Sample Name:

Deuterated polystyrene (d₈)- poly tert.butylacrylate(protonated)

Sample #: P8180-dPStBuA

Structure:

Composition:

| Mn x 10 ³ | PDI |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| 106.0-b-38.0 | 1.10 |
| Tg for dPS block | 105°C |
| T _g for tBuA block | 43°C |

Synthesis Procedure:

Deuterated poly(styrene (D8)-b-t-butyl acrylate) is prepared by living anionic polymerization in THF at -78 °C using sec.BuLi initiator in the presence of LiCl. Deuterated Polystyrene macroanions were end capped with a unit of diphenyl ethylene (DPE) before adding tert.butylacrylate (tBuA) monomer.

Characterization:

The molecular weight and polydispersity index (PDI) are obtained by size exclusion chromatography (SEC) in THF. SEC analysis was performed on a Varian liquid chromatograph equipped with refractive and UV light scattering detectors from Viscotek Co. Three SEC columns from Supelco (G6000-4000-2000 HXL) were used.

Thermal analysis

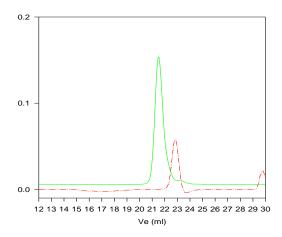
Thermal analysis of the samples was carried out on a TA Q100 differential scanning calorimeter at a heating rate of 10°C/min. The midpoint of the slope change of the heat flow plot of the second heating scan was considered as the glass transition temperature (Tg).

Solubility:

Deuterated polystyrene-b-tert.butylacrylate is soluble in THF, dioxane. Toluene, benzene and CHCl₃ It precipitates out from methanol/water.

SEC of the product:

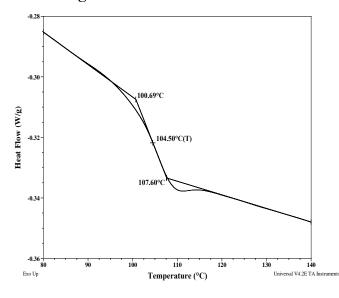
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Size exclusion chromatography of deuterated (d8) polystyrene-poly(t-butyl acrylate

Deuterated Polystyrene, M_n=-106000, M_w=112500, PI=1.06
Block Copolymer PdSt(106000)-b-PtBuA(38000), PI=1.10

DSC thermogram for dPS block:



Thermogram for PtBuA block:

