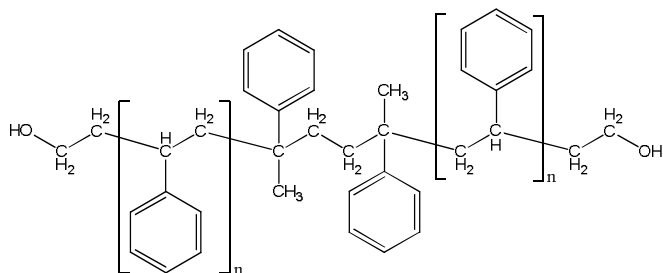


Sample Name: **α,ω -Di(hydroxy)-terminated polystyrene,**

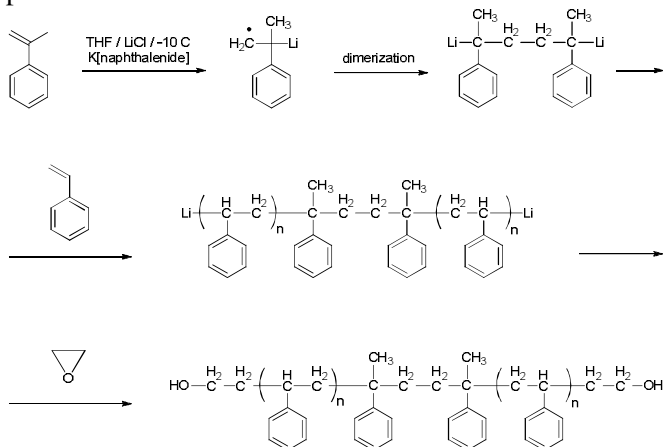
(with α -methyl styrene dimer group in the middle of polymer chain)

Sample # P8948-S2OH**Structure:****Composition:**

$M_n \times 10^3$ (g/mol)	M_w/M_n
12.0	1.3
Glass transition temperature (T_g):	97 °C

Synthesis procedure:

α,ω -Di(hydroxyl)-terminated polystyrene was prepared by living anionic polymerization of styrene using a bifunctional initiator in THF followed by termination with ethylene oxide. The scheme of reaction is presented below:

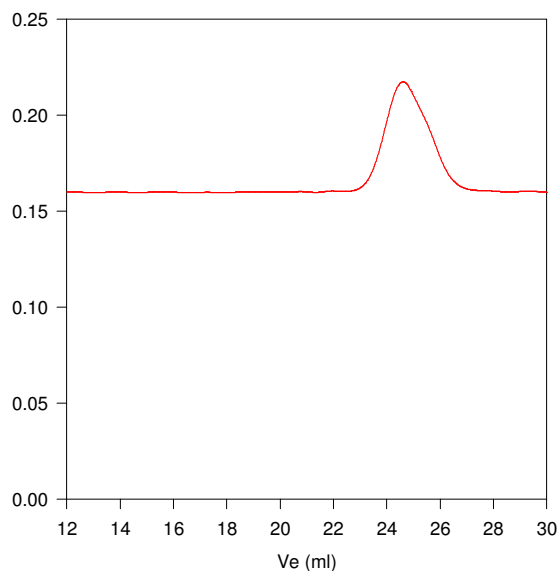
**Characterization:**

The molecular weight and polydispersity index of the polymer were determined by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) using a Varian liquid chromatograph equipped with a UV and refractive index detectors.

Thermal analysis was performed on TA Instruments Q100 differential scanning calorimeter (DSC) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The glass transition temperature (T_g) of the polymer was measured at a scan rate of 10°C/min shortly after creating thermal history of the sample.

Solubility:

Polystyrene is soluble in toluene, THF, chloroform; and it precipitates from cold methanol, water.

SEC elugram of the polymer:**P8948-S2OH**

Size exclusion chromatography of ω - α dihydroxy Terminated polystyrene:
 $M_n=12000$, $M_w=15600$, $PI=1.3$ functionality: >1.95%

DSC thermogram of the polymer: