

ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Figure S1: UV absorption showing the effect of ionic liquids on TBS in toluene (TBS:ILs=1:1).
(a) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{Cl}]^-$ (b) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{Br}]^-$ (c) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{BF}_4]^-$ (d) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4]^-$ (e) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{HSO}_4]^-$ (f) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{PF}_6]^-$ (g) Effect of $[\text{HMIM}]^+[\text{Br}]^-$ (h) Effect of $[\text{HMIM}]^+[\text{HSO}_4]^-$ (i) Effect of $[\text{OMIM}]^+[\text{Cl}]^-$

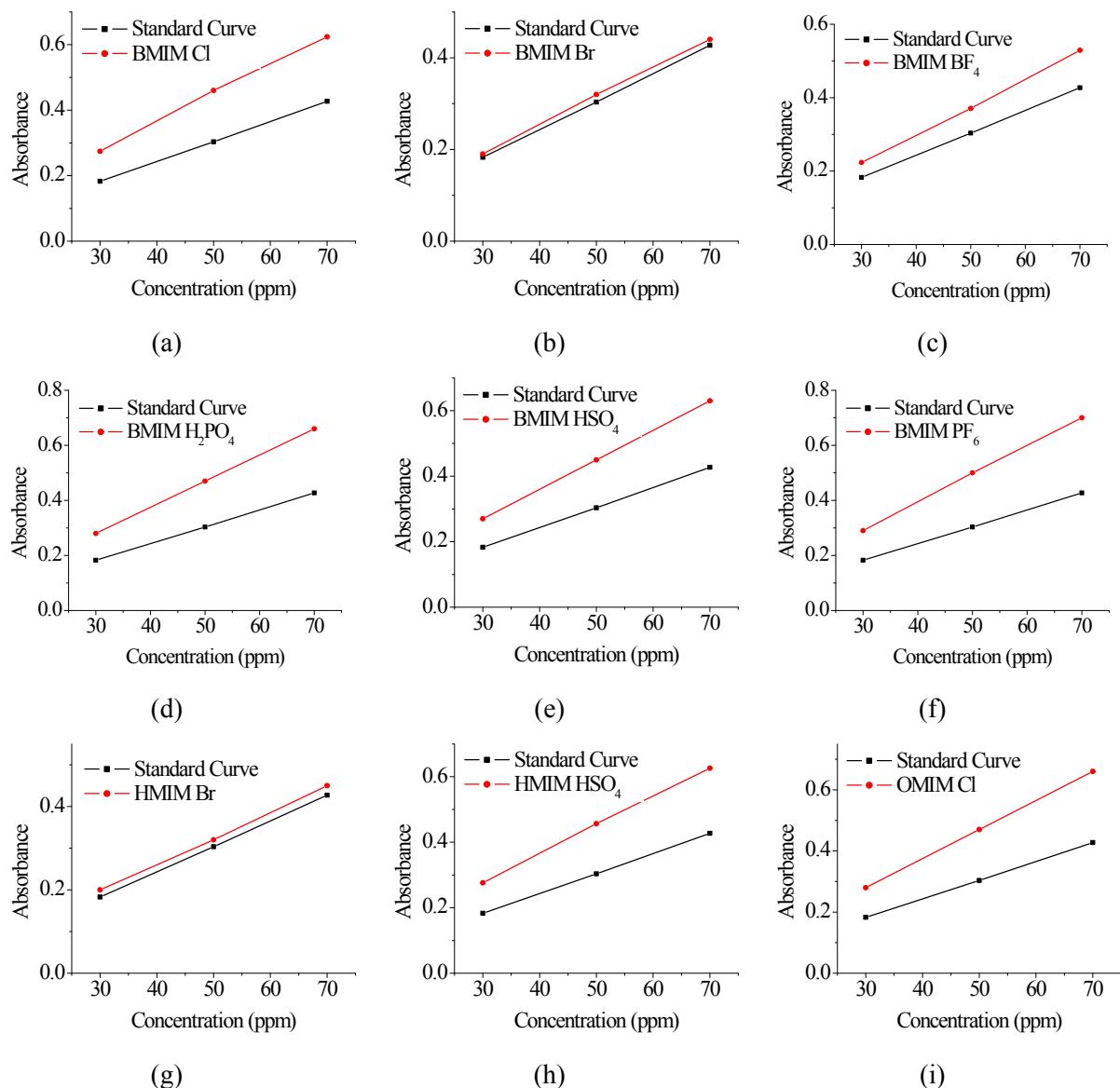


Figure S2: UV absorption showing the effect of ionic liquids on TBS in decane (TBS:ILs=1:1).
 (a) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{Cl}]^-$ (b) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{Br}]^-$ (c) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{BF}_4]^-$ (d) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4]^-$ (e) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{HSO}_4]^-$ (f) Effect of $[\text{BMIM}]^+[\text{PF}_6]^-$ (g) Effect of $[\text{HMIM}]^+[\text{Br}]^-$ (h) Effect of $[\text{HMIM}]^+[\text{HSO}_4]^-$ (i) Effect of $[\text{OMIM}]^+[\text{Cl}]^-$

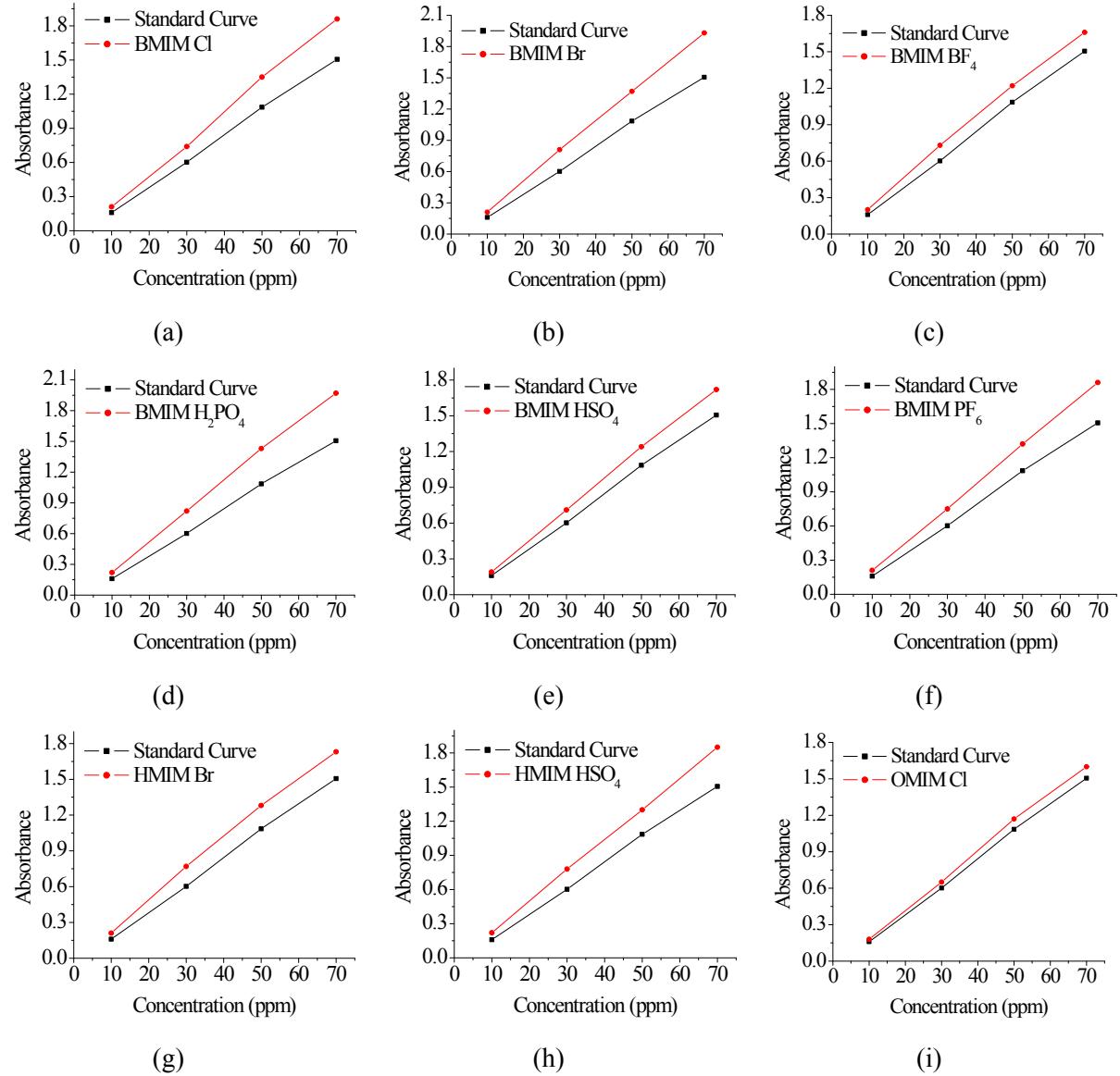


Figure S3: UV absorption showing the effect of ionic liquids on TBS in ethyl acetate (TBS:ILs=1:1).
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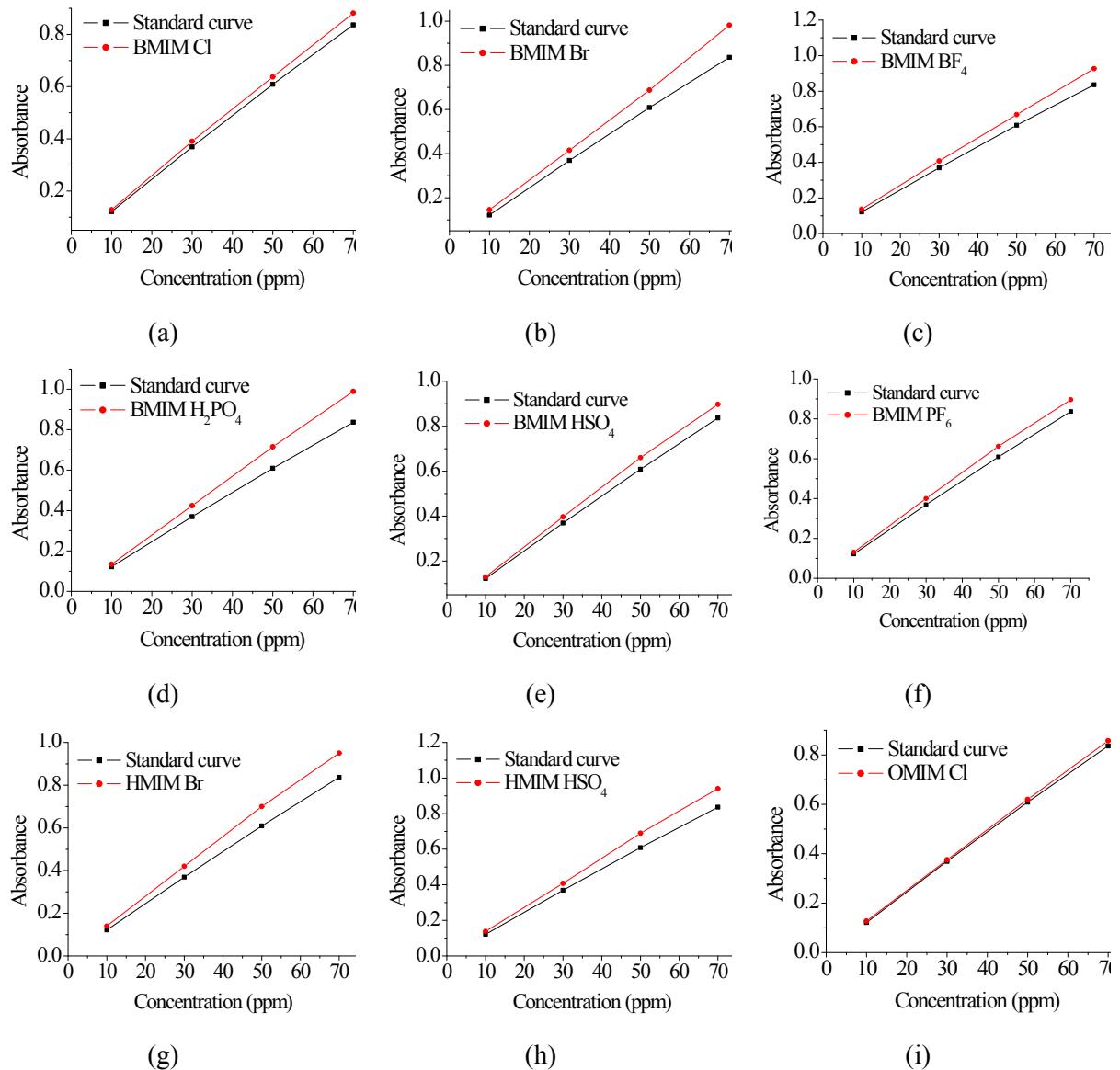


Figure S4: UV absorption showing the effect of ionic liquids on TBS in hexane (TBS:ILs=1:1).
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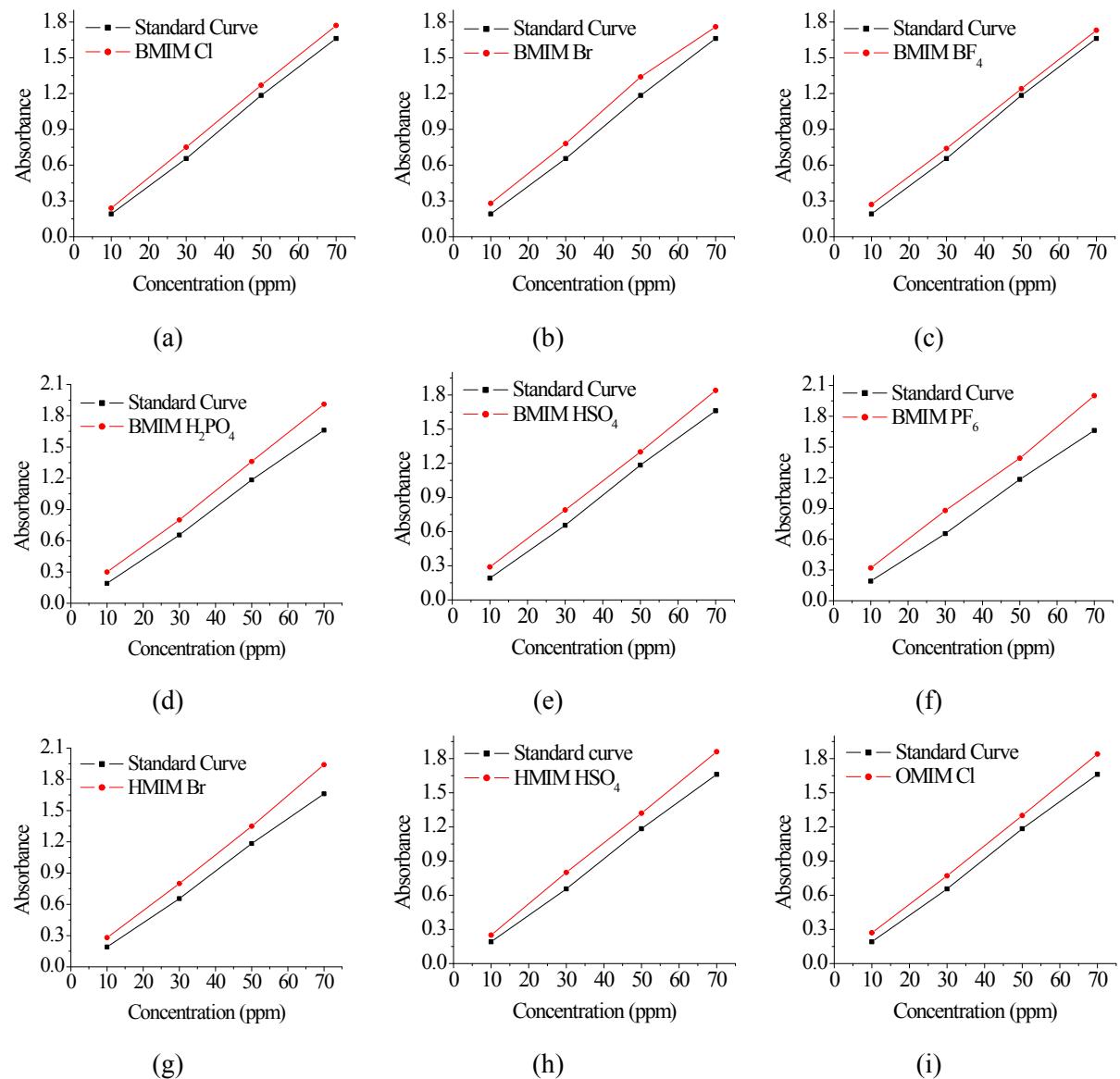


Figure S5: Full scan UV spectra of TBS in (i) heptane and (ii) toluene, both in the absence and presence of BMIM PF₆ at different concentrations.

