

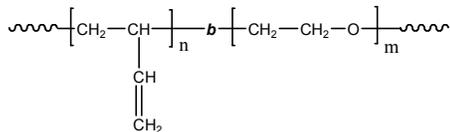
Sample Name: Poly(butadiene-b-ethylene oxide)

Poly butadiene rich in 1,2 or 1,4 microstructure

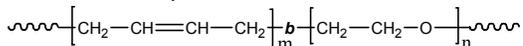
Sample #: P10949-BdEO

(poly butadiene block rich in 1,2 microstructure)

Structure of 1,2-rich microstructure about 95%:



Structure of 1,4-rich microstructure:



Composition:

| Mn x 10 ³ Bd-b-EO | Mw/Mn (PDI) | % 1,2 addition Butadiene |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| 1.5-b-1.2 | 1.15 | 95% |
| Dp: of each block: 26-b-23 | | |

Synthesis Procedure:

Poly(butadiene(1,4 addition or 1,2 addition)-b-ethylene oxide) can be prepared by the different routes as reported in the literature (ref: *Macromolecules* 1996, 29, 6994). The direct synthesis of diblock copolymer using lithium counter ion in the presence of **Phosphazene Base t-BuP₄** is interesting as reported in *Macromolecules*, **32** (8), 2783 -2785, 1999. These polymers can also be successfully synthesized using the different end functionalized polymers as investigated in our lab. These methodologies are proprietary.

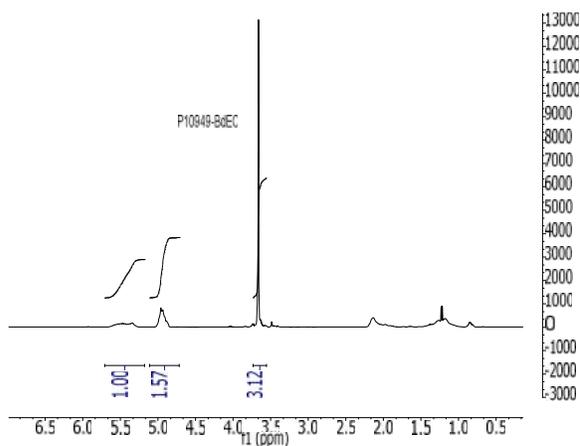
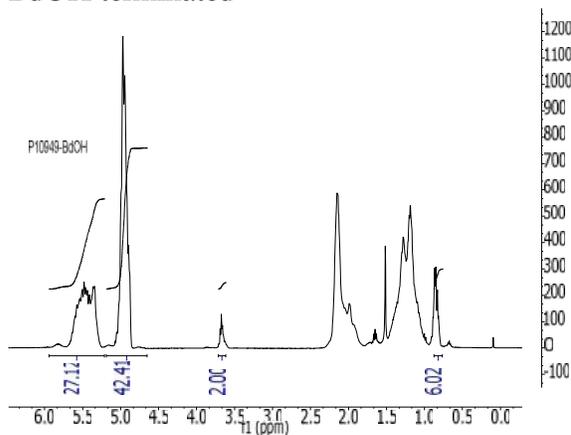
Characterization:

OH terminated polybutadiene polymer was analyzed by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) to obtain the molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI). The final block copolymer composition was calculated from ¹H-NMR spectroscopy by comparing the peak area of the vinylic butadiene protons between about 5.0-5.4 ppm with the ethylene oxide protons at 3.6 ppm. Block copolymer PDI is determined by SEC. Note: The ¹H-NMR of 1,2-polybutadiene is composed of 1 proton signal at 5.4 ppm and 2 proton signals at 5.0 ppm. Signals due to vinylic 1,4-polybutadiene are also present at 5.4 ppm.

Solubility:

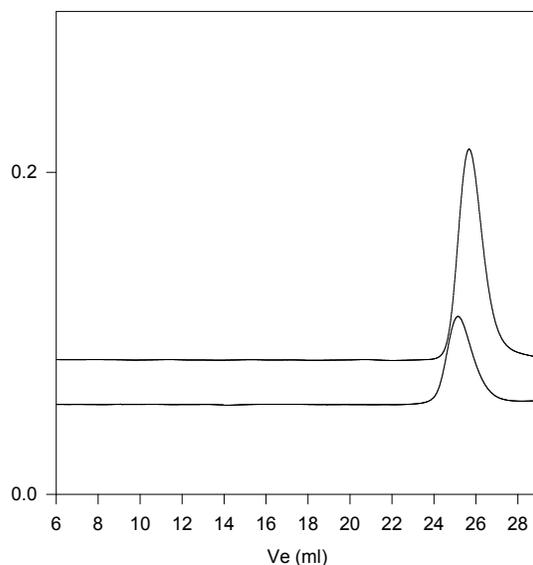
Poly(butadiene-b-ethylene oxide) is soluble in THF, CHCl₃, and toluene. The polymer has variable solubility in hexane, methanol, ethanol and water depending on its composition.

¹H NMR spectrum of the sample BdOH terminated



SEC profile of the block copolymer

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Size exclusion chromatography of poly(butadiene-b-ethylene oxide):

- 1,4 polybutadiene M_n=1500, M_w=1600, PI=1.08
- Block Copolymer PBd(1,500)-b-PEO(1,200), PI=1.15
Composition from H NMR