement conditions	Gas Permeability (Barrer)				Permselectivity (α_{ij})			Ref.
			P_{CO_2}	P_{CH_4}	P_{N_2}	P_{H_2}	α_{CO_2/CH_4}	α_{CO_2/N_2}	α_{CO_2/H_2}	
Halogen										
[P ₍₁₄₎₆₆₆][Br]	Hydrophobic PVDF	30 °C, 2 bar single gas	637	76.5	15.3	92.6	8.32	41.5	6.87	4
Phosphates										
[C ₁ mim][C ₁ C ₁ PO ₄]	Hydrophobic PVDF	30 °C, 2 bar single gas	127	15.6	11.6	19.9	8.1	10.9	6.4	4
[P ₂₄₄₄][C ₂ C ₂ PO ₄]	Glass fiber	30 °C, 0.055 bar single gas	453	90	31	–	5.0	15	–	10
Sulfonate										
[P ₍₁₄₎₄₄₄][DBS]	Glass fiber	30 °C, 55 mbar single gas	232	69	14	–	3.4	16	–	10
Sulfates										
[C ₂ mim][C ₁ SO ₄]	Hydrophilic PTFE	20 °C, 1 bar	111	3.49	1.59	–	31.7	69.4	–	18
[C ₂ mim][C ₂ SO ₄]		Single gas	157	7.38	3.06	–	21.2	51.3	–	
Carboxylates										
[P ₍₁₄₎₆₆₆][Dec]			487	65.1	11.3	86.6	7.5	43.1	5.6	4
[C ₂ mim][Ac]	Hydrophobic PVDF	25 °C, 0.45 bar single gas	879	–	26.1	–	–	33.7	–	19
[C ₄ mim][Ac]			852	–	24.6	–	–	34.6	–	
[C ₂ mim][Ac]	Hydrophilic PTFE	20 °C, 1 bar Single gas	118	7.26	3.25	–	16.3	36.4	–	20
[C ₂ mim][Lac]			55	3.13	1.27	–	17.6	43.4	–	

[Ch][Mal]	Hydrophilic PTFE	20 °C, 1 bar	2	0.09	0.05	–	24.1	39.1	–	21
[Ch][lev]		Single gas	18	0.84	0.43	–	21.0	41.3	–	
[Ch][Gly]			6	0.16	0.11	–	33.9	50.1	–	
[Ch][Lac]			7	0.33	0.16	–	21.7	46.2	–	
[N ₍₄₎₂₂₂][malonate]	PES	40 °C, 0.1 bar	2147	–	–	–	198	178	–	22
[N ₍₄₎₂₂₂][maleate]		Saturated gas	2840	–	–	–	221	265	–	
Amino Acids										
[P ₄₄₄₄][Gly]	Hydrophilic PTFE	100 °C, 0.1 bar	~5000	–	~100	–	–	~50	–	23
[P ₄₄₄₄][Ala]		Mixed gas	~7000	–	~120	–	–	~60	–	
[P ₄₄₄₄][Ser]		RH = 0 %	~2000	–	~60	–	–	~35	–	
[P ₄₄₄₄][Pro]			~10500	–	~150	–	–	~70	–	
[P ₄₄₄₄][Pro]		RH = 20%	~40000	–	~200	–	–	~200	–	
Magnetic										
[P ₍₁₄₎₆₆₆] ₂ ⁺ [CoCl ₄] ₂ ²⁻	Hydrophobic PVDF	25 °C, 0.45 bar	147	–	6.3	–	–	23.2	–	24
[P ₍₁₄₎₆₆₆] ₁ ⁺ [FeCl ₄] ₁ ⁻		single gas	259	–	10.7	–	–	24.2	–	
[P ₍₁₄₎₆₆₆] ₂ ⁺ [MnCl ₄] ₂ ²⁻			203	–	4.9	–	–	41.2	–	
[P ₍₁₄₎₆₆₆] ₃ ⁺ [GdCl ₆] ₃ ³⁻			176	–	5.7	–	–	30.8	–	
Cyano										
[C ₂ mim][N(CN) ₂]	Hydrophilic PVDF	30 °C, 2 bar single gas	1237	–	–	–	23	57	–	3
[P ₍₁₄₎₆₆₆][N(CN) ₂]	Glass fiber	30 °C, 0.055 bar single gas	514	108	36	–	4.8	14	–	10
[(N ₁₁₁) ₂ N][C(CN) ₃]	Anodic alumina	25 °C, 0.35 bar	1760	–	39	–	–	45	–	12

		single gas								
[C ₂ mim][B(CN) ₄]	PES	25 °C, 0.35 bar	2040	–	38	–	–	53	–	25
[C ₄ mim][B(CN) ₄]		single gas	1755	–	44	–	–	40	–	
[C ₄ mpyr][B(CN) ₄]			1633	–	44	–	–	38	–	
[C ₄ mpip][B(CN) ₄]			961	–	26	–	–	37	–	
[C ₂ mim][SCN]	Hydrophilic	20 °C, 1 bar	263	12.1	4.65	–	21.8	56.6	–	18
[C ₂ mim][N(CN) ₂]	PTFE	Single gas	476	20.7	7.03	–	23.0	67.8	–	
[C ₂ mim][C(CN) ₃]			667	34.4	11.7	–	19.4	57.0	–	
[C ₂ mim][B(CN) ₄]			742	39.0	15.1	–	19.1	49.0	–	
Anion Mixtures										
[C ₂ mim][NTf ₂] _{0.5} [Ac] _{0.5}	Hydrophilic	20 °C, 1 bar	336	18.9	10.0	–	17.7	33.4	–	20
[C ₂ mim][NTf ₂] _{0.5} [Lac] _{0.5}	PTFE	Single gas	265	14.6	7.20	–	18.2	36.8	–	
[C ₂ mim][NTf ₂] _{0.5} [N(CN) ₂] _{0.5}			589	30.9	14.1	–	19.1	41.8	–	
[C ₂ mim][NTf ₂] _{0.5} [SCN] _{0.5}			516	25.7	14.1	–	20.1	36.6	–	
[C ₂ mim][C ₁ SO ₄] _{0.5} [SCN] _{0.5}			142	6.88	2.29	–	20.6	61.7	–	18
[C ₂ mim][C ₁ SO ₄] _{0.5} [N(CN) ₂] _{0.5}			207	8.57	3.56	–	24.1	58.2	–	
[C ₂ mim][C ₁ SO ₄] _{0.5} [C(CN) ₃] _{0.5}			346	18.5	7.38	–	18.7	46.9	–	
[C ₂ mim][C ₁ SO ₄] _{0.5} [B(CN) ₄] _{0.5}			373	18.3	7.20	–	20.3	51.8	–	
[C ₂ mim][SCN] _{0.5} [N(CN) ₂] _{0.5}			324	14.7	5.29	–	22.1	61.2	–	
[C ₂ mim][SCN] _{0.5} [C(CN) ₃] _{0.5}			332	16.2	5.78	–	20.5	57.4	–	
[C ₂ mim][SCN] _{0.5} [B(CN) ₄] _{0.5}			445	23.0	8.71	–	19.4	51.1	–	

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