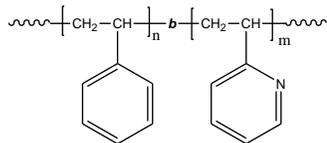


**Sample Name:** Poly(styrene-b-4-vinyl pyridine)

**Sample #:** P9880-S4VP

**Structure:**



**Composition:**

$M_n \times 10^3$ S-b-4VP	PDI
215.0-b-20.0	1.18
T <sub>g</sub> for PS block: 100 °C	T <sub>g</sub> for 4VP block: 144 °C

**Synthesis Procedure:**

Poly(styrene-b-4-vinyl pyridine) is prepared by living anionic polymerization in THF at -78 °C in the presence of LiCl an additive.

**Characterization:**

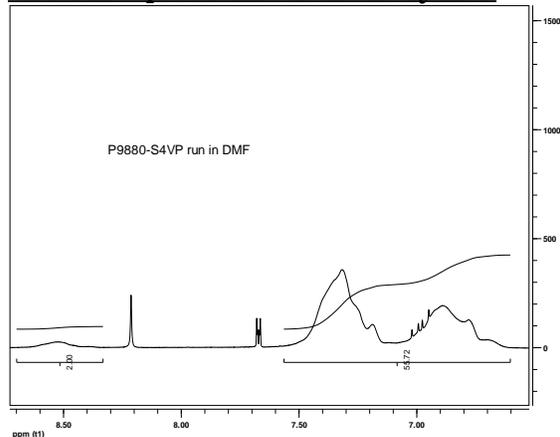
An aliquot of the anionic polystyrene block was terminated before addition of 4VP and analyzed by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) to obtain the molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI). The Block copolymer composition was then calculated from <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectroscopy by comparing the peak area of the 2VP proton at 8.2 ppm with the peak area of the aromatic protons of polystyrene at 6.3-7.2 ppm. The composition of the block copolymer can also be determined by titration in acetic acid/HClO<sub>4</sub> using crystal violet indicator. Copolymer PDI is determined by SEC.

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<sub>g</sub>).

**Solubility:**

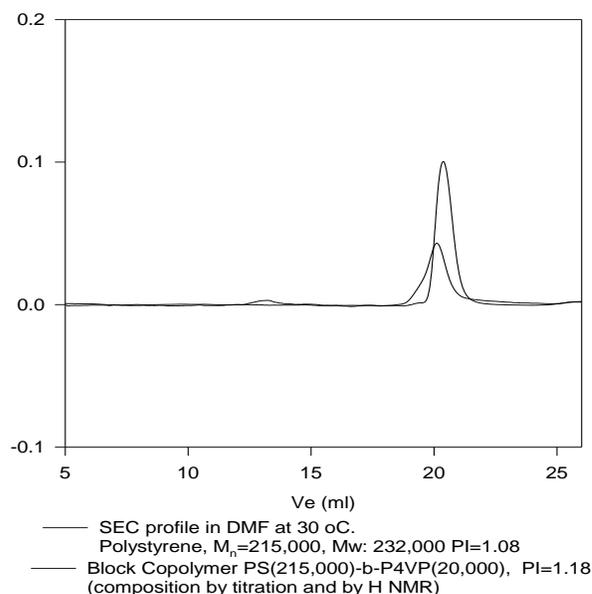
Poly(styrene-b-4 vinylpyridine) is soluble in THF, toluene, and CHCl<sub>3</sub>. The diblock copolymer can also be solubilized in methanol, ethanol depending on its composition. The polymer readily precipitates from hexanes, ether and water.

**<sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum of the Polymer**

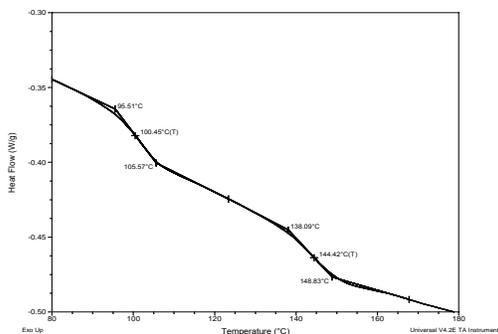


**SEC for the polymer:**

**P9880-S4VP**



**DSC thermogram for the PS block:**



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