

## Solvent effect on the enthalpy of solution and partial molar volume of the ionic liquid 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate

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### Abstract

Enthalpies of solution and partial molar volumes of the ionic liquid 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate were determined in 15 solvents of different polarity. Very large differences of the enthalpies of solution ( $\Delta \Delta_{\text{solHIL}} = 38.9 \text{ kJ}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ ) and partial molar volumes ( $\Delta V_{\text{IL}} = 43 \text{ cm}^3\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ ) are nearly the same as observed for lithium perchlorate solutions. These results clearly indicate that the low values of the macroscopic polarity parameters of [bmim]BF<sub>4</sub> do not correspond with the large differences of the intermolecular interactions in IL solutions. The values of the partial molar volume of the cation,  $V_{\text{[bmim]}}$ , were estimated for the first time. The changes of the partial molar volumes,  $V_{\text{IL}}$ , reflect mainly the changes of anion volume,  $V_{\text{BF}_4}$ . The rate of the Diels-Alder reaction of 9,10-dimethylantracene with maleic anhydride in the [bmim]BF<sub>4</sub> medium was nearly the same as in common molecular solvents. © Springer Science+Business Media, LLC 2012.

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