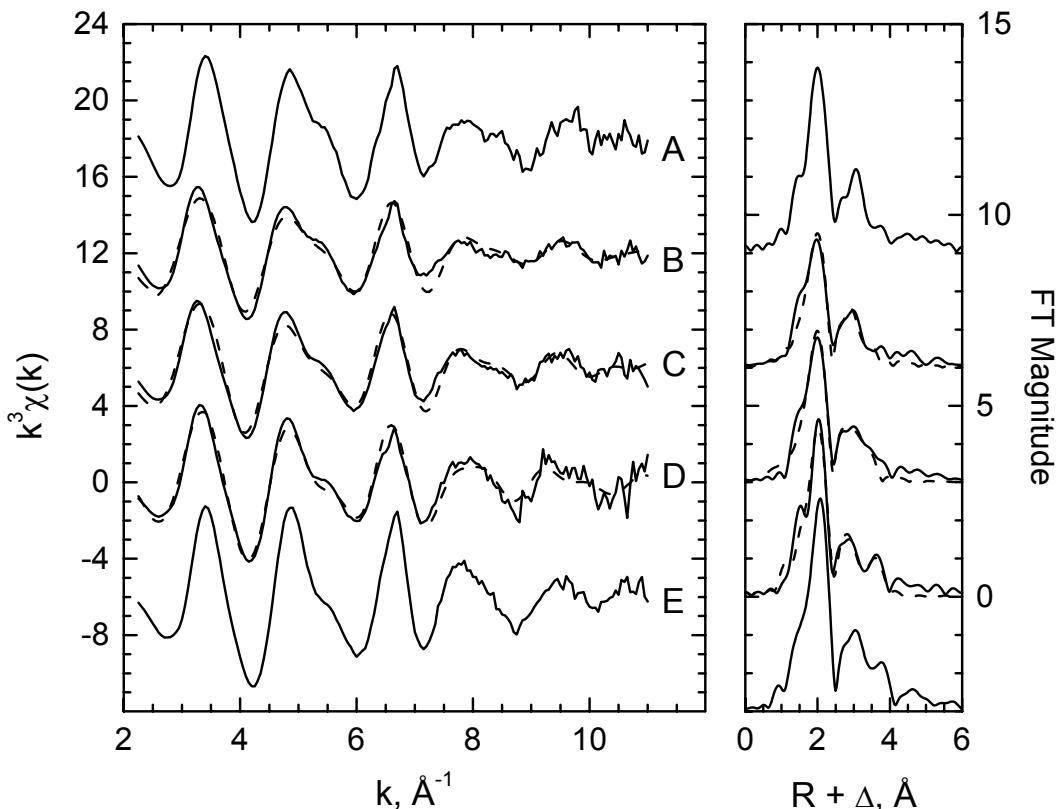


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**Figure S1.**  $k^3$ -weighted Sr K-edge EXAFS of Sr-crown ether complexes in RTIL-TBP mixtures. (A)  $\text{Sr}(18\text{-crown-6})(\text{NO}_3)_2$  dissolved in  $\text{C}_5\text{mim}^+\text{Tf}_2\text{N}^-$ , (B)  $\text{Sr}(\text{DCH18C6})(\text{NO}_3)_2$  extracted in 100 % TBP, (C)  $\text{Sr}(\text{DCH18C6})^{2+}$  extracted into 10%  $\text{C}_5\text{mim}^+\text{Tf}_2\text{N}^-$ /90% TBP, (D)  $\text{Sr}(\text{DCH18C6})^{2+}$  extracted into 40%  $\text{C}_5\text{mim}^+\text{Tf}_2\text{N}^-$ /60% TBP, (E)  $\text{Sr}(\text{DCH18C6})(\text{H}_2\text{O})^{2+}$  extracted into 100%  $\text{C}_5\text{mim}^+\text{Tf}_2\text{N}^-$ .

**Table S1.** Scattering path lengths and energy threshold shifts for the most important scattering paths calculated by fitting FEFF8.00 theoretical phase and amplitude functions to the  $k^3$ -weighted Sr K-edge EXAFS. Calculated uncertainties in last digit of the fit parameters are given in parentheses. RTIL =  $C_5mim^+Tf_2N^-$

Solvent	Complex Species	Average Scattering Path Length / Å					$\Delta E_0$ / eV
		Sr-O	Sr-N	Sr-C	Sr-C-O <sup>b</sup>	Sr-O <sub>distal</sub> <sup>c</sup>	
RTIL <sup>a</sup>	$Sr(NO_3)_2(DCH18C6)$	2.67	3.07	3.54	3.84	4.31	
RTIL <sup>a</sup>	$Sr(H_2O)_2(DCH18C6)^{2+}$	2.65		3.55	3.84		
100% TBP	$Sr(DCH18C6)^{2+}$	2.62 (2)	3.08 <sup>d</sup>	3.51 (3)	3.85 (5)	4.29 (5)	6.2 (1.5)
10% RTIL/90% TBP	$Sr(DCH18C6)^{2+}$	2.61 (1)		3.53 (2)	3.81 (2)		4.9 (1.1)
40% RTIL/60% TBP	$Sr(DCH18C6)^{2+}$	2.60 (1)		3.52 (2)	3.81 (3)		5.0 (1.3)

<sup>a</sup>Reference 6

<sup>b</sup>Multiple scattering path

<sup>c</sup>Includes both single and multiple scattering paths

<sup>d</sup>Fixed parameter

**Table S2.** Debye-Waller Factors for the most important scattering paths calculated by fitting FEFF8.00 theoretical phase and amplitude functions to the  $k^3$ -weighted Sr K-edge EXAFS. Calculated uncertainties in last digit of the fit parameters are given in parentheses. RTIL =  $C_5mim^+Tf_2N^-$

Solvent	Complex Species	Debye-Waller Factor / Å <sup>-2</sup>				
		Sr-O	Sr-N	Sr-C	Sr-C-O <sup>b</sup>	Sr-O <sub>distal</sub> <sup>c</sup>
RTIL <sup>a</sup>	$Sr(NO_3)_2(DCH18C6)$	0.0136 <sup>d</sup>	0.04	0.009	0.002	0.008
RTIL <sup>a</sup>	$Sr(H_2O)_2(DCH18C6)^{2+}$	0.0136 <sup>d</sup>		0.010	0.004	
100% TBP	$Sr(DCH18C6)^{2+}$	0.0136 <sup>d</sup>		0.0108 <sup>d</sup>	0.003 (3)	0.010 (7)
10% RTIL/90% TBP	$Sr(DCH18C6)^{2+}$	0.0136 <sup>d</sup>		0.0108 <sup>d</sup>	0.002 (2)	
40% RTIL/60% TBP	$Sr(DCH18C6)^{2+}$	0.0136 <sup>d</sup>		0.0108 <sup>d</sup>	0.005 (3)	

<sup>a</sup>Reference 6

<sup>b</sup>Multiple scattering path

<sup>c</sup>Includes both single and multiple scattering paths

<sup>d</sup>Fixed parameter