

CO₂ Capture by Novel Supported Ionic Liquid Phase Materials Consisting of Silica Encapsulated Chitosan Ionogels

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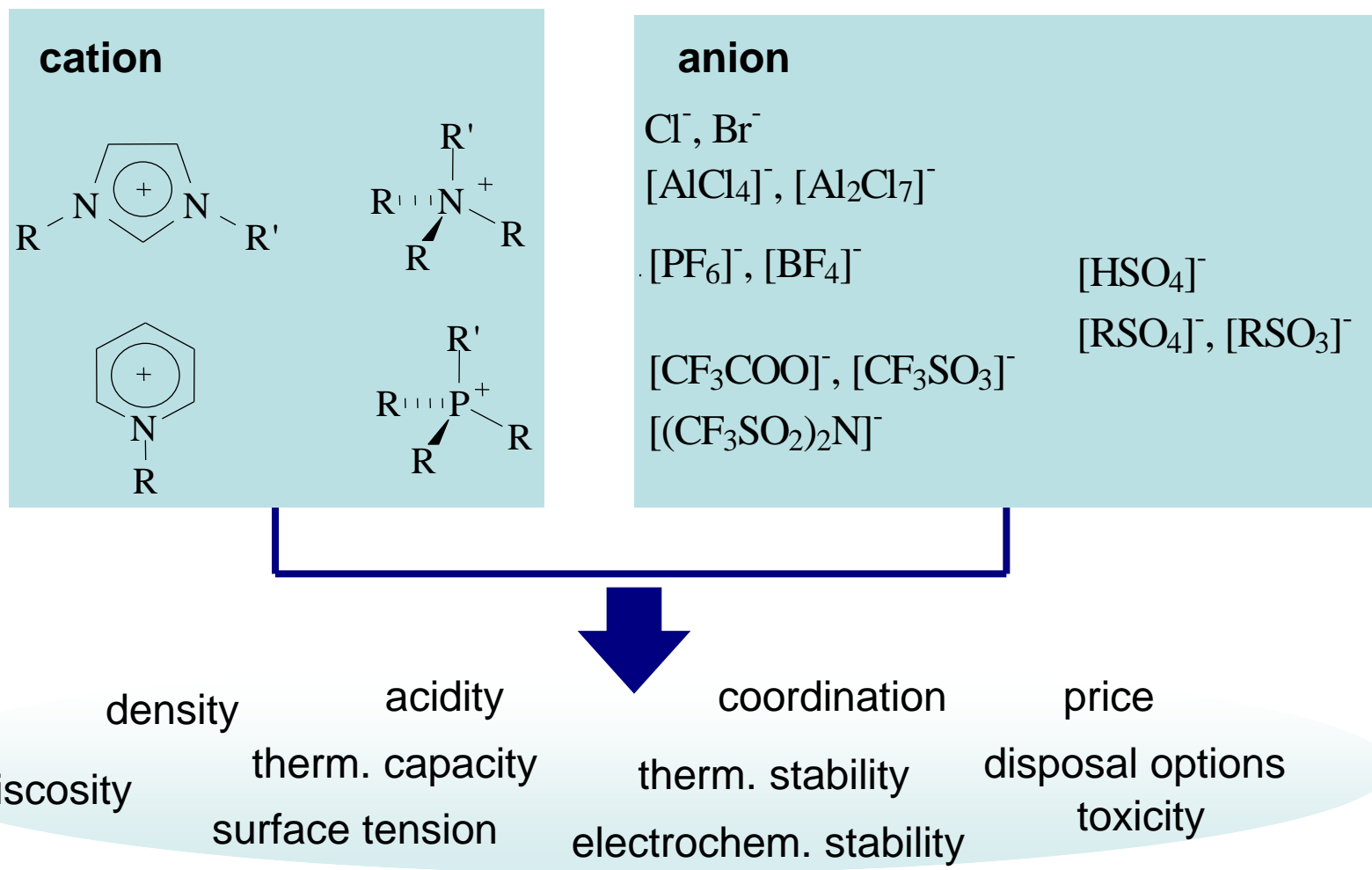
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Ionic Liquids

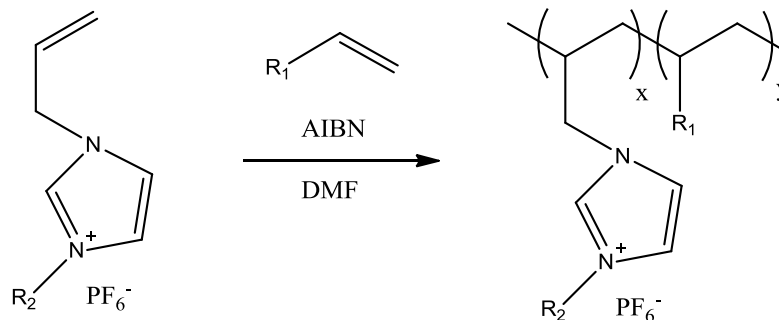
The properties depend on the specific anion/cation combination



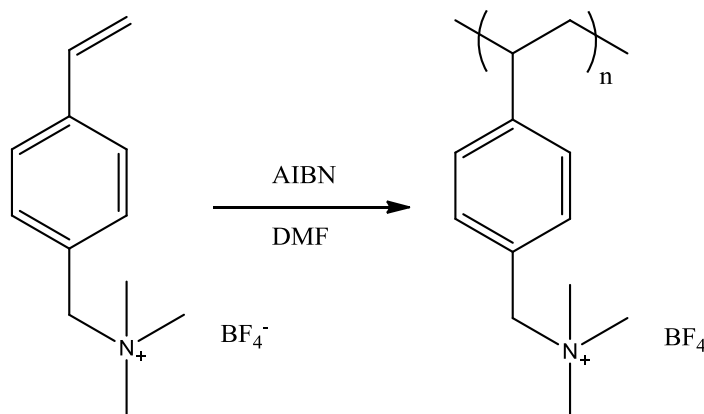
Polymerized Ionic Liquid (PIL)

► Further names:

- „Poly(ionic liquid)s“
- Polyampholytes
- Polyelectrolyte



$R_1 = \text{CN}, \text{COOH}, \text{N,N-methylenebisacrylamide (MBA)}$



Guangren Yu, Qingzeng Li, Na Li, Ziwei Man, Chenghao Pu, Charles Asumana, Xiaochun Chen Polymer Engineering & Science, **(2014)** 54, 1, 59–63,

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Sebastian Soll; Qiang Zhao; Jens Weber; Jiayin Yuan; *Chem. Mater.* **(2013)** 25, 3003-3010

Using Poly-Ionic Liquid for CO₂ absorption

» Active Material

- » Polymerized ionic liquid
- » PIL and Copolymer
- » Ionogel

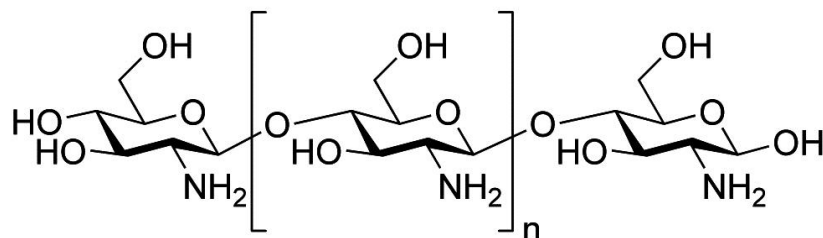
» Surface

- » Precipitation
- » Inverse suspension polymerization (seed swelling polymerization)
- » Membrane technology
- » Supported Ionic Liquid Phase SILP
 - » hard-templating
- » Inverse SILP

» are favourable due to convenient handling and fast absorption kinetics

Chitosan

- Second most abundant biopolymer after cellulose
 - Renewable and inexpensive
 - Amino groups → chemisorption of CO₂



- **Ionogel**: gel like material obtained by dissolving chitosan in IL
 - Suitable ILs have basic anions with high hydrogen donor accepting ability ($\beta > 0.8$)
Cl⁻, OAc⁻, RCOO⁻

Inverse SILP

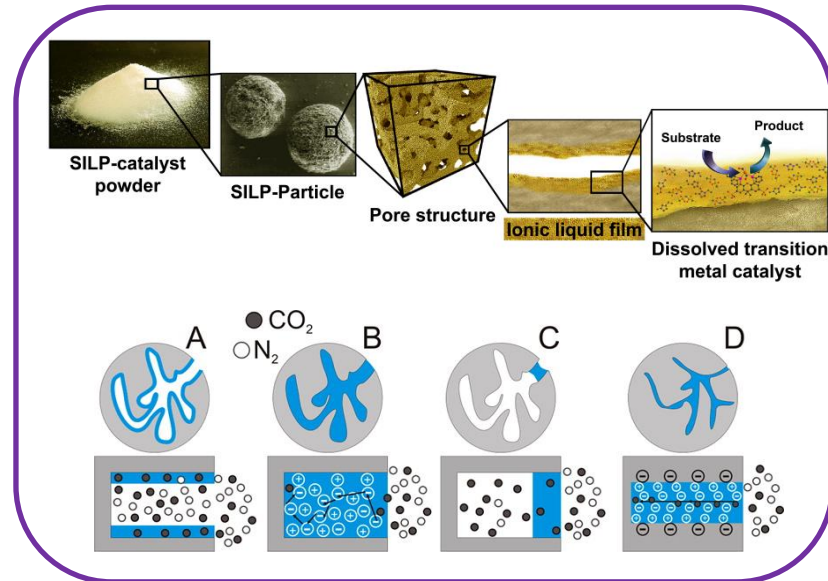
SILP: Supported Ionic Liquid Phase

► Advantage

- high surface area
- small amounts of IL needed
- no diffusion limitation

► Disadvantage

- low rate $m_{\text{abs}} : m_{\text{support}}$
- pore blocking/filling possible



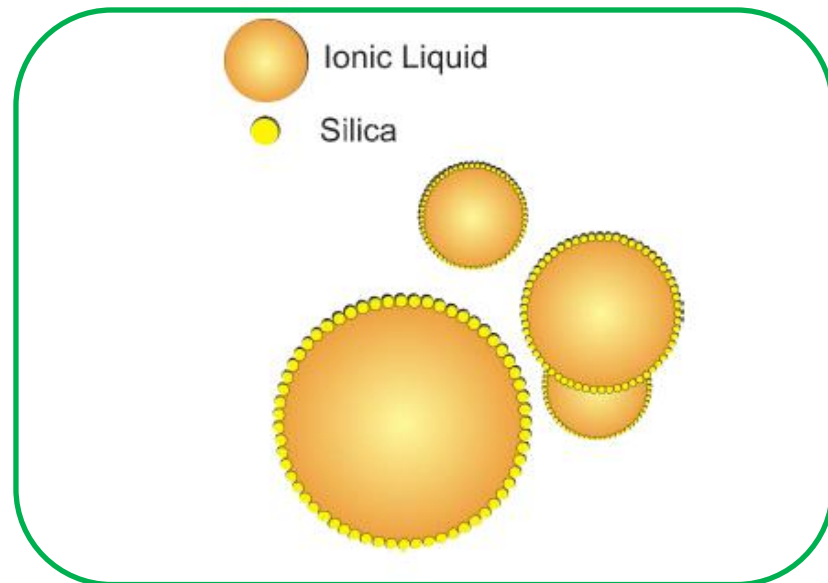
Inverse SILP: drop of IL covered with silica

► Advantages

- high surface area to volume ratio
- high rate $m_{\text{abs}} : m_{\text{support}}$
- fast kinetics

► Disadvantages

- not durable under high pressure



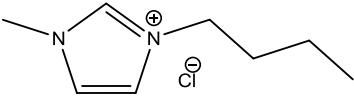
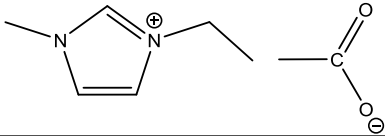
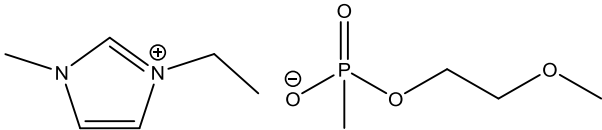
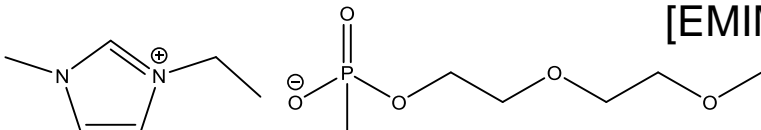
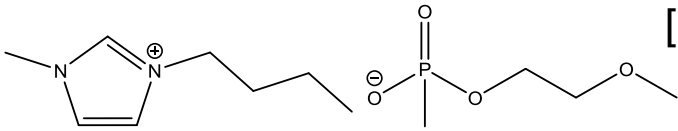
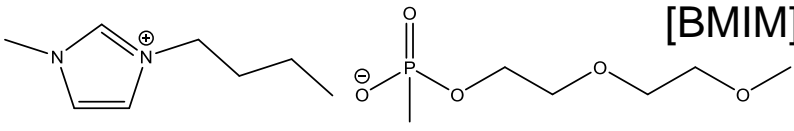
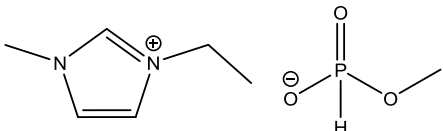
Inverse SILPs based on chitosan ionogels

Preparation of inverse SILPs based on chitosan ionogel:

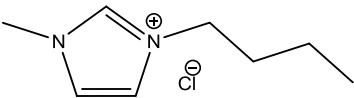
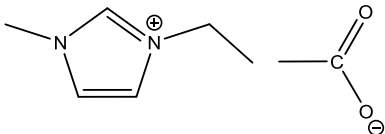
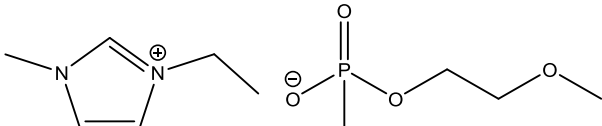
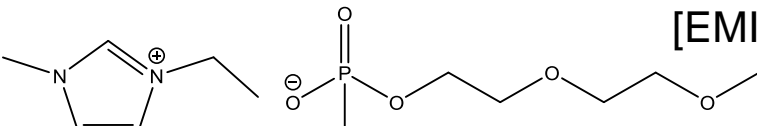
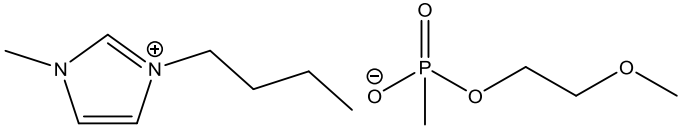
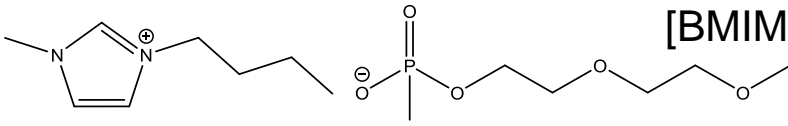
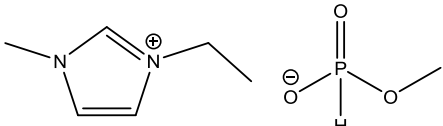
- **I step:** IL+ chitosan \rightarrow ionogel
- **II step:** ionogel + silica \rightarrow inverse SILP



Solubility of Chitosan in ILs

IL	Solubility of chitosan
	10%
	10%
	7%
	5%
	3%
	3%
	2%

Solubility of Chitosan in ILs

	Ionic liquid	Solubility of chitosan
	[BMIM][Cl]	10%
	[EMIM][OAc]	10%
	[EMIM][Me(EG) ₁ (Me)PO ₃]	7%
	[EMIM][Me(EG) ₂ (Me)PO ₃]	5%
	[BMIM][Me(EG) ₁ (Me)PO ₃]	3%
	[BMIM][Me(EG) ₂ (Me)PO ₃]	3%
	[EMIM][Me(Me)O ₃]	2%

Chosen for inverse SILP preparation and CO₂ absorption.

Preparation of Inverse SILP

- **problem:** high viscosity of ionogels
- Stability of cellulose ionogels towards solvents
 - Suitable solvents for homogenous mixing are rather polar ($E_T^N > 0.3$, $\pi^* > 0.8$), weak hydrogen bond donors ($\alpha < 0.5$), moderate hydrogen bond acceptors ($\beta > 0.4$)
 - Protic solvents: chitosan precipitates
 - DMSO, DMF, DMA: high T_b

Macromol. Mater. Eng. **2011**, 296, 483-493.

- ACN as co-solvent used to decrease the viscosity of chitosan ionogels
 - $E_T^N = 0.46$, $\pi^* = 0.75$, $\alpha = 0.19$, $\beta = 0.4$
 - Maximum amount ACN without chitosan precipitation: 50wt%

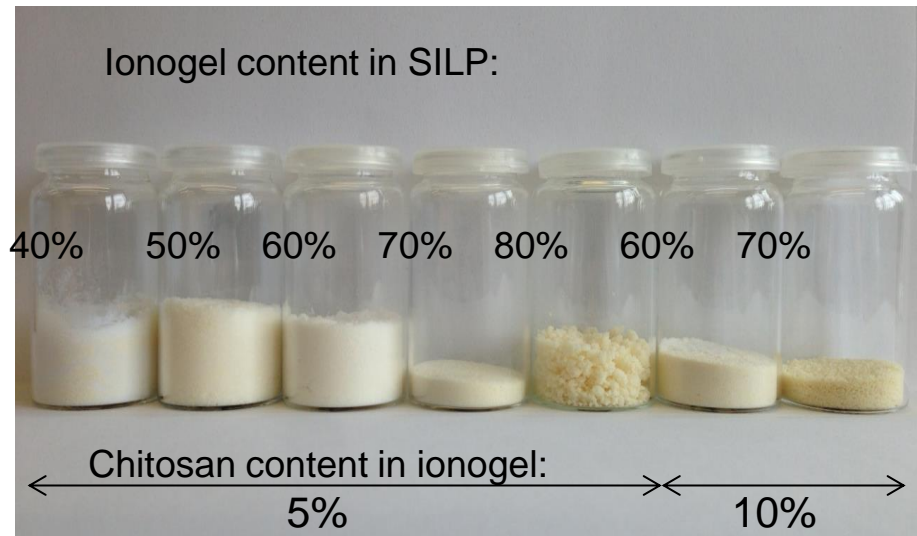
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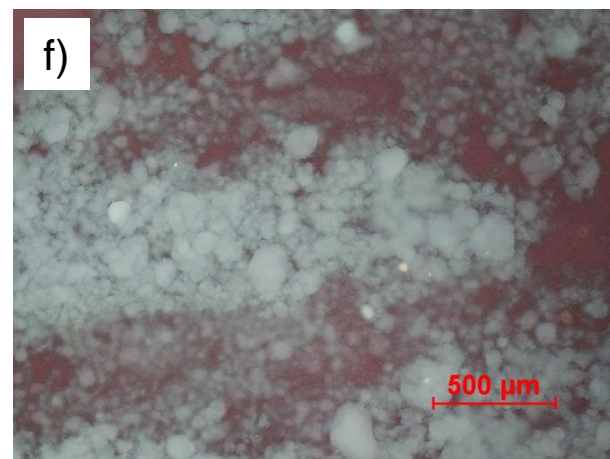
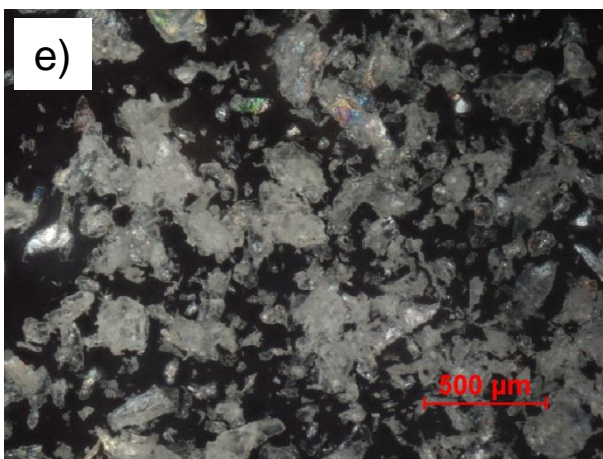
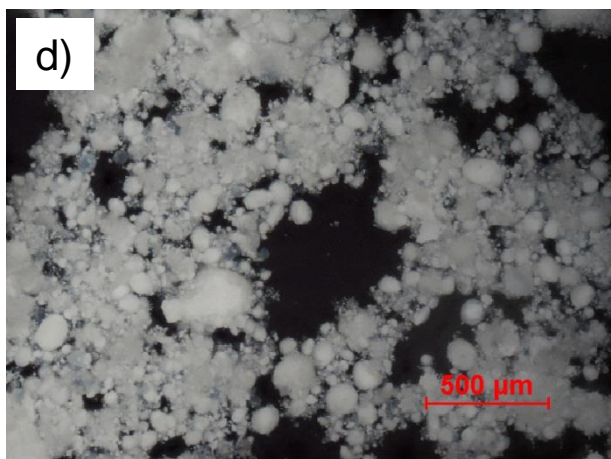
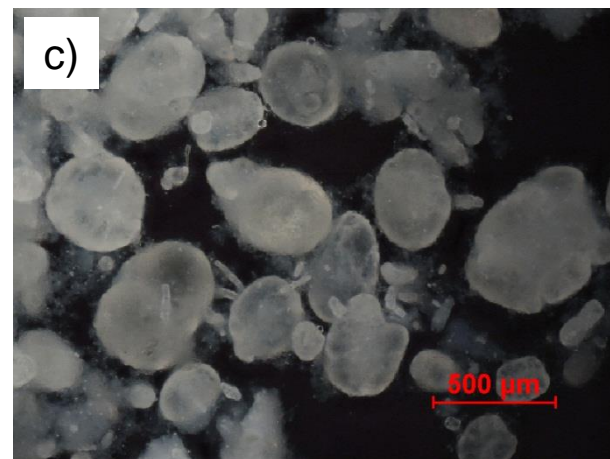
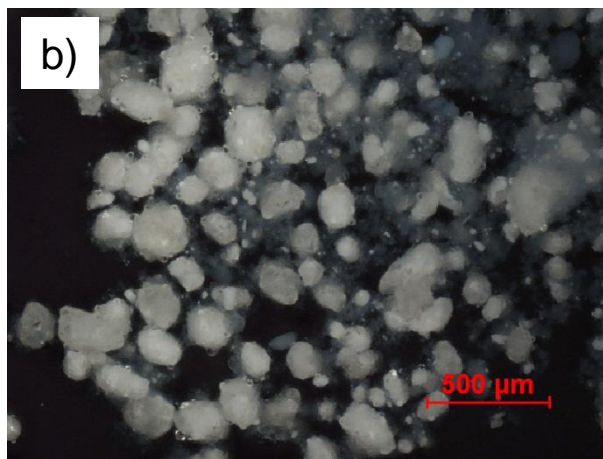
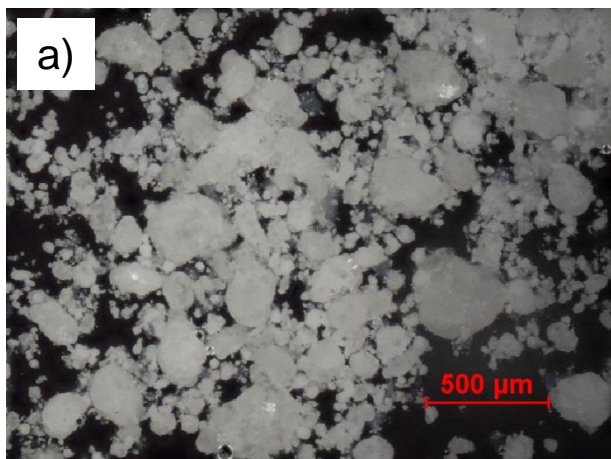
- ▶ **Ionogel (or IL) + ACN + silica**
mixed by $8-11 \cdot 10^3$ rpm for 15 min.
 - ▶ ionogel or IL content in inverse SILP varied 40-80%
 - ▶ ACN removed by evaporation
- ▶ Characterization: optical microscope



Preparation of Inverse SILP

- Various ionogel: silica ratios
 - Optimal: 40-60% IL or ionogel
 - <40% ionogel: obtained inverse SILP contained a lot of free silica
 - >60% ionogel: obtained inverse SILP not free flowing powder





Microscope images (5X magnification): a) [BMIM][Cl], b) [EMIM][OAc], c) [EMIM][Me(EG)₁(Me)PO₃], d) [EMIM][Me(EG)₂(Me)PO₃], e) chitosan, f) silica

All inverse SILPs contain 40% ionogel, in ionogel 5% chitosan

Overview of Prepared Inverse SILPs Used for CO₂ Absorption

IL	% silica	% IL or ionogel	% chitosan in ionogel
[EMIM][OAc]	60	40	5
	60	40	-
[EMIM][Me(EG) ₁ (Me)PO ₃]	60	40	5
	60	40	-
[EMIM][Me(EG) ₂ (Me)PO ₃]	60	40	5
	60	40	-
[BMIM][Cl]	60	40	5
	60	40	-
	60	40	10
	40	60	5

CO₂ Absorption in Autoclave

➤ Absorbed CO₂

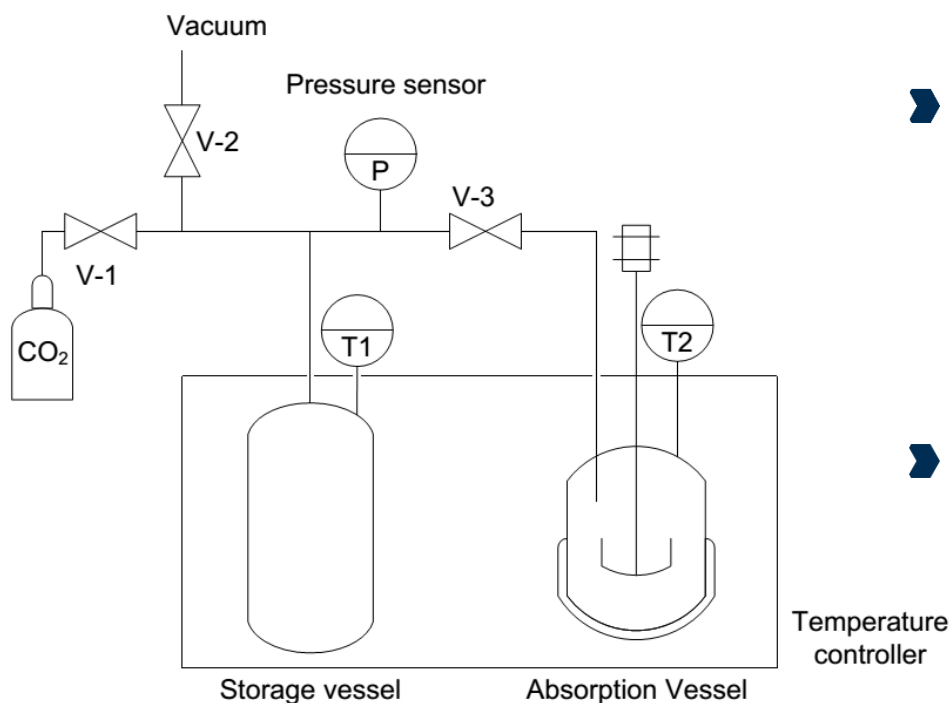
$$n_{\text{CO}_2} = \frac{P_0 V_S - P(V_S + V_A - V_L) + P_V V_L}{RT}$$

➤ Advantages

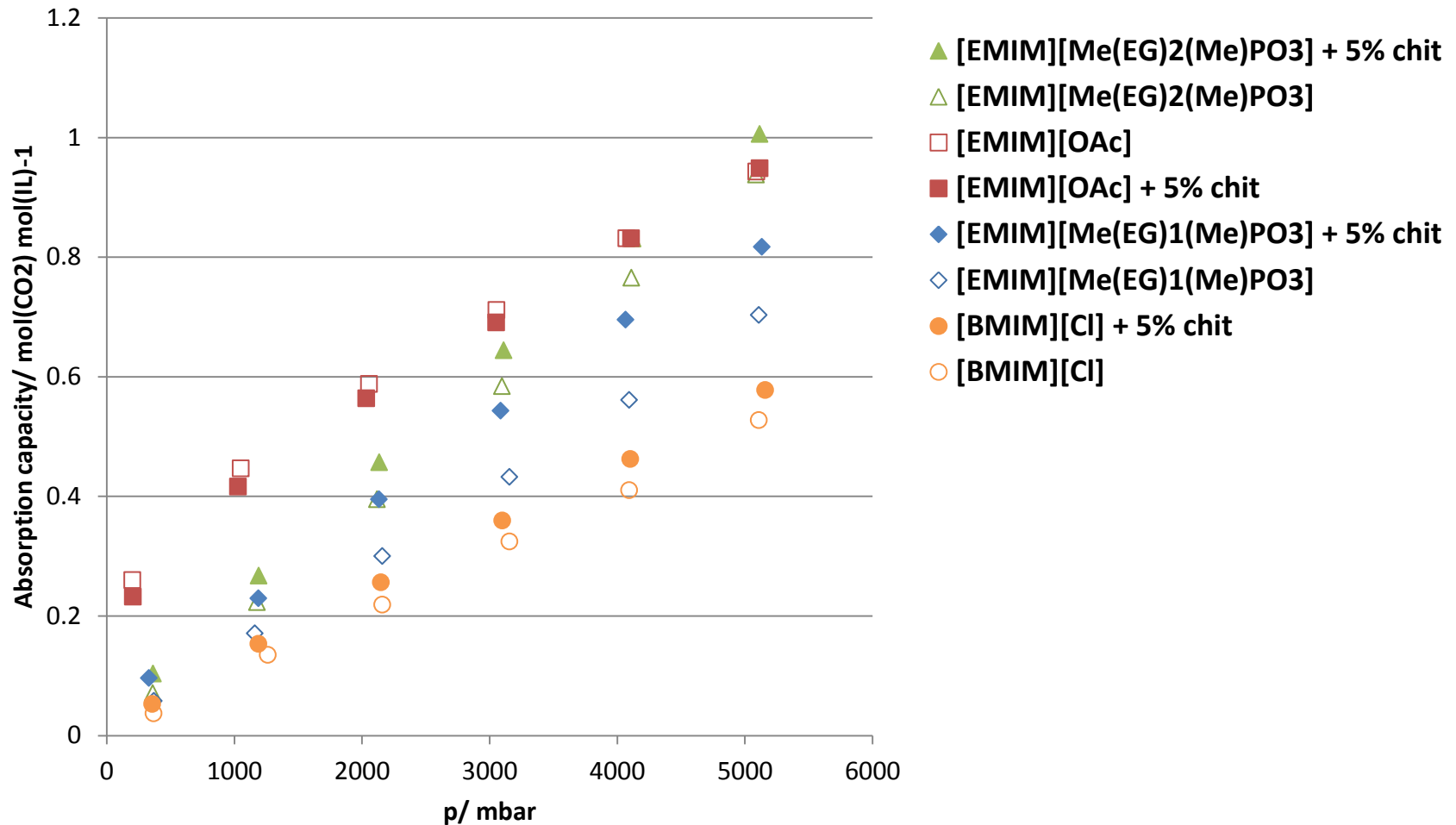
- Exact measurements
- Small amounts of sample needed (~5 g)
- Measurement at different pressures (up 6 bar)

➤ Disadvantages

- Long waiting time for equilibrium of high viscous systems

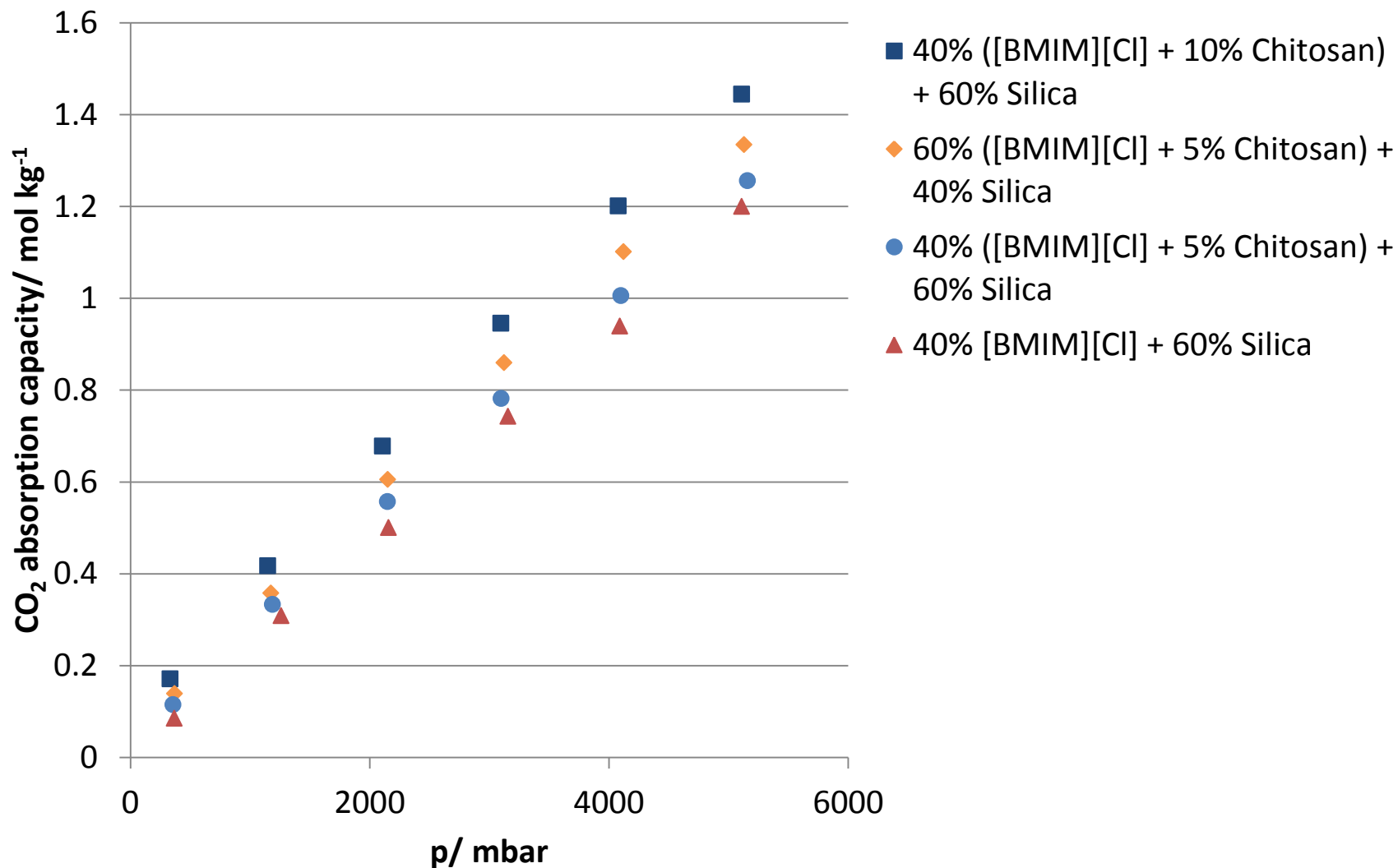


CO₂ absorption in Inverse SILPs



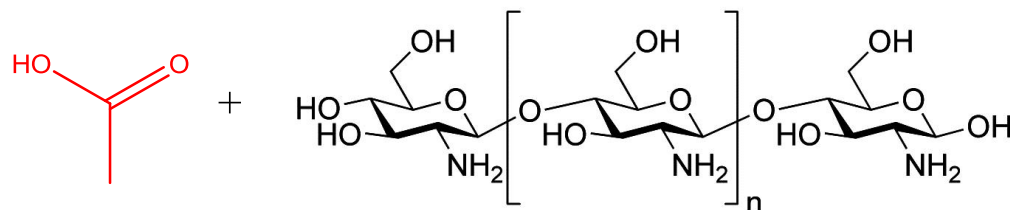
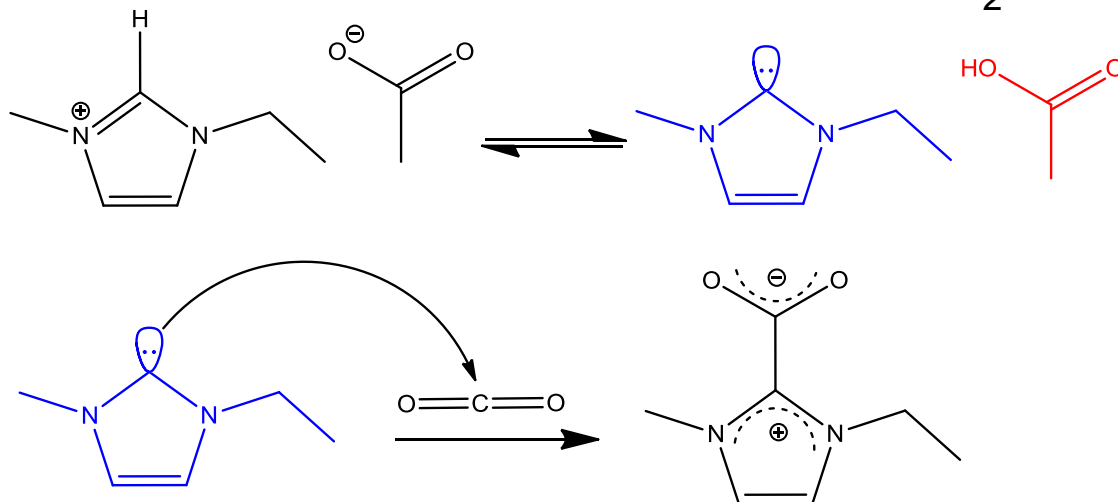
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with chitosan higher capacity
[EMIM][OAc]: with chitosan lower capacity

Concentration Variations with [BMIM][Cl] Ionogels



[EMIM][OAc]

► *In situ* carbene formation and reaction with CO₂



Reaction between acetic acid and chitosan very likely

Summary

CO₂ absorption in inverse SILPs based on biopolymer ionogels

- New morphology for IL based polymers for CO₂ absorption
- Solubility of chitosan tested in various ILs
 - Novel solvents for chitosan: alkyl methylphosphonate ILs
- Method for preparation of inverse SILPs from chitosan ionogels
 - ACN as a co-solvent
 - Variation of ionogel:silica ratio (optimal 40-60% ionogel)
- CO₂ absorption in inverse SILPs based on chitosan ionogels
 - [BMIM][Cl], [EMIM][Me(EG)₁(Me)PO₃], [EMIM][Me(EG)₂(Me)PO₃] (physisorption):
with chitosan higher capacity
 - [EMIM][OAc] (physisorption + chemisorption):
with chitosan lower capacity

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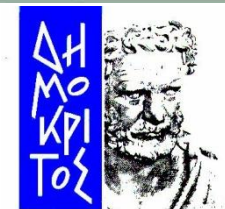
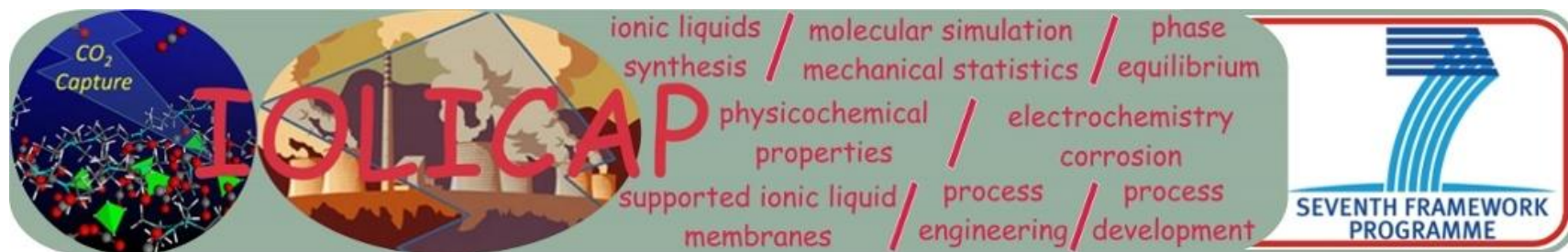
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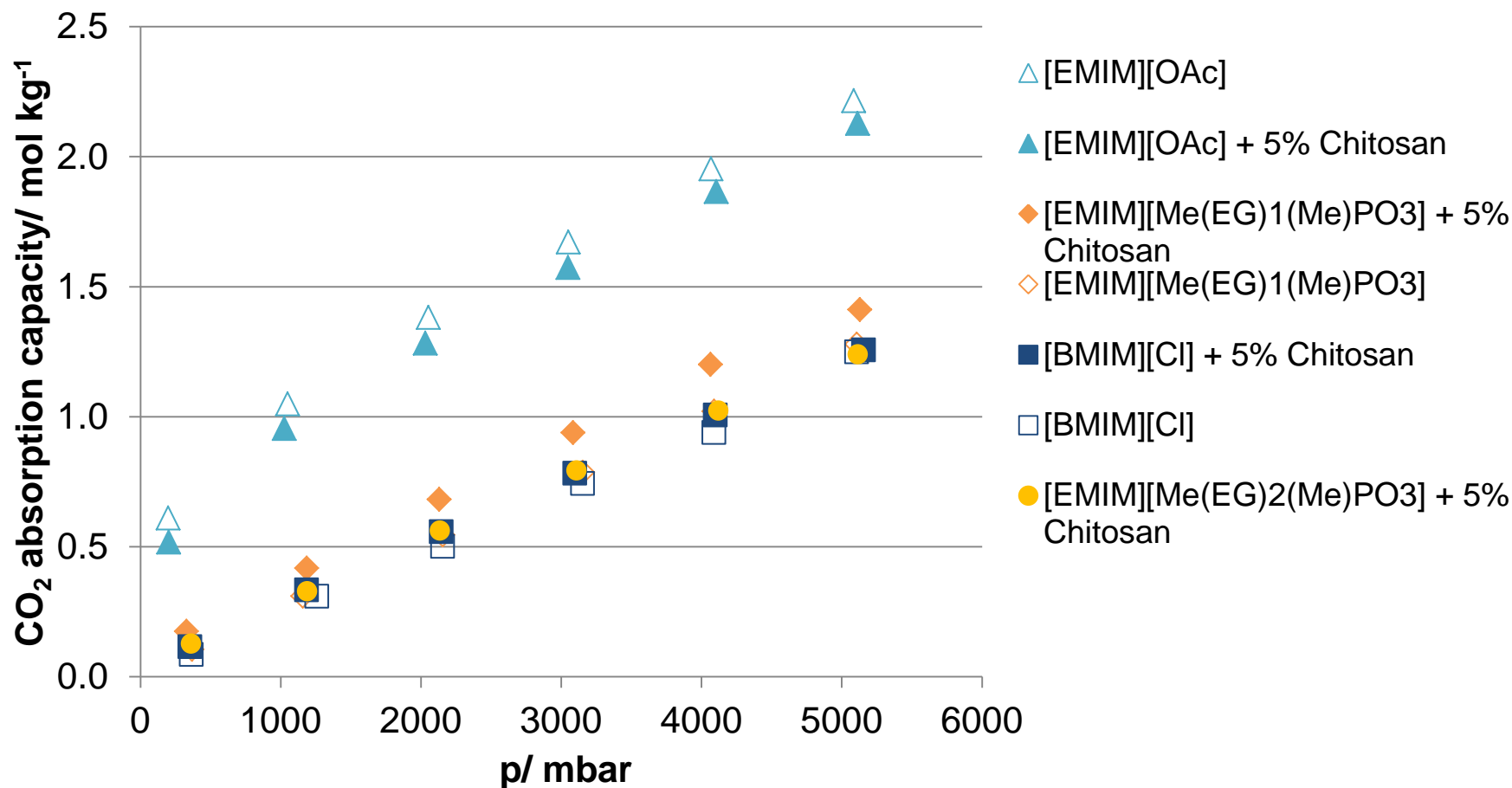


➤ Novel **IO**nic **LI**quid and supported ionic liquid solvents for reversible **CAP**ture of CO₂



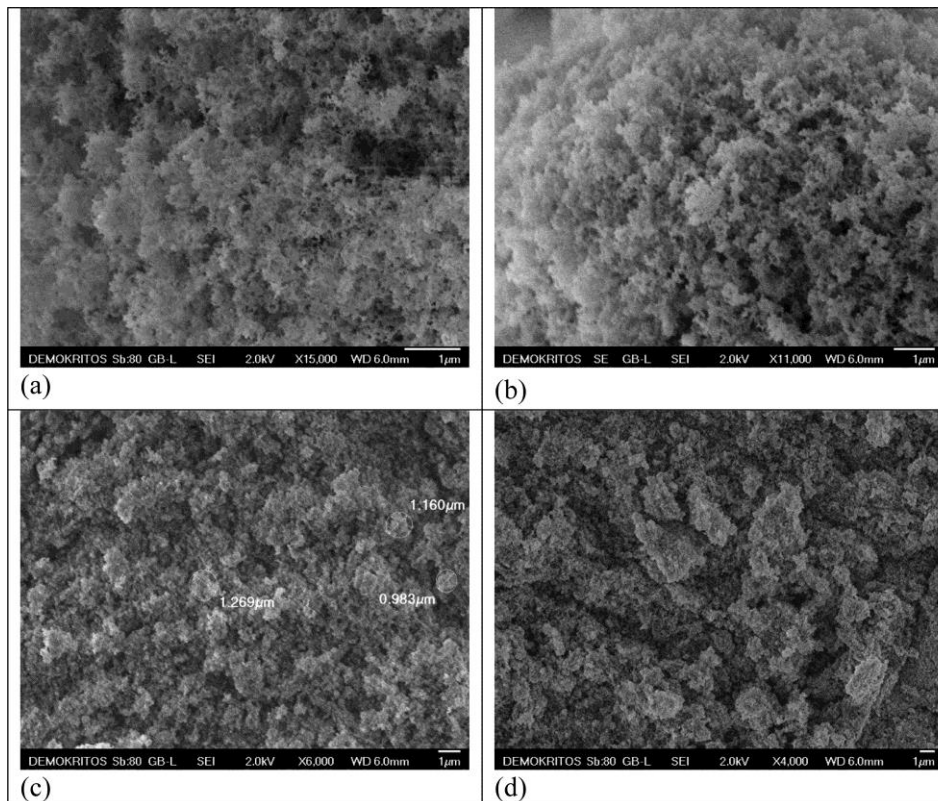
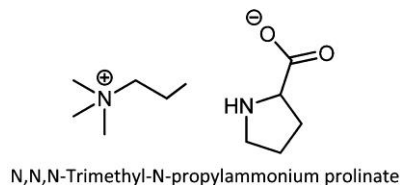
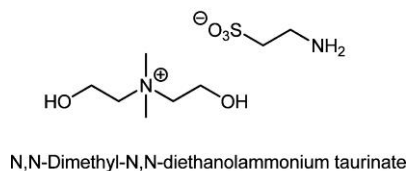
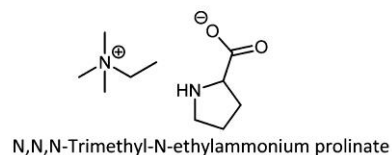
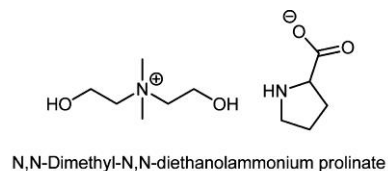
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Citosan free inverse SILP materials



SEM images of (a) hydrophilic silica HDK-T30, (b) hydrophobic silica HDK-H20, (c) 6DD-Taur-H20, and (d) 4TE-Prol-H20.

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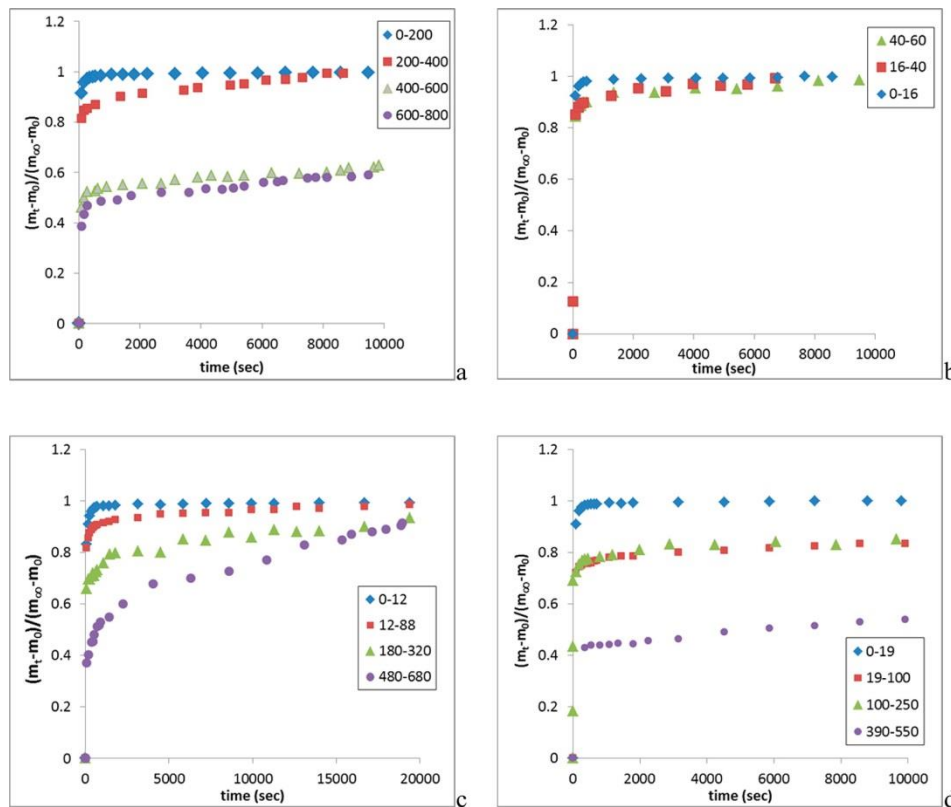
Pore Structure Characteristics as Derived from the LN₂ Porosimetry

	BET (m ² /g)	pore volume (mL/g)	interparticle pore size (nm) ^a	mean pore size BJH (nm) ^b	mean particle size (μm) ^c
1T30	305	0.681	8.9	6.2	0.0267
2H20	195	0.471	9.7	6.2	0.029
3dd-Prol-T30	72	0.457	72	6.2	0.216
4TE-Prol-H20	61	0.27	47	5.6	0.141
5dd-Prol-H20	49	0.363	69.3	6.2	0.21
6DD-Taur-H20	70	0.35	75.5	6.2	0.227
7DD-Taur-T30	63	0.496	61.2	6.2	0.184

^aCalculated as $[4(\text{Pore volume})/\text{BET}]$. ^bCorresponds to the interparticle space of silica. ^cCalculated as $(3 \times \text{interparticle pore size})$.

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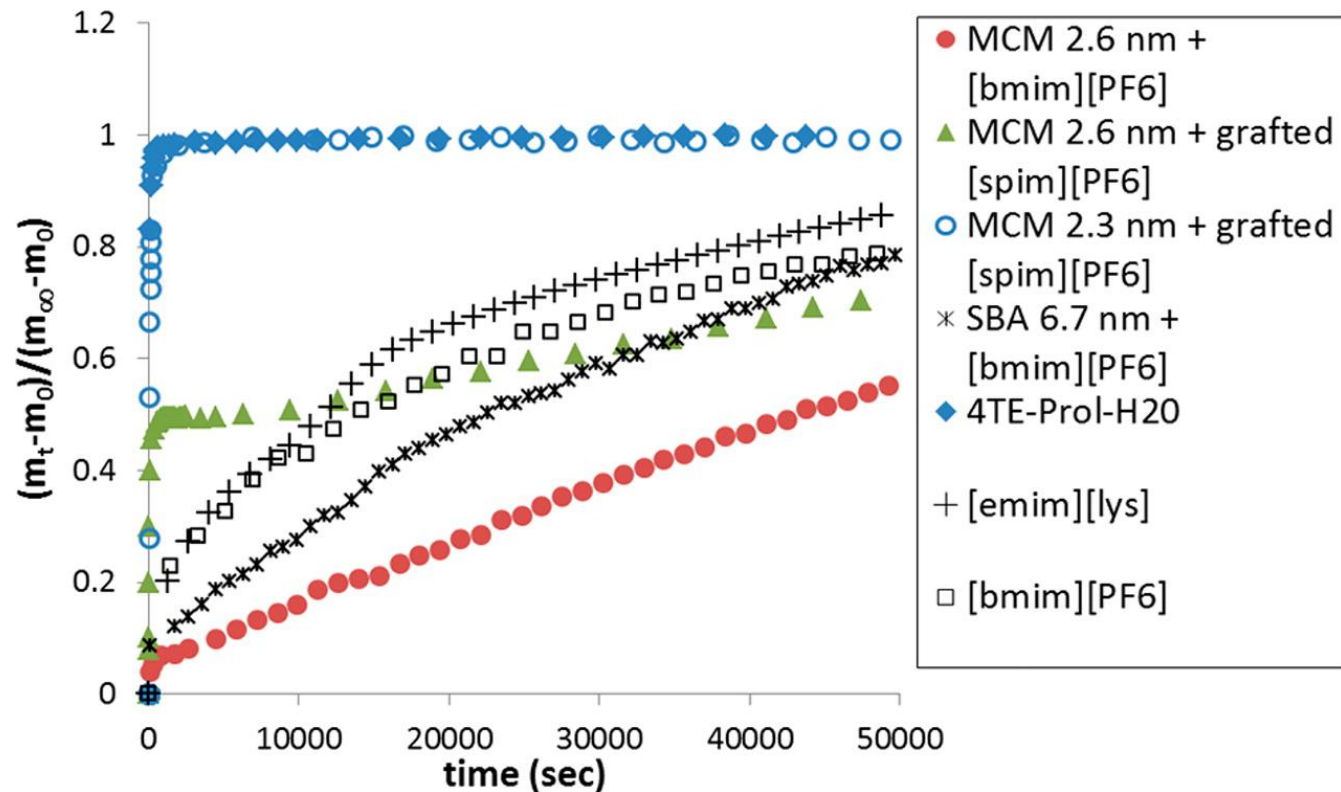
Cytosan free inverse SILP materials



Transient curves of CO₂ absorption in the “inverse” SILPs at several pressure steps. (a) 3dd-Prol-T30, (b) 3dd-Prol-T30 small pressure steps, (c) 4TE-Prol-H20, and (d) 7DD-Taur-T30. Legends show the respective pressure steps of CO₂ (pressure unit = mbar).

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SILP vs. Inverse SILP

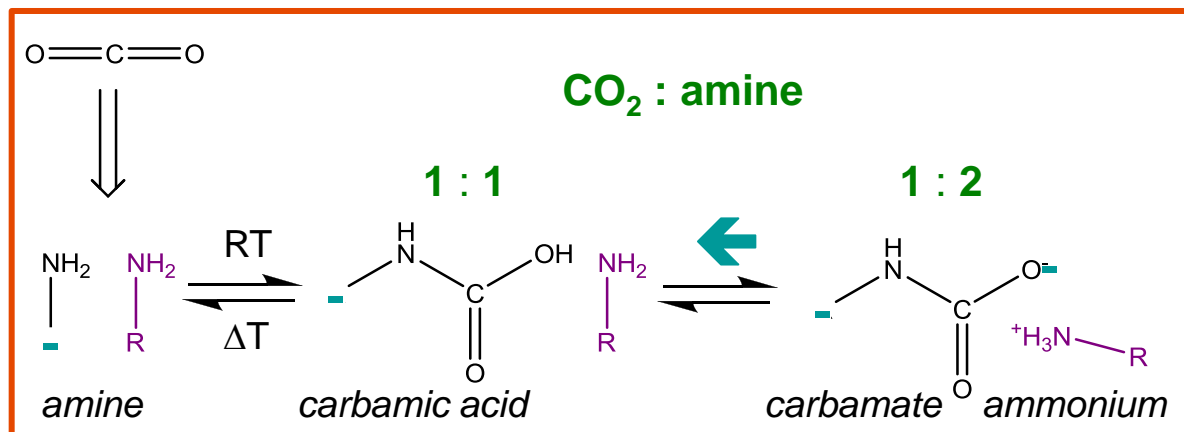
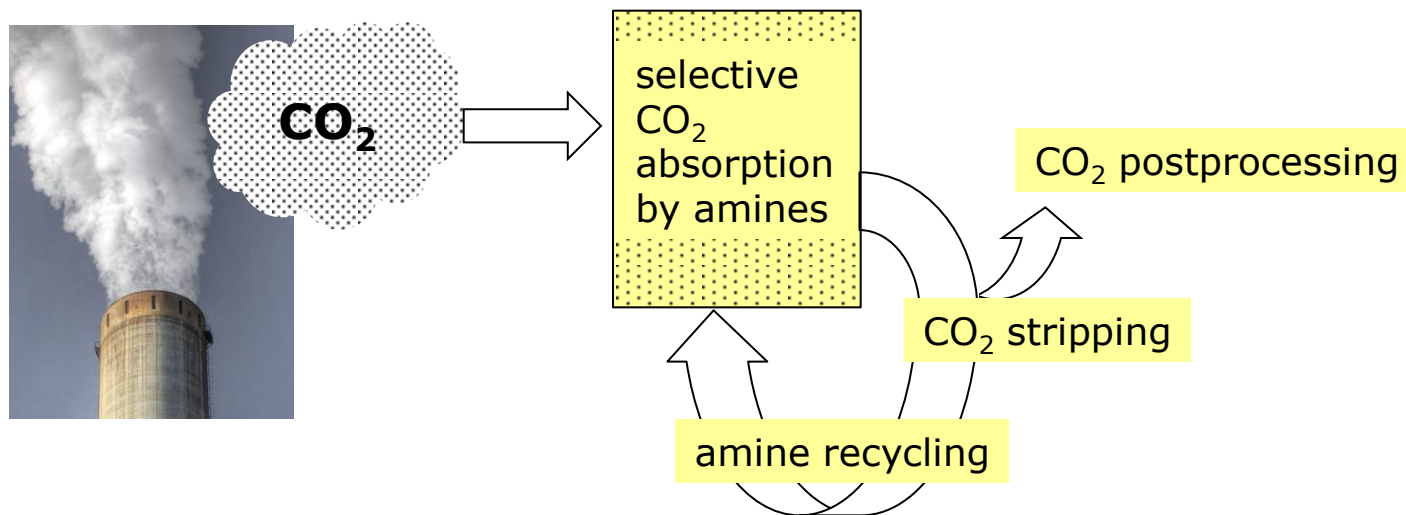


CO₂ absorption transients of conventional SILPs, “inverse” SILPs, and the relevant bulk ILs for the first pressure step on a fresh (regenerated) sample.

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- 1 mol = 44g = 6.1 cm³

In-situ XPS: amine reaction with CO₂



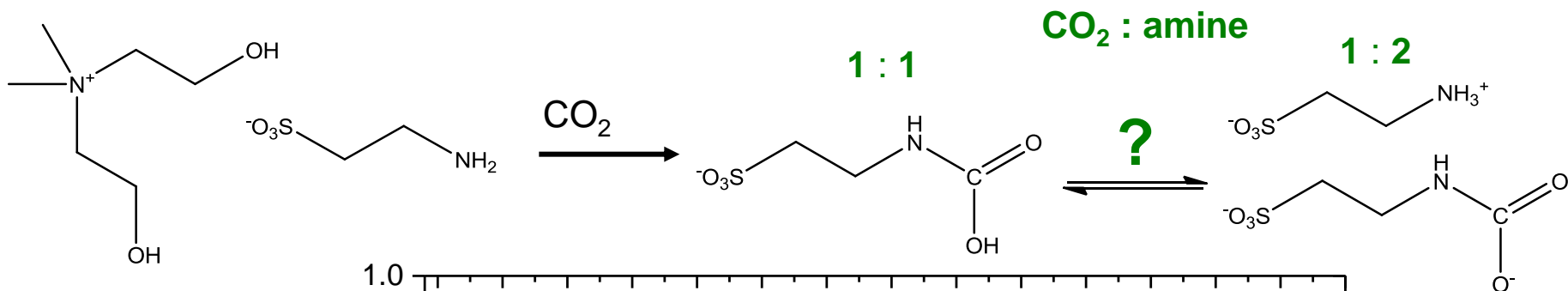
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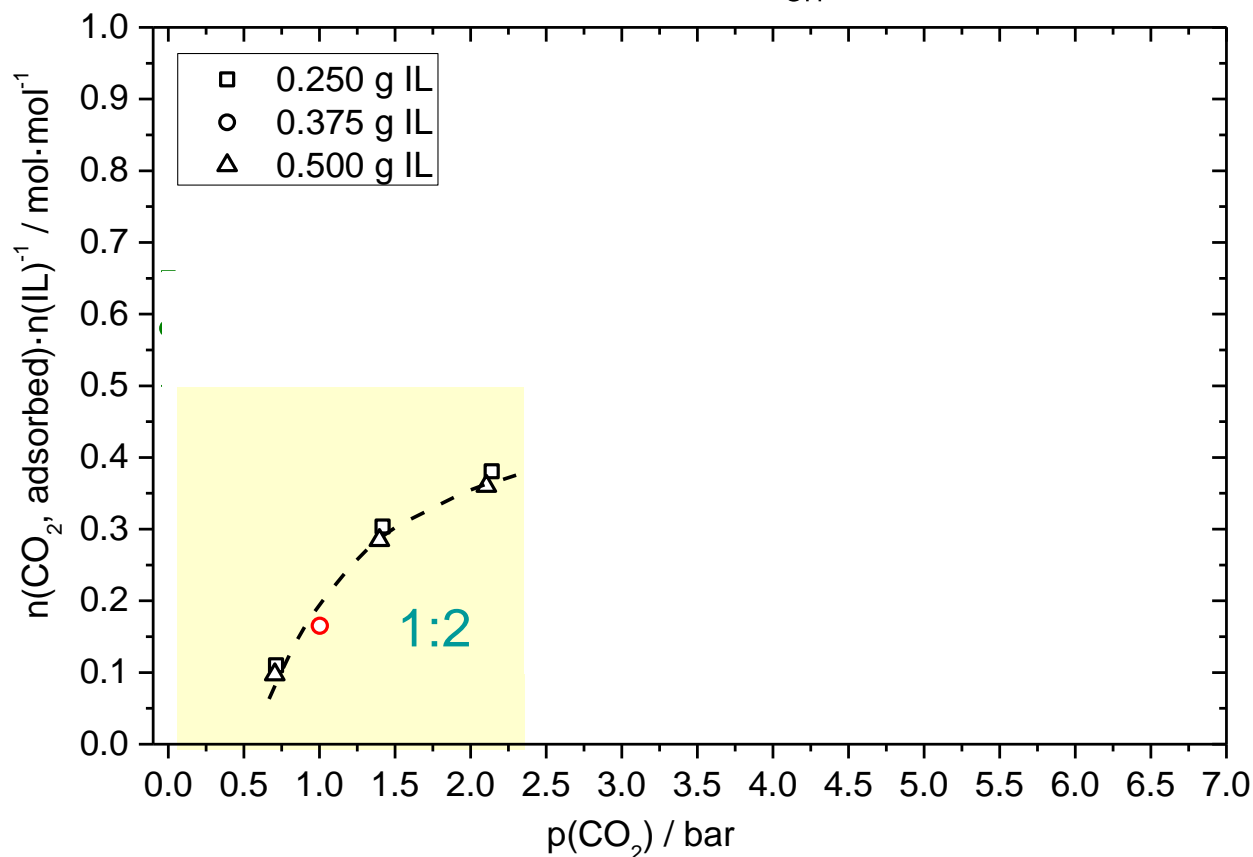
amine-functionalised IL



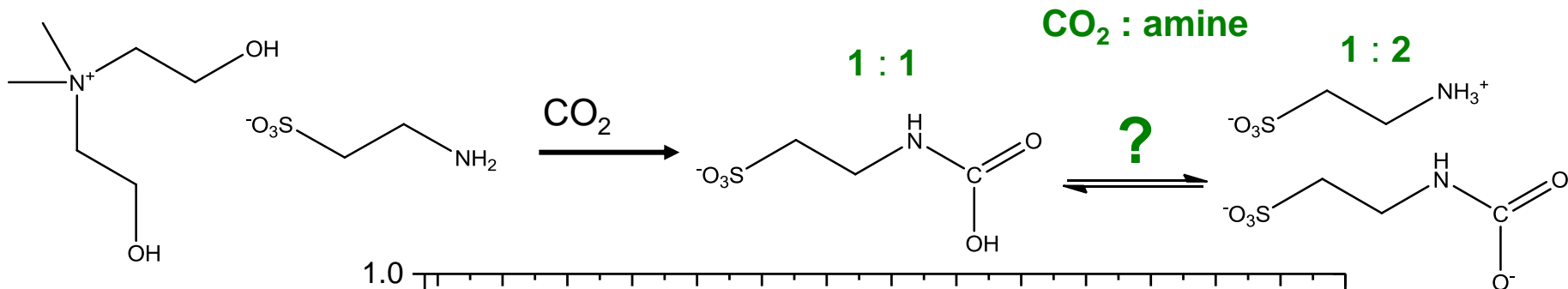
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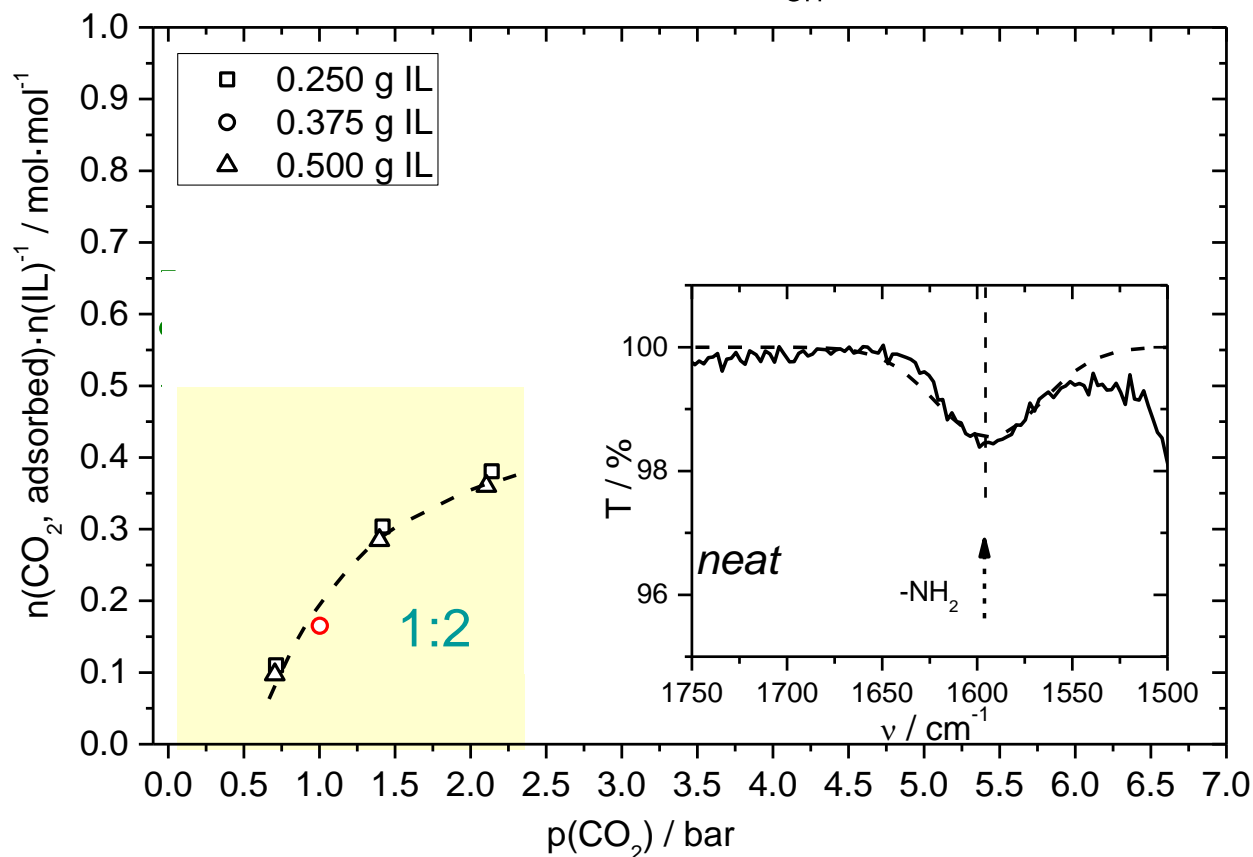
IL bulk uptake
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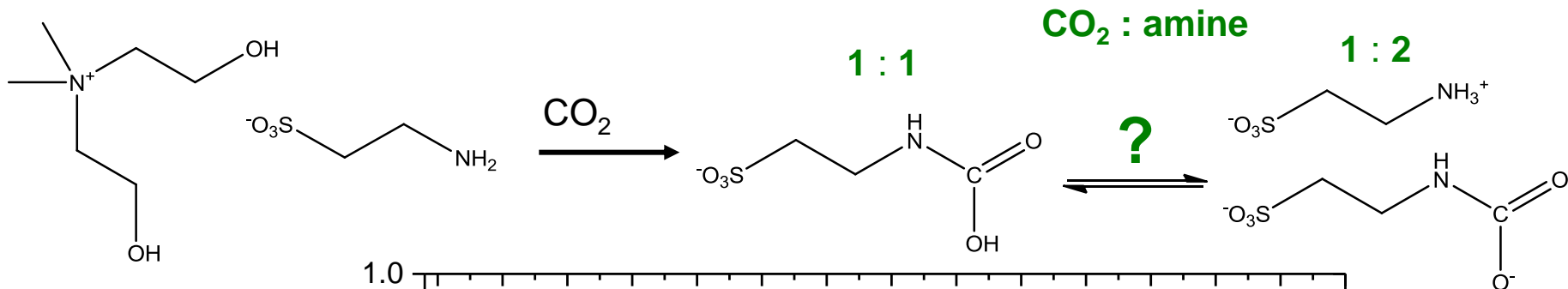
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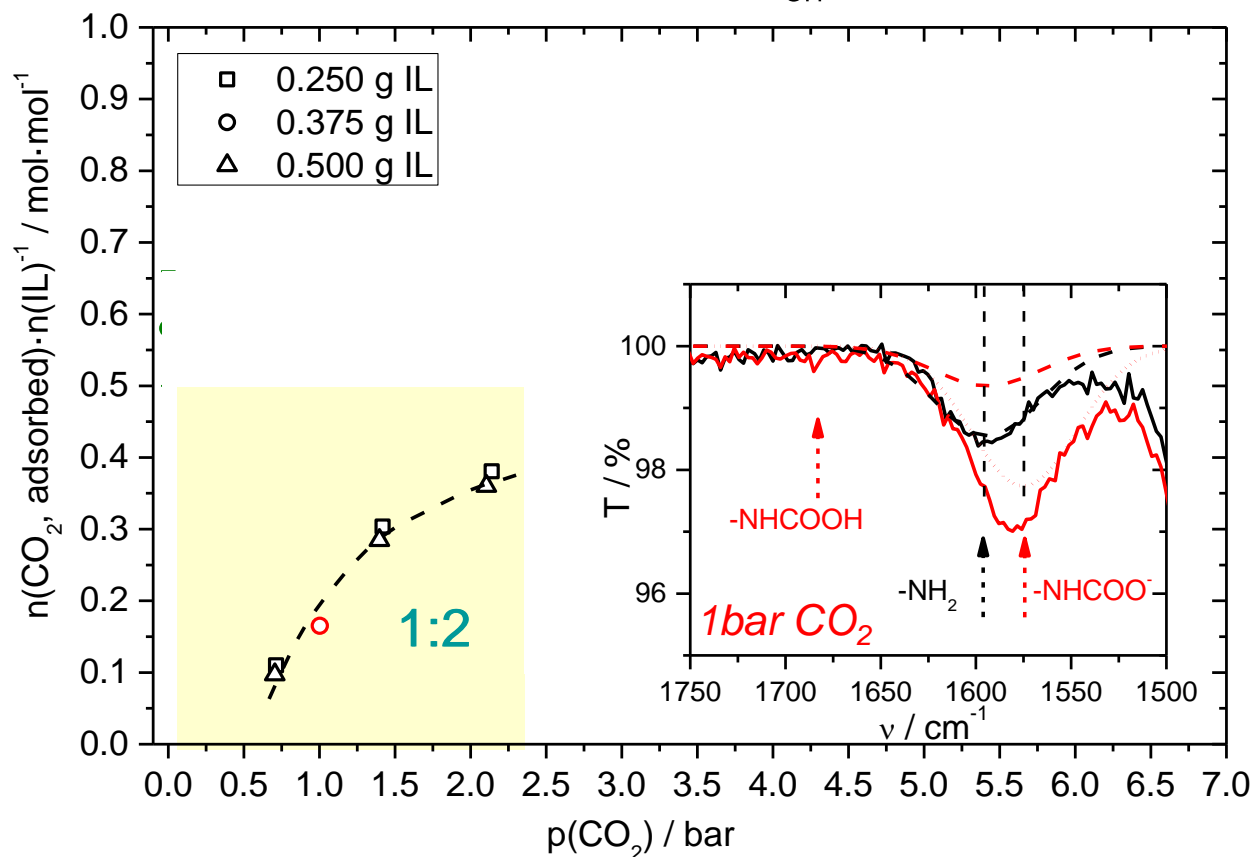
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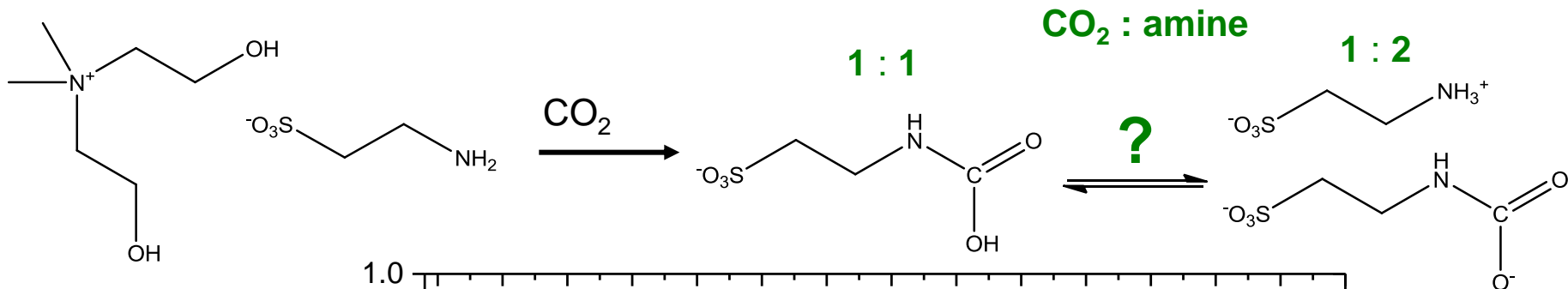
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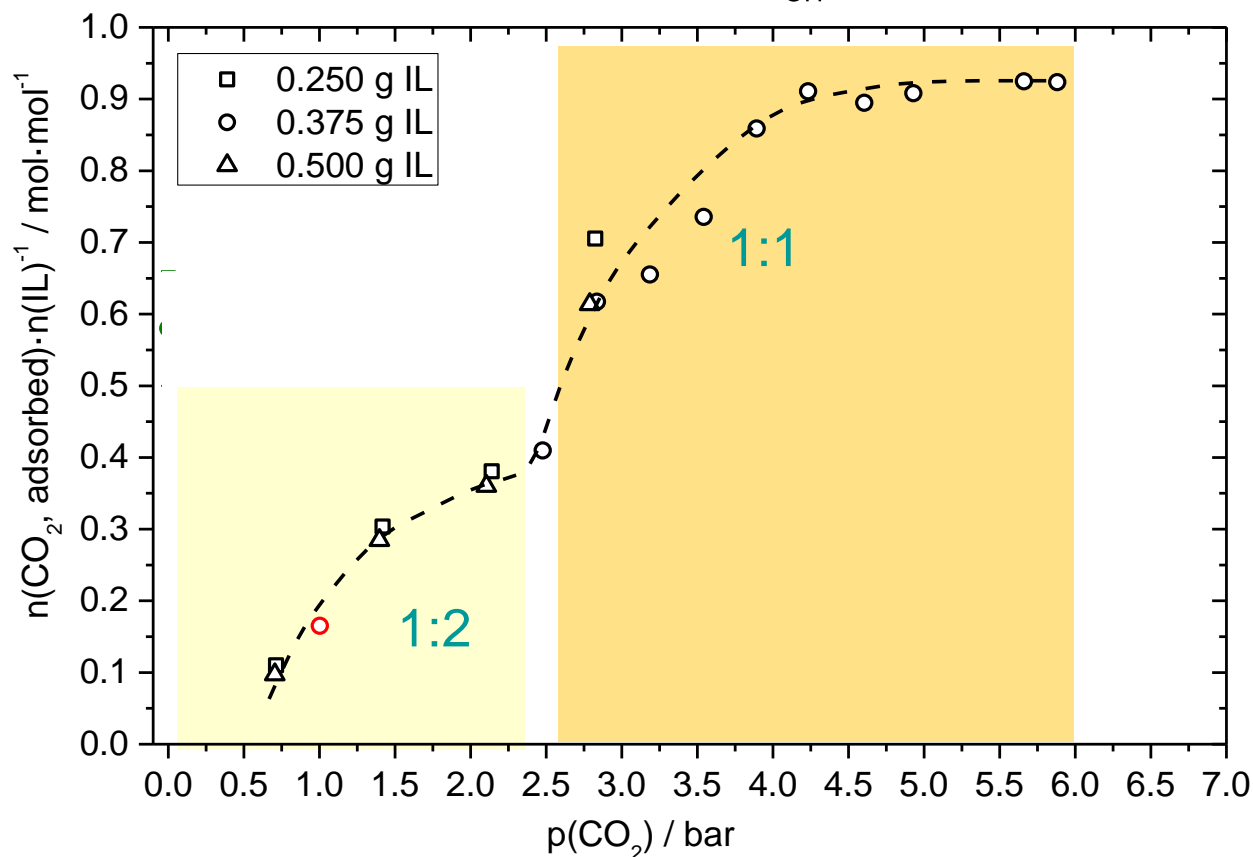
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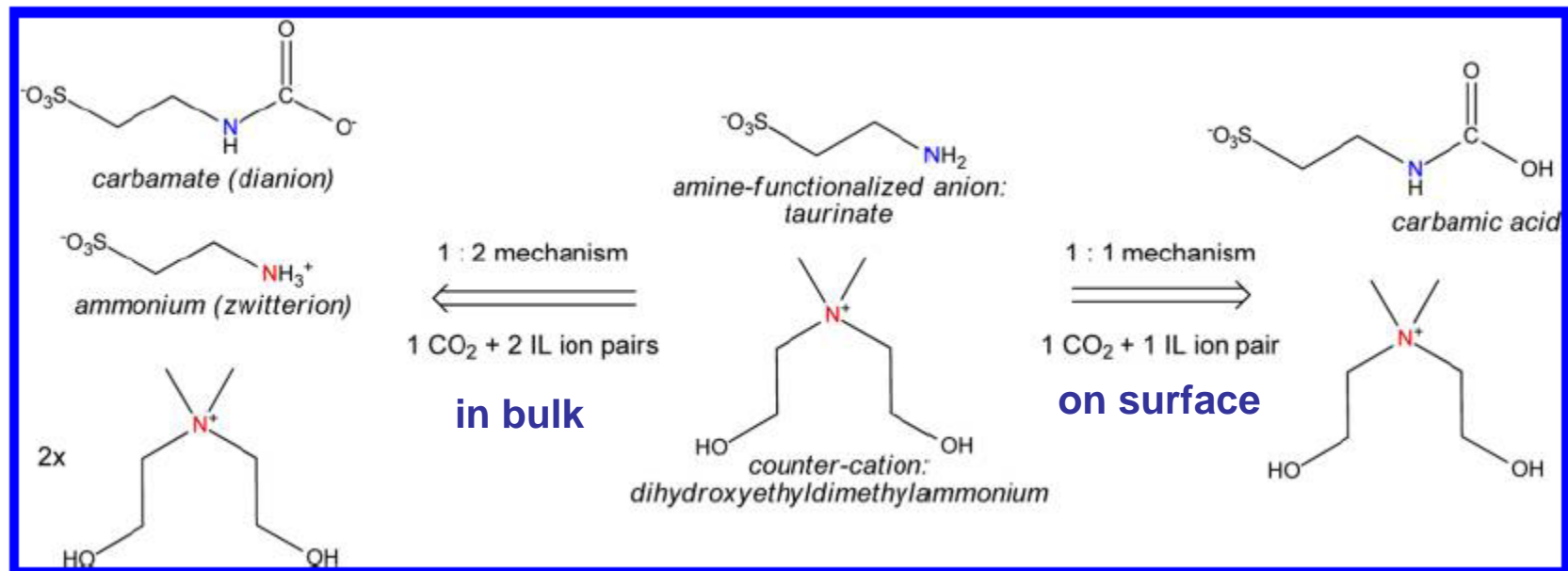


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→ $p < 2.5$ bar: 1 : 2 mechanism in bulk (carbamate)₃₂

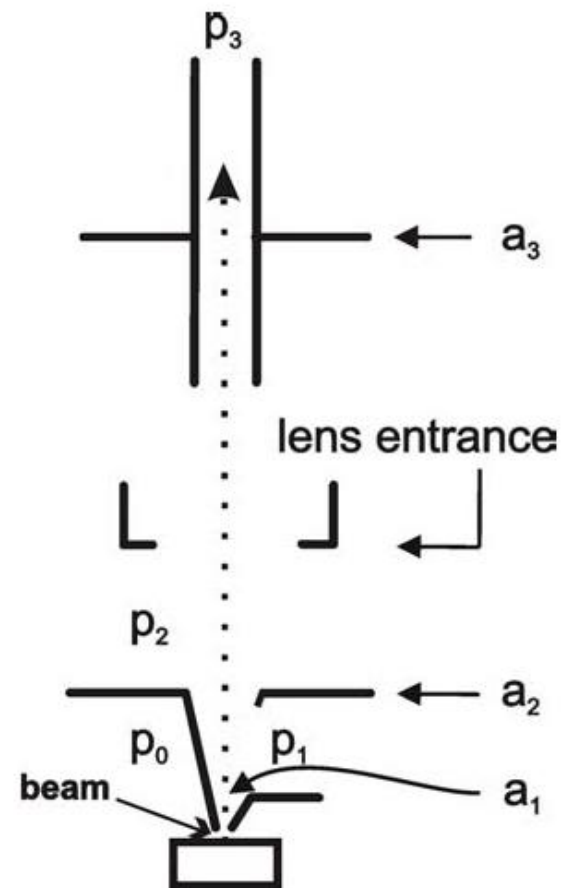
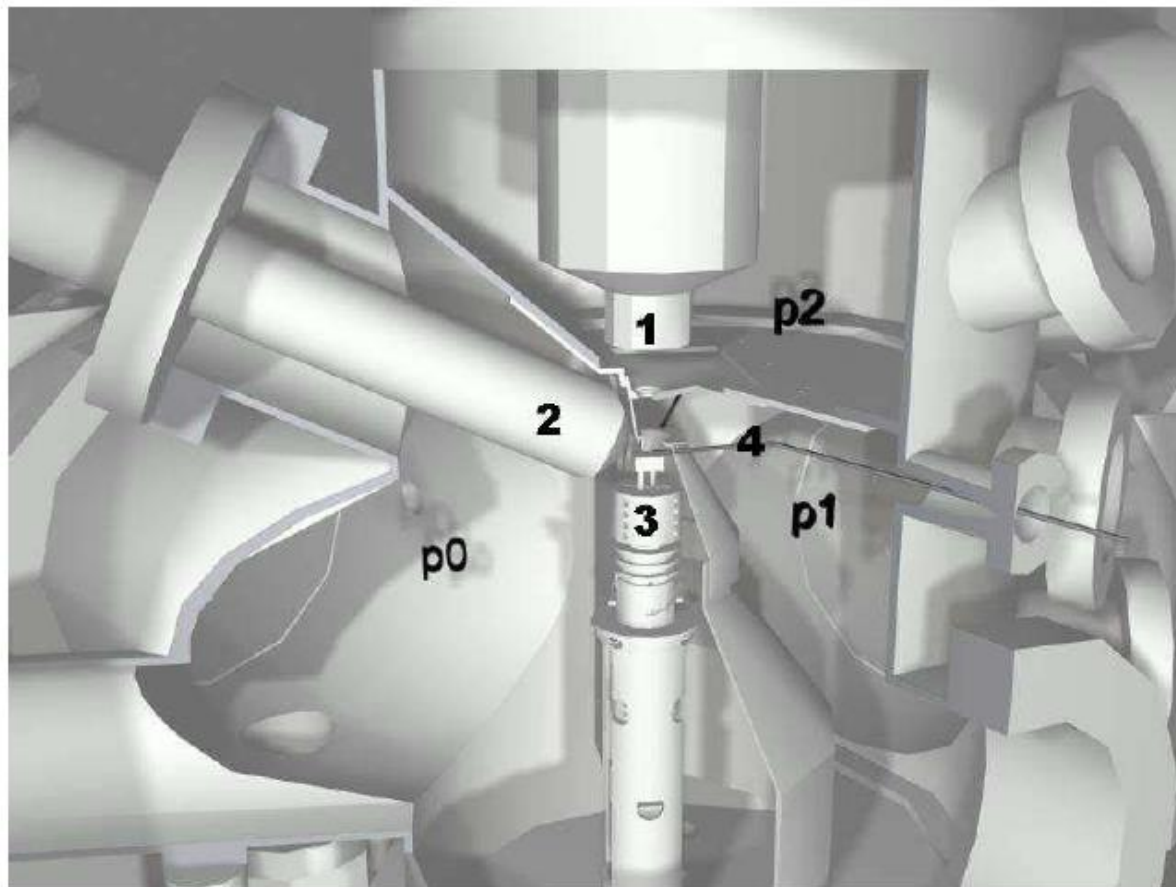
CO₂ Absorption: Bulk vs. Surface



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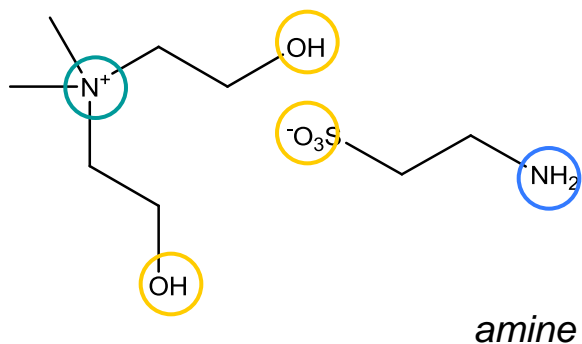
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*near-ambient pressure XPS: 0.9 mbar CO₂
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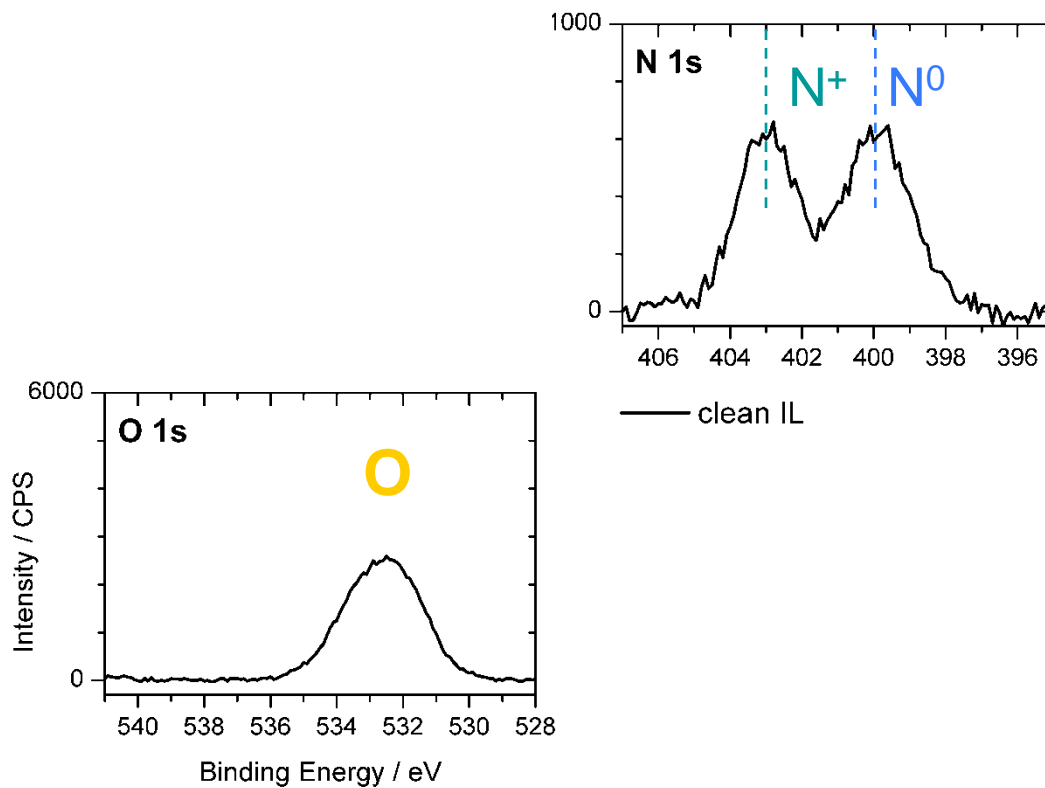


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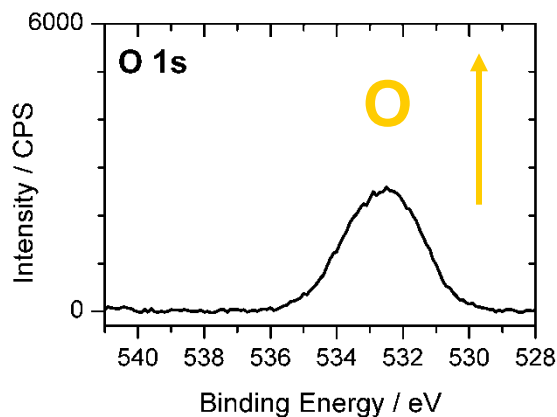
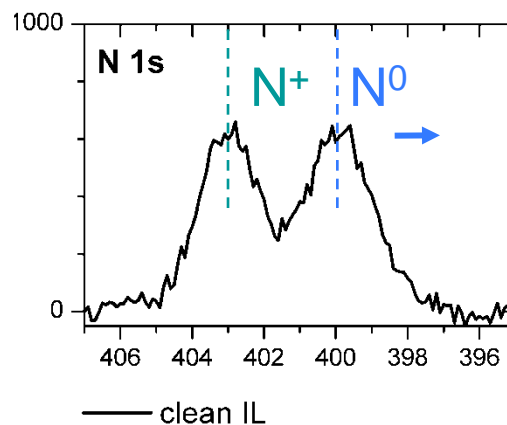
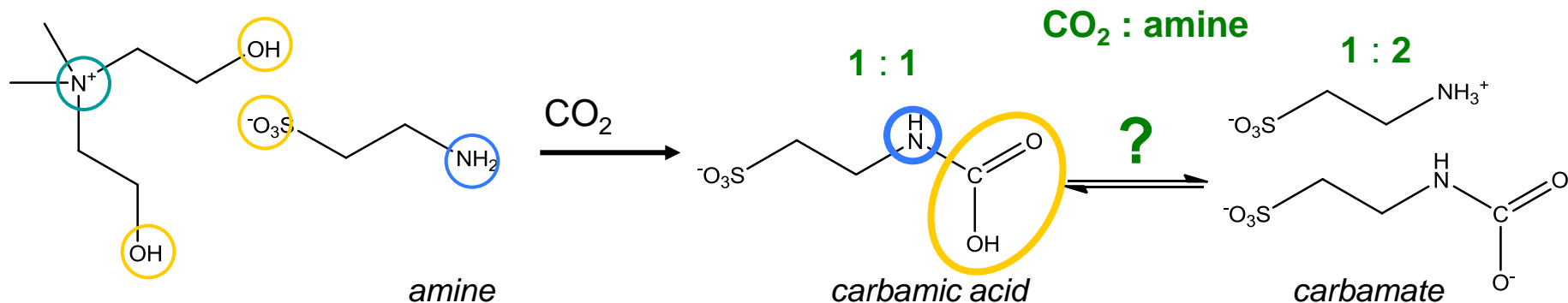
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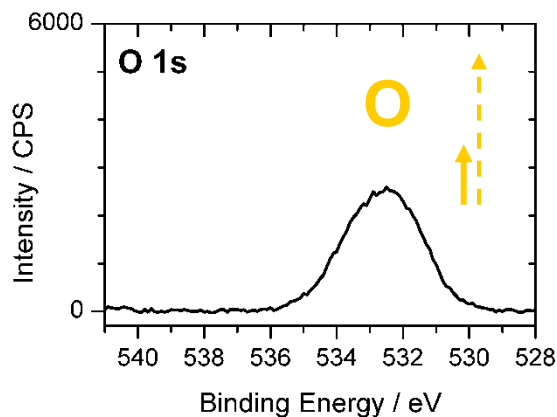
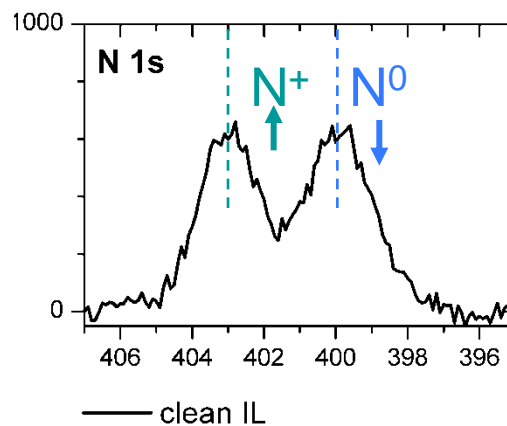
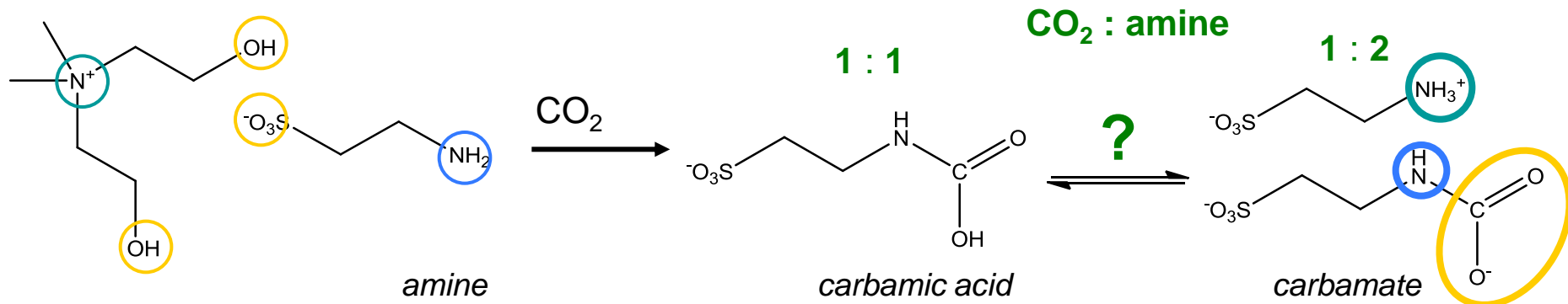
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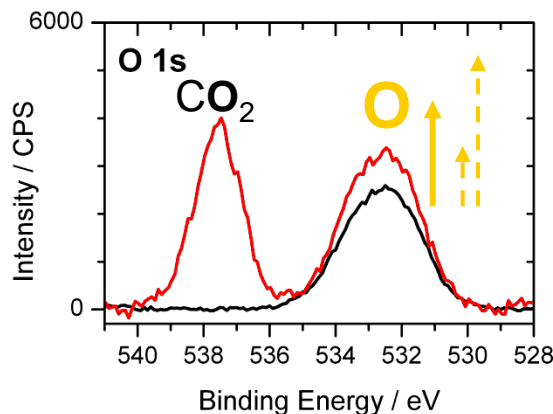
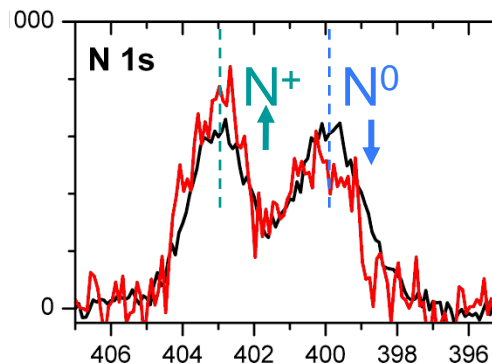
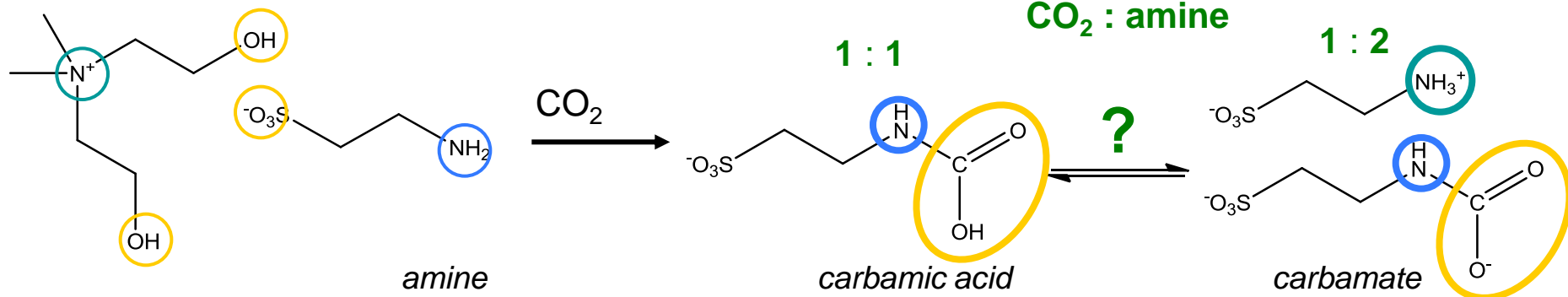
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In-situ XPS: amine reaction with CO₂



— clean IL
 — during 0.9 mbar CO₂
 (corrected for damping)

- O increase → 0.6 CO₂ : 1 IL pair
- N change → 0.15 carbamate + 0.15 ammonium

→ 0.15 CO₂ carbamate (+0.15 amm.)
 0.45 CO₂ carbamic acid
 0.25 free amine

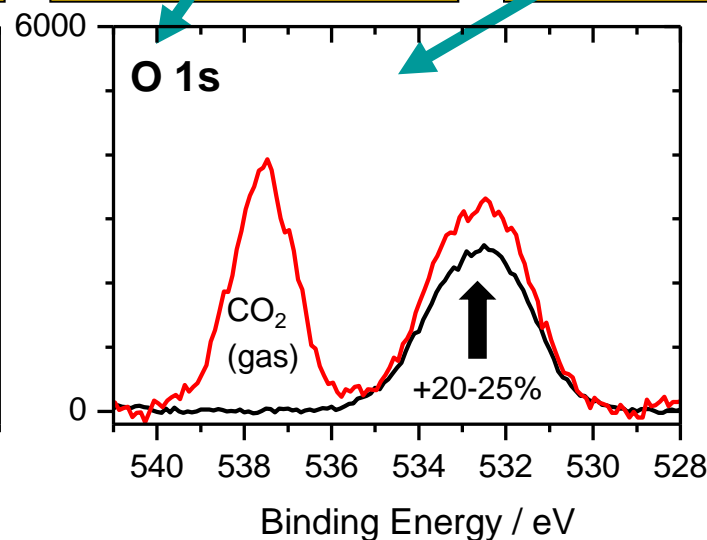
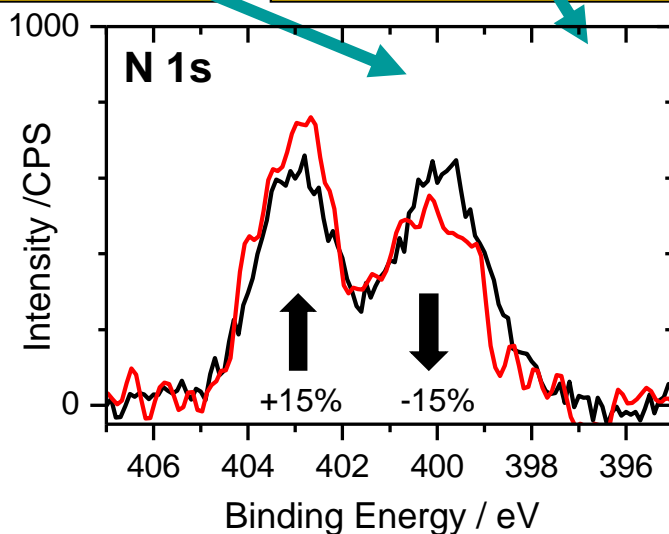
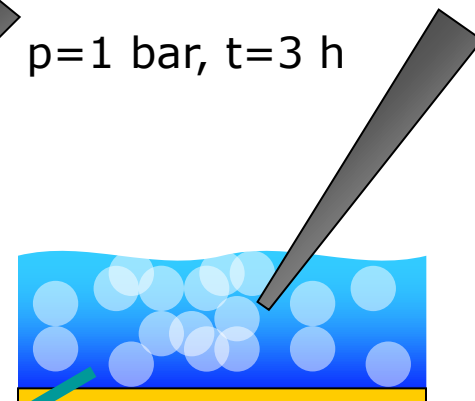
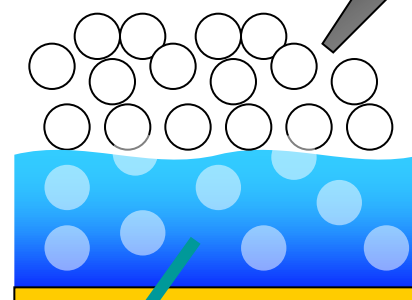
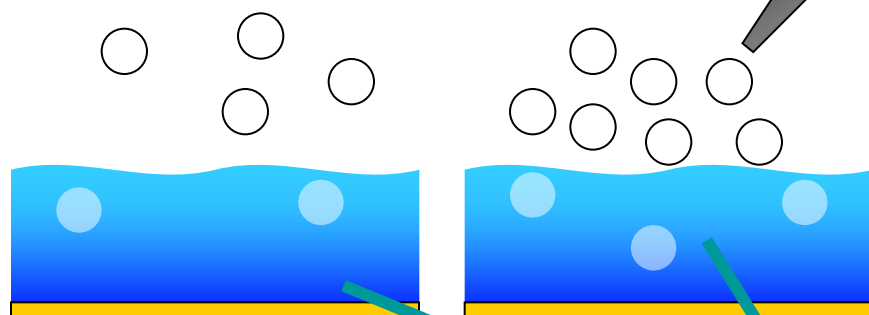
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Atmospheric CO₂
p=0.4 mbar, days

CO₂ dosage
(in situ XPS)
p=0.9 mbar

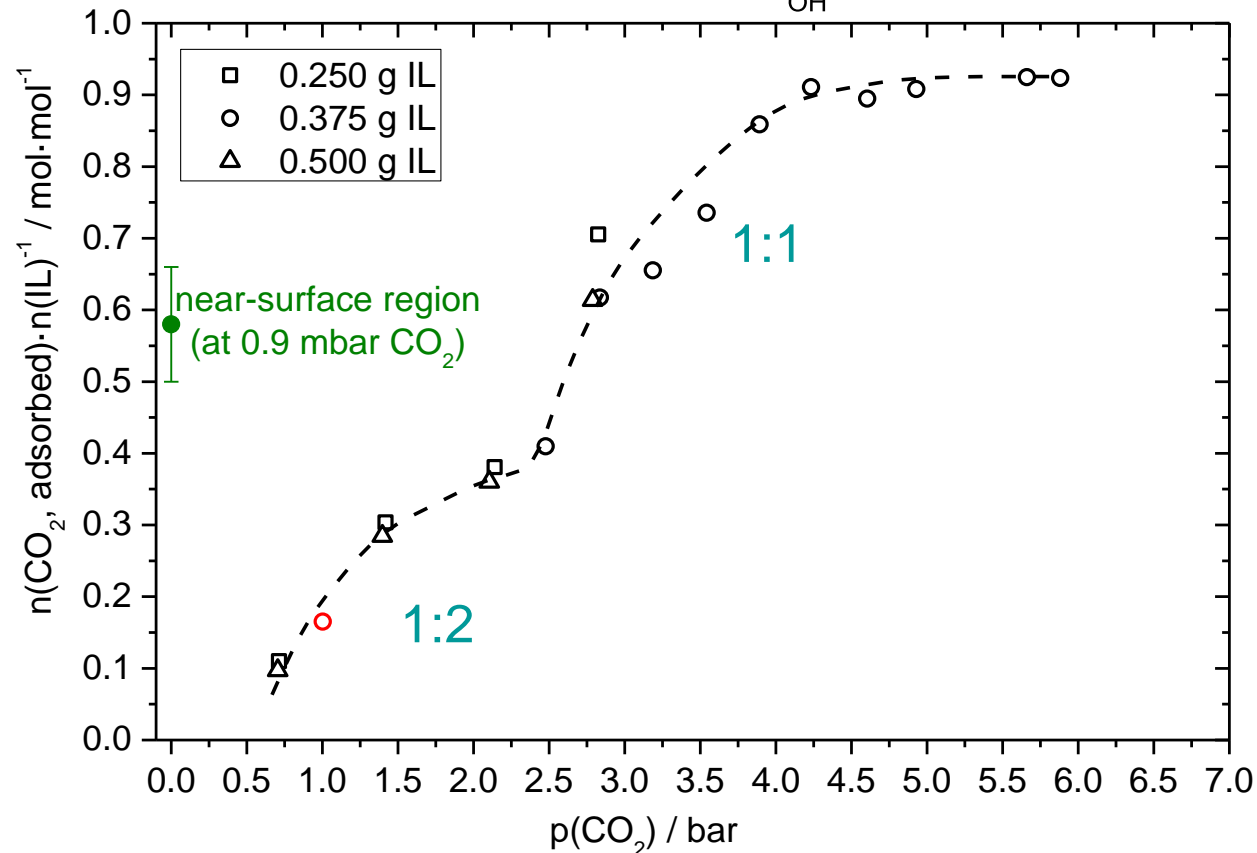
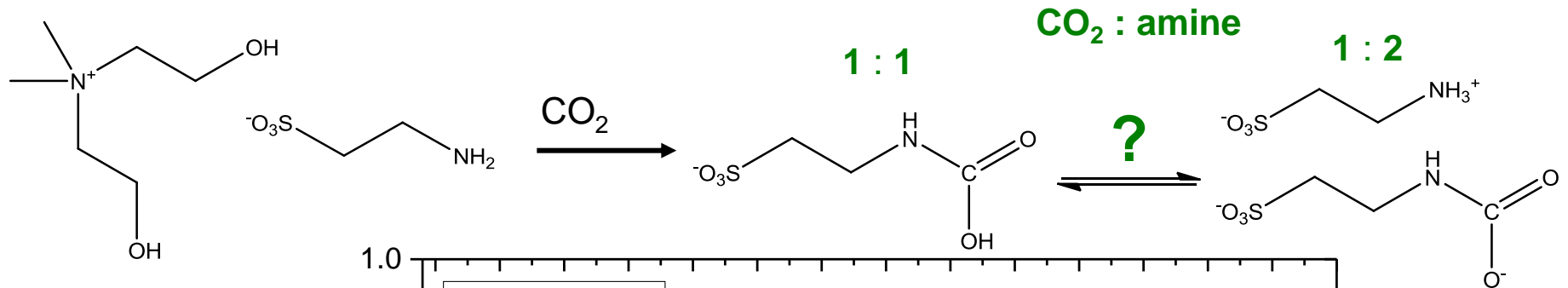
CO₂ exposure
p=1 bar, t=1 h

CO₂ bulk loading
(bubbling)
p=1 bar, t=3 h

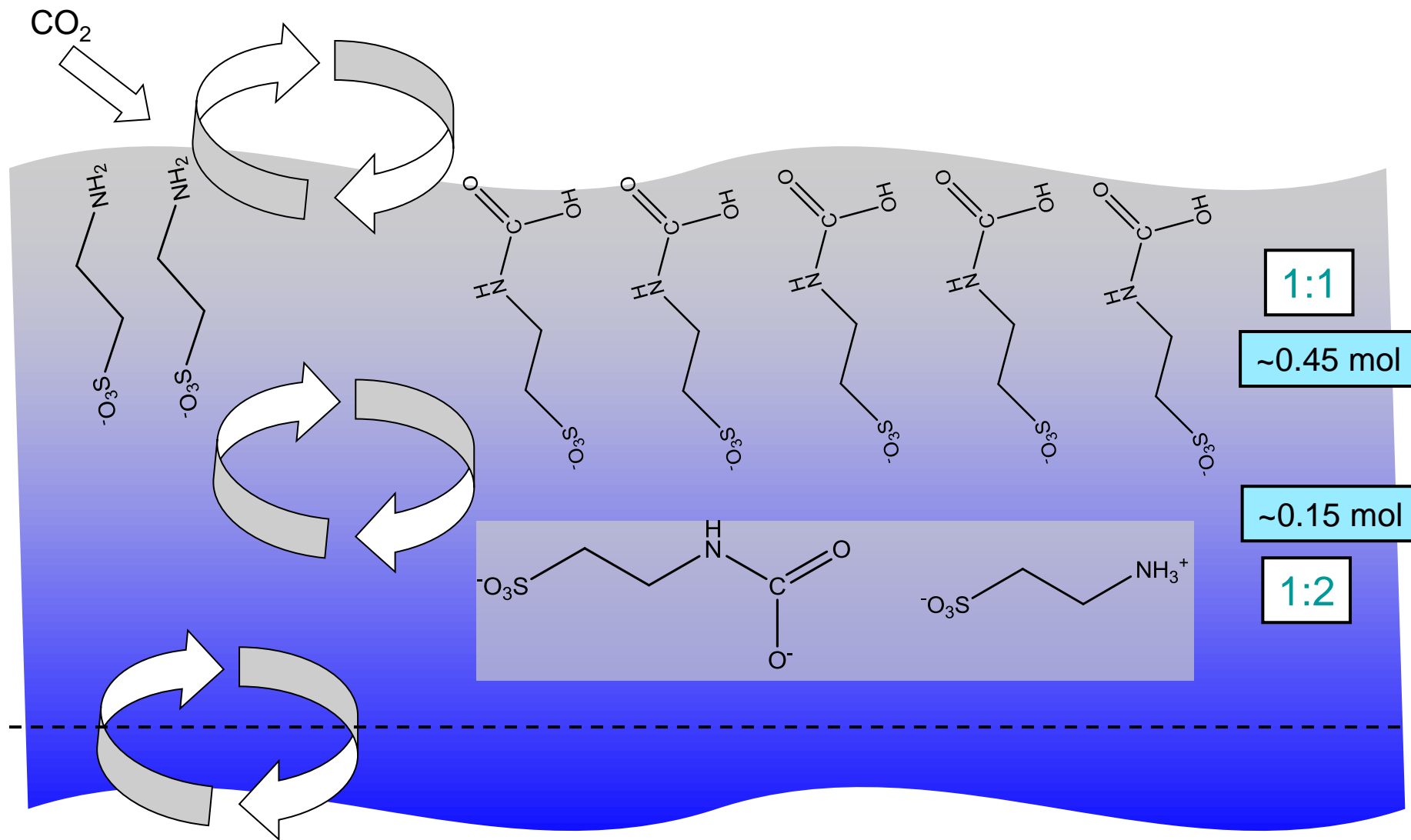


→ *at RT equilibrium distribution in near-surface region*

Surface (in situ) vs. bulk (ex situ)

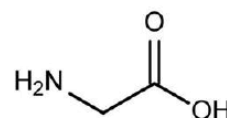


Charge distribution as possible driving force

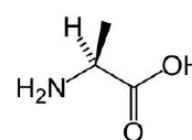


Impact on high surface area sorbents

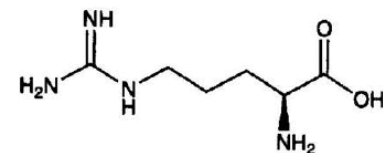
Nanoporous PMMA microspheres impregnated with $[C_2C_1Im][AA]$



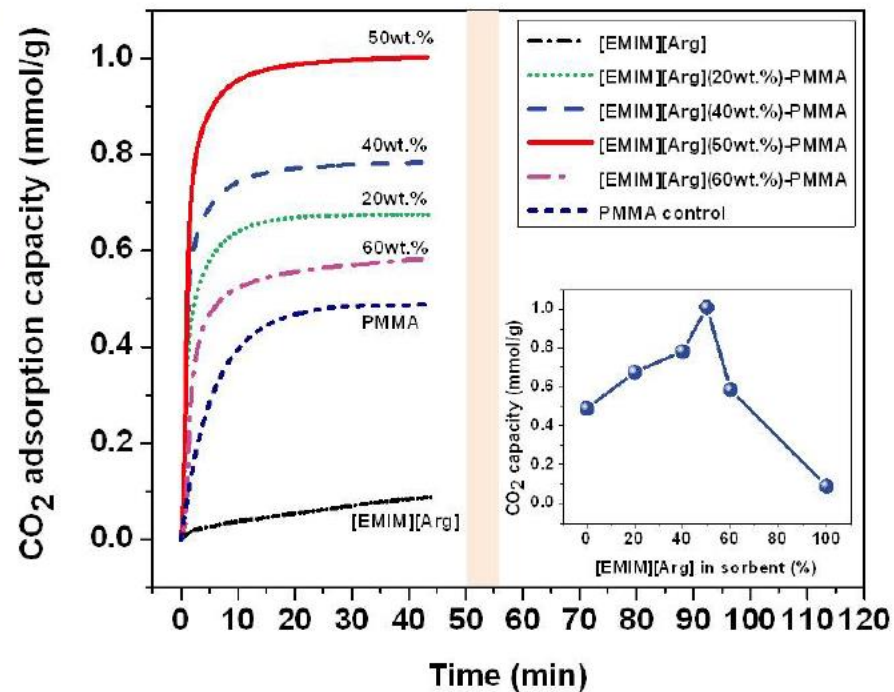
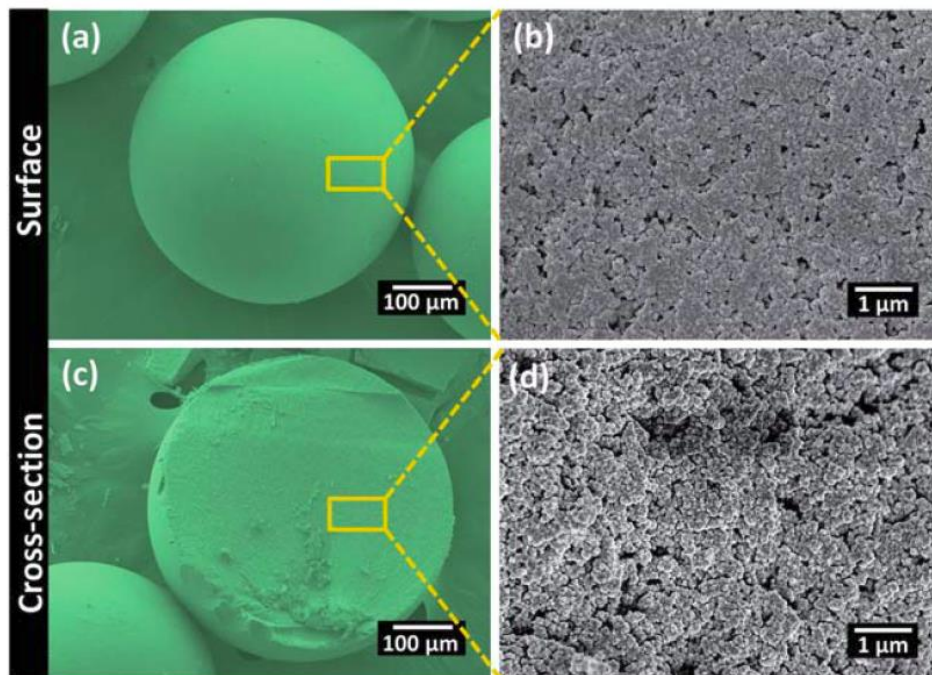
Glycine



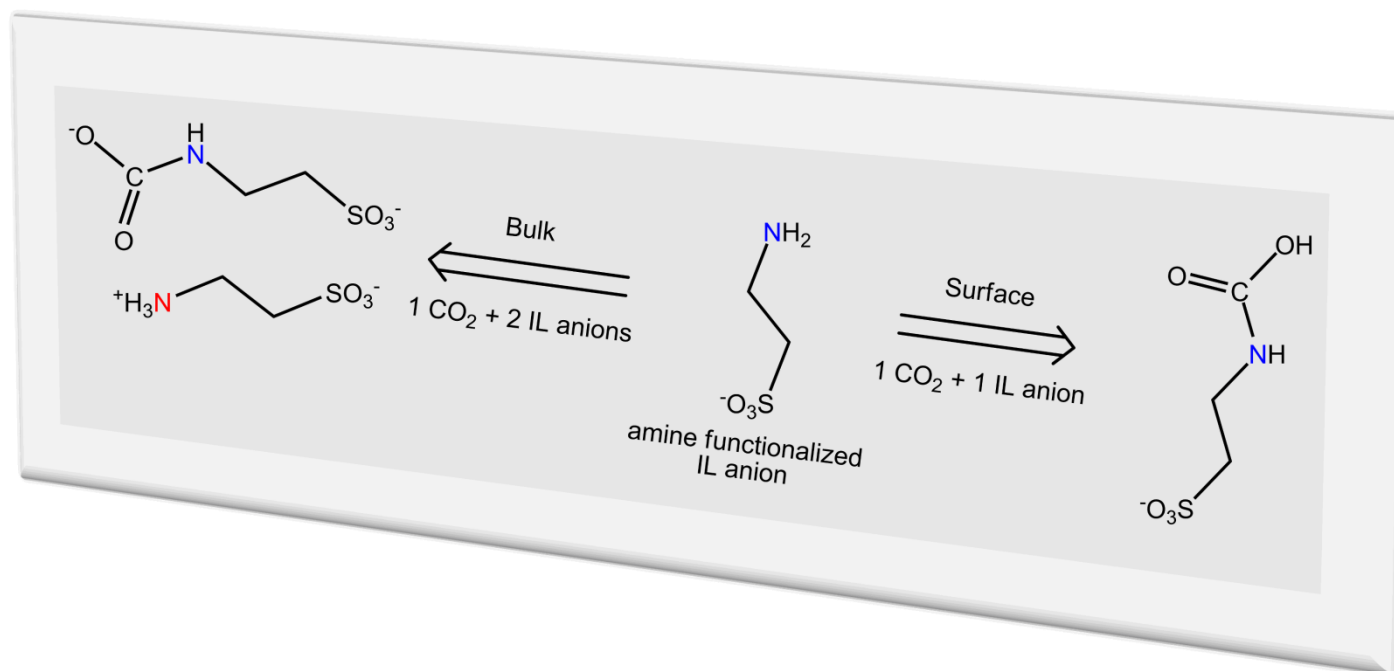
Alanine



Arginine



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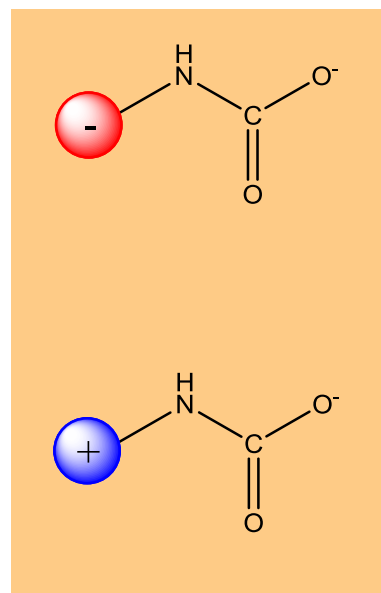
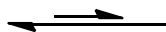
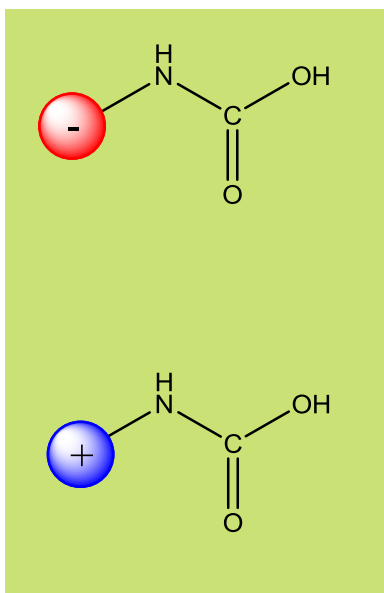
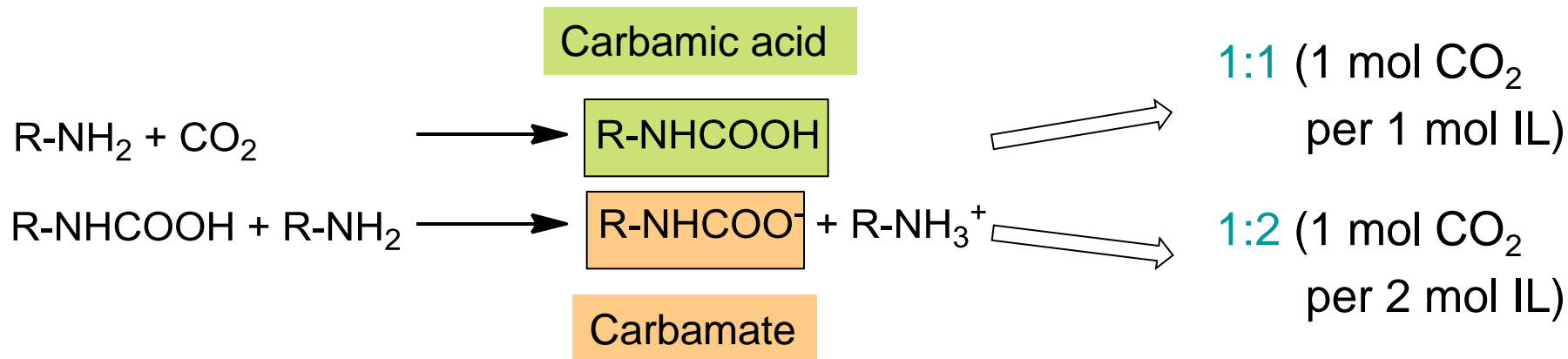
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Carbamate vs. carbamic acid



1:1 favoured

1:2 favoured

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ILs, amine in anion

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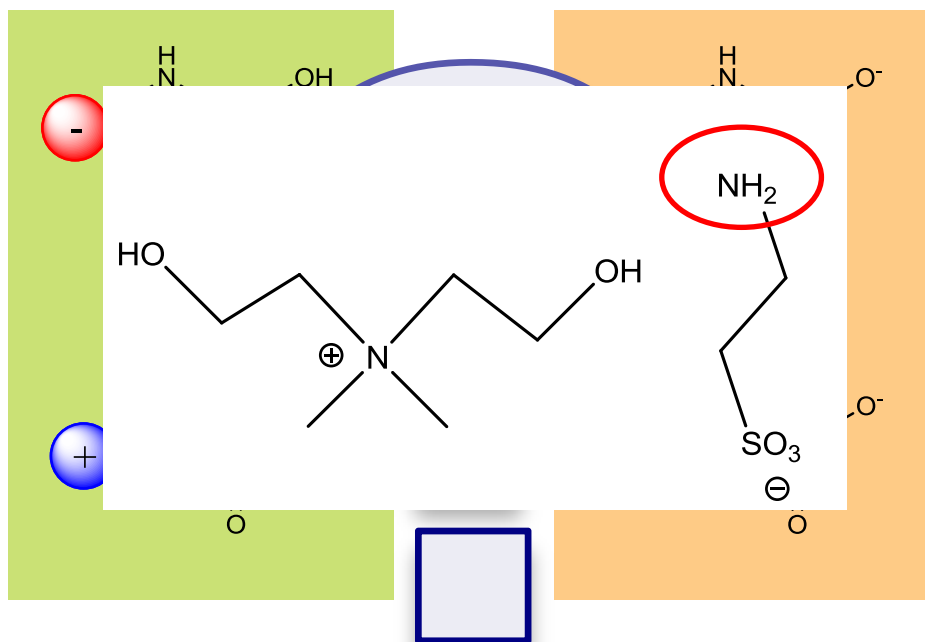
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Amine functionalised surfaces:

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Factors determining carbamic acid stability (substituent groups, CO_2 pressure, moisture, and many others ...)

e.g. Masuda et al., *Tetrahedron* **2005**, 61, 213

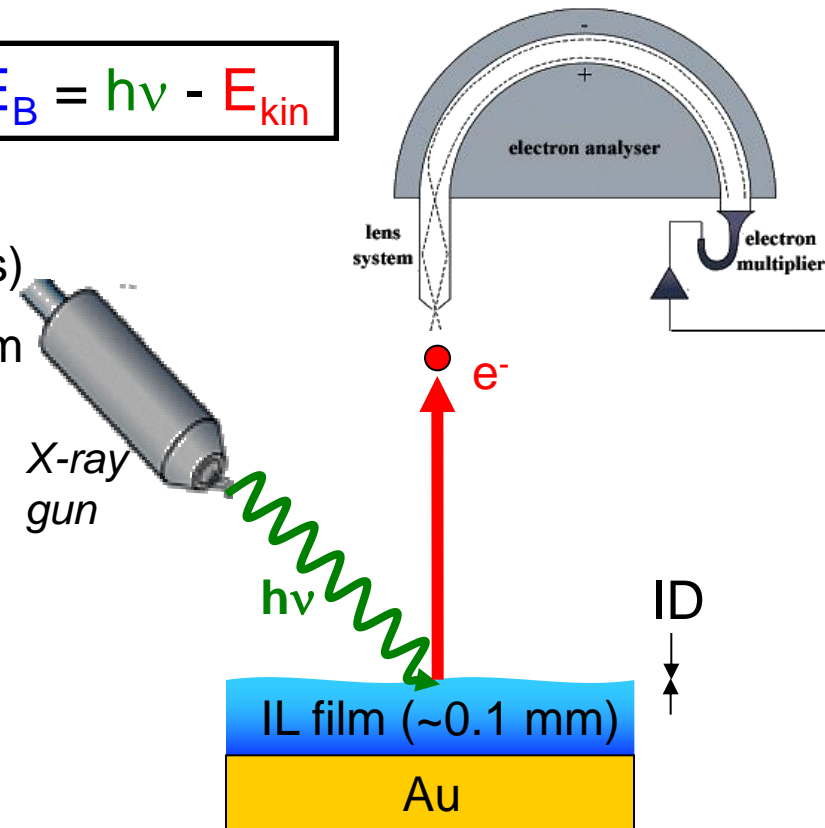
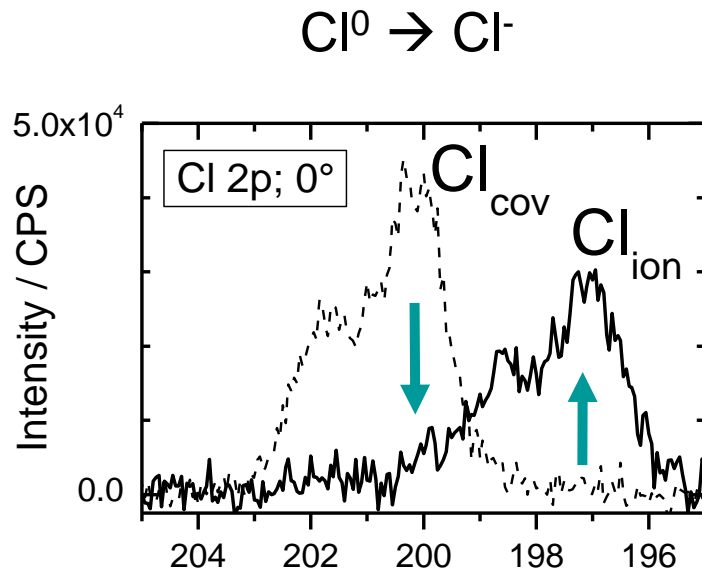
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X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS)

Experimental:

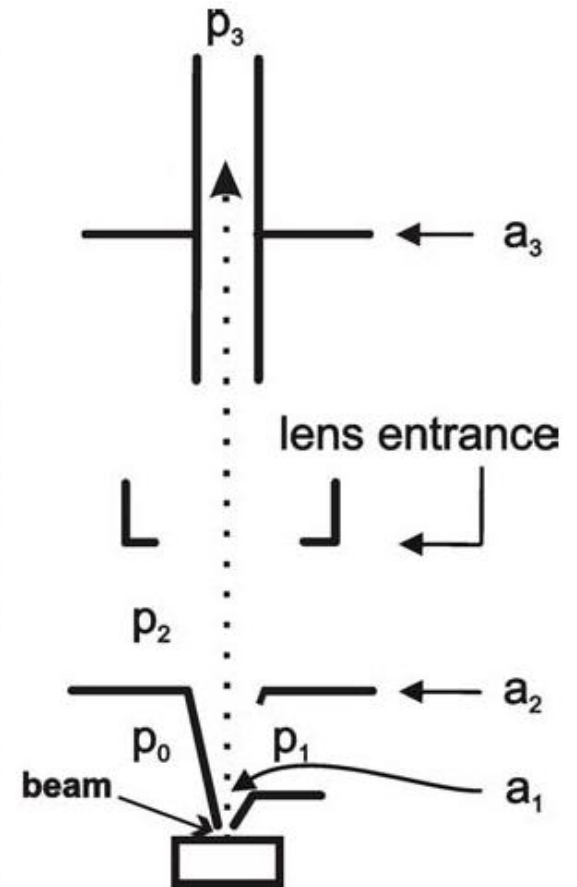
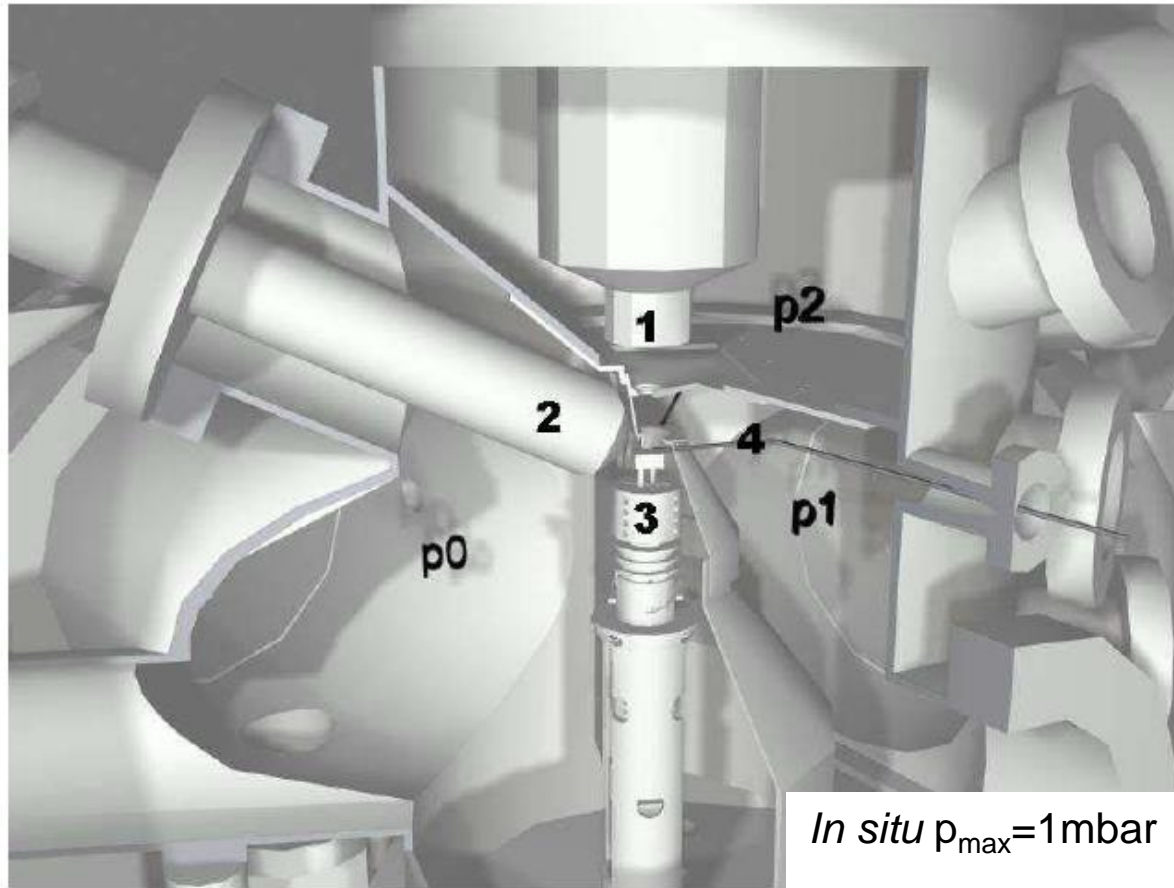
- VG-ESCALAB 200 (Al K_{α} , $\Delta E = 0.9$ eV)
- Sample transfer system
- Pressure $< 10^{-8}$ mbar (clean UHV conditions)
- Thickness of macroscopic IL-layer: ~ 0.1 mm

$$E_B = h\nu - E_{kin}$$



- Element specific
- Chemical shift
- Quantitative analysis
- Surface sensitive ($ID_{max} \approx 7-9$ nm)

In-situ near ambient pressure XPS

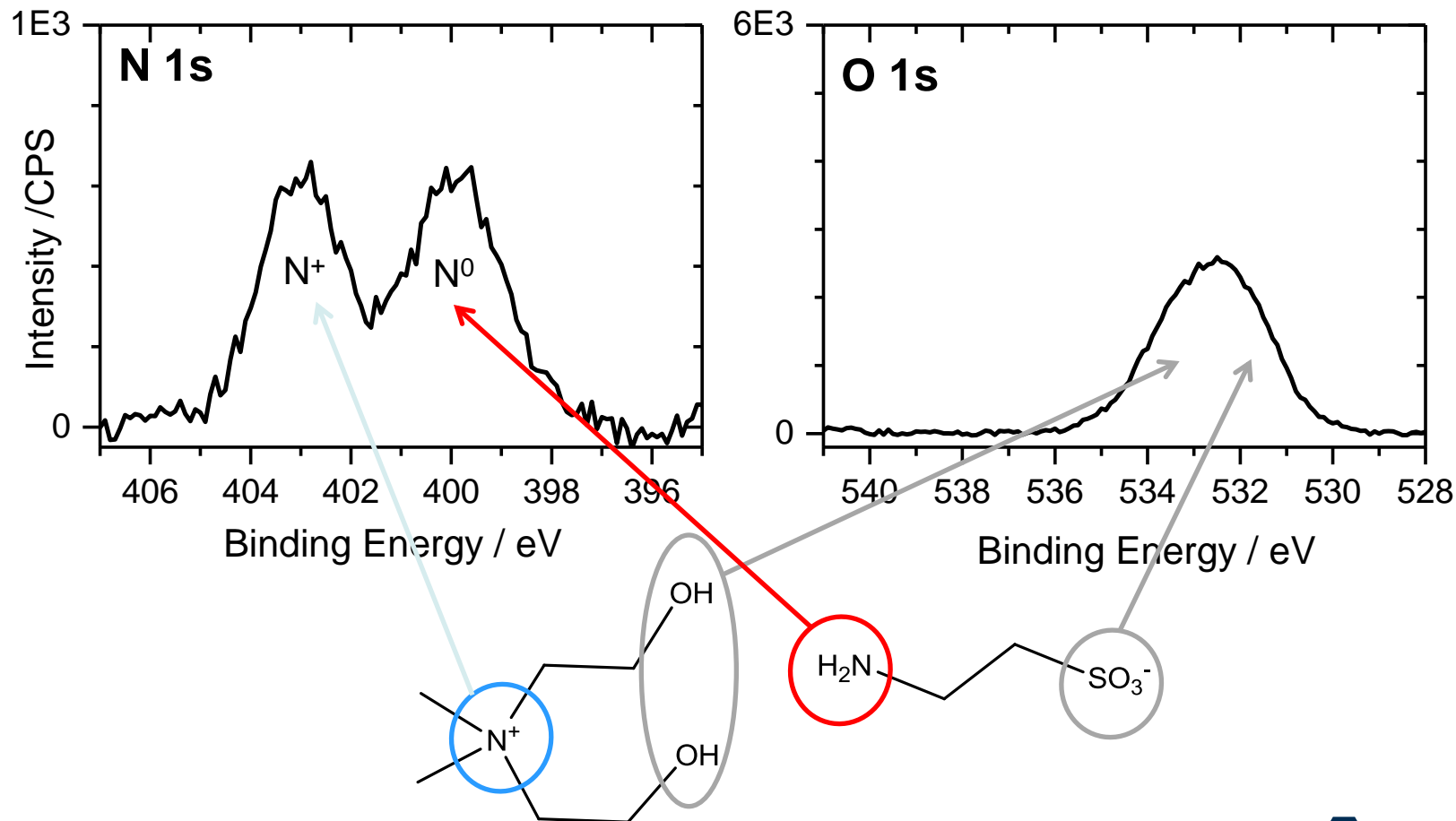


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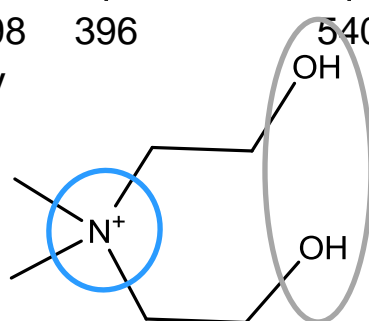
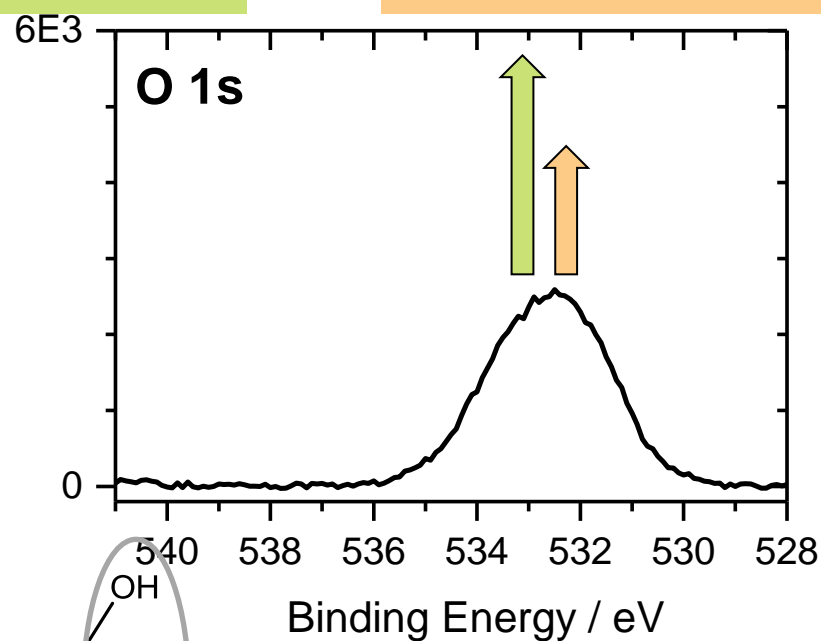
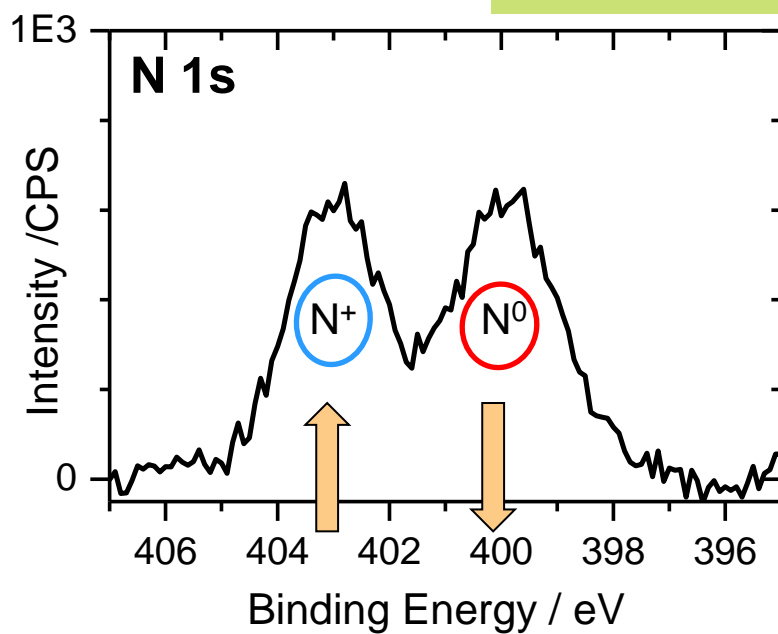
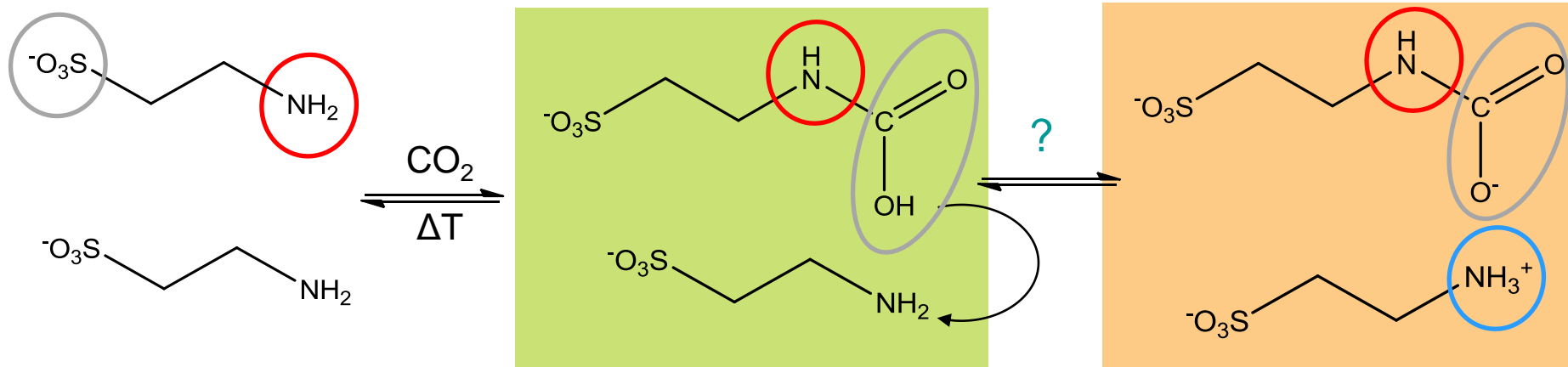
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Clean IL after heating for 1h to 390 K

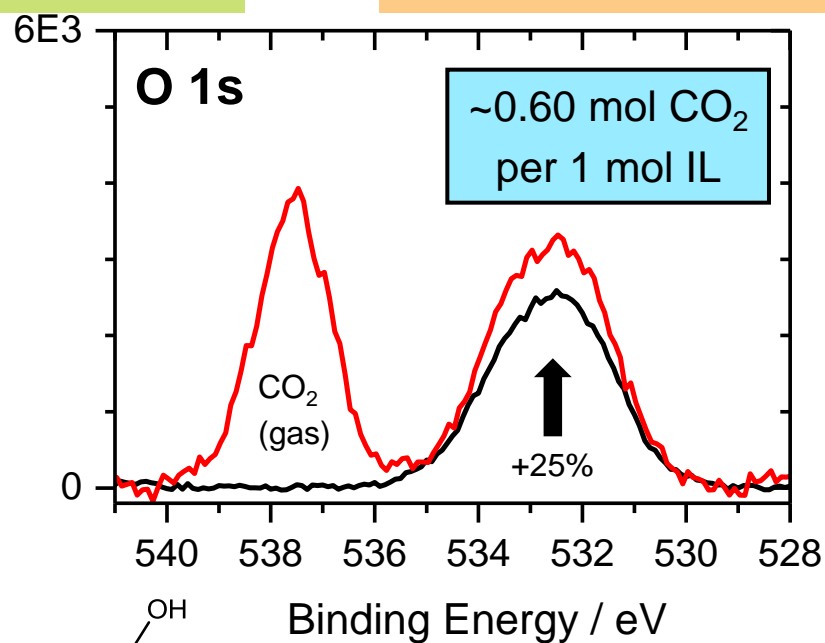
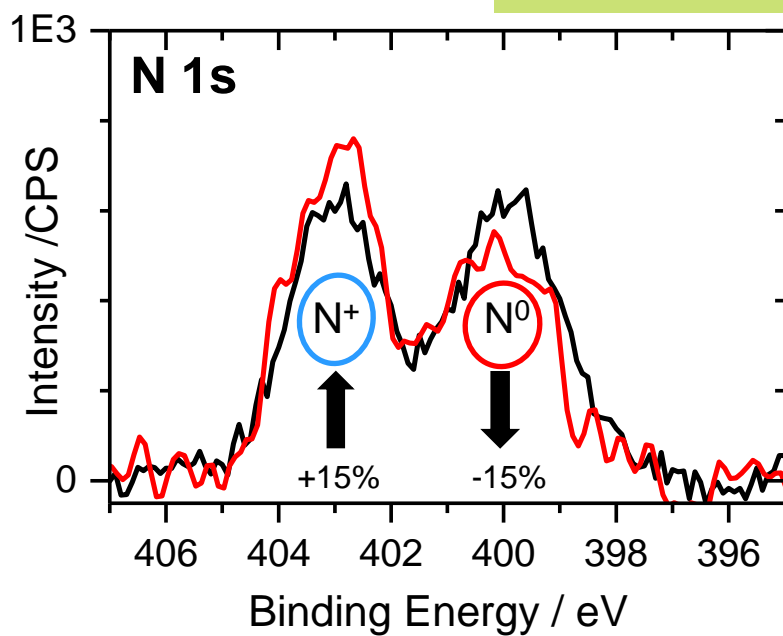
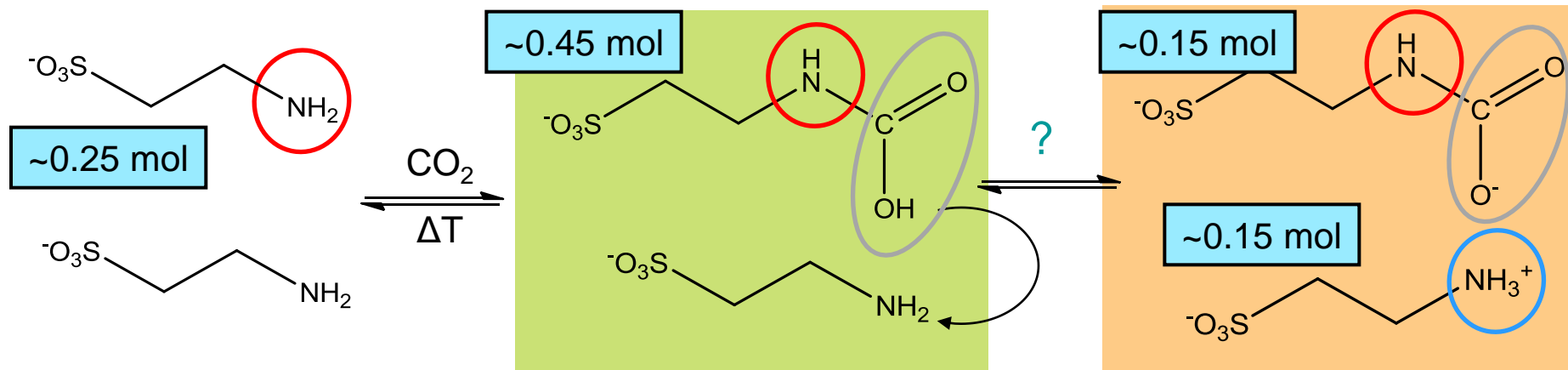
IL surface (ID ~ 7-9 nm)



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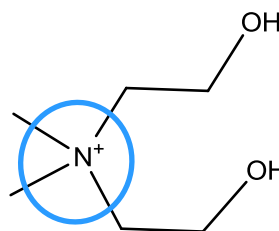


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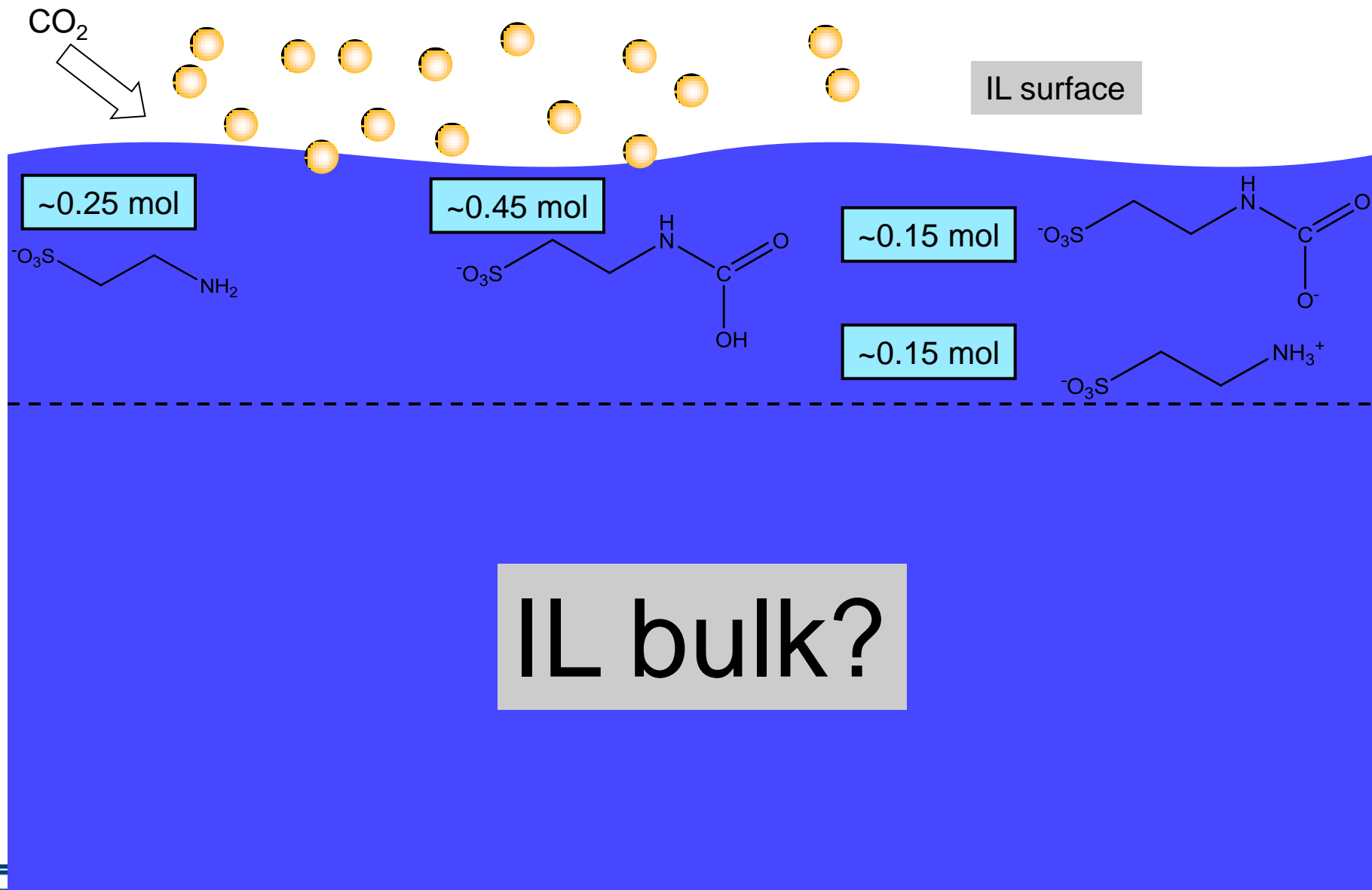


— neat IL

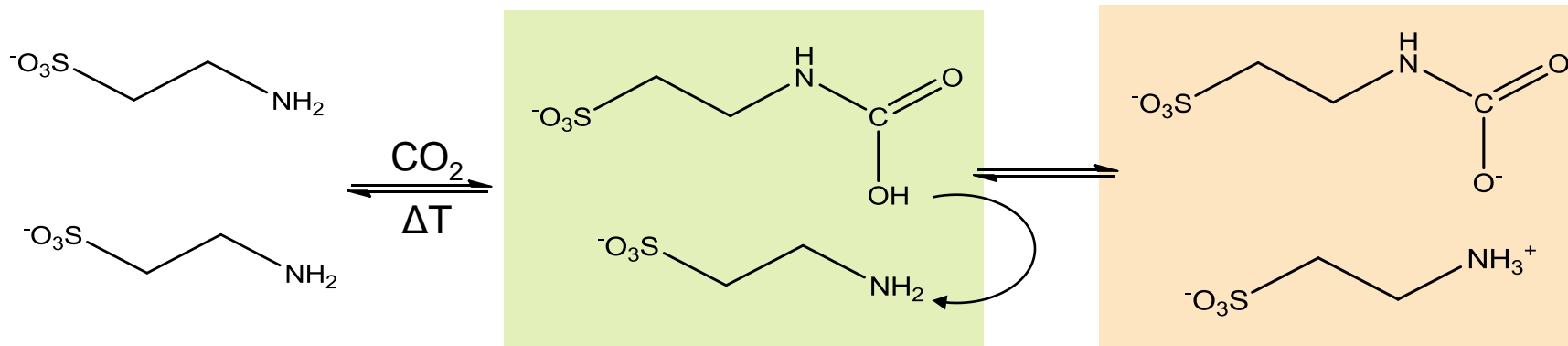
— at 0.9 mbar CO₂



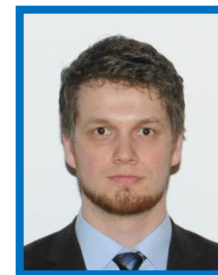
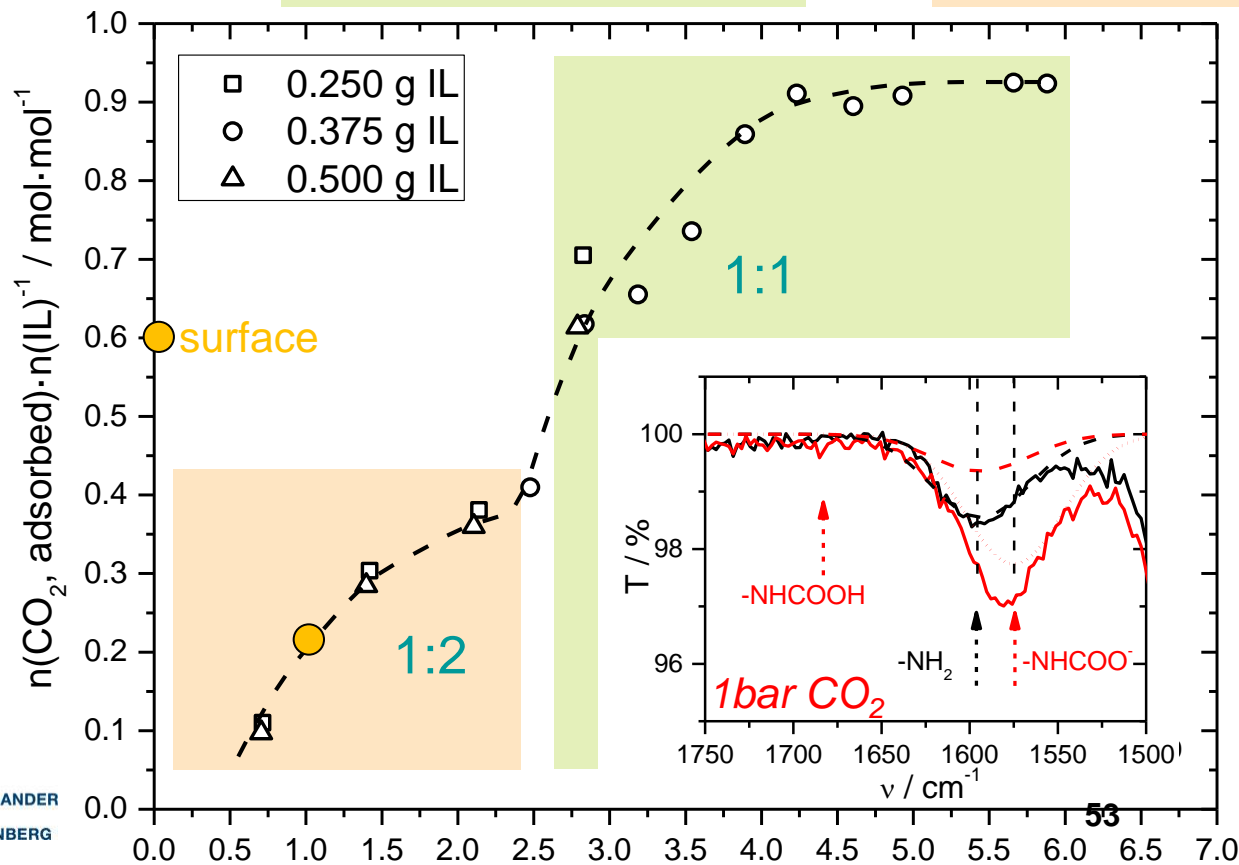
IL surface composition after CO₂ uptake



CO₂ equilibrium adsorption in bulk (ex situ)

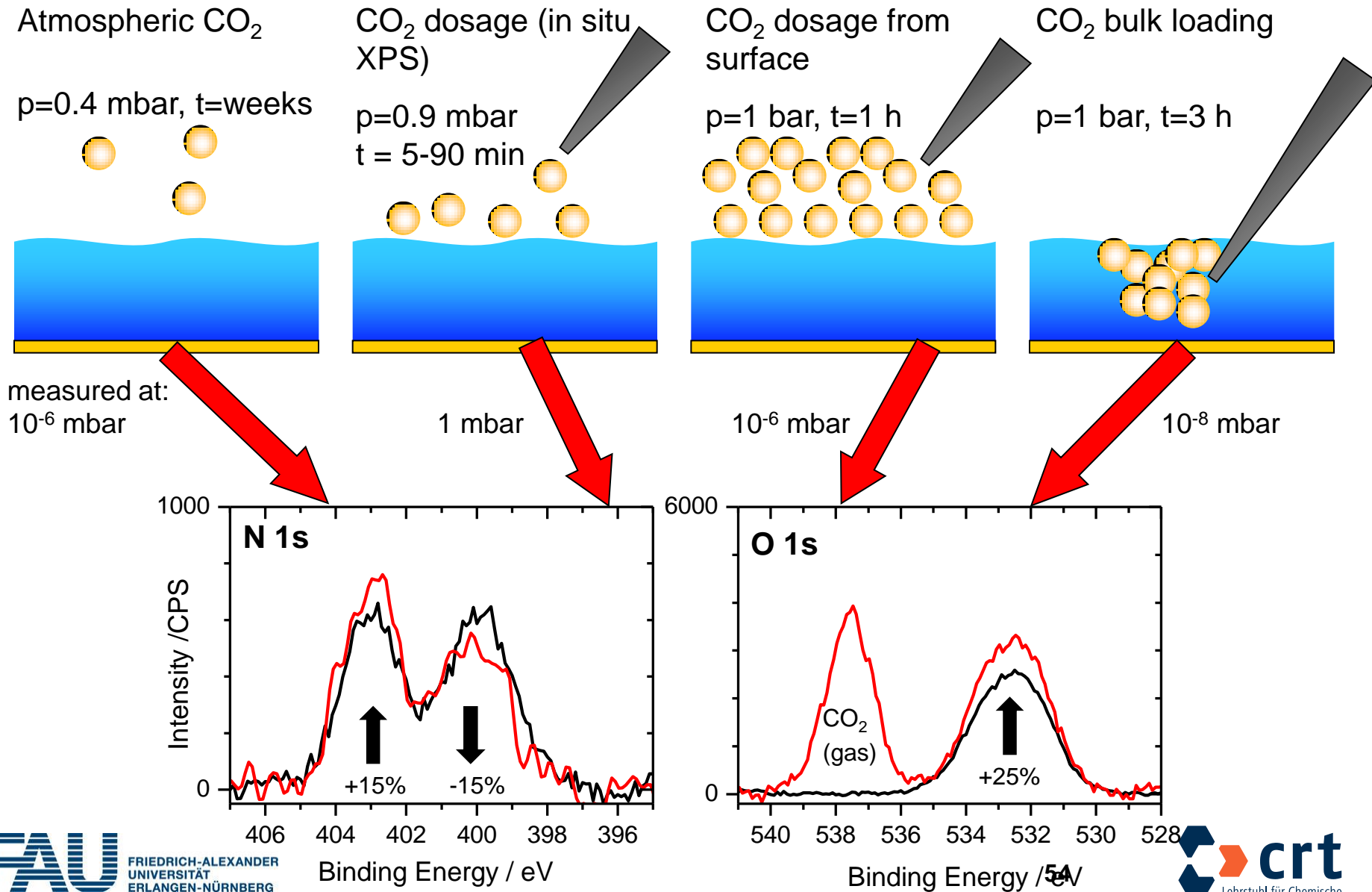


IL bulk uptake
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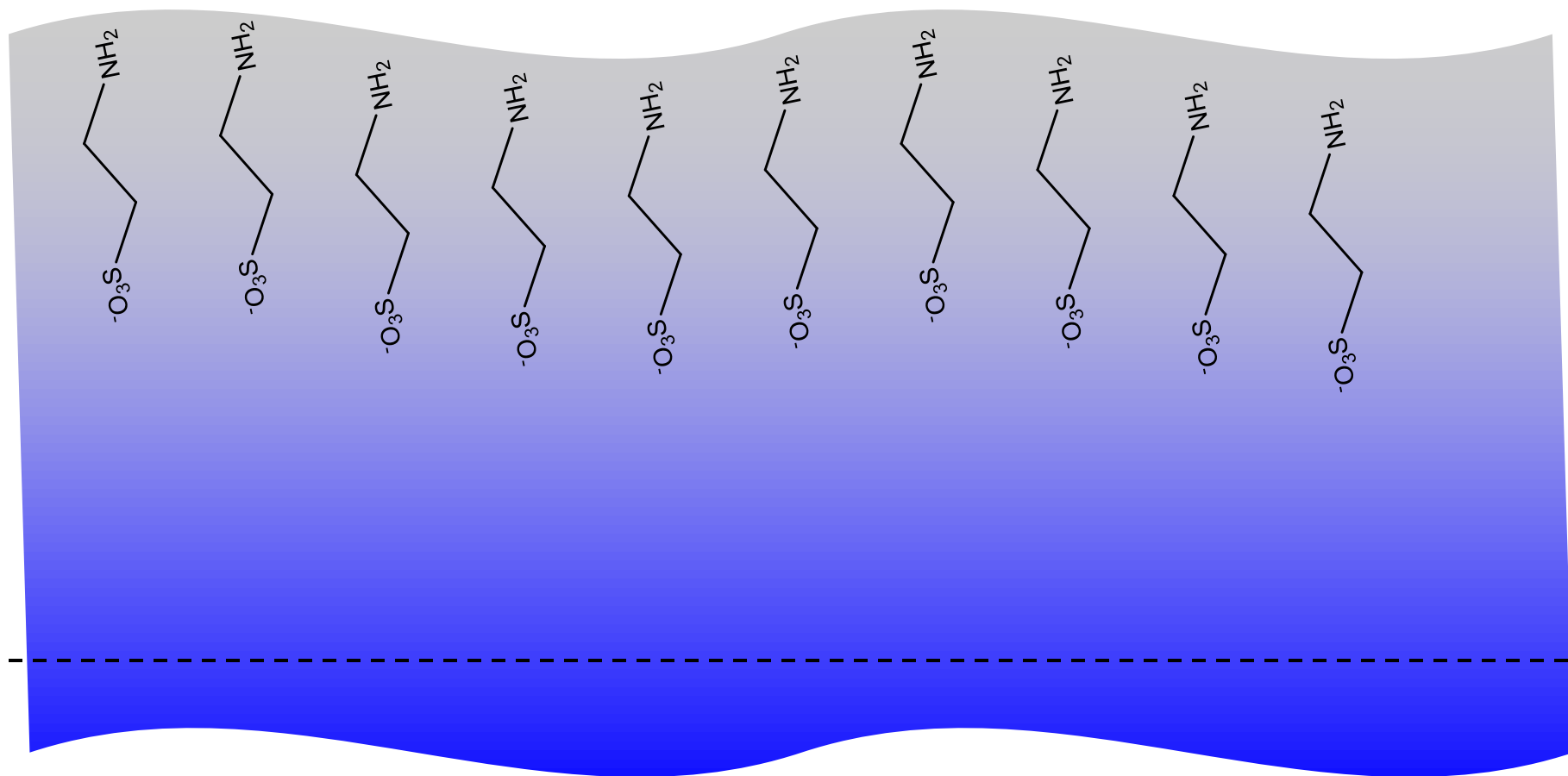


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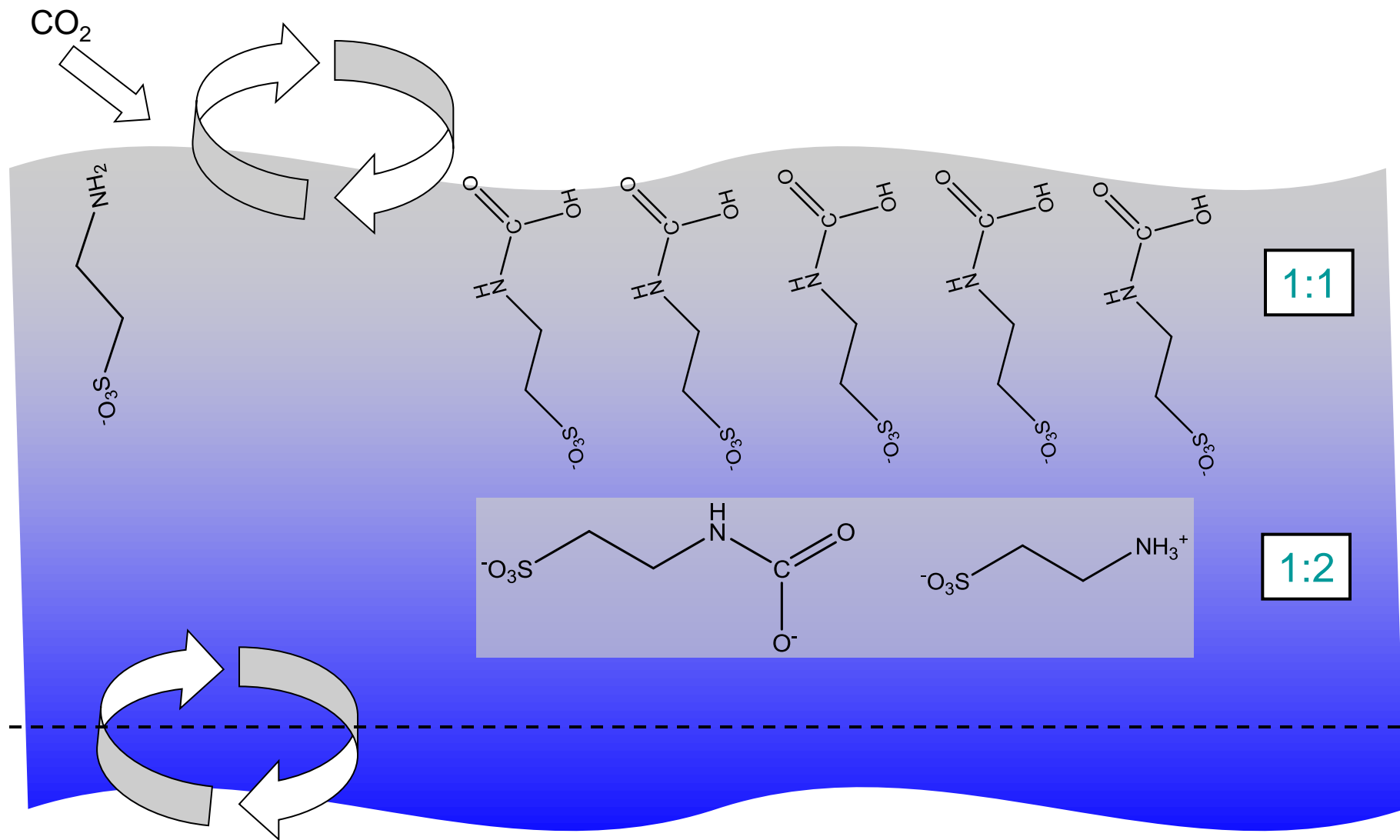
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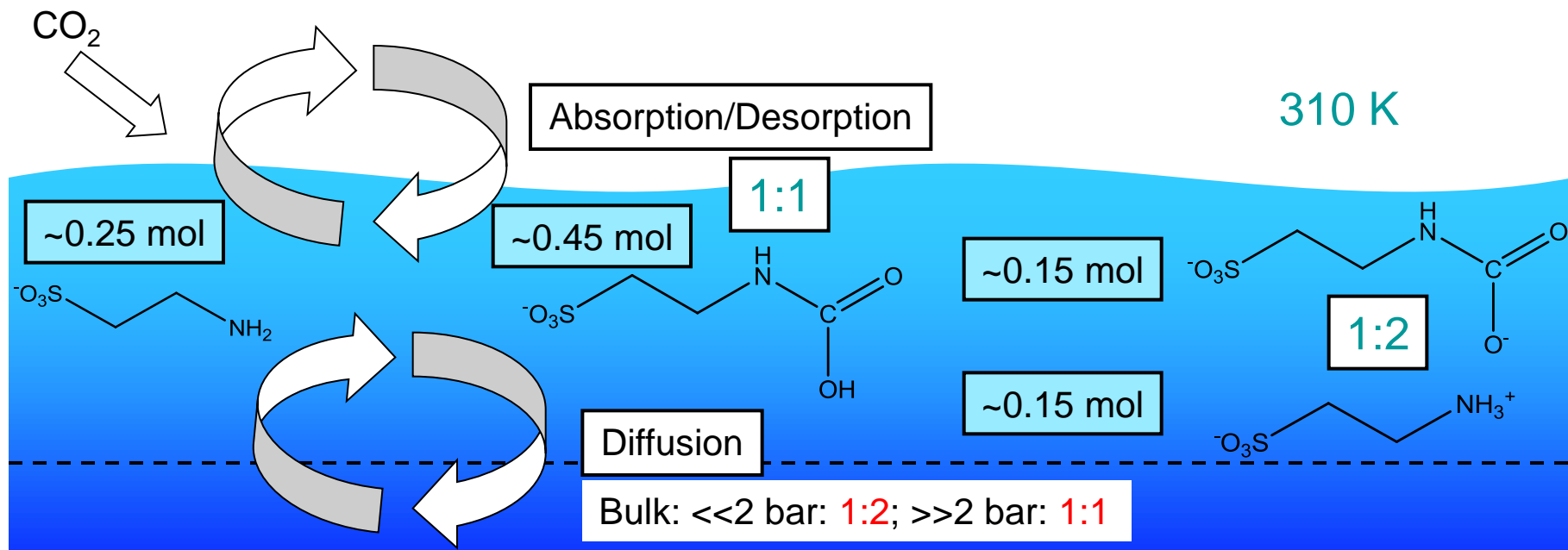
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