

Reactive Deep Eutectic Solvents (RDESs): a new tool for Phospholipase D-catalyzed preparation of polar head modified phospholipids

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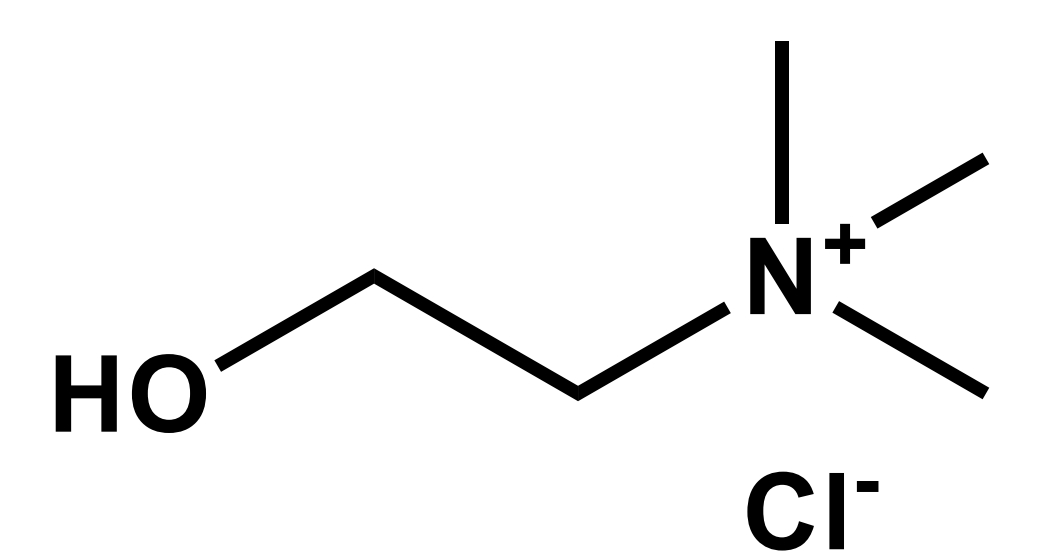
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ABSTRACT

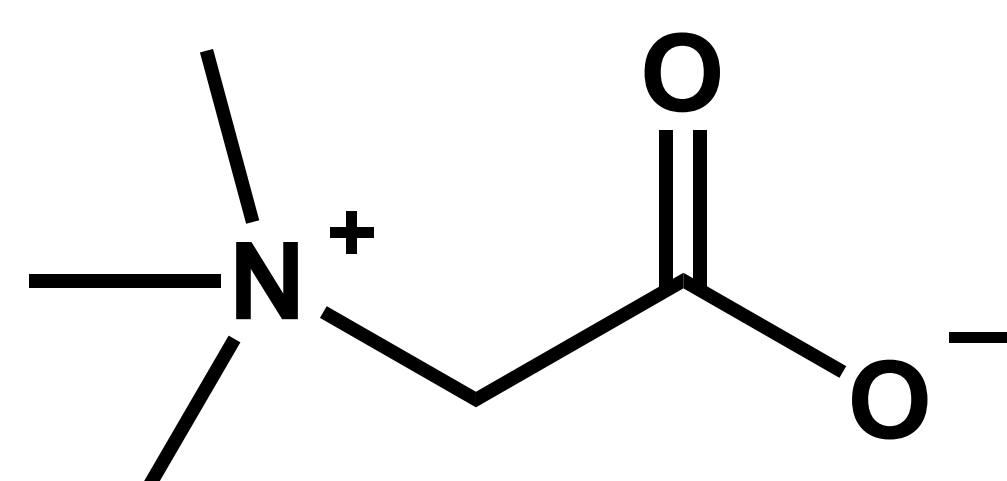
Natural phosphatidylcholine (PC) has been submitted to PLD-catalyzed transphosphatidylation using a new reaction medium composed by a mixture of RDES/buffer. Instead of exploiting deep eutectic solvents conventionally, just as the reaction media, these solvents have been designed here in order to contribute actively to the synthetic processes by participating as reagents. Specifically designed RDES/buffer reaction media allowed the obtainment of polar-head modified phospholipids with optimized yields in the perspective of a sustainable process implementation.

RDESs PREPARATION

Hydrogen-bond acceptors
(HBAs)

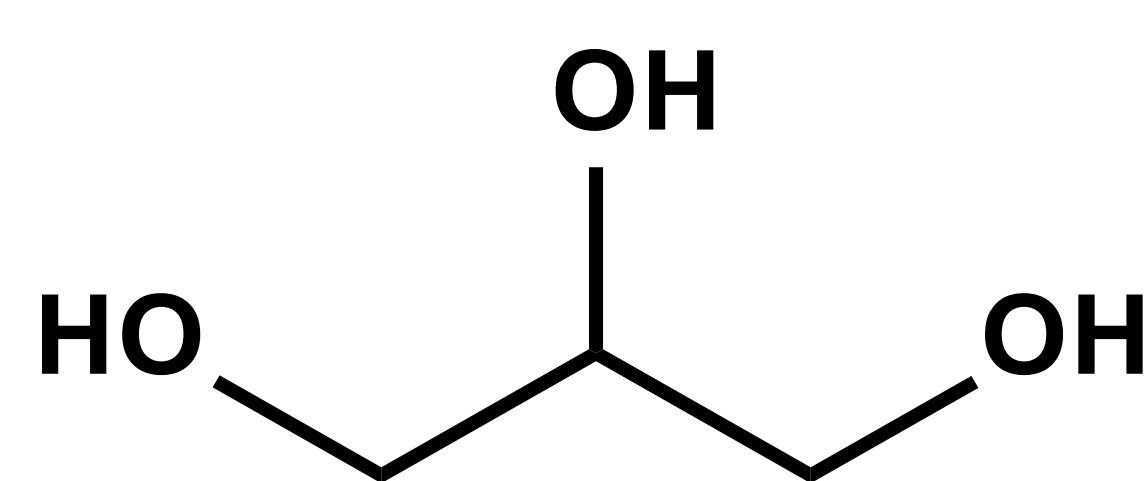


Choline chloride

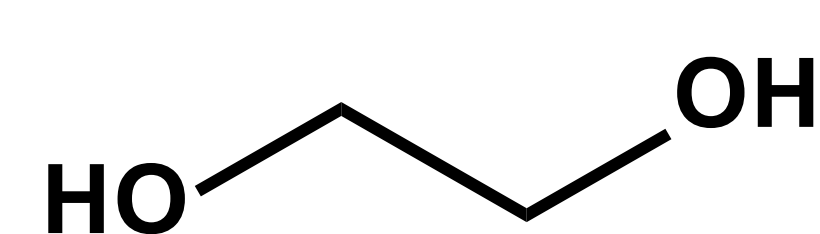


Trimethyl glycine

Hydrogen-bond donors
(HBDs=XOH)

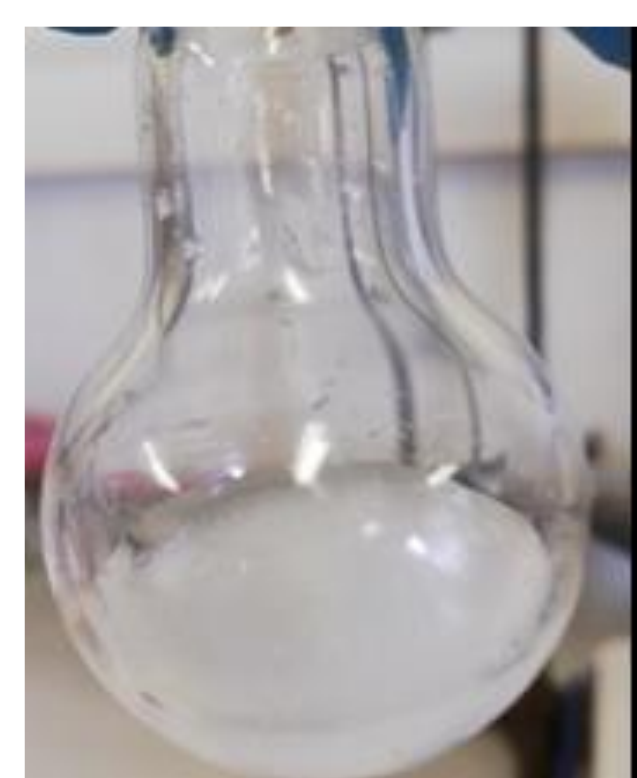


Glycerol



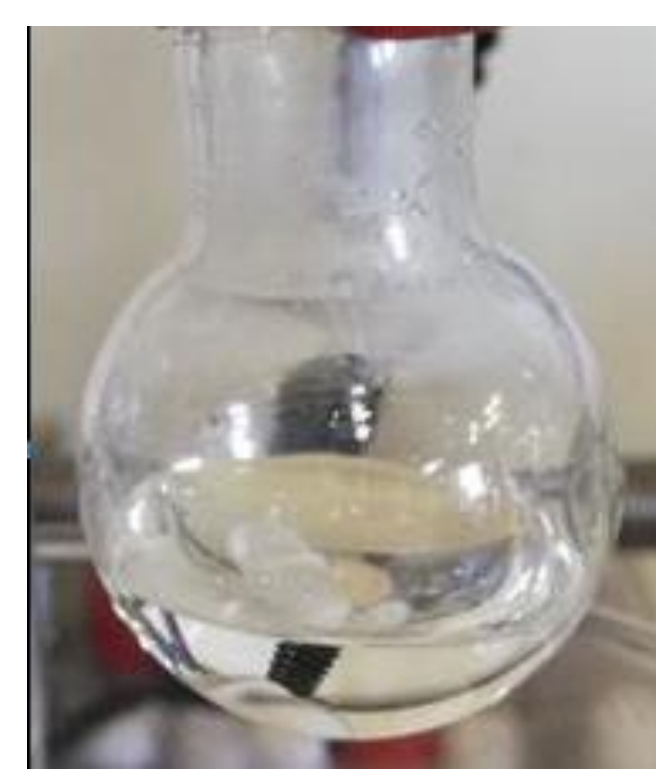
Ethylene glycol

HBA + HBD

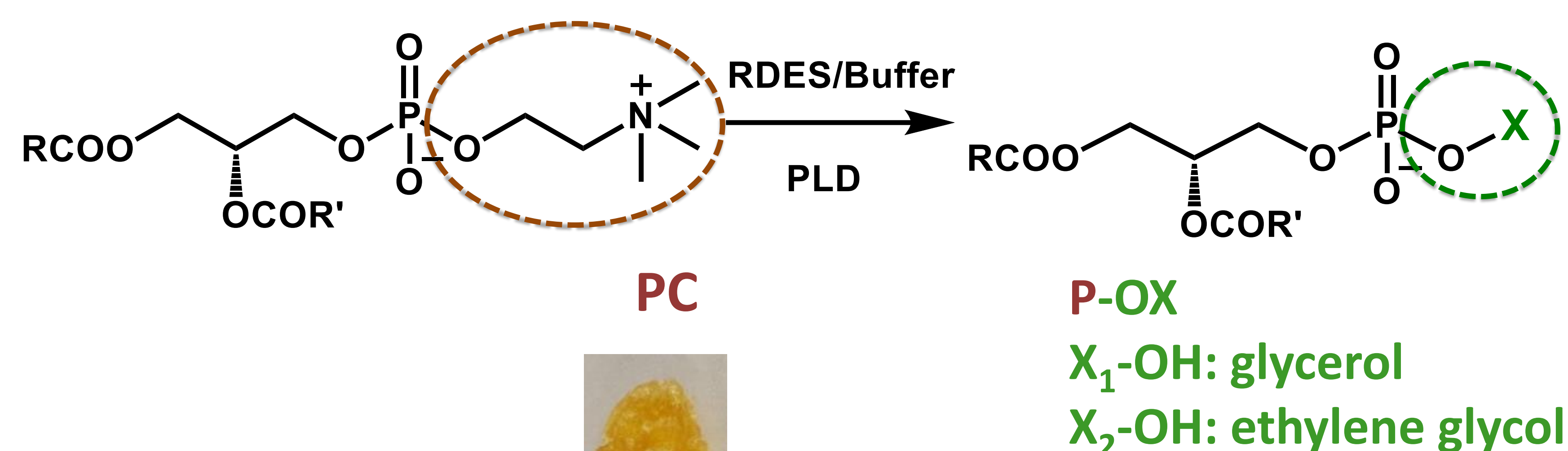


90 °C
2-5 h

RDES



ENZYMATIC TRANSPHOSPHATIDYLATION



CONCLUSIONS

- RDESs work both as solvent and as reagent.
- High yields of PC conversion into polar-head modified phospholipids.
- Inhibition of the parasitic competitive hydrolysis of PC.
- Easy product recovery and purification.

PRODUCTS CHARACTERIZATION

- ¹H NMR
- ³¹P NMR
- ESI/MS
- GC/MS
- HPLC

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