

Supporting Information

Design of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug-based ionic liquids with improved water solubility and drug delivery

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Table S1. Water content of ILs after drying in vacuum line.

Water content (wt%)	
[Ch][Ibu]	1.90 ± 0.11
[Ch][Ket]	2.12 ± 0.21
[Ch][Nap]	0.39 ± 0.08

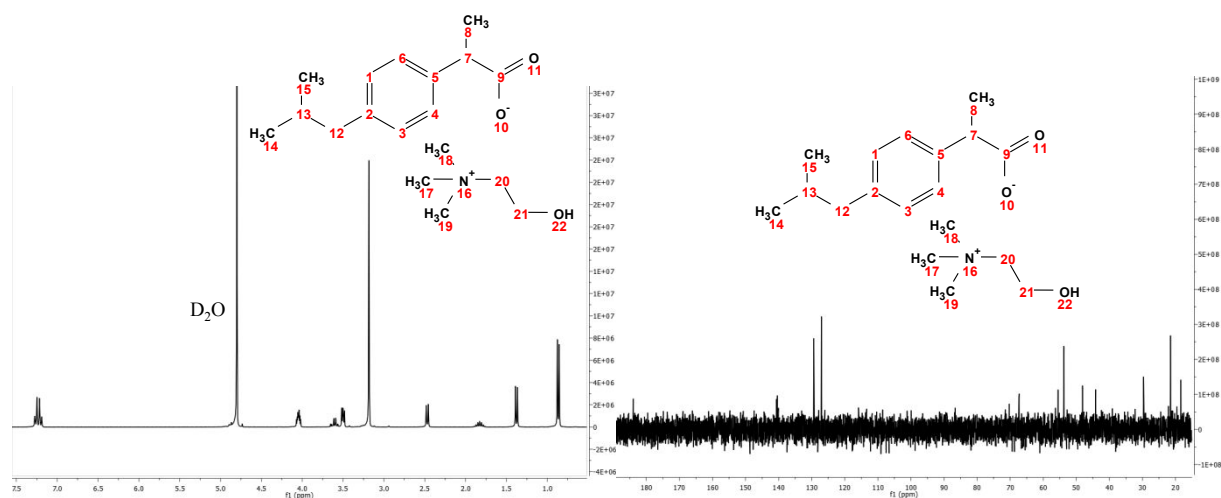


Figure S1. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR in D_2O of [Ch][Ibu].

^1H NMR (D_2O , 300 MHz, [ppm]): 0.86 (d, 6H, $\text{H}_{14,15}$), 1.38 (d, 3H, H_8), 1.83 (m, 1H, H_{13}), 2.47 (d, 2H, H_{12}), 3.18 (s, 9H, $\text{H}_{17,18,19}$), 3.50 (q, 2H, H_{20}), 3.60 (q, 1H, H_7), 4.04 (m, 2H, H_{21}), 7.23 (dd, 4H, $\text{H}_{1,3,4,6}$).

^{13}C NMR (D_2O , 75 MHz, [ppm]): 18.23 (1C, C_8), 21.52 (2C, $\text{C}_{14,15}$), 29.42 (1C, C_{13}), 44.04 (1C, C_{12}), 48.00 (1C, C_7), 53.73 (3C, $\text{C}_{17,18,19}$), 55.45 (1C, C_{21}), 67.46 (1C, C_{20}), 127.06 (4C, $\text{C}_{1,3,4,6}$), 129.38 (1C, C_5), 140.19 (1C, C_2), 183.74 (1C, C_9).

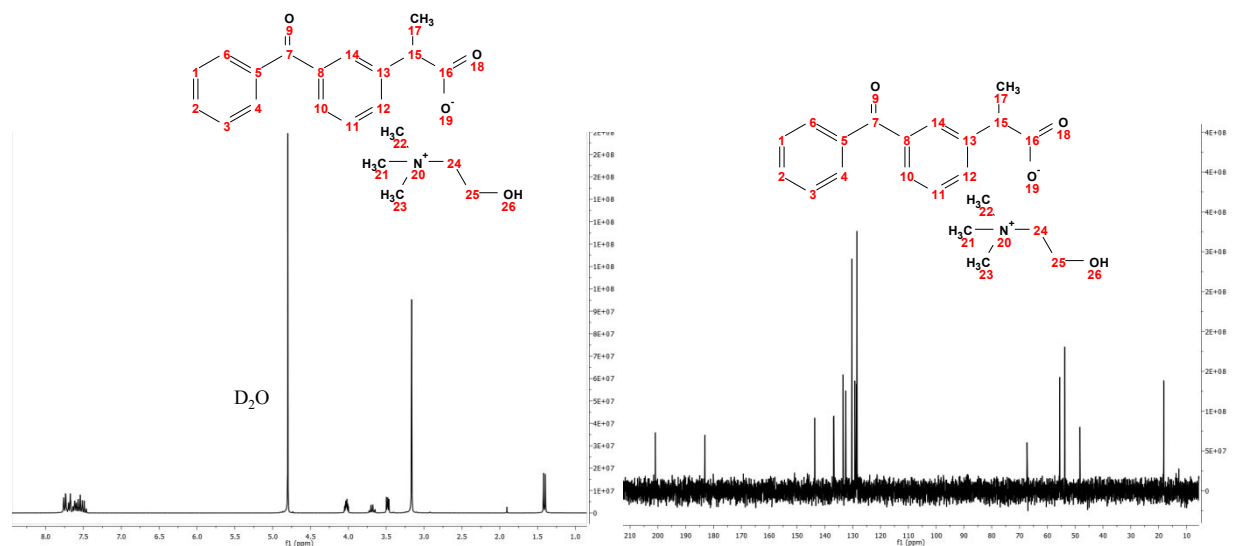


Figure S2. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR in D_2O of $[\text{Ch}][\text{Ket}]$.

^1H NMR (D_2O , 300 MHz, [ppm]): 1.41 (d, 3H, \mathbf{H}_{17}), 3.16 (s, 9H, $\mathbf{H}_{21,22,23}$), 3.47 (q, 2H, \mathbf{H}_{24}), 3.69 (q, 1H, \mathbf{H}_{15}), 4.01 (m, 2H, \mathbf{H}_{25}), 7.46-7.76 (m, 9H, $\mathbf{H}_{1,2,3,4,6,10,11,12,14}$).

^{13}C NMR (D_2O , 75 MHz, [ppm]): 18.19 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{17}), 48.30 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{15}), 53.76 (3C, $\mathbf{C}_{21,22,23}$), 55.51 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{25}), 67.24 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{24}), 128.48-143.61 (12C, $\mathbf{C}_{1,2,3,4,5,6,8,10,11,12,13,14}$), 183.09 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{16}), 200.93 (1C, \mathbf{C}_7).

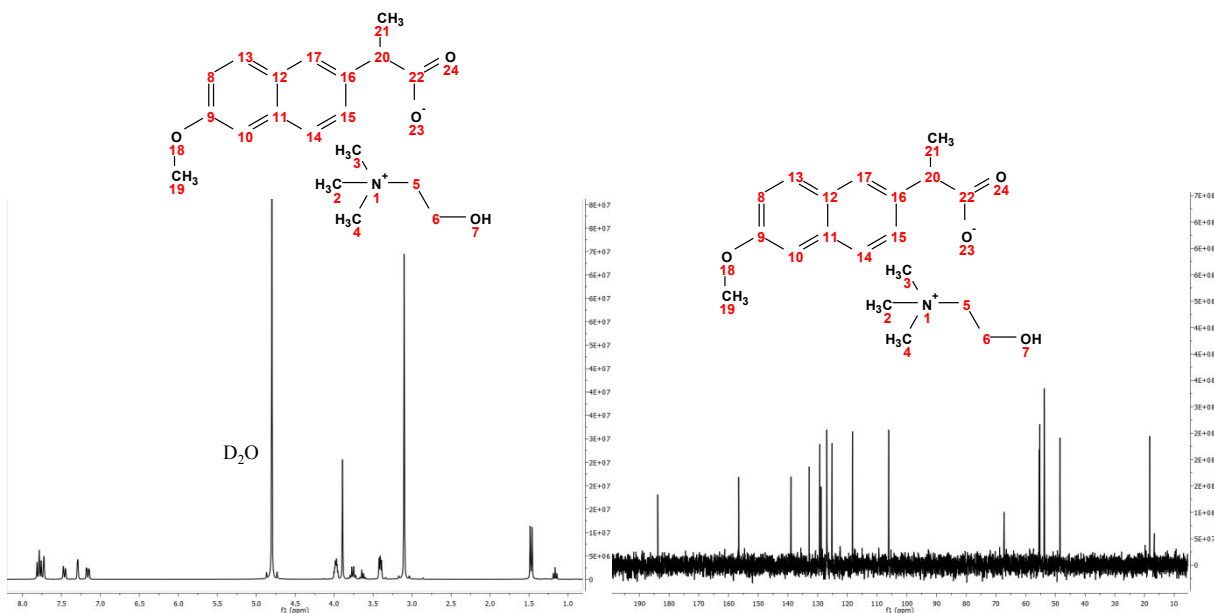


Figure S3. ^1H and ^{13}C NMR in D_2O of $[\text{Ch}][\text{Nap}]$.

^1H NMR (D_2O , 300 MHz, [ppm]): 1.47 (d, 3H, \mathbf{H}_{21}), 3.10 (s, 9H, $\mathbf{H}_{2,3,4}$), 3.41 (q, 2H, \mathbf{H}_5), 3.60-3.83 (m, 1H, \mathbf{H}_{20}), 3.89 (s, 3H, \mathbf{H}_{19}), 3.97 (m, 2H, \mathbf{H}_6), 7.14-7.81 (m, 6H, $\mathbf{H}_{8,10,13,14,15,17}$).

^{13}C NMR (D_2O , 75 MHz, [ppm]): 18.24 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{21}), 48.42 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{20}), 53.70 (3C, $\mathbf{C}_{2,3,4}$), 55.46 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{19}), 67.27 (1C, \mathbf{C}_6), 106.10 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{10}), 118.27 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{18}), 125.20-129.33 (5C, $\mathbf{C}_{12,13,14,15,17}$), 132.90-138.95 (2C, $\mathbf{C}_{11,16}$), 156.57 (1C, \mathbf{C}_9), 183.79 (1C, \mathbf{C}_{22}).

Table S2. Cholinium:NSAID molar ratio calculated by ^1H NMR in D_2O .

Ch:NSAID ratio	
[Ch][Ibu]	1:0.88
[Ch][Ket]	1:1.00
[Ch][Nap]	1:1.02

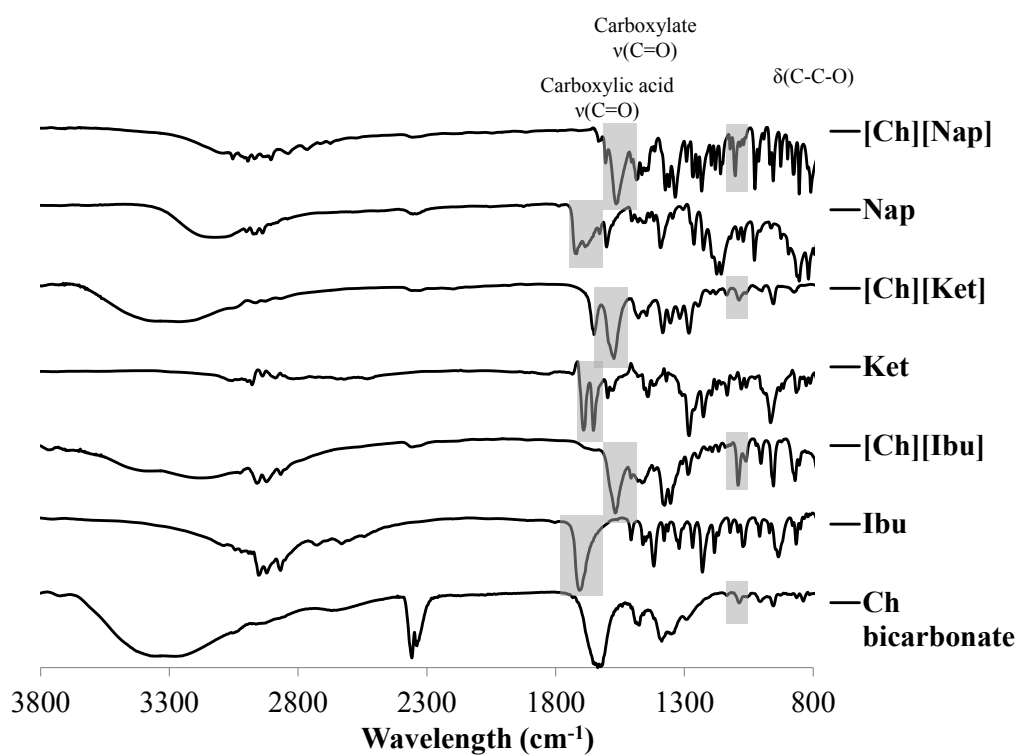


Figure S4. FTIR spectra of ILs and their respective precursors.

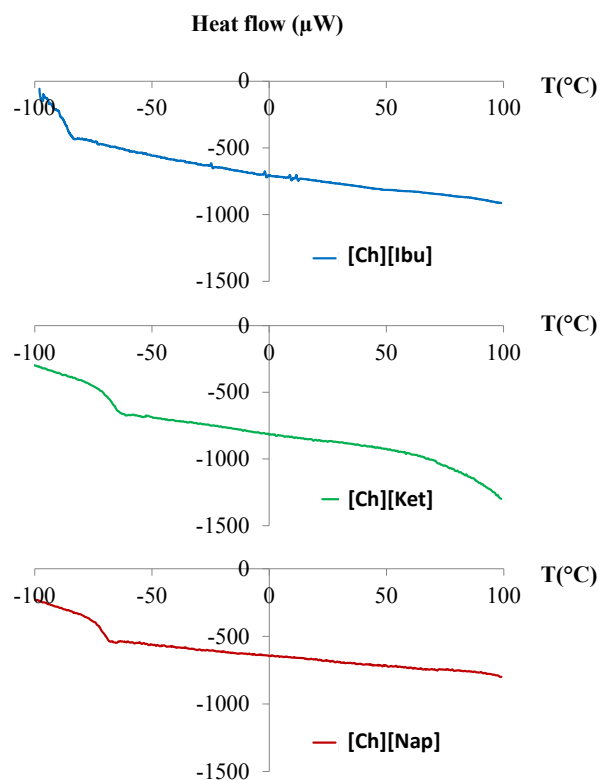


Figure S5. DSC curves of [Ch][NSAID] ILs.

Table S3. Incorporation of NSAIDs and respective ILs.

	Added compound \pm uncertainty ¹ (mg)	Averaged retained compound \pm S.D. ² (mg)	Averaged ratio of compound incorporated + S.D. ² (%)
Ibu	10.00 \pm 0.06	9.80 \pm 0.16	98.0 \pm 1.6
Ket	10.00 \pm 0.06	9.30 \pm 0.58	93.0 \pm 5.8
Nap	10.00 \pm 0.06	9.50 \pm 0.35	95.0 \pm 3.5
[Ch][Ibu]	15.00 \pm 0.16	14.97 \pm 0.07	99.8 \pm 0.5
[Ch][Ket]	14.10 \pm 0.15	13.84 \pm 0.21	98.2 \pm 1.5
[Ch][Nap]	14.50 \pm 0.15	14.35 \pm 0.21	99.0 \pm 1.4

¹ Uncertainty of the mass of compound deposited in BC.

² Standard deviation determined from a set of 9 experiments.

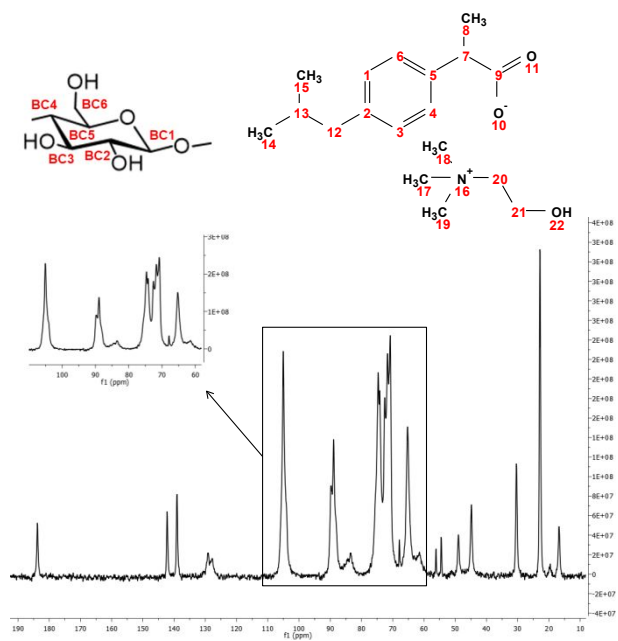


Figure S6. Solid ^{13}C NMR of BC-[Ch][Ibu].

16.78 (1C, C_8), 22.86 (2C, $\text{C}_{14,15}$), 30.39 (1C, C_{13}), 44.80 (1C, C_{12}), 48.96 (1C, C_7), 54.47 (3C, $\text{C}_{17,18,19}$), 56.15 (1C, C_{21}), 65.26 (1C, BC6), 67.52 (1C, C_{20}), 70.80-74.64 (3C, BC2 , BC3 , BC5), 88.91 (1C, BC4), 106.06 (1C, BC1), 127.73 (4C, $\text{C}_{1,3,4,6}$), 129.06 (1C, C_5), 139.08-142.22 (1C, C_2), 183.77 (1C, C_9).

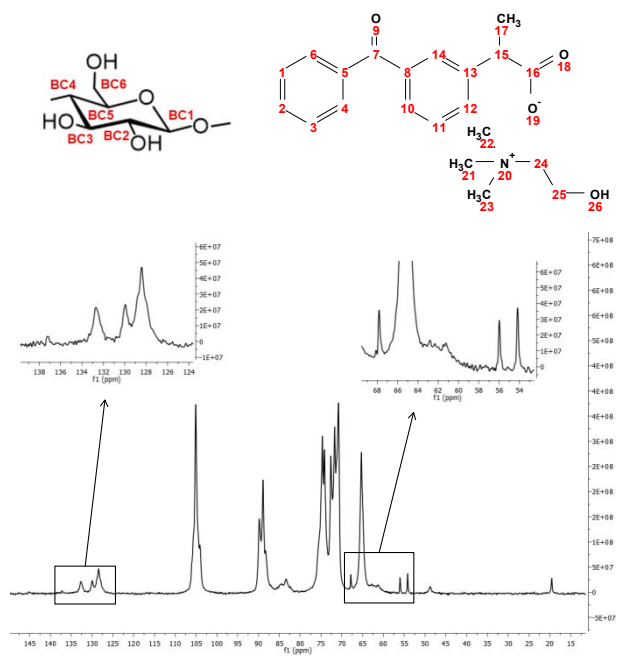


Figure S7. Solid ^{13}C NMR of BC-[Ch][Ket].

19.56 (1C, C_{17}), 48.76 (1C, C_{15}), 54.18 (3C, $\text{C}_{21,22,23}$), 55.99 (1C, C_{25}), 65.30 (1C, **BC6**), 67.82 (1C, C_{24}), 70.80-74.64 (3C, **BC2**, **BC3**, **BC5**), 88.91 (1C, **BC4**), 105.08 (1C, **BC1**), 128.42-137.46 (12C, $\text{C}_{1,2,3,4,5,6,8,10,11,12,13,14}$), 184.62 (1C, C_{16}), 193.46 (1C, C_7).

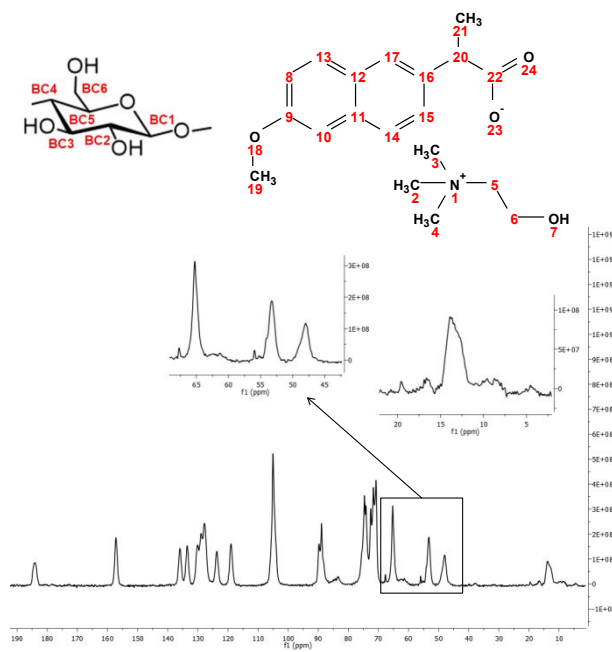


Figure S8. Solid ¹³C NMR of BC-[Ch][Nap].

13.88 (1C, C₂₁), 47.98 (1C, C₂₀), 53.26 (3C, C_{2,3,4}), 55.96 (1C, C₁₉), 65.25 (1C, BC₆), 67.69 (1C, C₆), 70.78-74.60 (3C, BC₂, BC₃, BC₅), 88.89 (1C, BC₄), 106.03 (1C, BC₁), 118.98 (1C, C₁₈), 123.65-130.08 (5C, C_{12,13,14,15,17}), 133.53-135.93 (2C, C_{11,16}), 157.20 (1C, C₉), 184.05 (1C, C₂₂).

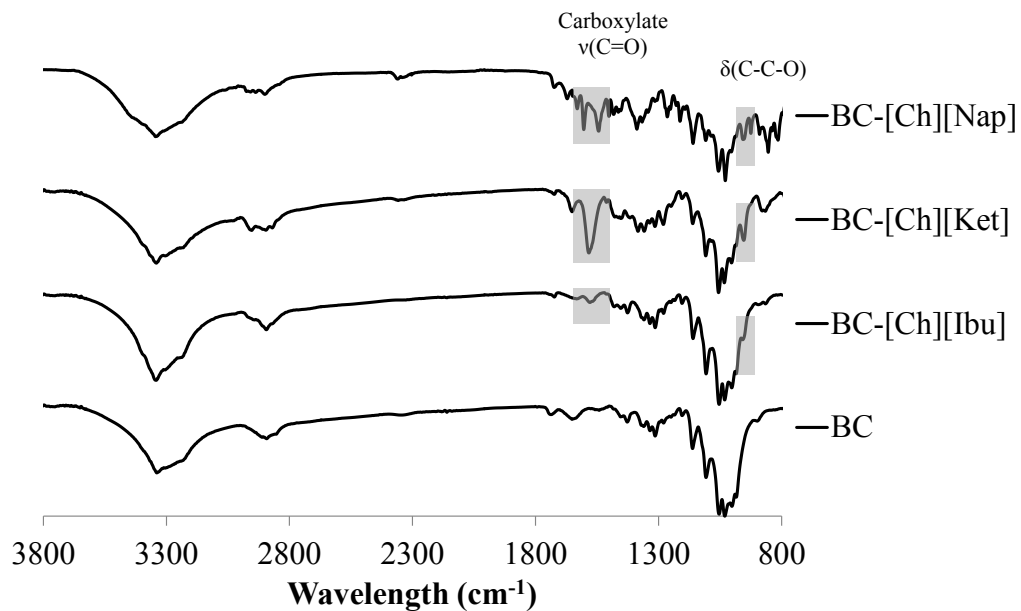


Figure S9. FTIR spectra of IL-incorporated BC membranes.

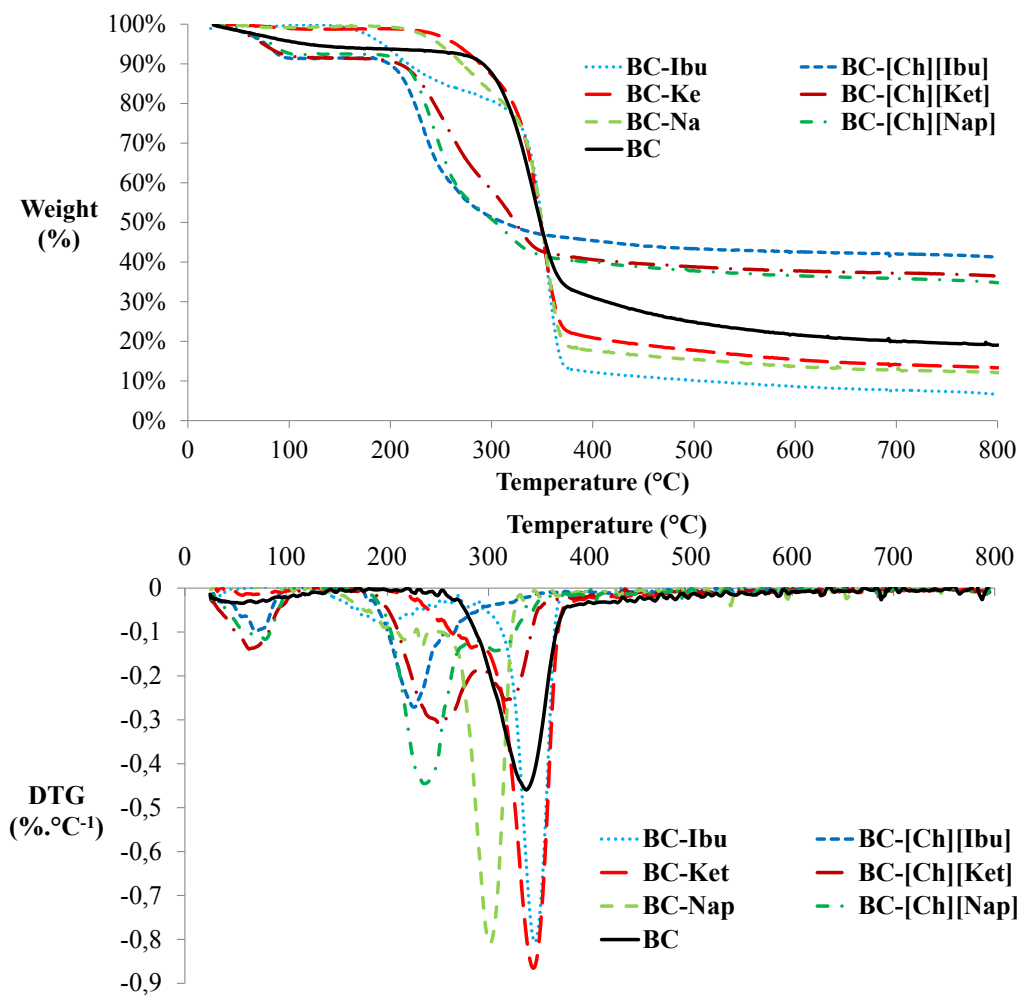


Figure S10. Thermogravimetric curves (top) and associated derivative curves (down) of BC-NSAID and BC-IL membranes.

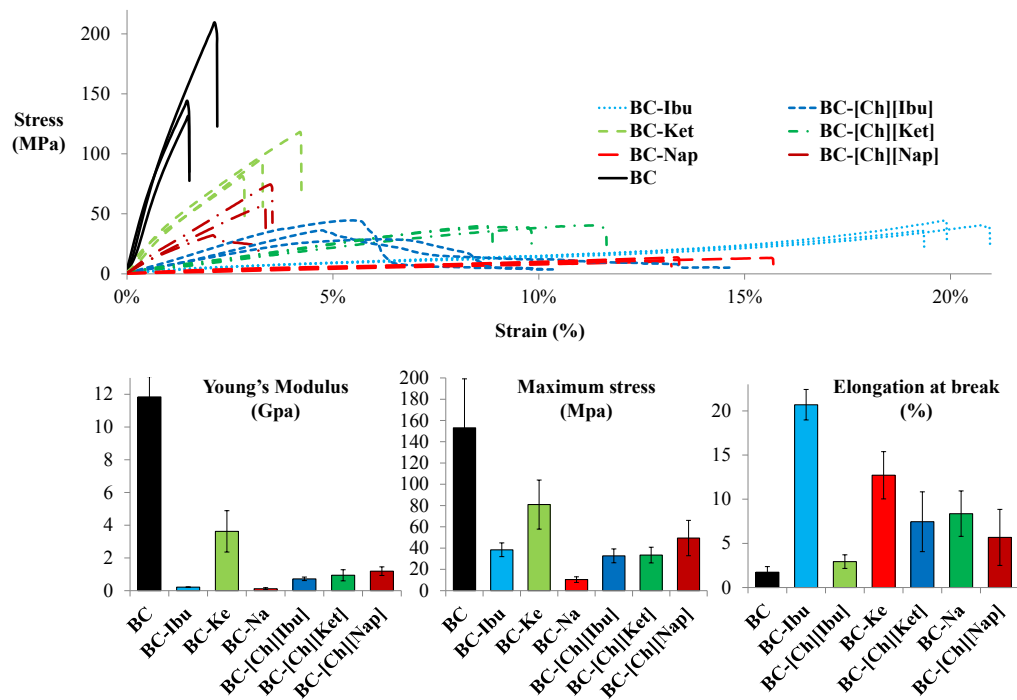


Figure S11. Top: Stress/strain curves of BC, BC-NSAID and BC-ILs membranes; bottom: tensile tests results on membranes with Young's modulus (left), maximum stress (middle) and elongation at break (right).

Table S4. n and a parameters and fitting factor between experimental data and the Weibull model described as: $\log(-\ln(\text{Max release} - \text{Cumulative release})) = n * \log(t) - \log(a)$.

	n	a	R^2
BC-Ibu	0.66	-0.42	0.94
BC-[Ch][Ibu]	0.30	0.68	0.95
BC-Ket	0.79	0.46	0.99
BC-[Ch][Ket]	0.56	0.82	0.99
BC-Nap	0.94	0.18	1.0
BC-[Ch][Nap]	0.20	0.53	0.99