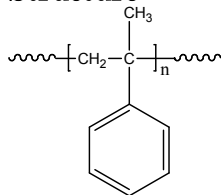


Sample Name: Poly(α -methyl styrene)

Sample #: P4588-MeS

Structure:

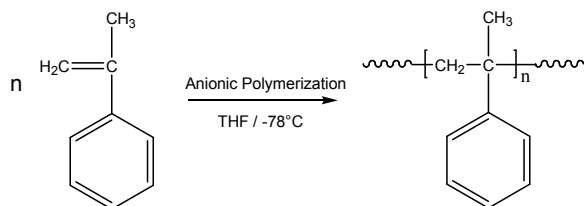


Composition:

$M_n \times 10^3$	PDI
1.3	1.18
T_g ($^{\circ}C$)	96

Synthesis Procedure:

Poly(α -methyl styrene) is synthesized by living anionic polymerization of α -methyl styrene and the reaction scheme is shown below.



Characterization:

The molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI) are obtained by size exclusion chromatography.

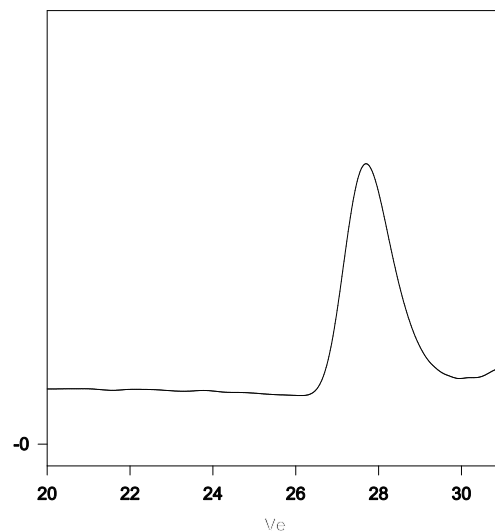
Thermal analysis of the samples was carried out on a TA Q100 differential scanning calorimeter at a heating rate of $10^{\circ}C/min$. The midpoint of the slope change of the heat flow plot of the second heating scan was considered as the glass transition temperature (T_g).

Solubility:

Poly(α -methyl styrene) is soluble in DMF, THF, toluene and $CHCl_3$. It precipitates from methanol, ethanol, water and hexanes.

SEC of Homopolymer:

P4588-MeS



Size exclusion chromatography of Poly(α -methyl styrene) with on-line TriSEC detector:

$M_n=1300$, $M_w=1530$, $M_w/M_n=1.18$

DSC thermogram for the polymer:

