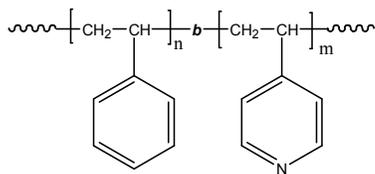


Sample Name: Poly(styrene-b-4-vinyl pyridine)

Sample #: P3916-S4VP

Structure:



Composition:

$M_n \times 10^3$ PS-b-4VP	PDI
43.0-b-2.6	1.09
T_g for PS block: 99°C	T_g for 4VP block: 99°C

Synthesis Procedure:

Poly(styrene-b-4-vinyl pyridine) is prepared by living anionic polymerization in THF or THF-DMF solvent mixtures at -78°C . Polystyrene macroanions were end capped with a unit of diphenyl ethylene (DPE) before adding 4-vinylpyridine (4VP) monomer. For further details please see our published articles.^{1,2}

Characterization:

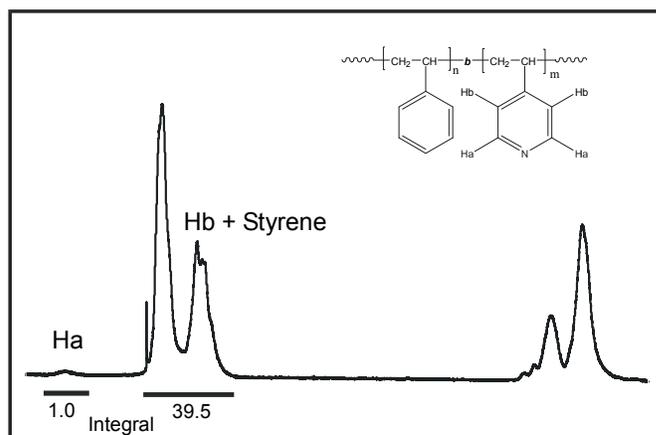
An aliquot of the anionic polystyrene block was terminated before addition of 4-vinyl pyridine and analyzed by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) in DMF to obtain the molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI). The block copolymer composition was then calculated from $^1\text{H-NMR}$ spectroscopy by comparing the peak area of the two aromatic 4-VP protons at about 8.5 ppm with the peak area of the aromatic protons of polystyrene at 6.3-7.2 ppm. The composition of the block copolymer can also be determined by titration in acetic acid/ HClO_4 using crystal violet indicator. Copolymer PDI is determined by SEC.

Thermal analysis of the samples was carried out using a differential scanning calorimeter (TA Q100) at a heating rate of $15^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$. The inflection glass transition temperature (T_g) of the sample has been considered.

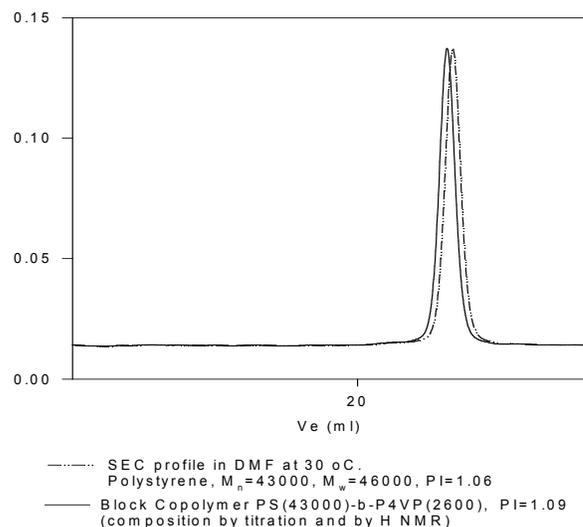
Solubility:

Poly(styrene-b-4-vinyl pyridine) is soluble in DMF, CHCl_3 . The polymer can also be solubilized in THF depending on its chemical composition. The polymer readily precipitates from hexanes and diethyl ether.

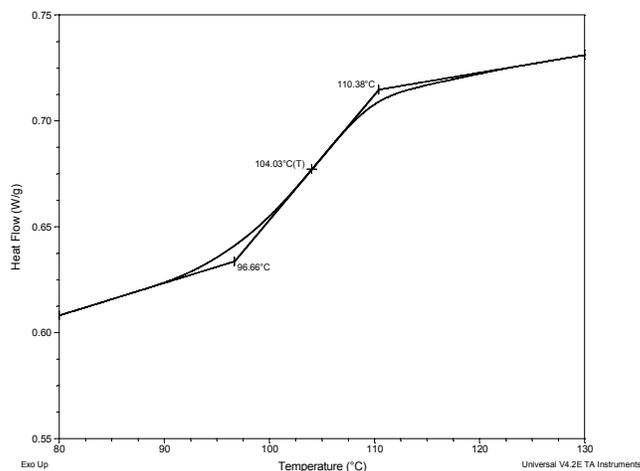
$^1\text{H-NMR}$ Spectrum of Sample #: P3916-S4VP:



SEC of Sample # P3916-S4VP:



Thermogram of sample:



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