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## Modification of lipid membrane properties by ionic liquids investigated with Langmuir monolayers and bilayers in vesicles

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**Scheme S1:** Chemical Structures of DOPG, cholesterol, ionic liquids and the probe molecule (D289).



Figure S1: Surface pressure ( $\pi$ ) dependent compressibility ( $C_s^{-1}$ ) of the Langmuir monolayer composed of DOPG + cholesterol (30 mol%) and ILs at different concentrations.  $0\rightarrow 6$  indicates the increase of IL concentrations in the subphase (**0**, 0 mM (black); **1**, 0.01 mM (red); **2**, 0.1 mM (green); **3**, 0.5 mM (blue); **4**, 1.0 mM (cyan); **5**, 2.0 mM (magenta) and **6**, 5.0 mM (yellow). The ILs involved are: **a**, [C<sub>4</sub>mim]Cl; **b**, [C<sub>6</sub>mim]Cl; **c**, [C<sub>8</sub>mim]Cl; and **d**, [C<sub>10</sub>mim]Cl.



**Figure S2**: (a) The UV-Vis absorption spectra of the D289 solutions at different concentrations. The inset shows the linear relationship between the absorbance at 474.7 nm and the concentrations of D289. (b); The UV-Vis absorption spectra of the D289 solution (20  $\mu$ M) and the supernatants after different SUVs (DOPG + 30 mol% cholesterol + ILs) were mixed with the D289 solutions and then removed by centrifugation. The ILs (0.5 mM) introduced in the SUVs are: **A**, [C<sub>4</sub>mim]Cl; **B**, [C<sub>6</sub>mim]Cl; **C**, [C<sub>8</sub>mim]Cl; and **D**, [C<sub>10</sub>mim]Cl.