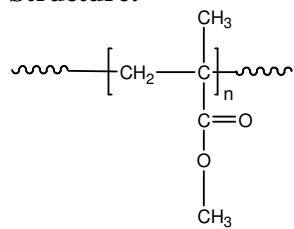


Sample Name:  
**Poly(methyl methacrylate) Broad Distribution: over 79% syndiotactic content**  
*Electronic grade*

Sample #: P88p-MMA

**Structure:**

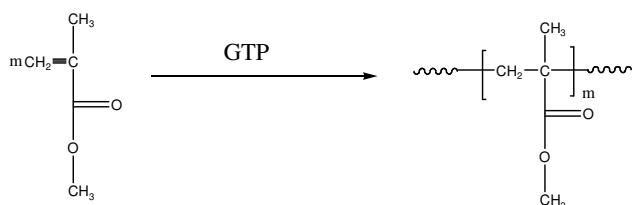


**Composition:**

Mn x 10 <sup>3</sup>	PDI
18.2	1.06

**Synthesis Procedure:**

Poly(methyl methacrylate) is prepared by group transfer radical polymerization of methyl methacrylate in the presence of 1-methoxy-1-(trimethylsiloxy)-2-methyl-1-propene and tetrabutylammonium bi(benzoate). The scheme of the reaction is illustrated below:



**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. Three SEC columns from Supelco (G6000-4000-2000 HXL) were used with triple detectors from Viscotek Co.

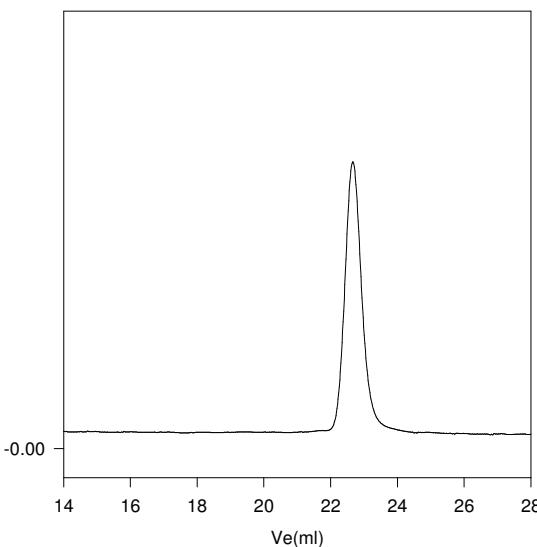
Thermal analysis of the samples was carried out using a differential scanning calorimeter (TA Q100) at a heating rate of 10°C/min. The inflection glass transition temperature (T<sub>g</sub>) of the sample has been considered.

**Solubility:**

Poly(methyl methacrylate) is soluble in THF, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, toluene and dioxane. The polymer precipitates from hexanes, methanol and ethanol.

### SEC elugram of the polymer

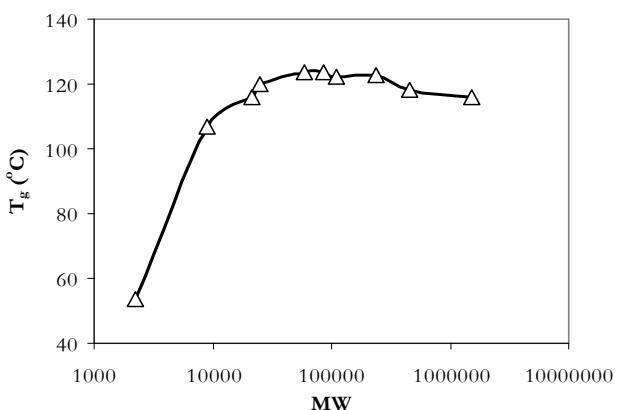
**P88-MMA**



Size exclusion chromatography of poly(methyl methacrylate):

M<sub>n</sub>=18200, M<sub>w</sub>=19300, M<sub>z</sub>=20500, M<sub>w</sub>/M<sub>n</sub>=1.06

### **T<sub>g</sub> of MMA as function of molecular weight**



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