

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### Hofmeister effects of ionic liquids in protein crystallization: direct and water-mediated interactions

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Table S1. Details of data collection statistics for lysozyme

Dataset	Lysozyme – [Ch][Ac]
X-ray source	Soleil (Proxima I)
<b>Crystal data</b>	
Unit cell parameters (Å)	$a=78.35$ $b=78.35$ $c=36.90$
Space group	$P4_32_12$
Molecules per ASU	1
Mosaicity	0.28
Matthews coefficient (Å <sup>3</sup> Da <sup>-1</sup> )	1.98
Solvent content (%)	38.01

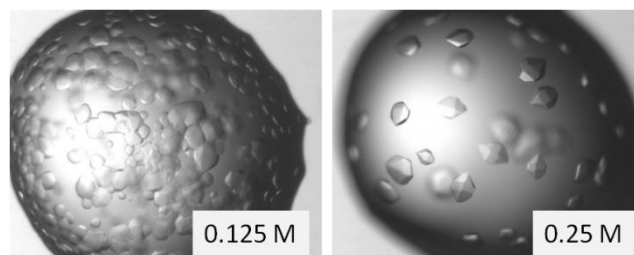
Max. resolution (Å)	1.50
<b>Data collection and processing</b>	
Resolution limits (Å)	39.17-1.50 (1.51 – 1.50)
Wavelength (Å)	0.8856
No. of observed reflections	132855 (19918)
No. of unique reflections	20915 (3118)
$R_{\text{sym}}$	5.8 (60.0)
$R_{\text{meas}}$	6.2 (62.0)
$R_{\text{mrgd-F}}$	11.6 (50.9)
Completeness (%)	99.6 (100)
$\langle I/\sigma \rangle$	19.33 (3.19)
<b>Refinement statistics</b>	
Resolution (Å)	30.17-1.50
Reflections used	17978
$R_{\text{work}}$ (%)	16.75
$R_{\text{free}}^a$ (%)	21.09
Number of water molecules	172
Temperature factors (Å <sup>2</sup> )	
Average for protein atoms	18.04
Average for choline	33.27
Average for acetate	33.53
Average for solvent	33.15

Ramachandran plot:	
Residues other than Gly and Pro in :	
Most favored regions (number)	125
Additional allowed regions (number))	4
Disallowed regions (number)	0
PDB code	4AGA

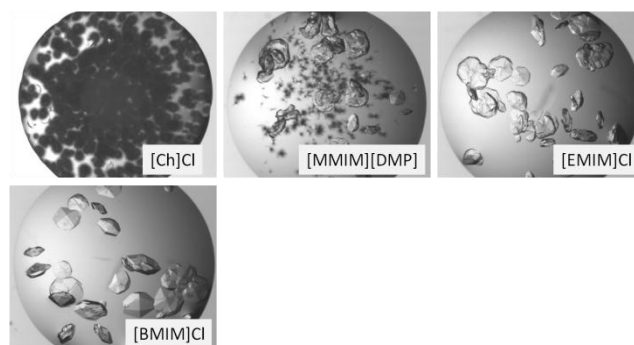
Table S2. Data collection and refinement statistics for Ribonuclease A

Dataset	Ribonuclease
Xray source	Soleil (Proxima I)
<b>Crystal data</b>	
Unit cell parameters (Å) (°)	$A=64.00$ $b=64.00$ $c=63.61$
Molecules per ASU	1
Mosaicity	0.28
Matthews coefficient (Å <sup>3</sup> Da <sup>-1</sup> )	2.70
Solvent content (%)	54.41
Max. resolution (Å)	1.58
<b>Data collection and processing</b>	
Space group	$P3_221$

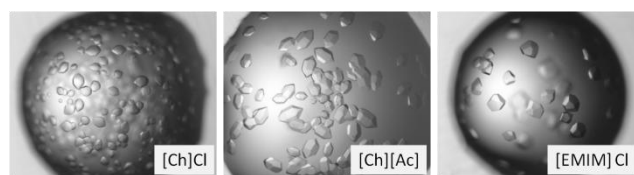
Resolution limits (Å)	31.81-1.58 (1.67-1.58)
Wavelength (Å)	0.8856
No. of observed reflections	70218 (10743)
No. of unique reflections	19704 (2972)
$R_{pim}$	0.019(0.025)
$R_{mrgd}$	0.036(0.047)
Completeness (%)	93.7(98.2)
$\langle I/\sigma \rangle$	26.7(19.2)
<b>Refinement statistics</b>	
Resolution (Å)	55.43-1.58
Reflections used	18627
$R_{work}$ (%)	16.24
$R_{free}^a$ (%)	19.56
Number of water molecules	172
Ramachandran plot <sup>b</sup> : Residues other than Gly and Pro in :	
Most favored regions (number)	117
Additional allowed regions (number))	4
Disallowed regions (number)	0
PDB code	4AO1



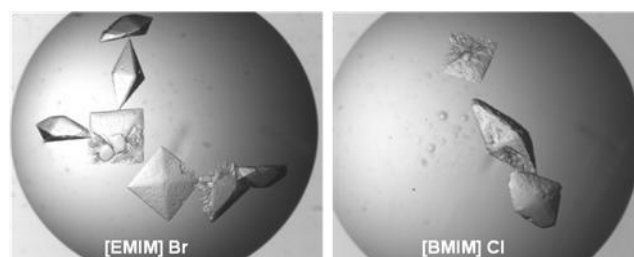
**Fig. S1** Effect of increasing concentration of [Ch][C<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>] on RNase crystallization at a given concentration of protein and inorganic precipitants (20 mg/ml and 1/4 reservoir solution, respectively).



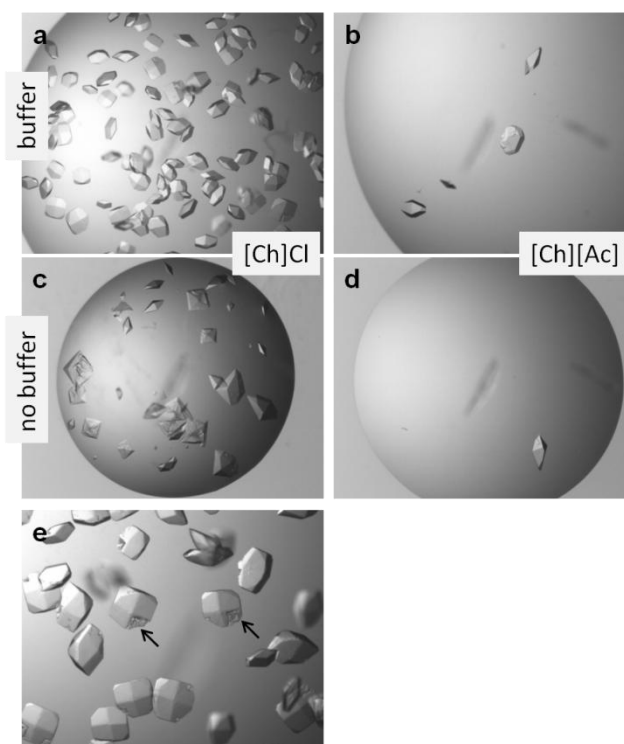
**Fig. S2** Effect of ILs on the crystallization of lysozyme at 0.06 M concentration of the IL. Note that the effect of [MMIM][DMP] is not directly comparable within this series due to change of anion. Nevertheless, the nucleation density of the lysozyme crystals in the presence of [MMIM][DMP] is always lower than in the presence of any [Ch]-based ILs and higher than in the presence of any [EMIM]- or [BMIM]-based IL (irrespective of the anion).



**Fig. S3** Effect at a given concentration (0.25 M) of particular ionic liquids on RNase crystallization (at fixed concentration of the protein and inorganic precipitants, here 20 mg/ml and 1/4 of the reservoir solution).



**Fig. S4** Dissolution of the originally regular and smooth lysozyme crystals grown in the presence of 0.25 M of initial concentration of [EMIM]Br and [BMIM]Cl.



**Fig. S5** Lysozyme crystals grown at 4°C in 1 M solution of a) [Ch]Cl and b) [Ch][Ac] in the presence of 25 mM sodium acetate buffer (pH = 4.57) and in 1 M solution of: c) [Ch]Cl and d) [Ch][Ac] without buffer (in either reservoir or protein solution). Image e) presents the partial dissolution of the crystals grown in a buffered solution of 1 M [Ch]Cl after placing the crystals at 20°C.