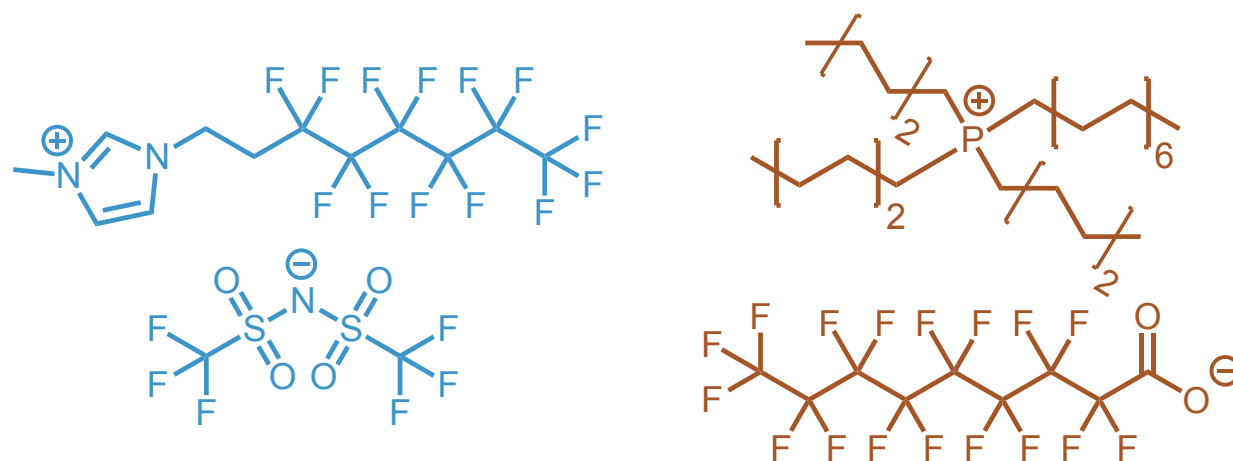


Understanding O₂ Absorption in Ionic Liquids



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Liquids with High O₂ Solubility Have Many Potential Uses



artificial blood
for trauma & surgery



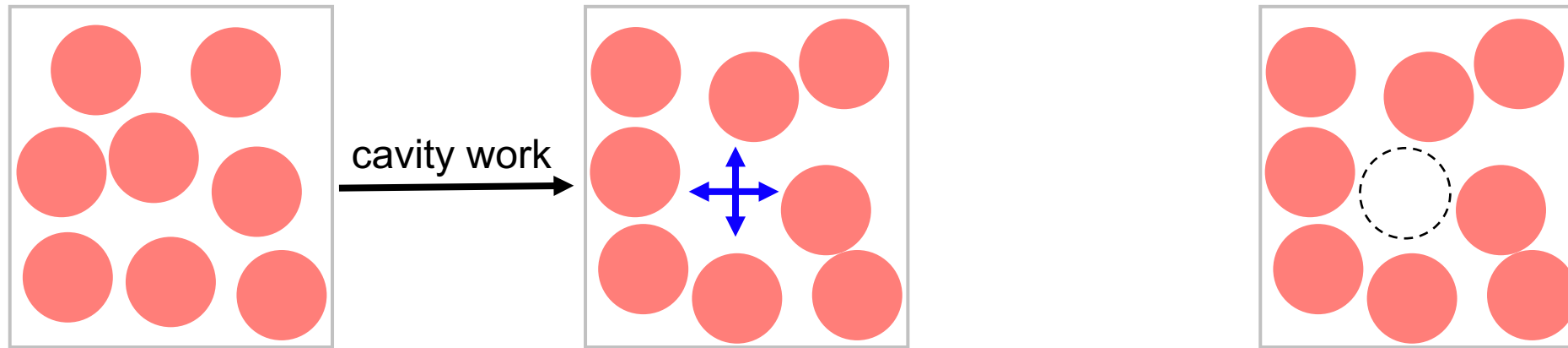
tissue engineering
& cell culture



fuel cells
& electrocatalysts

How does Liquid Structure Explain Solubility Trends?

Liquid	O ₂ Solubility at 25 °C and 1 bar (mmol/L)
water	1.3
<i>n</i> -hexane	15
<i>n</i> -perfluorohexane	28
bulk O ₂	44



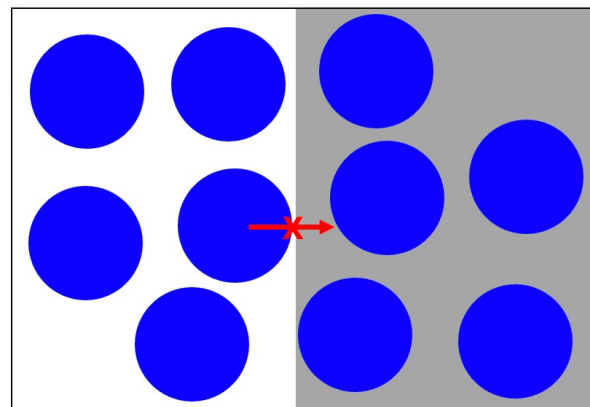
low cohesivity:
easy to form cavities

high free volume:
transient cavities are naturally large

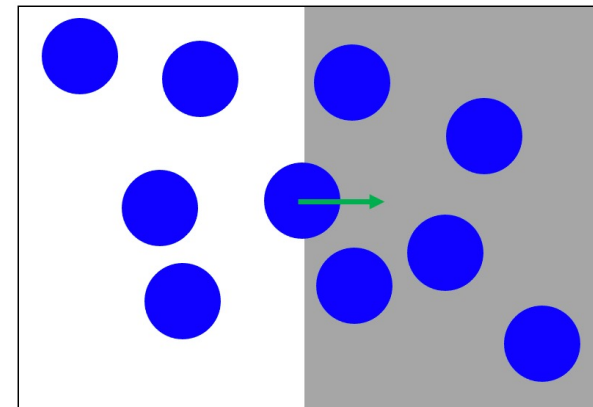
Compressibility Provides Information about Free Volume

Liquid	O ₂ Solubility (mmol/L)	Isothermal Compressibility (10 ⁻¹⁰ Pa ⁻¹)
water	1.3	4.5
hexane	15	15
<i>n</i> -perfluorohexane	28	29

compressibility \approx density fluctuations or variance in the average number of particles in a given volume



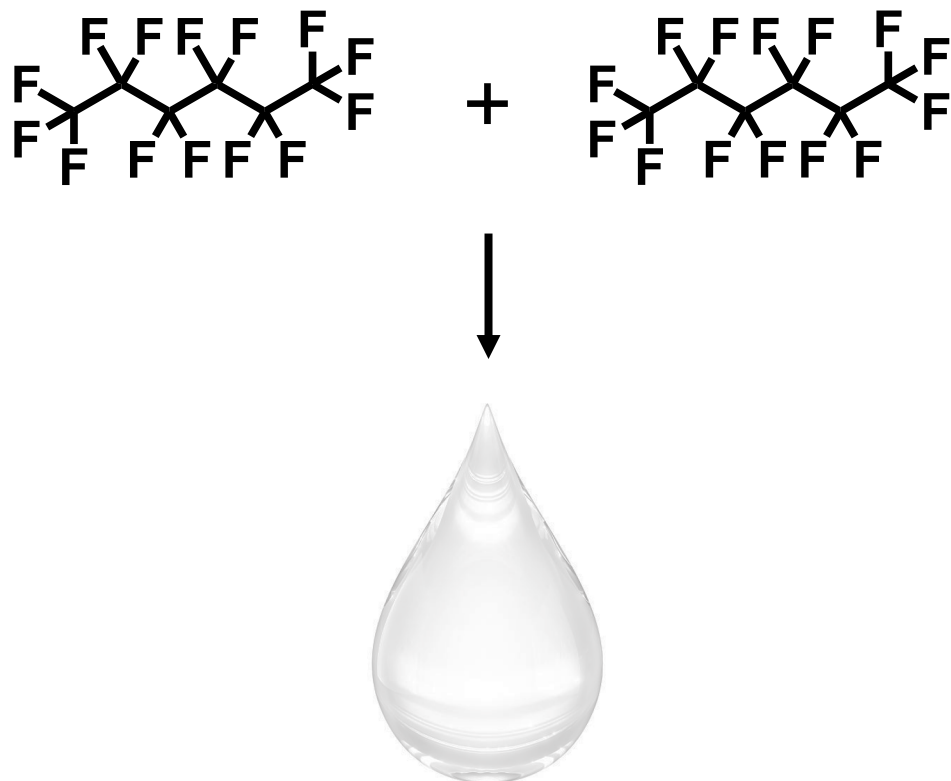
low compressibility



high compressibility

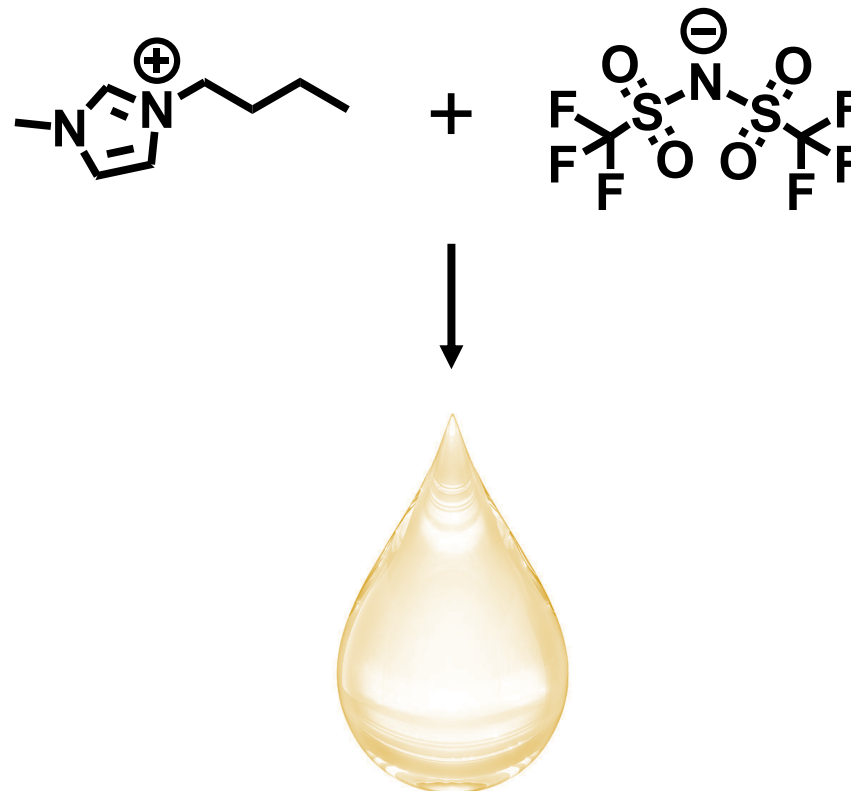
Manipulating Intermolecular Interactions in Liquids

Perfluorocarbons



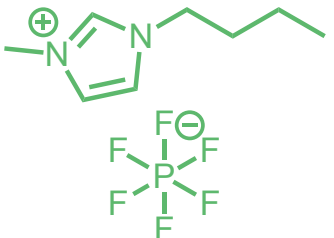
liquids with high gas solubility

Ionic Liquids



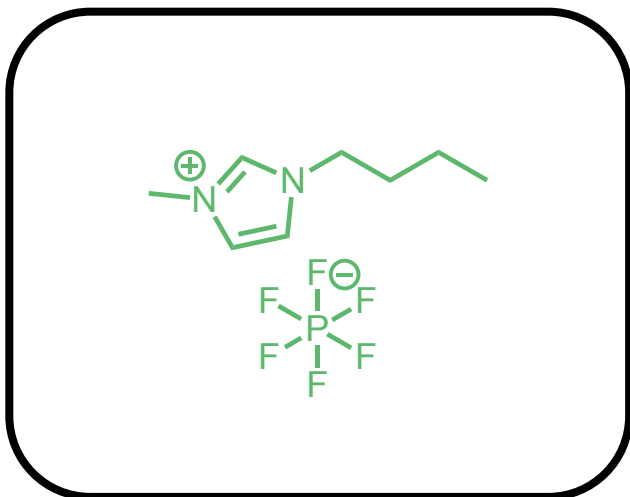
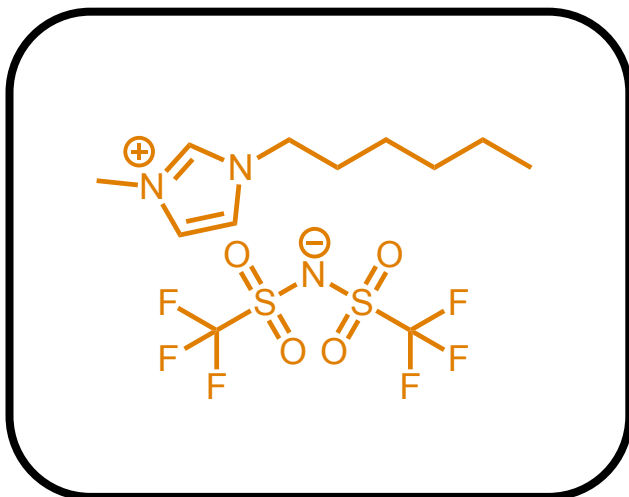
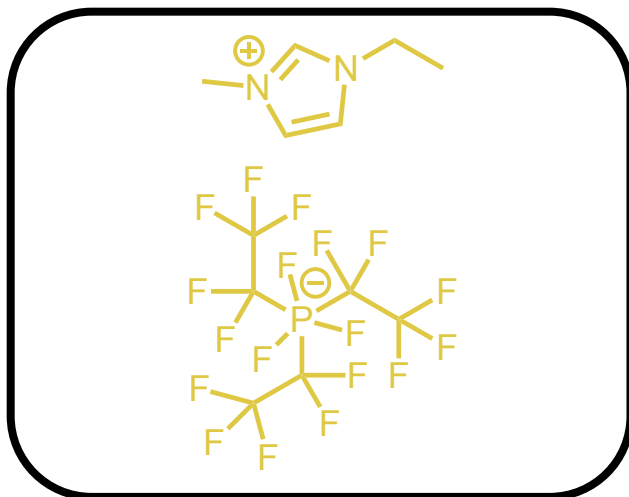
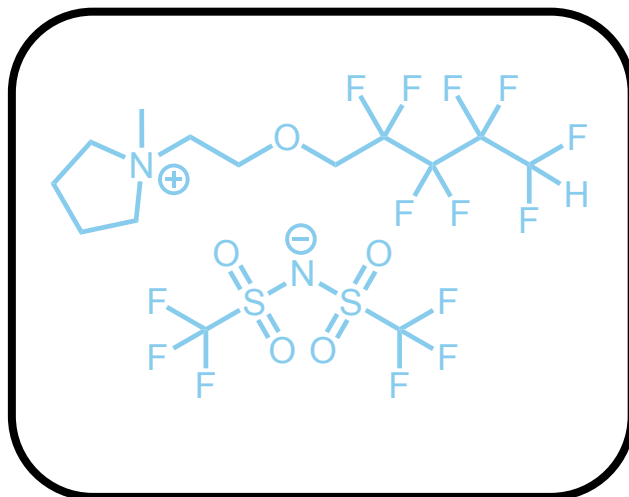
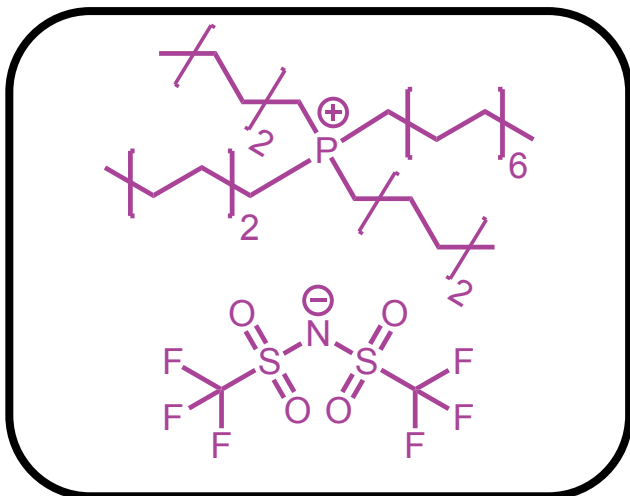
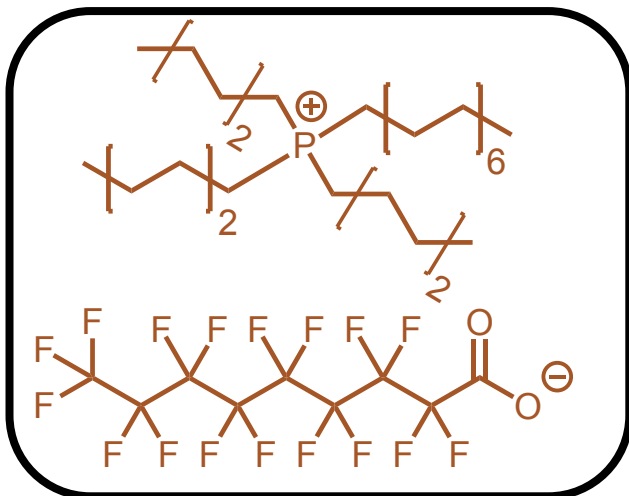
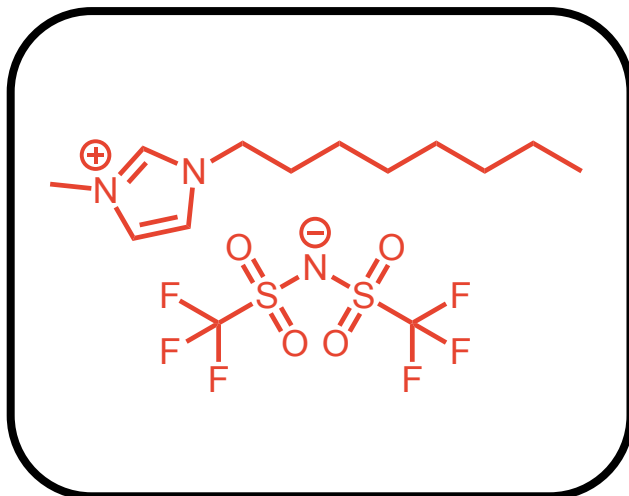
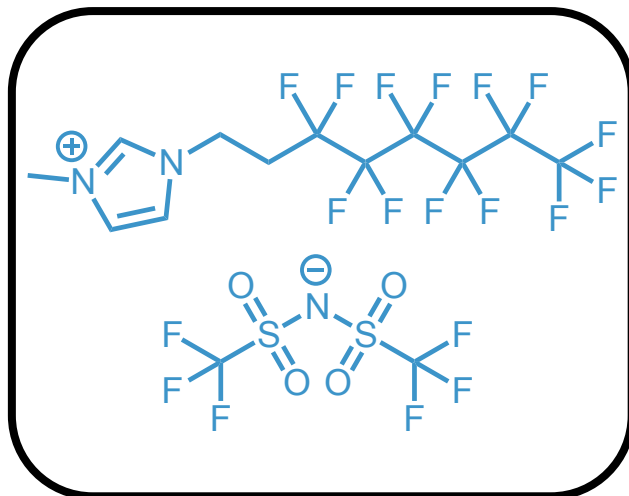
low temperature molten salts
with negligible vapor pressure

Ionic Liquids: Liquids with Low Oxygen Solubility and Compressibility

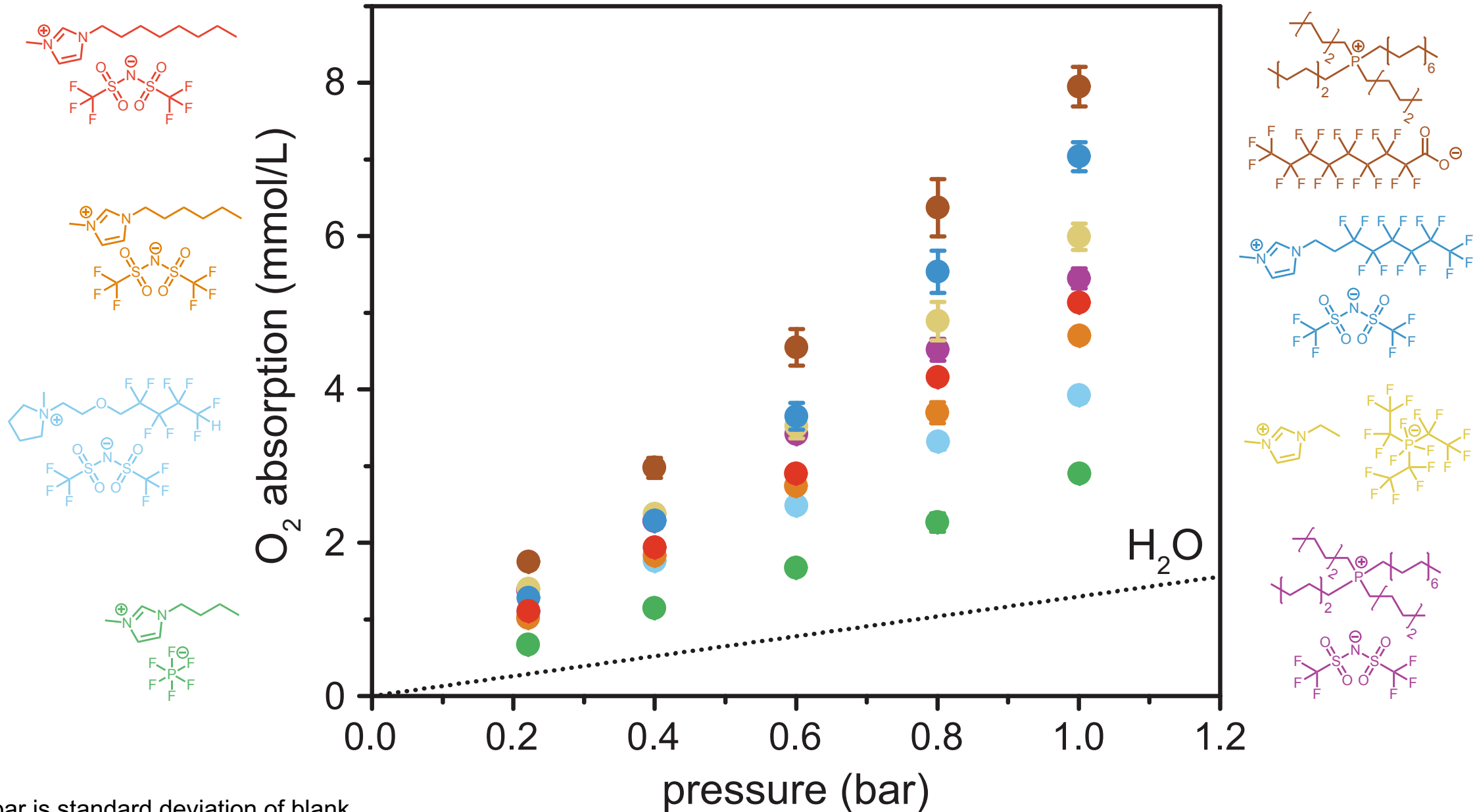
Liquid	O ₂ Solubility (mmol/L)	Isothermal Compressibility (10 ⁻¹⁰ Pa ⁻¹)
water	1.3	4.5
	1.4	4.1
fluorinated ionic liquids	?	?
<i>n</i> -hexane	15	15
<i>n</i> -perfluorohexane	28	29

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Developing a Library of Fluorinated Ionic Liquids

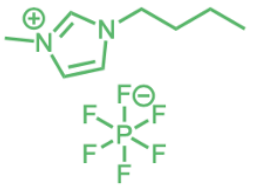
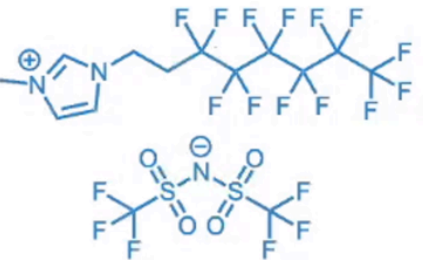


Fluorinated Ionic Liquids Display Higher O₂ Solubilities



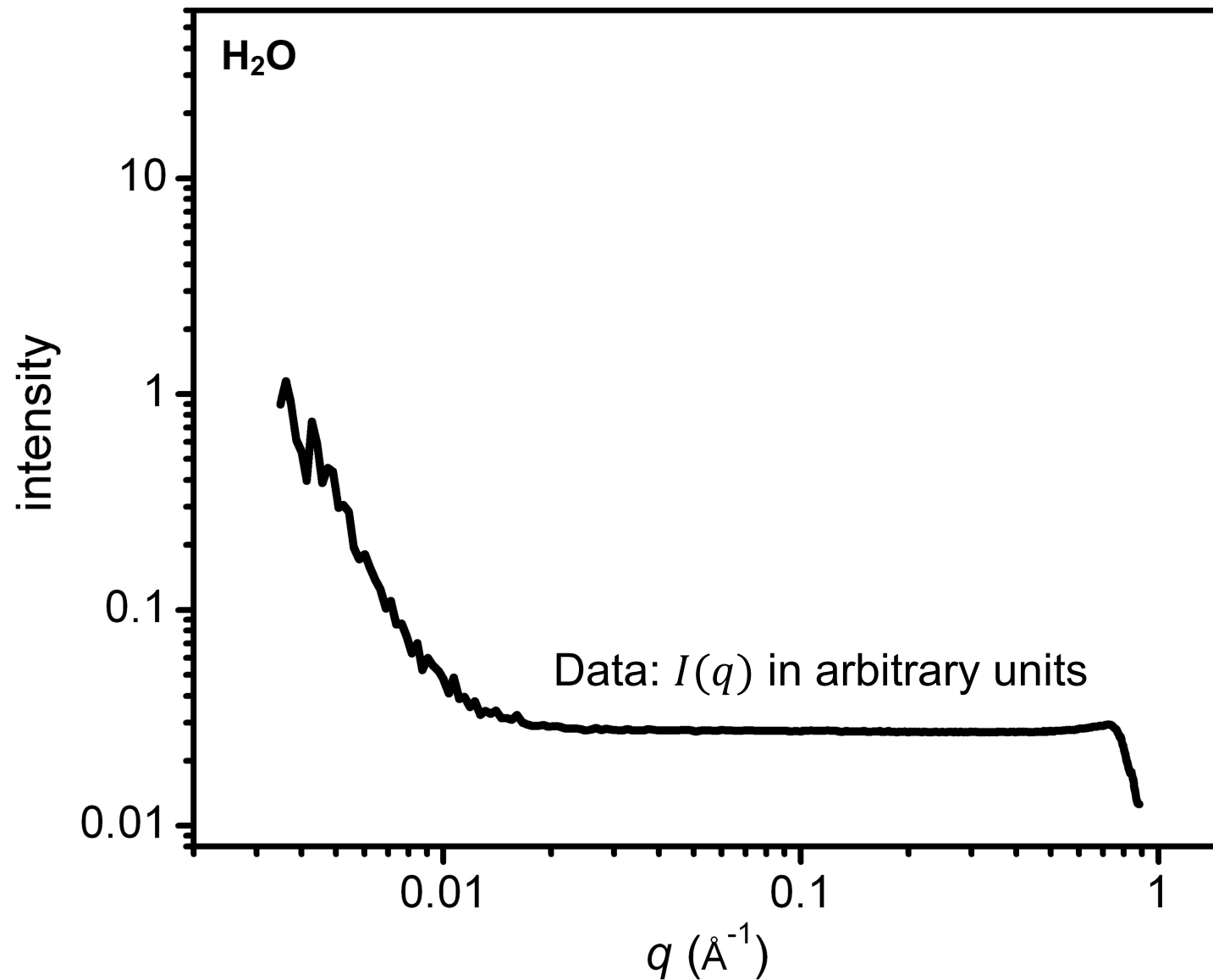
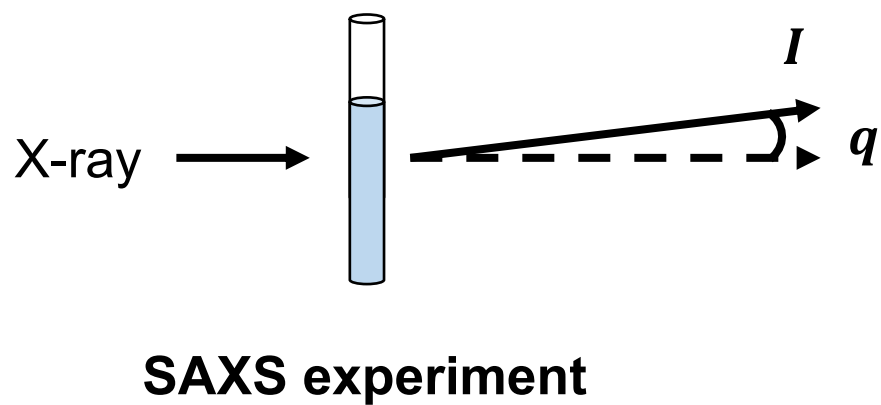
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Understanding Why Fluorination Increases O₂ Solubility

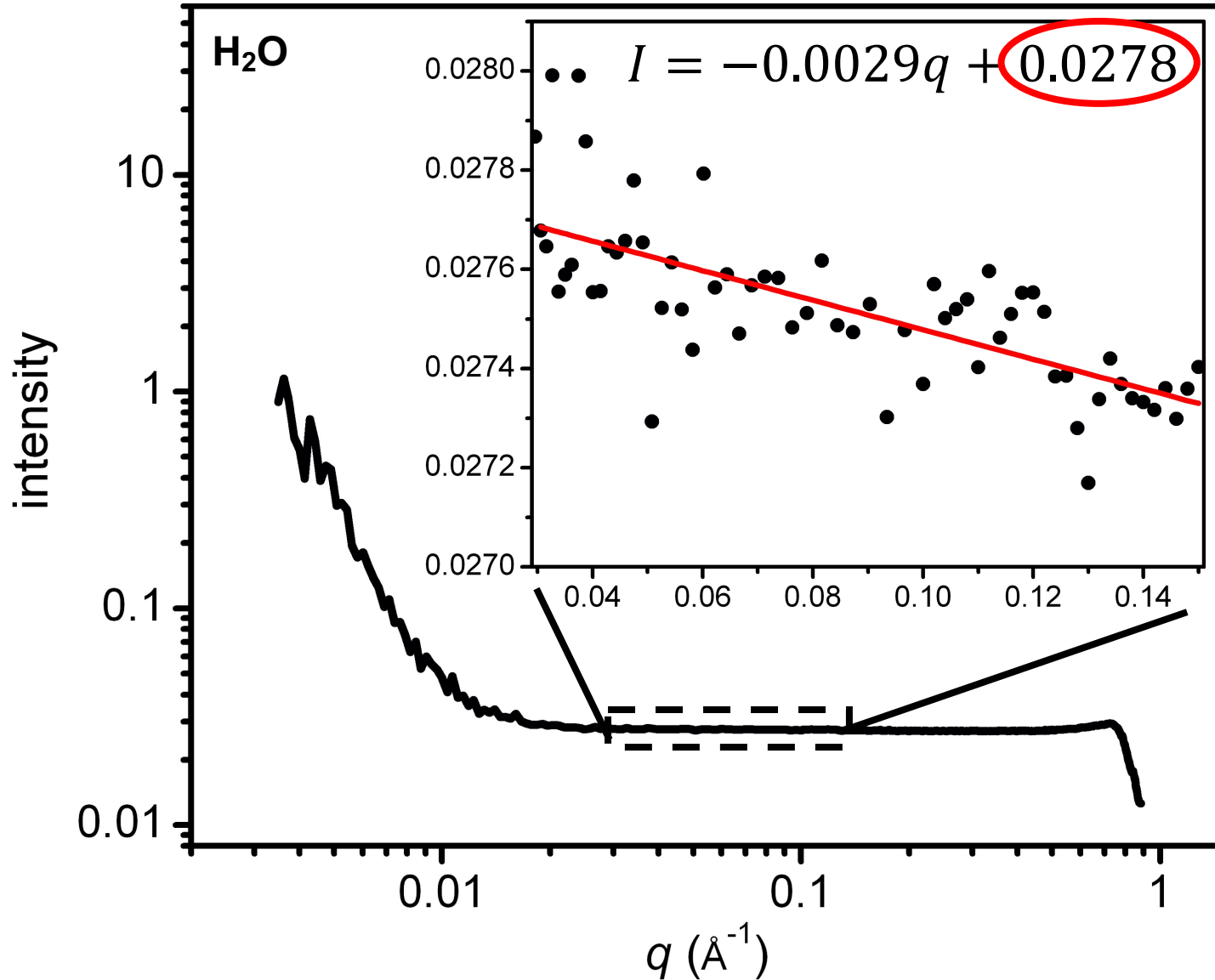
Liquid	O ₂ Solubility (mmol/L)	Isothermal Compressibility (10 ⁻¹⁰ Pa ⁻¹)
water	1.3	4.5
	2.9	4.1
	7.9	?
<i>n</i> -hexane	15	15
<i>n</i> -perfluorohexane	28	29

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Extracting Isothermal Compressibility from SAXS Data



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Using the SAXS intensity of H₂O at $q = 0$:

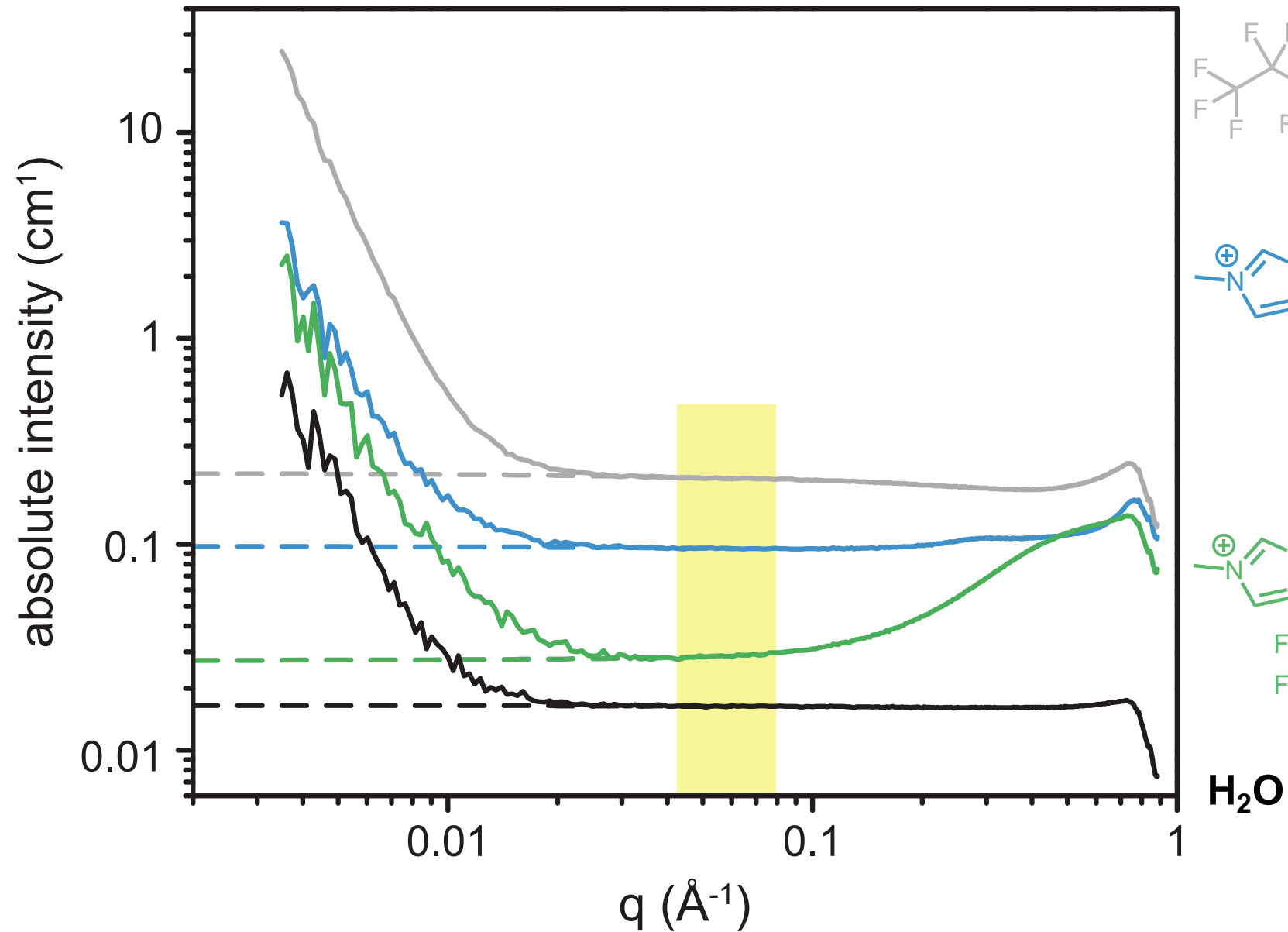
$$a = \frac{\beta_T \rho^2 k_B T}{I(0)}$$



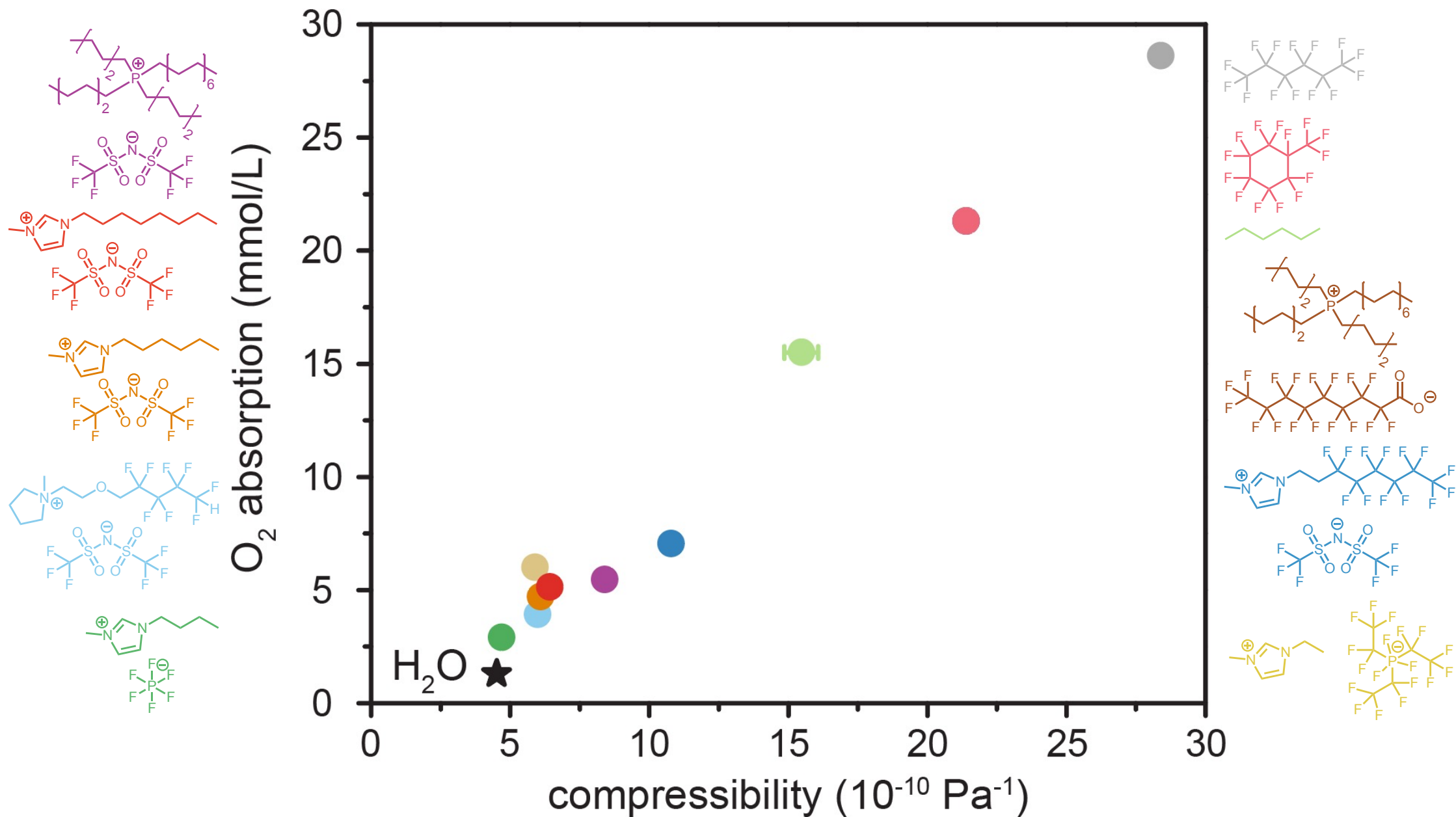
For all other samples, use the scaling factor determined from H₂O:

$$\beta_T = \frac{a * I(0)}{\rho^2 k_B T}$$

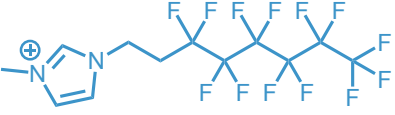
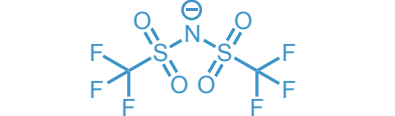
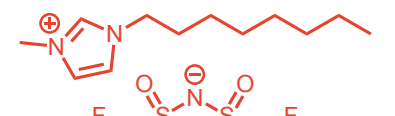
Compressibility Data: Visual Inspection

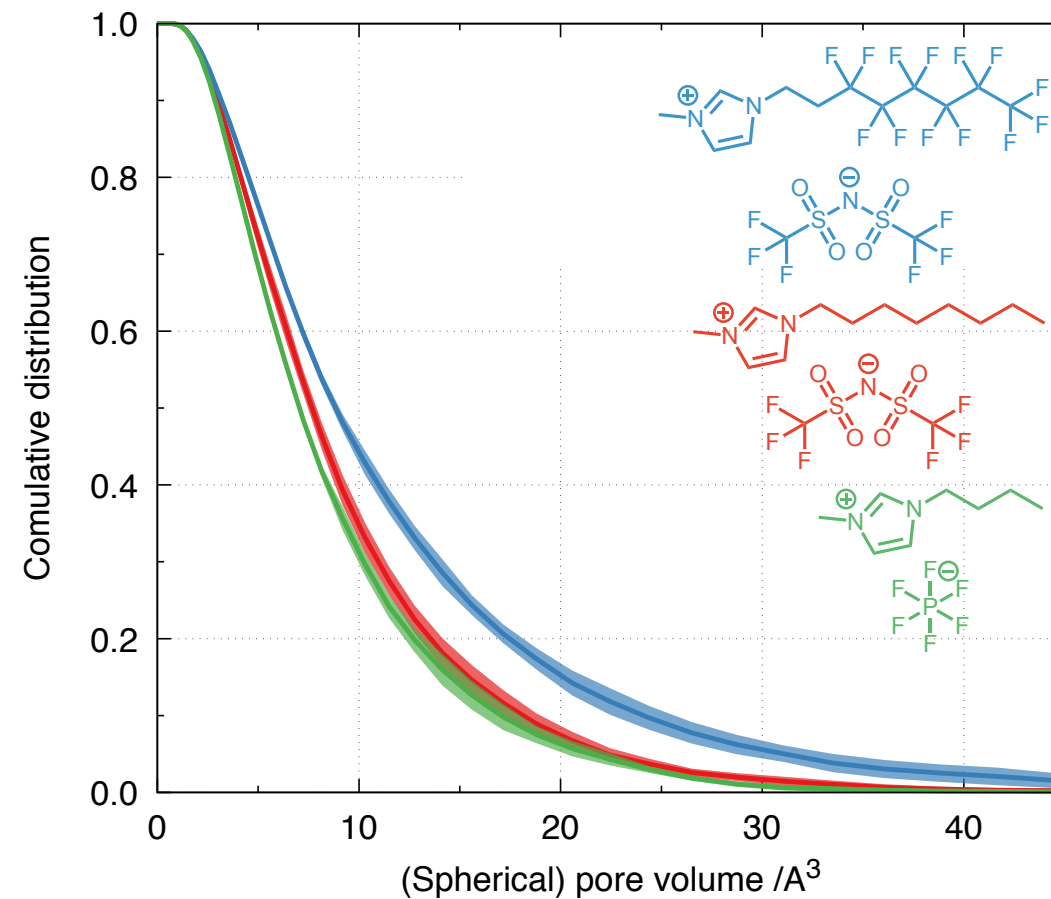


O₂ Solubility vs. Compressibility



Probing Free Volume *via* Molecular Dynamics Simulations

Compressibility (10^{-10} Pa^{-1})		
Liquid	Experimental	Simulated
	10.8 ± 1	9.4 ± 0.15
	6.44 ± 1	7.8 ± 0.4
	4.7 ± 1	6.15 ± 0.15



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