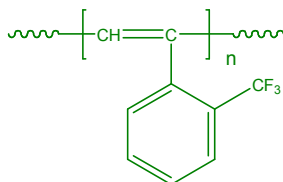


Sample Name: Poly(o-(trifluoromethylphenyl) acetylene)

Sample #: P4761-oTFMPA

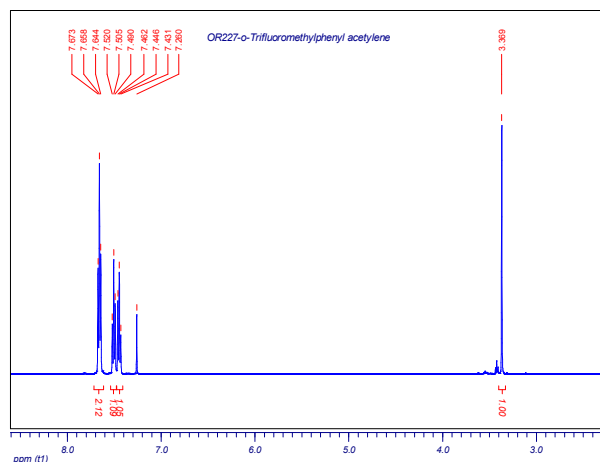
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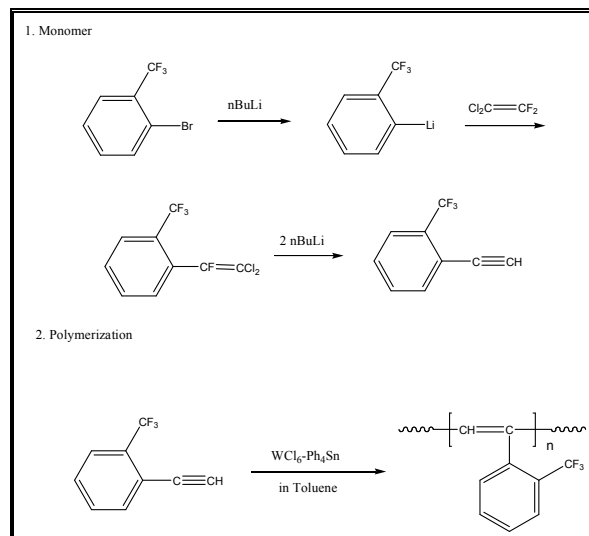
Mn x 10 ³	PDI
37.5	4.30

H NMR of Monomer:



Synthesis Procedure:

Poly(o-trifluoromethylphenyl acetylene) is obtained by polymerization of o-trifluoromethylphenyl acetylene under the catalysis of WCl_6 with tetraphenyltin as the cocatalyst in Toluene at 0°C. The scheme of the reaction is illustrated below. The resulting polymer was precipitated in methanol.



Purification of the polymer:

The crude polymer was redissolved in toluene. The resulting clear red color solution was precipitated in cold methanol and dried under vacuum at room temperature.

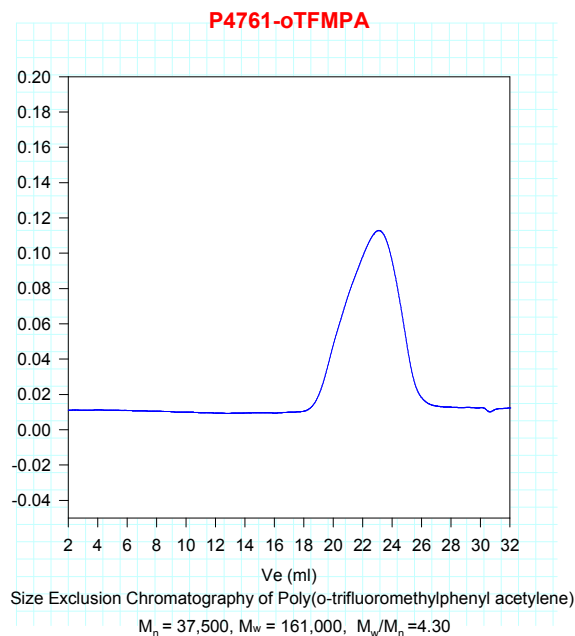
Characterization:

The molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI) are obtained by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) in THF or Chloroform. 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. The molecular weight is calculated based on polystyrene standards.

Solubility:

oTFMPA is soluble in THF, Toluene and $CHCl_3$. It precipitates from methanol.

SEC of Homopolymer:



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