

## Supplementary Documents

### Enhanced Oil Recovery Promoted by Aqueous Deep Eutectic Solvents on Silica and Calcite Surfaces: A Molecular Dynamics Study

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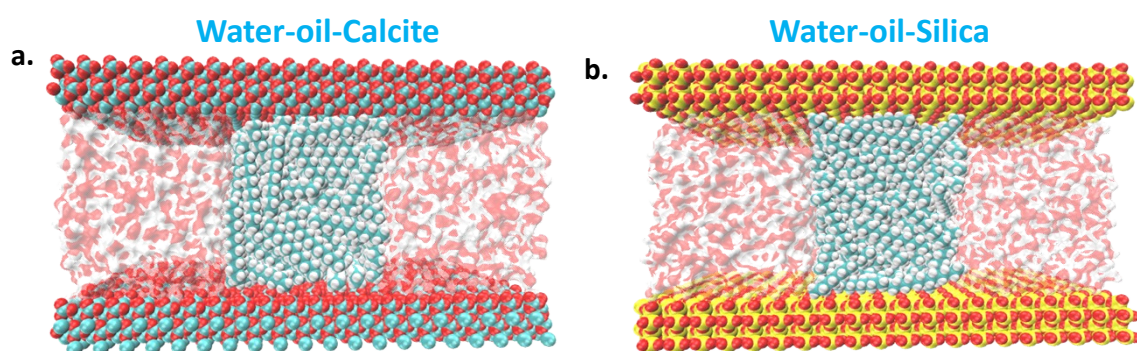
#### 1. Force-field details of DES molecules

**Table S1.** Force-field (Non-bonded) parameters of DES and water molecules

| <i>Atom name</i>            | <i>Sigma</i> ( $\sigma$ )<br>(nm) | <i>Epsilon</i> ( $\epsilon$ )<br>(Kcal/mol) | <i>q</i><br>( $e^-$ ) |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>N (Urea)</i>             | 0.355                             | 0.2550                                      | -0.453                |
| <i>O (Urea)</i>             | 0.296                             | 0.3150                                      | -0.322                |
| <i>HT (Urea)</i>            | 0.00                              | 0.00                                        | 0.276                 |
| <i>HC (Urea)</i>            | 0.00                              | 0.00                                        | 0.276                 |
| <i>C (Urea)</i>             | 0.375                             | 0.1575                                      | 0.124                 |
| <i>OG (Ethylene glycol)</i> | 0.3                               | 0.2975                                      | -0.560                |
| <i>HO (Ethylene glycol)</i> | 0.00                              | 0.00                                        | 0.348                 |
| <i>HG (Ethylene glycol)</i> | 0.25                              | 0.0525                                      | 0.048                 |
| <i>CG (Ethylene glycol)</i> | 0.35                              | 0.1155                                      | 0.116                 |
| <i>CS (Choline)</i>         | 0.35                              | 0.066                                       | -0.131                |
| <i>HS (Choline)</i>         | 0.26                              | 0.03                                        | 0.068                 |
| <i>NA (Choline)</i>         | 0.325                             | 0.17                                        | 0.791                 |

|                      |        |         |        |
|----------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| <i>CA (Choline)</i>  | 0.35   | 0.066   | -0.100 |
| <i>CW (Choline)</i>  | 0.35   | 0.066   | 0.132  |
| <i>OY (Choline)</i>  | 0.307  | 0.17    | -0.468 |
| <i>HA (Choline)</i>  | 0.25   | 0.03    | 0.033  |
| <i>HW (Choline)</i>  | 0.22   | 0.03    | 0.034  |
| <i>HY (Choline)</i>  | 0.00   | 0.00    | 0.275  |
| <i>Cl (Chloride)</i> | 0.377  | 0.148   | -0.800 |
| <i>CT (Menthol)</i>  | 0.35   | 0.0783  | -0.10  |
| <i>HC (Menthol)</i>  | 0.25   | 0.0356  | 0.05   |
| <i>O (Menthol)</i>   | 0.312  | 0.20174 | -0.61  |
| <i>HO (Menthol)</i>  | 0.00   | 0.00    | 0.38   |
| <i>Hw (water)</i>    | 0.00   | 0.00    | 0.410  |
| <i>Ow (water)</i>    | 0.3166 | 0.1553  | -0.820 |

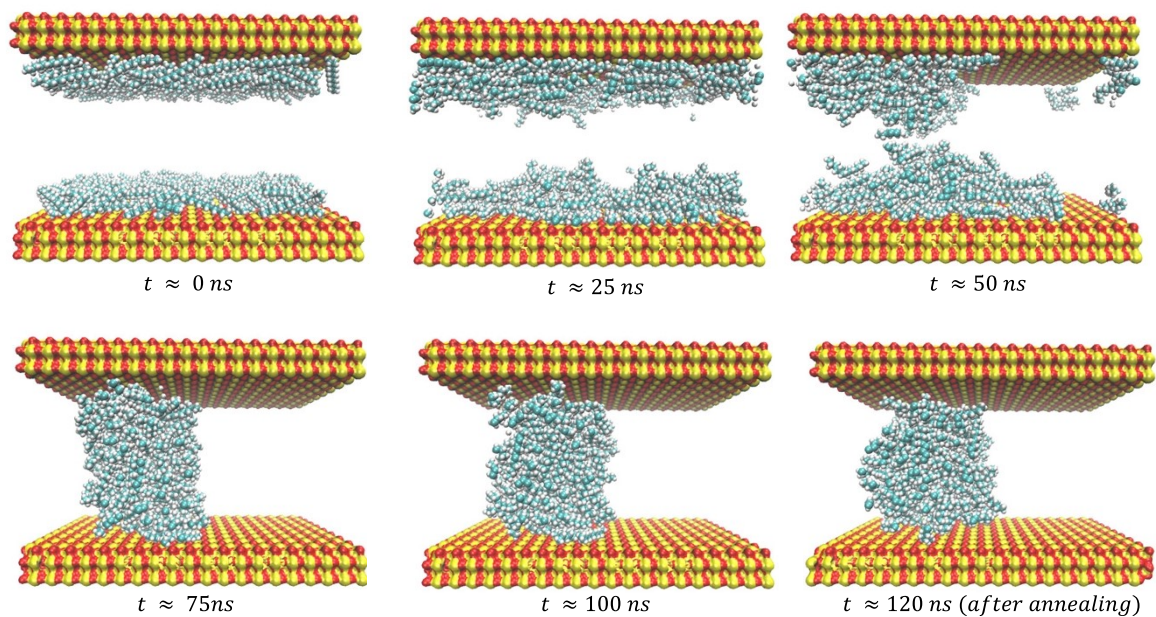
## 2. Initial configuration of Confined system with no-DES



**Figure S1.** Initial Configuration of systems containing oil molecules with no DES

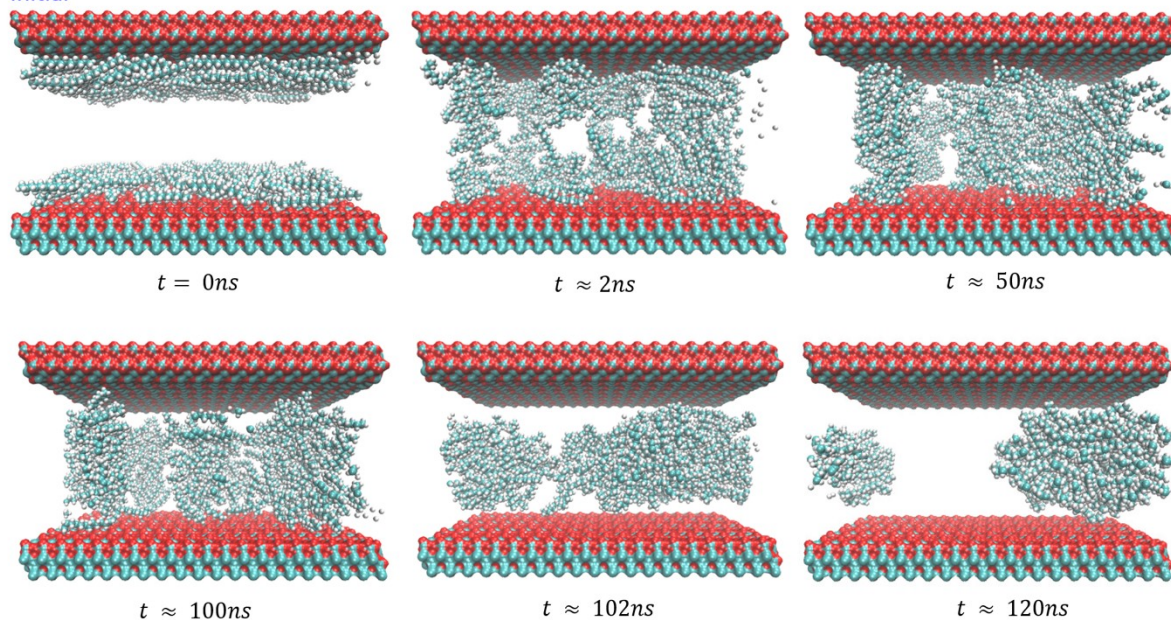
### 3. Oil Removal process

Initial



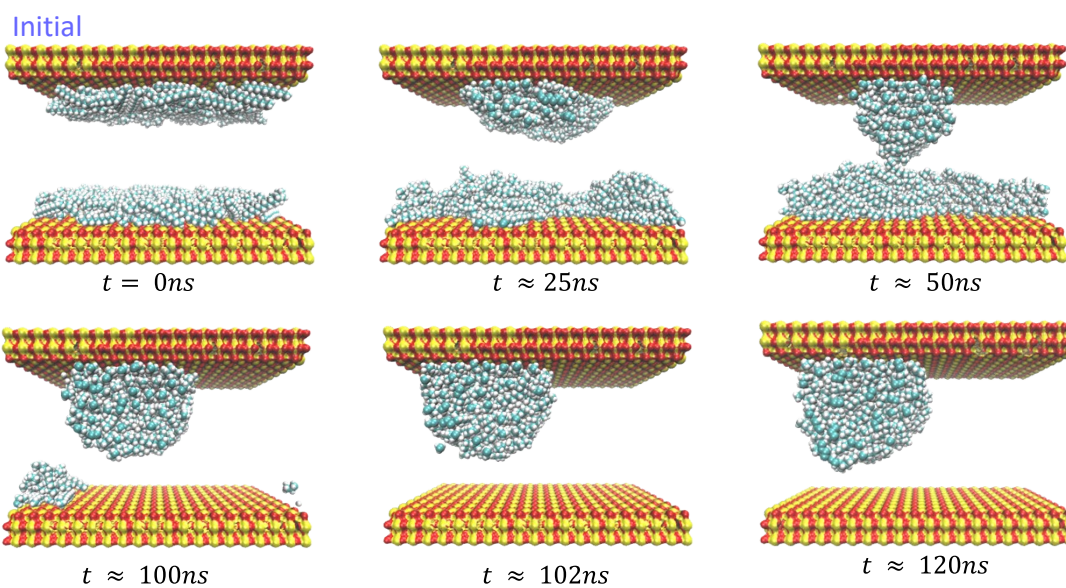
**Figure S2.** The evolution of the oil layer on the confinement in the presence of water-DES (Water-M:SA) on the SiO<sub>2</sub> surface.

Initial

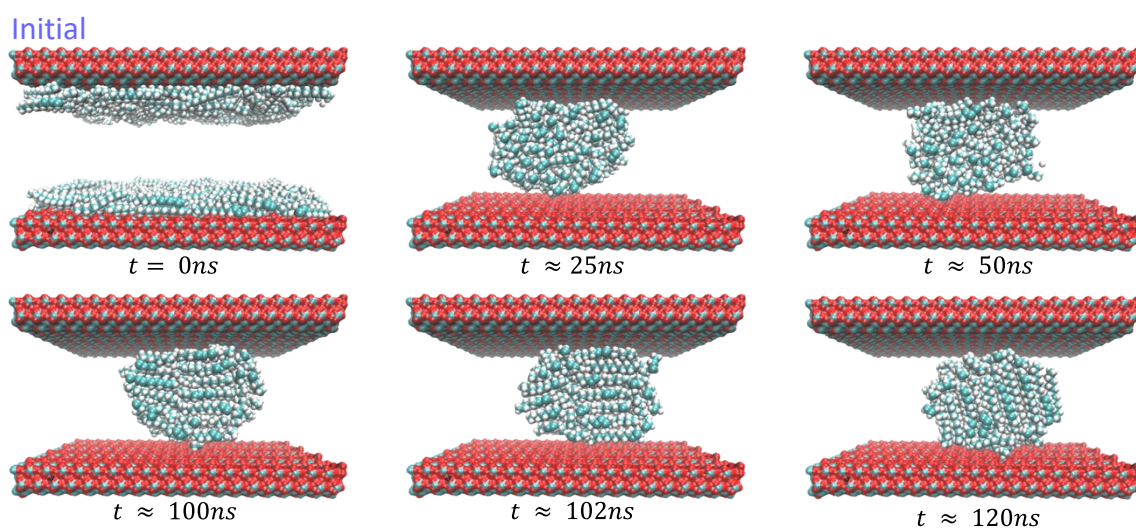


**Figure S3.** The evolution of the oil layer on the confinement in the presence of water-DES (Water-M:SA) on the CaCO<sub>3</sub> surface.

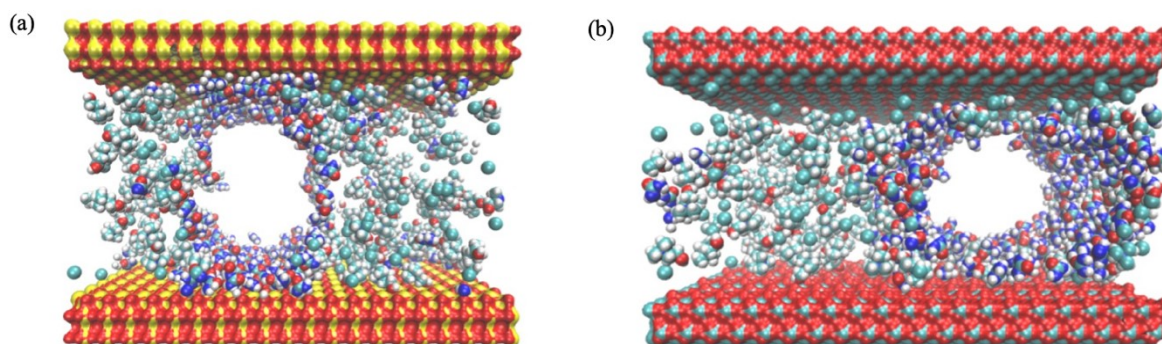




**Figure S4.** The evolution of the oil layer on the confinement in the presence of water-DES (Water-CCU:EG) on the  $\text{SiO}_2$  surface.



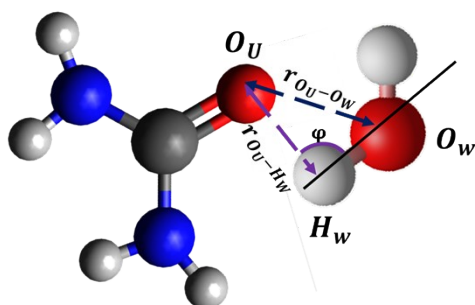
**Figure S5.** The evolution of the oil layer on the confinement in the presence of water-DES (Water-CCU:EG) on the  $\text{CaCO}_3$  surface.



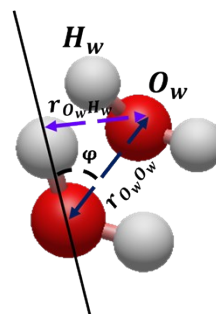
**Figure S6.** The final configuration shows DES for oil confinement in the vicinity of water-DES (Water-ChCl:U) on the SiO<sub>2</sub> and CaCO<sub>3</sub> surfaces.

#### 4. Hydrogen Bonding criteria

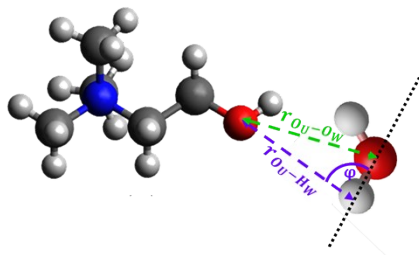
##### Urea-water HB



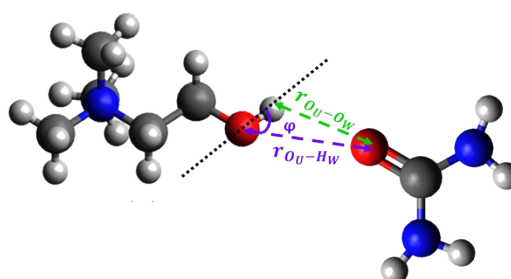
##### Water-water HB



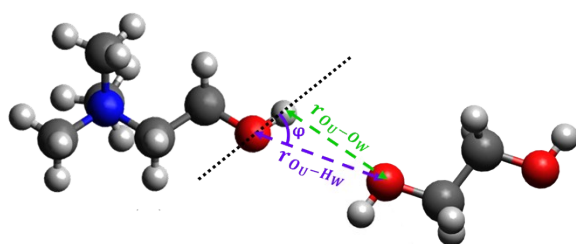
##### Choline-water



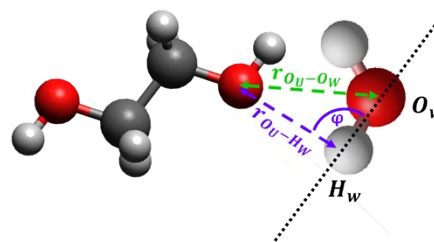
##### Choline-urea

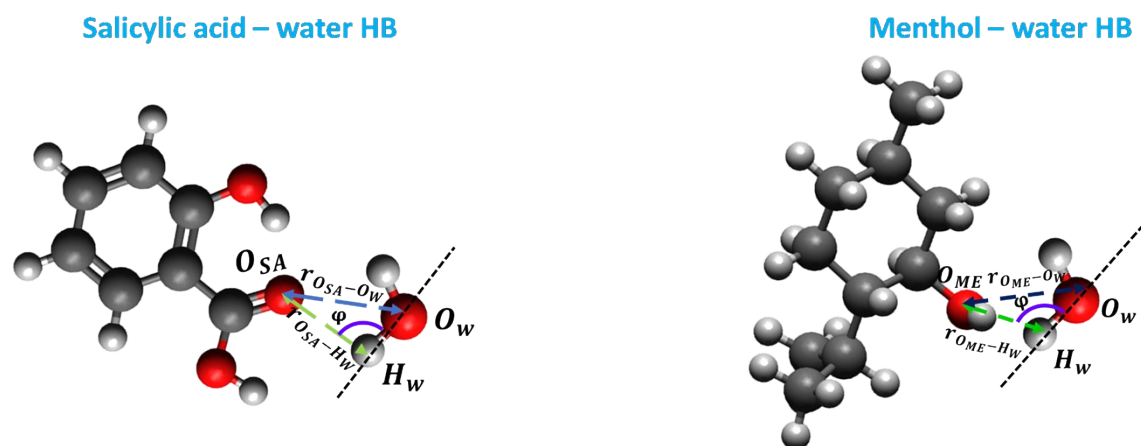


##### Choline-ethylene glycol



##### Ethylene glycol- water





**Figure S7.** Hydrogen Bonding (HB) between different molecules in DES + Water systems.

**Table S2.** Geometric criteria for the existence of HB's in aqueous DES systems

| Molecule             | Acceptor atom | Distance (Å) | Angle (°) |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|-----------|
| Water                | O             | 3.5          | 30        |
| Urea (U)             | O,N           | 3.45, 3.5    | 30        |
| Choline (Ch)         | O             | 3.4          | 30        |
| Ethylene-glycol (EG) | O             | 3.5          | 30        |
| Salicylic acid (Sa)  | O             | 0.35         | 30        |
| Menthol (ME)         | O             | 0.3          | 30        |