## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## Electrochemical Properties of Protic Ionic Liquids: Correlation between Open Circuit Potential of $H_2/O_2$ Cells under Non-humidified Conditions and $\Delta pK_a$

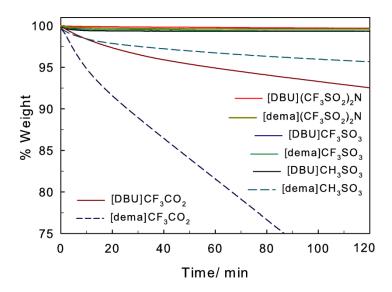
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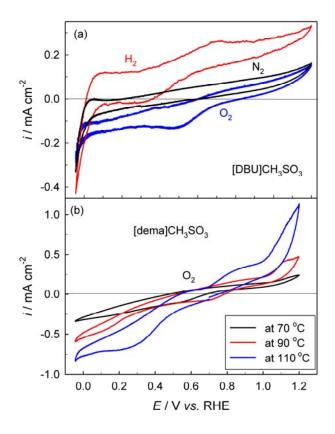
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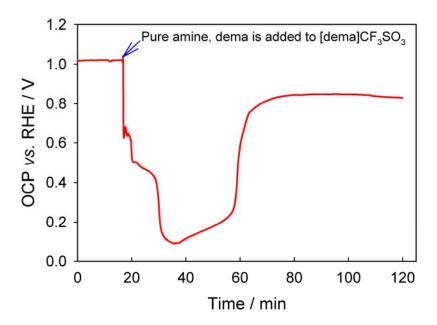
**Figure S1.** Chemical structures of all acids and bases used in this study. Data in parenthesis indicate  $pK_a$  values in aqueous system taken from ref. 6.



**Figure S2.** Time-dependent isothermal TG curves for [DBU]- and [dema]-based PILs at 130 °C for 2 h under nitrogen atmosphere using aluminum pan.



**Figure S3.** Cyclic voltammograms using a Pt wire as working electrode for (a) [DBU]CH<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> under O<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub> gas bubbling atmospheres at 110 °C and (b) [dema]CH<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub> under O<sub>2</sub> gas bubbling atmosphere at different temperatures. Scan rate is 10 mVs<sup>-1</sup>.



**Figure S4.** Change in OCP at 30  $^{\circ}$ C as a function of time with the addition of pure amine (dema) to [dema]CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>.