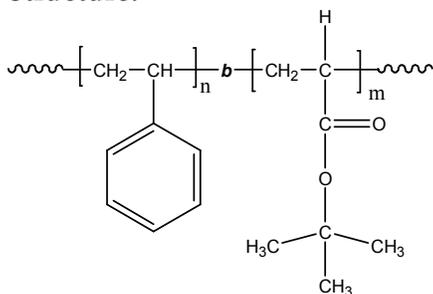


**Sample Name: Poly(styrene-b- tert.butylacrylate)****SEC for the sample :****Sample #: P5990-StBuA****P5990-StBuA****Structure:****Composition:**

$M_n \times 10^3$ S-b-tBuA	PDI
180.0-b-300.0	1.25

**Synthesis Procedure:**

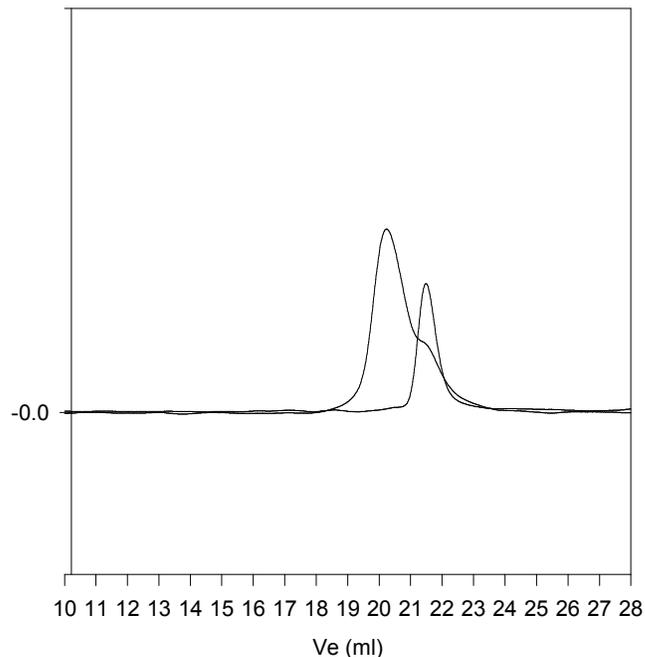
Poly(styrene-b-tert.acrylate) is prepared by living anionic polymerization in THF at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$  using sec.BuLi initiator adduct with  $\alpha$ -methyl styrene in the presence of LiCl. tert.butyl acrylate (tBuA) monomer was added after dilution in THF. For further details please see our published articles.<sup>1-4</sup>

**Characterization:**

An aliquot of the anionic polystyrene block was terminated before addition of tBuA and analyzed by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) to obtain the molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI). The final block copolymer composition was calculated from  $^1\text{H-NMR}$ . Copolymer  $M_w/M_n$  is determined by SEC.

**Solubility:**

Poly(styrene-b-tert.butylacrylate) is soluble in THF, toluene, dioxane and  $\text{CHCl}_3$ . This polymer readily precipitates from methanol, ethanol, hexanes and water.



—— Polystyrene,  $M_n=180,000$ ,  $M_w=198,000$ ,  $PI=1.10$   
 —— Block Copolymer PS(180,000)-b-PtBuA(300,000),  $PI=1.25$

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