Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI) for

Enhanced solubilization and extraction of hydrophobic bioactive compounds using water/ionic liquid mixtures

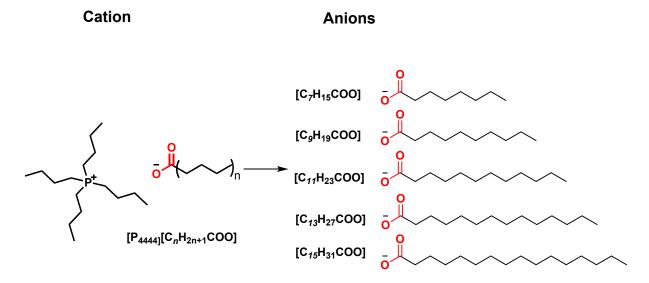
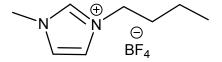
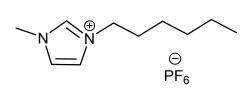


Fig. S1 Molecular structures of LCC-IL



1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate [BMIm]BF₄



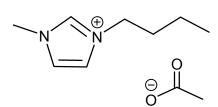
1-hexyl-3-methylimidazolium hexafluorophosphate [HMIm]PF₆

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1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium hexafluorophosphate [BMIm]PF₆

1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium bis(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)imide [BMIm]Tf₂N

1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium chloride [BMIm]Cl

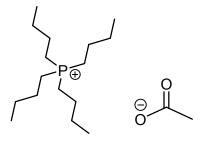


1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium acetate
[BMIm][CH₃COO]

1-dodeyl-3-methylimidazolium chloride [C₁₂MIm]Cl

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1-dodecyl-3-methylimidazolium acetata [C₁₂MIm][CH₃COO]



Tetrabutylphosphonium acetate [P₄₄₄₄][CH₃COO]

Fig. S2 Structures of other ILs used and the corresponding abbreviations.

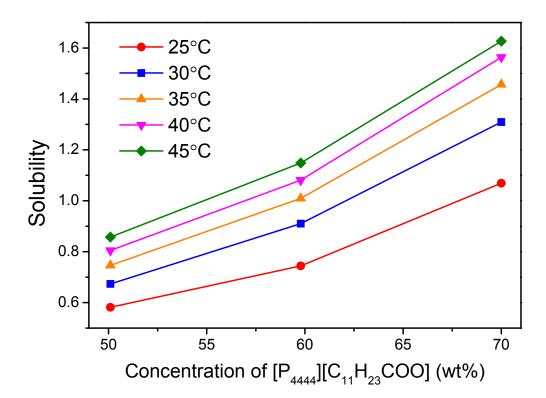


Fig. S3 Mass solubility of α -tocopherol in aqueous solutions of $[P_{4444}][C_{11}H_{23}COO]$ with higher concentration at temperature from 25-45°C.

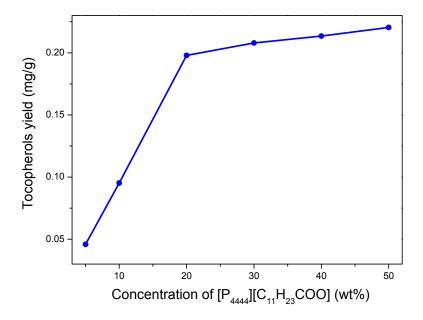


Fig. S4 Yield of tocopherols extracted from soybean flour (T = 40°C, S/L ratio = 1:20, t = 2h) in

water/ $[P_{4444}][C_{11}H_{23}COO]$ mixtures with IL's concentration from 0.1-1.0M (5 to 50 wt%). The line between points is provided as a guide to the eye.

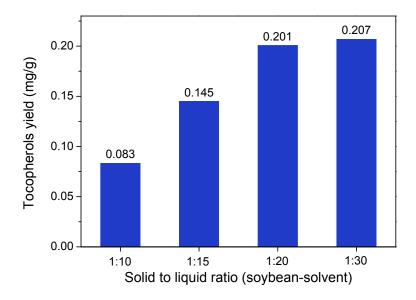
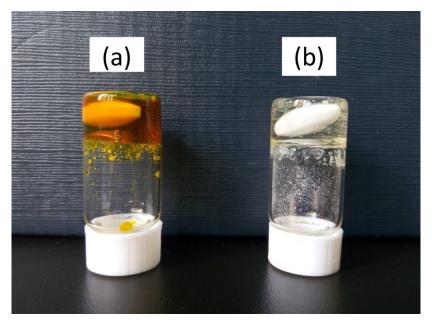


Fig. S5 Yield of tocopherols extracted from soybean flour (T = 40° C, x = 20 wt%, t = 2h) in water/[P₄₄₄₄][C₁₁H₂₃COO] mixtures with solid to liquid ratio from 1:10-1:30.



 $\textbf{Fig. S6} \ \ Visual \ depiction \ of \ gelation \ after \ a \ certain \ amount \ of \ HBCs \ dissolving \ in \ neat \ [P_{4444}][C_{11}H_{23}COO]$

