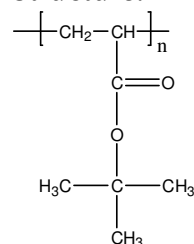


Sample Name: Poly(t-butyl acrylate)

Sample #: P4695-tBuA

**Structure:**



**Composition:**

$M_n \times 10^3$	PDI
9.5	1.2

**Synthesis Procedure:**

Poly(t-butyl acrylate) is obtained by living anionic polymerization of t-butyl acrylate.<sup>1-4</sup>

**Characterization:**

The molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI) are 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:**

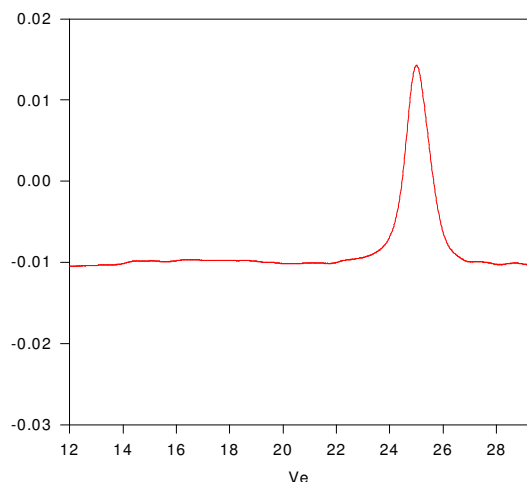
Poly(t-butyl acrylate) is soluble in THF, hexanes (low MW), toluene and  $\text{CHCl}_3$ . This polymer precipitates from ethanol and methanol containing 10-15% water.

**$T_g$  vs MW for selected poly t-butyl acrylate**

$M_n \times 10^3$	$T_g$ (°C)	$M_n \times 10^3$	$T_g$ (°C)
0.75	-15	11.6	28
1.4	-5	22	32
2	7	65	35
4.5	12	1128	38

**SEC of Sample:**

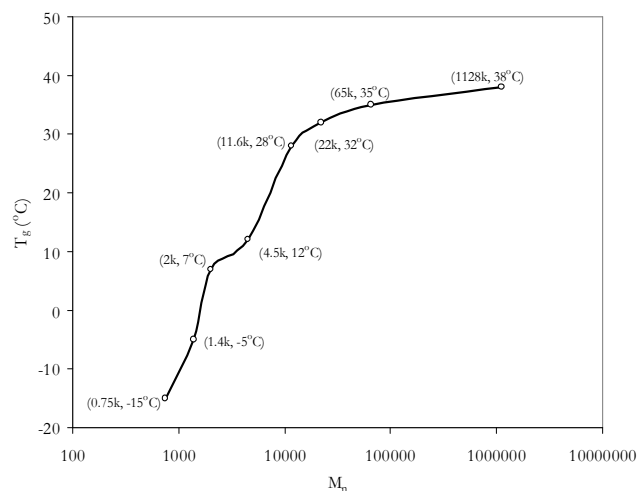
**P4695-tBuA**



Size Exclusion Chromatography of Poly tert.-butyl acrylate:

$M_n=9500$ ,  $M_w=11500$   $PI=1.2$

**$T_g$  of poly t-butyl acrylate as function of molecular weight**



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