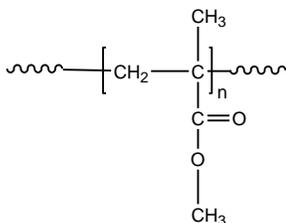


Sample Name: Poly(methyl methacrylate)

Different microstructure

Sample #: P14199D-MMA

Structure:



Composition:

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| $M_n \times 10^3$ | PDI |
| 34.0 | 1.28 |

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|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Syndio : Hetero : Isotactic | 54 : 40 : 6 |
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Synthesis Procedure:

Poly(methyl methacrylate) is obtained by free radical polymerization or ATRP using CuBr as catalyst / or GTP process in toluene or in THF.

Characterization:

Tacticity of the polymer was determined by ¹H NMR. The molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI) were obtained by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) in THF. SEC analysis was performed on a Varian liquid chromatograph equipped with refractive and UV light scattering detectors. Three SEC columns from Supelco (G6000-4000-2000 HXL) were used with triple detectors from Viscotek Co.

Thermal analysis of the samples was carried out using a differential scanning calorimeter (TA Q100) at a heating rate of 10°C/min. The inflection glass transition temperature (T_g) of the sample has been considered.

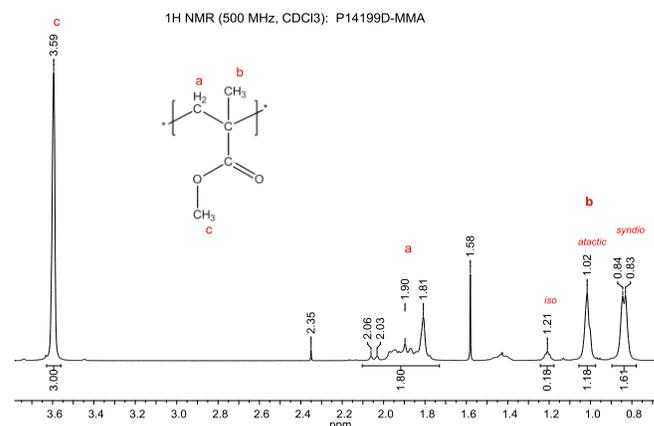
Solubility:

The polymer is soluble in THF, CHCl₃, toluene and dioxane. The polymer precipitates from cold methanol and ethanol.

T_g vs MW for selected atactic PMMA:

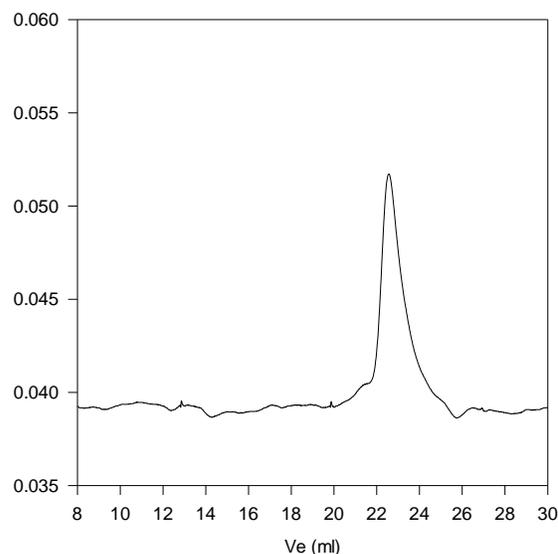
| $M_n \times 10^3$ | T_g (°C) | $M_n \times 10^3$ | T_g (°C) |
|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| 1.1 | 51 | 36 | 98 |
| 2.5 | 76 | 55 | 111 |
| 5.0 | 91 | 70 | 107 |
| 15 | 101 | 127 | 115 |
| 19 | 107 | 230 | 114 |
| 29 | 96 | 700 | 121 |

¹H NMR spectrum of PMMA:



SEC elugram of PMMA homopolymer:

P14199D-MMA



Size exclusion chromatograph of polymethylmethacrylate-rich in atactic: $M_n=34,000$, $M_w=43,500$, $PI=1.28$

DSC:

T_g of atactic poly methyl methacrylate as function of molecular weight

