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Representative plots for the determination of rate constants



Figure S1: Plot of the integration of the signal due to the starting material **1a** in the ¹H NMR spectrum *vs* time for the reaction of species **1a** and **2**, in a mixture of the ionic liquid **4** in acetonitrile at a mole fraction of 0.16 at 8.1°C. Using exponential fitting in Graphpad Prism the R² value is 0.998 and the rate constant determined was $(4.17 \pm 0.04) \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$.



Figure S2: Plot of the natural logarithm of the integration of the signal due to the starting material **1a** in the ¹H NMR spectrum *vs* time, for the case shown in Figure S1 above (the reaction of species **1a** and **2** in a mixture of the ionic liquid **4** in acetonitrile at a mole fraction of 0.16 at 8.1°C). Using the LINEST function in Excel, the R² value is 0.995 and the rate constant determined was $(4.13 \pm 0.02) \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$.



Figure S3: Plot of the integration of the signal due to the starting material **1a** in the ¹H NMR spectrum *vs* time for the reaction of species **1a** and **2**, in a mixture of the ionic liquid **4** in acetonitrile at a mole fraction of 0.90 at 8.1°C Using the LINEST function in Excel, the R² value is 0.994 and the rate constant determined was $(8.49 \pm 0.08) \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$.



Figure S4: Plot of the integration of the signal due to the starting material **1b** in the ¹H NMR spectrum *vs* time for the reaction of species **1b** and **2**, in a mixture of the ionic liquid **8** at a mole fraction of 0.87 (diluted only by reagents) at 36.6°C Using the LINEST function in Excel, the R² value is 0.993 and the rate constant determined was $(3.23 \pm 0.04) \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

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Mole Fraction of 4	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	$k_{\rm obs}$ / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	$k_2 / 10^{-3} \text{ L mol}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$	Average k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.00	0.144	0.099	0.69	0.75 (0.06)
		0.115	0.80	
		0.110	0.76	
0.01	0.151	0.187	1.24	1.17 (0.08)
		0.178	1.18	
		0.162	1.07	
0.05	0.156	0.349	2.23	2.22 (0.08)
		0.360	2.30	
		0.335	2.14	
0.16	0.131	0.435	3.31	3.18 (0.11)
		0.408	3.10	
		0.413	3.14	
0.25	0.129	0.586	4.56	4.48 (0.31)
		0.610	4.75	
		0.533	4.15	
0.39	0.129	0.679	5.28	5.40 (0.11)
		0.708	5.50	
		0.697	5.42	
0.49	0.151	0.706	4.67	4.79 (0.10)
		0.734	4.85	
		0.732	4.84	
0.51	0.134	0.589	4.40	4.42 (0.25)
		0.626	4.68	
		0.559	4.18	
0.65	0.126	0.770	6.10	6.01 (0.15)
		0.737	5.84	
		0.769	6.09	
0.80	0.143	0.858	6.01	6.02 (0.23)
		0.893	6.25	
		0.828	5.80	
0.91	0.131	0.903	6.90	6.72 (0.21)
		0.849	6.48	
		0.888	6.78	
0.97	0.099	0.694	7.02	6.80 (0.20)
		0.657	6.64	
		0.667	6.74	

Mole fraction plot: [Bmim][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] **4** in acetonitrile, at 8.1°C

Mole Fraction of 5	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	k _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Average k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.00	0.144	0.099	0.69	0.75 (0.06)
		0.115	0.80	
		0.110	0.76	
0.06	0.148	0.343	2.32	2.35 (0.04)
		0.354	2.39	
		0.346	2.33	
0.13	0.152	0.635	4.18	4.19 (0.04)
		0.629	4.15	
		0.642	4.23	
0.24	0.164	0.974	5.93	6.16 (0.24)
		0.991	6.03	
		1.024	6.23	
		1.062	6.46	
0.28	0.276	1.343	4.86	4.88 (0.02)
		1.349	4.88	
		1.355	4.91	
0.41	0.209	1.528	7.33	7.15 (0.29)
		1.421	6.81	
		1.525	7.31	
0.51	0.203	1.764	8.71	8.72 (0.09)
		1.749	8.63	
		1.785	8.81	
0.61	0.215	2.448	11.39	12.34 (1.00)
	0.200	2.452	12.26	
		2.677	13.38	
0.71	0.177	2.122	12.00	12.02 (0.38)
		2.196	12.41	
		2.060	11.64	
0.79	0.203	2.726	13.46	14.18 (0.81)
		3.051	15.06	
		2.843	14.03	
0.86	0.215	2.842	13.19	13.28 (0.28)
		2.813	13.06	
		2.928	13.59	
0.91	0.178	3.137	17.59	17.33 (0.56)
		2.976	16.69	
		3.159	17.71	
0.94	0.189	4.168	22.00	21.33 (0.65)
		4.029	21.27	
		3.924	20.71	

Mole fraction plot: $[Bmpy][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ **5** in acetonitrile, at 8.1°C

Mole Fraction of 6	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	$k_{\rm obs}$ / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Average k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.00	0.144	0.099	0.69	0.75 (0.06)
		0.115	0.80	
		0.110	0.76	
0.10	0.160	0.410	2.57	2.55 (0.04)
		0.399	2.50	
		0.411	2.58	
0.20	0.112	0.378	3.38	3.34 (0.07)
		0.378	3.37	
		0.365	3.26	
0.30	0.136	0.655	4.82	4.65 (0.15)
		0.621	4.57	
		0.618	4.55	
0.39	0.151	0.779	5.15	5.16 (0.03)
		0.786	5.20	
		0.776	5.14	
0.49	0.167	0.740	4.43	4.49 (0.05)
		0.758	4.54	
		0.749	4.49	
0.60	0.138	0.782	5.65	5.68 (0.09)
		0.775	5.60	
		0.800	5.78	
0.67	0.159	0.968	6.08	6.04 (0.04)
		0.955	6.00	
		0.959	6.03	
0.86	0.166	1.052	6.33	6.31 (0.03)
		1.045	6.29	
0.95	0.157	1.062	6.76	6.89 (0.34)
		1.145	7.28	
		1.045	6.64	

Mole fraction plot: $[Bm_2im][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 6 in acetonitrile, at 8.1°C

Mole Fraction of 7	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	$k_{\rm obs}$ / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹	Average <i>k</i> ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.00	0.144	0.099	0.69	0.75 (0.06)
		0.115	0.80	
		0.110	0.76	
0.05	0.150	0.696	4.64	4.60 (0.05)
		0.696	4.64	
		0.682	4.54	
0.12	0.150	1.383	9.21	9.47 (0.24)
		1.452	9.67	
		1.433	9.54	

Mole fraction p	olot: [Bi	m ₄ im][N	(CF_3SO_2)	$)_{2}$] 7	in acetonitrile,	<u>at 8.1°C</u>
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Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	<i>k</i> _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
8.1	0.144	0.099	0.69
		0.095	0.66
		0.110	0.76
21.2		0.188	1.31
		0.188	1.35
		0.204	1.46
27.8		0.240	1.67
		0.245	1.70
		0.264	1.89
15.4		0.166	1.19
		0.142	1.01
		0.171	1.22

Eyring Data: Acetonitrile

Mole Fraction of 4	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	k _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	<i>k</i> ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.23	21.4	0.139	1.028	7.42
			1.021	7.37
			1.033	7.45
			1.032	7.45
	15.4		0.759	5.48
			0.745	5.37
			0.768	5.54
	8.1		0.494	3.56
			0.503	3.63
			0.494	3.56
	2.3		0.338	2.44
			0.334	2.41
			0.339	2.44
0.50	21.1	0.148	1.522	10.29
			1.631	11.03
			1.661	11.23
			1.655	11.19
	15.3		1.120	7.57
			1.191	8.05
			1.200	8.11
	8.1		0.780	5.27
			0.769	5.20
			0.827	5.59
	1.7		0.551	3.73
			0.548	3.71
			0.558	3.77
0.97	15.4	0.099	1.011	10.22
			0.929	9.39
			0.987	9.97
	21.4		1.281	12.94
			1.311	13.25
			1.524	15.40
	8.1		0.694	7.02
			0.657	6.64
			0.667	6.74
	0		0.416	4.20
			0.432	4.36
			0.391	3.95

Eyring Data: [Bmim][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] **4** in acetonitrile

Mole Fraction [Bmim][N(CF ₃ SO ₂) ₂] 4 in acetonitrile	ΔH [‡] / kJ mol ⁻¹	ΔS [‡] / J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹
0	27.2 (2.5)	-272.1 (8.6)
0.23	34.5 (0.5)	-233.2 (1.7)
0.50	32.4 (0.8)	-237.0 (2.8)
0.97	32.4 (1.3)	-235.2 (4.6)

Activation parameters: Benzaldehyde 1a and hexan-1-amine 2 in $[Bmim][N(CF_3SO_2)_2] 4 / acetonitrile mixtures$

Mole Fraction of 5	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	<i>k</i> _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ /10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.24	8.1	0.164	0.974	5.93
			0.991	6.03
			1.024	6.23
			1.062	6.46
	1.6		0.660	4.02
			0.670	4.08
			0.662	4.03
	-5.2		0.405	2.47
			0.395	2.41
			0.396	2.41
	-12.7		0.247	1.51
			0.246	1.50
			0.246	1.50
0.94	8.1	0.189	4.168	22.00
			4.029	21.27
			3.924	20.71
	2.4		2.110	11.14
			2.758	14.56
			2.328	12.29
	-4.6		1.420	7.50
			1.330	7.02
			1.415	7.47
	-12.6		0.729	3.85
			0.736	3.88
			0.729	3.85

Eyring Data: [Bmpy][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] **5** in acetonitrile

Activation parameters: Benzaldehyde 1a and hexan-1-amine 2 in $[Bmpy][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 5 / acetonitrile mixtures

Mole Fraction [Bmpy][N(CF ₃ SO ₂) ₂] 5 in acetonitrile	ΔH [‡] / kJ mol ⁻¹	ΔS [‡] / J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹
0	27.2 (2.5)	-272.1 (8.6)
0.24	37.3 (0.6)	-218.7 (2.4)
0.94	45.3 (1.7)	-180.2 (6.2)

Mole Fraction of 6	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L-1	<i>k</i> _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.20	16.0	0.112	0.592	5.29
			0.612	5.46
			0.578	5.16
	8.1		0.378	3.38
			0.378	3.37
			0.365	3.26
	-8.1		0.143	1.28
			0.139	1.24
			0.136	1.21
	0.0		0.219	1.95
			0.212	1.90
			0.222	1.98
0.95	8.1	0.157	1.045	6.64
			1.062	6.76
			1.145	7.28
	1.1		0.755	4.80
			0.763	4.85
			0.798	5.08
	-5		0.533	3.39
			0.563	3.58
			0.513	3.26
	-12.5		0.313	1.99
			0.312	1.99
			0.315	2.00

Eyring Data: [Bm₂im][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] 6 in acetonitrile

Activation parameters: Benzaldehyde 1a and hexan-1-amine 2 in $[Bm_2im][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 6 / acetonitrile mixtures

Mole Fraction [bm ₂ im][N(CF ₃ SO ₂) ₂] 6 in acetonitrile	$\Delta H^{\ddagger}/ kJ mol^{-1}$	ΔS [‡] / J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹
0	27.2 (2.5)	-272.1 (8.6)
0.20	34.1 (0.8)	-234.9 (2.7)
0.95	32.3 (1.1)	-235.2 (4.1)

Mole Fraction of #	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L-1	k _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.87	36.1	0.200	0.938	4.70
			1.113	5.57
			1.195	5.99
	41.7		1.233	6.18
			1.558	7.81
			1.570	7.87
	47.4		1.742	8.73
			2.049	10.26
			1.776	8.90
	53.8		2.377	11.91
			2.432	12.18
			2.110	10.57

Eyring Data: [TOA][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] 8

Activation parameters: Benzaldehyde and hexan-1-amine 2 in [TOA][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] 8

Mole Fraction [TOA][N(CF ₃ SO ₂) ₂] 8	ΔH [‡] / kJ mol ⁻¹	ΔS [‡] / J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹
0	27.2 (2.5)	-272.1 (8.6)
0.87	30.8 (3.7)	-254.1 (11.8)

Activation Parameter Summary:

Solvent	Mole Fraction	$\Delta H^{\ddagger}/ kJ mol^{-1}$	ΔS [‡] / J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹
Acetonitrile	-	27.2 (2.5)	-272.1 (8.6)
$[TOA][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 8	0.87	30.8 (3.7)	-254.1 (11.8)
$[Bm_2im][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 6	0.20	34.1 (0.8)	-234.9 (2.7)
	0.95	32.3 (1.1)	-235.2 (4.1)
$[Bmim][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 4	0.23	34.5 (0.5)	-233.2 (1.7)
	0.50	32.4 (0.8)	-237.0 (2.8)
	0.97	32.4 (1.3)	-235.2 (4.6)
[Bmpy][N(CF ₃ SO ₂) ₂] 5	0.24	37.3 (0.6)	-218.7 (2.4)
	0.94	45.3 (1.7)	-180.2 (6.2)

4-Methoxybenzaldehyde 1b and hexan-1-amine 2

Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	<i>k</i> _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
8.1	0.196	0.0303	0.154
		0.0232	0.118
	0.153	0.0185	0.121
63.6		0.0708	0.463
		0.0744	0.486
		0.0831	0.543
47.8		0.0574	0.375
		0.0493	0.322
		0.0552	0.361
36.6		0.0349	0.228
		0.0461	0.301
		0.0388	0.254
54.0		0.0644	0.421
		0.0672	0.439
		0.0621	0.406

Eyring Data: Acetonitrile

Eyring Data: [Bmim][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] 4

Mole Fraction of 4	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	<i>k</i> _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.93	29.4	0.237	0.578	2.44
			0.543	2.29
			0.536	2.26
	36.6		0.930	3.93
			0.932	3.94
			0.858	3.62
	44.3		1.131	4.78
			1.275	5.39
			1.264	5.34
	19.3		0.333	1.41
			0.316	1.33
			0.329	1.39

Mole Fraction of 5	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	<i>k</i> _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.93	22.3	0.227	0.798	3.51
			0.823	3.62
			0.776	3.41
	29.4		1.144	5.03
			1.133	4.98
			1.389	6.11
	14.5		0.450	1.98
			0.511	2.25
			0.471	2.07
	36.6		1.895	8.33
			2.033	8.94

Eyring Data: [Bmpy][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] 5

Eyring Data: [Bm₂im][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] 6

Mole Fraction of 6	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	k _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.95	36.6	0.147	0.958	6.52
			1.062	7.22
			1.010	6.87
	48.1		1.934	13.16
			1.832	12.46
			1.921	13.07
	17.7		0.476	3.24
			0.442	3.01
			0.446	3.04
	63.6		4.146	28.21
			4.191	28.52
			3.592	24.45

Mole Fraction of 7	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	<i>k</i> _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.94	36.6	0.171	5.707	33.38
			5.561	32.52
			5.595	32.72
	41.6		7.248	42.40
			6.519	38.13
			6.536	38.23
	25.9		3.477	20.33
			3.541	20.71
			3.426	20.04
	30.5		4.241	24.80
			4.194	24.53
			3.969	23.22

Eyring Data: [Bm₄im][N(CF₃SO₂)₂]7

Eyring Data: [TOA][N(CF₃SO₂)₂] 8

Mole Fraction of 8	Temperature / °C	[Nu] / mol L ⁻¹	<i>k</i> _{obs} / 10 ⁻³ s ⁻¹	k ₂ / 10 ⁻³ L mol ⁻¹ s ⁻¹
0.87	54.0	0.165	0.349	2.12
		0.176	0.476	2.70
			0.394	2.29
	63.6		0.524	3.05
			0.578	3.36
			0.532	3.10
	47.8		0.388	2.21
			0.448	2.60
			0.433	2.52
	36.6		0.235	1.37
			0.263	1.53
			0.323	1.88

Activation Parameter Summary:

Solvent	Mole Fraction	$\Delta H^{\ddagger}/ kJ mol^{-1}$	ΔS [‡] / J K ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹
Acetonitrile	-	14.2 (1.0)	-333.1 (3.3)
$[TOA][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 8	0.87	15.8 (3.2)	-312.9 (10.0)
[Bm ₄ im][N(CF ₃ SO ₂) ₂] 7	0.94	28.8 (1.4)	-246.1 (4.6)
$[Bm_2im][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 6	0.95	33.3 (1.3)	-243.4 (4.0)
$[Bmim][N(CF_3SO_2)_2]$ 4	0.93	36.8 (1.5)	-238.5 (5.0)
[Bmpy][N(CF ₃ SO ₂) ₂] 5	0.93	41.9 (1.9)	-214.8(6.5)