## Supporting Information

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## Energetic Nitrogen Rich-Salts and Ionic Liquids:

## 5-Aminotetrazolate (AT) as a Weak Acid

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# **Table S1** Calculated (B3LYP/6-31+ $G^{**}//MP2/6-311++G^{**}$ ) Total Energy ( $E_0$ ), Zero-Point Energy (ZPE), Values of Thermal Correction ( $H_T$ ), and Heats of Formation (HOF) of the ions.

Nome	$E_0$	ZPE	$H_{\mathrm{T}}$	HOF
Indiffe	(au)	(au)	(kJ/mol)	(kJ/mol)
Guanidinium cation	-205.2570379	0.088421	16.4	566.7
Aminoguanidinium cation	-260.4513108	0.105672	19.5	646.7
Guanylguanidinium cation	-353.7240685	0.127659	23.3	620.9
4-Amino-1 <i>H</i> -1,2,4-triazolium cation	-297.2005028	0.089612	15.5	910.7
4-Amino-1-methyl-1,2,4-triazolium cation	-336.4026071	0.116980	18.1	866.6
4-Amino-1-ethyl-1,2,4-triazolium cation	-375.6060696	0.145786	23.2	828.2
1,5-Diamino-4-methyltetrazolium cation	-407.63759	0.121200	23.7	974.3
5-Amino-tetrazolate anion	-312.3505776	0.050441	13.1	183.8
1,2,4-Triazolium cation	-242.00879	0.07324	12.0	835.0 <sup>[1]</sup>
1,2,3,4-Tetrazolium cation	-257.98206	0.06029	11.8	1016.5
1,2,3,4-Tetrazolate anion	-257.12424	0.03382	11.1	170.0
Guanidine	-204.8735031	0.075945	14.4	$26.0^{[2]}$
$CH_4$	-40.3796224	0.044793	10.0	-74.6 <sup>[3]</sup>
CH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>2</sub>	-95.59384	0.06403	11.5	$-23.0^{[3]}$
$NH_2NH_2$	-111.5836915	0.05331	11.0	95.4 <sup>[3]</sup>
NH <sub>3</sub>	-56.4154647	0.034384	10.0	-45.9 <sup>[3]</sup>
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	-79.571631	0.07461	11.6	-84.0 <sup>[3]</sup>

#### **Geometry Coordinates**

B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) optimized geometries (Å) Guanidinium cation

Ν	-1.321565	-0.205759	-0.001103
Н	-1.712671	-1.117729	-0.190869
Н	-1.970964	0.542506	0.196530
Ν	0.482509	1.247196	-0.000648
Н	-0.111583	2.041503	-0.192387
Н	1.455076	1.435319	0.197728
С	-0.000067	-0.000207	0.000163
Ν	0.839274	-1.041242	0.000175
Н	0.515935	-1.978052	0.195878
Н	1.823085	-0.923670	-0.196822

#### Aminoguanidinium cation

	<u> </u>			
С		-0.504976	0.010490	-0.000029
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Η		-2.552499	-0.151829	0.001064
Η		-1.714448	-1.654549	-0.000865
Ν		-0.450326	1.338155	-0.000108
Η		-1.278826	1.913876	0.000001
Η		0.468074	1.768621	-0.000311
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Н	2.397236	-0.196219	-0.835458			
Guanylguanidinium cation						
N	-2.314538	-0.864119	0.020001			
Ν	-1 290750	1 299628	-0.065131			
N	-0.013984	-0 648573	-0.062699			
N	2 291511	-0.864577	-0.007758			
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Н	2.213295	1.704487	0.215129			
4-Amino-	1 <i>H</i> -1,2,4-triaz	zolium cation				
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N	0.646548	-0.011281	0.000012			
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N	2 040327	-0 142025	-0.000050			
Н	2 429365	0 280973	-0.840035			
н	2.129303	0.280570	0.840123			
N	1 401764	0.583657	0.040123			
	-1.401/04	-0.383037	-0.000104			
Π	-2.2/900/	-1.094015	-0.000224			
4-Amino-	1-methyl-1,2,	4-triazolium c	ation			
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N	1.094927	-0.099125	0.000000			
Н	0.023968	-1.972845	0.000022			
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N	2 3078/7	0.610808	0.000075			
	2.397047	-0.010898	-0.000041			
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Н	-2.708536	-1.025431	0.897815			
Н	-3.033921	0.485286	-0.000055			

4-Amino-1-ethy	l-1,2,4-triazol	ium cation
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С	-0.453418	-0.887568	-0.137908

Ν	-1.533490	-0.103428	0.053323
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Ν	0.204983	1.230107	-0.213824
С	-1.083823	1.199207	-0.001677
Η	-1.720357	2.065219	0.113005
Ν	-2.816937	-0.624592	0.253783
Η	-3.169571	-0.342863	1.165488
Η	-3.438629	-0.317566	-0.490684
Ν	0.581950	-0.079408	-0.297782
С	2.006363	-0.427326	-0.524049
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Η	2.307146	0.113529	-1.424300
С	2.877284	-0.063878	0.674751
Η	2.578027	-0.615324	1.570632
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Η	2.835814	1.008113	0.880951

### 1,5-Diamino-4-methyl-tetrazolium cation

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Ν	2.388355	0.176842	-0.000005
Н	2.860771	-0.162415	0.836451
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С	-2.483670	0.137308	-0.000003
Н	-2.734056	0.702498	0.900845
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#### 5-Aminotetrazolate anion

C	0.501765	0.040020	0.000100
C	-0.581/65	-0.048938	0.000109
Ν	0.210406	-1.127001	-0.000844
Ν	0.113966	1.099541	-0.000134
Ν	1.403651	0.706163	-0.000219
Ν	1.460917	-0.618158	0.000817
Ν	-2.012399	-0.124491	0.000111
Н	-2.372595	0.369803	0.813530
Н	-2.372601	0.371446	-0.812300

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C(3)-N(2)	1.3320(18)	N(6)-C(5)-N(7)	118.10(13)
C(3)-N(4)	1.3399(17)	N(6)-C(5)-N(4)	124.45(13)
C(3)-N(1)	1.3459(18)	N(7)-C(5)-N(4)	117.32(13)
C(5)-N(6)	1.3360(18)	N(13)-C(9)-N(10)	112.59(12)
C(5)-N(7)	1.3373(18)	N(13)-C(9)-N(8)	124.66(12)
C(5)-N(4)	1.3432(18)	N(10)-C(9)-N(8)	122.67(13)
C(9)-N(13)	1.3374(18)	C(3)-N(1)-H(1A)	119.7(13)
C(9)-N(10)	1.3403(17)	C(3)-N(1)-H(1B)	117.8(15)
C(9)-N(8)	1.3865(17)	H(1A)-N(1)-H(1B)	118.9(19)
N(1)-H(1A)	0.87(2)	C(3)-N(2)-H(2A)	117.9(12)
N(1)-H(1B)	0.83(2)	C(3)-N(2)-H(2B)	119.6(13)
N(2)-H(2A)	0.90(2)	H(2A)-N(2)-H(2B)	120.3(18)
N(2)-H(2B)	0.87(2)	C(3)-N(4)-C(5)	121.66(12)
N(6)-H(6A)	0.87(2)	C(5)-N(6)-H(6A)	119.9(14)
N(6)-H(6B)	0.88(2)	C(5)-N(6)-H(6B)	118.2(14)
N(7)-H(7A)	0.91(2)	H(6A)-N(6)-H(6B)	122(2)
N(7)-H(7B)	0.86(2)	C(5)-N(7)-H(7A)	116.7(13)
N(8)-H(8A)	0.90(2)	C(5)-N(7)-H(7B)	120.7(15)
N(8)-H(8B)	0.84(2)	H(7A)-N(7)-H(7B)	122.3(17)
N(10)-N(11)	1.3523(16)	C(9)-N(8)-H(8A)	110.3(14)
N(11)-N(12)	1.3107(17)	C(9)-N(8)-H(8B)	111.3(14)
N(12)-N(13)	1.3605(17)	H(8A)-N(8)-H(8B)	114(2)
		C(9)-N(10)-N(11)	104.15(11)
N(2)-C(3)-N(4)	118.31(13)	N(12)-N(11)-N(10)	109.68(11)
N(2)-C(3)-N(1)	118.18(12)	N(11)-N(12)-N(13)	109.83(11)
N(4)-C(3)-N(1)	123.46(13)	C(9)-N(13)-N(12)	103.75(11)

 Table S2 Bond lengths [Å] and bond angles [°] in crystal 5.

D-HA	d(D-H)	d(HA)	d(DA)	<(DHA)
N(1)-H(1A)N(13)#1	0.87(2)	2.12(2)	2.9687(17)	165(2)
N(1)-H(1B)N(12)#2	0.83(2)	2.49(2)	3.1442(18)	136.7(18)
N(2)-H(2A)N(12)#2	0.90(2)	2.23(2)	3.0313(17)	148.4(16)
N(2)-H(2B)N(11)#3	0.87(2)	2.08(2)	2.9513(17)	171.5(17)
N(6)-H(6A)N(12)#4	0.87(2)	2.29(2)	3.1498(17)	170.3(18)
N(6)-H(6B)N(8)#5	0.88(2)	2.24(2)	3.0858(18)	162.0(19)
N(7)-H(7A)N(10)#6	0.91(2)	2.06(2)	2.9590(18)	169.0(18)
N(7)-H(7B)N(8)#5	0.86(2)	2.58(2)	3.3181(19)	144.4(18)
N(8)-H(8A)N(10)#7	0.90(2)	2.43(2)	3.0726(17)	128.9(18)
N(8)-H(8B)N(4)#8	0.84(2)	2.25(2)	3.0860(17)	169.8(19)

Table S3 Hydrogen bonding geometry in crystal 5 [Å and °].

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 -x+1,y-1/2,-z+1/2 #2 -x+3/2,-y+1,z+1/2 #3 -x+1,y+1/2,-z+1/2 #4 -x+1/2,-y+1,z+1/2 #5 -x,y-1/2,-z+1/2 #6 x+1,y,z #7 -x,y+1/2,-z+1/2 #8 x-1,y,z Figure S1 DSC plots of AT salts, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 9, heating rate 10 °C/min.



Figure S2 DSC plots of AT ionic liquids, 7, and 8, heating rate 10 °C/min.

