

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Complete dissolution and partial delignification of wood in the ionic liquid 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium acetate

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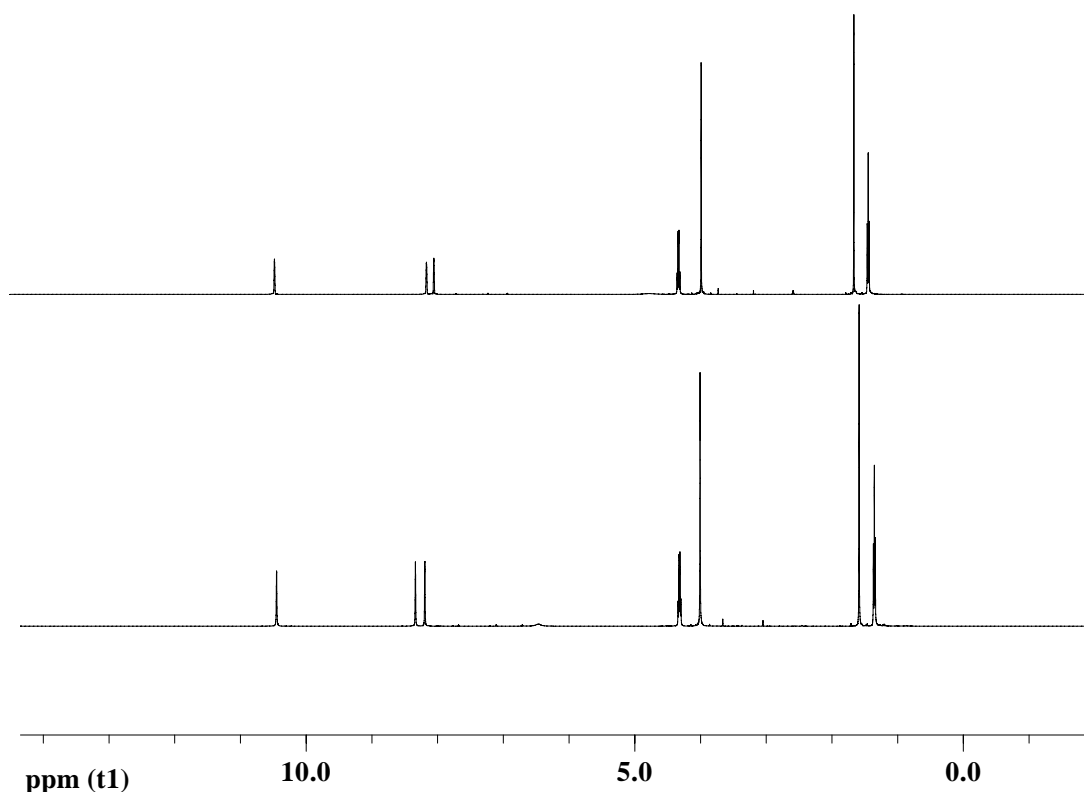


Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectra for original [C₂mim]OAc (top) and for [C₂mim]OAc heated at 110 °C for 48 h (bottom), indicating apparent non-degradation of the IL after the thermal treatment.

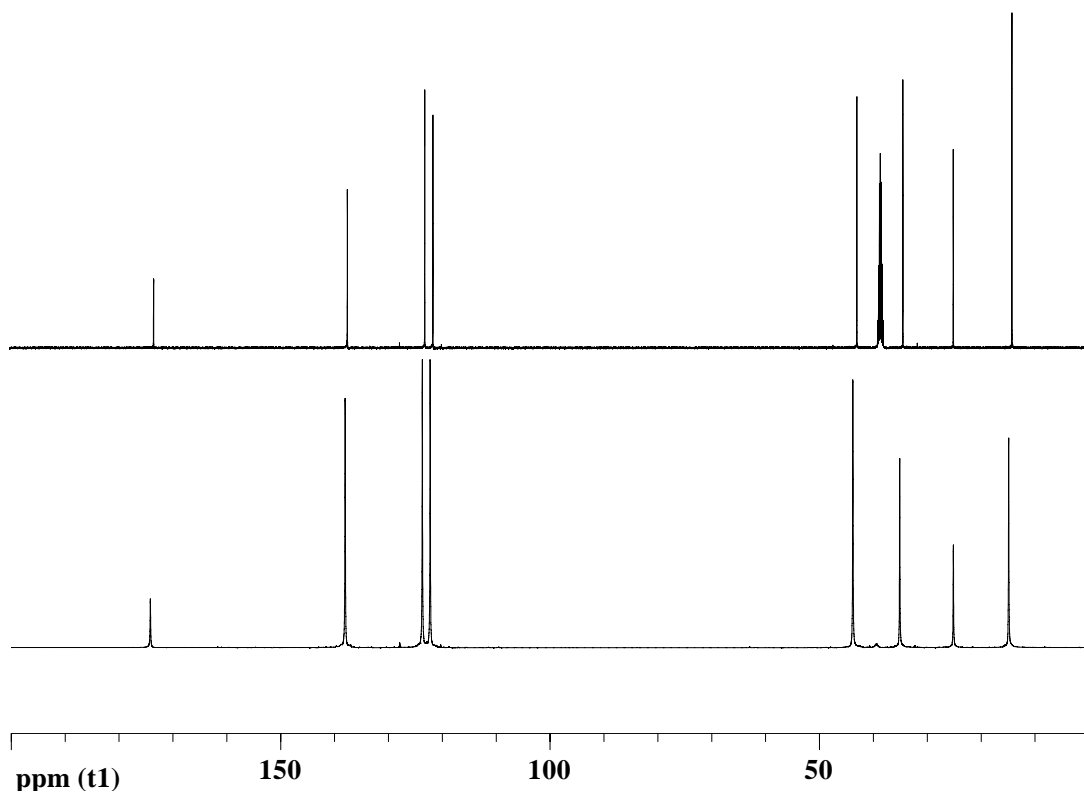


Figure S2. ^{13}C NMR spectra for original $[\text{C}_2\text{mim}]\text{OAc}$ (top) and for $[\text{C}_2\text{mim}]\text{OAc}$ heated at $110\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 48 h (bottom) indicating apparent non-degradation of the IL after the thermal treatment.

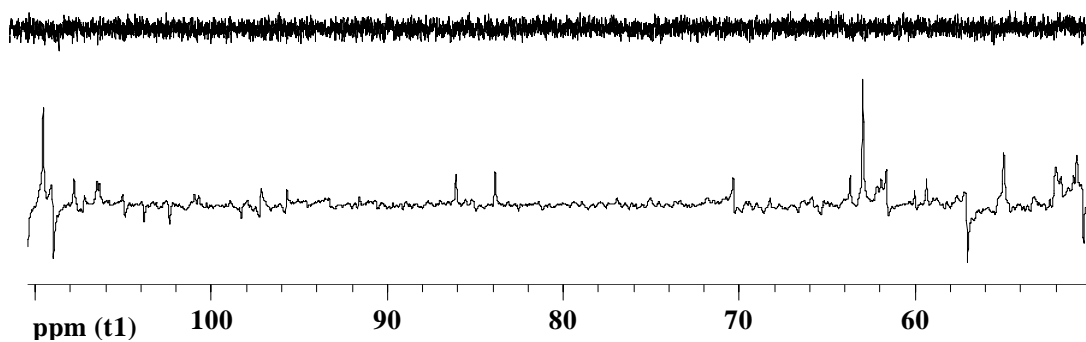


Figure S3. Magnified view of ^{13}C NMR spectra in the range of 50-110 ppm: original $[\text{C}_2\text{mim}]\text{OAc}$ (top) and $[\text{C}_2\text{mim}]\text{OAc}$ heated at $110\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 48 h (bottom), likely indicating some minor degradation of $[\text{C}_2\text{mim}]\text{OAc}$ after the thermal treatment.

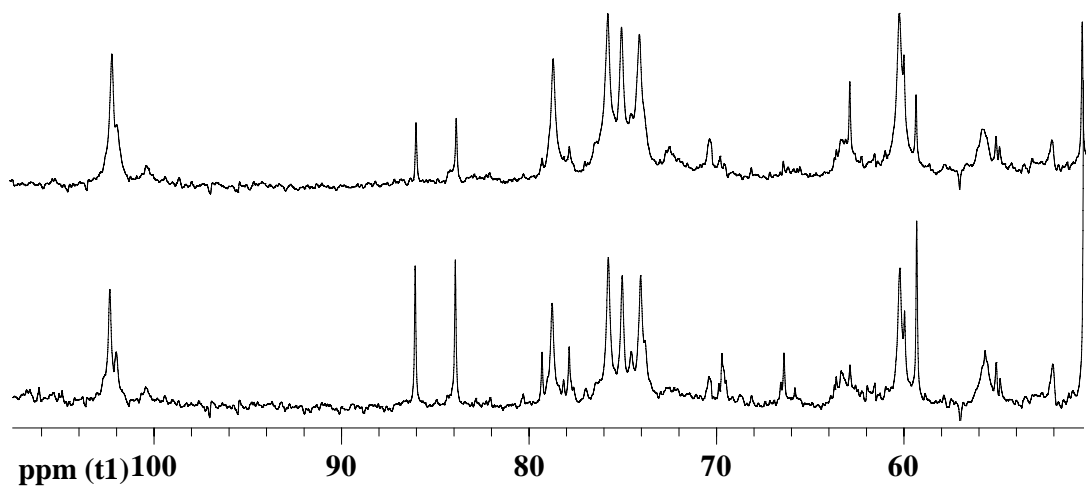


Figure S4. ^{13}C NMR spectra of 5 parts of wood (southern yellow pine) in 100 parts of $[\text{C}_2\text{mim}]\text{OAc}$ after dissolution at $110\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 16 h (top) and for 47 h (bottom), indicating more degradation with longer heating time.