

## Supporting Information

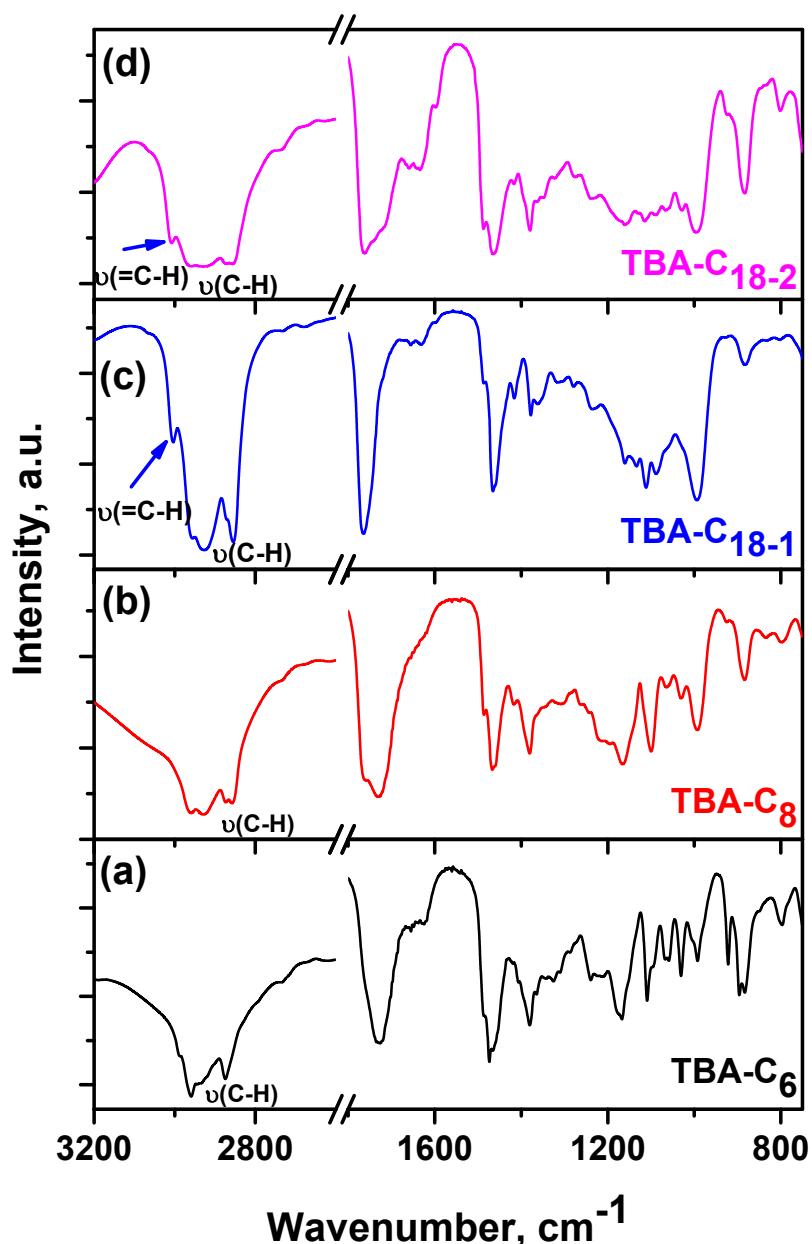
# Fatty Acid Ionic Liquids as Environmentally Friendly Lubricants for Low Friction and Wear

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**Figure S1**

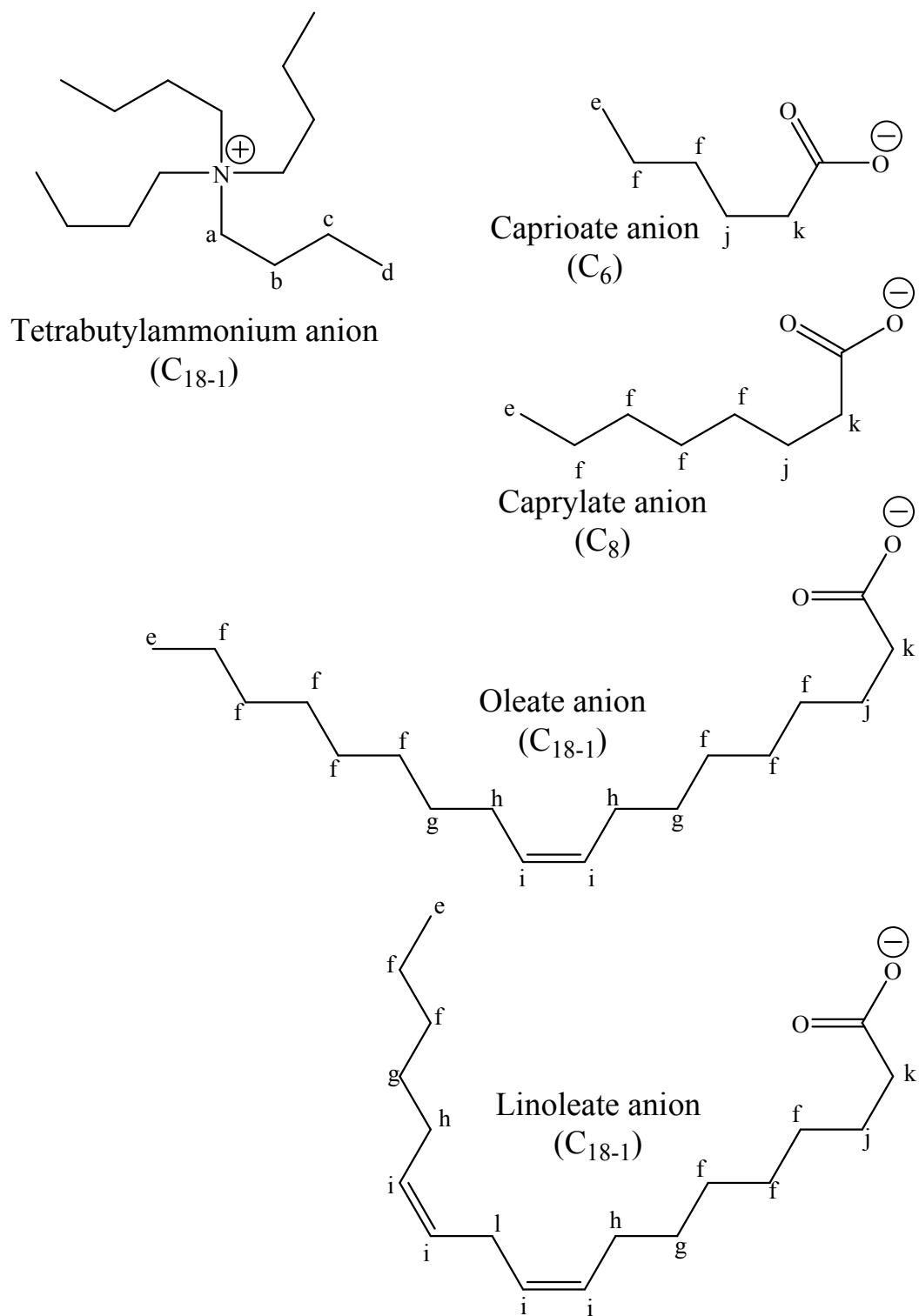


**Figure S1.** FTIR spectra of (a) TBA-C<sub>6</sub>, (b) TBA-C<sub>8</sub>, (c) TBA-C<sub>18-1</sub> and (d) TBA-C<sub>18-2</sub> ionic liquids.

**Table 1:**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR shifts ( $\delta$ , ppm, 500 MHz) for fatty acids ionic liquids

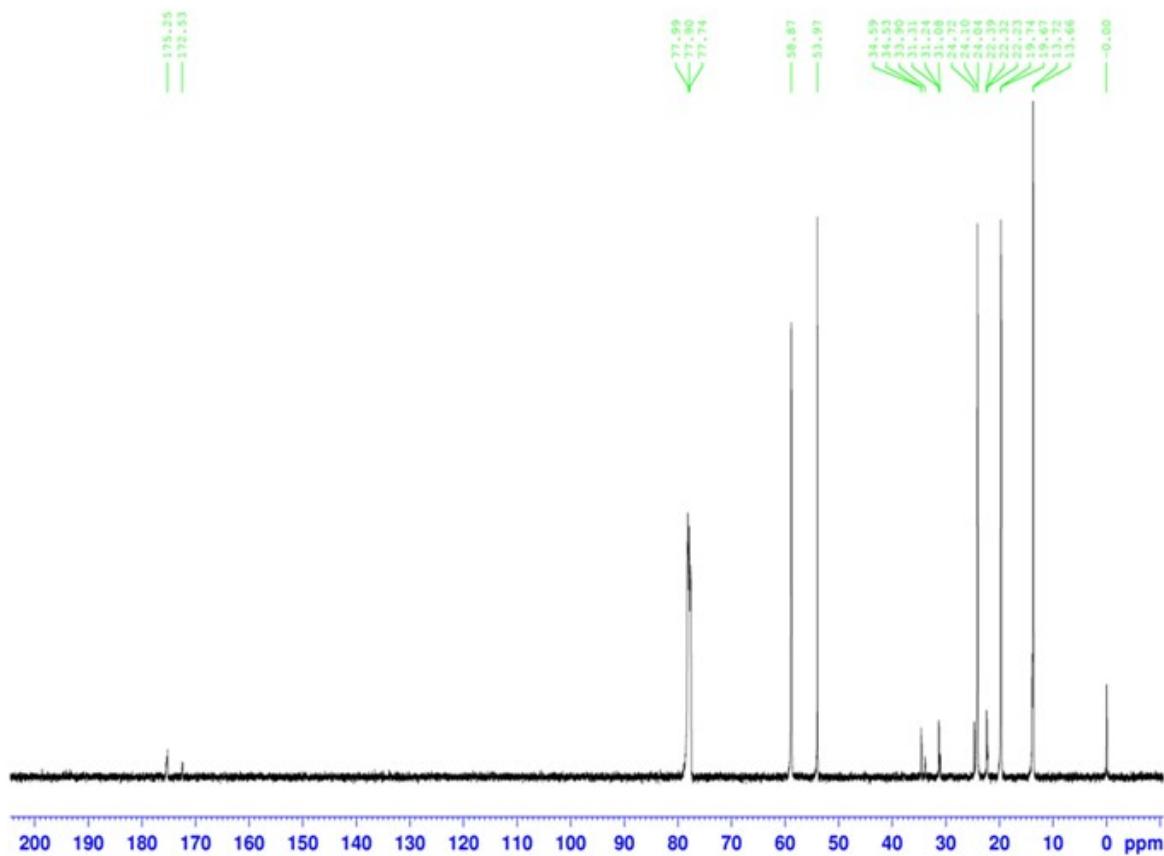
Ionic Liquids	$\text{H}_a$ , ppm	$\text{H}_b$ , ppm	$\text{H}_c$ and $\text{H}_f$ , ppm	$\text{H}_d$ , ppm	$\text{H}_e$ , ppm	$\text{H}_g$ , ppm	$\text{H}_h$ and $\text{H}_l$ , ppm	$\text{H}_i$ , ppm	$\text{H}_j$ , ppm	$\text{H}_k$ , ppm
TBA-C <sub>6</sub>	3.24-3.28t, 8H	1.47-1.49m, 8H	1.17-1.36m, 12H	0.86-1.00t, 12H	0.75-0.85t, 3H	-	-	-	1.50-1.59m, 2H	2.23-2.26t, 2H
TBA-C <sub>8</sub>	3.33-3.36t, 8H	1.57-1.61m, 8H	1.25-1.48m, 16H	0.98-1.01t, 12H	0.86-0.88t, 3H	-	-	-	1.64-1.70m, 2H	2.34-2.36t, 2H
TBA-C <sub>18-1</sub>	3.34-3.37t, 8H	1.62-1.68m, 8H	1.27-1.35m, 24H	0.87-0.89t, 12H	0.87-0.89t, 3H	1.37-1.41m, 4H	2.72-2.81m, 4H	5.22-5.36m, 2H	1.99-2.03q, 2H	2.34-2.37t, 2H
TBA-C <sub>18-2</sub>	3.32-3.35t, 8H	1.61-1.64m, 8H	1.26-1.30m, 18H	0.98-1.01t, 12H	0.86-0.88t, 3H	1.41-1.48m, 4H	2.61-2.68m, 6H	5.30-5.42m, 4H	1.94-2.08q, 2H	2.34-2.37t, 2H

**Figure S2**



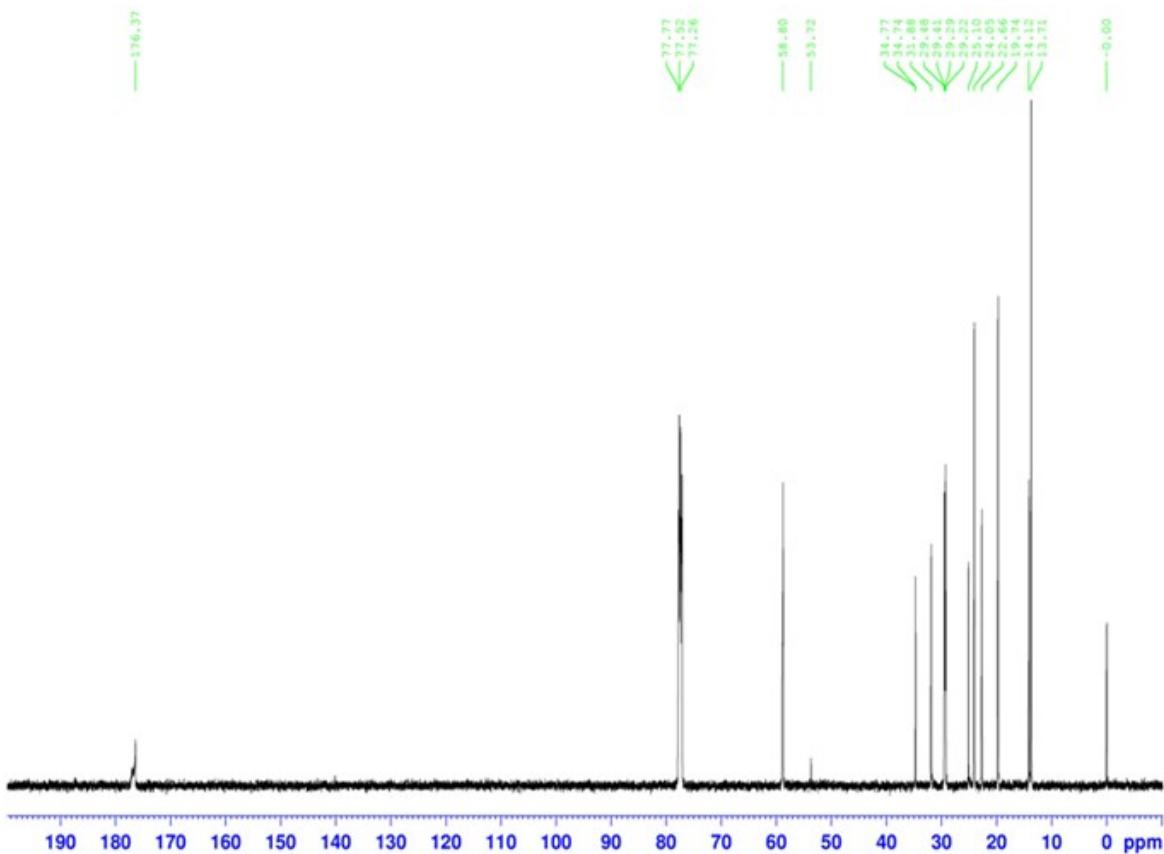
**Figure S2.** Chemical structure of tetrabutylammonium (TBA) cation and fatty acid anions: caproiate ( $C_6$ ), caprylate ( $C_8$ ), oleate ( $C_{18-1}$ ) and linoleate ( $C_{18-2}$ ) along with highlighted positions based on  $^1\text{H}$  NMR.

**Figure S3**



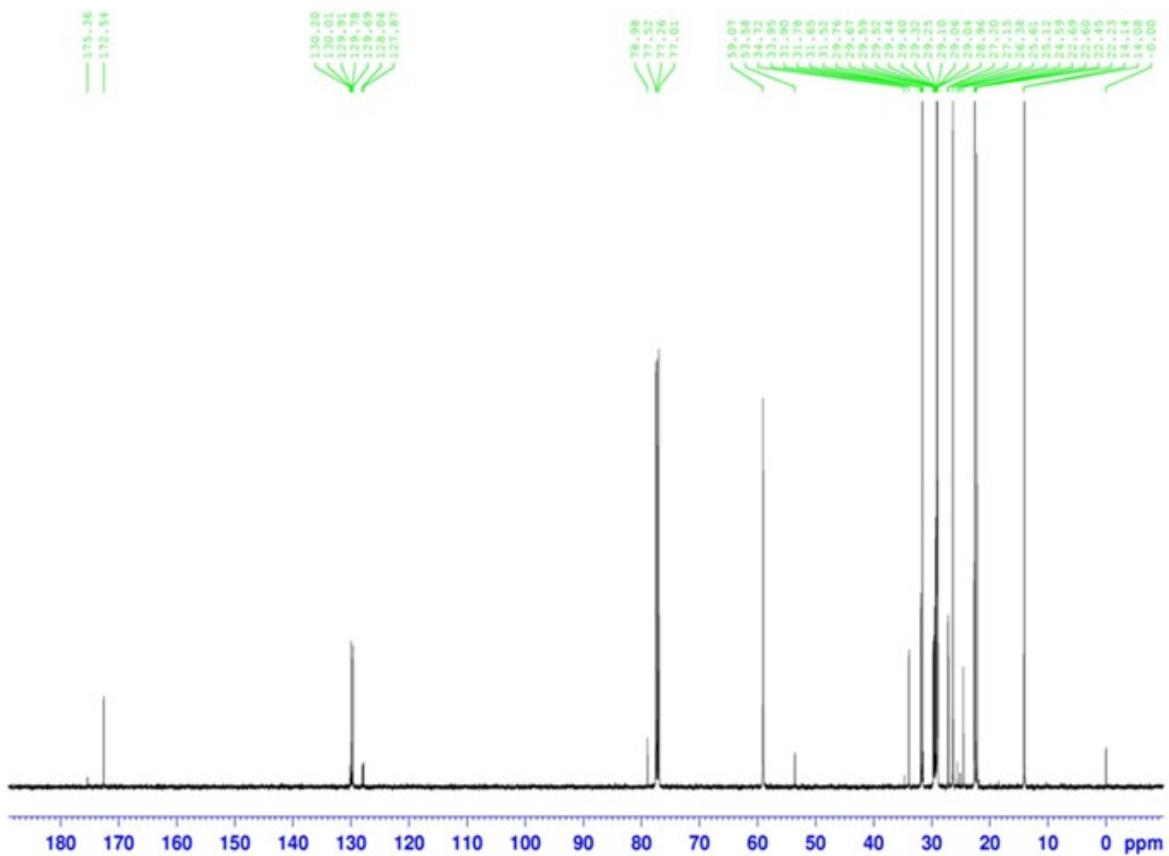
**Figure S3.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of tetrabutylammonium caproate (TBA-C<sub>6</sub>) ionic liquid

**Figure S4**



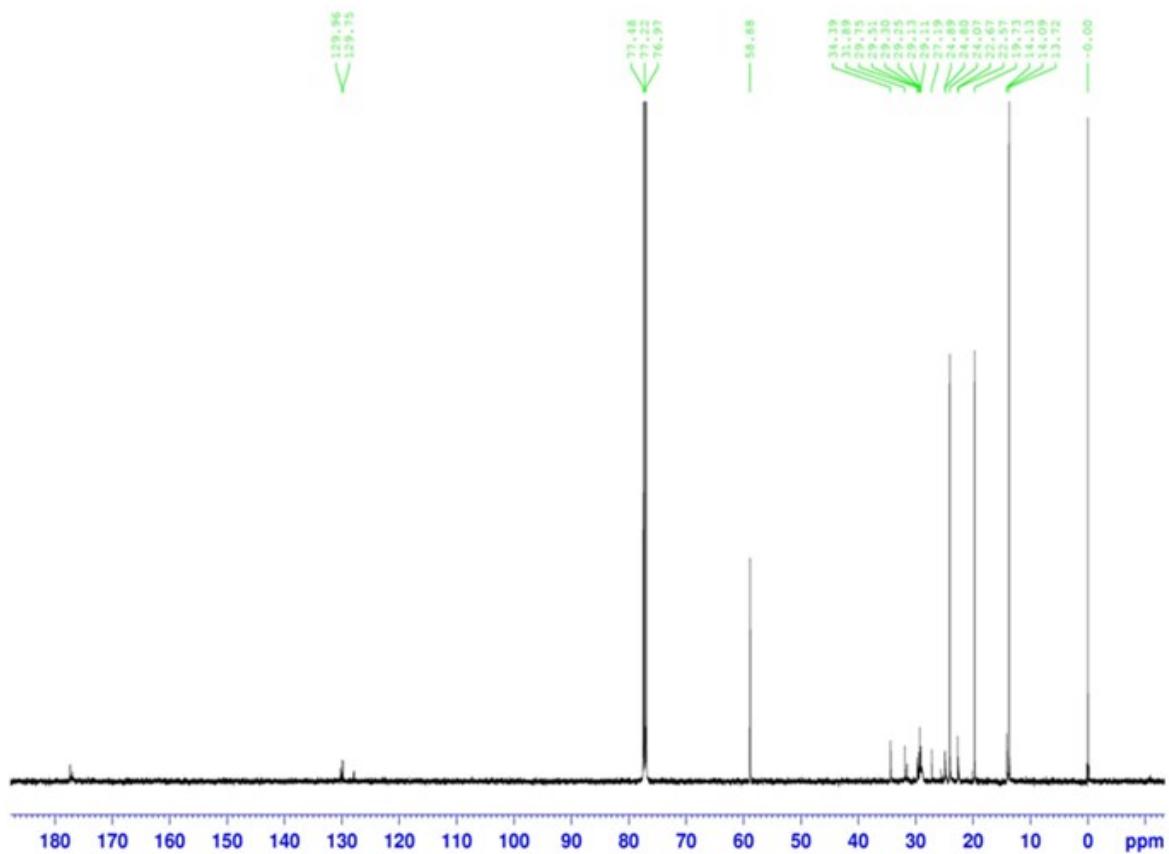
**Figure S4.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of tetrabutylammonium caprylate (TBA-C<sub>8</sub>) ionic liquid

**Figure S5**



**Figure S5.** <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum of tetrabutylammonium oleate (TBA-C<sub>18-1</sub>) ionic liquid

**Figure S6**



**Figure S6.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectrum of tetrabutylammonium linoleate (TBA-C<sub>18-2</sub>) ionic liquid