

## Exploring the role of ionic liquids to tune the polymorphic outcome of organic compounds

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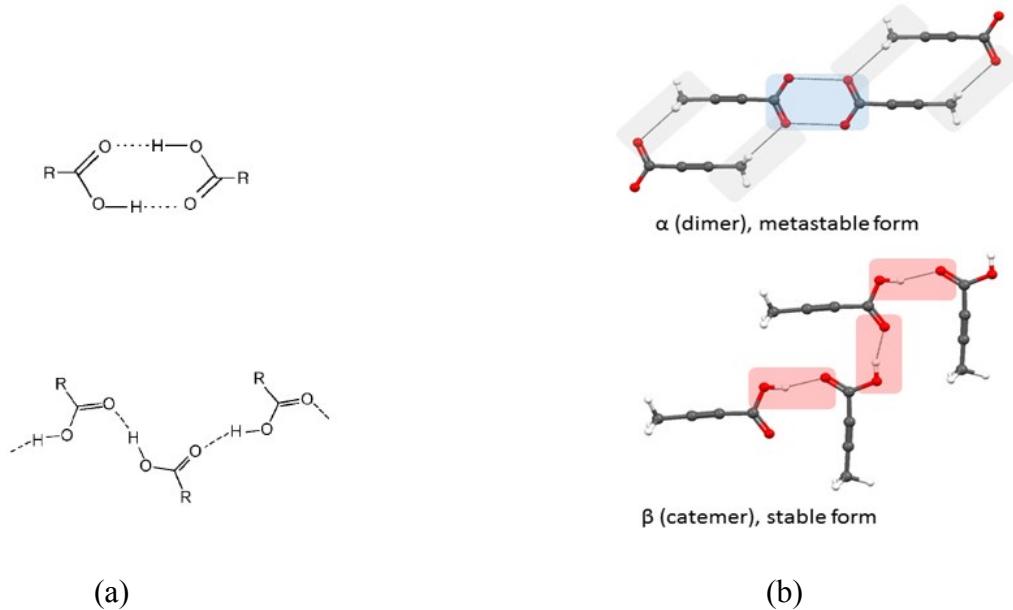
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## S1. Crystal structures of two tetrolic acid polymorphs



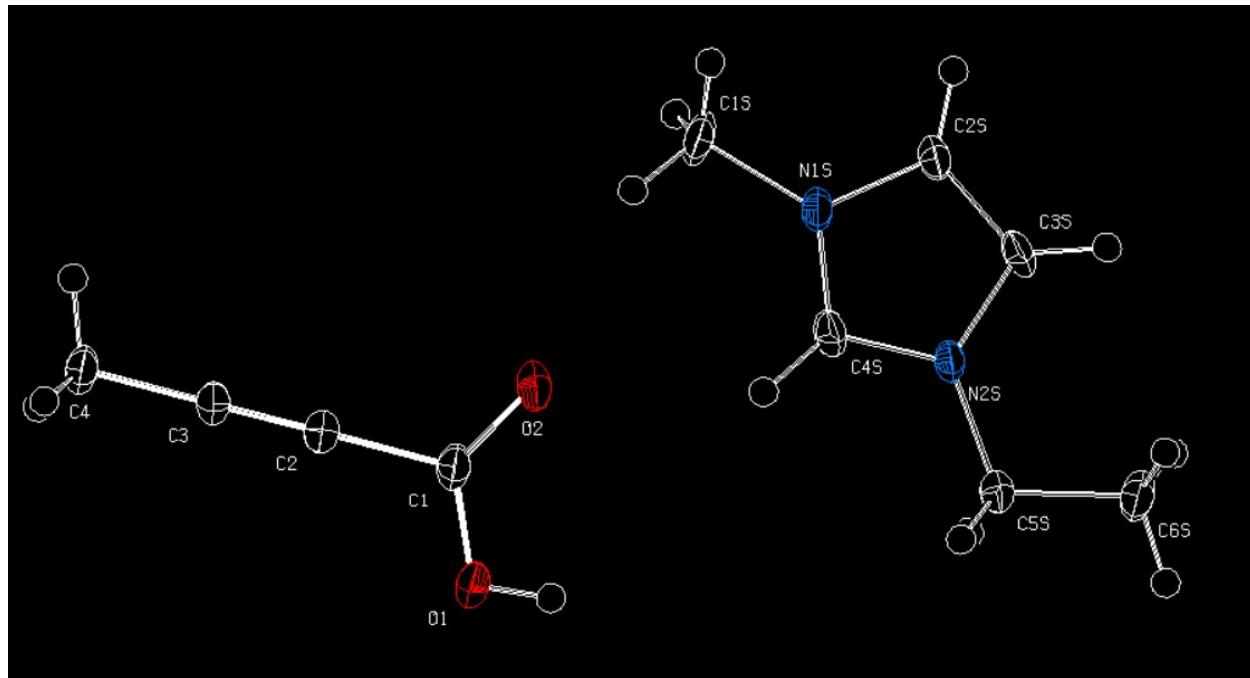
**Figure S1.** (a) Possible synthons in the polymorphs of tetrolic acid, (b)  $\alpha$  form shows the presence of carboxyl acid dimer whereas the  $\beta$  form sustains through the catemer synthon.

## S2. Crystallographic details for [Emim][H(TA)<sub>2</sub>]

|                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Name                                 | 1-Ehtyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrolate                         |
| Formula                              | C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>18</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> |
| Molecular weight                     | 278.30  |
| Crystal system                       | triclinic   |
| Space group                          | P -1  |
| a(Å)                                 | 6.746(3)  |
| b(Å)                                 | 7.246(3)  |
| c(Å)                                 | 7.434(3)  |
| $\alpha$ (°)                         | 77.801(7)   |
| $\beta$ (°)                          | 83.650(8)   |
| $\gamma$ (°)                         | 88.409(7)   |
| Volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )             | 353.0(2)  |
| Z                                    | 1   |
| $\rho_{\text{calc}}(\text{g/cm}^3)$  | 1.309   |
| F(000)                               | 148   |
| Crystal size (mm)                    | 0.11 x 0.22 x 0.41  |
| $\mu$ (Mo K $\alpha$ ) (mm $^{-1}$ ) | 0.097   |
| Temp (K)                             | 100(2)  |
| $\Theta$ range for data collection   | 2.8, 33.6   |
| R <sub>1</sub>                       | 0.0624  |
| wR <sub>2</sub>                      | 0.2064  |
| Goodness of fit                      | 1.08  |

|                  |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Reflns collected | 2771    |
| Unique reflns    | 2771    |
| Observed reflns  | 2101    |
| CCDC no.         | 1577981 |

### S3. ORTEP diagram of [Emim][H(TA)<sub>2</sub>]

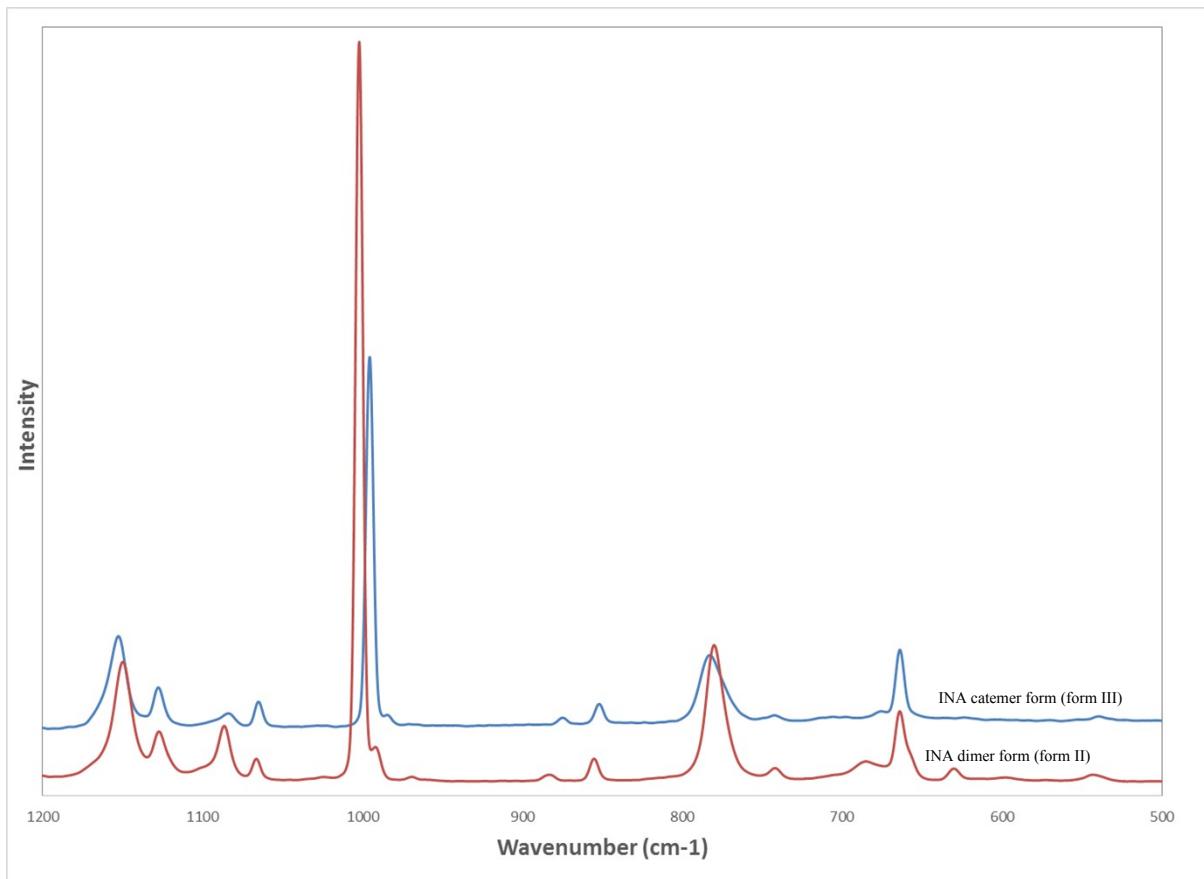


### S4. Attachment energy calculations on $\alpha$ -dimer of TA

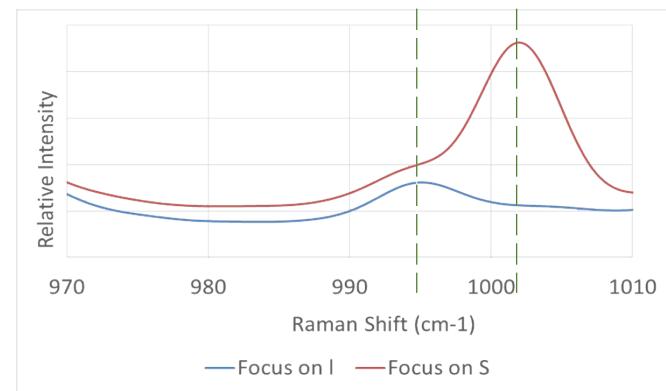
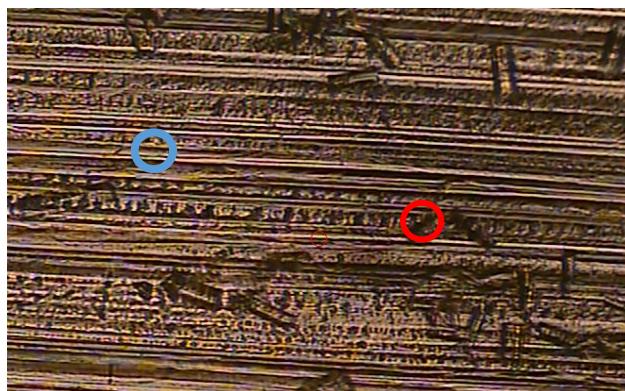
Attachment energies were calculated in the Morphology module of the Materials Studio. The attachment energies for the seven unique faces of the  $\alpha$ -dimer of TA are given in the following table.

| Faces   | E <sub>att</sub> (Kcal/mol) | Eatt (vdW) | Eatt(electrostatic) |
|---------|-----------------------------|------------|---------------------|
| (100)   | -18.18                      | -14.29     | -3.89               |
| (010)   | -14.76                      | -13.19     | -1.57               |
| (01-1)  | -25.76                      | -10.36     | -15.41              |
| (001)   | -8.99                       | -8.5       | -0.49               |
| (1-11)  | -29.35                      | -13.92     | -15.42              |
| (110)   | -16.94                      | -16.44     | -0.50               |
| (1-1-1) | -24.30                      | -9.40      | -14.90              |

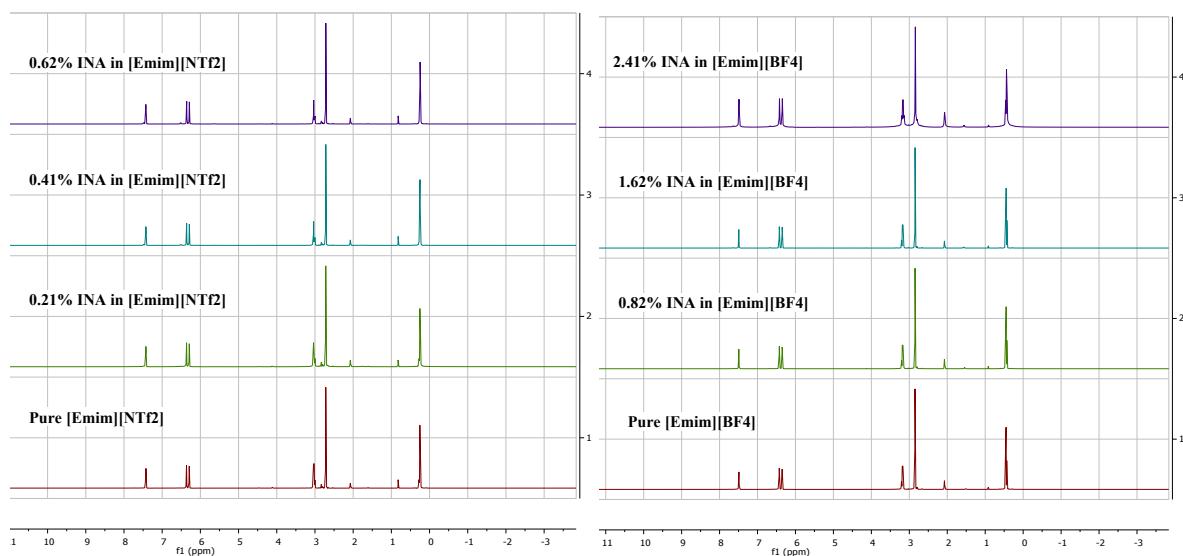
**S5. Raman spectra of Isonicotinamide (INA) catemer (peak at  $1003\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) form and dimer form (peak at  $995\text{cm}^{-1}$ )**



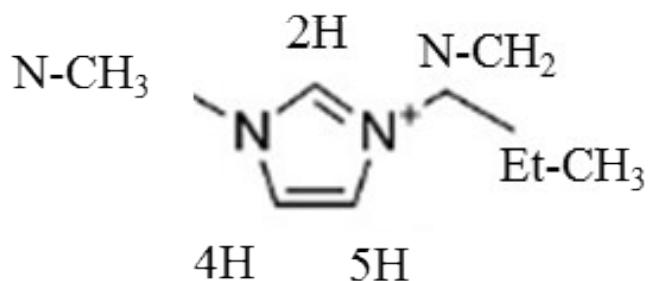
**S6. Simultaneous examination of Solid and IL Raman spectra (IL in the example:  $[\text{Emim}][\text{BF}_4]$ )**



**S7. NMR spectra showing INA monomers in  $[\text{Emim}][\text{NTf}_2]$ ,  $[\text{Emim}][\text{BF}_4]$**



2H chemical shifts of [Emim] in ppm



| Sample                    | 2H   | 4H   | 5H   | N-CH <sub>3</sub> | N-CH <sub>2</sub> | Et-CH <sub>3</sub> |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| [Emim][NTf <sub>2</sub> ] | 7.49 | 6.43 | 6.35 | 3.19              | 2.85              | 0.45               |
| Low                       | 7.49 | 6.43 | 6.35 | 3.19              | 2.85              | 0.45               |
| high                      | 7.49 | 6.43 | 6.35 | 3.18              | 2.85              | 0.45               |
| Saturated                 | 7.49 | 6.42 | 6.35 | 3.18              | 2.84              | 0.44               |
| [Emim][BF <sub>4</sub> ]  | 7.43 | 6.36 | 6.29 | 3.04              | 2.72              | 0.25               |
| low                       | 7.43 | 6.36 | 6.29 | 3.04              | 2.72              | 0.25               |
| high                      | 7.43 | 6.36 | 6.29 | 3.03              | 2.72              | 0.25               |
| Saturated                 | 7.43 | 6.36 | 6.29 | 3.03              | 2.72              | 0.25               |

## S8. Water content calculation in the used ILs

| Ionic Liquid Name                | Measurement 1 (ppm) | Measurement 2 (ppm) | Measurement 3 (ppm) | Water Content (ppm) | Water Content (%) |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| [Emim][NTf <sub>2</sub> ]        | 260                 | 262                 | 282                 | 268±12              | 0.03              |
| [Emim][OAc]                      | 4524                | 4405                | 4261                | 4397±132            | 0.44              |
| [Emim][N(CN) <sub>2</sub> ]<br>] | 1595                | 1711                | 1793                | 1700±99             | 0.17              |
| [OHEmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ]<br>]  | 1740                | 1732                | 1853                | 1775±68             | 0.18              |
| [OHEmim][NTf <sub>2</sub> ]<br>] | 268                 | 293                 | 284                 | 282±13              | 0.03              |
| [Emim][BF <sub>4</sub> ]         | 1030                | 1014                | 1011                | 1018±10             | 0.1               |