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Ionic Liquid Induced Sphere-to-Ribbon Transition in Block Copolymer Mediated Synthesis of Silver Nanoparticles

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Synthesis and Characterization of ionic liquids:

Reaction Scheme of modified ionic liquids $[C_n PyDs (n = 4, 6, 8)]$:-

The modified ionic liquids, N - Alkyl pyridinium dodecyl sulphate (C_nPyDs) was synthesised from the reaction between sodium dodecyl sulphate (SDS) and N - Alkyl pyridinium chloride (C_nPyCl) in acetone under mild heating. The C_nPyCl -SDS-acetone mixture was filtered to remove sodium chloride and the filtrate was kept in oven at 75°C under vacuum in order to remove any residual acetone. The resultant, [C_nPyDs] products were light yellow to brown waxy type material which have partial solubility in water. The modified ionic liquids were characterized by ¹H-and ¹³C-NMR and by FTIR.

General reaction scheme for the synthesized ionic liquids $[C_nPyCl]$ and its modification for $[C_nPyDs]$



¹H-NMR spectra of C₁PyMs



¹H-NMR spectra of C₂PyEs

