

Supporting Information for

**Supercooling and Nucleation of Fatty Acids:
Influence of Thermal History on the Behavior of the Liquid Phase**

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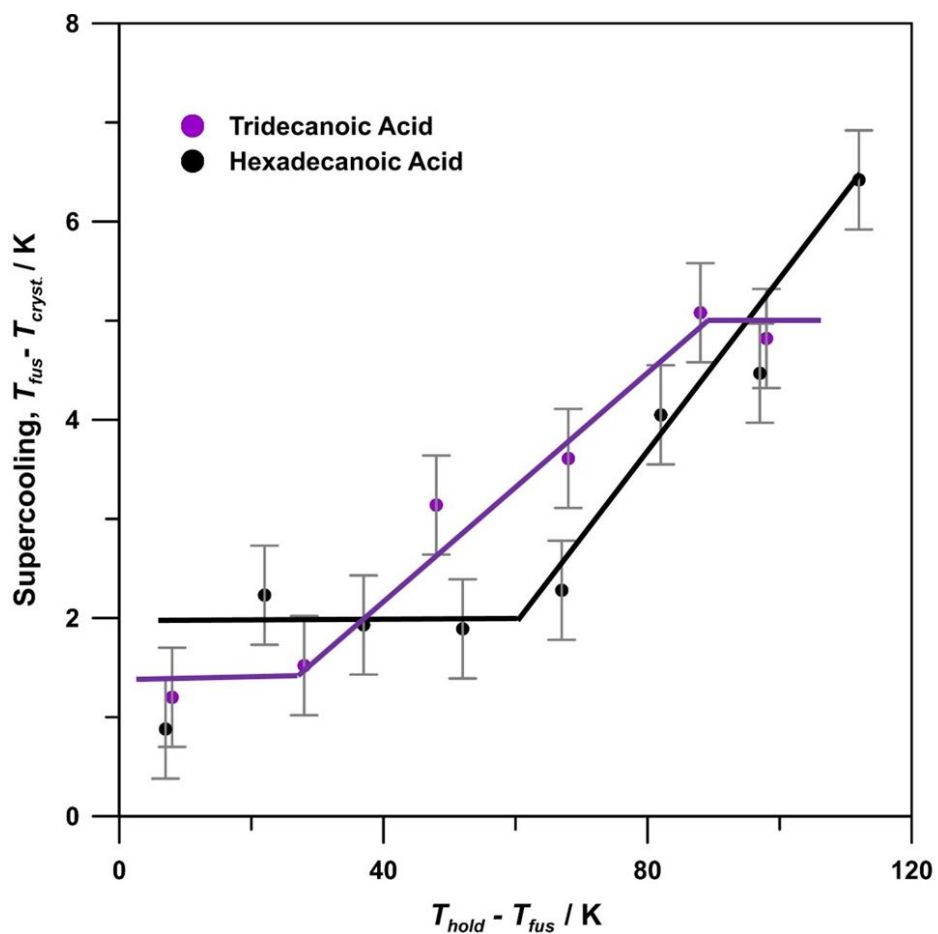


Figure S1. Supercooling at crystallization ($T_{fus} - T_{cryst}$), where T_{cryst} is the crystallization temperature, as a function of the holding temperature, T_{hold} , relative to the melting temperature, T_{fus} , for tridecanoic and hexadecanoic acids.

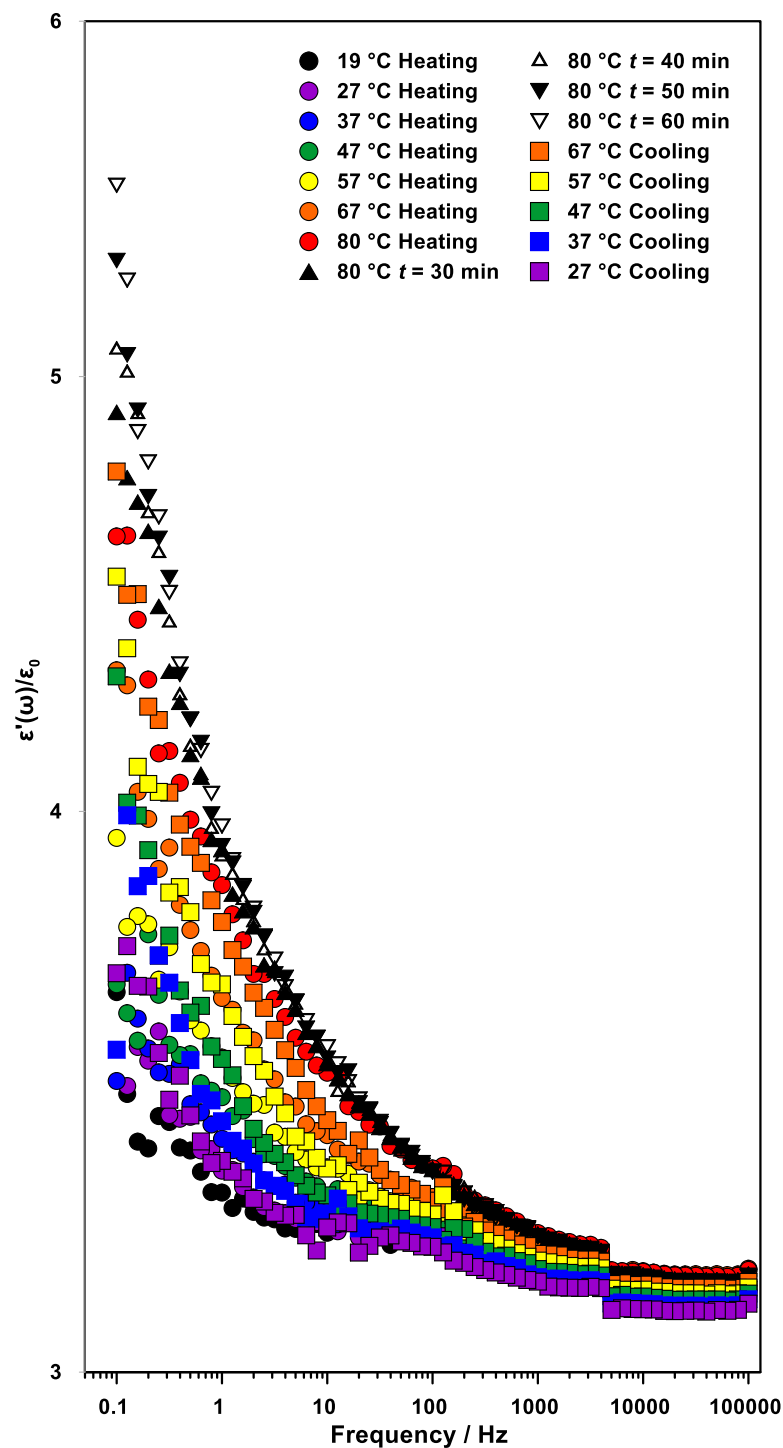


Figure S2. The real portion of the dielectric constant of octanoic acid ($T_{fus} = 16\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$) as a function of frequency on heating, over the isothermal holding period at $132\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, and on cooling. The fatty acid was held at $80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 60 min between the heating and cooling cycles. Measurements made on heating are represented by circles; measurements made on cooling are represented by squares, with the same colour for a given temperature.

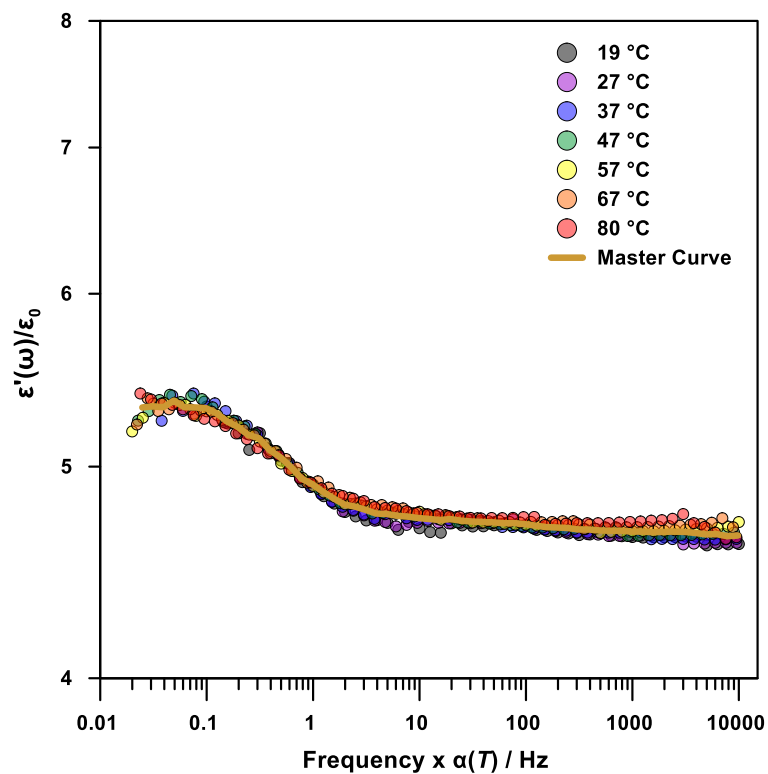


Figure S3. Master curve for the real part of the dielectric constant of octanoic acid ($T_{fus} = 16\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$) created by shifting the individual $\varepsilon'(\omega)$ curves by a factor $\alpha(T)$ to bring them in line with the reference curve, chosen as the curve from the measurement made at $19\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

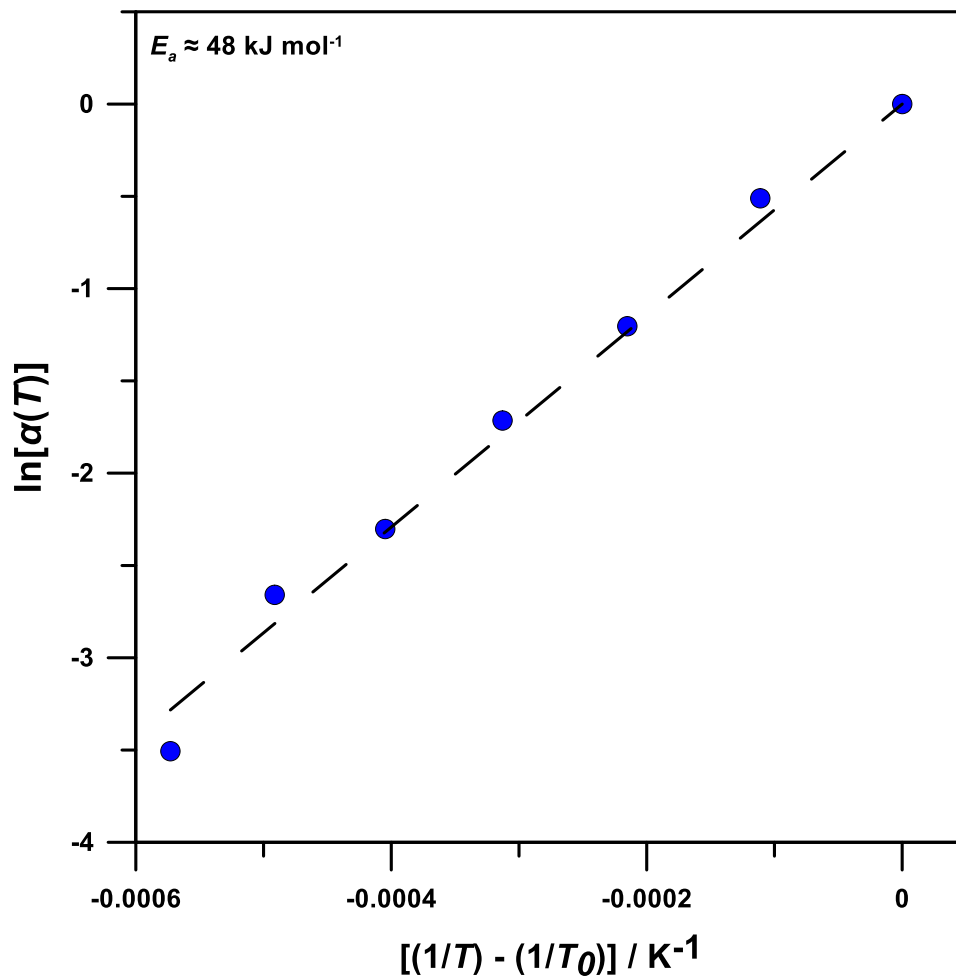


Figure S4. Natural logarithm of the values of $\alpha(T)$ used to create the master curve for octanoic acid ($T_{fus} = 16 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$) from the $\varepsilon'(\omega)/\varepsilon_0$ curves measured on heating as a function of $(1/T - 1/T_0)$. The dashed line is a linear fit to Equation 3.6.

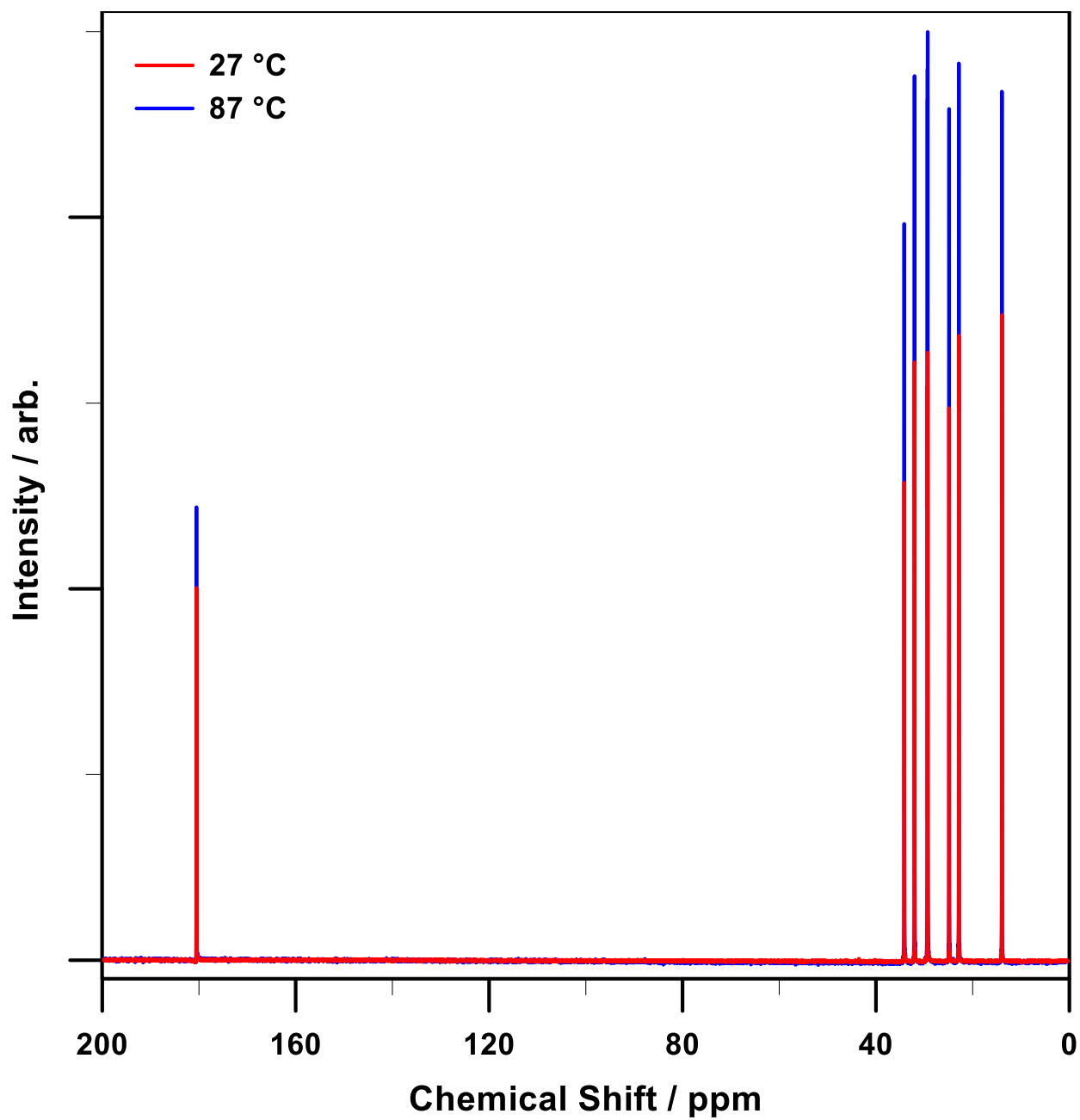


Figure S5. NMR spectrum of neat octanoic acid at 27 °C and 87 °C. The peaks corresponding to C₄ and C₅ are unresolved.

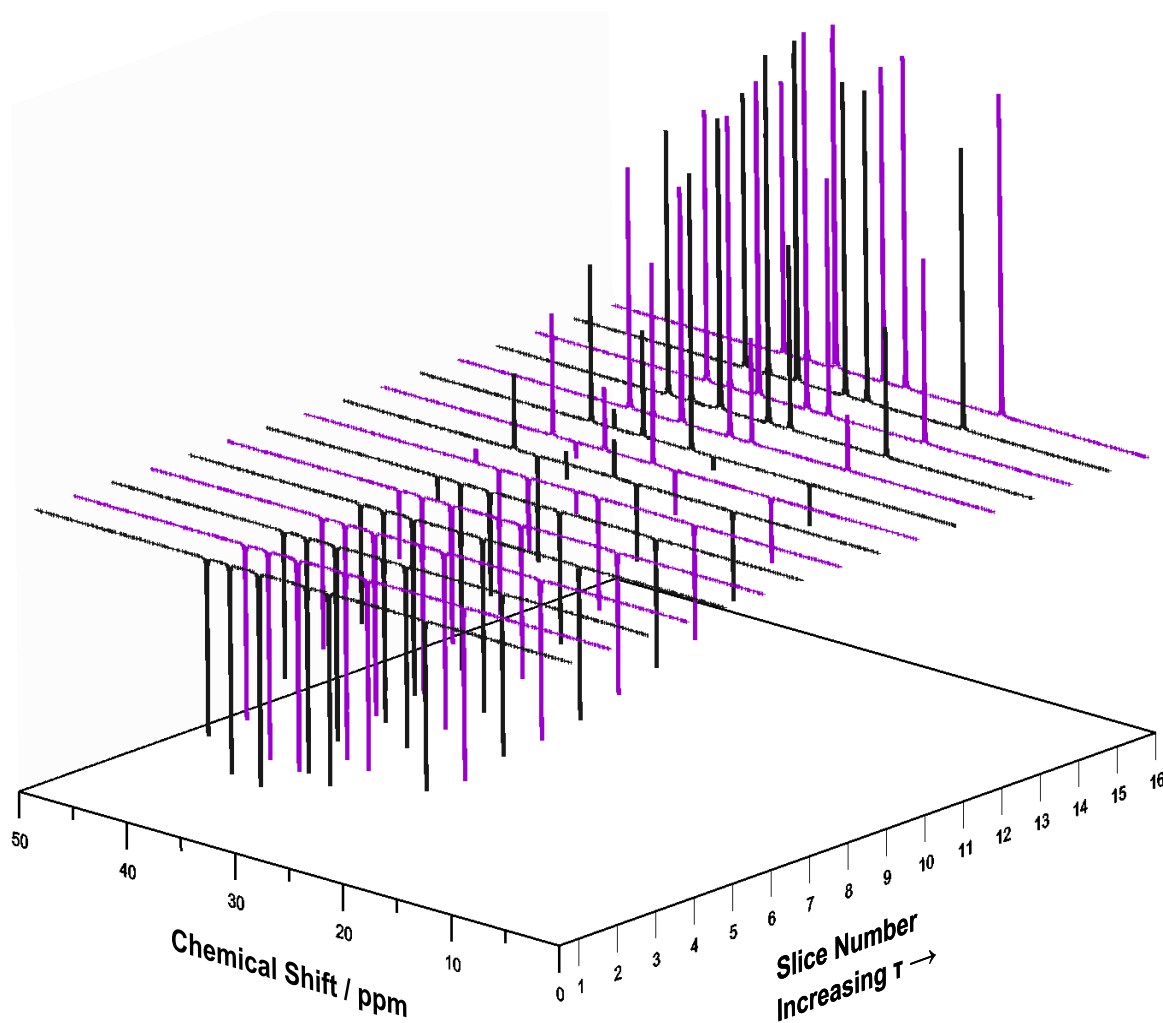


Figure S6. Example of a series of NMR spectra collected in an inversion recovery measurement. This example shows octanoic acid at 42 °C in the range of 0 to 50 ppm with spectra collected with 16 values of τ , where $0.001 \text{ s} < \tau < 40 \text{ s}$.

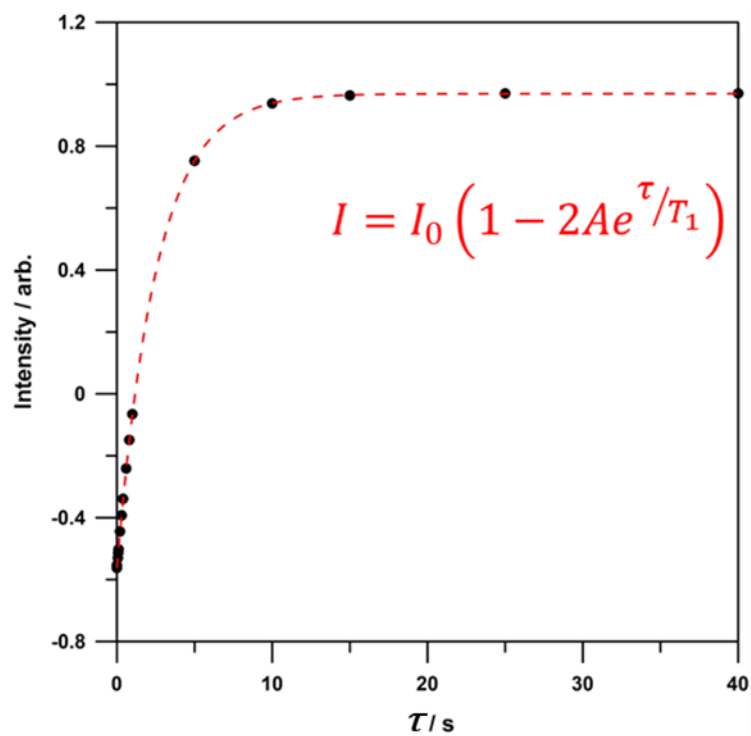


Figure S7. Example of data acquired from an inversion recovery experiment and the fitting procedure used to determine the spin-lattice relaxation time, T_1 .