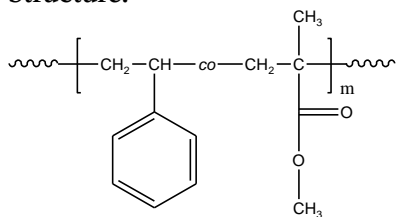
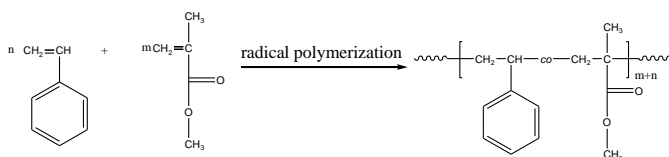


Sample Name:**Random Copolymer Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate)****Sample #: P9230-SMMAran****Structure:****Composition:****Poly styrene: (mol%) : 58.0**

Mn x 10 ³ PS-co-PMMA	PDI
14.5	1.19
T _g (°C)	88

Synthesis Procedure:

Random Copolymer Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) is prepared by radical polymerization of styrene and methyl methacrylate. The scheme of the reaction is illustrated below:

**Characterization:**

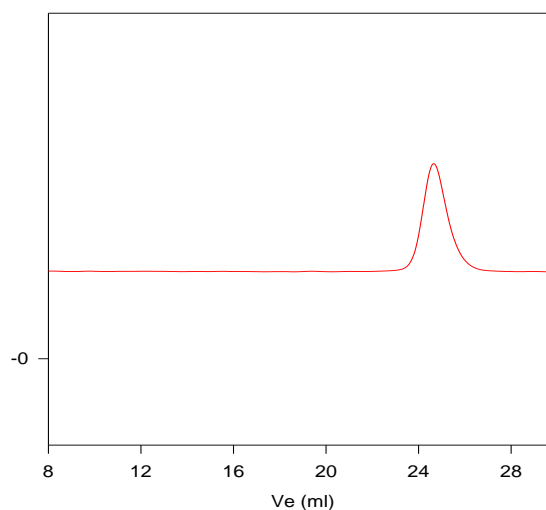
The polymer was analyzed by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) to obtain the molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI). The copolymer composition was calculated from ¹H-NMR spectroscopy by comparing the peak area the aromatic protons at 6.66-7.05 ppm with the protons of methyl methacrylate at about 0.8-3.8 ppm that deducts the contribution of the styrene backbone protons.

Thermal analysis:

Thermal analysis of the samples was carried out on a TA Q100 differential scanning calorimeter at a heating rate of 10°C/min. The midpoint of the slope change of the heat flow plot of the second heating scan was considered as the glass transition temperature (T_g).

Solubility:

Random Copolymer Poly(styrene-co-methyl methacrylate) is soluble in CHCl₃, THF, DMF, toluene and precipitated out from methanol.

¹H-NMR Spectrum of the random copolymer:**SEC of the random copolymer:****P9230-SMMAran**

Size exclusion chromatograph of random copolymer: poly(S-co-MMA):

M_n=14,500, M_w=17,200, M_w/M_n=1.19

Polystyrene content: 55mole% by NMR

DSC thermogram for the random polymer: