

Supplementary Information to accompany

Ionic Liquid “Buffers” – pH control in Ionic Liquid Systems

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Table S1. Compositions of Ionic Liquid Buffer Systems Studied (apparent pH indicates the value that would be expected in a dilute aqueous environment)

Buffer	Composition	'Apparent' pH
Choline H ₂ PO ₄ /HPO ₄	Equimolar CDHP / CDP + H ₂ O 20-50 %w/w	~ 7.2
Choline Tar ⁻ /Tar ²⁻		~ 4.2
LysH ⁺ /Lys	1 mol Lys / 0.5 mol HCl + H ₂ O – 46% w/w	~ 9.0

Figure S1. Effect of reducing water content of the CDHP/CHP buffer

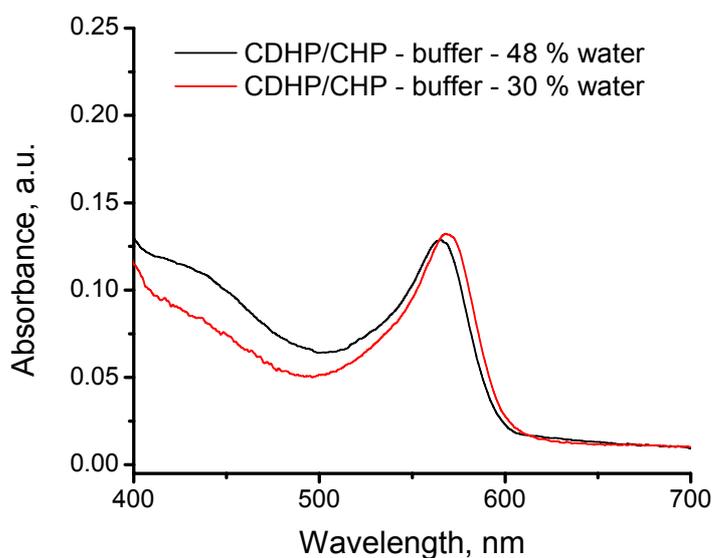


Figure S2. LysH⁺/Lys hydrated IL buffer containing thymol blue indicator challenged with additions of base. The dye is insensitive when excess base is added, whereby only a dilution effect can be observed.

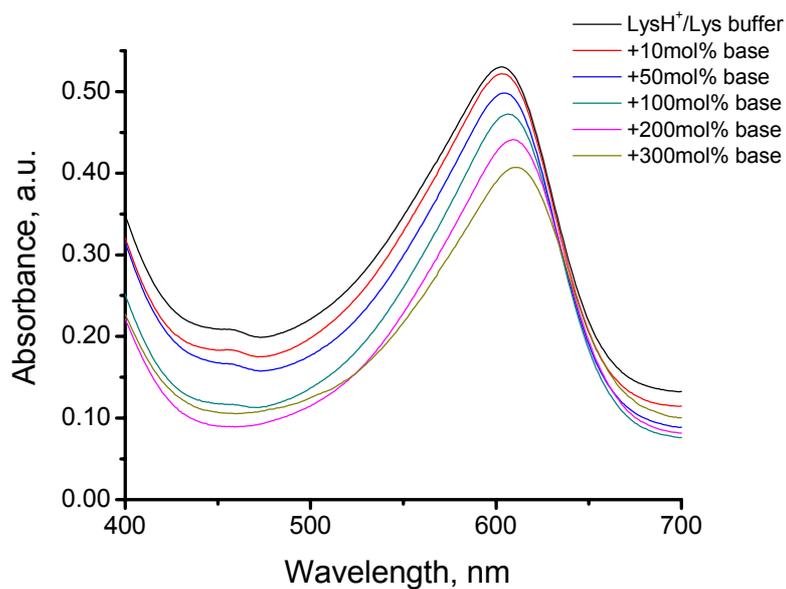


Figure S3. Choline tar⁻/tar²⁻ hydrated IL buffer containing phenol red indicator.

