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## Deep Eutectic Solvents Based on Natural Ascorbic Acid Analogues and Choline Chloride

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Table S1. Tabulated DSC procedure used to investigate the thermal properties of in-situ and pre-prepared DES.

Step No.	
1	Heat from 20 to 100 °C at 3 °C min <sup>-1</sup>
2	Isothermal at 100 °C (20 min)
3	Cool from 100 to -80 °C at 10 °C min <sup>-1</sup>
4	Isothermal at -80 °C (5 min)
5	Heat from -80 to 100 °C at 3 °C min <sup>-1</sup>
	Twice repeat Steps 2 to 5



**Figure S1**. Visual appearance of L-ascorbic acid:ChCI DES (4A, B, C, D and E correspond to molar ratios of 2:1, 1.5:1, 1:1, 1:1.5 and 1:2 respectively).



**Figure S2.** Full DSC traces of in-situ prepared lactone-DES showing the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Heat/Cool and 4<sup>th</sup> Heat cycles (large y-axis tick marks correspond to 2 mW except for Asco:ChCl, 1:1.5 wherein they correspond to 5mW).



**Figure S3.** Full DSC traces of preformed lactone- and Asco-containing DES showing the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Heat/Cool and 4<sup>th</sup> Heat cycles (large y-axis tick marks correspond to 2 mW).



Figure S4. Comparison of glass transition temperatures for in-situ and preformed lactone-DES. Large y-axis tick marks correspond to 0.5 mW in all cases.



Figure S5. Thermogravimetric analysis of L-ascorbic acid-based DES wherein the initial mass loss is highlighted within the inset.



Figure S6. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for a mixed solution of L-GLac and ChCl and diluted L-GLac-containing DES (all prepared in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, ca. 50 mg mL<sup>-1</sup>).



Figure S7. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for a mixed solution of D-GLac and ChCl and diluted D-GLac-containing DES (all prepared in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, ca. 50 mg mL<sup>-1</sup>).



**Figure S8.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra for a mixed solution of L-ascorbic acid and ChCl and diluted L-ascorbic acid-containing DES (all prepared in DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>, *ca.* 50 mg mL<sup>-1</sup>).



Figure S9. Evolution of optical density of LB growth media containing Asco or lactone-based DES at 0 - 750 mM.



Figure S10. Comparison of optical densities for LB growth media at fixed concentrations of Asco and lactone-based DES.

Note that in some cases there were no data points collected at the lowest shear rates as a reading could not be obtained. This is considered to be an artefact of the experiments given that this was not always repeatable.







Figure S11. Viscosity of lactone and ascorbic acid-based DES (Pa.s) as a function of shear rate (s<sup>-1</sup>) from 20 to 60 °C.



**Figure S12.** Arrhenius plot for L-ascorbic acid:ChCl DES at 20 to 60 °C (determined using the viscosity measured at a shear rate of 45 s<sup>-1</sup> (20 °C, Asco:ChCl, 1:1) or 50 s<sup>-1</sup> (30 - 60 °C, Asco:ChCl, 1:1 and 20 to 60 °C Asco:ChCl 1:1.5).

**Table S2.** Parameters for the Arrhenius equation ( $\eta 0$ , *Ea* and R<sup>2</sup>) of Asco:ChCl DES.

System, molar ratio	<i>η₀</i> (Pa.s)	<i>E</i> a (kJmol⁻¹)	R <sup>2</sup>
Asco:ChCl, 1:1	2.012 E-13	84.436	0.996
Asco:ChCl, 1:1.5	1.370 E-11	71.481	0.998