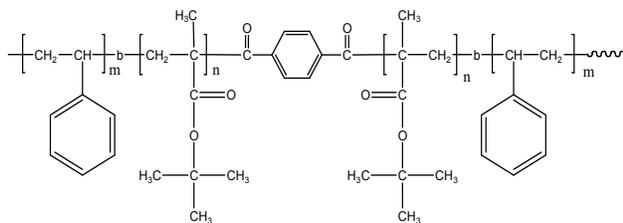


Sample Name:

Poly(Styrene-*b*-tert butyl methacrylate-*b*-Styrene)

Sample #: P5393-StBuMAS

Structure:



Composition:

$M_n \times 10^3$ (S- <i>b</i> -tBuMA-S)	PDI
4.0- <i>b</i> -17.0- <i>b</i> -4.0	1.30
T_g for PS block: 77°C	T_g for tBuMA block: 112°C

Synthesis Procedure:

Poly(styrene -*b*- tert.butylmethacrylate -*b*- styrene) is prepared by living anionic polymerization. The synthesis details are available in the cited reference at the end.

Characterization:

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

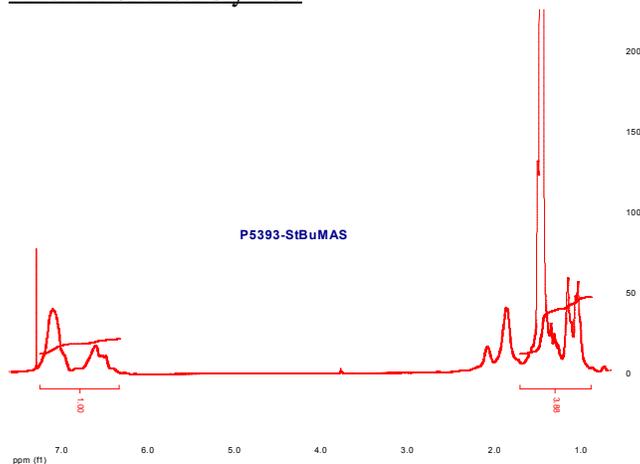
Thermal Analysis:

Thermal analysis of the samples was carried out on a TA Q100 differential scanning calorimeter at a heating rate of 10°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).

Solubility:

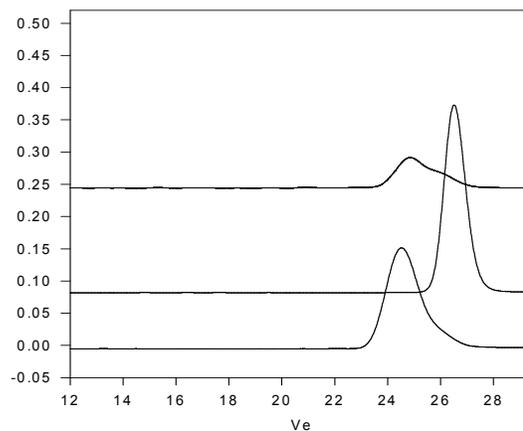
Polymer is soluble in THF, toluene and CHCl_3 . It precipitates from methanol, ethanol, water and hexanes (depending on the composition).

HNMR of the Polymer:



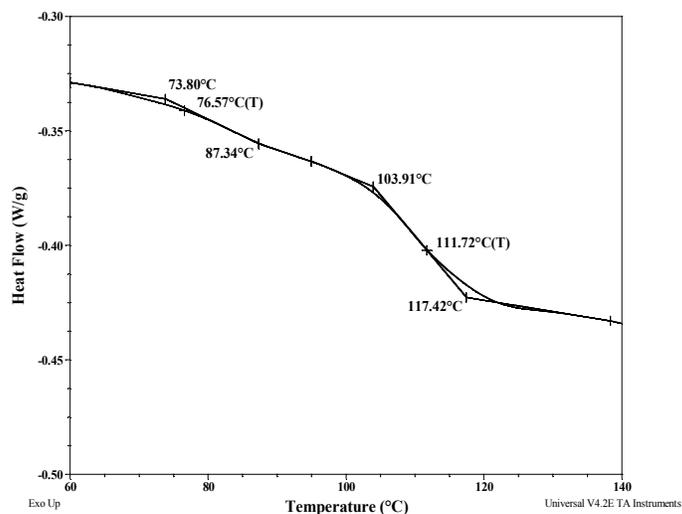
SEC of Sample:

P5393-StBuMAS



Size Exclusion Chromatography of:
— PS, the first PS block, $M_n=4000$, $PI=1.07$
- - - PtBuMA, the diblock PS(4000)-*b*-PtBuMA(8,500), $PI=1.25$
— StBuMAS, the triblock PS(4000)-*b*-PtBuMA(17,000)-*b*-PS(4000), $PI=1.3$

DDSC thermogram for the triblock polymer:



Reference:

S.K. Varshney, P. Kesani, N. Agarwal, J. Xin. Zhang, and M. Rafailovich Synthesis of ABA type thermoplastic elastomers based on Polyacrylates”Macromolecules, 1999, 32, 235.