

## Supporting Information for Structural Motifs in Salts of Sulfathiazole: Implications for Design of Salt Forms in Pharmaceuticals APIs.

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for **I**, **II**, **III**, **V**, **VI**.

Identification code	<b>I</b>	<b>II</b>	<b>III</b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>21</sub> N <sub>9</sub> O <sub>13</sub> S <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>10</sub> B F <sub>4</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>22</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>9</sub> S <sub>5</sub>
Formula weight	699.68	343.13	626.71
Temperature (K)	173(3)	173(2)	173(2)
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
Crystal system	Monoclinic	Monoclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	P2(1)/n	P2(1)/c	C2/c
Unit cell dimensions (Å, °)	a = 14.9484(4) b = 8.2585(2) c = 22.9621(6) α = 90 β = 100.8180(10) γ = 90°	a = 8.0557(2) b = 9.9422(3) c = 17.2090(5) α = 90 β = 90.5700(10) γ = 90	a = 17.4737(9) b = 11.6240(5) c = 11.7557(5) α = 90 β = 90.072 (2) γ = 90
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	2784.32 (12) Å <sup>3</sup>	1378.22(7)	2387.8 (2)
Z	4	4	4
Density (calculated) (Mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.669	1.654	1.743
Absorption coefficient (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.42	0.438	0.551
Theta range for data collection (°)	1.79 to 30.07	2.53 to 30.06	2.33 to 30.23
Index ranges	-21 ≤ h ≤ 21 -11 ≤ k ≤ 11 -30 ≤ l ≤ 31	-11 ≤ h ≤ 11 -13 ≤ k ≤ 13 -22 ≤ l ≤ 24	-24 ≤ h ≤ 24 -16 ≤ k ≤ 16 -16 ≤ l ≤ 15
Reflections collected	67503	36555	29335
Independent reflections	8100 [R(int) = 0.046]	4023 [R(int) = 0.0309]	3526 [R(int) = 0.053]
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	8100 / 0 / 565	4023 / 0 / 206	3526 / 0 / 238
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.026	1.096	1.055
Final R indices [I > 2σ(I)]	R1 = 0.039, wR2 = 0.0897	R1 = 0.0369, wR2 = 0.0963	R1 = 0.0504, wR2 = 0.0961
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0638, wR2 = 0.1022	R1 = 0.0422, wR2 = 0.1008	R1 = 0.0922, wR2 = 0.1134
Largest diff. peak and hole (e.Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.415 and -0.392	0.556 and -0.448	0.487 and -0.548

Identification code	V	VI
Empirical formula	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>15</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>5</sub> S <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>27</sub> N <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub> S <sub>3</sub>
Formula weight	413.48	525.64
Temperature (K)	173(3)	173(2)
Wavelength (Å)	0.71073	0.71073
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	Triclinic
Space group	Pbcn	P -1
Unit cell dimensions (Å, °)	a = 28.4964(13) b = 8.1448 (3) c = 15.5302 (7)	a = 13.1054(4) b = 13.3838(3) c = 17.8464(4) $\alpha$ = 109.9580(10) $\beta$ = 92.029(2) $\gamma$ = 111.5910(10)
Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )	3604.5(3)	2688.99
Z	8	4
Density (calculated) (Mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.524	1.298
Absorption coefficient (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	0.444	0.315
Theta range for data collection (°)	2.60 to 20.30	2.28 to 26.14
Index ranges	-37 ≤ h ≤ 36 -9 ≤ k ≤ 10 -20 ≤ l ≤ 20	-17 ≤ h ≤ 17 -17 ≤ k ≤ 18 -24 ≤ l ≤ 24
Reflections collected	85436	70608
Independent reflections	4115 [R(int) = 0.116]	13884 [R(int) = 0.060]
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>	Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>
Data / restraints / parameters	4115 / 0 / 354	13884 / 0 / 715
Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>	1.102	1.208
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0537, wR2 = 0.0998	R1 = 0.0496, wR2 = 0.1100
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1032, wR2 = 0.1220	R1 = 0.0978, wR2 = 0.1382
Largest diff. peak and hole (e.Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.391 and -0.561	0.456 and -0.463

Table S2. Published Crystal Structures of STZ Co-crystals

REFCODE	Co-Former
ADEDIX (polymorphic)	pyridine
BABYIN	acetonitrile
BABYOT	N-formylpiperidine
FIZFUR	4-nitrobenzoic acid
FURDIF	Dioxane
HADMUU	18-crown-6/acetonitrile
KUFWOZ	4-aminobenzamide
LOFLUP	Glutaric acid
SOGSEO	dimethylformamide
STHSAM	sulfanilamide
SULTHE	theophylline
WIYLAT	2,4,6-tris(pyridin-2-yl)-1,3,5-triazine

### Crystal Structure Packing Analysis of CSD Salts

*Systems where STZ acts as a base.*

#### BUWDUT

STZ dimers are formed from  $^+NH...N=$  H-bonds. These are linked into a 2-D sheet in the b-c plane through a collection of  $NH...F$  H-bonds (Figure 1). Sheets then stack in a-direction through weaker ring...ring motifs (Figure 2).

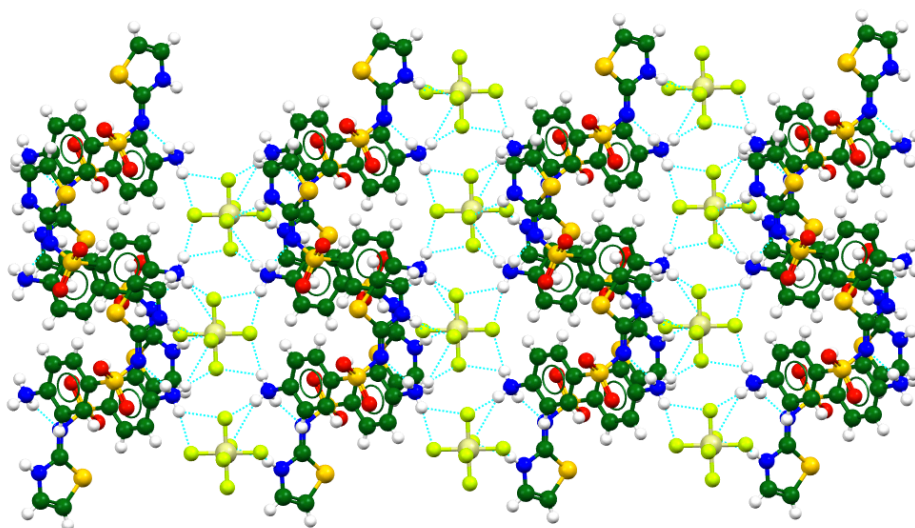


Figure S1. Formation of 2-D sheet in STZ.SiF<sub>6</sub>

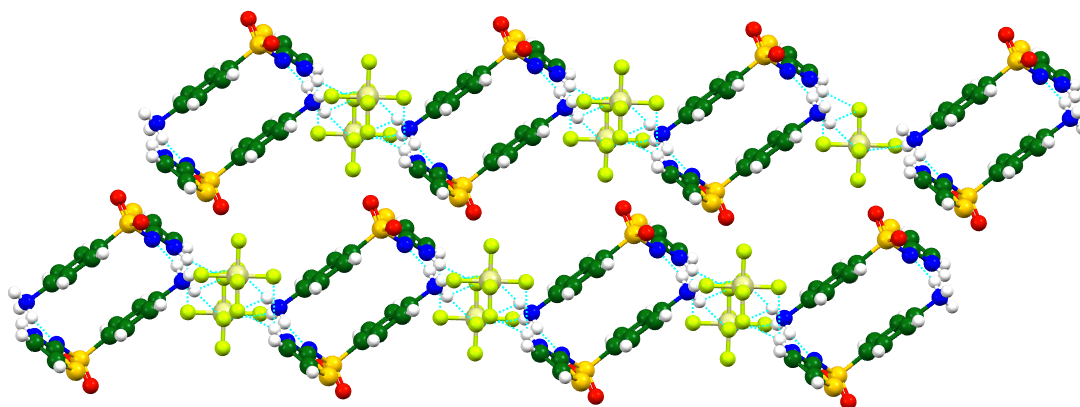


Figure S2. Packing of sheets along a-axis.

### UDAKOA

STZ molecules form a 1-D chain through a  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  H-bond. These are supported by two  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}$  bonds to the water molecules (Figure 3) and an  $\text{OH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  hydrogen bond then links these chains into a 2-D sheet (Figure 4). The sheets are linked into the final 3-D structure by the  $\text{NO}_3^-$  anions forming an  $\text{OH}\cdots\text{O}$  and  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}$  hydrogen bonds (Figure 5).

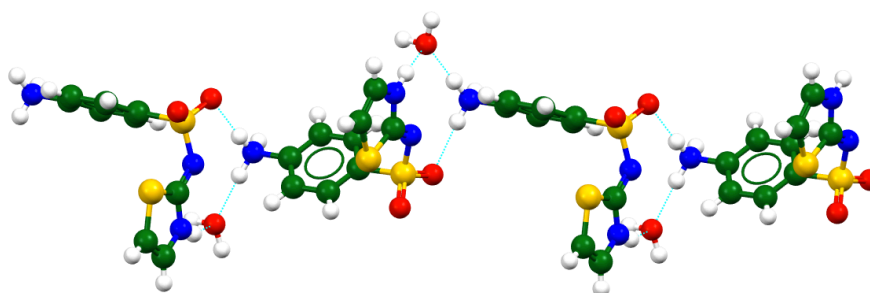


Figure S3. 1-D chain formed between STZ and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in UDAKOA.

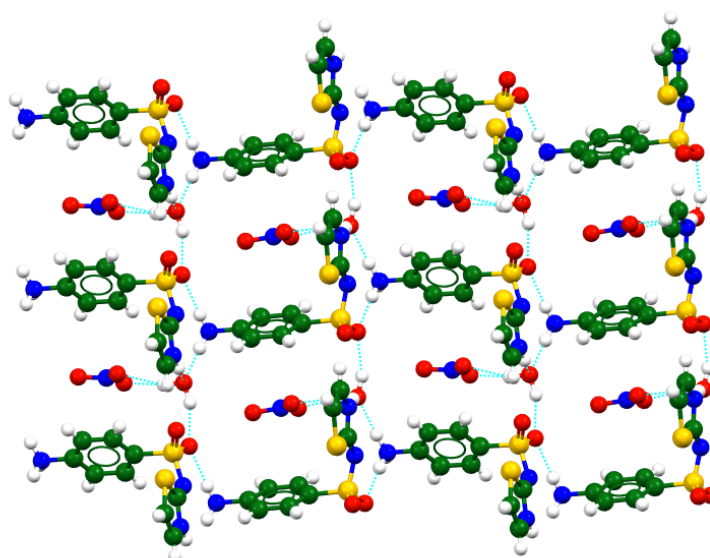


Figure S4. 2-D sheet formed through  $\text{NO}_3^-/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  interactions.

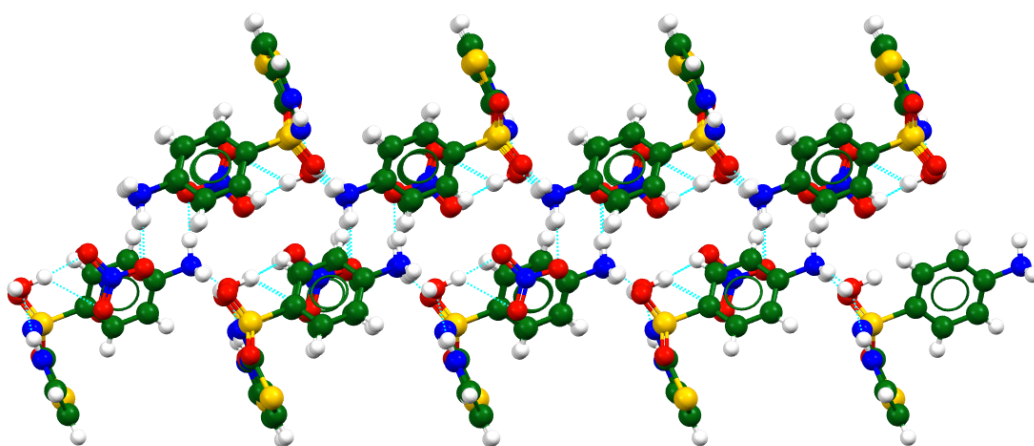


Figure S5. Completion of 3-D structure through packing of 2-D sheet.

### KUFWIT

STZ molecules dimerise through a  $R^2_2(16)$  motif (NH...O=S bond). These dimers then form a 1-D chain through further NH...N and NH...O=S bonds, the carboxylate anion links to the chain through two NH...O bonds (Figure 6). To this the neutral acid H-bonds through an OH...O interaction. These chains then interweave between each other through  $\pi$ ... $\pi$  and CH...O interactions to form final crystal structure (Figure 7).

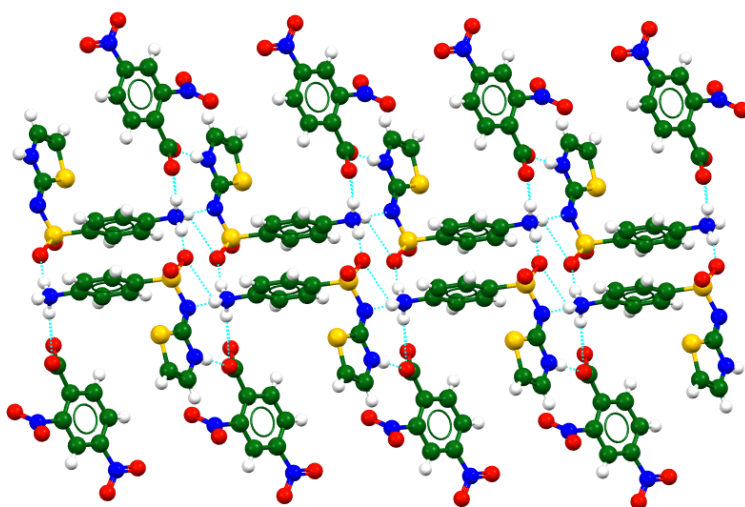


Figure S6. Formation of 1-D ribbon.

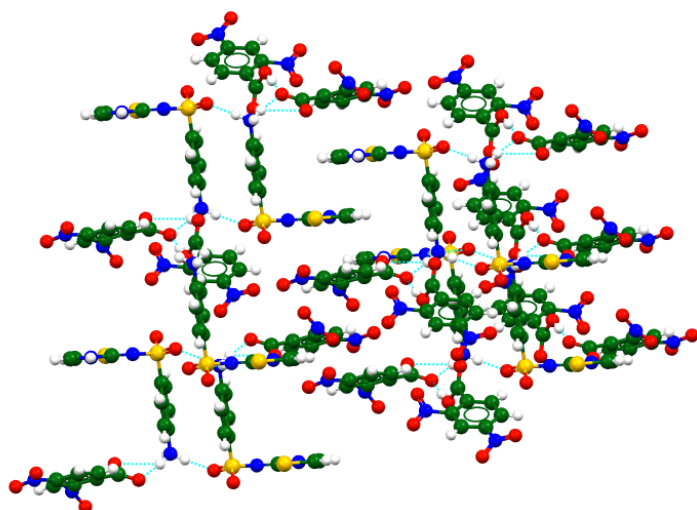


Figure S7. Interlocking of 1-D chains.

## LOFMAW

Polymorphic system.

Form I

1-D ladder form between both components along the a-axis formed by NH...O, OH...O and NH...N H-bonds (Figure 8), which are linked through NH...O bonds to form a 2-D sheet motif (Figure 9), which forming the final 3-D structure through NH...O bonds.

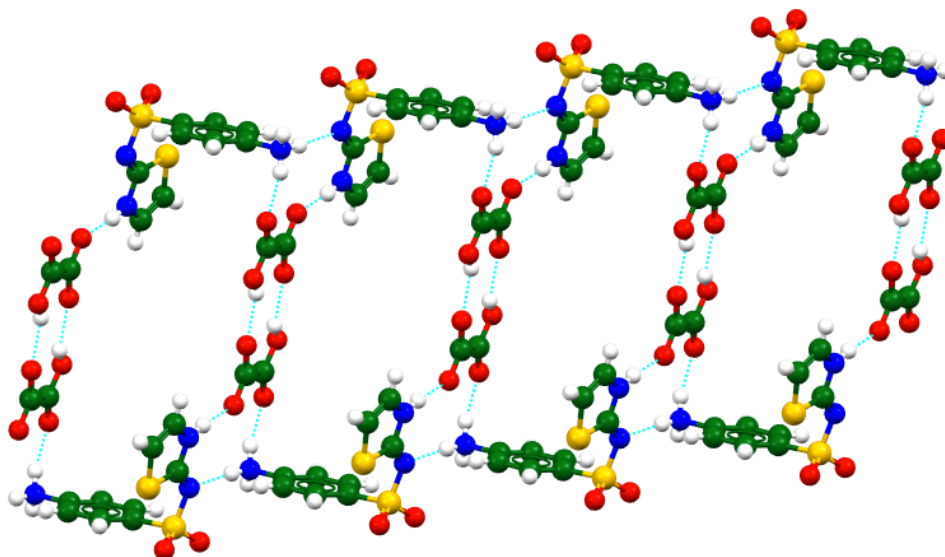


Figure S8. Ladder motif in LOFMAW.

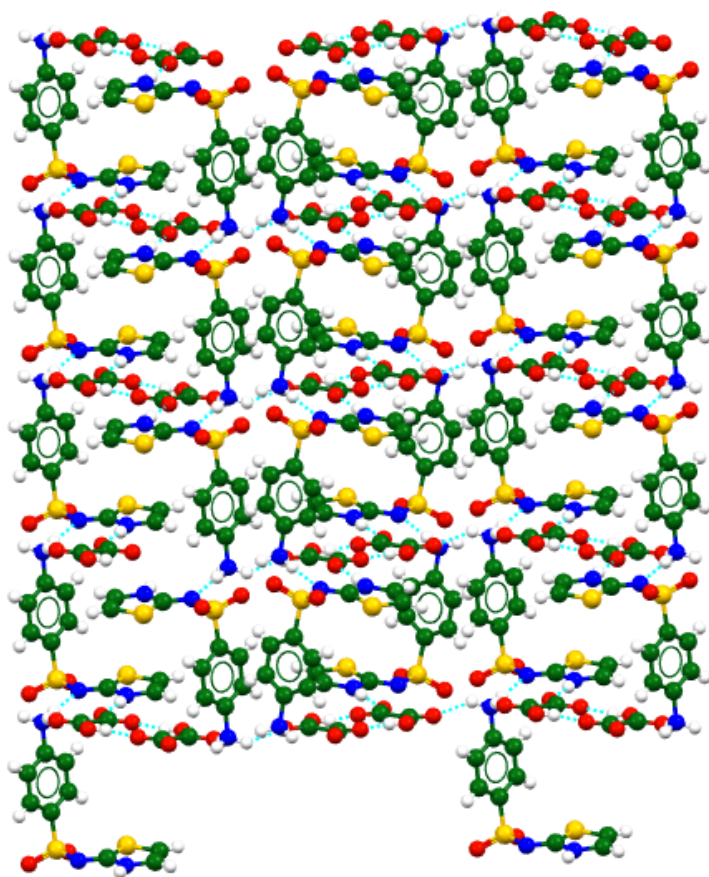


Figure S9. 2-D sheet formed by linking 1-D chains.

#### Form II (LOFMAW01)

1-D chain is formed between STZ and oxalate anions through  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  and  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}$  H-bonds (Figure 10), which are interlinked into a 2-D sheet through oxalate to oxalate hydrogen bonds (Figure 11). 3-D structure is constructed through interweaving of the 2-D motifs held together by weak  $\text{CH}\cdots\text{O}$  bonds (Figure 12).

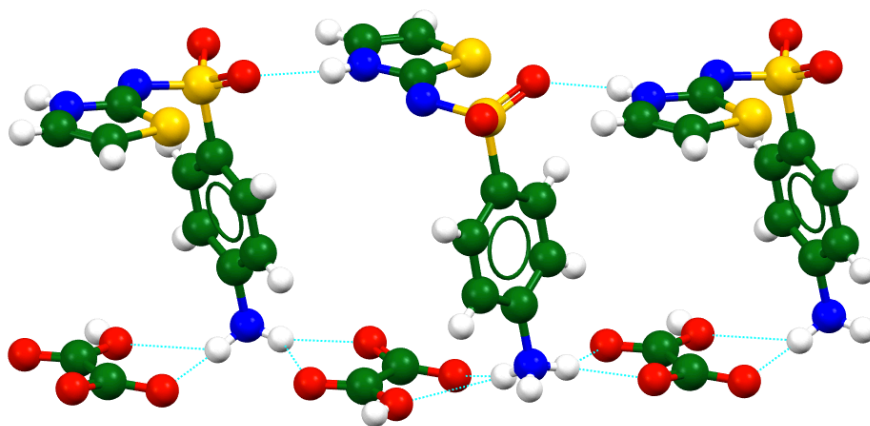


Figure S10. 1-D Chain of STZ...oxalate anions.



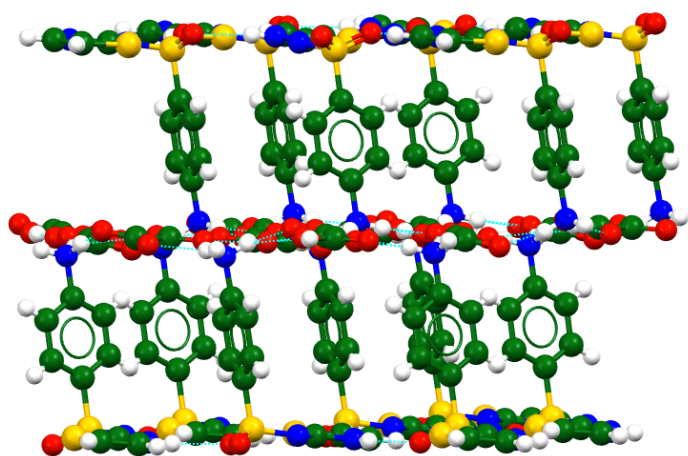


Figure S11. 2-D sheet formed between the 1-D chains.

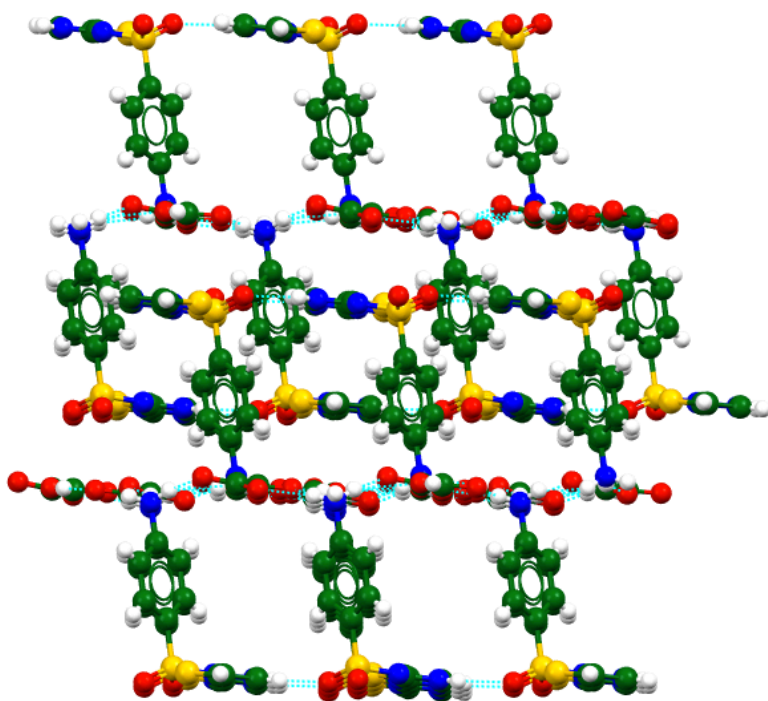


Figure S12. Final 3-D packing through interweaving of 2-D layers.



*Systems where STZ acts as an acid.*

### **BUHMOI**

Components are bound in a pair through  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{N}$   $R^2_2(8)$  H-bond. STZ molecules form a 1-D chain through  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  bond and chains combine into a 2-D sheet by  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  interaction (Figure 13). 3-D structure is formed by stacking the sheets along the *a*-axis through weaker  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{S}$  bonds.

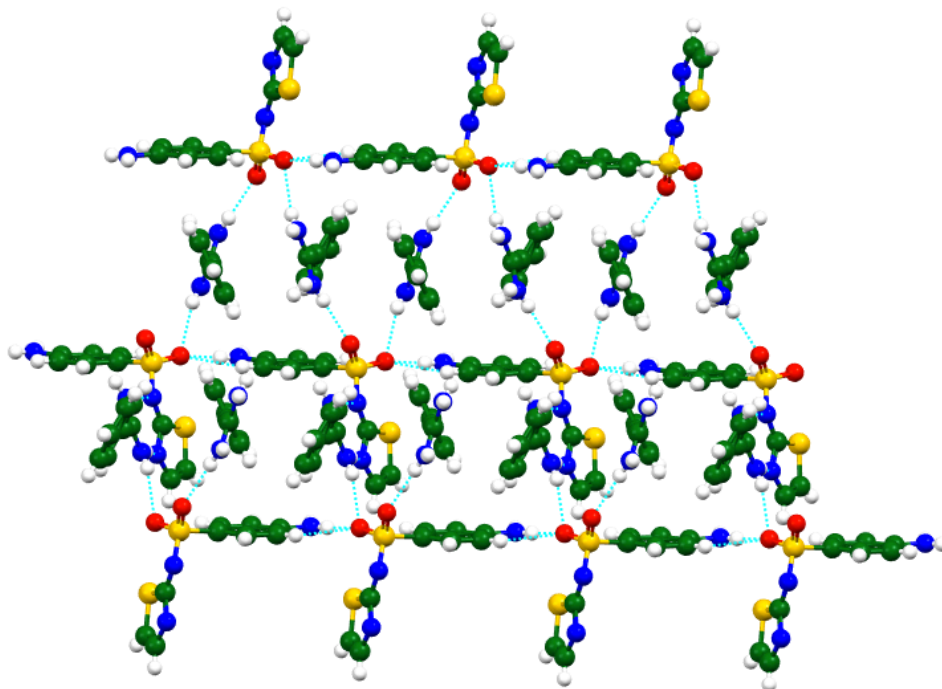


Figure S13. 2-D sheet structure in BUHMOI

### **DOWPUC**

STZ molecules form a 2-D sheet in *ab* plane through  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  H-bonds (Figure 14). The counterion bonds to the STZ through a  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{N}_{\text{ring}}$  H-bond, weaker  $\text{CH}\cdots\text{N}$  bonds between these molecules links the sheet together to form the final structure (Figure 15).

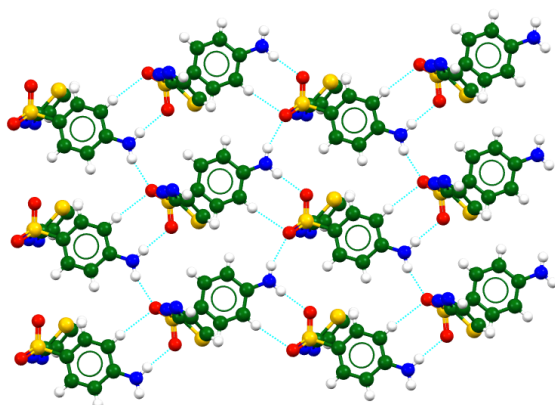


Figure S14. Formation of 2-D sheet in DOWPUC.

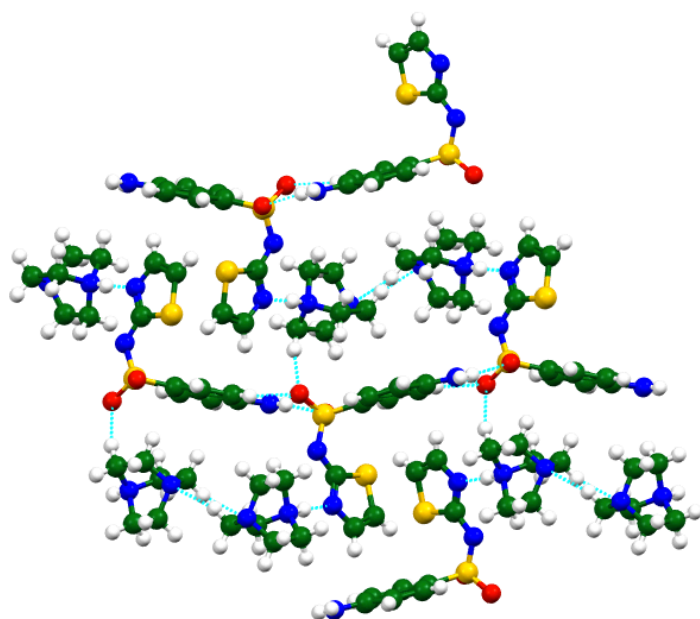


Figure S15. Packing of second molecule into 2-D to form 3-D structure.

#### **DOWQAJ**

Channel clathrate with a 1-D chain of piperazine molecules (along a-axis) within a STZ channel formed by  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  bonds (Figure 16), which is linked through further  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  bonds to form 3-D structure.

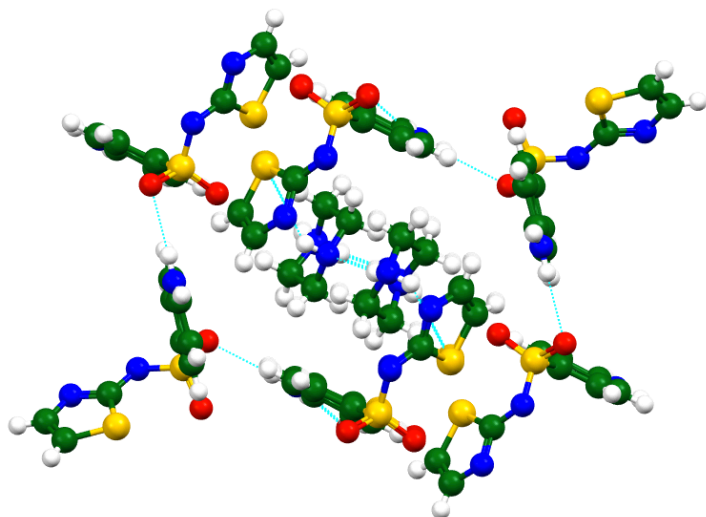


Figure S16. 1-D channel formed from STZ molecules with piperazine inclusion.

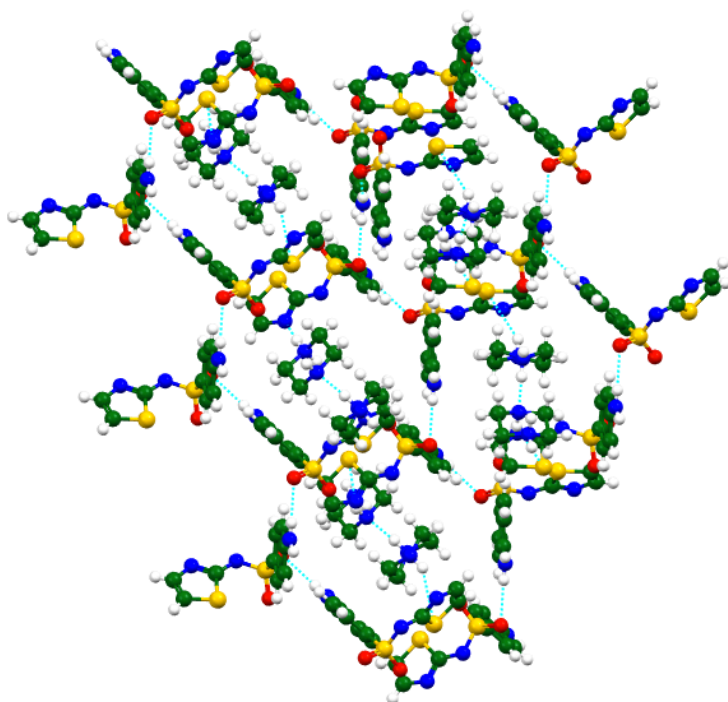


Figure S17. Interlocking channels to form final structure.

### **HSLSTZ**

2-D sheet formed through direct interaction of the two sulfonamides (Figure 18) through a collection of  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  and  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{N}$  H-bonds. These are linked through a  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  H-bond forming the final structure (Figure 19).

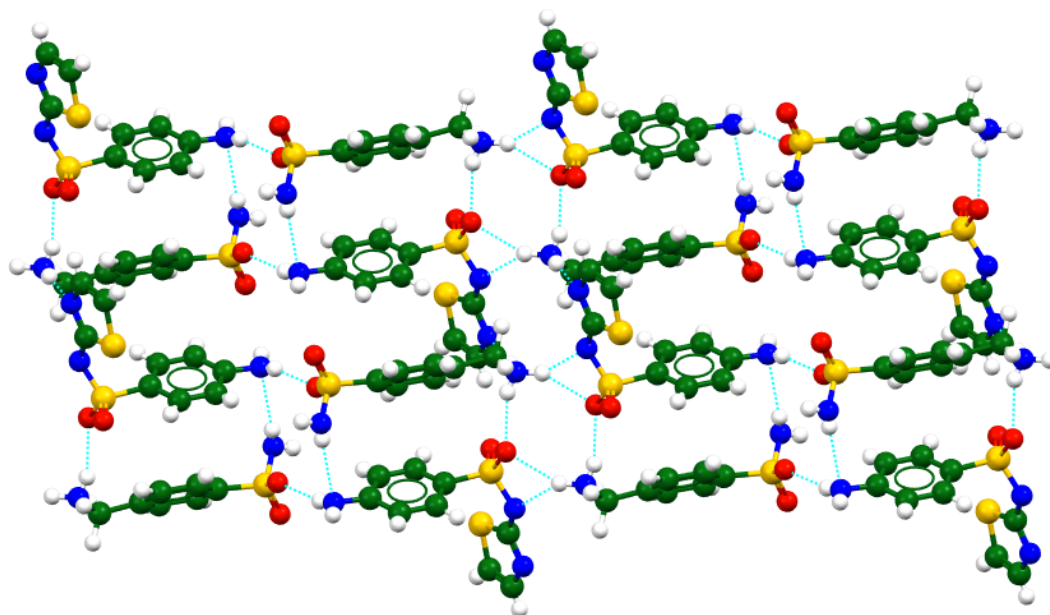


Figure S18. 2-D sheet formed for HSLSTZ

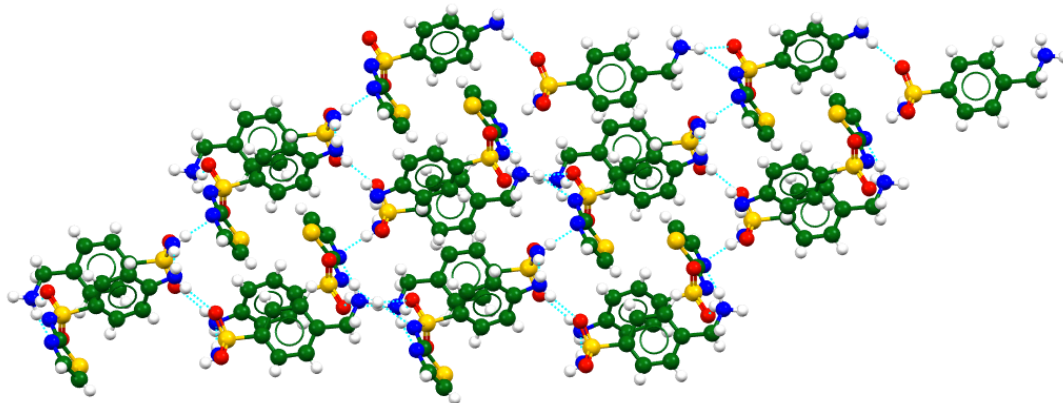


Figure S19. Stacking of 2-D sheets to form 3-D structure.

### OHUWAR

The two components of the salt form a tetramer through a  $R^4_4(18)$  set of  $NH...N$  and  $OH...N$  hydrogen bonds. These are linked into a 1-D ribbon through  $NH...N$  hydrogen bonds (Figure 20), which further forms a 2-D sheet with  $C-H...O=S$  links (Figure 21). Final structure formed by stacking along *a*-axis with further  $CH...O=S$  bonds.

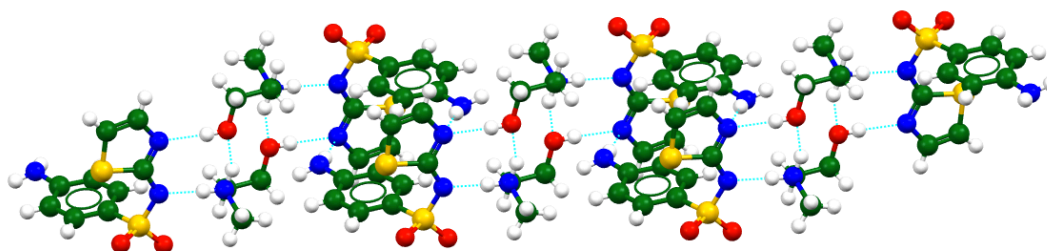


Figure S20. Linking of tetramers into 1-D chain.

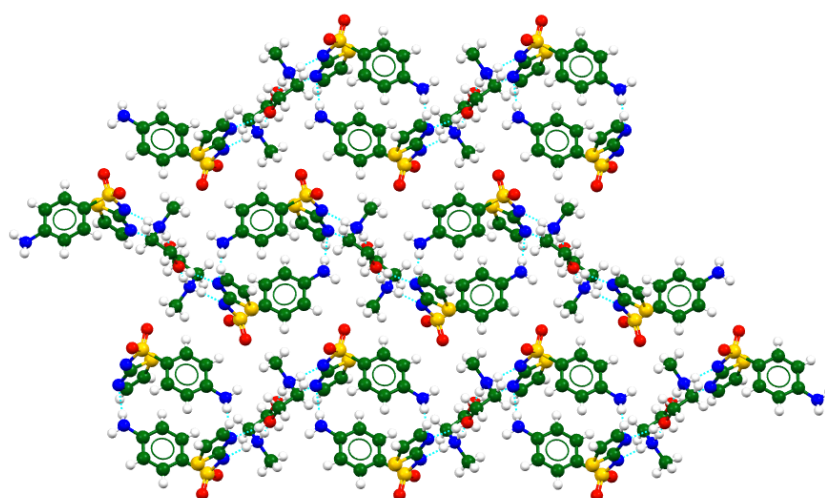


Figure S21. 2-D sheet in *bc* plane.

### OHUWEV

STZ molecules form a 2-D sheet through  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  bonds (Figure 22), these are linked through pairs of anions with  $\text{OH}\cdots\text{N}/\text{NH}\cdots\text{N}$  hydrogen bonds to form the final structure.

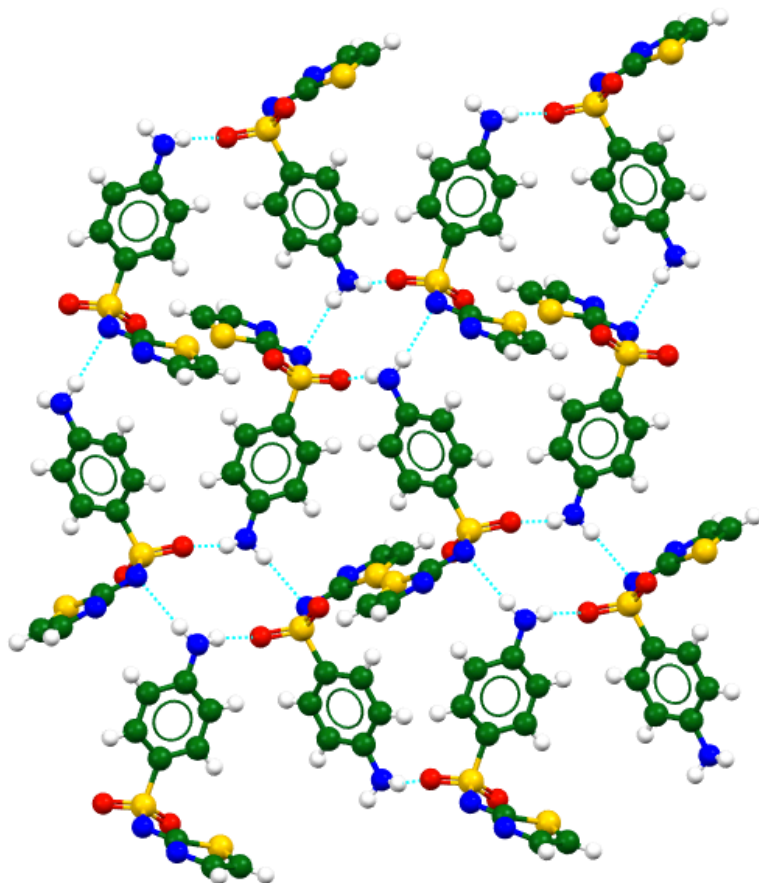


Figure S22. 2-D sheet formed solely from STZ molecules.

### OHUWIZ

STZ molecules form a dimer and are linked together with anion dimers to form a 1-D chain through a range of hydrogen bonds (Figure 23). These chains are linked through  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  bonds to form a 2-D structure which are stacked in the c-axis with weak  $\text{CH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  bonds to give the final structure.

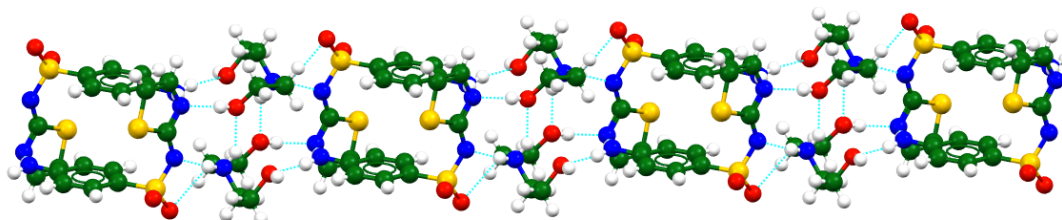


Figure S23. 1-D linked chain of molecules in OHUWIZ



## QEDWAZ

STZ molecules link through  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  bonds to form a 1-D ribbon, which are linked through dimers of counterion with  $\text{OH}\cdots\text{N}$  bonds to form 2-D sheet (Figure 24). Final structure is formed by stacking held together with  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  H-bonds.

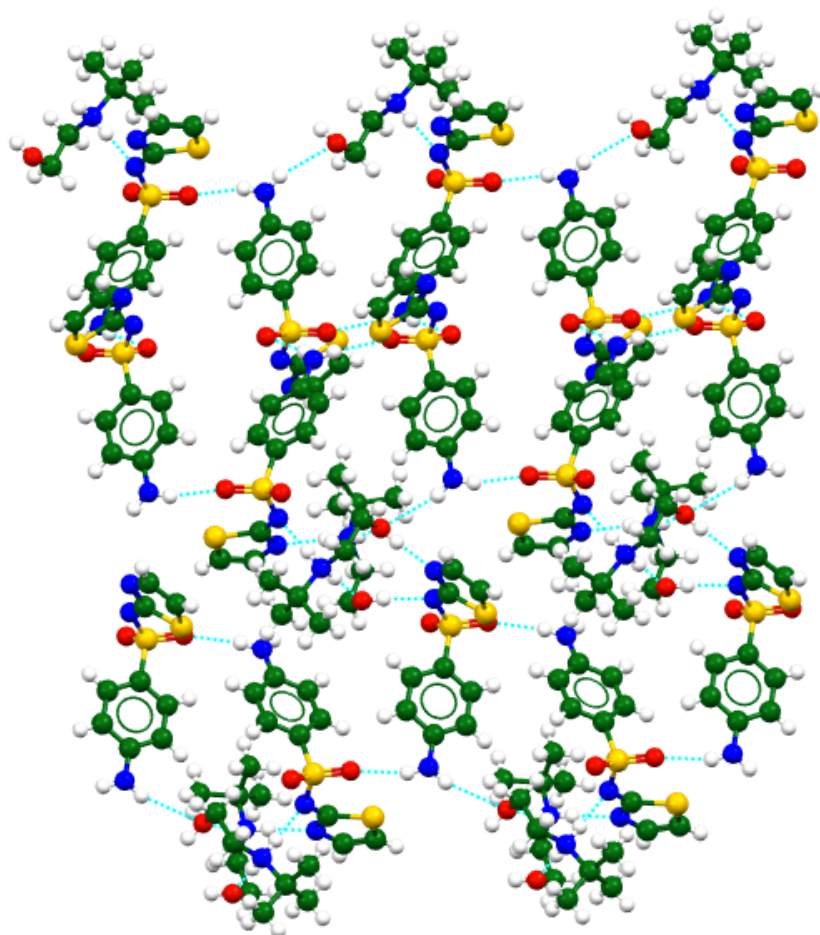


Figure S24. 2-D sheet in QEDWAZ structure.

## XIFPEI01

1-D ribbon is formed through the two components (Figure 25) by a combination of  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  interactions between both species, a second  $\text{NH}\cdots\text{O}=\text{S}$  H-bond then links these chains into a 2-D structure (Figure 26). Final structure is formed from stacking of these sheets with interweaving of thiazole rings (Figure 27).

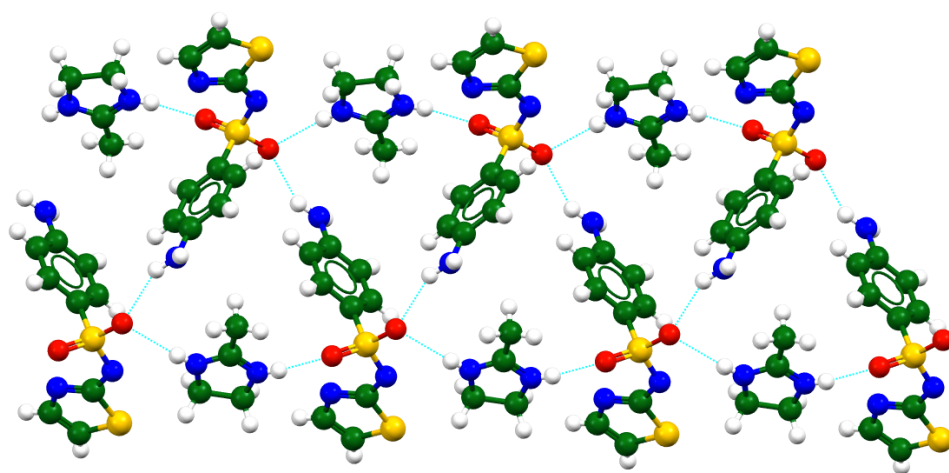


Figure S25. 1-D ribbon in XIFPEI

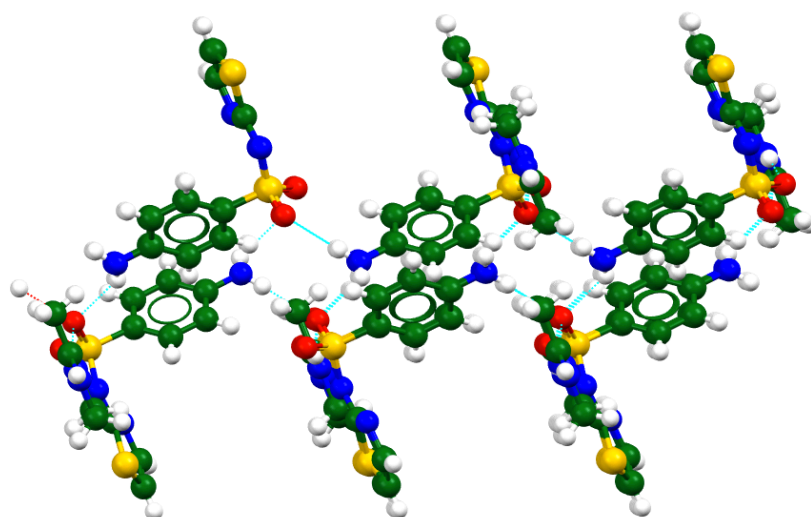


Figure S26. Rotation of Figure 25 chain, then linked through NH...O=S bonds.



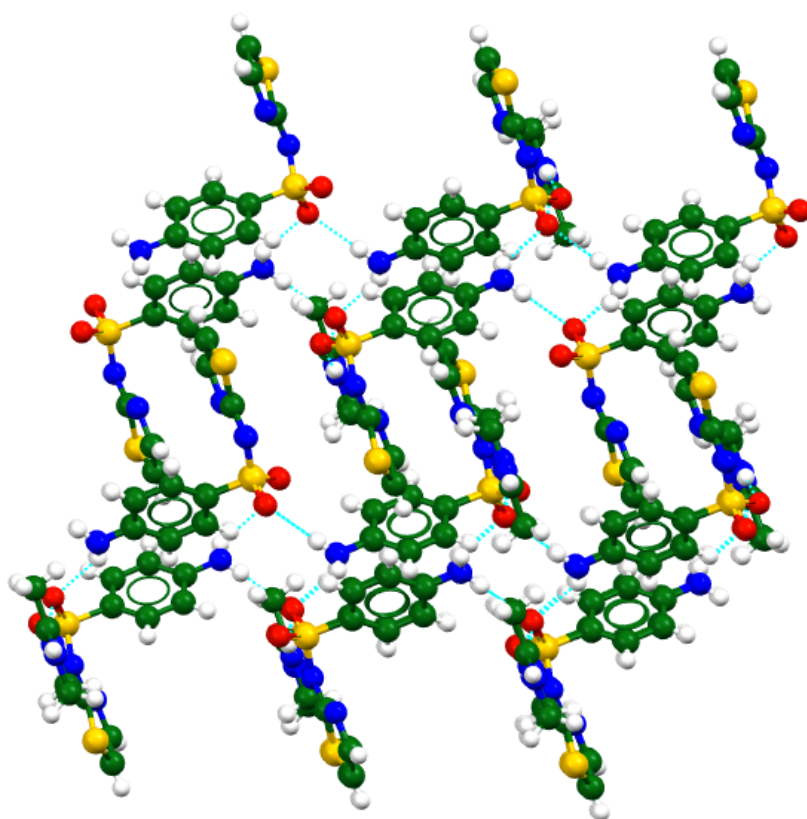
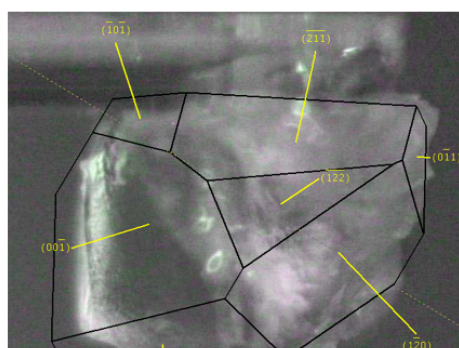
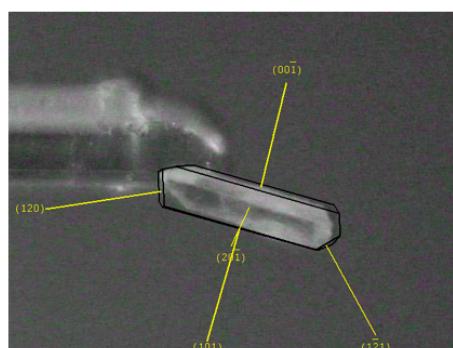


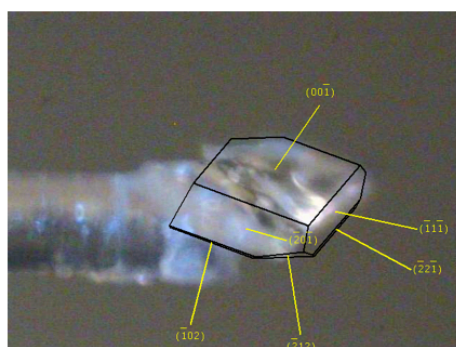
Figure S27. Stacking of 2-D sheets into final structure.



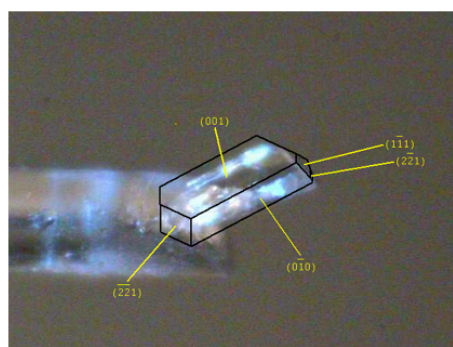
**Salt II (BF<sub>4</sub>)**



**Salt III (SO<sub>4</sub>)**



**Salt VI**



**Salt V**

Figure S28. Morphologies of STZ salts studied.