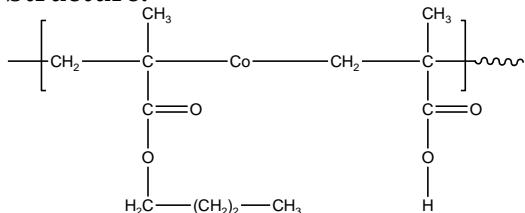


Sample Name:

Random Copolymer Poly(n-Butyl methacrylate-co-methacrylic acid)

Sample #: P5784A-nBuMAMAA ran

Structure:



Composition: PMAA : 50%

Mw × 10 ³ (Mn) PnBuMA-co-MAA	PDI
562 (433.0)	1.3
T _g of random polymer nBuMAtBuMAran	100 °C
T _g of random polymer nBuMAMAAran	159 °C
nBuMA:tert.BuMA	45:55
Tacticity of the polymer Syndio:hetero:iso fractions	67:27:6

% of PMAA in the copolymer by titration

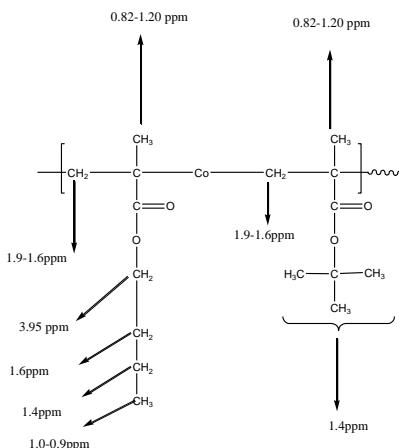
(3.27ml of 0.1021N NaOH for 50mg of polymer)

Synthesis Procedure:

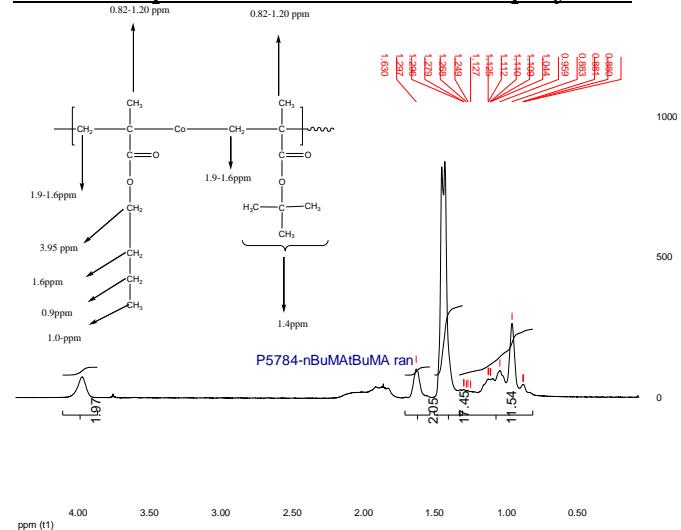
Random Copolymer Poly(n-Butylmethacrylate-co-tert.butyl methacrylate) is prepared by anionic polymerization. The product was hydrolysed in dioxane to convert poly tert.BuMA fraction to methacrylic acid.

Characterization:

The polymer was analyzed by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) to obtain the molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI). The copolymer composition was calculated from ¹H-NMR spectroscopy by comparing the peak area of the protons of methylene (-CH₂) of nBuMA at 4ppm and tert.butyl of tert.BuMA at about 1.4 ppm.

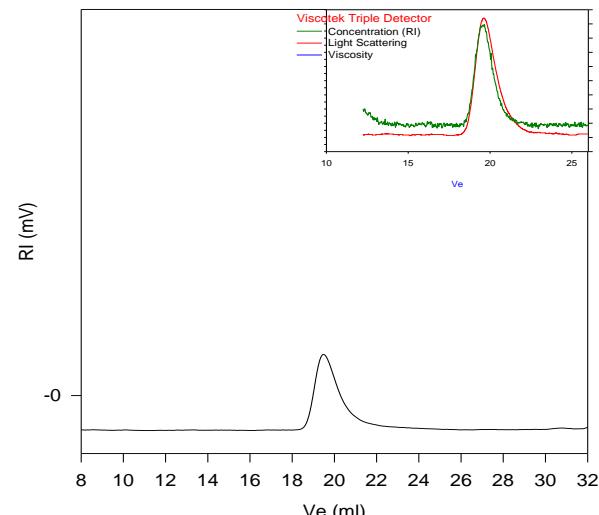


¹H-NMR Spectrum of the random copolymer:



SEC of the random copolymer:

P5784-nBuMAtBuMAran



Size Exclusion Chromatography of Copolymer:

— M_p = 540,000, M_w = 702,000, M_w/M_n = 1.30
Solution Viscosity in THF at 35 oC: 1.720dl/g
dry/dcm THF at 35 oC: 0.084 ml/g
Rgw: 32.20nm
After the hydrolysis of tert.butyl ester:
Mw: 562,000 Mn: 433,00 Mw/Mn 1.3

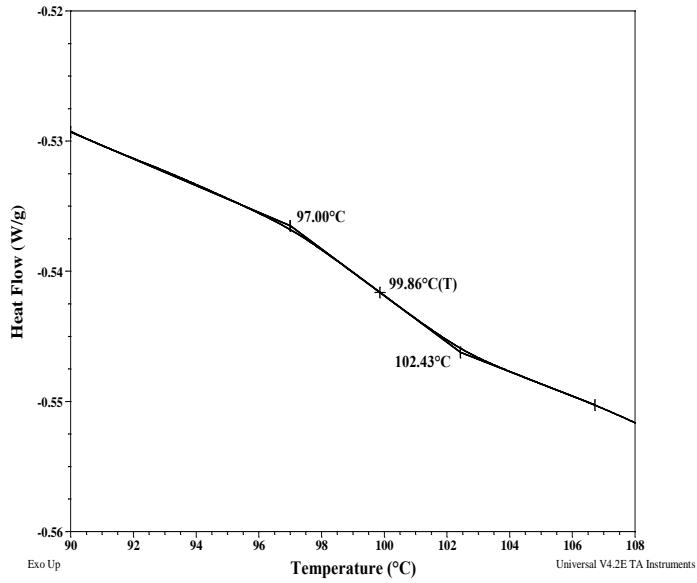
Solubility:

CHCl ₃	insoluble
THF	insoluble (swell slightly)
Methanol	Soluble
DMF	Soluble

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).

Thermograms for random polymer nBuMAtBuMAran:



Thermograms for random polymer nBuMAMAAran:

