

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### **Highly Efficient Synthesis of Alkylidene Cyclic Carbonates from Low Concentration CO<sub>2</sub>using Hydroxyl and Azolate Dual Functionalized Ionic Liquids**

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## NMR data of ILs

**[Ch][BenIm]:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.38 (dd, 2H), 6.81 (dd, 2H), 3.90 (m, 2H), 3.38 (m, 2H), 3.09 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 150.61, 144.98, 117.29, 115.75, 67.35, 67.33, 67.30, 54.79, 53.25, 53.21, 53.17.

**[Ch][Im]:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.19 (s, 1H), 6.73 (2H), 3.84 (m, 2H), 3.35 (m, 2H), 3.09 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 141.28, 124.19, 67.50, 67.47, 67.44, 54.72, 53.23, 53.19, 53.16.

**[Ch][Tetz]:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 8.21 (s, 1H), 3.85 (m, 2H), 3.46 – 3.37 (m, 2H), 3.11 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 148.16, 67.08, 67.05, 67.02, 55.21, 53.26, 53.23, 53.19.

**[Ch][Triz]:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.74 (s, 2H), 3.87 (m, 2H), 3.45 – 3.40 (m, 2H), 3.12 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 148.81, 67.35, 67.32, 67.29, 54.97, 53.26, 53.22, 53.18

**[N<sub>1111</sub>][Triz]:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.61 (s, 2H), 3.09 (s, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 149.20, 54.37, 54.33, 54.30

**[N<sub>2222</sub>][Triz]:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.53 (s, 1H), 3.20 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 8H), 1.20 – 1.06 (m, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 148.98, 51.36, 51.33, 51.30, 7.04.

**[N<sub>4444</sub>][Triz]:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.58 (s, 2H), 3.22 – 3.11 (m, 8H), 1.62 – 1.49 (m, 8H), 1.36 – 1.24 (m, 8H), 0.93 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 12H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 148.98, 57.60, 23.16, 19.30, 13.59.

**[P<sub>66614</sub>][Triz]:** <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO) δ 7.64 (s, 2H), 2.26 – 2.09 (m, 8H), 1.47 – 1.21 (m, 47H), 0.91 – 0.82 (m, 13H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (101 MHz, DMSO) δ 148.62, 31.28, 30.80, 30.38, 30.01, 29.86, 29.80, 29.65, 29.05, 29.03, 29.01, 28.99, 28.94, 28.70, 28.62, 28.06, 22.07, 21.90, 21.79, 20.52, 20.48, 20.41, 17.66, 17.57, 17.19, 17.10, 13.91, 13.82

**Table S1.**The effect of various metal catalysts<sup>[a]</sup> on this reaction.

Entry	Metal salt	Yield(%) <sup>[b]</sup>
1	AgNO <sub>3</sub>	93
2	AgOAc	91
3	AgCO <sub>3</sub>	48
4 <sup>[c]</sup>	Ag <sub>2</sub> O	78
5	Fe(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	4
6	Cu(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	1
7	Al(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	3

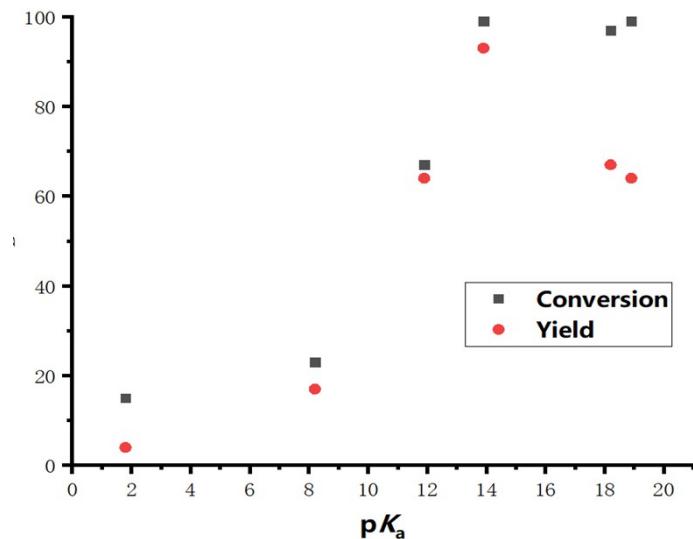
<sup>[a]</sup>Reaction conditions: **1a** (4 mmol), metal salt (0.4 mmol), [Ch][Tri] (0.8 mmol) and CO<sub>2</sub> (1 bar) for 24 h at 30 °C). <sup>[b]</sup> Determined by GC using internal standard method. <sup>[c]</sup> 0.2 mmol Ag<sub>2</sub>O was used.

**Table S2.** The effect of the temperature, time and the amount of the catalyst on the synthesis of alkylidene carbonates from CO<sub>2</sub>.<sup>[a]</sup>

Entry	AgNO <sub>3</sub> [%]	[Ch][Tri][%]	T [°C]	Time [h]	Yield [%] <sup>[b]</sup>
1	10	20	30	6	49
2	10	20	30	12	78
3	10	20	30	24	93
4	10	20	30	36	92
5	10	20	20	24	77
6	10	20	40	24	83
7	1	20	30	24	26
8	10	15	30	24	71
9	10	20	30	24	90

[a] Reaction conditions: **1a** (4 mmol), AgNO<sub>3</sub>, [Ch][Tri] and CO<sub>2</sub> (1 bar).

[b] Determined by GC using internal standard method.



**Fig. S1** The relationship between the conversion and the yield with the calculated  $pK_a$  value

**Table S3** The  $\text{CO}_2$  absorption capacity by anion-functionalized ILs<sup>[a]</sup>

Entry	Ionic liquid	Calculated $pK_a$	absorption capacity <sup>[b]</sup>
1	[Ch][Cl]	1.8	0.04
2	[Ch][Tetz]	8.2	0.08
3	[Ch][BenTri]	11.9	0.27
4	[Ch][Tri]	13.9	0.87
5	[Ch][BenIm]	18.2	0.89
6	[Ch][Im]	18.9	0.93

[a] The absorption was carried out at 30°C. [b] Mol  $\text{CO}_2$  per mol IL

**Table S4** The synthesis of alkylidene carbonates using AgNO<sub>3</sub> as catalyst

entry	Base/Ligand	P(MPa)	T(°C)	Yield(%)	Ref
1	[Ch][Tri]	0.1	30	93	This work
2	[Ch][Tri]	0.01	30	85	This work
3	[Ch][Tri]	0.015	30	87	This work
4	[P <sub>66614</sub> ][Tri]	0.1	30	73	1
5	Ph <sub>3</sub> P	0.1	25	0	2
6	Ph <sub>3</sub> P	0.1	25	0	3
7	(n-C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>15</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> NBr	0.1	60	0	4
9	EMImOAc	0.1	45	58	5
10	DavePhos	0.8	25	20	6

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