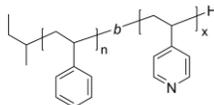


Sample Name:
Poly(styrene)-b-oligo(4-vinyl pyridine)
Bearing different degree of 4VP units

Sample #: P43811-S4VP

Structure:



Composition:

$M_n \times 10^3$ S-b-4VP	PDI
22.0-b-0.2	1.01

Dp of each unit 211-b-2
Tg for PS block: 104 °C

Synthesis Procedure:

Polymers were prepared by living anionic polymerization in THF at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ in the presence of LiCl as an additive.

Characterization:

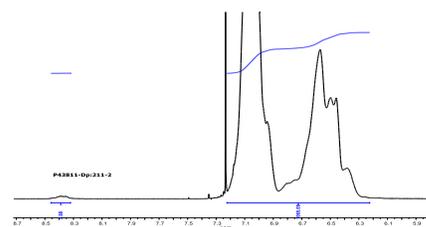
The product was characterized by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) and ^1H NMR and FTIR data analysis.

Purification:

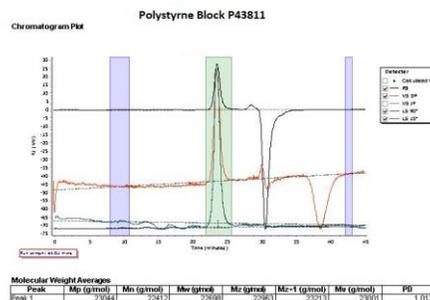
Purification of the obtained polymer was carried out rigorously as follows to ensure the removal of the catalyst side product:

1. Dissolved the polymer in CHCl_3 and wash with de-ionized distilled water to remove the any soluble organic catalyst side product.
2. Polymer extracted from water with chloroform.
3. Polymer solution in CHCl_3 was dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate.
4. Solution filtered and than passed through a column packed with basic Al_2O_3 .
5. Solution concentrated on rota-evaporator.
6. Solution precipitated in cold hexane and redissolved in benzene and freeze dried.
7. Final dried under vacuum for 48h at $50\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$.

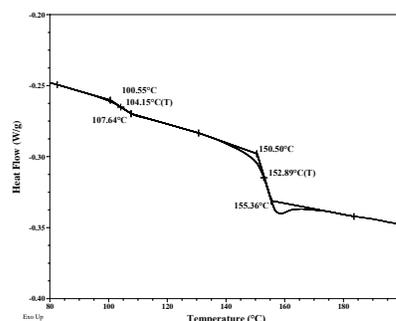
^1H NMR Spectrum of the Polymer:



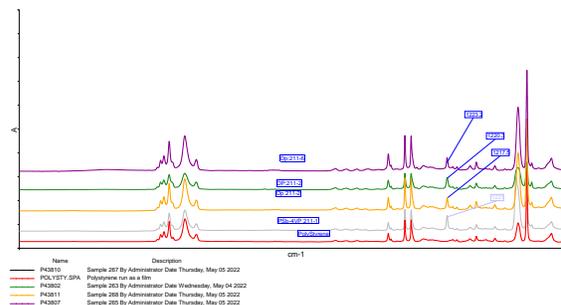
SEC elugram of the Polymer:



DSC thermogram for the PS block:



FTIR spectrum of Samples:



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