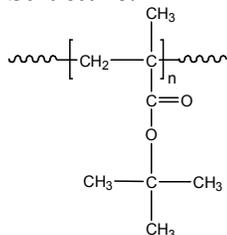


Sample Name: **Poly(t-butyl methacrylate)**
Atactic microstructure

Sample #: **P6143A-tBuMA**

Structure:



Composition:

| | |
|-------------------|---------|
| $M_n \times 10^3$ | PDI |
| 15.2 | 1.02 |
| S;H;I | 45:50:5 |

Synthesis Procedure:

Poly(t-butyl methacrylate) is obtained by living anionic polymerization of t-butyl methacrylate.

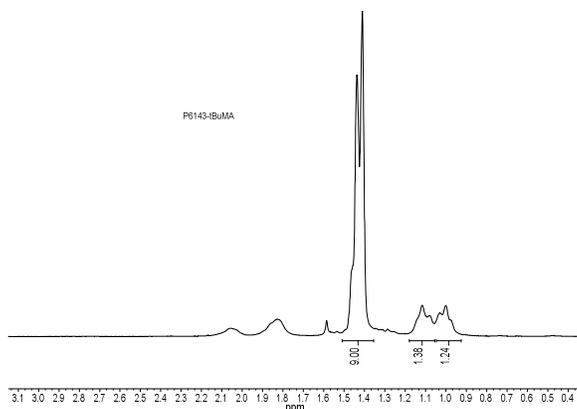
Characterization:

The product was characterized by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) and ^1H NMR.

Solubility:

Poly(tert butylmethacrylate) is soluble in THF, CHCl_3 , toluene and dioxane. The polymer precipitates from cold methanol and ethanol.

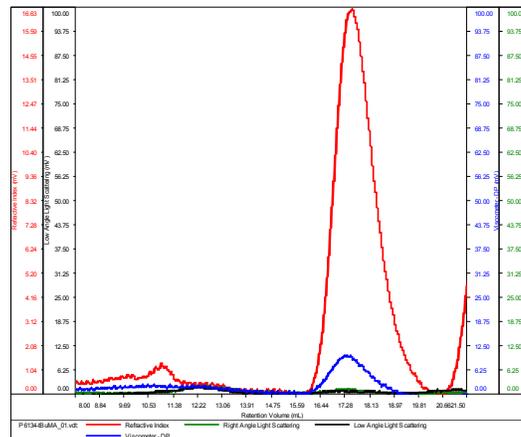
^1H NMR of the Polymer:



SEC elugram of Homopolymer:

P6134A-tBuMA

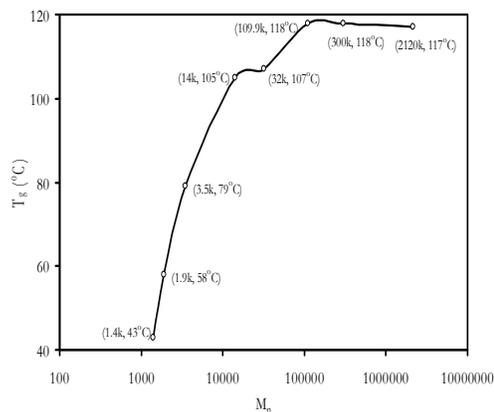
| | |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| Conc | 2.5702 |
| dn/dc | 0.0650 |
| Solvent | DMF w 0.023M LiBr |
| Flow Rate | 0.7000 |
| Method | PSS0k-March2017-0002.vcm |



| Sample | M_n | M_w | M_p | M_w/M_n | IV |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|
| P6134-tBuMA_01.vdt | 15,192 | 15,469 | 15,649 | 1.018 | 0.0628 |

DSC thermogram of the Product:

T_g of poly t-butyl methacrylate as function of molecular weight



T_g vs MW for selected poly t-butyl methacrylate

| $M_n \times 10^3$ | T_g ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) | $M_n \times 10^3$ | T_g ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) |
|-------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| 1.4 | 43 | 32 | 107 |
| 1.9 | 58 | 109.9 | 118 |
| 3.5 | 79 | 300 | 118 |
| 14 | 105 | 2120 | 117 |

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