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## Photophysical Behavior and Fluorescence Quenching of L-Tryptophan in Choline Chloride-Based Deep Eutectic Solvents

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**Figure S1:** Absorbance Spectra of L-Trp at 298.15 K in Reline (top panel) and Glyceline (bottom panel).

**Table S1:** Quantum Yield, Viscosity,  $E_T(30)$  and  $E_T^N$  of L-Trp in Reline and Glyceline Obtained Experimentally Compared with Different Solvents Available in the Literature<sup>12,13,58,a,b</sup> at 298.15 K.

| Solvent      | Quantum Yield<br>(Φ <sub>F</sub> ) | Viscosity<br>(mPa·s) | $E_{\mathrm{T}}(30)$ | $E_{\mathrm{T}}^{\mathrm{N}}$ |
|--------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Glyceline    | $\textbf{0.76} \pm 0.01$           | 329.7 <sup>46</sup>  | 58.0 <sup>a</sup>    | 0.84 <sup>a</sup>             |
| Reline       | $\textbf{0.50} \pm 0.01$           | 827.6 <sup>45</sup>  | 57.00 <sup>a</sup>   | 0.81 <sup>a</sup>             |
| Acetonitrile | $0.36 \pm 0.05^{12}$               | $0.4^{58}$           | 45.6 <sup>b</sup>    | 0.46 <sup>b</sup>             |
| Water        | $0.21 \pm 0.01^{13}$               | $0.9^{58}$           | 63.1 <sup>b</sup>    | 1.00 <sup>b</sup>             |
| Methanol     | $0.14 \pm 0.02^{12}$               | $0.5^{58}$           | 55.4 <sup>b</sup>    | 0.76 <sup>b</sup>             |
| 1-Hexanol    | $0.14 \pm 0.03^{12}$               | 4.6 <sup>58</sup>    | 48.8 <sup>b</sup>    | 0.56 <sup>b</sup>             |
| 1-Octanol    | $0.09 \pm 0.03^{12}$               | 7.3 <sup>58</sup>    | 48.1 <sup>b</sup>    | 0.54 <sup>b</sup>             |
| 1-Butanol    | $0.06 \pm 0.10^{12}$               | 2.5 <sup>58</sup>    | 49.7 <sup>b</sup>    | 0.59 <sup>b</sup>             |

<sup>a</sup>Pandey, A.; Rai, R.; Pal, M.; Pandey, S. How Polar Are Choline Chloride-Based Deep Eutectic Solvents? *Phys. Chem. Phys.* **2014**, *16*, 1559–1568. https://doi.org/10.1039/C3CP53456A.

<sup>b</sup>Reichardt, C., *Solvents and Solvent Effects in Organic Chemistry*, 2nd ed.; Wiley VCH: Weinheim, 2003. https://doi.org/10.1002/9783527632220.



**Figure S2:**  $\langle r \rangle$  *versus* T (panel A) and  $\langle r \rangle$  *versus*  $\eta$  (panel B) plots showing steady-state anisotropy  $\langle r \rangle$ , variation with temperature and viscosity of L-Trp in Reline and Glyceline at different temperatures. Solid lines represent fit to linear equation (panel A) and exponential rise to maxima equation (panel B), respectively.

| T(K)   | $\tau_1$ (ns) | $\tau_2$ (ns) | $\alpha_1$                 | $\alpha_2$ | $\langle \tau \rangle$ | $\chi^2$     |
|--------|---------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------|------------------------|--------------|
| 298.15 | 7.5<br>2.0    | 8.7           | <b>Reline</b><br>1<br>0.47 | 0.53       | 7.6                    | 2.84<br>1.39 |
| 313.15 | 7.4<br>1.5    | 8.3           | 1<br>0.43                  | 0.57       | 7.5                    | 2.45<br>1.35 |
| 328.15 | 7.0<br>1.6    | 7.5           | 1<br>0.31                  | 0.69       | 7.0                    | 1.57<br>1.12 |
| 343.15 | 6.3<br>1.5    | 6.6           | 1<br>0.25                  | 0.75       | 6.2                    | 1.60<br>1.34 |
| 358.15 | 6.1<br>1.6    | 6.4           | 1<br>0.23                  | 0.77       | 6.1                    | 1.53<br>1.33 |
|        |               |               | Clucolino                  |            |                        |              |
| 298.15 | 5.9<br>3.6    | 7.4           | 1<br>0.53                  | 0.47       | 6.1                    | 1.92<br>1.35 |
| 313.15 | 5.7<br>3.0    | 6.7           | 1<br>0.44                  | 0.56       | 5.7                    | 1.87<br>1.31 |
| 328.15 | 5.3<br>2.5    | 6.0           | 1<br>0.38                  | 0.62       | 5.3                    | 1.89<br>1.43 |
| 343.15 | 4.7<br>1.5    | 5.0           | 1<br>0.27                  | 0.73       | 4.7                    | 1.76<br>1.53 |
| 358.15 | 4.1<br>0.9    | 4.3           | 1<br>0.29                  | 0.71       | 4.0                    | 1.59<br>1.35 |

**Table S2:** Recovered Intensity Decay Parameters for L-Trp Dissolved in Reline and Glyceline at Different Temperatures. Errors Associated with Decay Times and Pre-exponential Factors are  $\leq \pm 5\%$ .

| T(K)   | Reline                |          | Glyce                 | line     |
|--------|-----------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
|        | τ <sub>rot</sub> (ns) | $\chi^2$ | τ <sub>rot</sub> (ns) | $\chi^2$ |
| 298.15 | 15.9                  | 1.09     | 8.9                   | 0.97     |
| 313.15 | 9.2                   | 1.06     | 5.3                   | 0.82     |
| 328.15 | 4.5                   | 1.05     | 3.2                   | 1.07     |
| 343.15 | 2.3                   | 1.01     | 2.1                   | 0.80     |
| 358.15 | 1.4                   | 1.01     | 1.6                   | 1.09     |

**Table S3**: Rotational Reorientation Times ( $\tau_{rot}$ ) and Chi-Square Values Obtained from the Single-Exponential Fit of the Data from Excited-state Anisotropy Decay of L-Trp in Reline and Glyceline in the temperature range 298.15-358.15 K.



**Figure S3:** Plots of  $\tau_{rot}$  versus 1/T (panel A) and  $\tau_{rot}$  versus  $\eta$  (panel B) showing rotational reorientation times variation with temperature and viscosity of L-Trp in Reline and Glyceline at different temperatures.

| [Acrylamide]/N | I $\tau_1$ (ns) | $\tau_2$ (ns) | α1        | $\alpha_2$ | $\langle \tau \rangle$ | $\chi^2$     |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|------------|------------------------|--------------|
|                | 1 . ,           | <u> </u>      | 298.15 K  | -          |                        |              |
| 0              | 7.7<br>1.7      | 8.5           | 1<br>0.41 | 0.59       | 7.7                    | 2.67<br>1.42 |
| 0.1            | 7.1<br>1.7      | 8.2           | 1<br>0.46 | 0.54       | 7.3                    | 3.24<br>1.33 |
| 0.2            | 6.7<br>1.6      | 7.8           | 1<br>0.5  | 0.5        | 6.7                    | 3.64<br>1.40 |
| 0.3            | 6.1<br>1.5      | 7.6           | 1<br>0.6  | 0.4        | 6.4                    | 4.85<br>1.45 |
| 0.4            | 5.8<br>1.4      | 7.4           | 1<br>0.65 | 0.35       | 6.0                    | 5.29<br>1.24 |
| 0.5            | 4.9<br>1.3      | 7.0           | 1<br>0.72 | 0.28       | 5.4                    | 5.96<br>1.28 |
| 0.6            | 5.0<br>1.2      | 6.9           | 1<br>0.72 | 0.28       | 5.1                    | 5.78<br>1.25 |
| 0.7            | 3.4<br>1.2      | 6.6           | 1<br>0.84 | 0.16       | 4.2                    | 7.14<br>1.07 |
| 0.8            | 2.6<br>1.2      | 6.4           | 1<br>0.88 | 0.12       | 3.6                    | 6.79<br>1.12 |
| 0.9            | 2.4<br>1.2      | 6.1           | 1<br>0.91 | 0.09       | 3.1                    | 5.92<br>1.08 |
|                |                 |               | 313.15 K  |            |                        |              |
| 0              | 6.9<br>2.9      | 7.9           | 1<br>0.39 | 0.61       | 7.0                    | 1.84<br>1.20 |
| 0.1            | 6.3             |               | 1         |            |                        | 2.08         |

**Table S4:** Recovered Intensity Decay Parameters for Quenching L-Trp Dissolved in Reline by Acrylamide at Different Temperatures. Errors Associated with Decay Times and Pre-exponential Factors are  $\leq \pm 5\%$ .

|     | 1.6         | 7.7 | 0.44                                 | 0.56 | 6.8 | 1.28         |
|-----|-------------|-----|--------------------------------------|------|-----|--------------|
| 0.2 | 5.6<br>2.1  | 6.8 | 1<br>0.50                            | 0.50 | 5.7 | 2.32<br>1.19 |
| 0.3 | 5.1<br>1.6  | 6.0 | $\begin{array}{c}1\\0.50\end{array}$ | 0.50 | 5.1 | 2.53<br>1.19 |
| 0.4 | 4.7<br>1.6  | 5.7 | 1<br>0.56                            | 0.44 | 4.6 | 2.60<br>1.23 |
| 0.5 | 4.1<br>1.4  | 5.2 | 1<br>0.61                            | 0.39 | 4.1 | 2.86<br>1.30 |
| 0.6 | 3.5<br>0.7  | 4.5 | 1<br>0.72                            | 0.28 | 3.4 | 3.54<br>1.33 |
| 0.7 | 3.2<br>0.84 | 4.4 | 1<br>0.71                            | 0.29 | 3.3 | 3.56<br>1.46 |
| 0.8 | 2.8<br>0.66 | 3.8 | 1<br>0.76                            | 0.24 | 2.7 | 4.01<br>1.46 |
| 0.9 | 2.8<br>0.72 | 3.8 | 1<br>0.73                            | 0.27 | 2.8 | 3.25<br>1.27 |
|     |             |     | 328.15 K                             |      |     |              |
| 0   | 7.0<br>2.4  | 7.5 | 1<br>0.28                            | 0.72 | 7.0 | 1.73<br>1.40 |
| 0.1 | 6.0<br>2.2  | 6.8 | 1<br>0.35                            | 0.65 | 6.1 | 1.88<br>1.41 |
| 0.2 | 5.4<br>1.8  | 6.1 | 1<br>0.39                            | 0.61 | 5.4 | 1.97<br>1.39 |
| 0.3 | 4.6<br>1.5  | 5.3 | 1<br>0.43                            | 0.57 | 4.6 | 1.90<br>1.24 |
| 0.4 | 4.0<br>1.5  | 4.7 | 1<br>0.47                            | 0.53 | 4.0 | 1.86<br>1.24 |
| 0.5 | 3.5<br>1.2  | 4.2 | 1<br>0.53                            | 0.47 | 3.5 | 2.21<br>1.24 |
| 0.6 | 3.0<br>1.1  | 3.8 | 1<br>0.59                            | 0.41 | 3.0 | 2.40<br>1.21 |
| 0.7 | 2.7         |     | 1                                    |      |     | 2.34         |

|     | 0.78        | 3.3 | 0.60      | 0.40 | 2.6  | 1.18         |
|-----|-------------|-----|-----------|------|------|--------------|
| 0.8 | 2.4<br>0.95 | 3.3 | 1<br>0.66 | 0.34 | 2.5  | 2.57<br>1.21 |
| 0.9 | 2.5<br>0.90 | 3.3 | 1<br>0.69 | 0.31 | 2.4  | 2.49<br>1.09 |
|     |             |     | 343.15 K  |      |      |              |
| 0   | 6.4<br>1.3  | 7.2 | 1<br>0.48 | 0.52 | 6.4  | 2.61<br>1.30 |
| 0.1 | 5.4<br>1.4  | 6.5 | 1<br>0.56 | 0.44 | 5.4  | 2.78<br>1.14 |
| 0.2 | 3.8<br>1.2  | 5.2 | 1<br>0.70 | 0.30 | 3.8  | 3.66<br>1.23 |
| 0.3 | 3.1<br>1.1  | 4.6 | 1<br>0.74 | 0.26 | 3.2  | 3.40<br>1.09 |
| 0.4 | 2.5<br>1.1  | 4.0 | 1<br>0.80 | 0.20 | 2.5  | 3.04<br>1.01 |
| 0.5 | 2.1<br>0.02 | 2.4 | 1<br>1.00 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 2.62<br>2.12 |
| 0.6 | 1.7<br>1.0  | 3.0 | 1<br>0.84 | 0.16 | 1.7  | 2.08<br>0.96 |
| 0.7 | 1.6<br>0.9  | 2.8 | 1<br>0.84 | 0.16 | 1.6  | 1.93<br>0.97 |
| 0.8 | 1.4<br>0.03 | 1.5 | 1<br>1.00 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 1.77<br>1.62 |
|     |             |     | 358.15 K  |      |      |              |
| 0   | 6.5<br>1.2  | 7.4 | 1<br>0.53 | 0.47 | 6.4  | 3.41<br>1.21 |
| 0.1 | 5.2<br>1.1  | 5.9 | 1<br>0.52 | 0.48 | 5.1  | 3.13<br>1.46 |
| 0.2 | 3.7<br>1.1  | 4.6 | 1<br>0.61 | 0.39 | 3.6  | 3.19<br>1.21 |
| 0.3 | 2.9<br>1.0  | 3.7 | 1<br>0.68 | 0.32 | 2.7  | 3.21<br>1.09 |

| 0.4 | 2.1<br>0.9  | 2.9 | 1<br>0.72 | 0.28 | 2.0  | 2.77<br>1.15 |
|-----|-------------|-----|-----------|------|------|--------------|
| 0.5 | 1.7<br>0.9  | 2.4 | 1<br>0.74 | 0.26 | 1.6  | 2.64<br>1.36 |
| 0.6 | 1.4<br>0.03 | 1.4 | 1<br>1    | 0    | 0.03 | 1.88<br>1.65 |
| 0.7 | 1.2<br>0.9  | 2.0 | 1<br>0.88 | 0.12 | 1.2  | 1.56<br>1.09 |
| 0.8 | 1.1<br>1.0  | 2.3 | 1<br>0.95 | 0.05 | 1.1  | 1.59<br>1.32 |
| 0.9 | 1.0<br>0.8  | 1.5 | 1<br>0.83 | 0.17 | 1.0  | 1.61<br>1.44 |

**Table S5**: Stern-Volmer quenching parameters (Stern-Volmer constant,  $(K_D)$ ; and bimolecular quenching constant  $(k_q)$ ) of L-Trp in Reline and Glyceline in the temperature range 298.15-358.15 K.

| Temperature (K) | $K_{D}(M^{-1})$ | $k_{ m q}~(10^8~{ m M}^{-1}~{ m s}~^{-1})$ |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 298.15          | $0.85\pm0.02$   | 1.1                                        |
| 313.15          | $1.70\pm0.16$   | 2.4                                        |
| 328.15          | $2.18\pm0.14$   | 3.1                                        |
| 343.15          | $4.55\pm0.30$   | 7.1                                        |
| 358.15          | $6.06\pm0.51$   | 9.5                                        |
|                 |                 |                                            |