

**Charging of Ionic Liquid Surfaces Under X-ray Irradiation:
The Measurement of Absolute Binding Energies by XPS.**

Supplementary information

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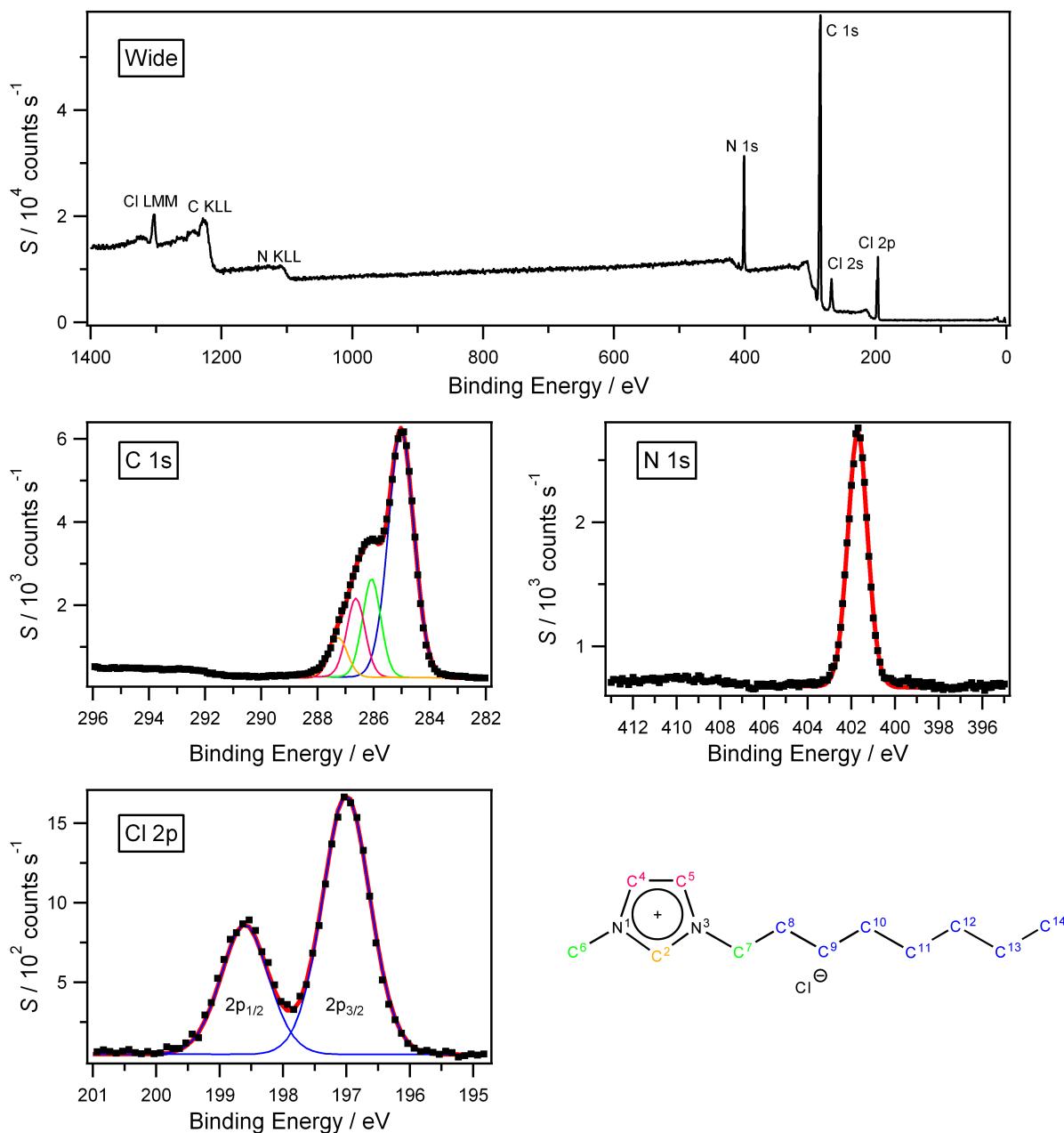
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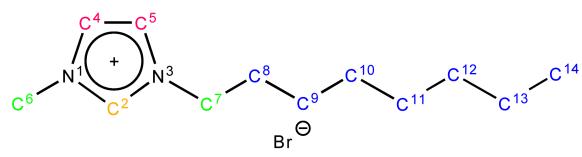
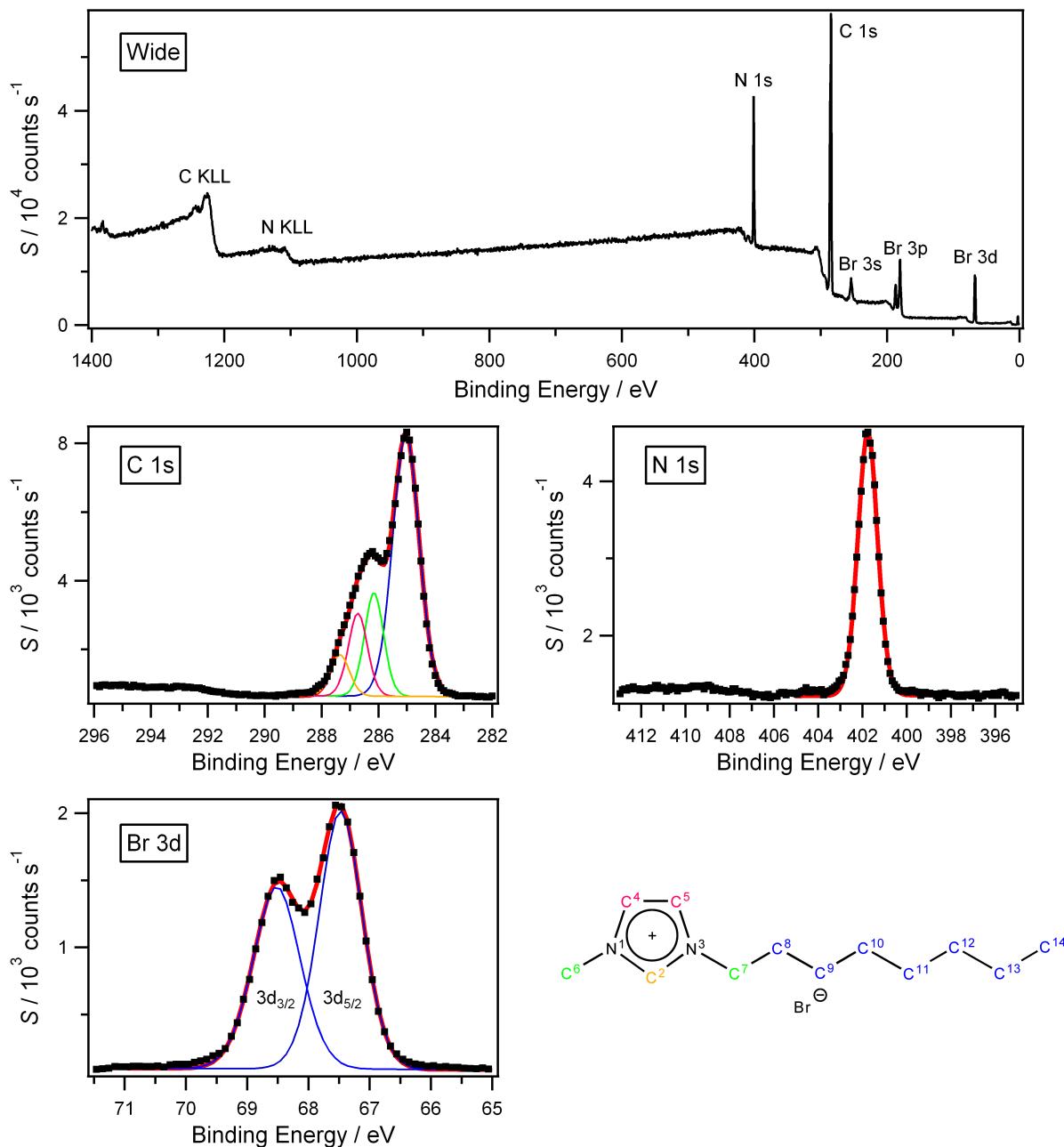
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Figure S1. Wide and fitted high resolution scans of all $[C_8C_1Im][X]$ studied. C 1s high resolution scans were fitted using the model described in the paper (Figure 8). All modelled components in F 1s, O1s, N 1s and B 1s high resolution scans were fitted assuming equal FWHM. P 2p and S 2p high resolution scans were fitted taking into account spin orbit coupling splittings of 0.84 eV for P 2p, 1.18 eV for S 2p, 1.60 eV for Cl 2p and 1.05 eV for Br 3d.¹ The $p_{1/2}:p_{3/2}$ ratio was set to 1:2, the $d_{3/2}:d_{5/2}$ ratio was set to 2:3, the FWHM in both cases was set to 1:1 for each contribution.² For N 1s high resolution scans, the N_{cation} signal is affected by the shake up/off phenomena and was fitted with a 12% intensity loss with respect to other peaks.³

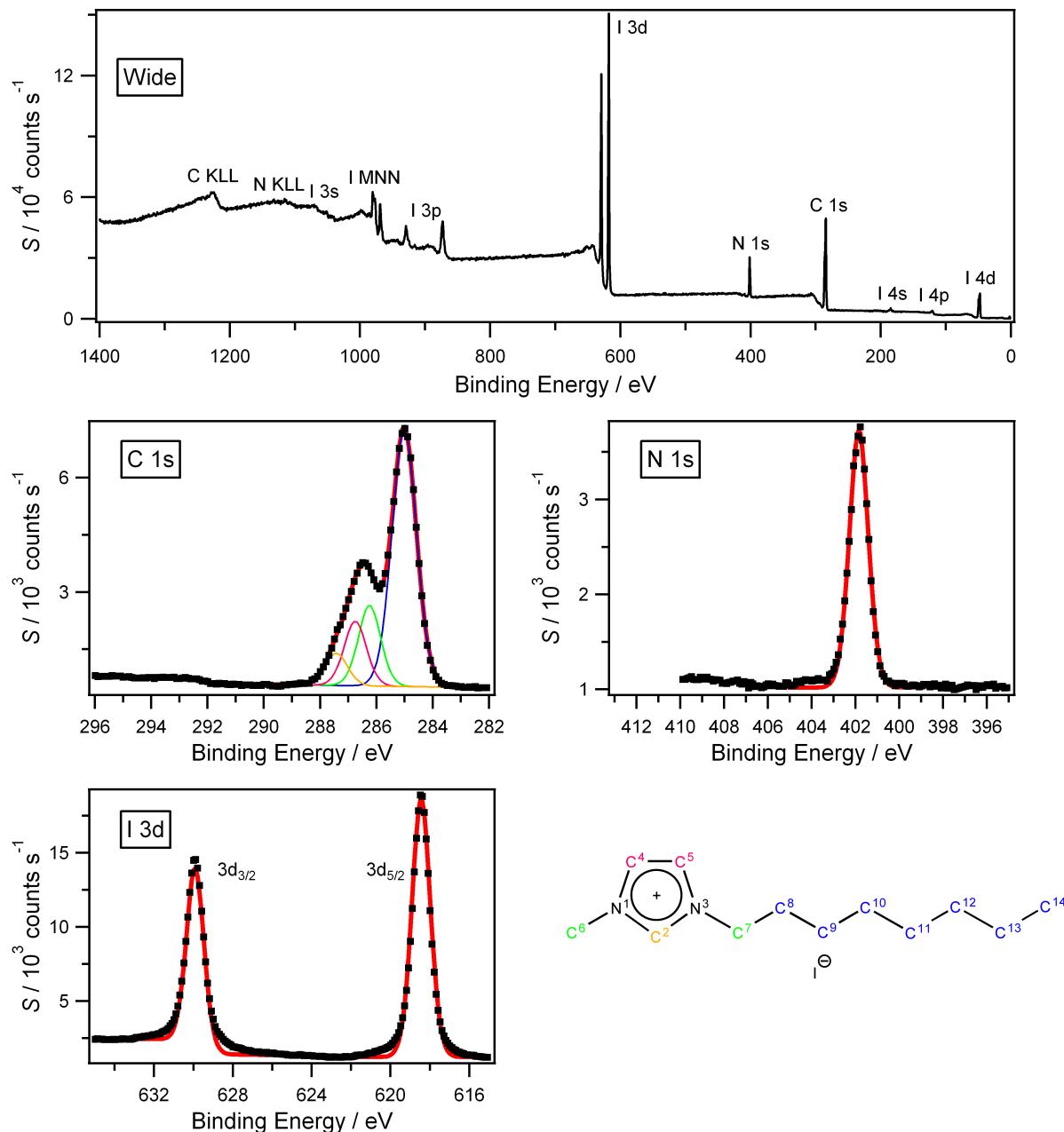
S1.1 [C₈C₁Im]Cl wide and high resolution scans.



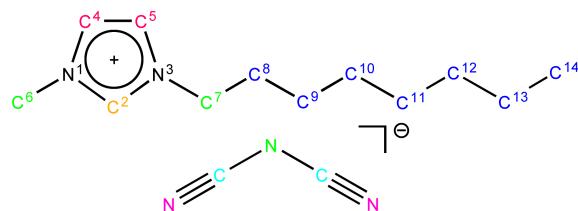
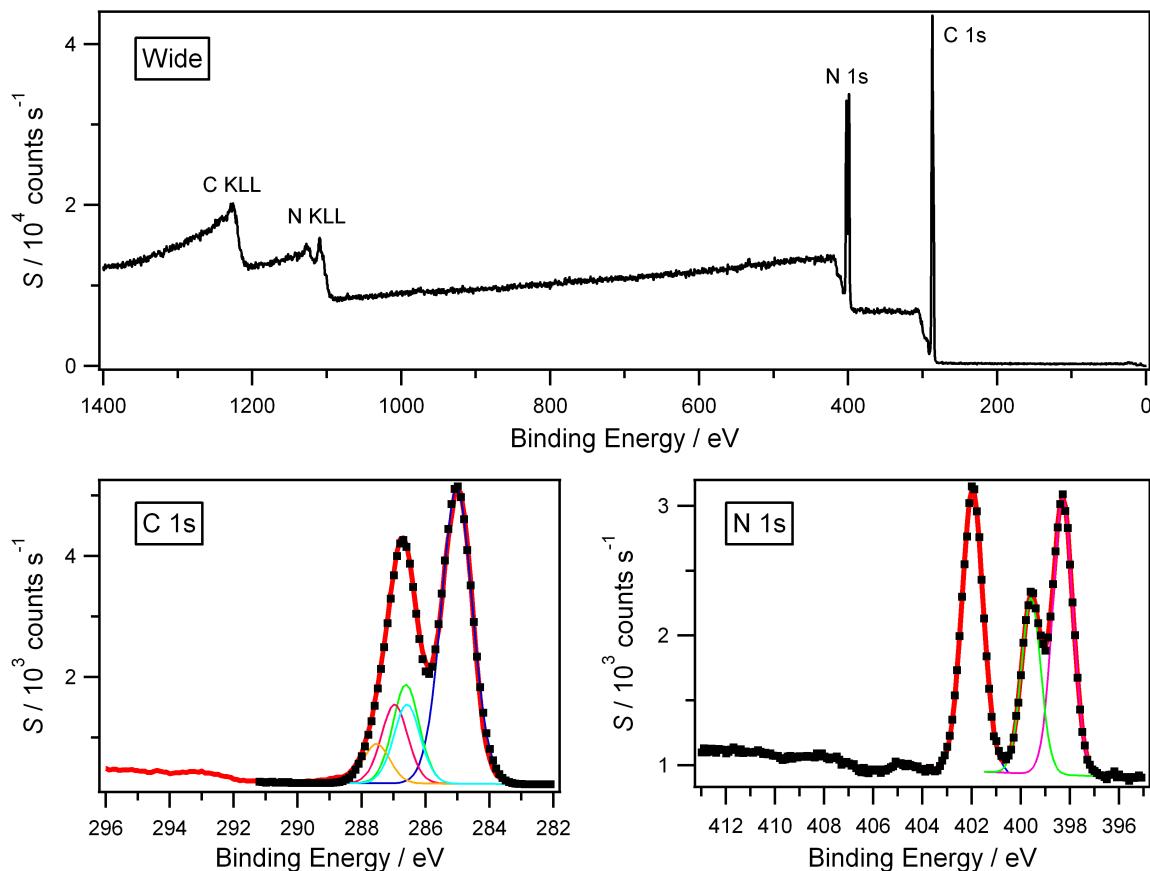
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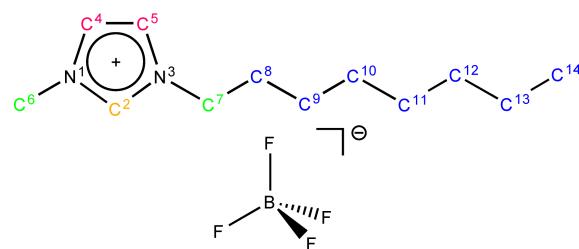
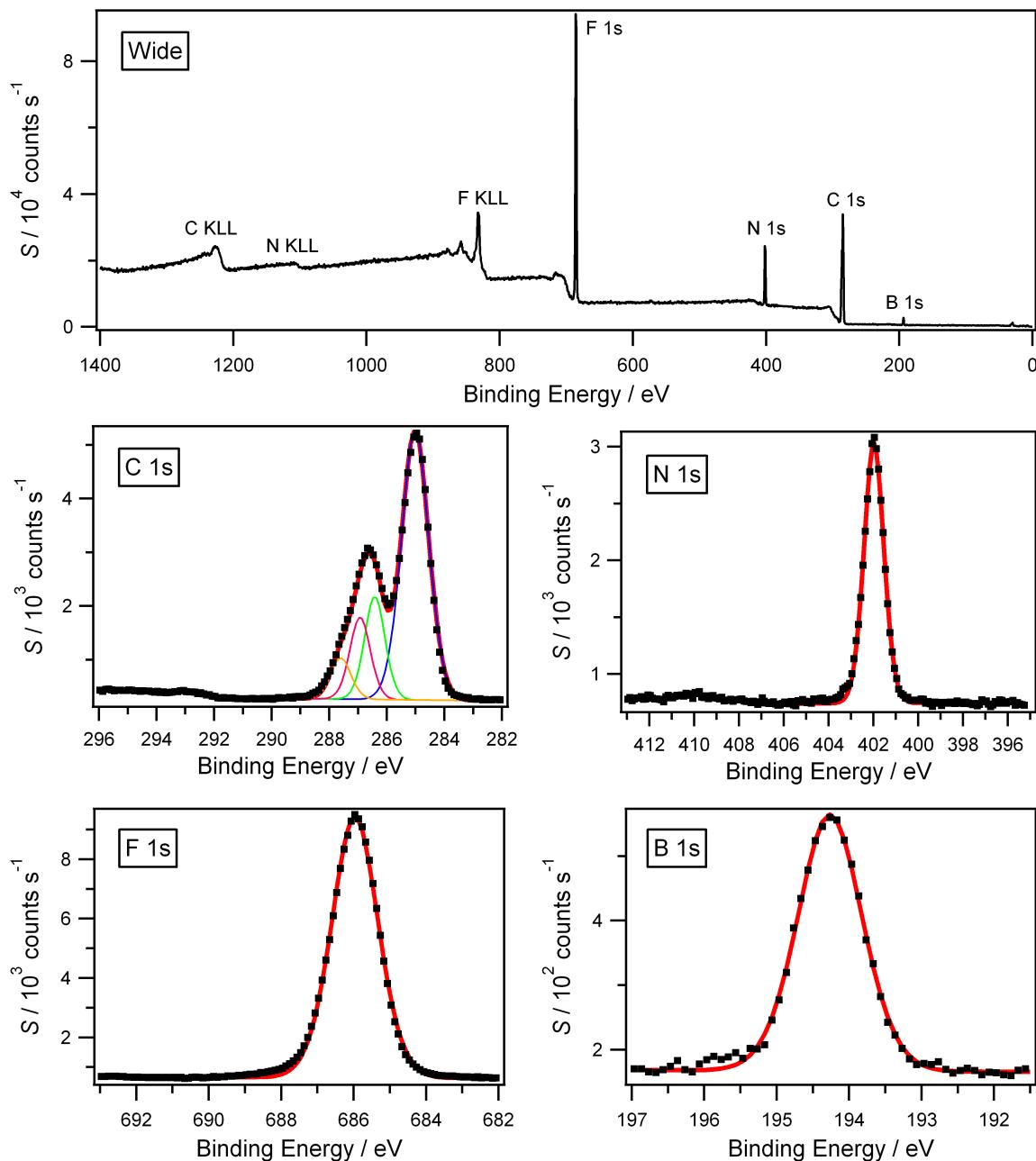
S1.3 [C₈C₁Im]I wide and high resolution scans.



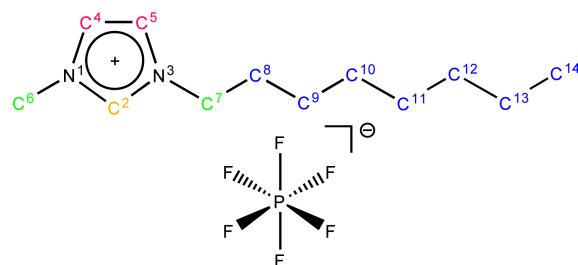
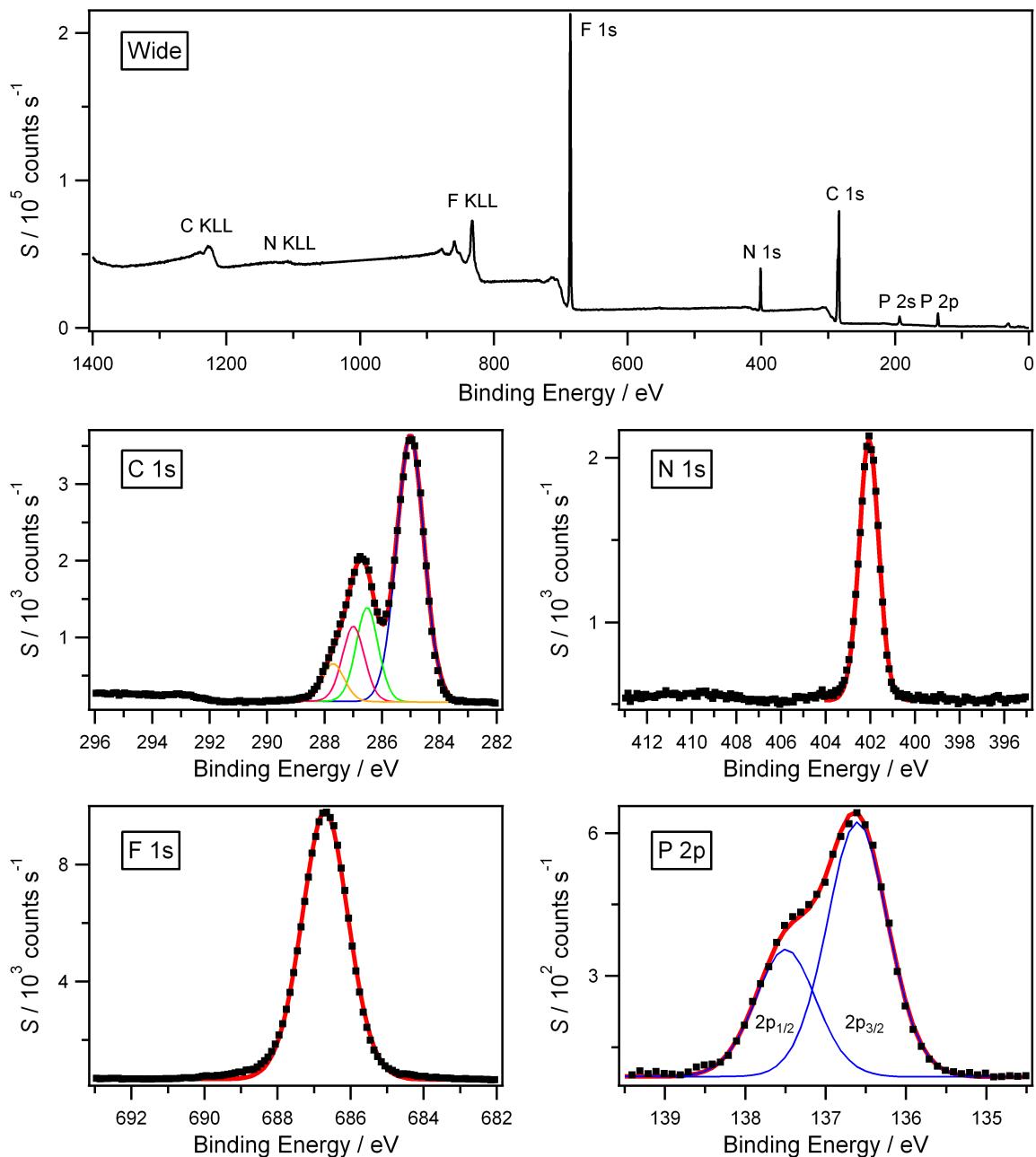
S1.4 [C₈C₁Im][N(CN)₂] wide and high resolution scans.



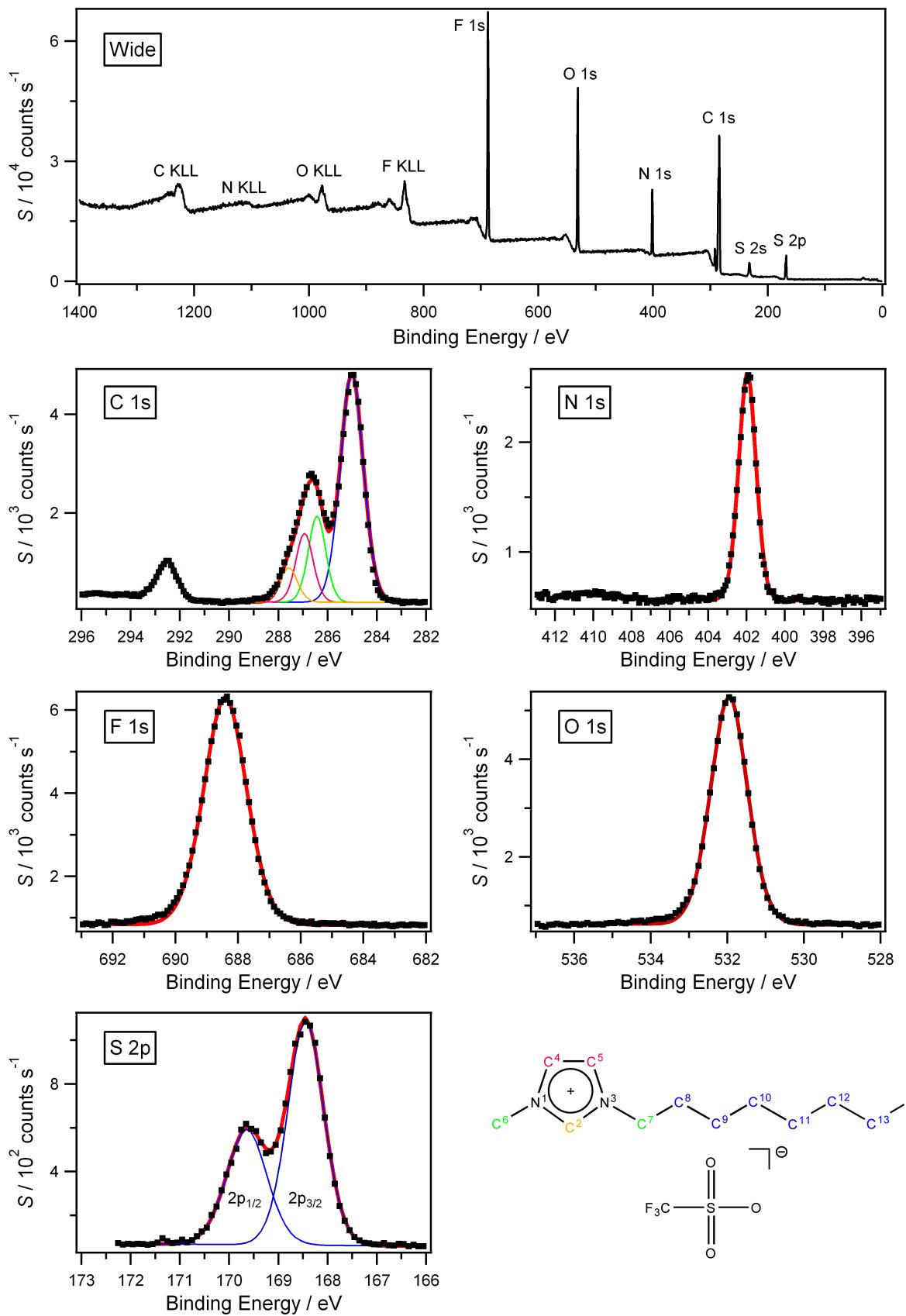
S1.5 [C₈C₁Im][BF₄] wide and high resolution scans.



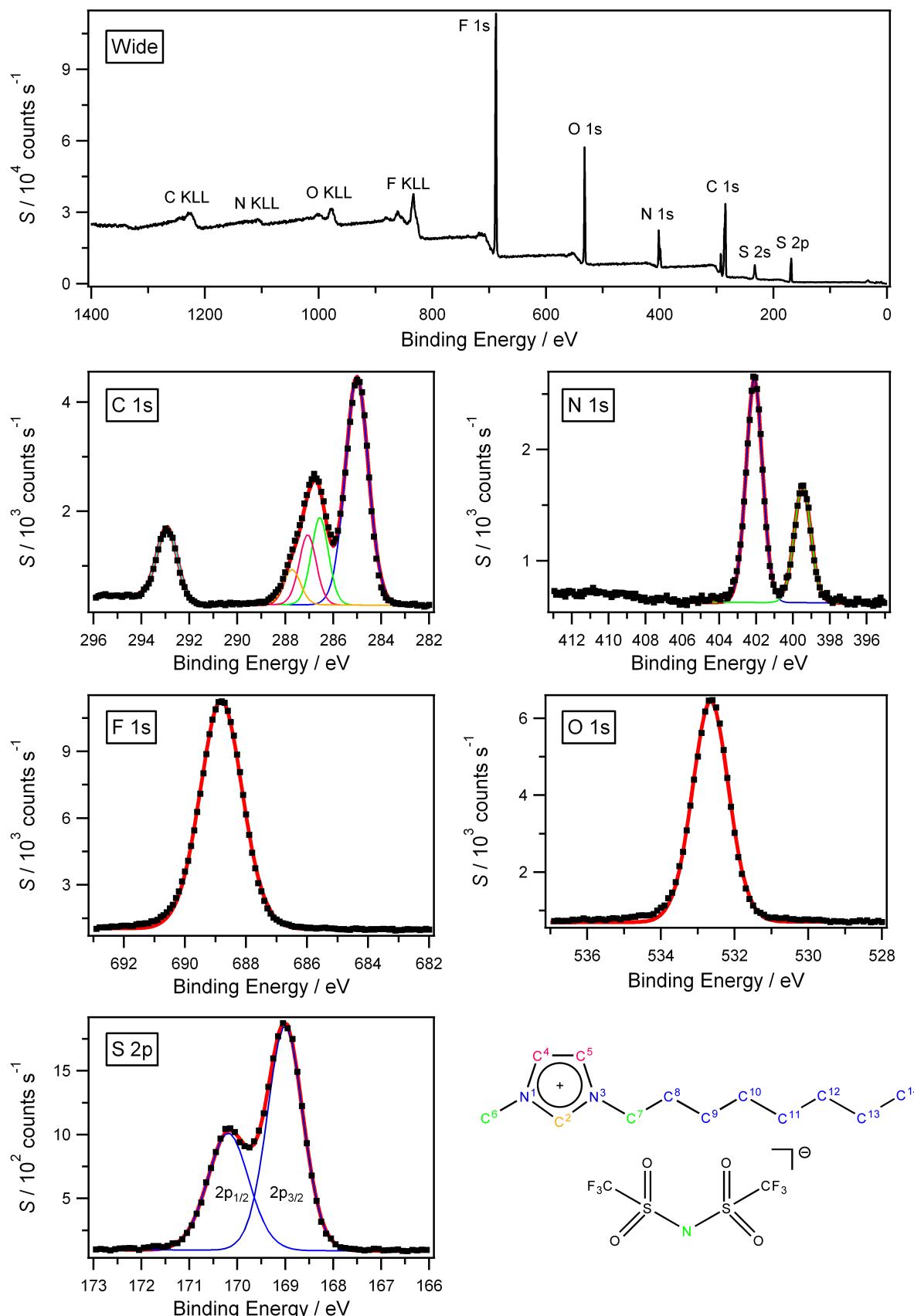
S1.6 [C₈C₁Im][PF₆] wide and high resolution scans.



S1.7 [C₈C₁Im][TfO] wide and high resolution scans.



S1.8 [C₈C₁Im][Tf₂N] wide and high resolution scans.



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