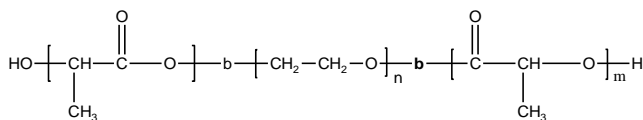


Sample Name:

Poly(lactide -b- ethylene oxide -b- lactide) (DL form)

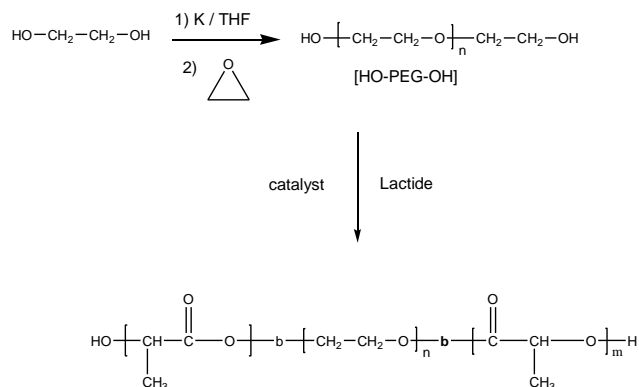
Sample #: P6428-LAEOLA (DL form)

Structure:**Composition:**

$M_n \times 10^3$	PDI
4.0-b-8.0-b-4.0	1.08

Synthesis Procedure:

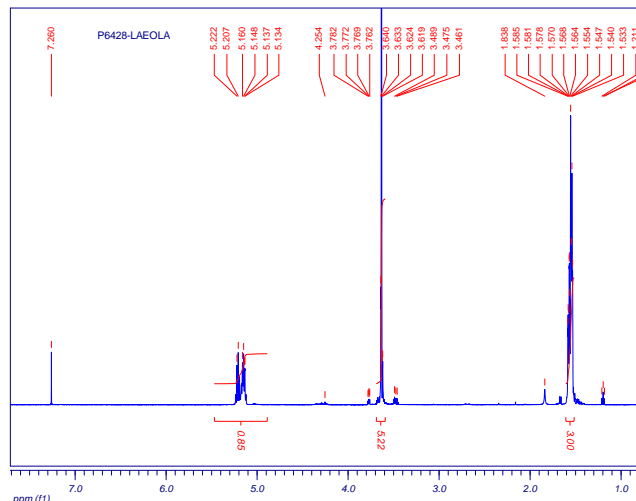
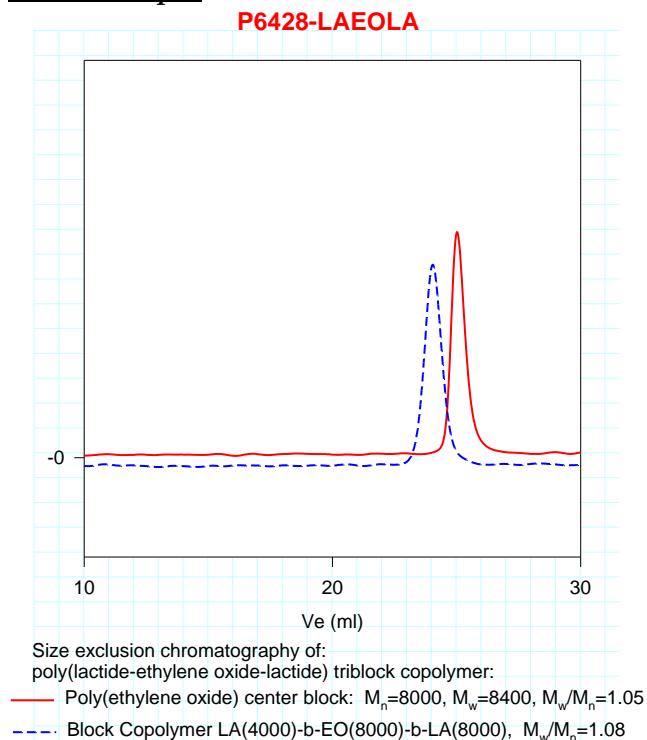
Poly(lactide-b-ethylene oxide-b-lactide) was prepared by of living anionic polymerization of ethylene oxide (EO) followed by living coordination polymerization of D,L-lactide (LA) using tin catalyst. The scheme of the reaction is illustrated below:

**Characterization:**

The molecular weight and polydispersity index of the poly(ethylene oxide) block was determined by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) using a Varian liquid chromatograph equipped with a UV and refractive index detector. The composition of the lactide ABA triblock copolymer was determined using ^1H -NMR spectroscopy by comparing the integration of the lactide peaks (5.2ppm and 1.56ppm) with that of the ethylene oxide peaks (3.6ppm).

Solubility:

The polymer is soluble in THF, chloroform, DMF and toluene, but not soluble in hexane.

NMR of Sample:**SEC of Sample:**

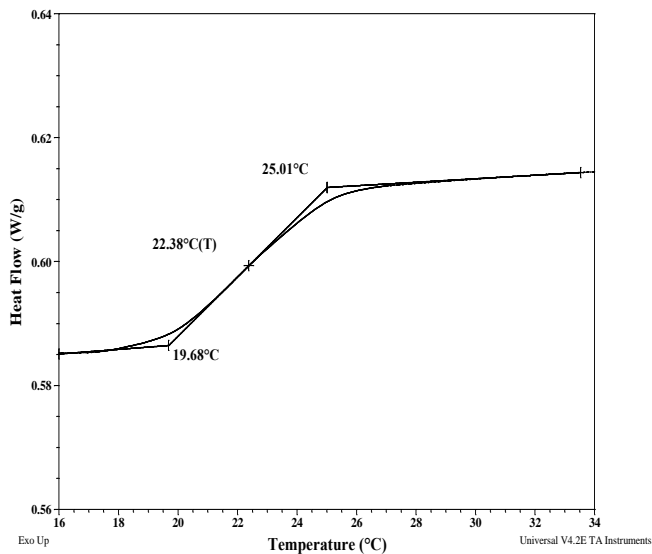
Thermal analysis of the sample# P6428-LAEOLA

Thermal analysis of the samples was carried out on a TA Q100 differential scanning calorimeter at a heating rate of 20°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).

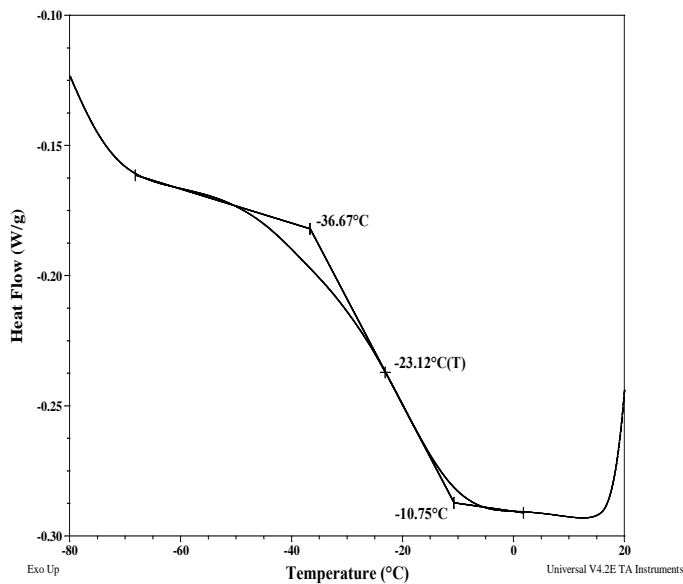
Thermal analysis results at a glance

For PLA block (DL)		
T_g : 22°C	T_m : -	T_c : -
For PEO block		
T_g : -37°C	T_m : 48°C	T_c : Not observed

Thermogram for PLA block:



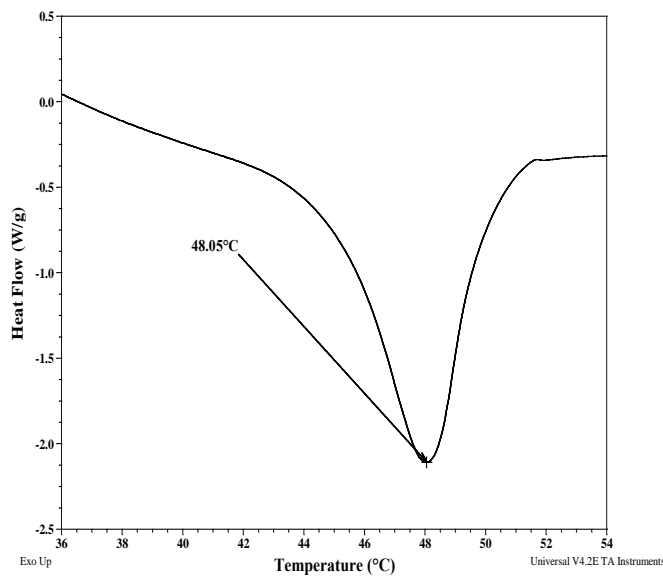
For PEO block



Melting and crystallization curve for the sample

The melting temperature (T_m) was taken as the maximum of the endothermic peak where as the crystallization temperature (T_c) was considered as the minimum of the exothermic peak.

Melting curve for PEO block



Crystallization curve For PEO block

