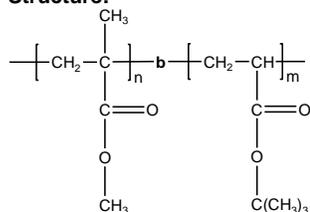


Sample Name: Poly(methyl methacrylate-b-t-butyl acrylate)

Sample #: P2384-MMA-tBuA

Structure:

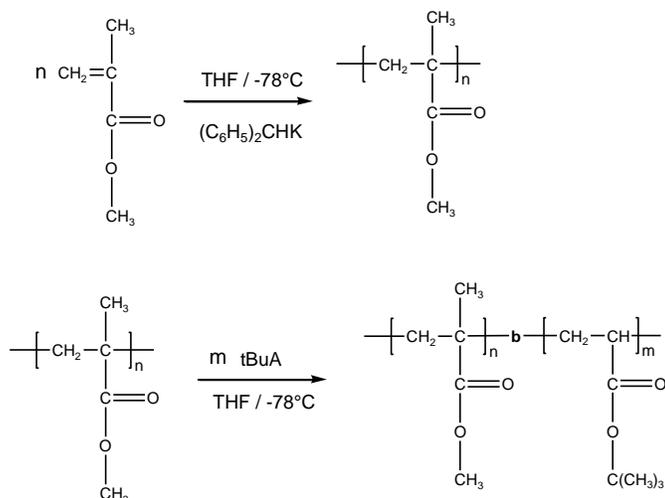


Composition:

Mn x 10 ³ PMMA-b-PtBuA (k)	PDI
4.5-b-20.2	1.12

Synthesis Procedure:

Poly(methyl methacrylate-b-t-butyl acrylate) is prepared by living anionic polymerization with sequence addition of methyl methacrylate followed by addition of t-butyl acrylate. The scheme of the reaction is illustrated below:



Characterization:

An aliquot of the anionic poly(methyl methacrylate) block was terminated before addition of t-butyl acrylate and analyzed by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) to obtain the molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI). The final block copolymer composition was calculated from ¹H-NMR spectroscopy by comparing the peak area of the t-butyl methacrylate protons at 1.43 ppm with the peak area of the methyl methacrylate protons at 3.6 ppm. Copolymer PDI is determined by SEC.

Solubility:

Poly(methyl methacrylate-b-t-butyl methacrylate) is soluble in THF, CHCl₃, toluene and dioxane. The polymer precipitates from hexanes, methanol and ethanol.

SEC of the block copolymer:

