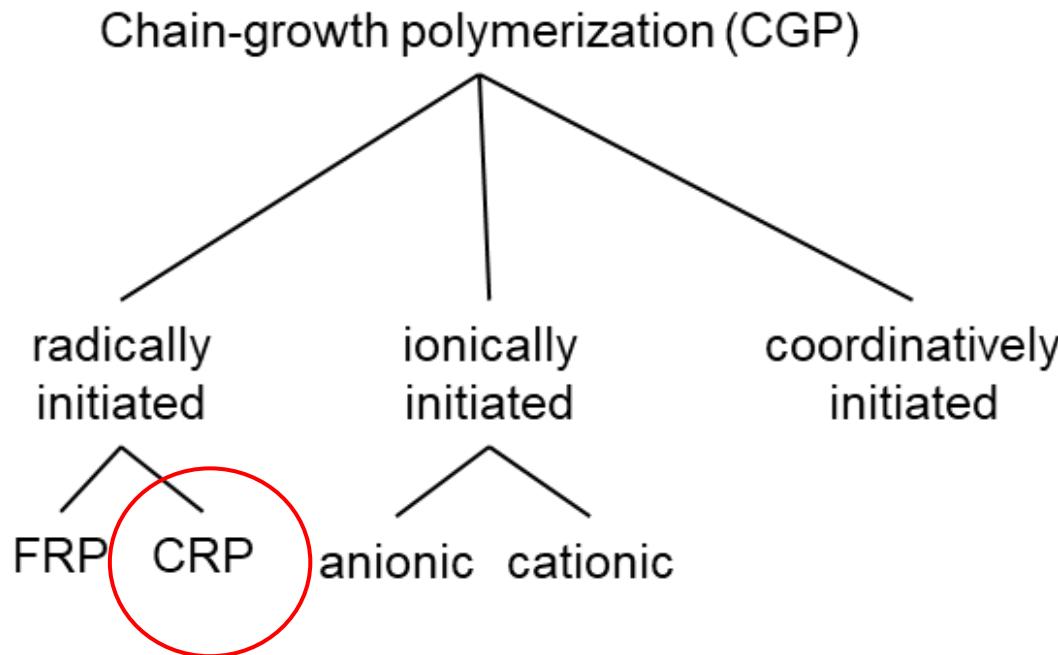


Polimerizzazioni a Catena (chain-growth polymerizations)



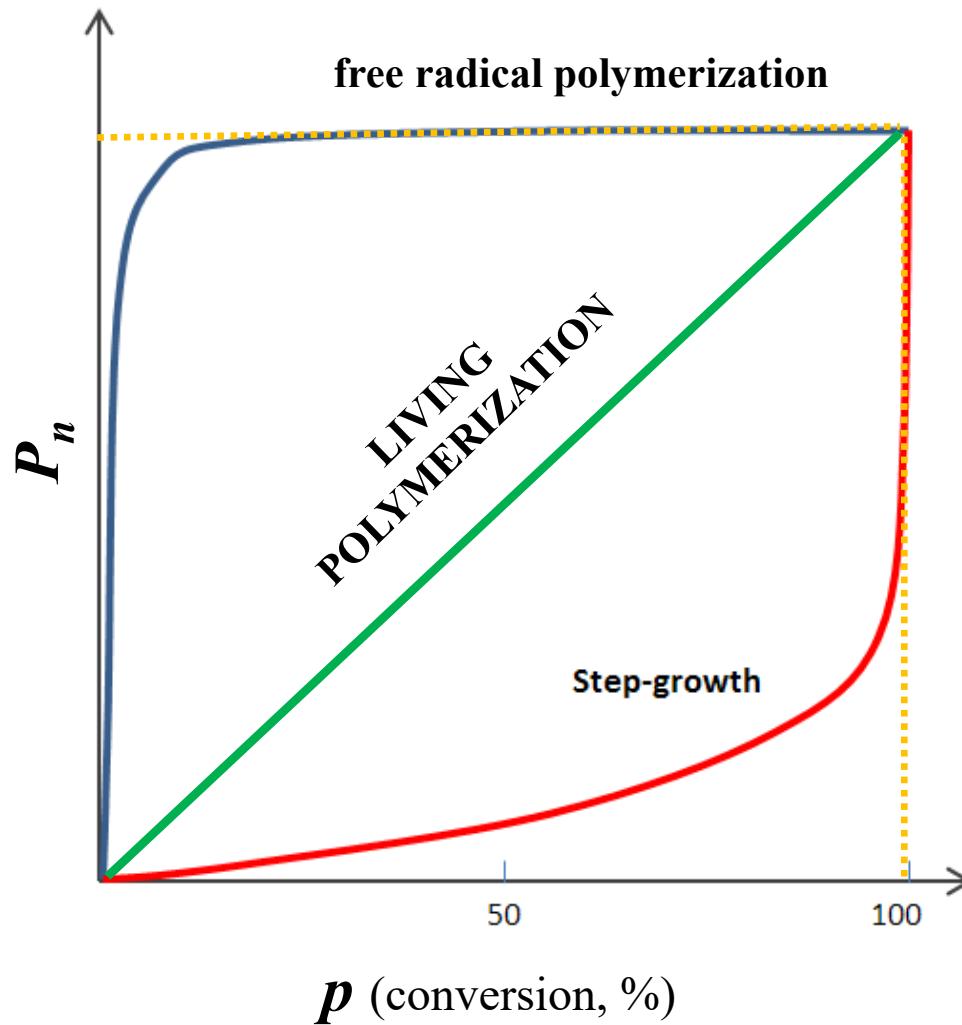
Controlled Radical Polymerizations

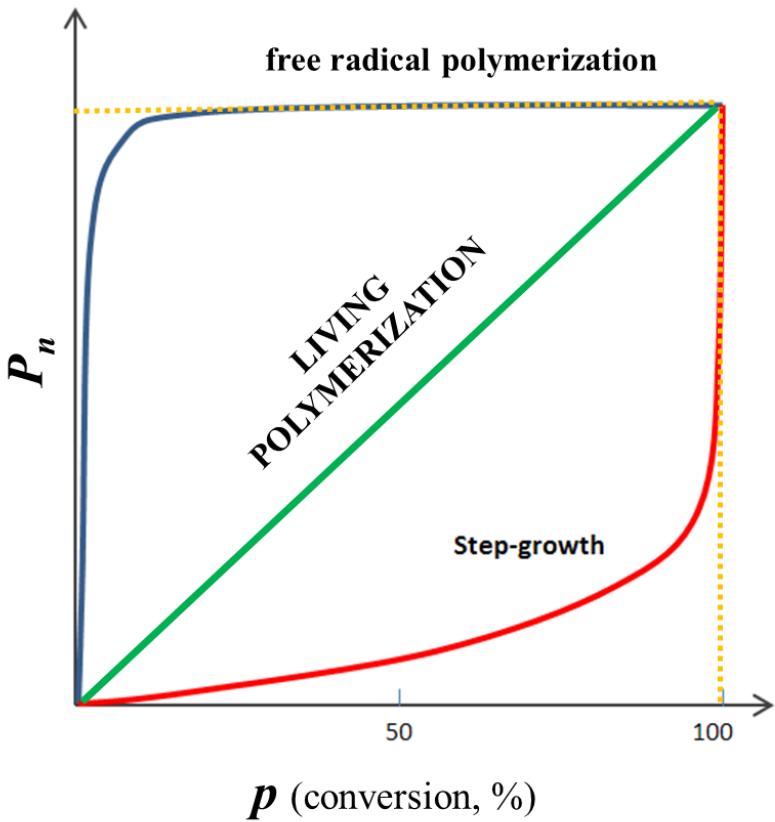
OUTLINE

4. Controlled Radical Polymerization

- The persistent radical Effect;
- Persistent or “stable” radicals: an historical overview
- **Initiator Transfer Terminator Agents (*iniferter*)**
- **Nitroxide-Mediated Polymerization (NMP)**
 - *free radical initiators in the presence of TEMPO*
 - *from bimolecular initiators to alkoxyamines*
 - *additives for NMP*
 - *development of alkoxyamines*
- **Transition metal complex-catalyzed CRP:**
 - *Radical addition of halide-substituted alkanes to olefins*
 - *The birth of Atom Transfer Radical Polymerization (ATRP)*
 - *mechanism of ATRP*
 - *homogeneous systems of ATRP*
 - *Halide exchange to improve control*
 - *block copolymerization*

Controlled Radical Polymerization (CRP)





Vi sono diversi **importanti criteri** per classificare una polimerizzazione come *vivente* o *living*:

- La velocità di iniziazione è significativamente più alta di quella di propagazione
- Reazioni di terminazione e trasferimento sono assenti
- In queste condizioni:

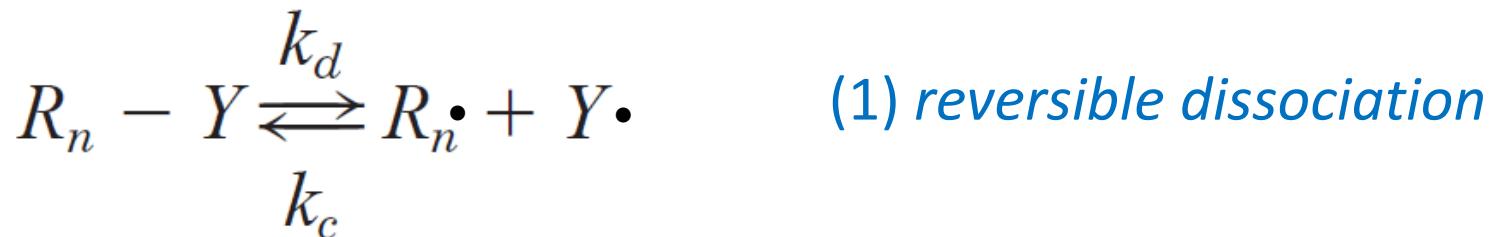
$$P_n = \frac{[M]_0}{[I]_0} \times p$$

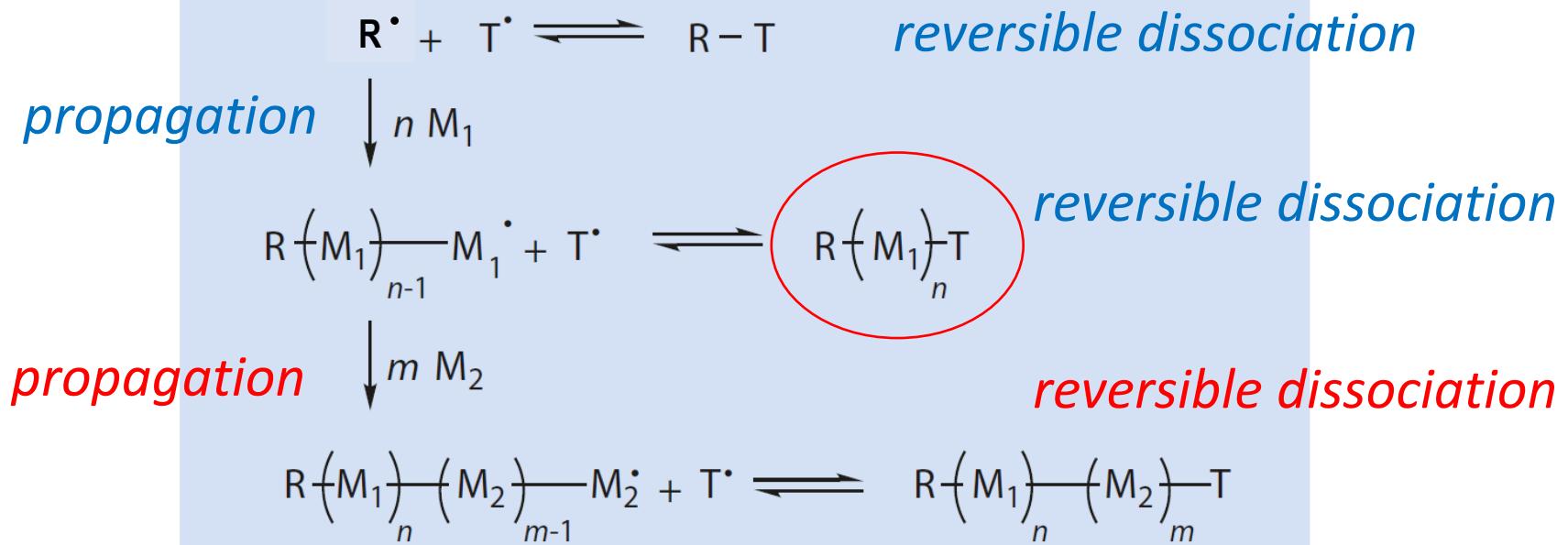
Questo risultato si ottiene se un numero costante di catene si mantiene durante la polimerizzazione.

Iniziazione veloce: tutte le catene propagano prima che la reazione finisca

Assenza di trasferimento: il numero totale di catene non aumenta

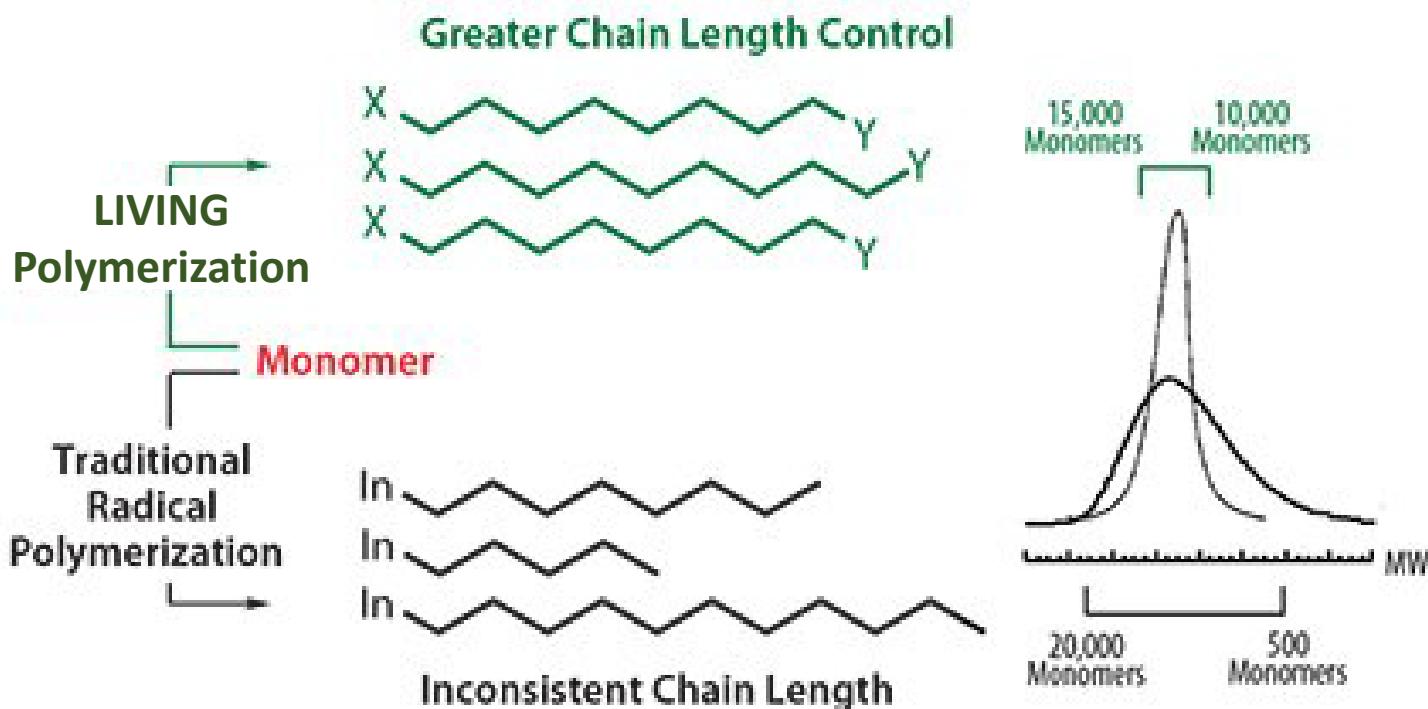
The Persistent Radical Effect in Controlled Radical Polymerizations





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- **Distribuzione di pesi molecolare stretta ($D \leq 1.3$)**



Prof. Moses Gomberg
University of Michigan, 1900

AN INSTANCE OF TRIVALENT CARBON: TRIPHENYL-METHYL.

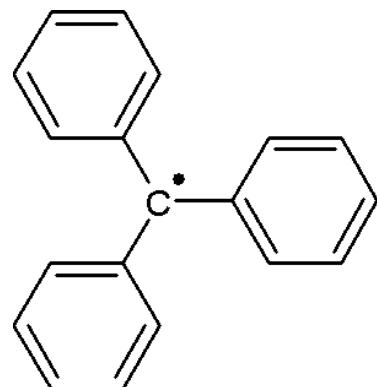
BY M. GOMBERG.

Received October 4, 1900.

[PRELIMINARY PAPER.]

SOME time ago¹ I published a method of preparing tetraphenylmethane. The yield was rather small and I was obliged to study the solubilities, composition, molecular weight, and the nitro derivative on about 0.5 gram of the hydrocarbon. The stereochemical interest attached to this compound has induced me to take up the subject once more, in the hope of obtaining larger yields. I have, therefore, gone over most of the methods which have been tried by others for the preparation of tetraphenylmethane. My results, while differing in detail from those published by others, agree in the main,—the hydrocarbon could not be obtained by the usual reactions. One of the main proofs advanced by me for the constitution of tetraphenylmethane was that it furnished a tetranitro derivative which gave no colored salts with alcoholic potash, while most of the less phenylated methanes do respond to this test. To prove whether this reaction could safely be relied upon I decided to prepare hexaphenylethane, $(C_6H_5)_3C-C(C_6H_5)_3$.

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First example of persistent radical?

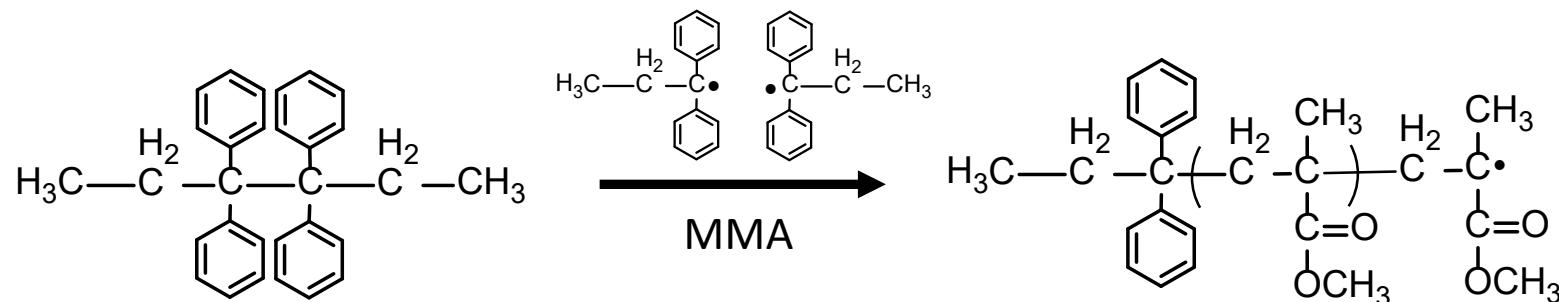
From the Slovak Academy of Sciences, Institute of Polymers, Bratislava,
Czechoslovakia

Reinitiation Reactions of Poly(Methyl Methacrylate) with Labile Bound Fragments of Initiator*

By E. BORSIG, M. LAZÁR, M. ČAPLA and Š. FLORIÁN

(Eingegangen am 7. Juli 1969)

also due to steric conditions. The difference in the character between such radicals and those formed during decomposition of common initiators of radical polymerization expressively appears in different rates of some partial reactions involved in the polymerization process. The slower rate could be expected mainly in the reaction of the addition of diphenyl propyl radicals to the monomer during the initiation. This fact causes a relative increase of the stationary concentration of the initiator radicals in the polymerization system. The further direct consequence might be an increased portion of termination reactions between the initiator radicals themselves or between those with growing radicals of the polymer. The experimental evidence of these assumptions would be first of all the yield of relatively low molecular weight polymers in the polymerization initiated by TPH.



This was something in between a persistent radical and a common FRP initiator⁹

“Interrupted” polymerization

Table 1. Interrupted polymerization of methyl methacrylate at 60°C.

Initial amount of PMMA (g)	\overline{M}_W of initial PMMA	Amount of MMA added (g)	Polymerization time (min)	Amount of PMMA after polymerization (g)	\overline{M}_W of resulting PMMA	increase of MMA content in the resulting PMMA (%)
0.209	123 000	3.8	46	0.306	426 000	46.6
0.150	426 000	3.8	46	0.193	538 000	28.3
0.201	555 000	3.8	240	0.384	1 640 000	91.3
0.153	1 640 000	3.8	240	0.164	1 786 000	7.2%
0.308	137 000	3.8	120	0.985	722 000	219.0%
0.423	722 000	3.8	120	0.794	1 700 000	87.7%

INItiator transFER TERminator agents

The first example of CRP

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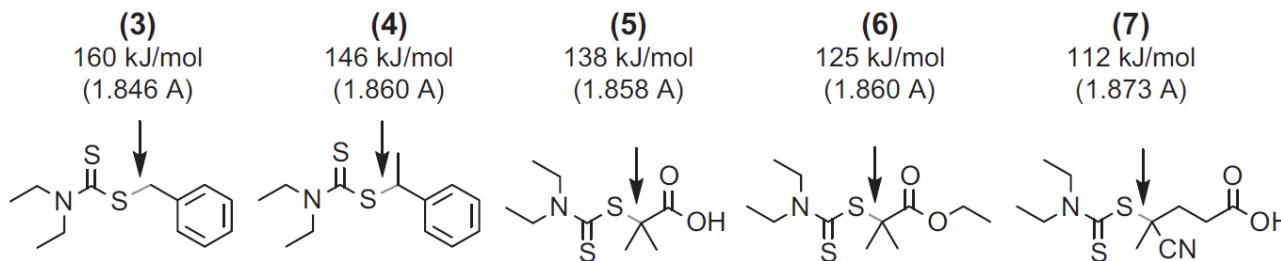
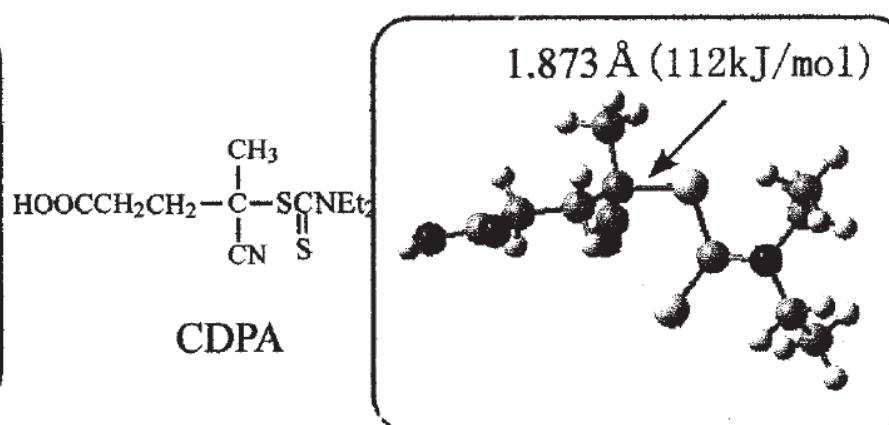
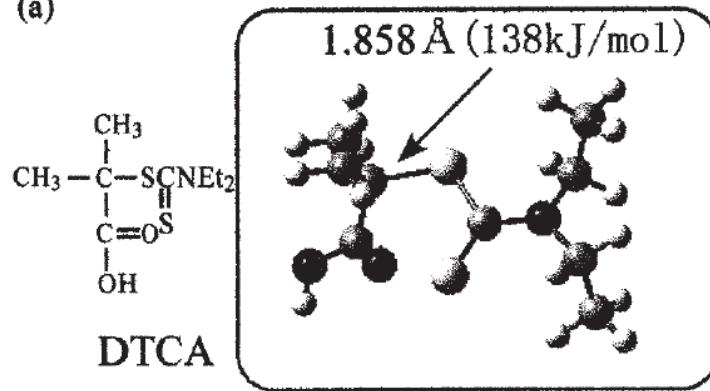
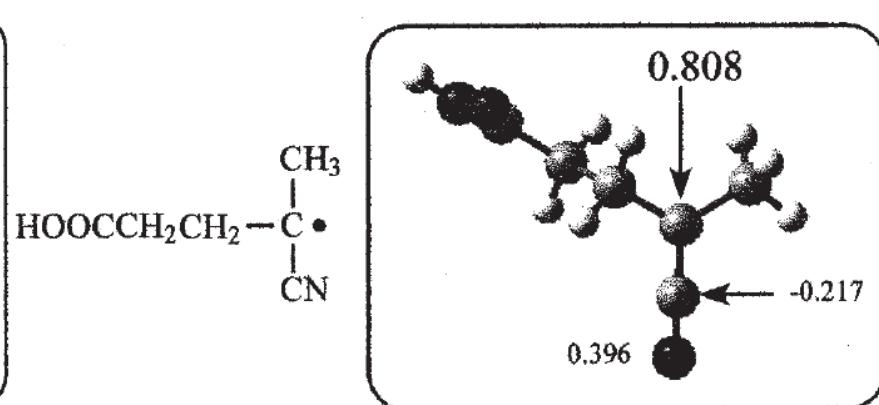
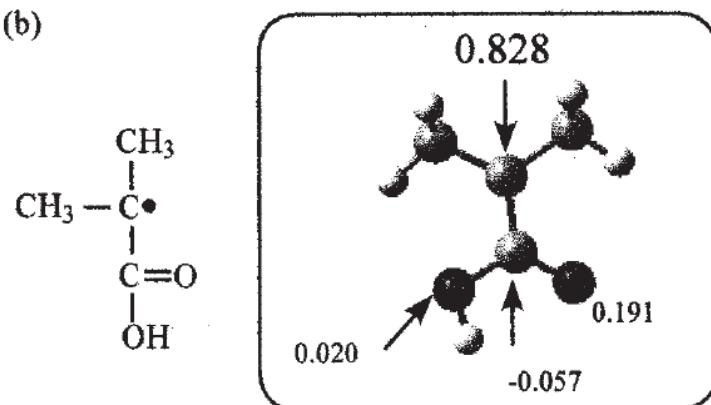


Chart 3.2 Several model compounds and their C–S bond lengths and dissociation energies.

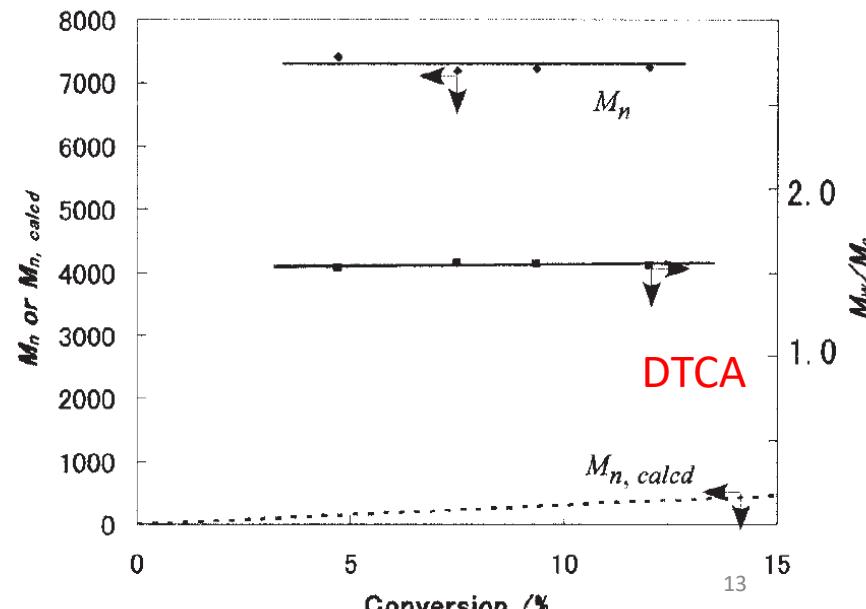
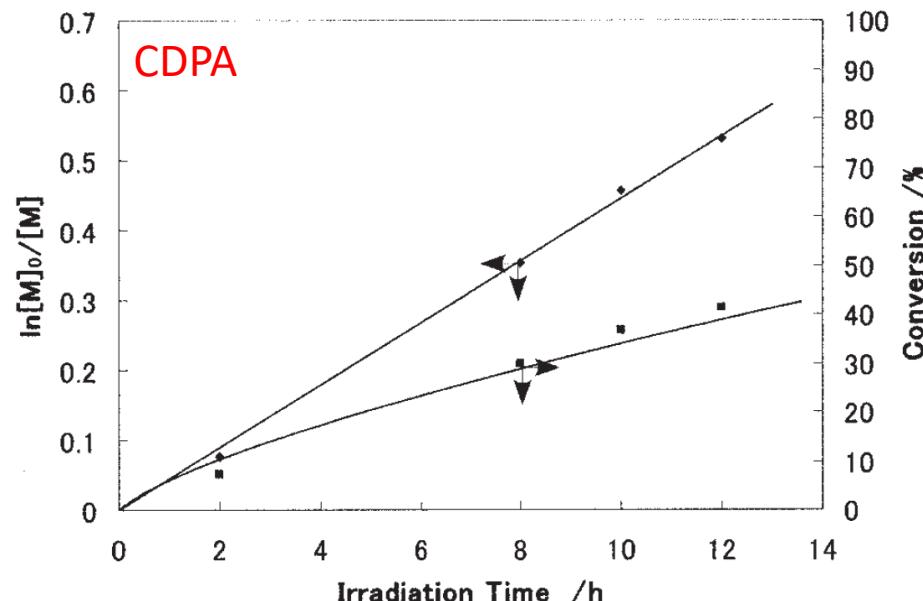
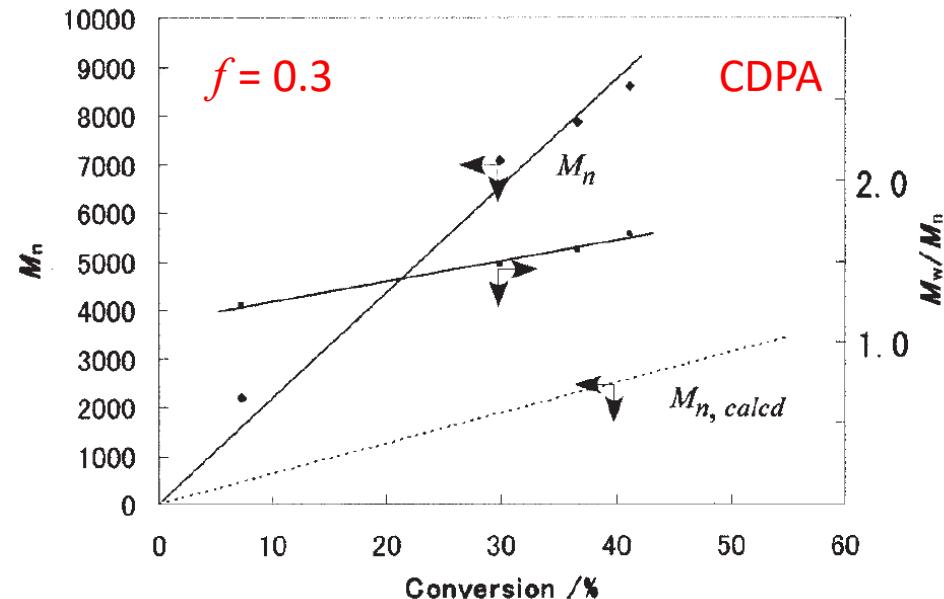
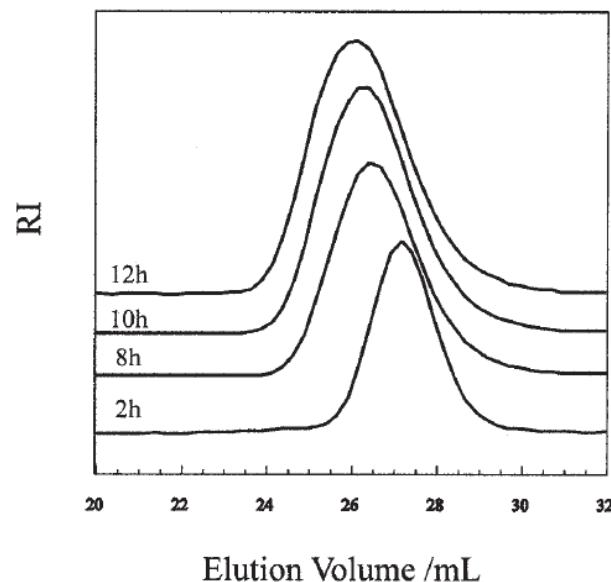
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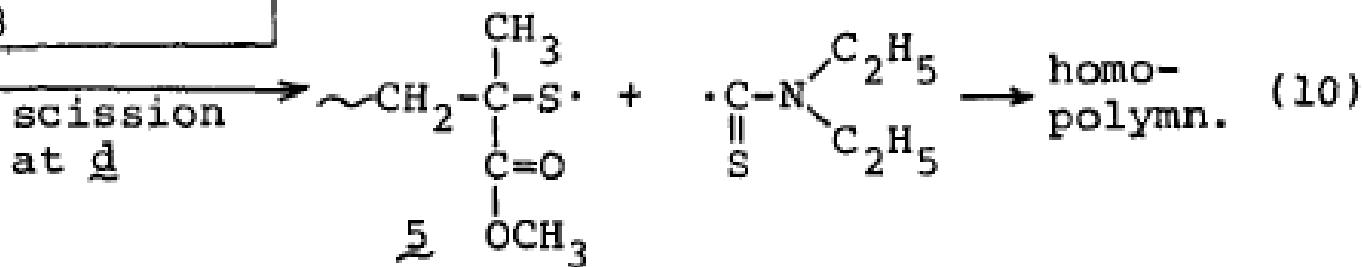
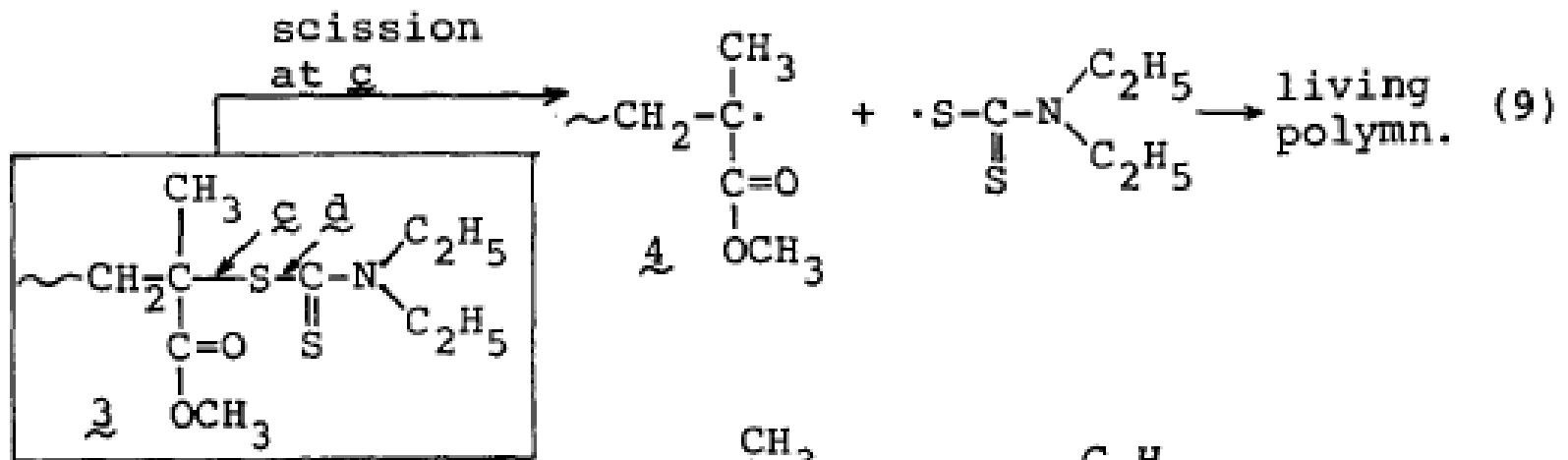


(b)



Polymerization of Styrene in benzene by INIFERTER: CDPA vs DTCA





Polymerization of methacrylic acid in methanol by INIFERTER: CDPA

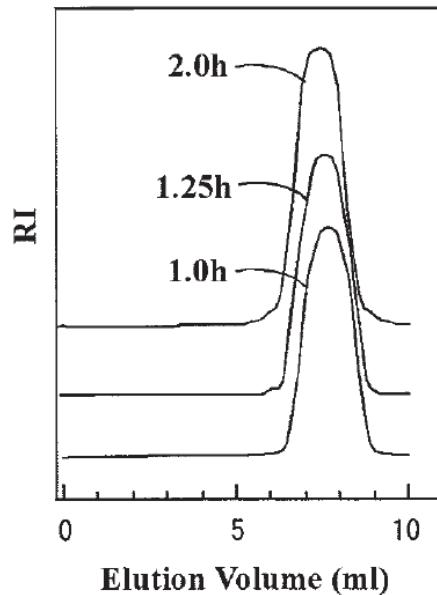


Table 1. Polymerization Conditions and Results for Photopolymerizations of MA^a

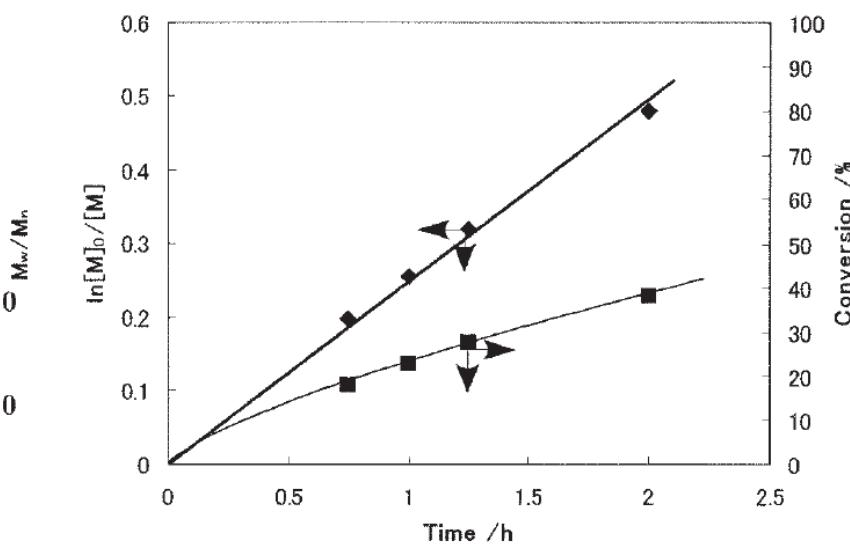
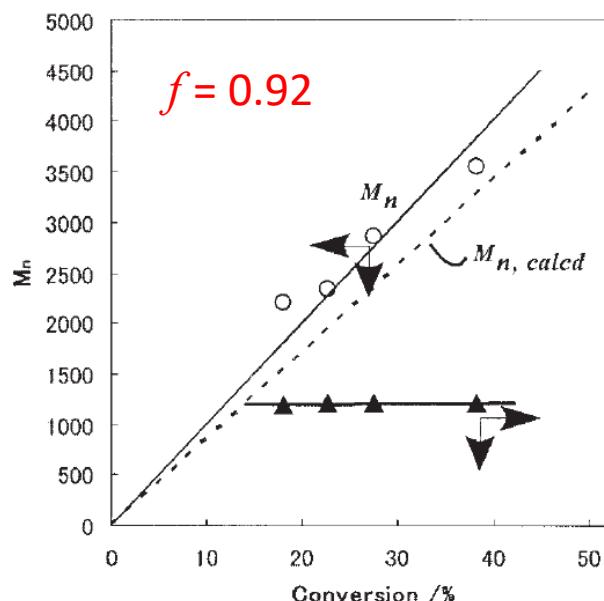
Expt No.	Irradiation Time (h)	Conversion ^b (%)	M_n^c	M_w/M_n^d
1	0.75	17.7	2250	1.20
2	1.0	22.6	2350	1.21
3	1.25	27.4	2850	1.21
4	2.0	38.1	3550	1.21

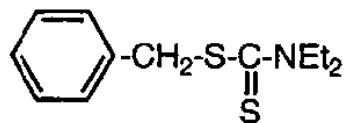
^a Polymerized in methanol (30 vol % MA solution) initiated by CDPA as iniferter ($[MA]_0/[CDPA]_0 = 100$) under UV irradiation at 30 °C.

^b Determined by gravimetric measurements.

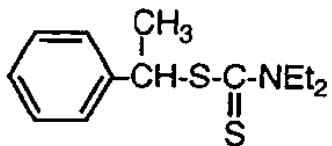
^c Determined by intrinsic viscosity in methanol at 26 °C.

^d Determined by GPC in methanol as eluent using calibration for PEO standard samples.

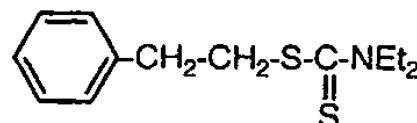




BDC



StDC



PEDC

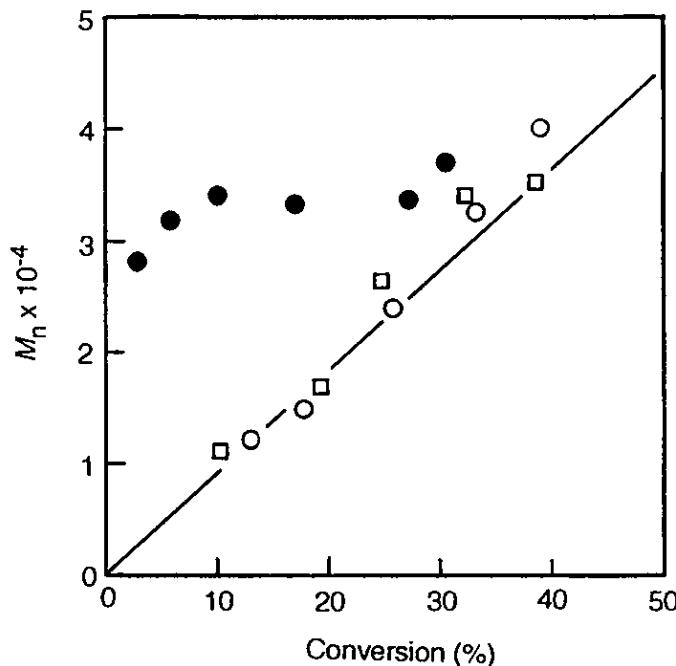


Figure 2. Conversion- M_n relationships of the polymer obtained from polymerization of St with (○) BDC, (□) StDC, and (●) PEDC. Polymerization conditions are identical to those in Figure 1. The line indicates calculated one from $M_n = 104.2 \times [\text{St}]/[\text{RDC}] \times \text{conversion} (\%) / 100$.

Nitroxide Mediated Polymerization

Narrow Molecular Weight Resins by a Free-Radical Polymerization Process

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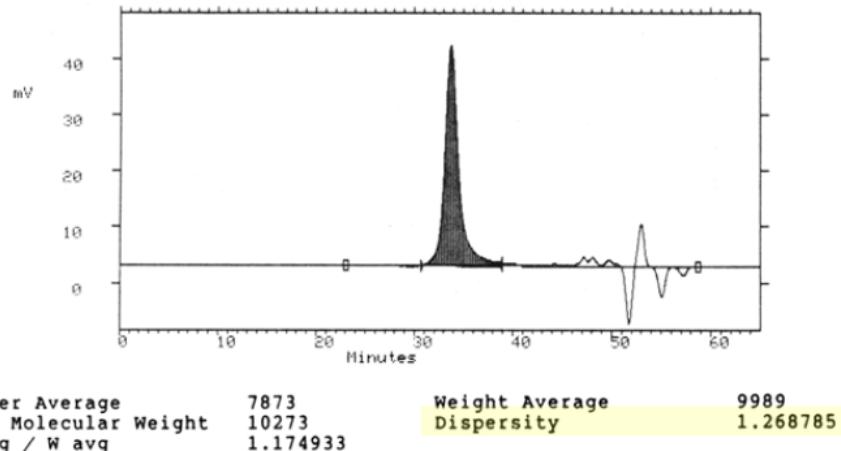
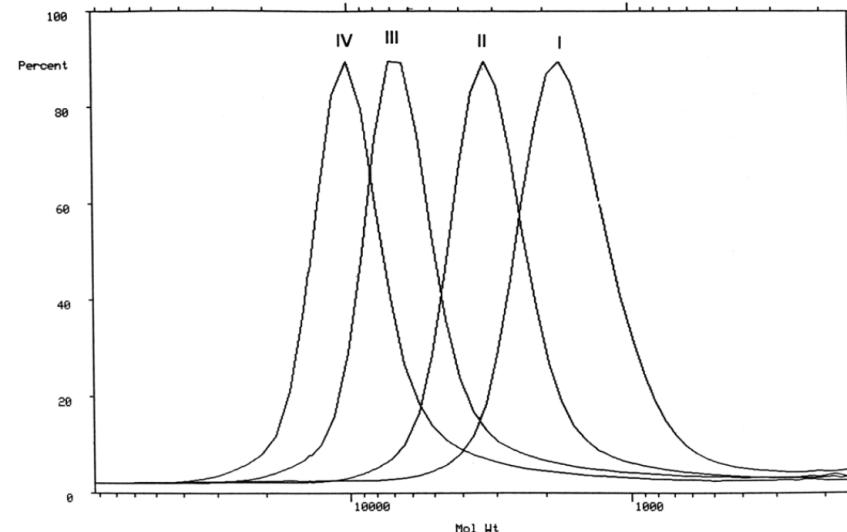


Table I. Polymerization of Styrene (TEMPO/BPO = 1.2)

sample	convn (%)	rxn time (h)	M_n (10^{-3})	M_w (10^{-3})	PD
I	20	21	1.7	2.2	1.28
II	51	29	3.2	4.1	1.27
III	76	45	6.8	8.2	1.21
IV	90	69	7.8	10.0	1.27

Table II. Polymerization of Styrene as a Function of the TEMPO/BPO Ratio

sample	TEMPO/BPO	convn (%)	M_n (10^{-3})	M_w (10^{-3})	PD
I	0.5	86	45.6	71.7	1.57
II	1.5	74	33.1	41.1	1.24
III	3.0	71	18.2	21.7	1.19



Molecular Weight Control by a “Living” Free-Radical Polymerization Process

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Table 1. Comparison of GPC Molecular Weights with Calculated Molecular Weights for Polystyrenes, 3

M_n (exptl)	M_n (calcd)	PD ^a	M_n (exptl)	M_n (calcd)	PD ^a
3 450	3 330	1.15	54 500	59 500	1.29
4 900	5 200	1.14	82 000	90 500	1.36
13 000	13 500	1.10	110 000	123 000	1.41
25 500	28 000	1.20			

^a Polydispersity.

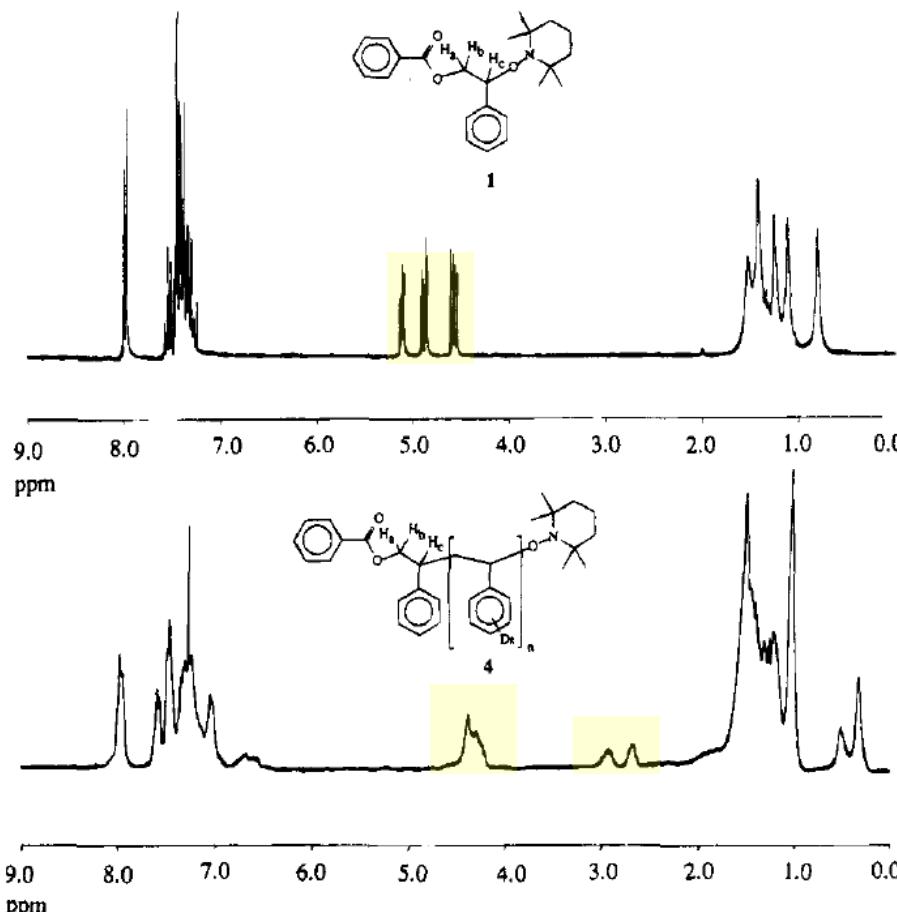
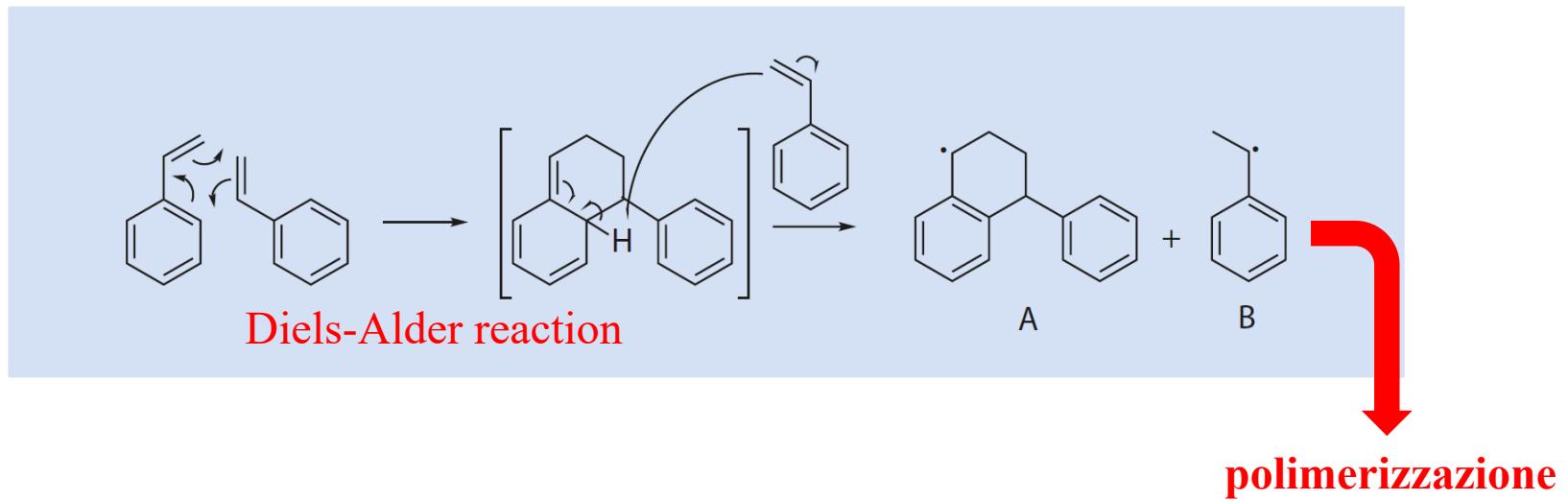


Figure 1. Comparison of the 300 MHz ^1H NMR spectra of modified initiator, 1, and polymer obtained after reaction with styrene- d_8 , 4.

auto-polimerizzazione (anche chiamata thermal initiation) di St:



Only proven to occur with styrene.

- Mechanism involves preliminary dimer formation (via Diels-Alder reaction of two monomers), followed by hydrogen atom transfer to a third monomer.

Use of additives for NMP:

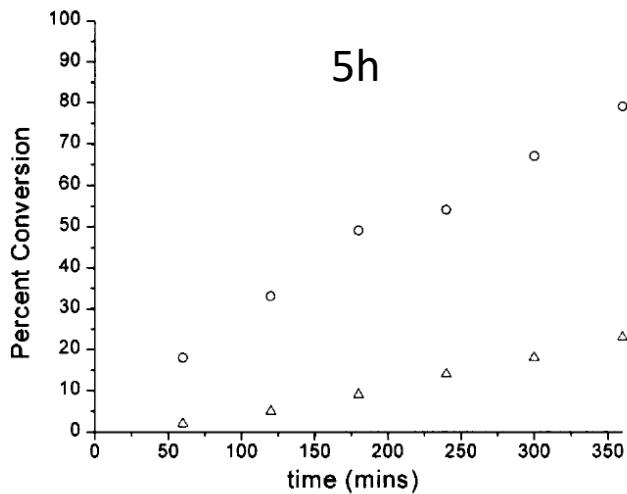


Figure 1. Percentage conversion as a function of time for the polymerization of styrene with **6** using (a) no additive (Δ) and (b) 10 weight percent of **7** (\circ).

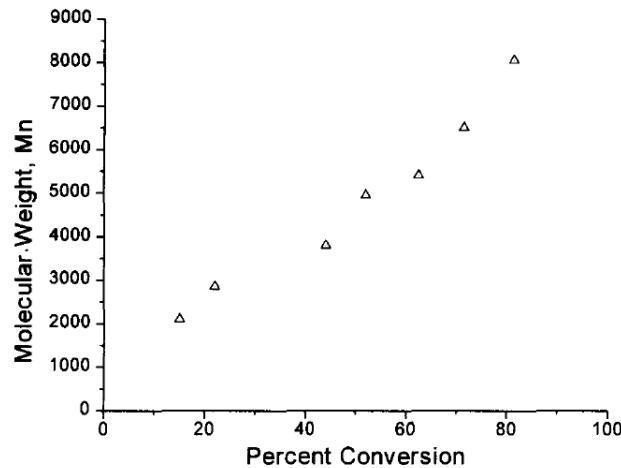


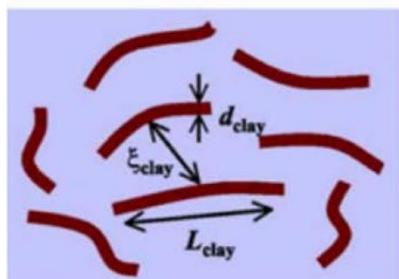
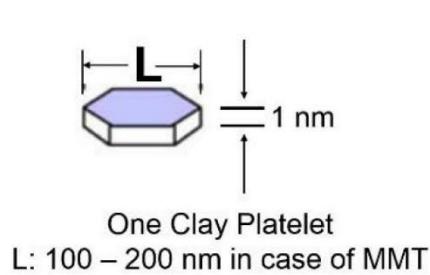
Figure 2. Evolution of molecular weight, M_n , with the percentage conversion for the polymerization of styrene at 123°C initiated by **6** using 10 wt% of **7** as an additive.

Table 1. Effect of additive on nitroxide mediated 'living' free radical polymerization

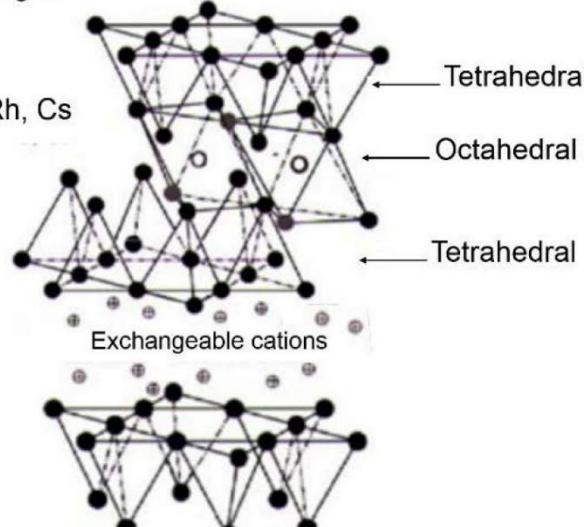
No.	Additive	Effect
16		+
17		+
7		+
8		+
9		+
10		-
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14		-
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18		+
19		-
20	Me_2SO_4	+

Polymer NANOCOMPOSITES:

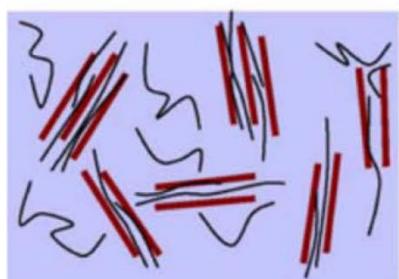
Diverse applications in automotive industry and aerospace materials.



- Al, Fe, Mg Li
- OH
- O
- Li, Na Rh, Cs



The structure of 2:1 layered silicates



Direct Synthesis of Dispersed Nanocomposites by in Situ Living Free Radical Polymerization Using a Silicate-Anchored Initiator

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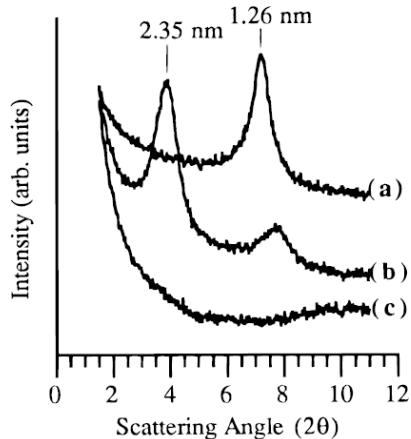
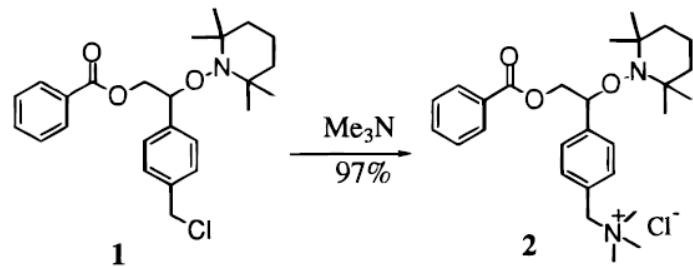


Figure 1. Plot of X-ray diffraction intensity (in arbitrary units) versus scattering angle (in degrees). (a) Original layered silicate. (b) Silicate-anchored initiator 3a. (c) PS-silicate nanocomposite 4a.

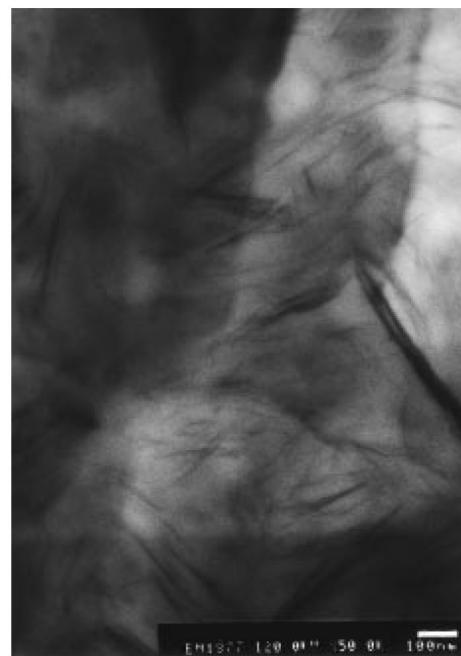
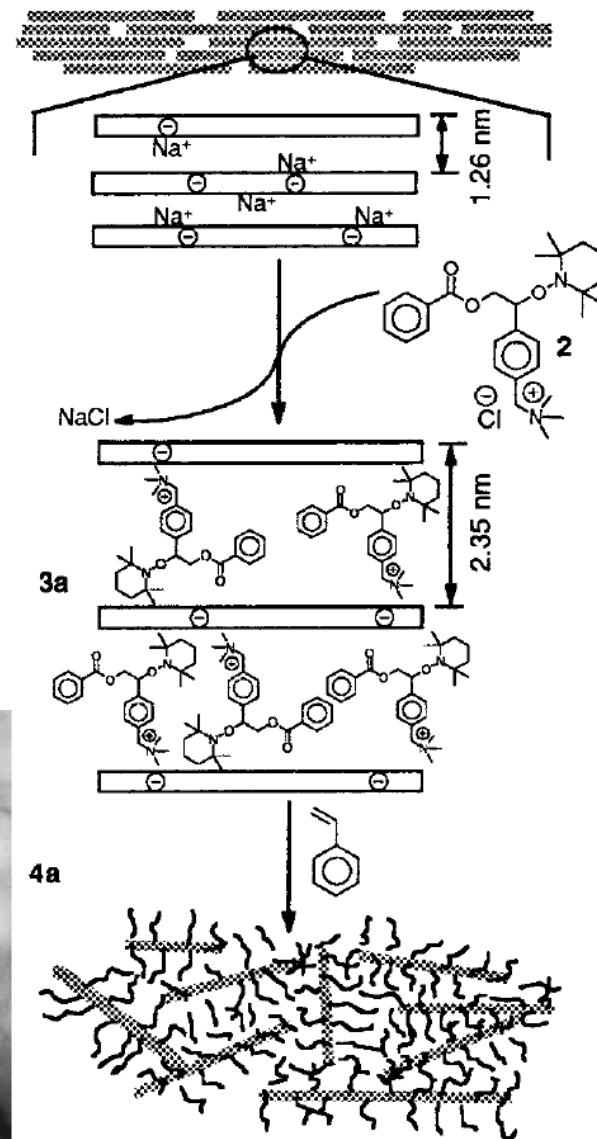


Figure 2. Transmission electron micrograph of 4a.



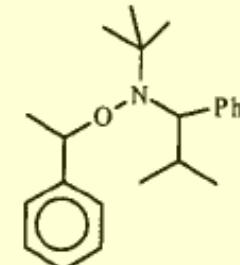
“Universal” Alkoxyamines

Development of a Universal Alkoxyamine for “Living” Free Radical Polymerizations

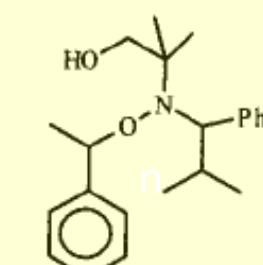
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Table 1. Molecular Weight, M_n , and Polydispersity of Product Obtained from the Bulk Polymerization of 200 Equiv of Styrene, or *n*-Butyl Acrylate, with Various Alkoxyamines, at 123 °C

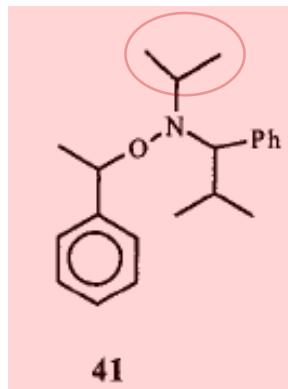
alkoxyamine	polystyrene		poly(<i>n</i> -butyl acrylate)	
	M_n	polydispersity	M_n	polydispersity
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25	22 500	1.18	9 000	1.8
26	26 500	1.17	32 000	2.05
27	28 000	1.21	22 000	1.9
28	21 000	1.2	7 500	1.75
29	21 500	1.14	26 500	1.44
30a	33 000	1.71	41 500	2.52
30b	22 000	1.49	26 000	2.25
31	30 500	1.39	12 000	1.75
32	50 000	1.72	57 000	3.81
33	22 000	1.14	27 000	1.40
34	23 000	1.23	28 000	1.90
35	22 500	1.15	26 500	1.45
36	24 000	1.19	32 500	1.55
37	22 000	1.16	29 000	1.50
38	25 000	1.15	27 500	1.55
39	42 000	1.65	61 000	2.80
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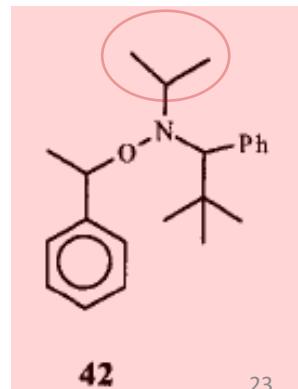
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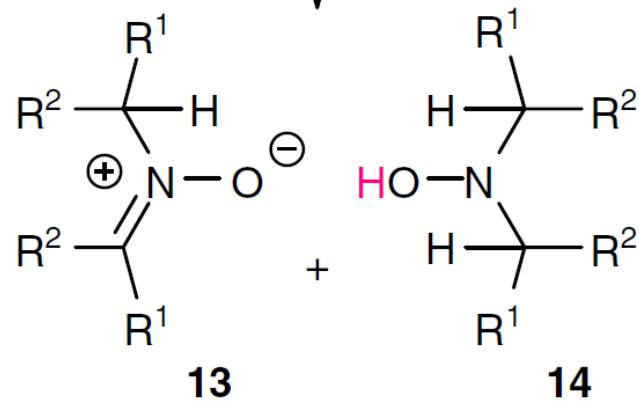
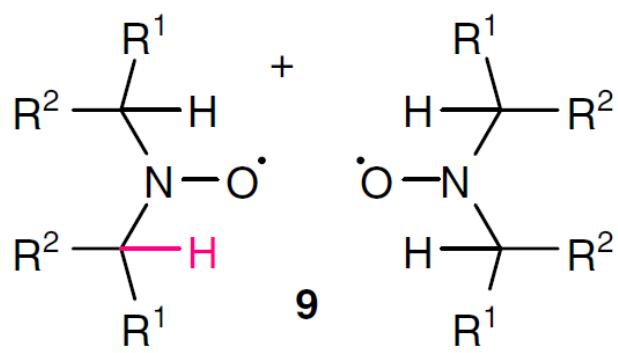


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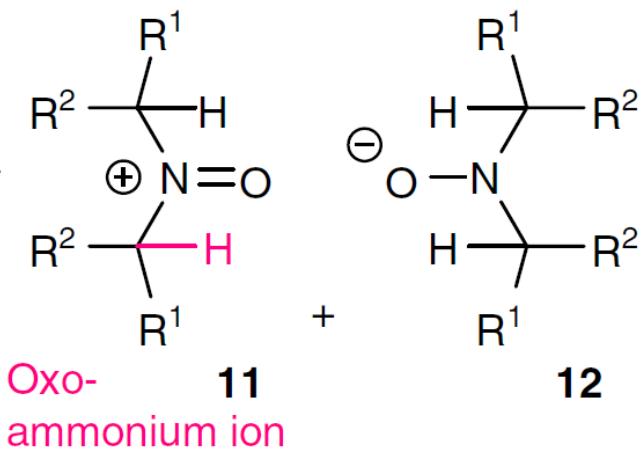
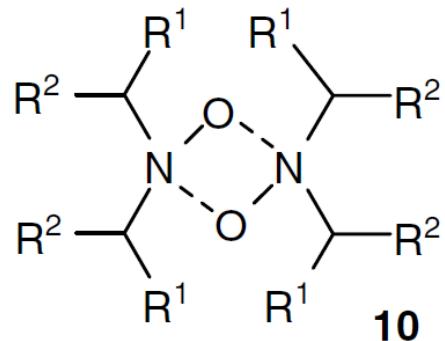


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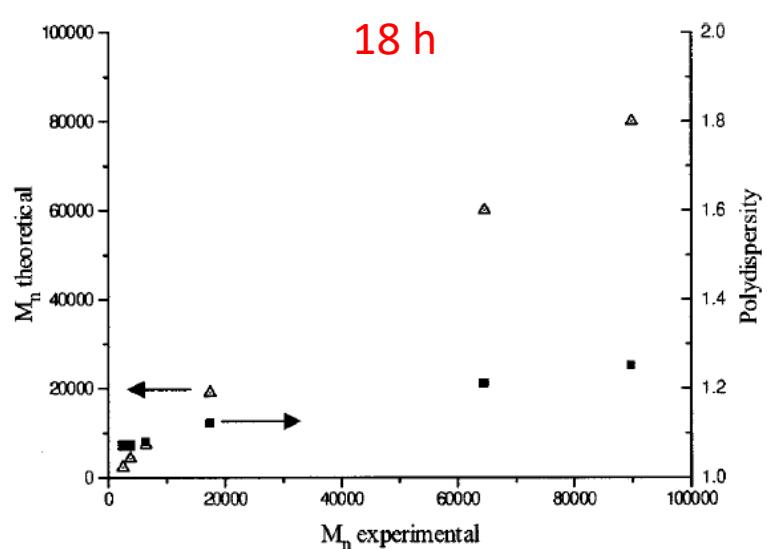
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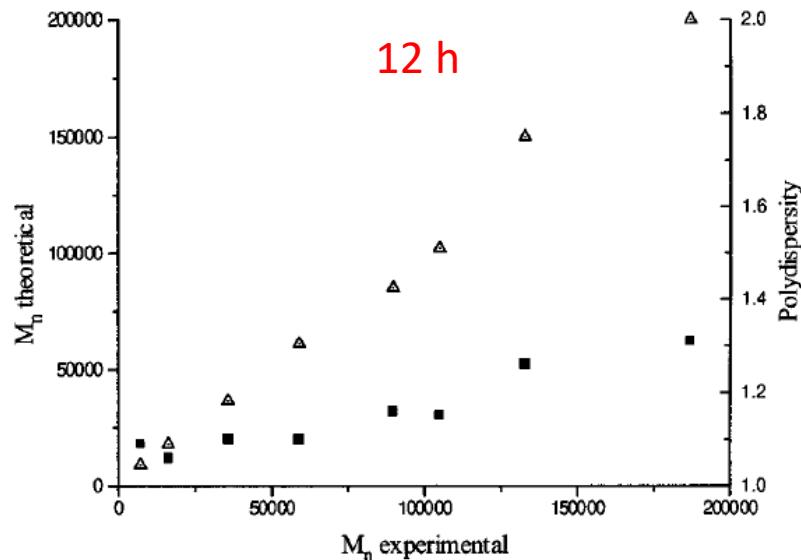
Oxo-
ammonium ion

NMP of Styrene (bulk, 123°C)

without degassing and no purification of St



In the presence of 2 eq. of acetic anhydride



degassing and purifying St by distillation

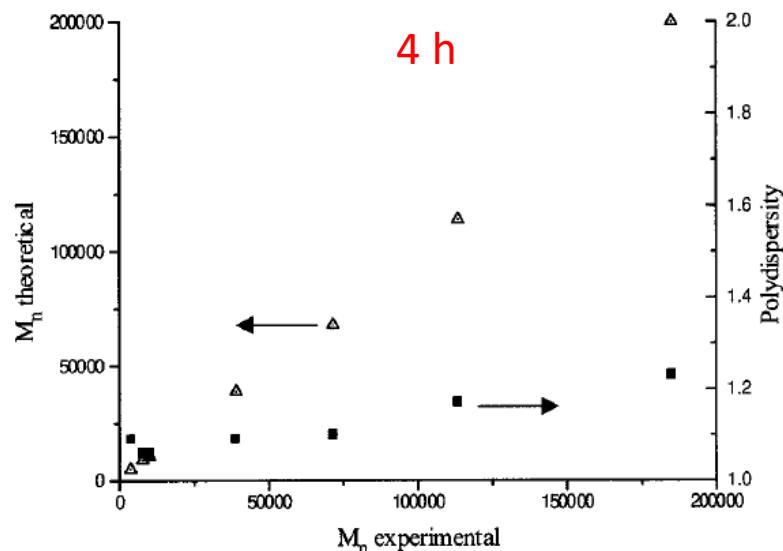


Table 2. Bulk Polymerization of Styrene in the Presence of 29 and 2.0 equiv of Acetic Anhydride at 85 and 100 °C

temperature	theoretical M _n	experimental M _n	polydispersity
100 °C	4 500	4 900	1.09
	8 900	9 500	1.09
	25 000	26 500	1.07
	7 500	7 900	1.18
	25 000	24 000	1.13
85 °C			

NMP of butyl acrylate (120°C)

Typical k_p for acrylates at 120°C: 11000 L mol⁻¹ s⁻¹ (k_p styrene: 1800 L mol⁻¹ s⁻¹)

Polymerization is too fast (less controlled PDI 1.5-2.2) we need to slow it down:

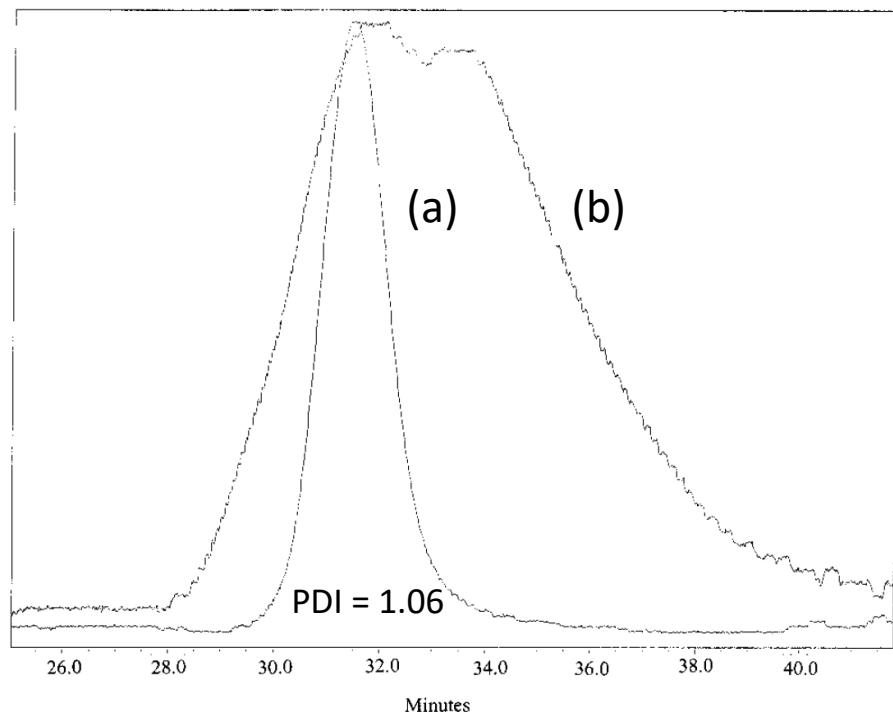
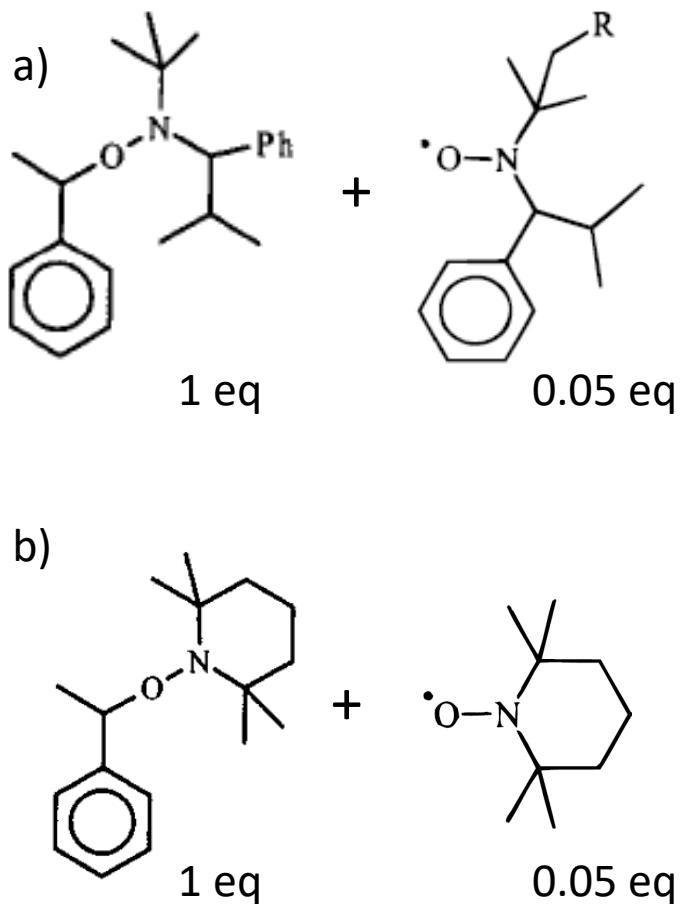


Figure 6. Comparison of GPC traces for poly(*n*-butyl acrylate) prepared by the polymerization of *n*-butyl acrylate (200 equiv) at 123 °C in the presence of (a) 1.0 equiv of **29** and 0.05 equiv of **1** and (b) 1.0 equiv of **24** and 0.05 equiv of TEMPO.

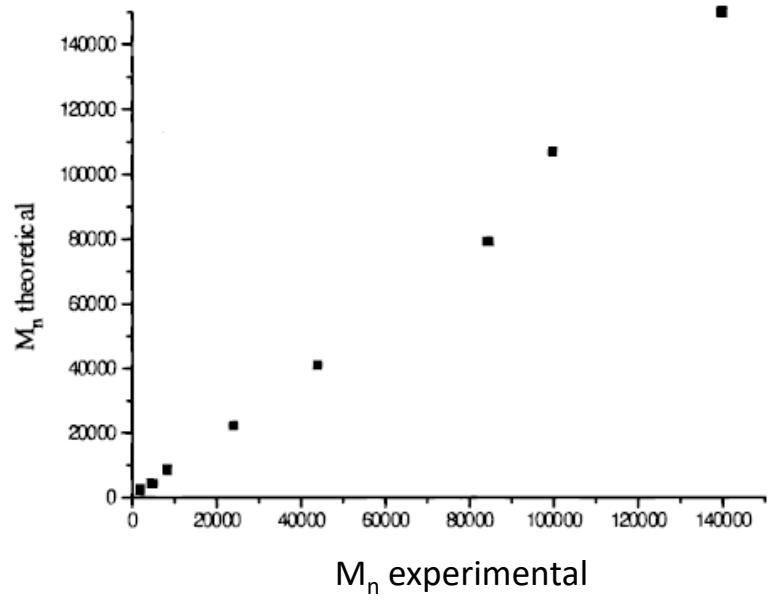
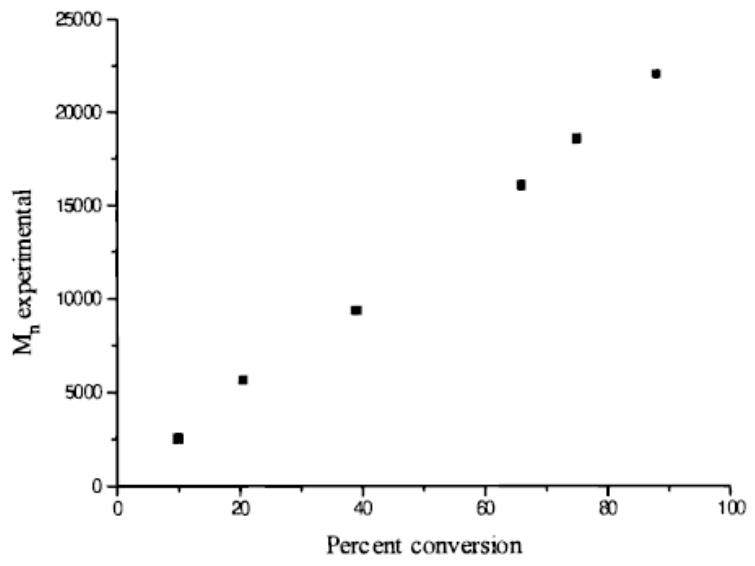
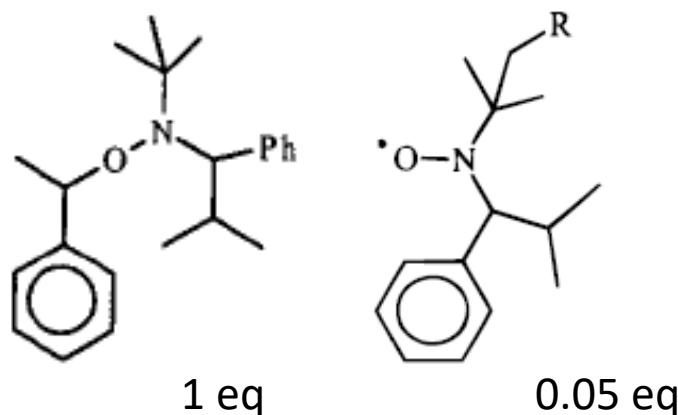


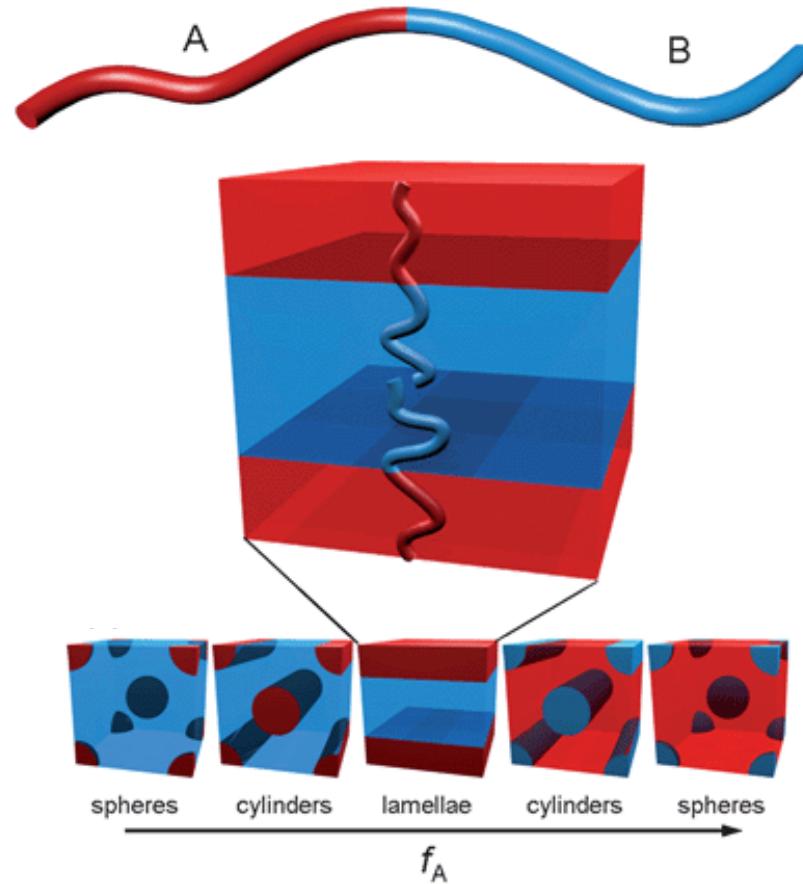
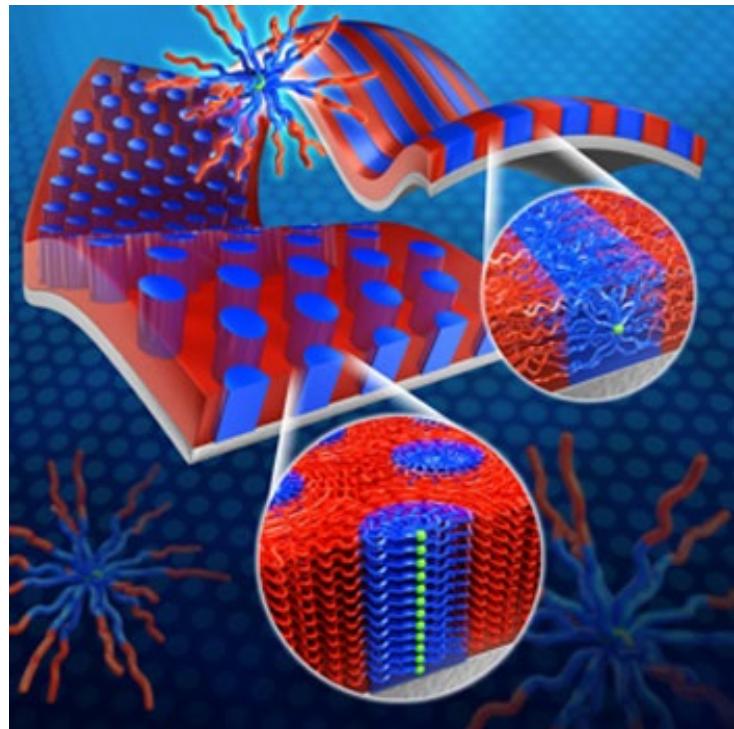
Table 3. Homopolymerization of Acrylonitrile* and *N,N*-dimethylacrylamide Using 29 as an Initiator at 120 °C

monomer	ratio of monomer/29	M_n	polydispersity ^a
acrylonitrile	50/1	4 500	1.12
	200/1	22 000	1.16
	500/1	55 000	1.13
<i>N,N</i> -dimethylacrylamide	50/1	4 000	1.15
	100/1	8 500	1.12
	200/1	21 500	1.14
	500/1	48 000	1.21

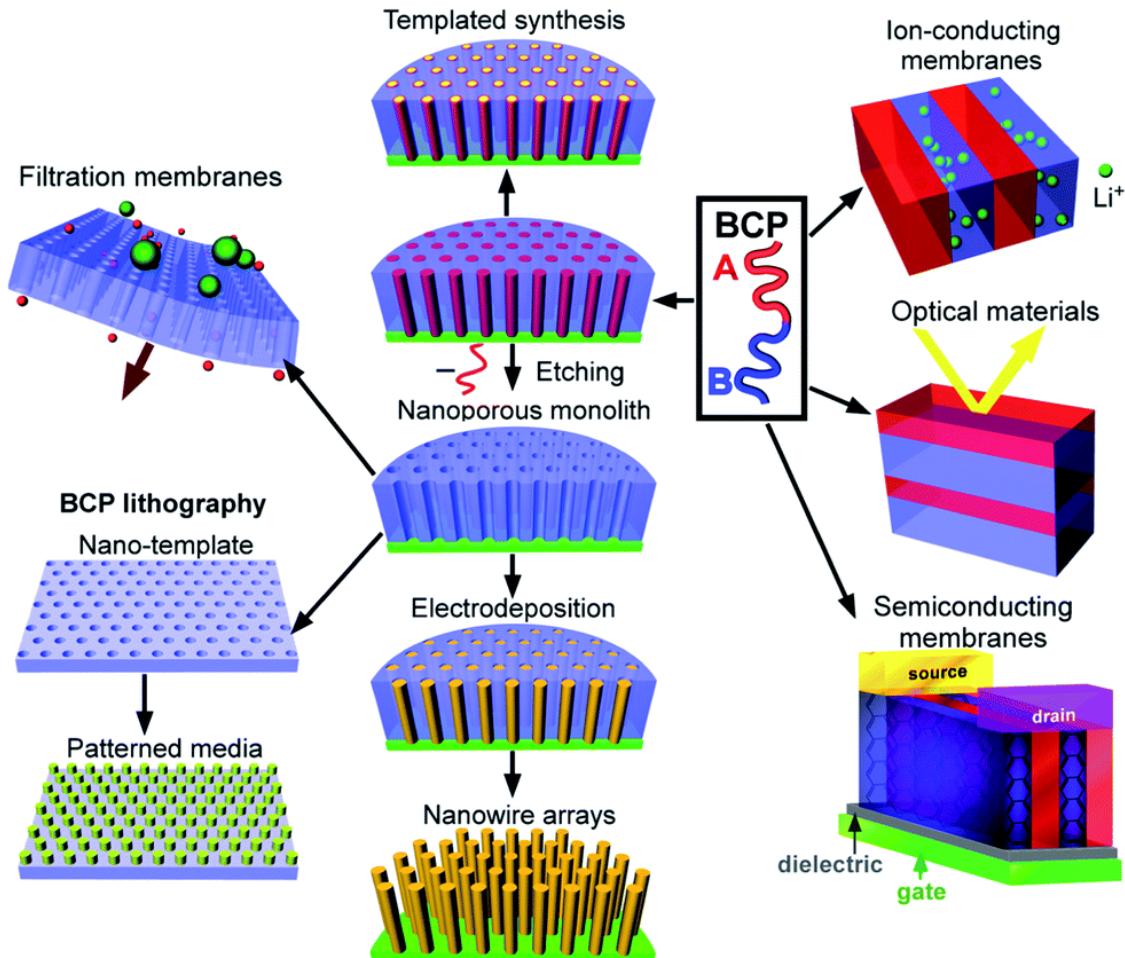
^a Polymerization of acrylonitrile was conducted in a 50 wt % DMF solution; polydispersity and M_n of poly(acrylonitrile) samples were determined by GPC using DMF as solvent.



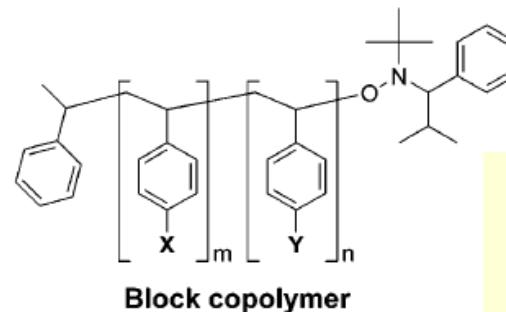
Phase separation of well-defined block-copolymers



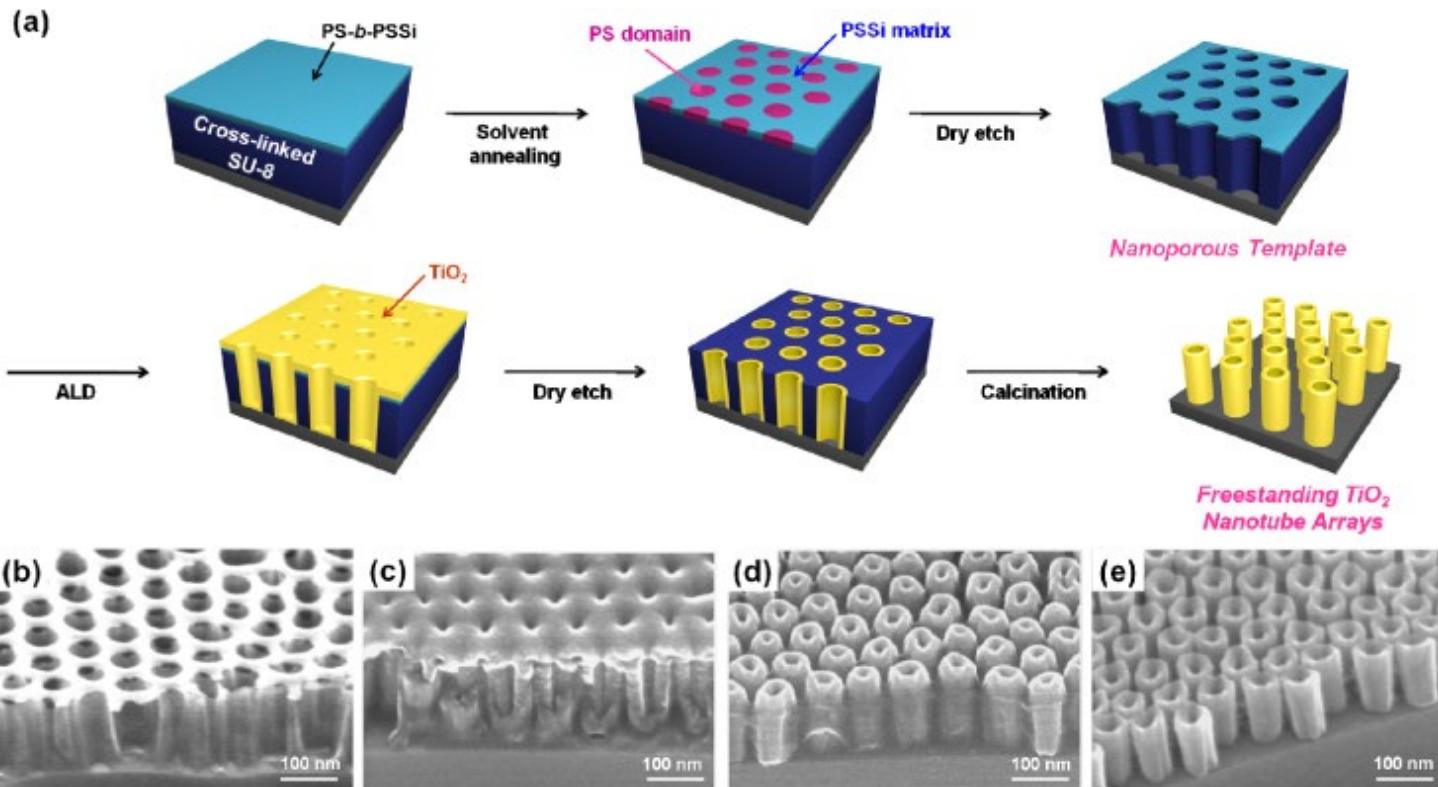
Block-copolymer lithographies:



Block-copolymer lithography:



-X or -Y = -H
- $\text{Si}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Si}(\text{CH}_3)_3$
- $\text{CH}\{\text{Si}(\text{CH}_3)_3\}_2$
- $\text{CH}_2\text{Si}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{OSi}(\text{CH}_3)_3$
- OC=OCH_3



Synthesis and Characterization of Silicon-Containing Block Copolymers
from Nitroxide-Mediated Living Free Radical Polymerization

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Table 1. Homopolymerization Conditions of Silicon-Containing Monomers

entry	monomer ^a	polymerization				GPC ^c	
		feed ratio ^b ($[M]_0/[I]_0$)	time (h)	temp (°C)	yield (%)	$M_n \times 10^{-3}$	PDI
1	Si ₂ St	50	16	130	86	gel ^f	NA ^f
2	Si ₂ St	50	16	100	47	5.6	1.13
3	Si ₂ St	60	60	100	74	8.7	1.15
4 ^d	Si ₂ St	60	64	100	76	9.7	1.14
5	Si ₂ CSt	60	64	100	44	5.6	1.09
6	Si ₂ CSt	60	128	100	61	7.8	1.07
7	OSi ₂ St	60	34	128	78	11.9	1.15 ^g
8	OSi ₂ St	60	64	100	57	7.5	1.08
9	OSi ₂ St	60	128	100	77	10.4	1.08
10 ^e	OSi ₂ St	60	64	100	81	12.1	1.07

^a Abbreviations of monomers: Si₂St, 4-(pentamethylsilyl)styrene; Si₂CSt, 4-(bis(trimethylsilyl)methyl)styrene; OSi₂St, 4-(pentamethylsiloxy)methylstyrene. ^b Feed ratio for the homopolymerization; $[M]_0/[I]_0 = [\text{monomer}]_0/[\text{initiator}]_0$ (mol/mol). ^c The number- and weight-average molecular weights (M_n and M_w) and polydispersity (PDI = M_w/M_n) were determined by GPC from refractive index (RI) detector in a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min in THF at 40 °C. Narrow dispersed polystyrenes were used as standards for universal calibration.

^d Dichlorobenzene (DCB) was added as a solvent (10 wt % of monomer). Otherwise, polymerization was carried out in bulk. ^e Acetic anhydride (AA) was added (1.5 equiv to initiator) to accelerate the reaction. ^f GPC was not measured due to gel formation. ^g GPC trace indicated a shoulder at higher molecular weight region.

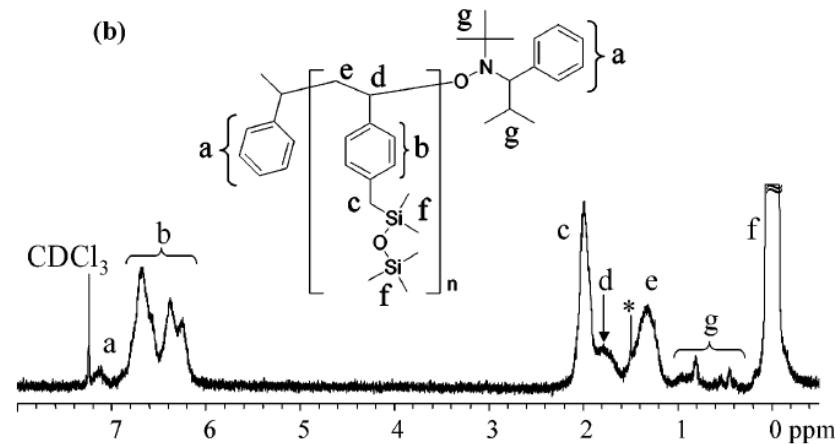
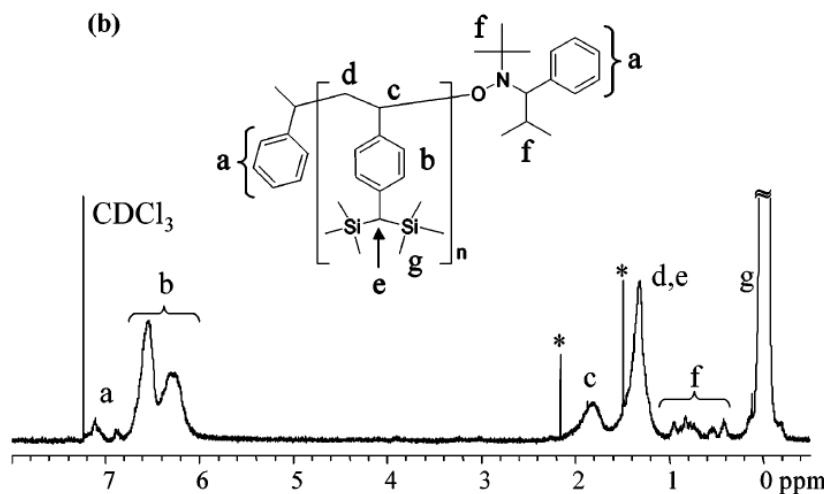
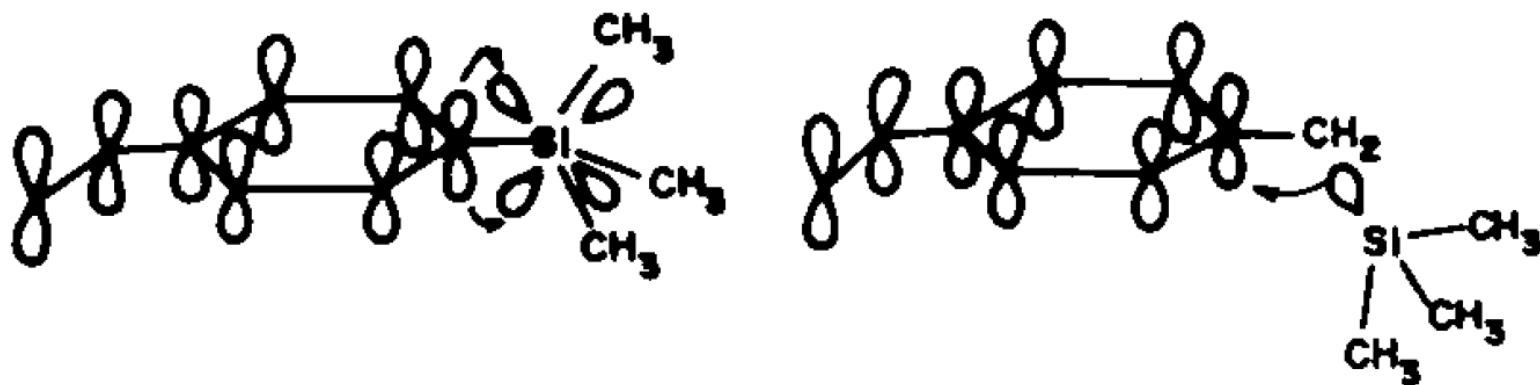


Table 2. Degree of Polymerization (DP_n) Calculated from ^1H NMR Data^a

monomer ^b	$M_n^c \times 10^{-3}$	DP_n^d	$T_g^e (\text{ }^\circ\text{C})$
St	3.5	32	99
AcOSt	5.0	36	122
Si_2St^f	9.7	37	100
OSi_2St	7.5	23	0.5
Si_2CSt	5.6	21	122

$\text{AcOSt} \geq \text{Si}_2\text{St} > \text{St} > \text{OSi}_2\text{St}, \text{Si}_2\text{CSt}$



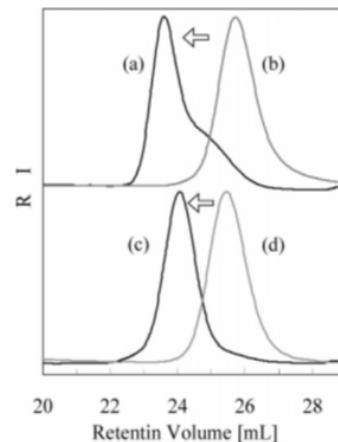
The nature of the interaction of C—M bonds ($M=Si$, Ge, Sn, or Pb) with aromatic Π -electron system is of great interest.¹⁶⁻¹⁸ In compounds of the type $ArM(CH_3)_3$ which has metal at α -position, there is net electron withdrawal from the aromatic Π -electron system.^{19, 20} While, in compounds of the type $ArCH_2M(CH_3)_3$ which has metal at β -position, there is electron donation to the Π -electron system.^{16, 17, 21} The former effect is most commonly attributed to $d_{\Pi}-p_{\Pi}$ interaction with the d -orbitals on M acting as Π -acceptors,^{20, 22, 23} and the latter has been attributed to $\sigma-\Pi$ hyperconjugation in which the polar $CH_2^{\delta-}—M^{\delta+}$ σ bond acts as a Π -electron source.^{16, 17}

Block-copolymerization:

Table 4. Synthesis Conditions of Silicon-Containing Block Copolymers from Various Macroinitiators and Their Block Copolymer Characteristics

entry	first block ^a	$M_n \times 10^{-3}$	second block ^a	block copolymerization				yield (%)	$M_n^d \times 10^{-3}$	PDI ^d	block copolymer					
				feed ratio [M ₂]/[MI] ^b (w/w)	time (h)	temp (°C)	solvent ^c				block ratio: first/second					
											mol % ^e	vol % ^f	Si content (wt %)			
11	PSt	3.5	PSi ₂ St	3	64	100	DMF (20)	72.6	18.7	1.07	30/70	15/85	20.2			
12	PSt	7.6	PSi ₂ St	1	20	100	DCB (30)	26.3	10.8	1.10	81/19	65/35	8.3			
13	PSt	7.0	PSi ₂ CSt	1	40	130	N/A	78.1	16.4	1.15	61/39	38/62	13.2			
14	PSt	5.5	POSi ₂ St	2	40	100	DCB (20)	17.4	7.7	1.10	87/13	73/27	5.8			
15	PSt	5.5	POSi ₂ St	2	80	100	DCB (20)	20.6	8.1	1.11	86/14	70/30	6.3			
16	POSi ₂ St	7.5	PSt	2	40	100	DCB (20)	43.2	11.1	1.07	51/49	73/27	15.4			
17	POSi ₂ St	7.5	PSt	3	41	128	DCB (28)	77.4	12.7	1.20	25/75	46/54	9.8			
18	POSi ₂ St	7.5	PAcOSt	2	40	100	DCB (20)	28.6	13.1	1.07	45/55	61/39	12.2			
19	PAcOSt- α	5.0	PSi ₂ St	3	64	100	DMF (20)	58.7	21.3	1.08	31/69	21/79	18.2			
20	PAcOSt-a	5.0	PSi ₂ CSt	1	94	100	DMF (20)	31.5	10.2	1.10	25/75	46/54	10.6			
21	PAcOSt-T	4.1	PSi ₂ CSt	4	64	130	DMF (20)	14.3	9.0	1.24	62/38	33/67	13.6			

^a Abbreviations of polymers: PSt, polystyrene; PAcOSt, poly(4-acetoxystyrene); PSi₂St, poly(4-(pentamethyldisilyl)styrene); PSi₂CSt, 4-(bis(trimethylsilyl)methyl)styrene; POSi₂St, poly(4-(pentamethyldisiloxymethyl)styrene); PAcOSt- α (entries 19, 20), 2,2,5-trimethyl-3-(1-phenylethoxy)-4-phenyl-3-azahexane-3-nitroxide (α -H radical) terminated macroinitiator of PAcOSt; PAcOSt-T (entry 21), 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidinyloxy (TEMPO) terminated macroinitiator of PAcOSt. ^b Feed ratio for the block copolymerization; [M₂]/[MI] = [second monomer]/[macroinitiator] (w/w). ^c Amount of solvent is indicated as wt % of total reactants. ^d The number- and weight-average molecular weights (M_n and M_w) and polydispersity (PDI = M_w/M_n) were determined by GPC from refractive index (RI) detector in a flow rate of 1.0 mL/min in THF at 40 °C. Narrow dispersed poly(St)s were used as standards for universal calibration. ^e Calculated from ¹H NMR (e.g., see Figure 5 for poly(AcOSt-*b*-Si₂CSt), entry 20). ^f Calculated from molar ratio and monomer density from Table 3.



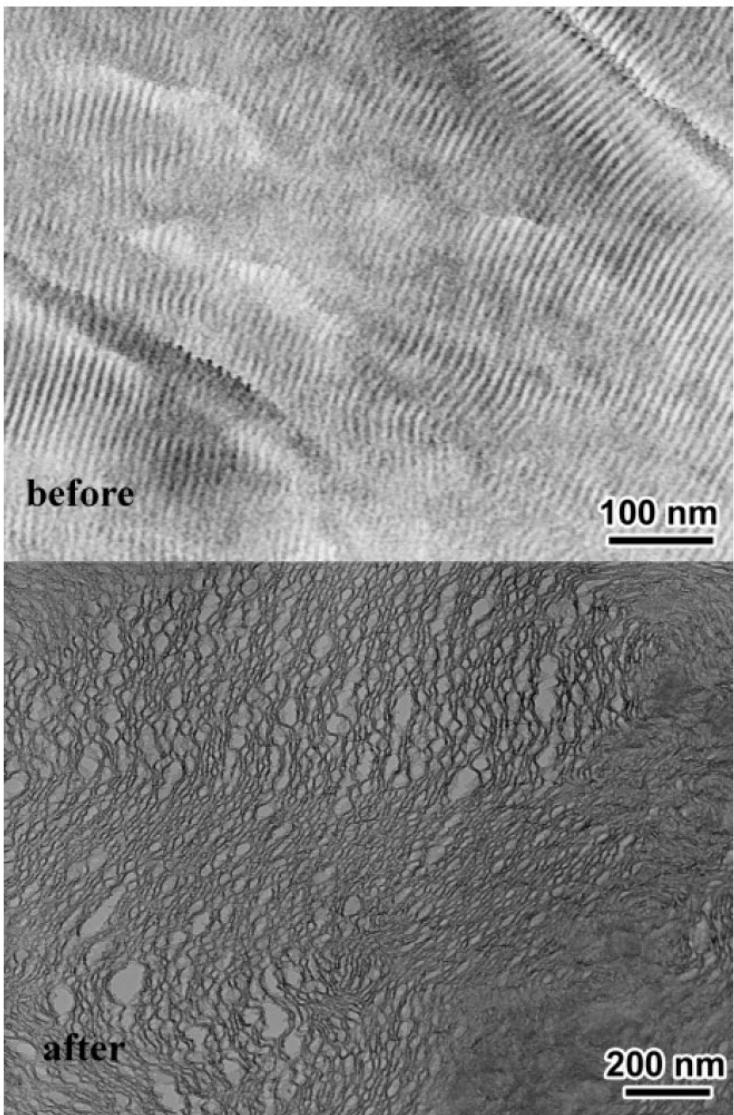


Figure 7. Transmission electron micrograph (TEM) images of PAcOSt–PSi₂CSt (46/54 v/v, entry 20 in Tables 4 and 5) before and after O₂ plasma for 5 min.

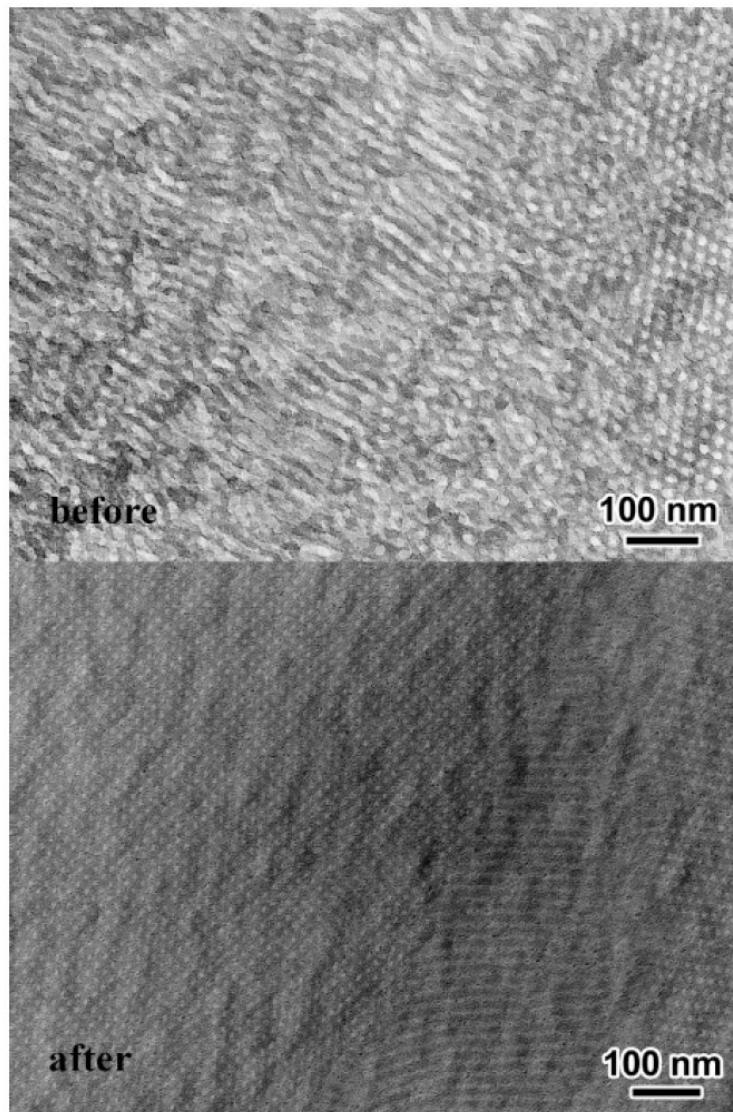


Figure 8. Transmission electron micrograph (TEM) images of PAcOSt–PSi₂St (21/79 v/v, entry 19 in Tables 4 and 5) before and after O₂ plasma for 10 min.