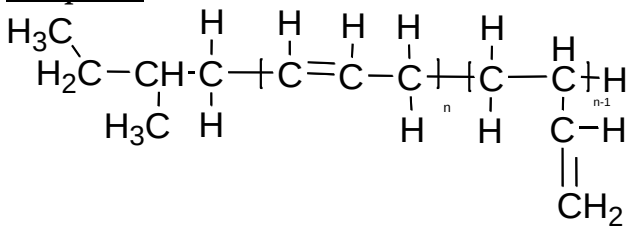
<u>Sample Name</u>: Polybutadiene (rich in 1,2 microstructure) (1,2=85% , 1,4 = 15%)

<u>Sample #:</u> P18410-Bd



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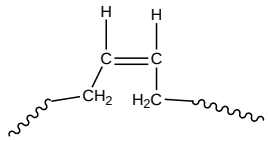
Composition:

Mn x 10^3	PDI
0.35	1.10

Synthesis Procedure:

Polybutadiene (1,2-rich) is obtained by living anionic polymerization in THF. Using Sce. BuLi initiator.



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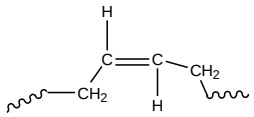

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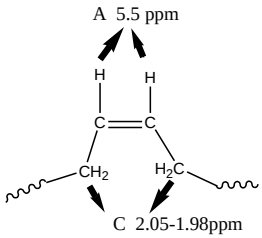
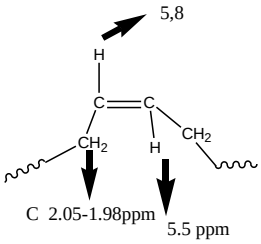
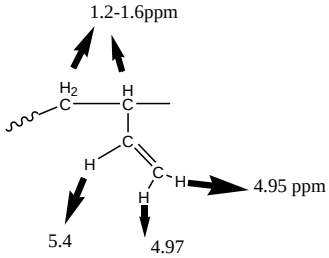
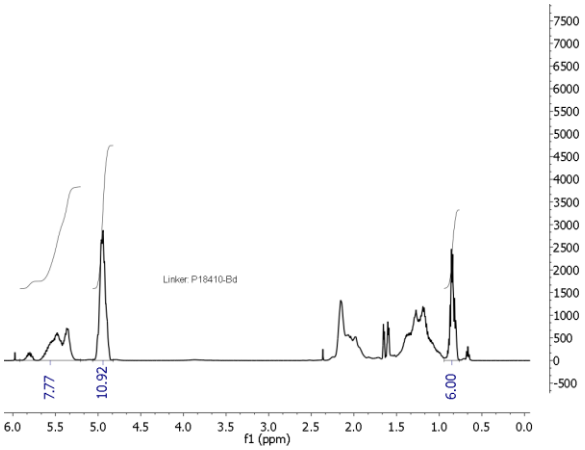






Characterization:

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.

Polymer microstructure can be confirmed by ^{1}H-NMR where the spectrum of 1,2-polybutadiene contains of 1 vinylic proton signal at 5.4 ppm and 2 vinylic protons at 5.0 ppm but the spectrum of 1,4-polybutadiene only contains vinylic signals at 5.4 ppm.