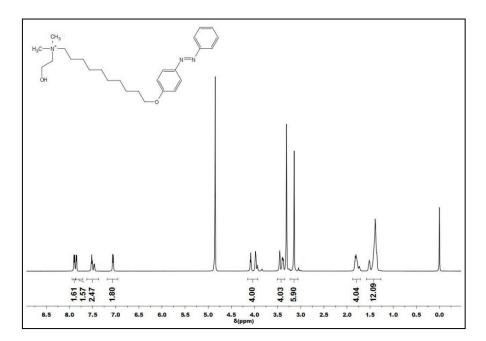
## Photo-isomerization and light-modulated aggregation behavior of azobenzene-based ionic liquids in aqueous solutions

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## <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of the azobenzene-based ionic liquids

Figure S1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of  $ChoC_{10}Azo$ 

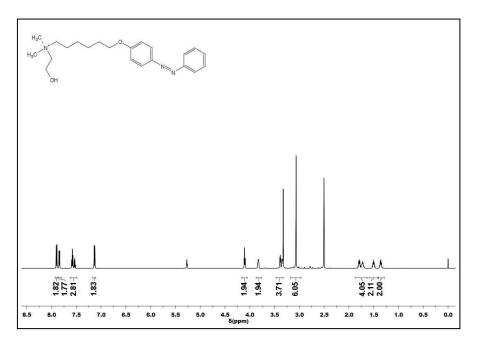


Figure S2. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of ChoC<sub>6</sub>Azo

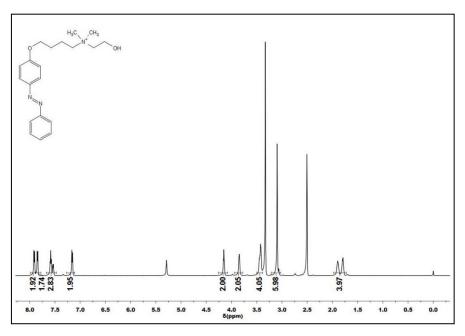


Figure S3. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of ChoC<sub>4</sub>Azo

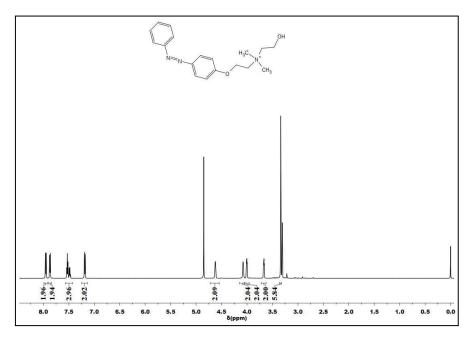


Figure S4. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of ChoC<sub>2</sub>Azo

## <sup>1</sup>H NMR data of the azobenzene-based ionic liquids

ChoC<sub>10</sub>Azo, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD): δ = 8.04 (d, 2H), 7.87 (d, 2H), 7.65 (m, 3H), 7.15 (d, 2H), 4.17 (m, 4H), 3.54 (m, 4H), 3.23 (s, 6H), 1.89 (m, 4H), 1.61 (m, 12H) ppm.
ChoC<sub>6</sub>Azo, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ = 7.93 (d, 2H), 7.87 (d, 2H), 7.62 (m, 3H), 7.17 (d, 2H), 4.16 (t, 2H), 3.87 (s, 2H), 3.41(m, 4H), 3.18 (s, 6H), 1.88 (m, 4H), 1.59 (m, 2H), 1.40 (m, 2H) ppm.

**3.** ChoC<sub>4</sub>Azo, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400MHz, DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>): δ = 7.98 (d, 2H), 7.88 (d, 2H), 7.67 (m, 3H), 7.27 (d, 2H), 4.26 (t, 2H), 3.95 (s, 2H), 3.50(m, 4H), 3.21 (s, 6H), 1.98 (m, 4H) ppm.

**4.** ChoC<sub>2</sub>Azo, <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD): δ = 7.99 (d, 2H), 7.90 (d, 2H), 7.56 (m, 3H), 7.25 (d, 2H), 4.72 (t, 2H), 4.15 (t, 2H), 4.05 (t, 2H), 3.71 (t, 2H), 3.36(s, 6H) ppm.

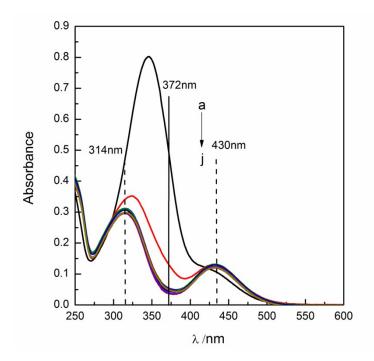


Figure S5. UV-vis spectra of aqueous solution of 0.055mM ChoC<sub>6</sub>Azo after different UV irradiation time at 25.0°C: a, initial state; b, 1s; c, 2s; d, 5s; e, 10s; f, 30s; g, 60s; h, 300s; i, 600s; j, 1800s.

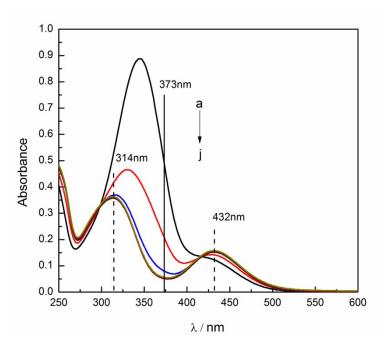


Figure S6. UV-vis spectra of aqueous solution of 0.055mM ChoC<sub>4</sub>Azo after different UV irradiation time at 25.0°C: a, initial state; b, 1s; c, 2s; d, 5s; e, 10s; f, 30s; g, 60s; h, 300s; i, 600s; j, 1800s.

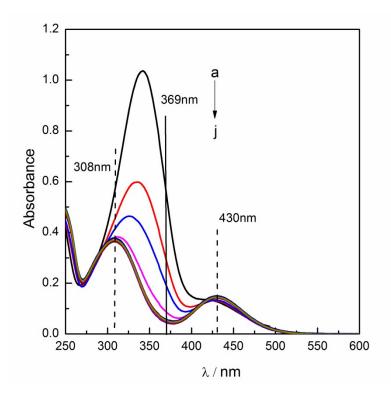


Figure S7. UV-vis spectra of aqueous solution of 0.055mM ChoC<sub>2</sub>Azo after different UV irradiation time at 25.0°C: a, initial state; b, 1s; c, 2s; d, 5s; e, 10s; f, 30s; g, 60s; h, 300s; i, 600s; j, 1800s.

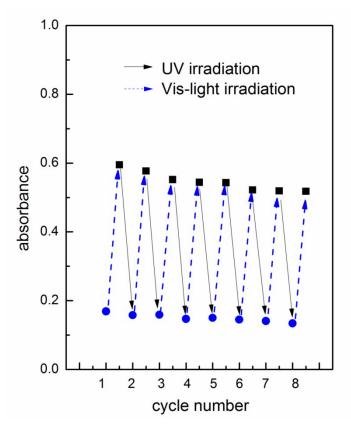


Figure S8. Changes of absorbance values at 344 nm for 8 cycles at 25.0°C.