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# **SOLVENTS IN GREEN CHEMISTRY II**

# Solvents in Green Chemistry

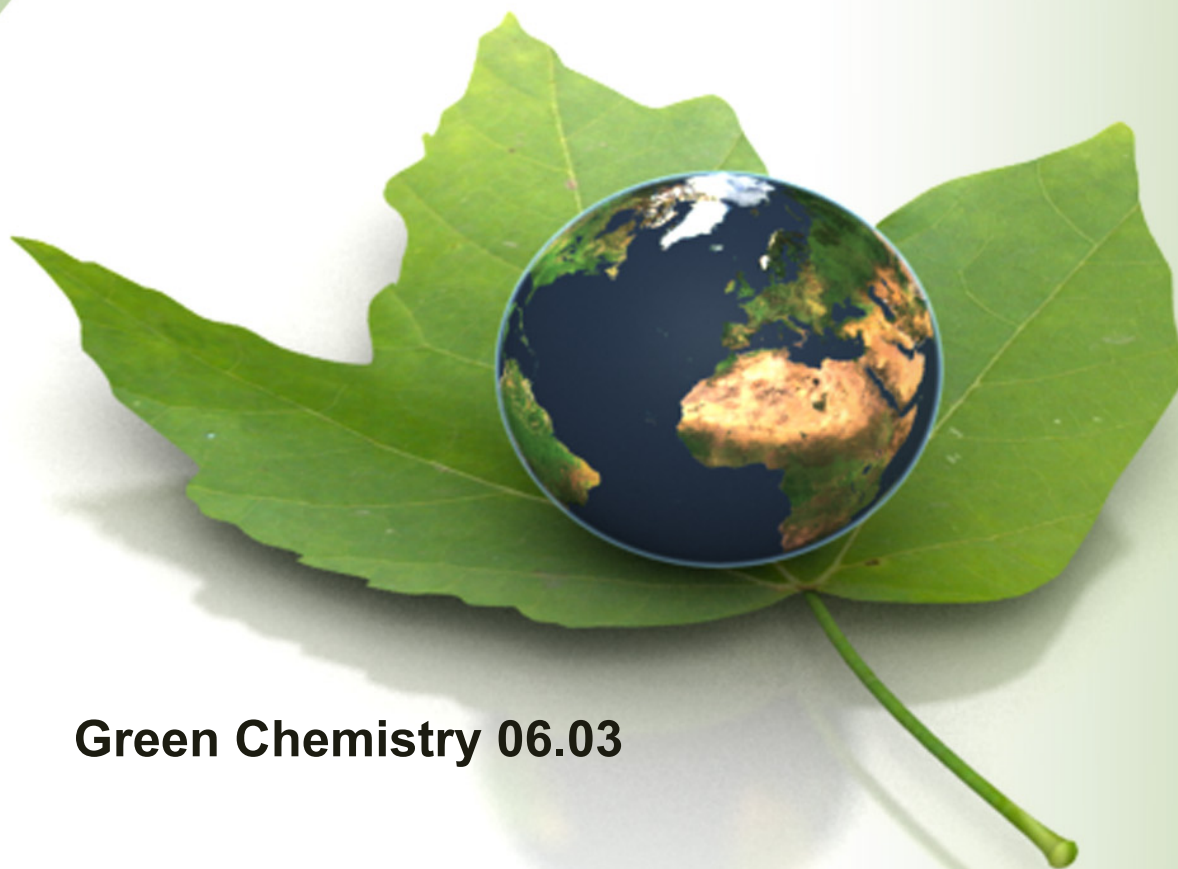


**Use safer solvents and auxiliaries**



# RENEWABLE SOLVENTS AND OTHER 'GREEN' VOCS

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# Introduction



Many solvents can be obtained from **renewable feedstocks** and they can be used as 'slot-in' alternatives for current VOCs without any need for modification of equipment or procedure.

# Introduction



Due to the large number of oxygens in biomass-sourced materials such as cellulose and starch, most renewable solvents have **oxygen-containing functional groups**: alcohols, esters and ethers being the most common.

# Introduction



The most extensively used group of VOC solvents that cannot be biosourced are **chlorinated hydrocarbons** such as methylene chloride. However, blends of biosolvents can be made and used in many applications where these are normally used.

# Introduction



**Hydrocarbons** including **aromatics** could potentially be biosourced through transformations of cellulose and lignocellulose.



# Introduction



Although biosourced solvents are nominally green through a life-cycle analysis, they are not perfect. **They are still VOCs** and have associated risks including atmospheric pollution, flammability and user exposure.

Significant amount of **energy** are used in their production.

# Introduction



**Table 6.1** Types of biomass feedstocks.

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**Waste materials**

Agricultural, wood, and urban wastes, crop residues

**Forest products**

Wood, logging residues, trees, shrubs

**Energy crops**

Starch crops such as corn, wheat, and barley, sugar crops, grasses, vegetable oils, hydrocarbon plants (*e.g. Pittosporum resiniferum* and *euphorbia lathyris*)

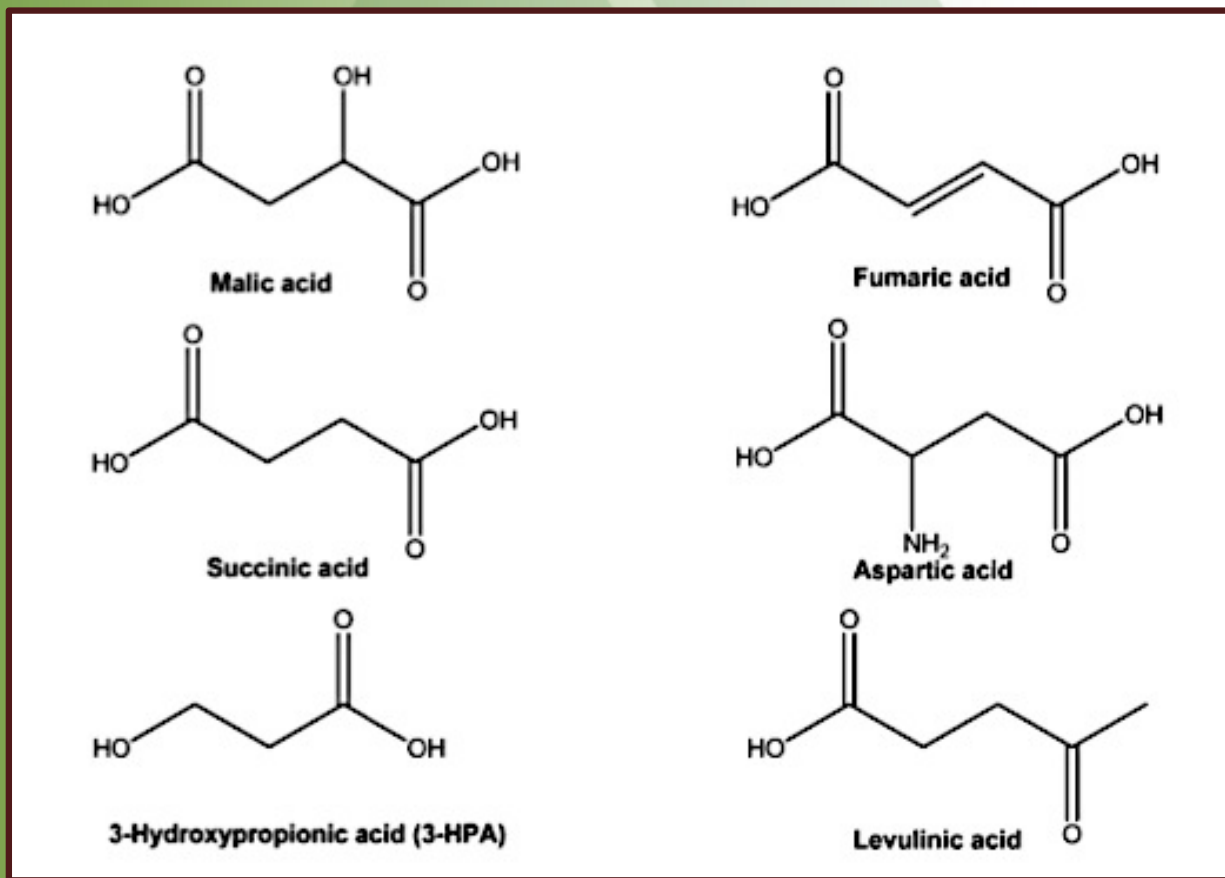
**Aquatic biomass**

Algae, water weed (including seaweed), water hyacinth

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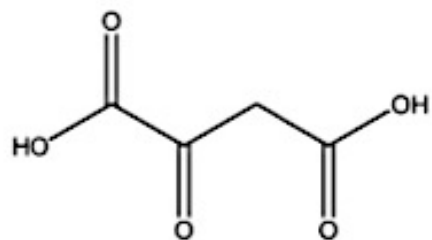
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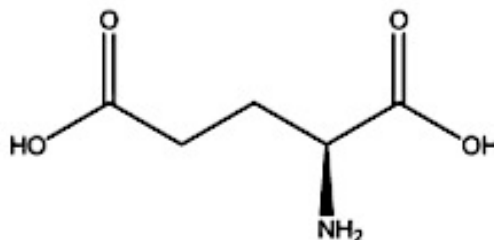
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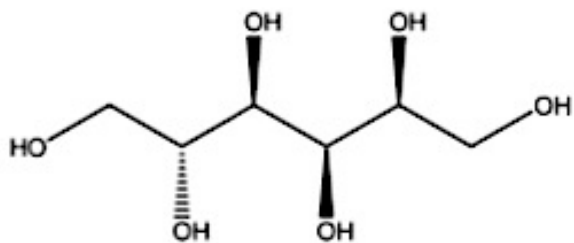
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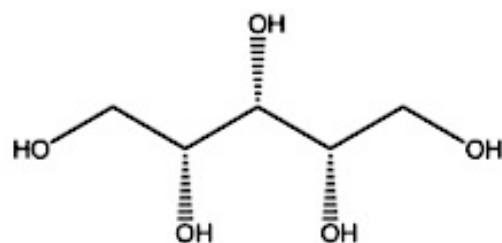
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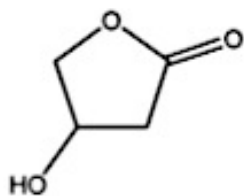
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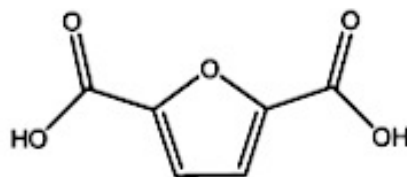
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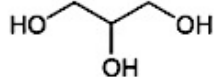
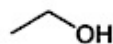
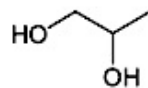
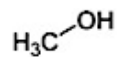


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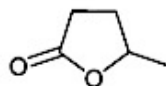
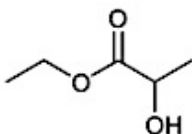
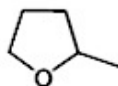


2,5-Furandicarboxylic acid

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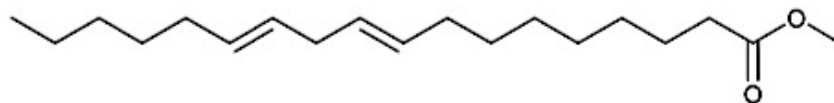
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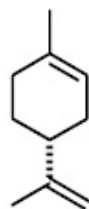
2-MeTHF

Ethyl lactate

$\gamma$ -Valerolactone



Fatty acid ester (Biodiesel component)



Limonene, a terpene (essential oil component)

**Figure 6.3** Some solvents available from renewable feedstocks.

# Biosolvents

## Alcohols

- Ethanol is generally produced through fermentation of starch crops or cellulose
- Ethanol has widespread use as a solvent of substances intended for human contact or consumption, including scents, flavourings, colourings, and medicines.
- Ethanol is widely used in the food industry and in the extraction of natural products.
- Ethanol is also used in thermometers.



# Biosolvents

## Alcohols

- Methanol can be produced from synthesis gas that can be obtained through biomass gasification.
- It is **toxic!!**
- In synthetic procedures methanol is more commonly used due to its greater volatility and ease of removal under vacuum.



# Biosolvents

## Alcohols

- **Glycerol, is a byproduct of biodiesel production and other processes, is nontoxic and has promising physical and chemical properties as an alternative solvent.**
- **It has a very high boiling point and negligible vapour pressure and can dissolve many organic and inorganic compounds.**





# Biosolvents

## Alcohols

- It is poorly miscible with water and some ethers and hydrocarbons.
- Simple extractions with solvents such as ether and ethyl acetate are also possible.
- It can be converted to methanol, ethanol, 1-propanol and propanediols through hydrogenolysis reactions, and is therefore a potential feedstock for other solvents.



# Biosolvents

## Alcohols



**Table 6.2** Comparison of solvent properties of methanol, ethanol, glycerol.

<i>Property</i>	<i>MeOH</i>	<i>EtOH</i>	<i>Glycerol</i>
Dielectric constant	32.66	24.3	42.5
Density, g cm <sup>-3</sup>	0.79	0.79	1.26
Boiling point, °C	64.7	78.4	290
Melting point, °C	-97	-114	18
Viscosity, cP	0.6	1.2	629
pKa	15.5	15.9	14.4
Flash point, °C	12	16	160
Explosion range, lower/upper limit, vol%	6.0/36	3.3/19	Not applicable
Vapour pressure, mm Hg at 20 °C	97	44	<1
Hildebrand, MPa <sup>1/2</sup>	29.7	26.2	36.2
Donor number, kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	19	31.5	-

# Biosolvents



## Esters

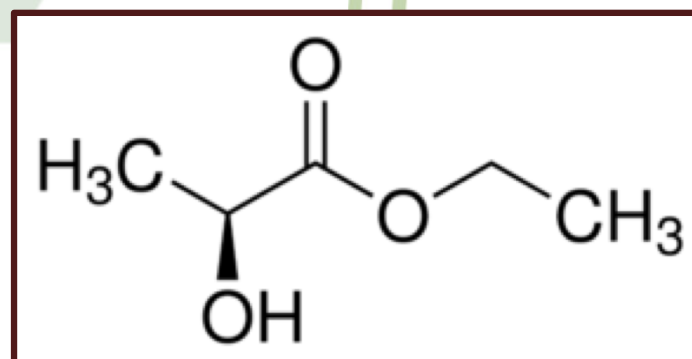
**Table 6.3** Industrial uses of some ester 'green' solvents.

<i>Solvent</i>	<i>Industrial use</i>
Glycerol carbonate	Nonreactive diluent in epoxy or polyurethane systems
Ethyl lactate	Degreaser Photoresist carrier solvent Clean-up solvent in microelectronics and semiconductor manufacture
2-Ethylhexyl lactate	Degreaser Agrochemical formulations
Fatty acid esters (and related compounds)	Biodegradable carrier oil for green inks Coalescent for decorative paint systems Agrochemical/pesticide formulations

# Biosolvents

## Ethyl Lactate

- Ethyl lactate has a boiling point of 154 °C and melting point of -26 °C.
- It has the potential to replace many toxic halogenated solvents.
- It is biodegradable, renewable, noncarcinogenic, noncorrosive, stable in water, has a low vapour pressure and high solvency power.



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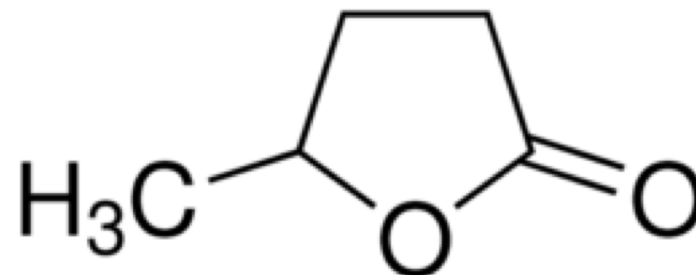
## $\gamma$ -Valerolactone

It has a low melting point ( $-31\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), high boiling point ( $207\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and high open cup flash point ( $96\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

Its density is  $1.05\text{ g/cm}^3$ . It is miscible with water and biodegradable.

Its vapour pressure is very low even at high temperatures, only  $3.5\text{ kPa}$  at  $80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

It does not form an azeotrope with water, and therefore water can be removed by distillation, as can volatile organic components because of GVL's low volatility and high boiling point.



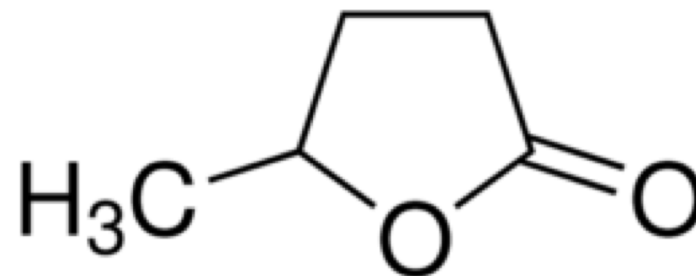
# Biosolvents

## $\gamma$ -Valerolactone

Its high boiling point may also be advantageous in some reaction chemistry by allowing increased rates of reaction.

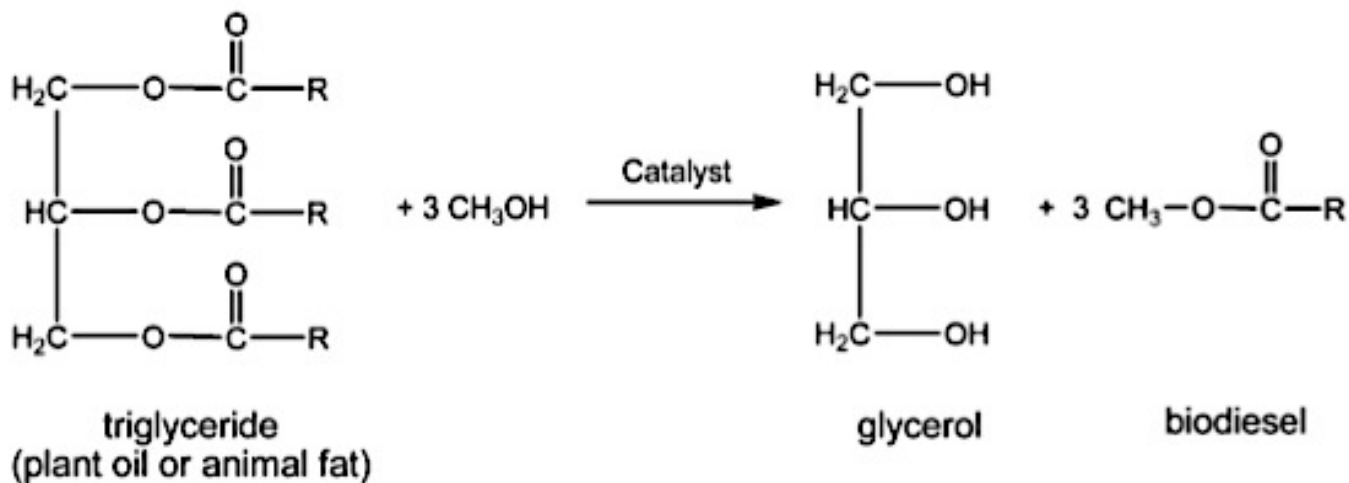
It is stable in air (no peroxides could be detected after 35 days) and it did not hydrolyze in water.

However, it can be hydrolyzed and ring-opens in the presence of acid to give  $\gamma$ -hydroxy-pentanoic acid and with aqueous sodium hydroxide, it forms  $\gamma$ -hydroxypentanoate.



# Biosolvents

## Biodiesel



**Figure 6.7** Typical synthetic route used in biodiesel production.

# Biosolvents



## Biodiesel

**Table 6.4** Summary of advantageous properties of biodiesels including methyl soyate as solvents.

**Safety advantages**

Lower toxicity than toluene and methylene chloride,  $LD_{50}$  17.4 g/kg

Low vapour pressure, <0.1 mmHg

High flash point, >182 °C

**Reaction and process advantages**

Excellent compatibility with other organic solvents, metals and most plastics

Low cost, 0.60 US\$ L<sup>-1</sup>

**Environmental advantages**

Can be biosourced from a range of feedstocks

Readily biodegradable

Low volatile organic compound level, < 50 g mL<sup>-1</sup>

Non-ozone-depleting compound

Non-SARA reportable<sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act, <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/index.htm>



# Biosolvents



## Biodiesel

**Table 6.5** Potential applications of methyl soyate as a solvent.

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**Industrial parts cleaning and degreasing**

Household cleaners, food processing equipment cleaning, asphalt handling  
With ethyl lactate, as a cleaner in the aerospace and electronics industries

**Resin cleaning and removal**

Commercial and military paint strippers (replacing methylene chloride)

Printing ink cleaners/Ink press washers (replacing toluene)

Adhesive removers (replacing acetone)

Graffiti removers (replacing mineral spirits, a mixture of hydrocarbons)

**Cleaning up oil spills**

Shoreline cleaner<sup>a</sup>

Refinery or tank farm spills

Cleaning reactors and storage tanks

**Other**

Carrier solvent in paints, stains and anticorrosion coverings

Consumer products including hand cleaners

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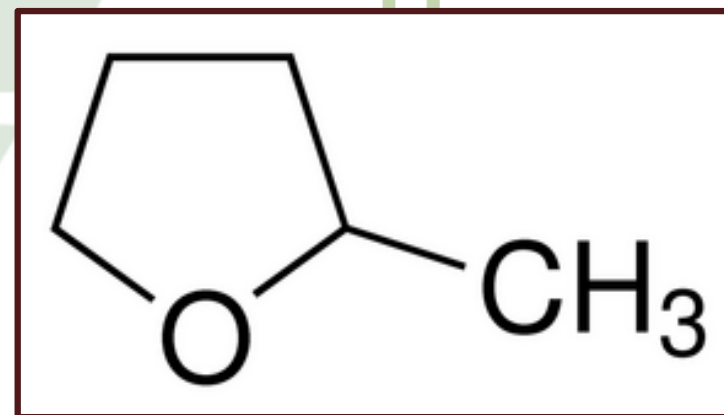
<sup>a</sup>Listed on the EPA's national contingency plan, <http://www.epa.gov/OEM/content/lawsregs/ncpover.htm>

# Biosolvents

## 2-Methyltetrahydrofuran (2-MeTHF)

2-MeTHF can be made through a two-step hydrogenation of 2-furaldehyde, which can be produced using agricultural waste such as corncobs and bagasse.

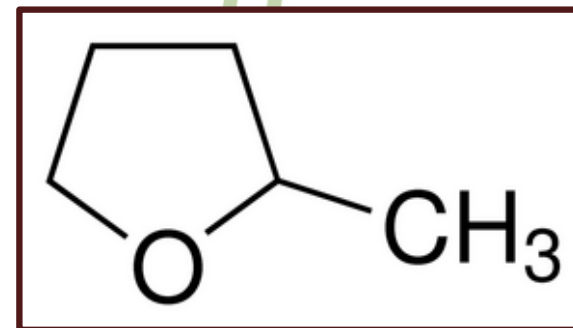
- 2-MeTHF has similar properties to conventional THF, which is used in many organometallic reactions;
- as THF is miscible with water this complicates the quenching process in many of these reactions and other organic solvents have to be introduced to aid in the separation of organic and aqueous phases.



# Biosolvents

## 2-Methyltetrahydrofuran (2-MeTHF)

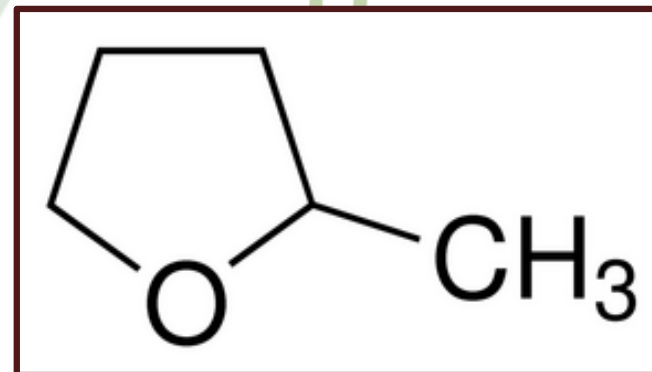
- It forms an azeotrope rich with water and can be more easily dried than THF or dichloromethane;
- It is stable to bases and in degradation studies it has been shown to be more stable towards acids than THF;
- In common with THF and  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ , 2-MeTHF is a Lewis base and its polarity (dielectric constant and Hildebrand solubility parameter) is intermediate of these two conventional solvents;



# Biosolvents

## 2-Methyltetrahydrofuran (2-MeTHF)

- It has a higher boiling point than THF and therefore higher reaction temperatures can be used that reduce overall reaction times.
- It has a low heat of vaporization, which means less solvent is lost during reaction reflux and this saves energy during distillation and recovery
- 2-MeTHF will form peroxides when exposed to air if no stabilizer is present.



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## 2-Methyltetrahydrofuran (2-MeTHF)

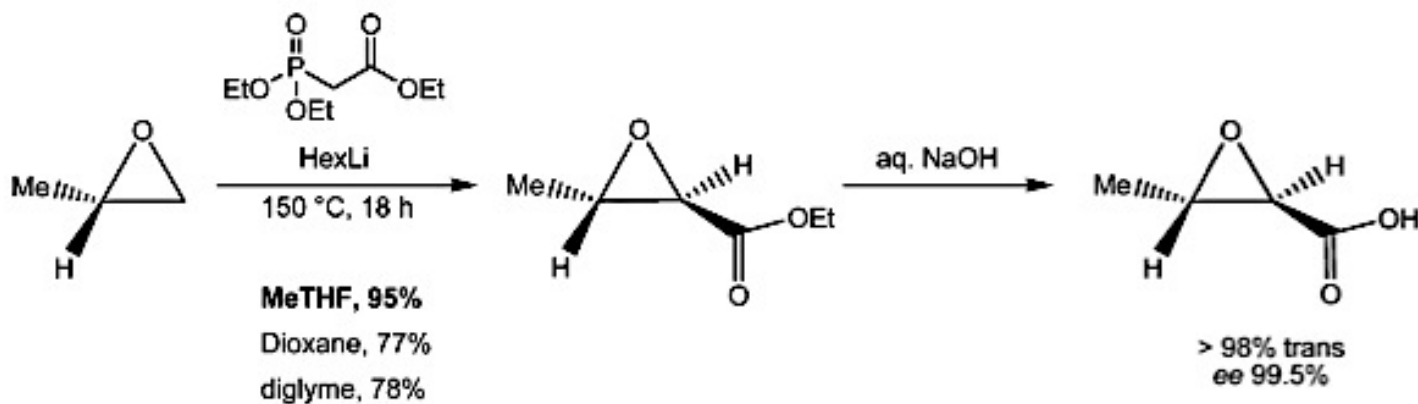


**Table 6.6** Comparison of solvent properties of 2-MeTHF with other VOC solvents.

<i>Property</i>	<i>2-MeTHF</i>	<i>CPME</i>	<i>THF</i>	<i>Et<sub>2</sub>O</i>	<i>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub></i>
Dielectric constant	6.97	4.76	7.58	4.42	8.93
Density, g cm <sup>-3</sup>	0.85	0.86	0.89	0.71	1.32
Boiling point, °C	80	106	65	35	40
Melting point	-136	<-140	-108.5	-116	-95
Viscosity, cP	0.46	0.55	0.55	0.24	0.42
Solubility of water in solvent, g/100 g	4.4	0.3	miscible	1.2	0.2
Azeotropic temperature with water, °C	71	83	64	34	39
Flash point, °C	-11.1	-1	-14.2	-45	na
Explosion range, lower/upper limit, vol%	1.5/8.9	1.1/9.9	1.8/11.8	1.8/48	14/22
Hildebrand, MPa <sup>1/2</sup>	16.9	-	18.7	15.5	20.2
Solvation energy, kcal mol <sup>-1</sup>	0.6	-	0	2.3	-
Donor number	18	-	20.5	19.2	-

# Biosolvents

## 2-Methyltetrahydrofuran (2-MeTHF)



**Figure 6.11** Synthesis of  $(R,R)$ -2-methylcyclopropanecarboxylic acid with enhanced yields using 2-MeTHF.

# Biosolvents

## Carbonates

This class of solvent has several favorable features including:

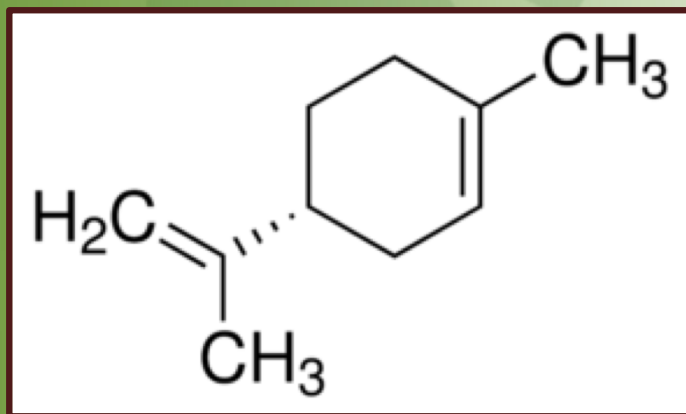
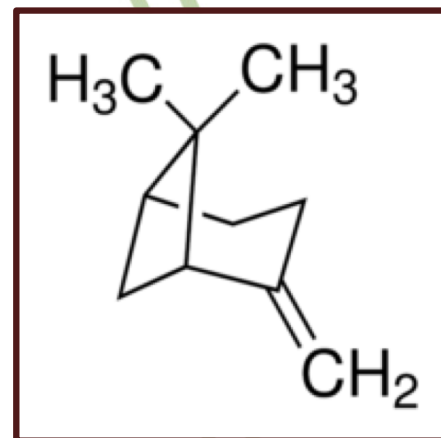
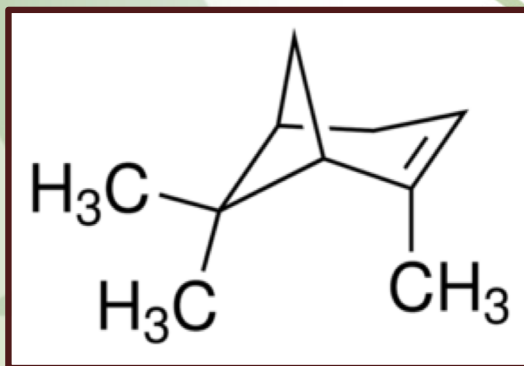
- low cost and wide availability;
- their polarity;
- a broad liquid temperature range (e.g., for propylene carbonate, m.p.  $-49\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ , b.p.  $243\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ );
- low (eco)toxicity;
- biodegradability.

Unfortunately, at present, industrial routes to linear carbonates use phosgene as a starting material, and cyclic carbonates are made using propylene oxide. These two reagents are highly toxic chemicals



# Biosolvents

## Terpenes and Plant Oils



Turpentine is composed of terpenes, mainly the monoterpenes alpha-pinene and beta-pinene with lesser amounts of carene, camphene, dipentene, and terpinolene.



# Biosolvents

## Terpenes and Plant Oils



**Table 6.7** Some physical properties of D-limonene and turpentine alongside methylene chloride and toluene for comparison.

<i>Property</i>	<i>D-limonene</i>	<i>Turpentine</i>	<i>Toluene</i>	<i>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub></i>
Dielectric constant	2.37	2.2–2.7	2.38	8.93
Density, g cm <sup>-3</sup>	0.84	0.85–0.87	0.86	1.32
Boiling point, °C	178	150–180	110	40
Melting point	-74	<-50	-95	-95
Viscosity, cP	0.9	1.49	0.59	0.42
Vapour pressure, kPa at 20 °C	0.19	0.25–0.67	3.8	72
Flash point, °C	48	35	7	na
Explosion range, lower/ upper limit, vol%	Not available	0.8/6	1.1/7.1	14/22

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# Biosolvents

## Terpenes and Plant Oils



**Table 6.8** Summary of advantageous properties of D-limonene.

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### **Safety advantages**

Lower toxicity than toluene and methylene chloride, LD<sub>50</sub> 4.4 g/kg

Relatively low vapour pressure, <1.5 mmHg

No known long-term health effects on humans. It is classified as noncarcinogenic and nonmutagenic. (Short-term effects include being a slight skin and eye irritant)

### **Reaction and process advantages**

Noncaustic and relatively inert

Pricing competitive with conventional solvents. Food-grade limonene is twice the price of hexane.<sup>64</sup>

High boiling point may be advantageous for some processes

### **Environmental advantages**

Can be biosourced from a range of feedstocks

Readily biodegradable

It is not a SARA Title III compound, and it is not regulated by the Clean Air Act<sup>a</sup>

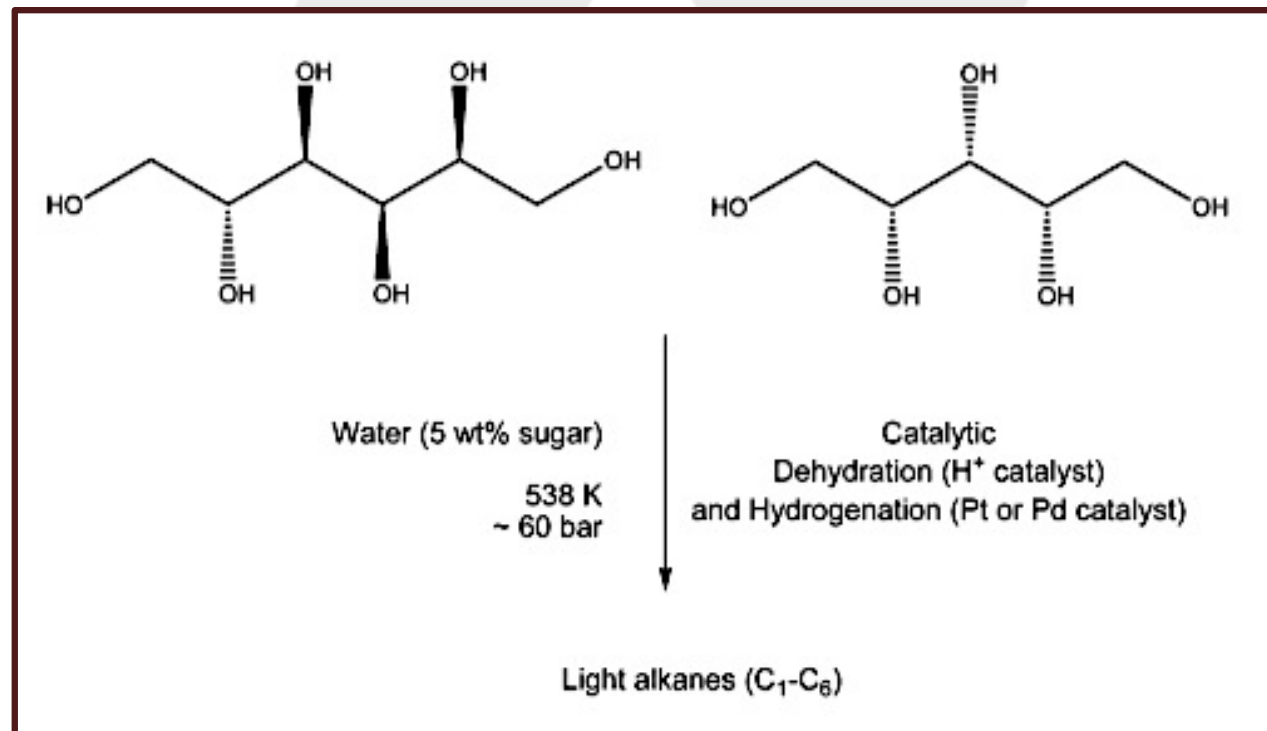
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## Renewable Alkanes

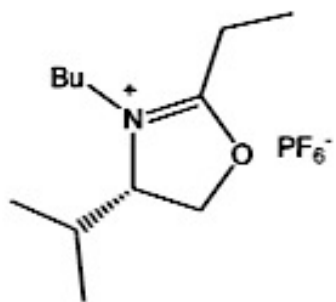


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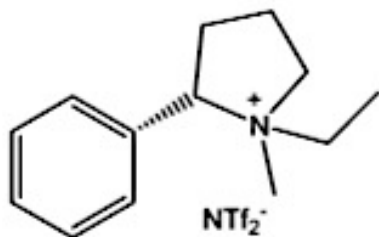
## Ionic Liquids



### RTILs with Natural Cations

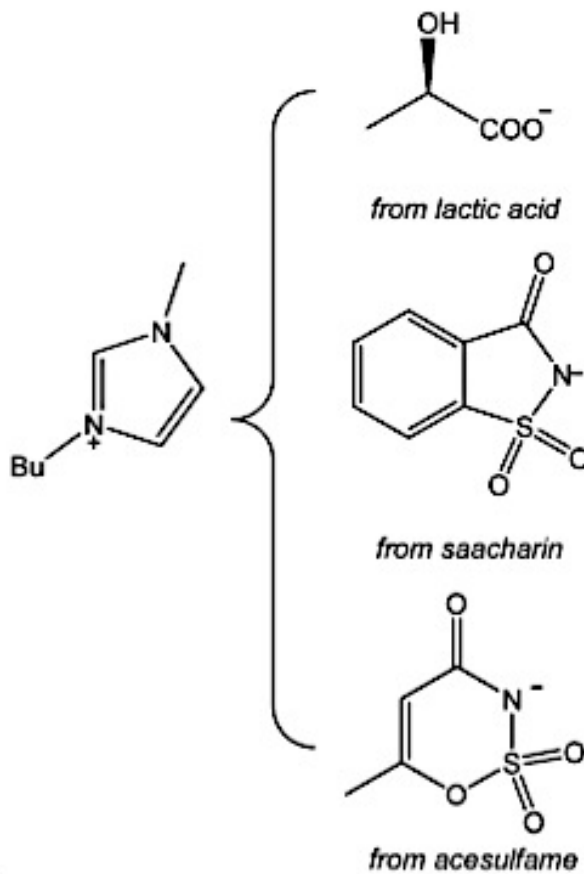


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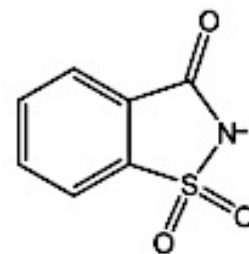


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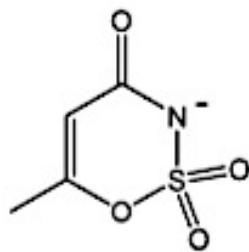
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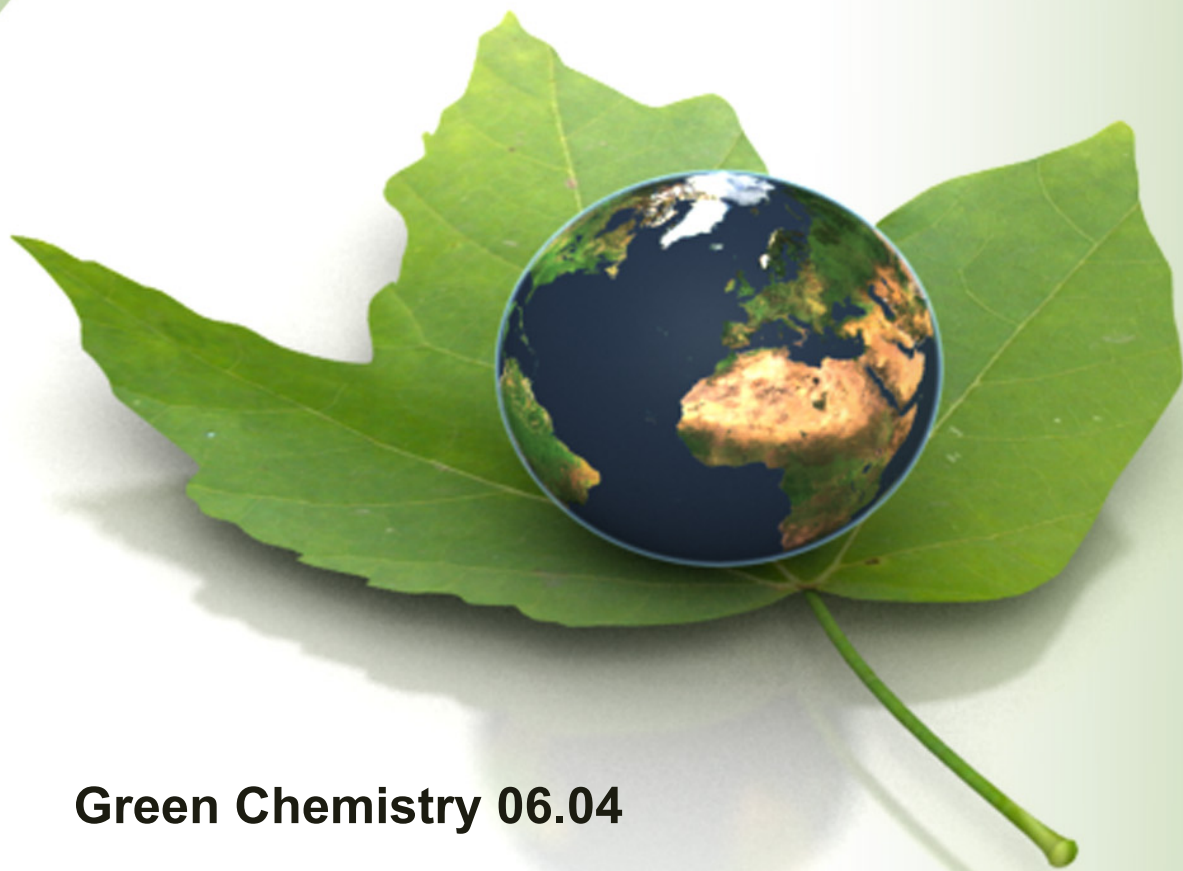
from saacharin



from acesulfame

# ROOM-TEMPERATURE IONIC LIQUIDS AND EUTECTIC MIXTURES

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# Introduction

- Ionic liquids are defined as salts with melting points below 100 °C.
- They are of interest to green chemists as alternative solvents because of their inherent low volatility.
- It should be noted that there has been some debate surrounding the green credentials or otherwise of RTILs, particularly regarding their toxicity, environmental persistence



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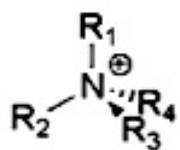


- They have no (or exceedingly low) vapor pressure, so volatile organic reaction products can be separated easily by distillation or under vacuum.
- They are thermally stable and can be used over a wide temperature range compared with conventional solvents. Their properties can be readily adjusted by varying the anion and cation. (1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium (Bmim) tetrafluoroborate ( $\text{BF}_4$ ) is a hydrophilic solvent whereas its hexafluorophosphate ( $\text{PF}_6$ ) analogue is hydrophobic.
- The melting points of the ionic liquids are usually lower for more unsymmetrical cations (e.g. [Mmim][ $\text{BF}_4$ ], 103 °C; [Emim][ $\text{BF}_4$ ], 6 °C and [Bmim][ $\text{BF}_4$ ], -81 °C ([Mmim] is 1,3-dimethyl-imidazolium and [Emim] is 1-ethyl-3-methyl-imidazolium).

# Introduction



## Cations



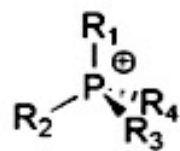
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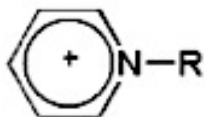
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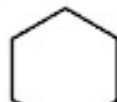
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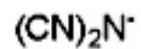
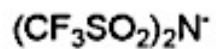
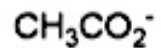
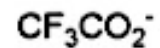
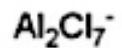
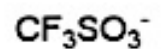


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piperidinium

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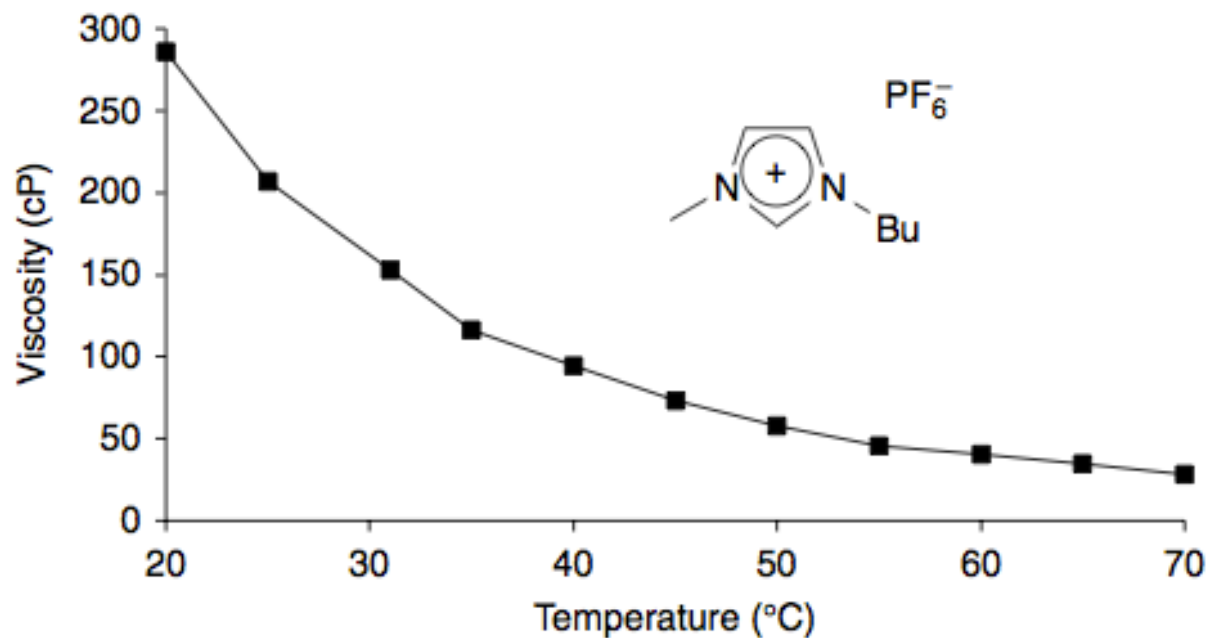


**Table 7.1** Some physical properties of imidazolium-based ionic liquids.<sup>a</sup>

<i>Cation</i>	<i>Anion</i>	<i>Mp,</i> <i>°C</i>	<i>Thermal</i> <i>stability,</i> <i>°C</i>	<i>Density,</i> <i>g cm<sup>-3</sup></i>	<i>Viscosity,</i> <i>cP</i>	<i>Conductivity,</i> <i>ohm<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup></i>
Emim	BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	6	412	1.24	37.7	1.4
Bmim	BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-81	403	1.12	219	0.173
Bmim	(CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> N <sup>-</sup>	-4	439	1.429	52	0.39
Bmim	PF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-61	349	1.36	450	0.146
Hmim	PF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup>	-61	417	1.29	585	—

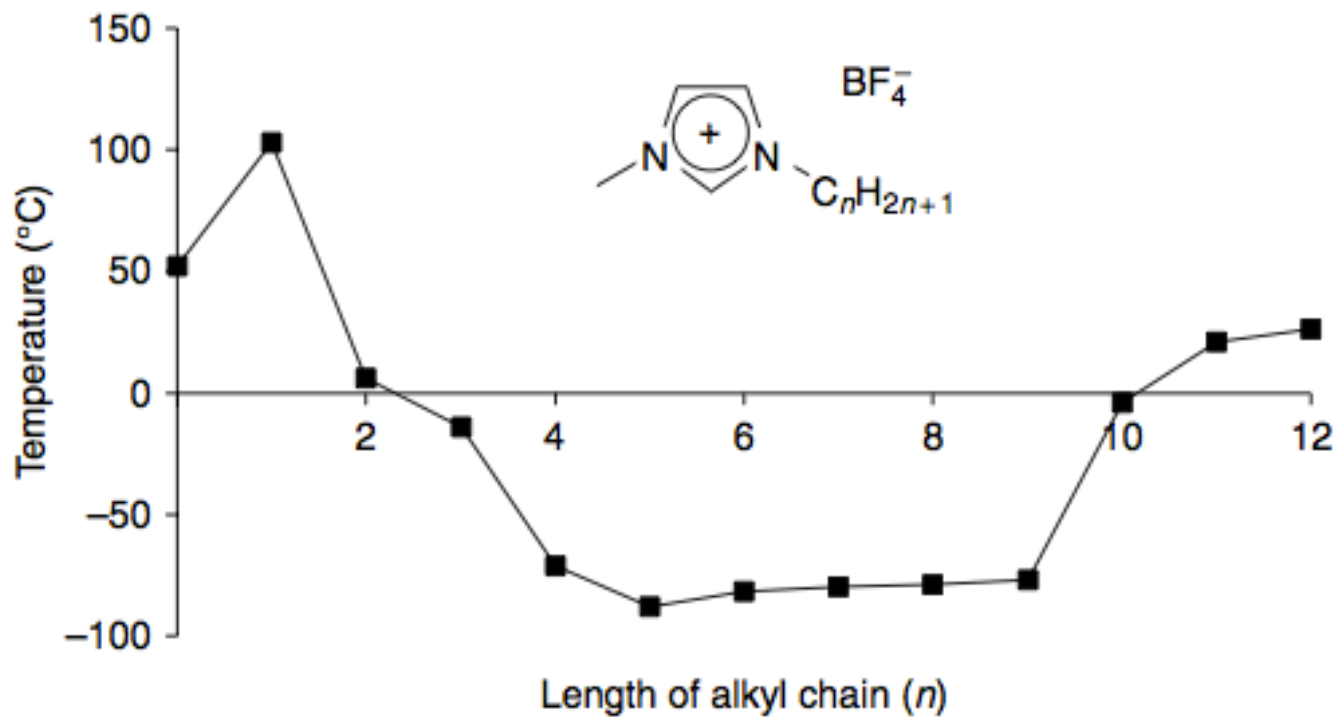
<sup>a</sup>Emim = 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium, Bmim = 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium, Hmim = 1-hexyl-3-methylimidazolium.

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**Figure 2.9**

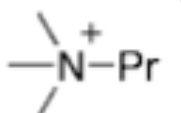
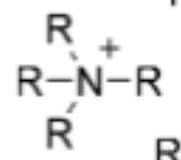
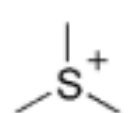
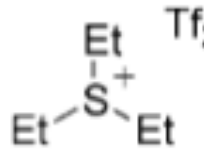
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**Table 2.3**

$\text{Tf}_2\text{N}^-$ 	$\text{Tf}_2\text{N}^-$  R = <sup>n</sup> hexyl	$\text{Tf}_2\text{N}^-$ 	$\text{Tf}_2\text{N}^-$ 
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
m.p. = 17°C	m.p. = -7°C	m.p. = 45°C	m.p. = -36°C

m.p. = melting point.

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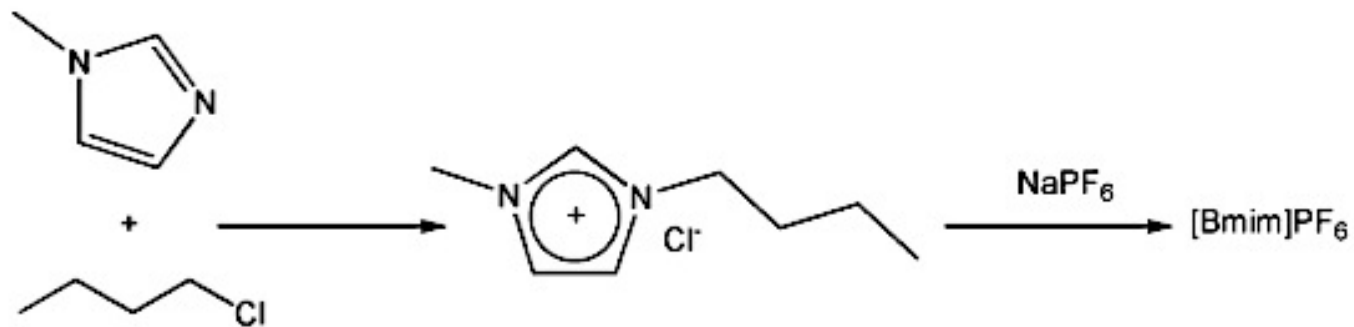
## *Deep eutectic solvents or mixtures*

A series of these materials based on choline chloride ( $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_3\text{Cl}$ ) and metal chlorides, polyols, carboxylic acids or urea have been reported.

The urea–choline chloride material has many of the advantages of better-known ionic liquids (e.g. low volatility) but can be sourced from **renewable feedstocks**, is **nontoxic** and readily **biodegradable**.

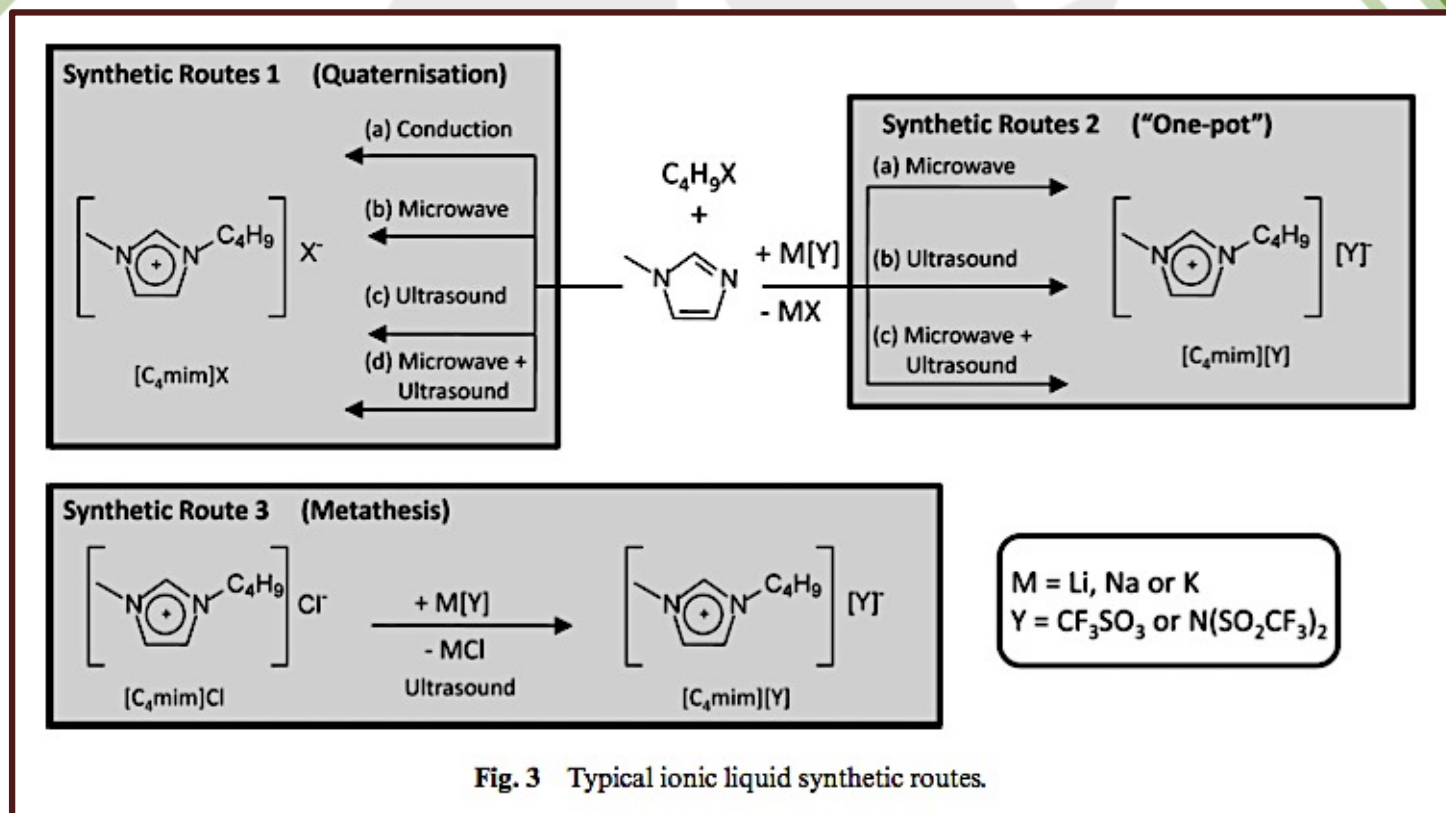
It is not an inert solvent

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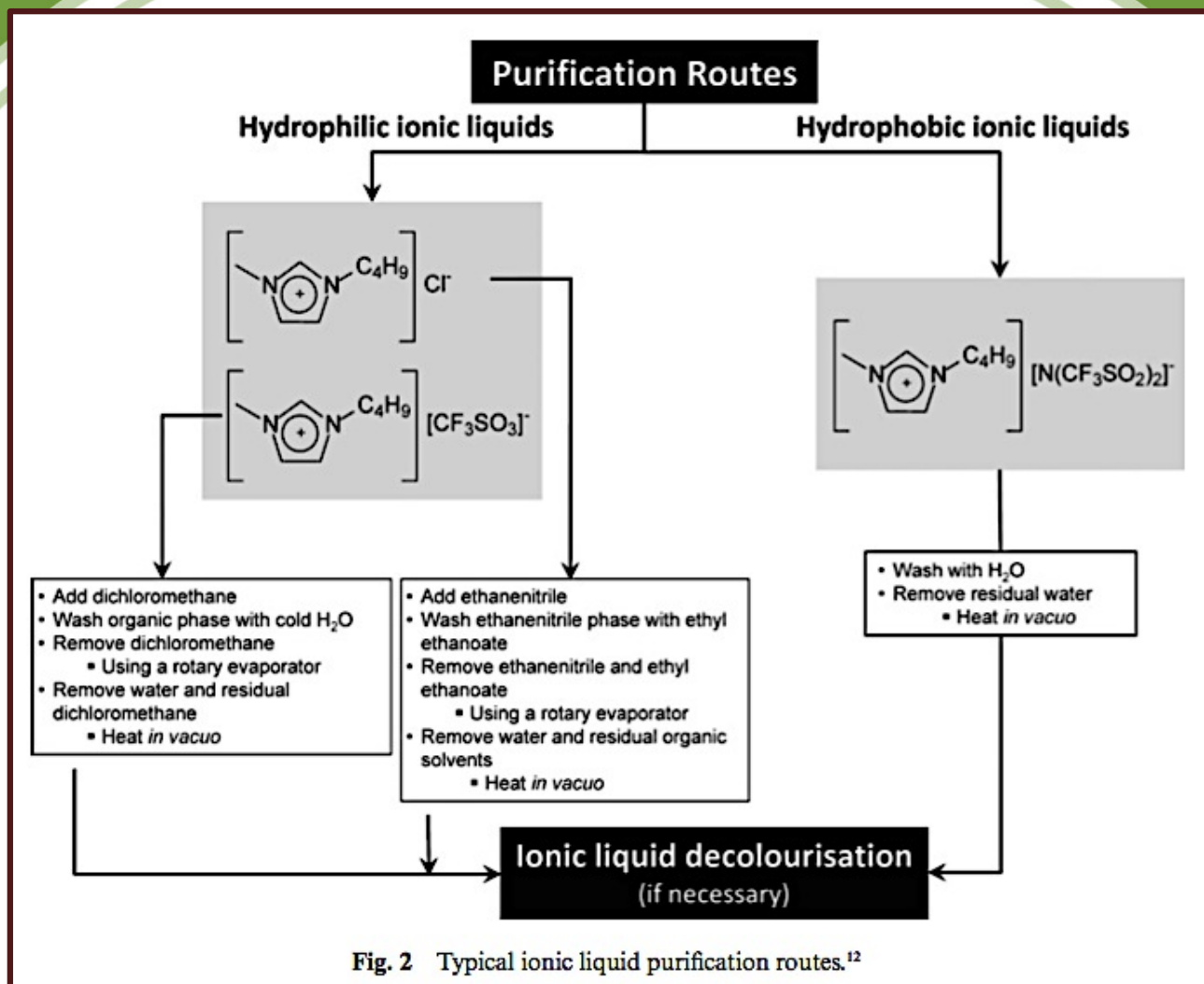


**Figure 7.2** Preparation of 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium chloride and hexafluorophosphate.

# Synthesis



# Synthesis





# Properties



**Table 7.2** Polarities of some ionic liquids and VOCs using the  $E_T^N$  scale.

<i>Solvent</i>	$E_T^N$
Hexane	0.009
[Omim][PF <sub>6</sub> ] <sup>a</sup>	0.642
[Bmim][N(CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ]	0.642
Ethanol	0.654
[Bmim][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	0.667
[Bmim][CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> ]	0.667
[Bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ]	0.673
Methanol	0.762
[EtNH <sub>3</sub> ][NO <sub>3</sub> ]	0.954
Water	1.000

<sup>a</sup>Omim = 1-octyl-3-methylimidazolium.

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**Table 7.3** Miscibility of water and VOCs with [Bmim][PF<sub>6</sub>].

<i>Solvent</i>	$\epsilon_r$	<i>Miscibility</i>
Water	78.3	Immiscible
CH <sub>3</sub> OH	32.7	Miscible
CH <sub>3</sub> CN	35.9	Miscible
Acetone	20.6	Miscible
CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	8.9	Miscible
THF	7.8	Miscible
Toluene	2.4	Immiscible
Hexane	1.9	Immiscible

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**Table 2.7**

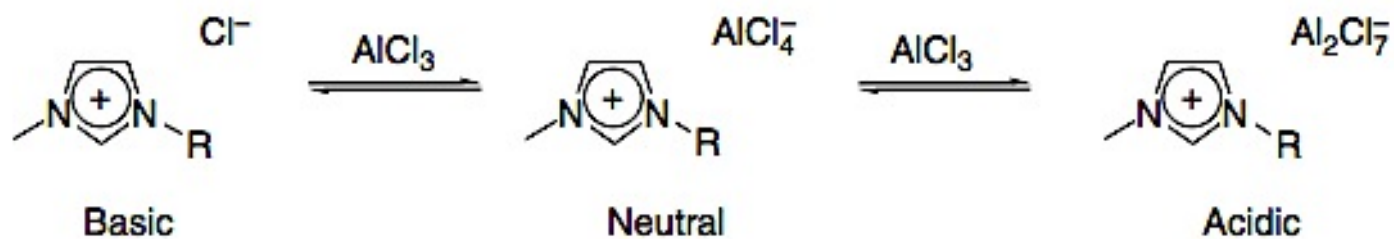
Salt	H <sub>2</sub> O	MeOH	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	Et <sub>2</sub> O
[bmim][Cl]	Soluble	Soluble	Insoluble	Insoluble
[bmim][BF <sub>4</sub> ]	Soluble	Soluble	Soluble	Insoluble
[bmim][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	Insoluble	Soluble	Soluble	Insoluble
[bmim][NTf <sub>2</sub> ]	Insoluble	Soluble	Soluble	Insoluble
[bmim][AlCl <sub>4</sub> ]	Not compatible	Not compatible	Soluble	Insoluble

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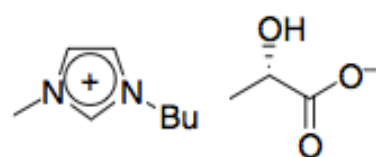
**Table 2.9**

Basic, strongly coordinating	Neutral, weakly coordinating	Acidic, non-coordinating
$\text{Cl}^- / \text{NO}_3^- / \text{SO}_4^{2-}$	$\text{AlCl}_4^- / \text{SbF}_6^- / \text{BF}_4^- / \text{PF}_6^-$	$\text{Al}_2\text{Cl}_7^- / \text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_3^- / \text{Al}_3\text{Cl}_{10}^-$

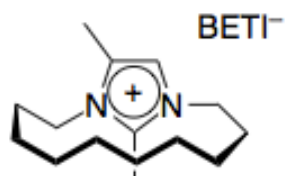


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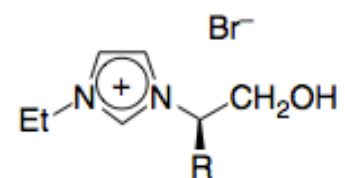
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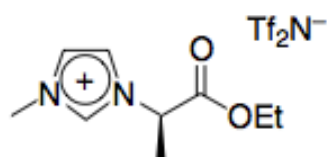


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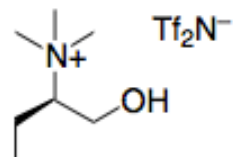


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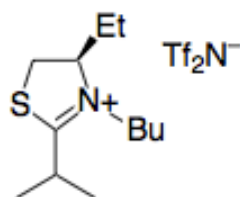
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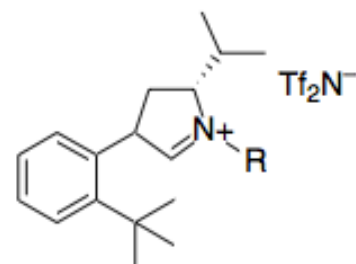
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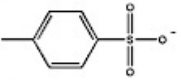
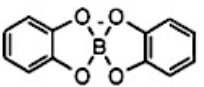
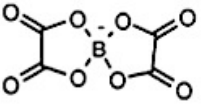
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Figure 2.11

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**Table 2** Influence of the anion on the cytotoxicity of [C<sub>4</sub>mim]X (IPC-81 cell line). Values, given as EC<sub>50</sub>, were adapted from the UFT/Merck database<sup>32</sup> (except for the methylpoly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl)sulfates)<sup>64</sup> and log<sub>10</sub>(K<sub>ow</sub>) of the anions were predicted using algorithms available on the ChemSpider website<sup>176</sup>

Anion structure	Name	EC <sub>50</sub> /μM	log <sub>10</sub> (K <sub>ow</sub> )
Cl <sup>-</sup>	Chloride	3850	0.00
Br <sup>-</sup>	Bromide	2670	0.00
I <sup>-</sup>	Iodide	3030	0.00
[Co(CO) <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Tetracarbonylcobaltate(-1)	277	—
[SCN] <sup>-</sup>	Thiocyanate	2610	0.58
[N(CN) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Dicyanamide	1420	-0.67
[HSO <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Hydrogen sulfate	1940	-1.03
[C <sub>1</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Methylsulfate	1630	-0.595 ± 0.4
[C <sub>8</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Octylsulfate	1680	3.27
[H <sub>3</sub> CO(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> O(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OSO <sub>3</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	2-(2-Methoxyethoxy)ethylsulfate	1440	-0.80
[H <sub>3</sub> C(OCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>n</sub> OSO <sub>3</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Methylpoly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl)sulfate	1100	—
	4-Methylbenzenesulfonate	1950	0.93
[CH <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Methanesulfonate	3250	-1.89
[OTf] <sup>-</sup> (i.e. [CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> ] <sup>-</sup> )	Trifluoromethanesulfonate	1050	-0.37
[BF <sub>4</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Tetrafluoroborate	1030	—
[PF <sub>6</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Hexafluorophosphate	1250	—
[SbF <sub>6</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Hexafluoroantimonate	180	—
[N(CF <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Bis(trifluoromethyl)amide	154	3.37
[NTf <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>-</sup> (i.e. [N(SO <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>-</sup> )	Bis{(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl}amide	481	1.49
[(C <sub>2</sub> F <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> PF <sub>3</sub> ] <sup>-</sup>	Tris(pentafluoroethyl)trifluorophosphate	23.7	—
	Bis[1,2-benzenediolato(2-)]borate	10 ([C <sub>2</sub> mim] <sup>+</sup> )	—
	Bis[oxalato(2-)]borate	860 ([C <sub>2</sub> mim] <sup>+</sup> )	—

# Extractions and Separations



**Table 1.** Examples of IL extractions of metal ions

	Substances	IL	Extractant/ligand/ metal chelator	Reference
Alkali metals	Li <sup>+</sup> , Na <sup>+</sup> , K <sup>+</sup> , Rb <sup>+</sup> , Cs <sup>+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] (n = 4–9)	DC18C6	21,37
	Na <sup>+</sup> , Cs <sup>+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] (n = 4, 6, 8)	18C6, DC18C6, Dtb18C6	18
	Cs <sup>+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][Tf <sub>2</sub> N] (n = 2, 3, 4, 6, 8)	BOBCalixC6	38
	Na <sup>+</sup> , K <sup>+</sup> , Cs <sup>+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][Tf <sub>2</sub> N] (n = 2, 4, 6, 8)	DC18C6, <i>N</i> -alkyl aza-18-crown-6 ethers	39
Alkaline earth metals	Mg <sup>2+</sup> , Ca <sup>2+</sup> , Sr <sup>2+</sup> , Ba <sup>2+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] (n = 4–9)	DC18C6	37
	Sr <sup>2+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] (n = 4, 6, 8)	18C6, DC18C6, Dtb18C6	18
	Sr <sup>2+</sup>	[R <sub>1</sub> R <sub>2</sub> MeIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ], [R <sub>1</sub> R <sub>2</sub> MeIM][Tf <sub>2</sub> N]	DC18C6	19
	Sr <sup>2+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][Tf <sub>2</sub> N] (n = 2, 4, 6, 8)	DC18C6, <i>N</i> -alkyl aza-18-crown-6 ethers	39
Heavy and radioactive metals	Pb <sup>2+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] (n = 4–9)	DC18C6	37
	Cu <sup>2+</sup> , Ag <sup>+</sup> , Pb <sup>2+</sup> , Zn <sup>2+</sup> , Cd <sup>2+</sup> , Hg <sup>2+</sup>	[C <sub>4</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	Dithizone	23
	Cd <sup>2+</sup> , Co <sup>2+</sup> , Ni <sup>2+</sup> , Fe <sup>3+</sup> , Hg <sup>2+</sup>	[C <sub>4</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ], [C <sub>6</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	PAN, TAN	20
	Ag <sup>+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] (n = 4, 6, 8)	Calyx[4]arene-bearing pyridine	40
	Cu <sup>2+</sup> , Cr <sup>6+</sup> , Zn <sup>2+</sup>	[C <sub>n</sub> MIM][BF <sub>4</sub> ] (n = 1, 3, 6, 8, 10) [C <sub>n</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] (n = 6, 10)	None	41
	Hg <sup>2+</sup> , Cd <sup>2+</sup>	TSILs	None	28,35
	Lanthanides (Nd <sup>3+</sup> , La <sup>3+</sup> , Er <sup>3+</sup> , Ce <sup>3+</sup> , Sm <sup>3+</sup> , Eu <sup>3+</sup> , Gd <sup>3+</sup> , Ho <sup>3+</sup> )	[C <sub>4</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	CMPO	32
	Actinides (Th <sup>4+</sup> , U <sup>2+</sup> , Pu <sup>4+</sup> )	[C <sub>4</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ], [C <sub>4</sub> MIM][NO <sub>3</sub> ], [C <sub>4</sub> MIM][Tf <sub>2</sub> N], [C <sub>6</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	Dtb18C6, CMPO, TBP	29,34
Others	Al <sup>3+</sup>	[C <sub>8</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	n/a	42,43

Note: C<sub>n</sub>MIM = 1-alkyl-3-methylimidazolium; DC18C6 = dicyclohexano-18-crown-6; 18C6 = 18-crown-6; Dtb18C6 = 4,4'-(5')-di-(*tert*-butylcyclohexano)-18-crown-6; BOBCalixC6 = calix[4]arene-bis(*tert*-octylbenzo-crown-6); Tf<sub>2</sub>N = bis[(trifluoromethyl)sulfonyl]amide; R<sub>1</sub>R<sub>2</sub>MeIM = 1-R<sub>1</sub>-2-R<sub>2</sub>-3-methylimidazolium (R<sub>1</sub> = Bu, Et, or Pr; R<sub>2</sub> = H, or Me); PAN = 1-(2-pyridylazo)-2-naphthol; TAN = 1-(2-thiazolylazo)-2-naphthol; CMPO = octyl(phenyl)-*N,N*-diisobutylcarbamoylmethyl phosphine oxide; TBP = tri-*n*-butylphosphate.

# Extractions and Separations



**Table 2.** Examples of IL extractions of organic/bio/biofuel molecules

	Substances	IL	Extractant	Reference
Phenolic compounds	phthalic acid, aniline, 4-hydroxybenzoic acid, benzoic acid, <i>p</i> -toluic acid, benzene, chlorobenzene, 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene, 1,4-dichlorobenzene, 4,4'-dichlorobiphenyl	[BMIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	None	44
	Phenol, tyrosol, <i>p</i> -hydroxybenzoic acid	[C <sub><i>n</i></sub> MIM][BF <sub>4</sub> ] ( <i>n</i> = 1, 3, 6, 8, 10) [C <sub><i>n</i></sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] ( <i>n</i> = 6, 10)	None	41
	Chlorophenols	[C <sub>4</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ], [EMIM][Betl]	None	58
Amino acids	Tryptophan, glycine, alanine, leucine, lysine, arginine	[BMIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	DC18C6	45
Carbohydrates	Xylose, fructose, glucose, sucrose	[C <sub><i>n</i></sub> MIM][X] ( <i>n</i> = 4, 6, 8, 10; X = Cl <sup>-</sup> , PF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup> , BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup> )	None	46
	Glucose, sucrose, lactose, cyclodextrin	[BMIM][dca] (carbohydrate solubility is approximately 200 g l <sup>-1</sup> )	None	47
	Cellulose	[C <sub><i>n</i></sub> MIM]X ( <i>n</i> = 4, 6, 8)	None	59
Organic acids	Lactic acid, acetic acid, glycolic acid, propionic acid, pyruvic acid, butyric acid	[C <sub><i>n</i></sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ] ( <i>n</i> = 4, 6, 8)	TBP (in some cases)	48
Biofuels	Butyl alcohol (from fermentation broth)	[BMIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ], [C <sub>8</sub> MIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	Pervaporation was used	49
Antibiotic	Erythromycin-A	[BMIM][PF <sub>6</sub> ]	None	50
Hydrocarbons	Olefins (such as ethylene, propylene, and butanes) from paraffins	[C <sub><i>n</i></sub> MIM][X], [HPy][X] ( <i>n</i> = 4, 6; X = BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup> , PF <sub>6</sub> <sup>-</sup> )	None	54,55
	C <sub>4-8</sub> diolefin (such as butadiene) from C <sub>1-18</sub> paraffins	[BMIM][BF <sub>4</sub> ]	None	56

Note: BMIM (or C<sub>4</sub>MIM) = 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium; EMIM = 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium; Betl = bis(perfluoroethylsulfonyl)imide; HPy = *N*-hexylpyridinium; dca = dicyanamide.



# Extractions and Separations



**Table 7.4** Solubility of various metal oxides in a 2:1 urea–choline chloride eutectic at 60 °C.

<i>Metal oxide</i>	<i>Mp of metal oxide, °C</i>	<i>Solubility, ppm</i>
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2045	< 1
CaO	2580	6
CuO	1326	470
Cu <sub>2</sub> O	1235	8725
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	1565	49
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	1538	40
MnO <sub>2</sub>	535	493
NiO	1990	325
PbO <sub>2</sub>	888	9157
ZnO	1975	8466

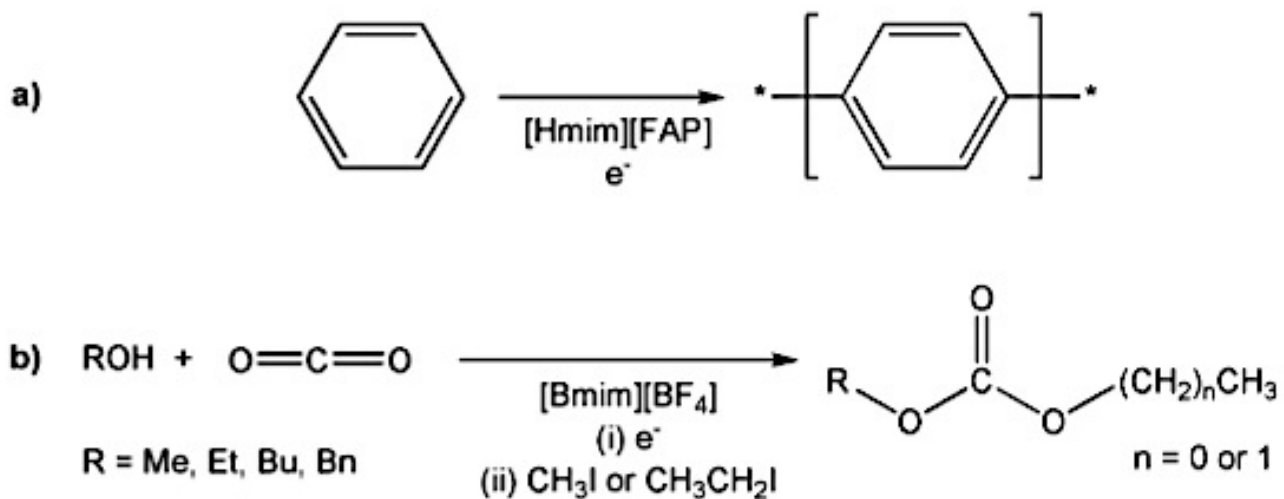
# Electrochemistry



**Table 7.5** Some examples of metals deposited from ionic liquids.

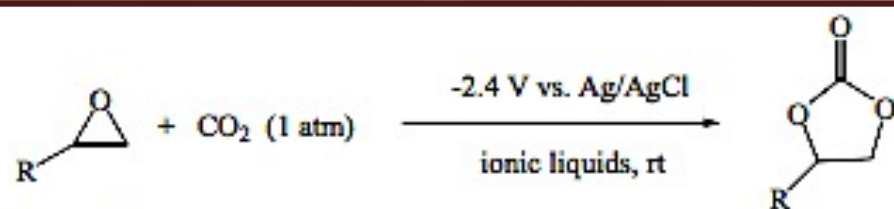
<i>Ionic liquid type</i>		<i>Metals deposited</i>
Discrete anions	<i>e.g.</i> $\text{BF}_4^-$ , $\text{PF}_6^-$ , $(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2)_2\text{N}^-$	Cd, Cu, In, Sn, Pb, Au, Ag Ag, Ge Li, Mg, Ti, Al, Si, Ta, La, Sm, Cu, Co, Eu, Ag, Cs, Ga
Type-I Eutectics	<i>e.g.</i> $\text{AlCl}_3$ , $\text{ZnCl}_2$	Al, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Ga, Pd, Au, Ag, Cd, In, Sn, Sb, Cr, Na, Li, La, Pb Fe, Mn, Ni, Cu, Co, Ti, Cr, Nb, Nd, La, Zn, Sn, Cd
Type-II Eutectics	<i>e.g.</i> $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}^{26}$	Cr
Type-III Eutectics	<i>e.g.</i> Urea, Ethylene glycol	Zn, Sn, Cu, Ag Zn, Sn

# Electrochemistry

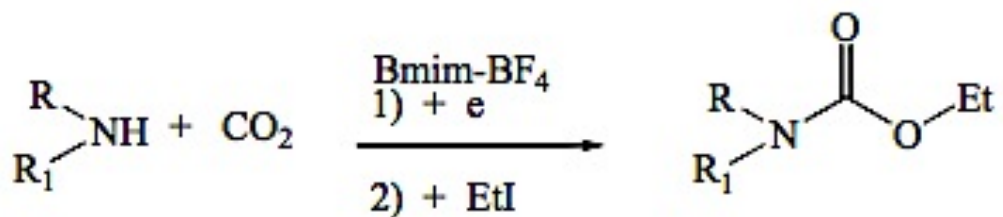


**Figure 7.5** Electrochemical syntheses in ionic liquids: (a) poly(paraphenylene), (b) activation of carbon dioxide and the formation of organic carbonates.

# Electrochemistry

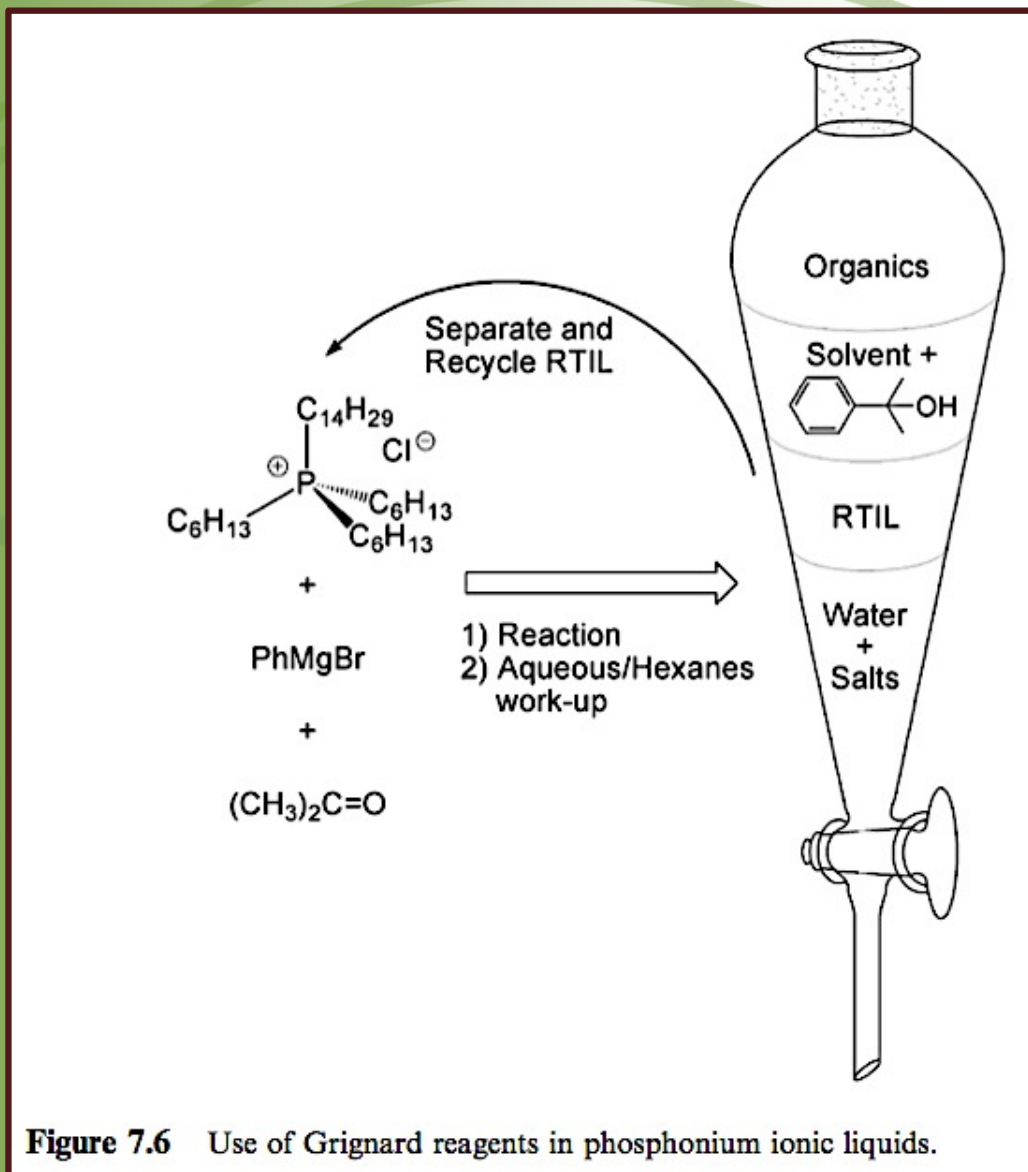


Scheme 13.



Scheme 14.

# Synthesis in RTILs

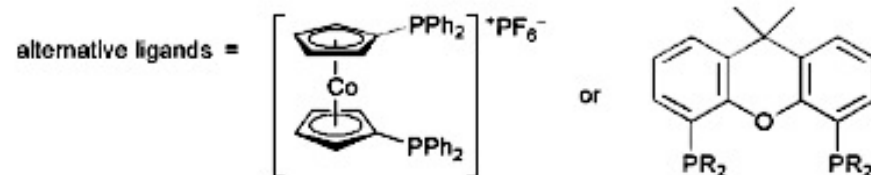
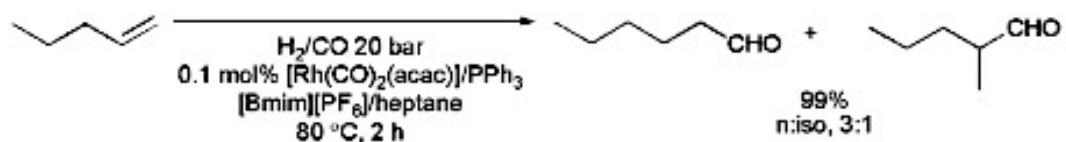


**Figure 7.6** Use of Grignard reagents in phosphonium ionic liquids.

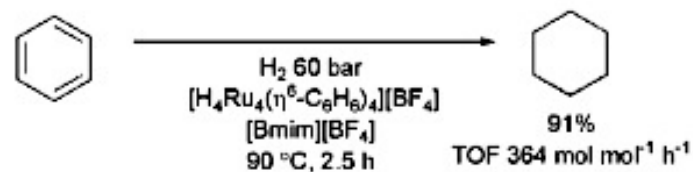
# Synthesis in RTILs



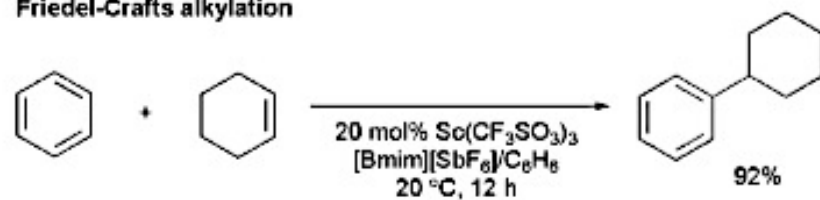
## Hydroformylation



## Hydrogenation



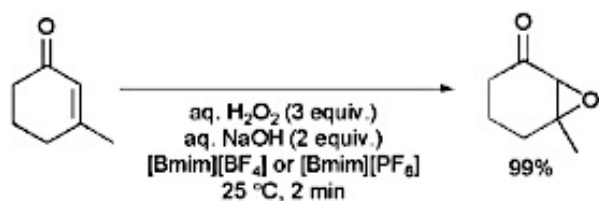
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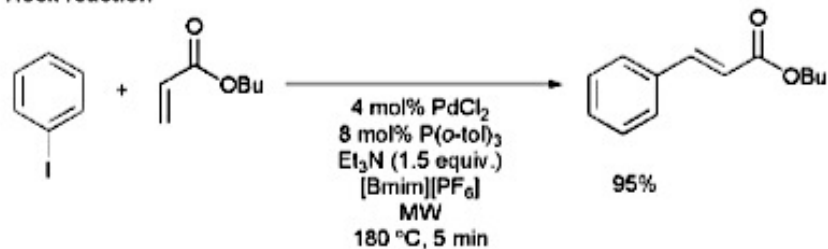
# Synthesis in RTILs



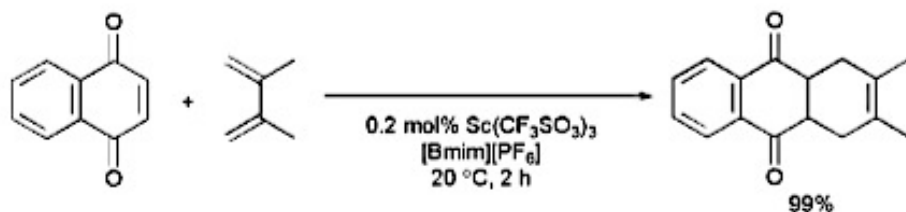
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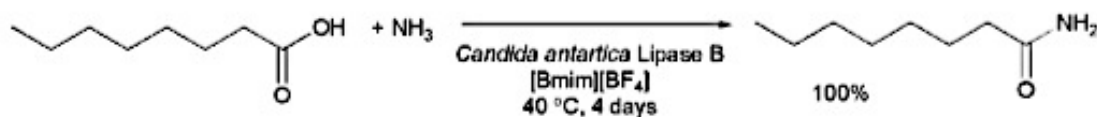
## Heck reaction



## Diels-Alder reaction

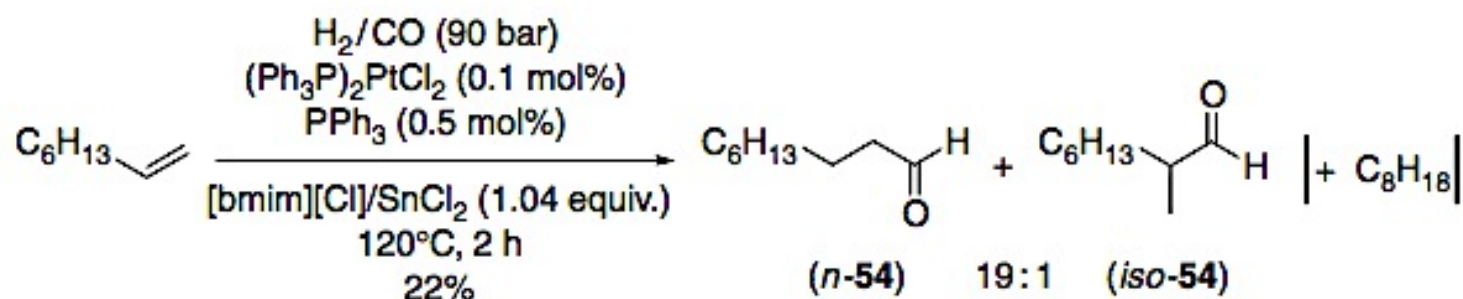


## Biocatalytic ammonolysis

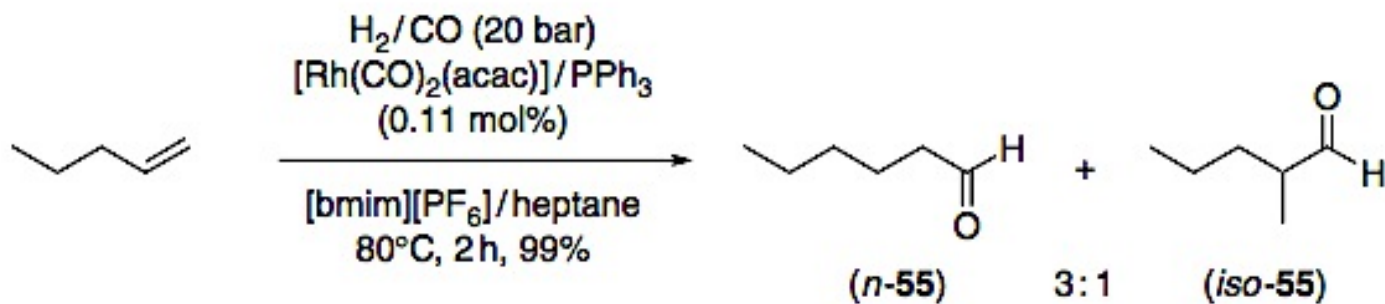


# Synthesis in RTILs

## Hydroformylation



Scheme 11

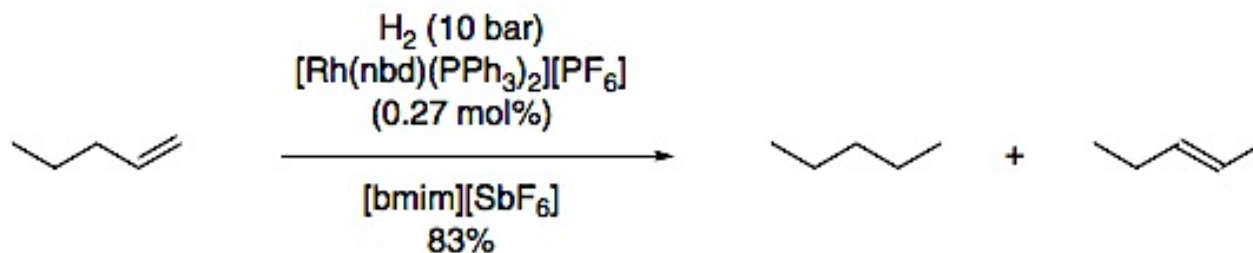


Scheme 12

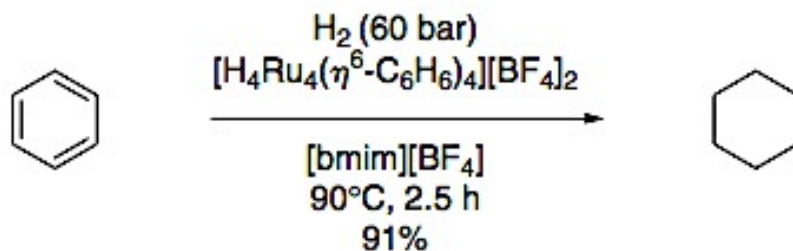


# Synthesis in RTILs

## Hydrogenation



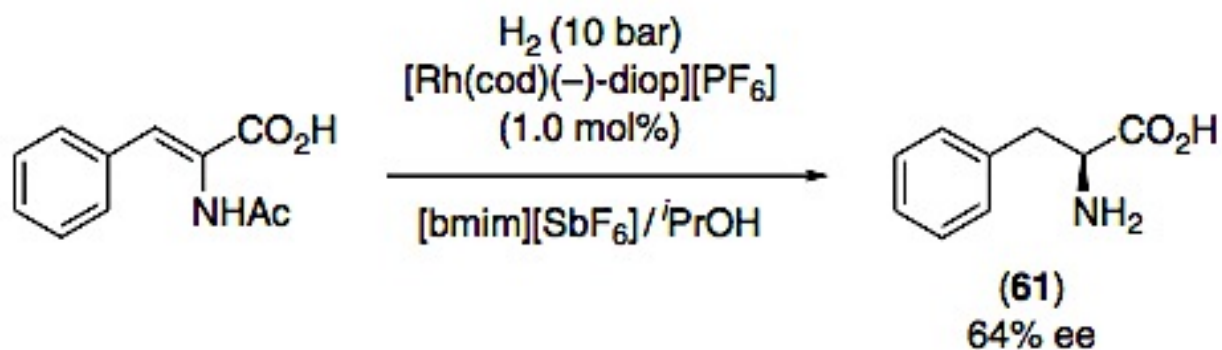
**Scheme 15**



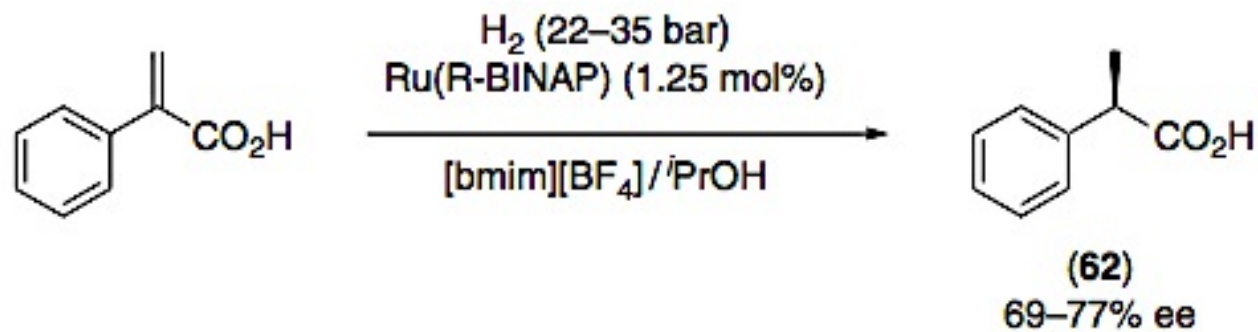
**Scheme 16**

# Synthesis in RTILs

## Hydrogenation



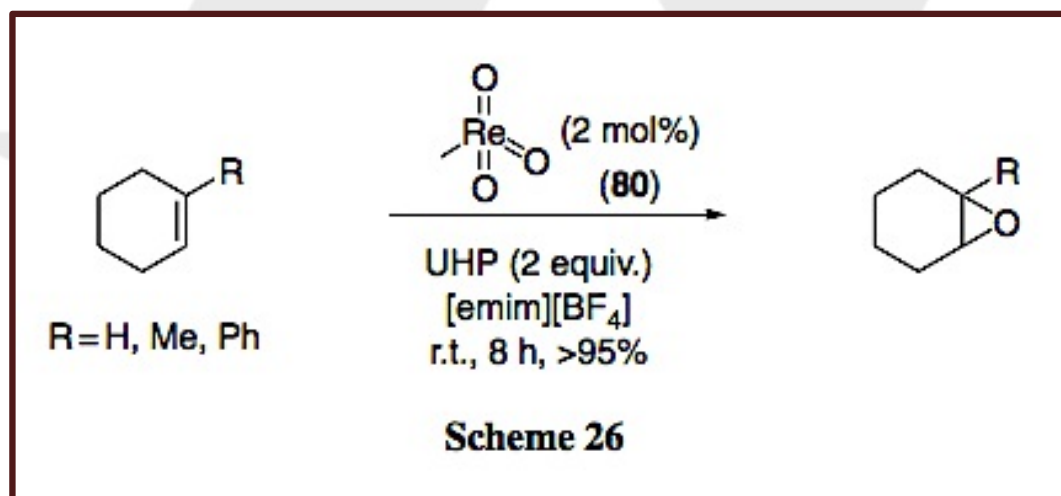
Scheme 17



# Synthesis in RTILs



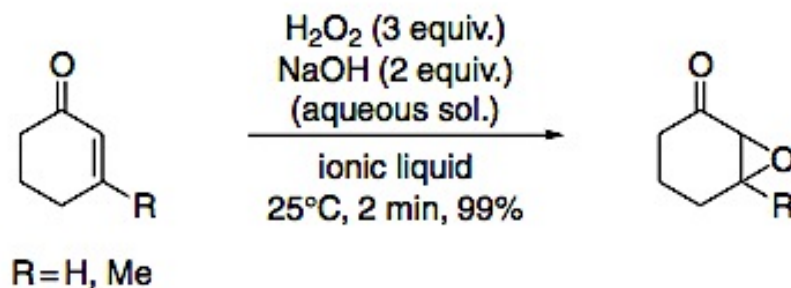
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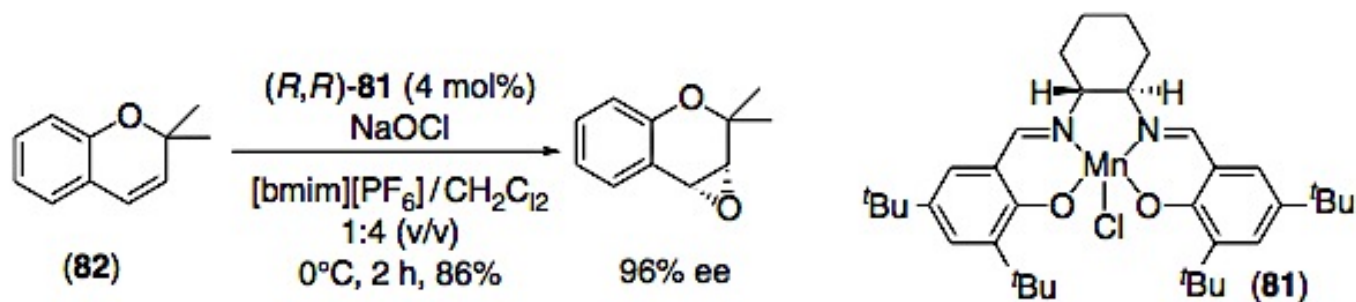
# Synthesis in RTILs



## Epoxidation



Scheme 27

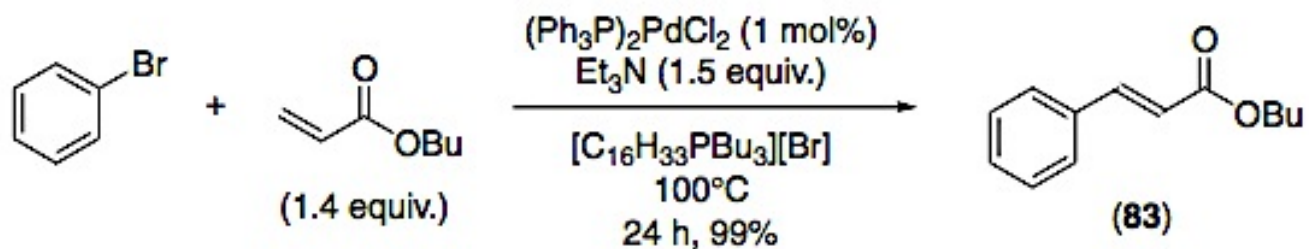


Scheme 28

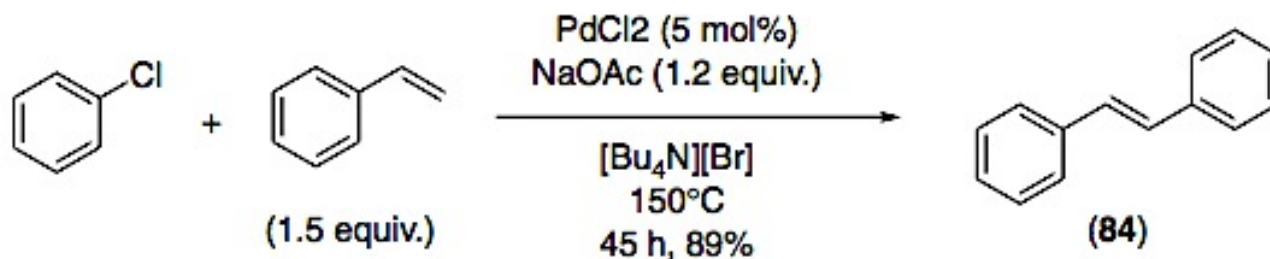
# Synthesis in RTILs



## Mizoroki–Heck reaction



Scheme 29

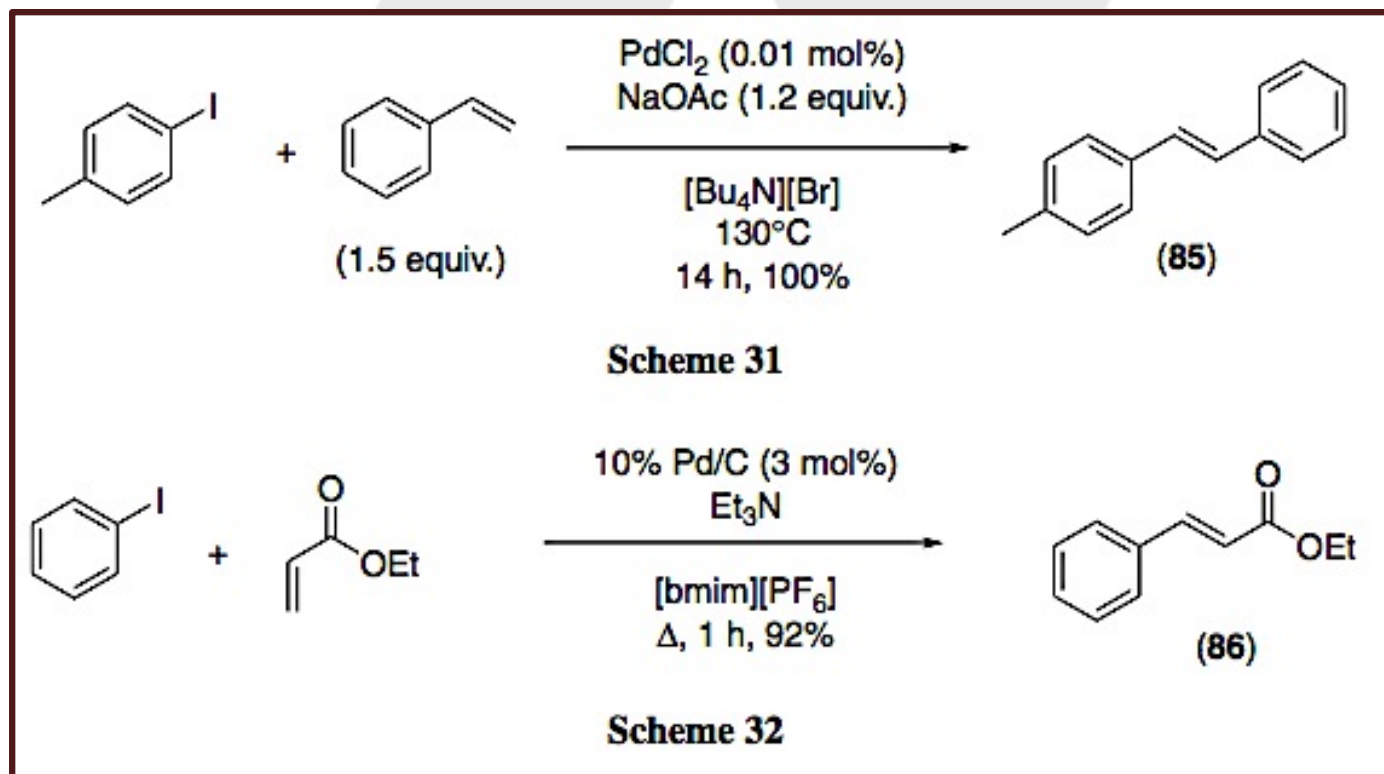


Scheme 30

# Synthesis in RTILs



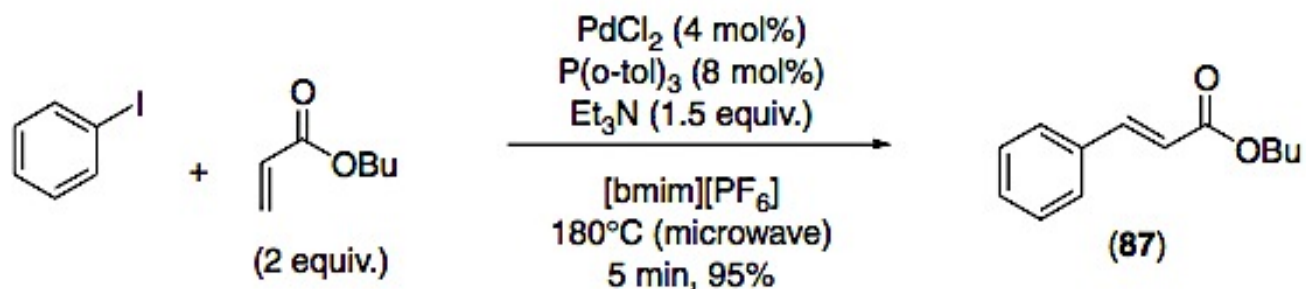
## Mizoroki–Heck reaction



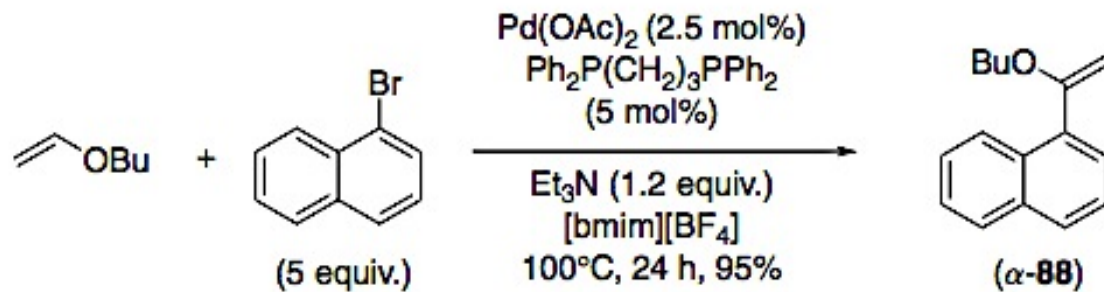
# Synthesis in RTILs



## Mizoroki–Heck reaction



Scheme 33

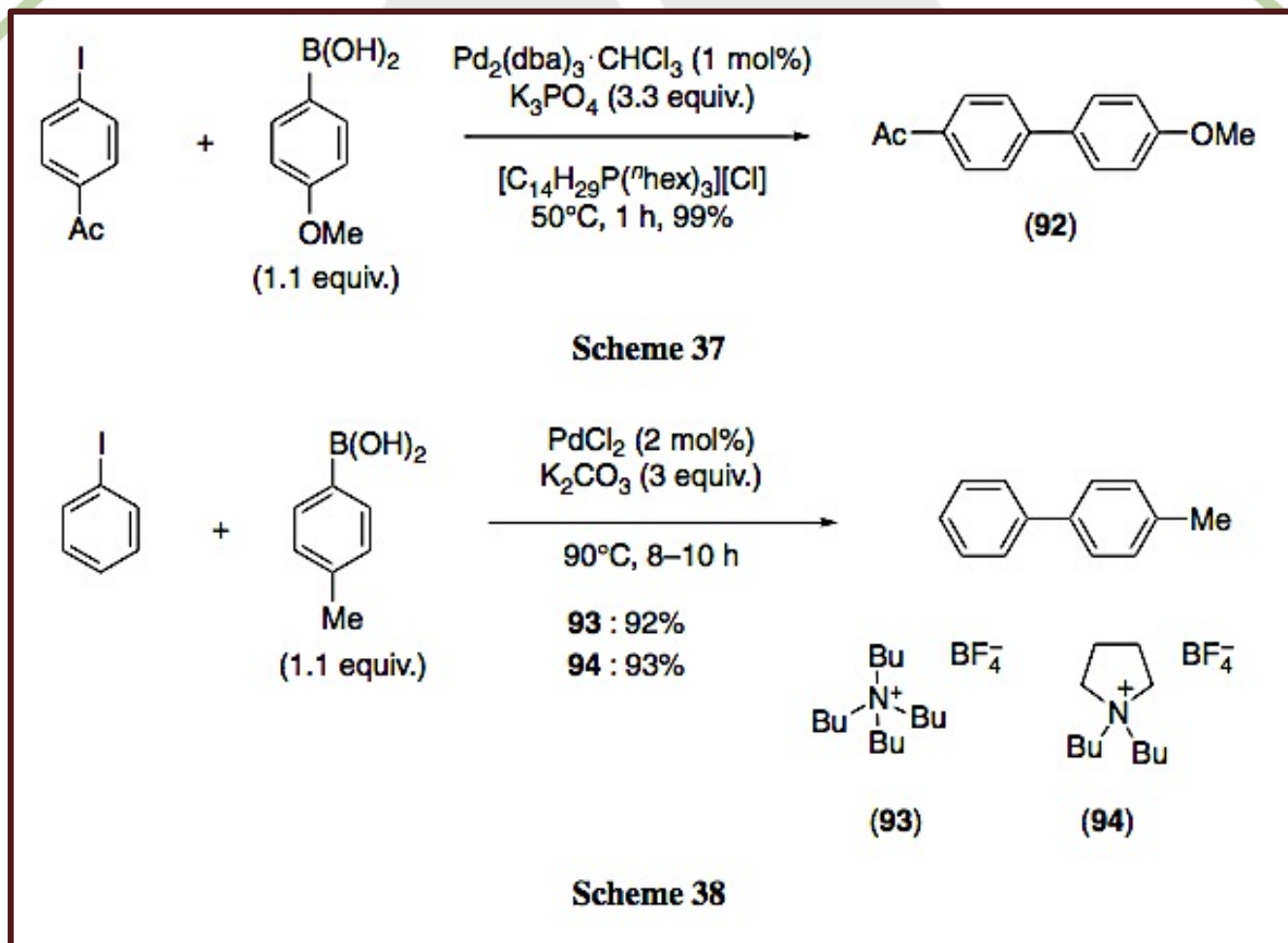


Scheme 34

# Synthesis in RTILs



## Suzuki–Miyaura cross-coupling reaction

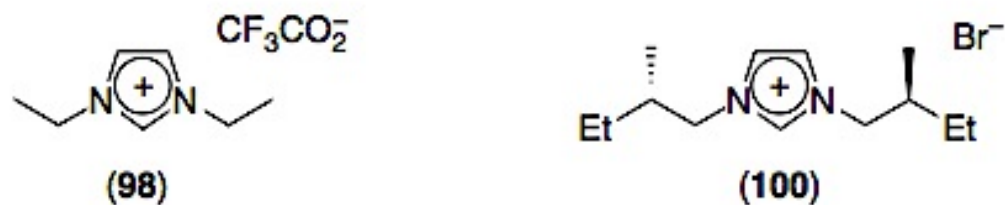
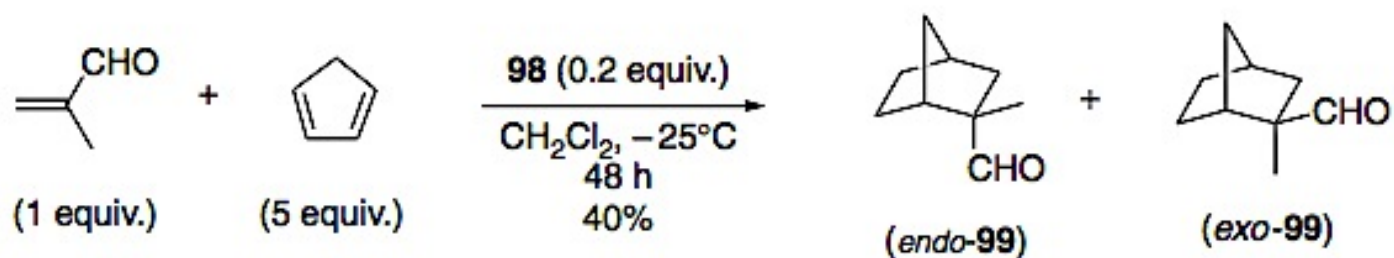




# Synthesis in RTILs



## Diels-Alder Reaction

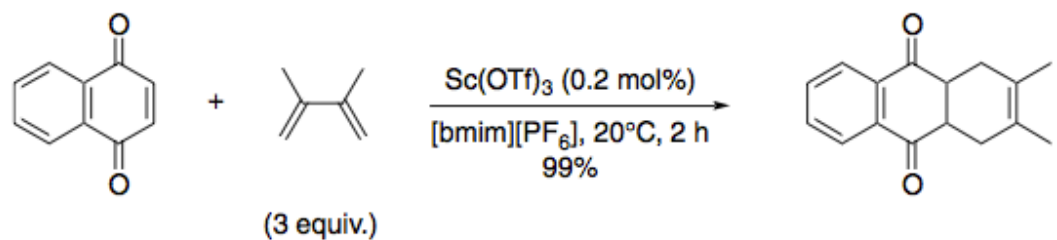


Scheme 41

# Synthesis in RTILs



## Diels-Alder Reaction



Scheme 43

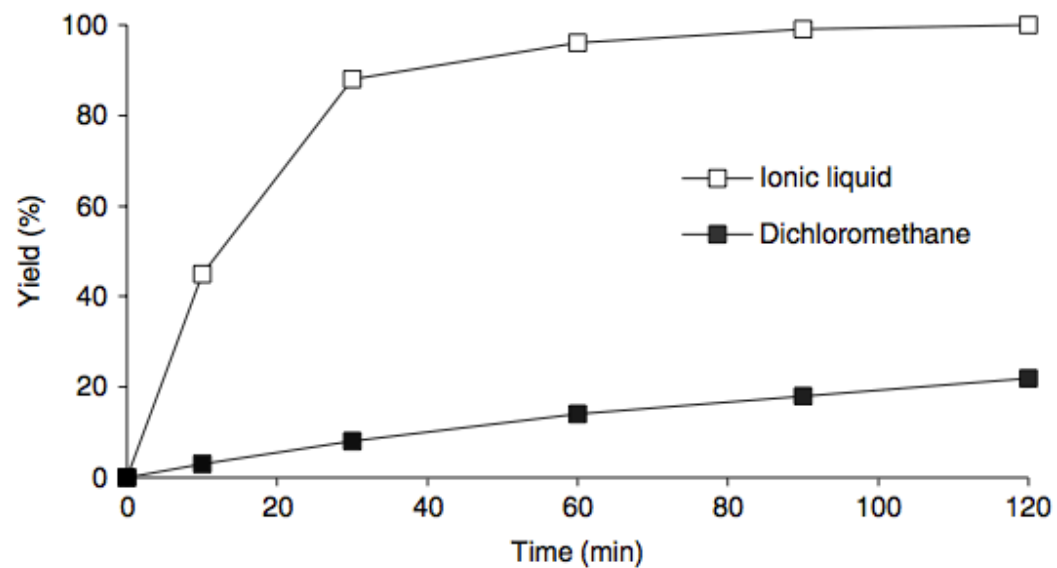
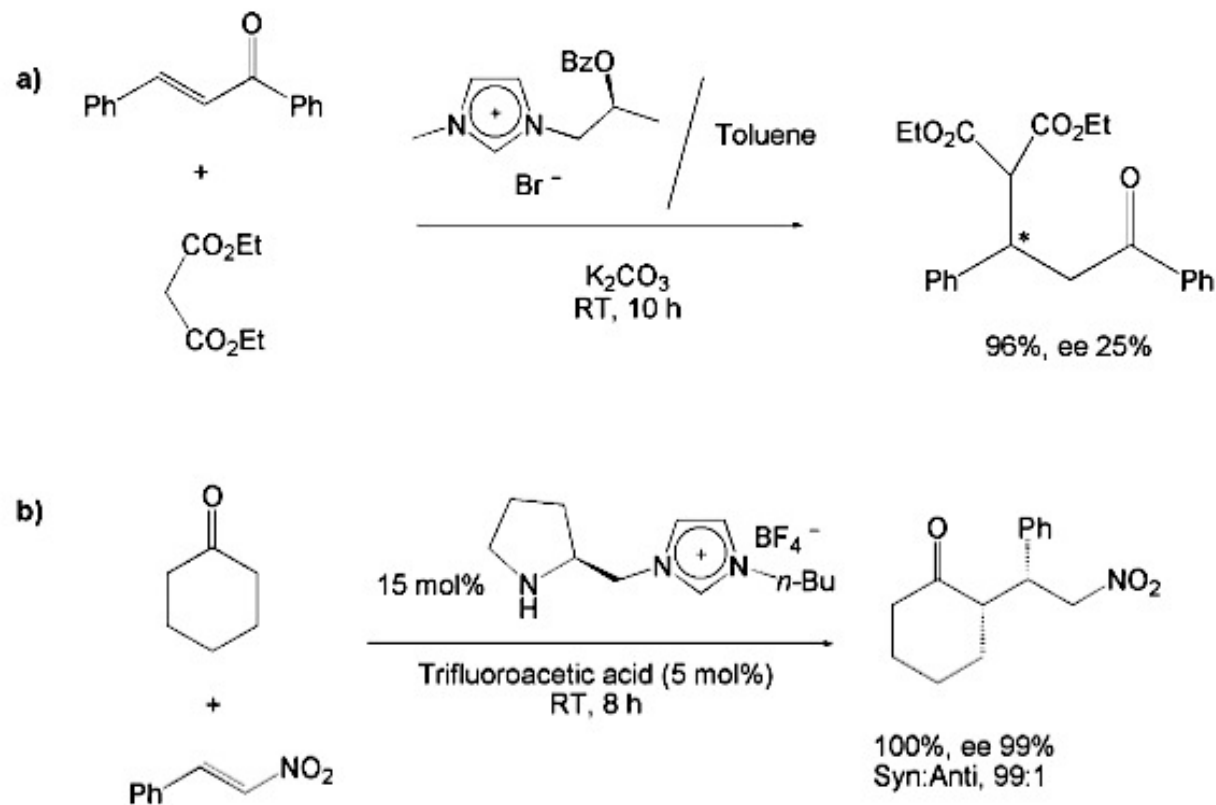


Figure 2.13

# Synthesis in RTILs



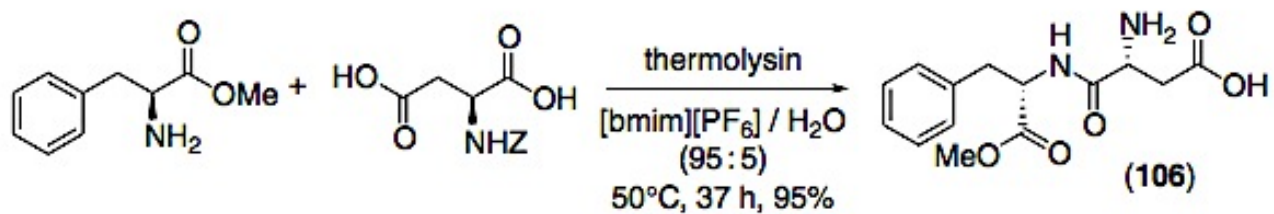
# Biocatalysis in RTILs



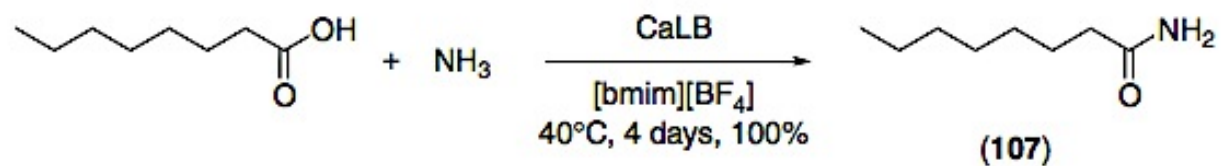
**Table 7.6** Some examples of biocatalysed reactions in RTILs.

<i>Enzyme Class</i>	<i>Reactions</i>	<i>Typical comments</i>
Lipase	Transesterification and direct esterification (incl. polyester synthesis) Ring-opening polymerisation of $\epsilon$ -caprolactone Hydrolysis; Alcoholysis Acetylation	Higher stability of enzyme; greater activity; catalyst recyclable; sometimes higher enantio- and regioselectivity compared with VOCs
Esterase	Transesterification	Higher stability of enzyme; activity and enantioselectivity similar to VOCs
Protease	Transesterification Hydrolysis (incl. stereospecific)	Higher stability of enzyme; rates comparable to buffer solutions and VOCs; enhanced enantioselectivity Faster rate than VOC
Dehydrogenase	Enantioselective reduction of ketone Oxidation of codeine	
Peroxidase	Oxidation of anisoles and thioanisoles	Activity similar to VOC; stereoselectivity similar to water
$\beta$ -galactosidase (whole cells <i>e.g.</i> Baker's yeast)	Reduction of ketones	RTIL recyclable after product distilled; RTILs (alone) do not damage cell membrane

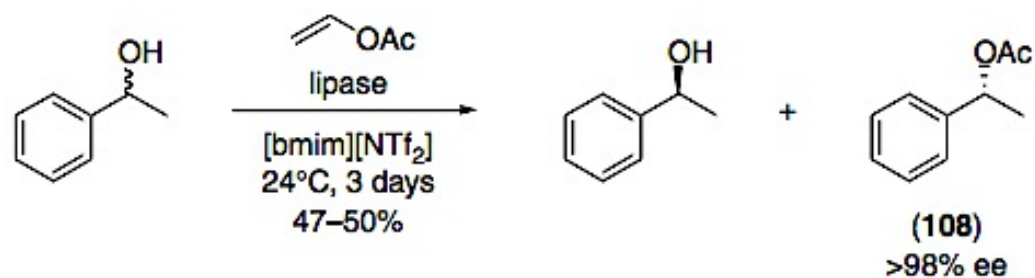
# Biocatalysis in RTILs



**Scheme 45**



**Scheme 46**



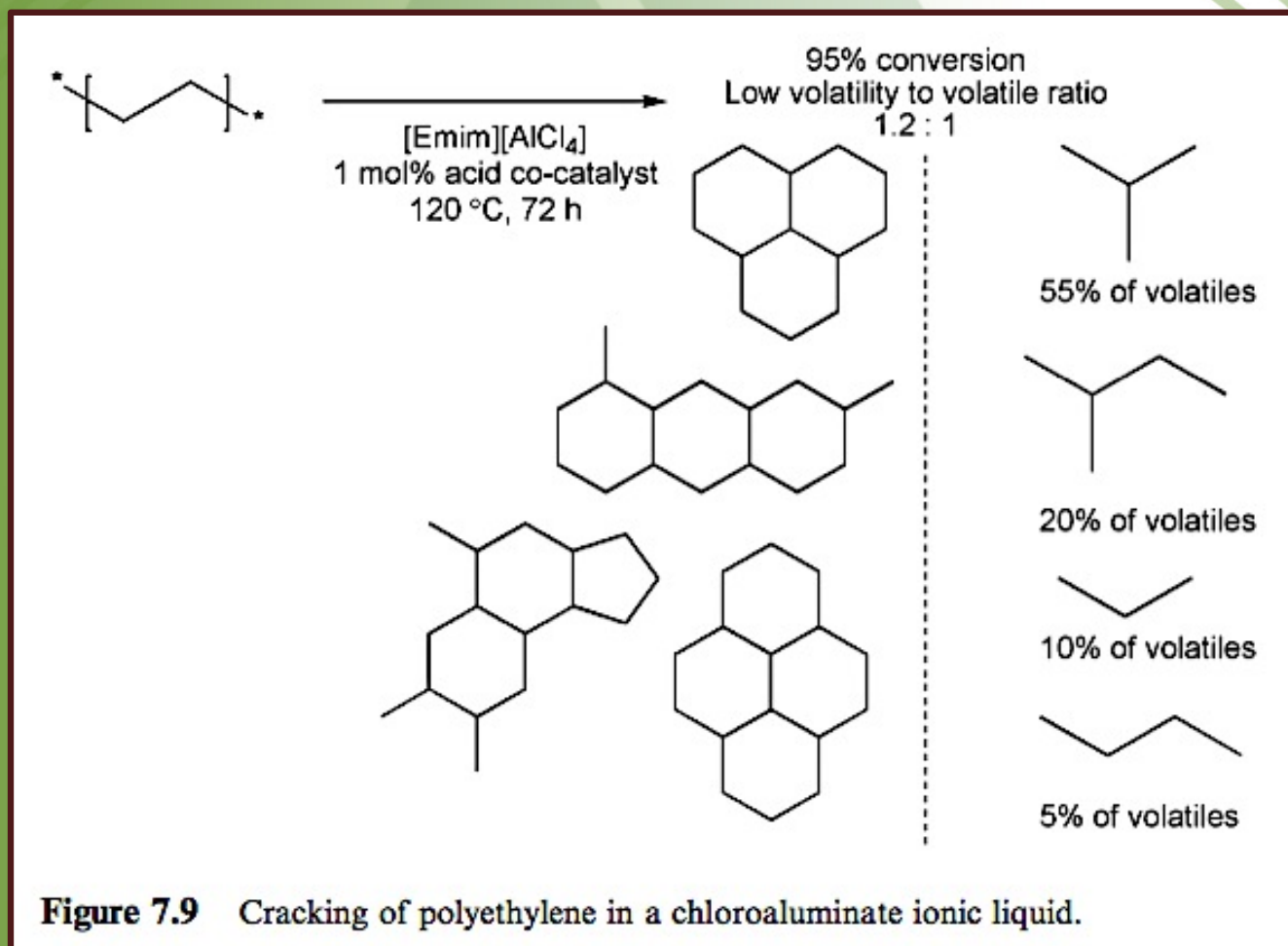
# Polymer Synthesis in RTILs



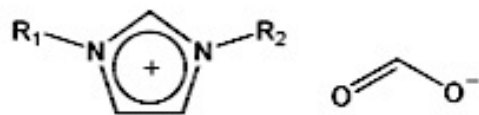
**very high molecular weight polymers**

- free-radical polymerizations (including styrene and alkyl methacrylates)
- cationic polymerization of styrene;
- cationic ring-opening polymerization of oxazolines
- reverse atom-transfer radical polymerizations (including methyl methacrylate (MMA) and acrylonitrile)
- ruthenium-catalyzed ring-opening metathesis polymerization of norbornenes;
- palladium-catalyzed copolymerization of propene with carbon monoxide.

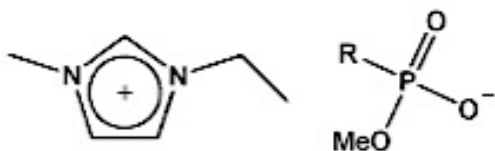
# Polymer Synthesis in RTILs



# Polymer Synthesis in RTILs



1. R<sub>1</sub> = Et, R<sub>2</sub> = Me;  $T_m = 52\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_d = 212\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
2. R<sub>1</sub> = Pr, R<sub>2</sub> = Me;  $T_g = -73\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_d = 213\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , Viscosity = 117 cP,  $\alpha = 0.46$ ,  $\beta = 0.99$ ,  $\pi^* = 1.06$
3. R<sub>1</sub> = allyl, R<sub>2</sub> = Me;  $T_g = -76\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_d = 205\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , Viscosity = 66 cP,  $\alpha = 0.48$ ,  $\beta = 0.99$ ,  $\pi^* = 1.08$
4. R<sub>1</sub> = allyl, R<sub>2</sub> = Et;  $T_g = -76\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_d = 205\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , Viscosity = 67 cP,  $\alpha = 0.47$ ,  $\beta = 0.99$ ,  $\pi^* = 1.06$



1. R = H;  $T_g = -86\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_d = 275\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , Viscosity = 107 cP,  $\alpha = 0.52$ ,  $\beta = 1.00$ ,  $\pi^* = 1.06$
2. R = Me;  $T_g = -66\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_d = 262\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , Viscosity = 510 cP,  $\alpha = 0.50$ ,  $\beta = 1.07$ ,  $\pi^* = 1.04$
3. R = OMe;  $T_g = -74\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_d = 289\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , Viscosity = 265 cP,  $\alpha = 0.51$ ,  $\beta = 1.00$ ,  $\pi^* = 1.06$

**Figure 7.10** Structures and physical data for next-generation ionic liquids for carbohydrate dissolution.