

**NEW ORGANIC CHEMISTRY  
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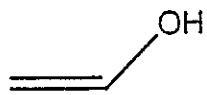
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**"Investigations into the Chemistry of  
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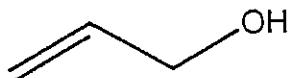
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# A Tale of Two "Monomers"

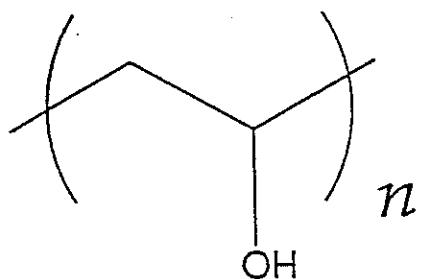


Vinyl Alcohol



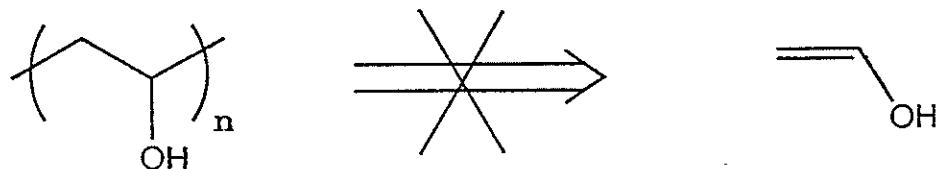
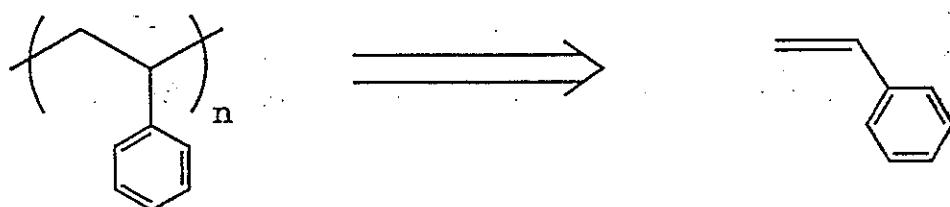
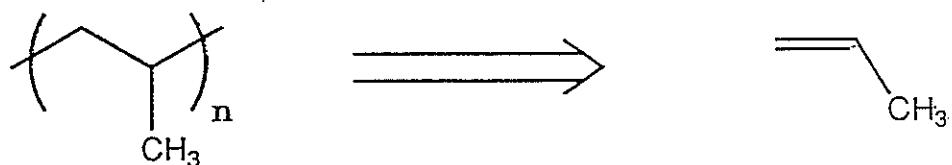
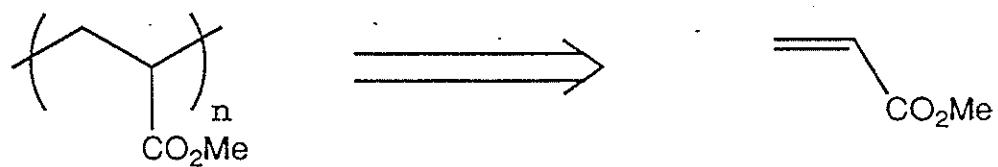
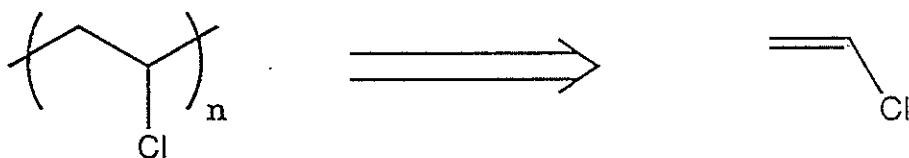
Allylic Alcohol

## Poly(vinyl alcohol)

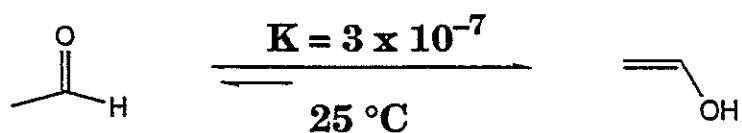


- Thickening agent
- Coatings, adhesives
- Water-soluble packaging
- Cosmetics, personal care products
- Pharmaceuticals
- Poly(vinyl butyral) interlayers  
in auto safety glass
- Biodegradable

# Vinyl Polymerizations: A Primer

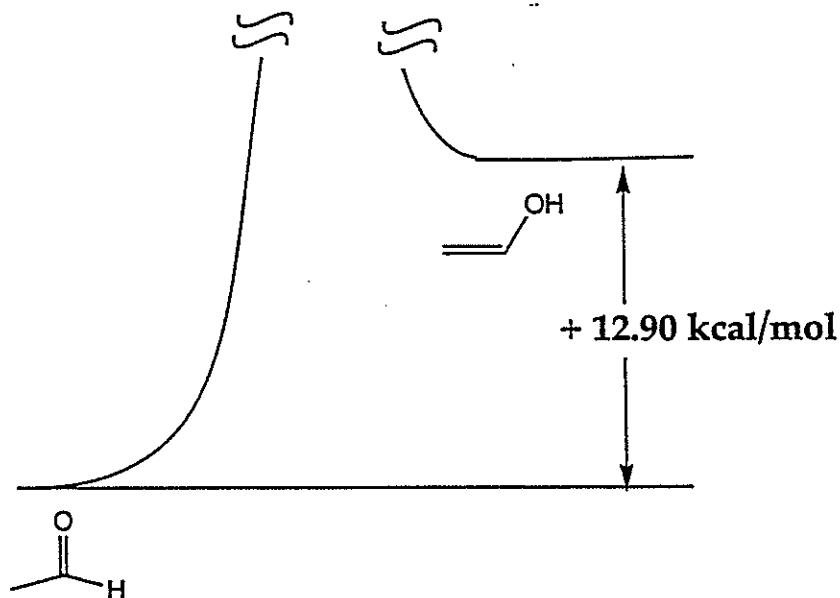


# Thermodynamic Considerations



"Vinyl alcohol is an unstable compound that rearranges spontaneously to acetaldehyde."

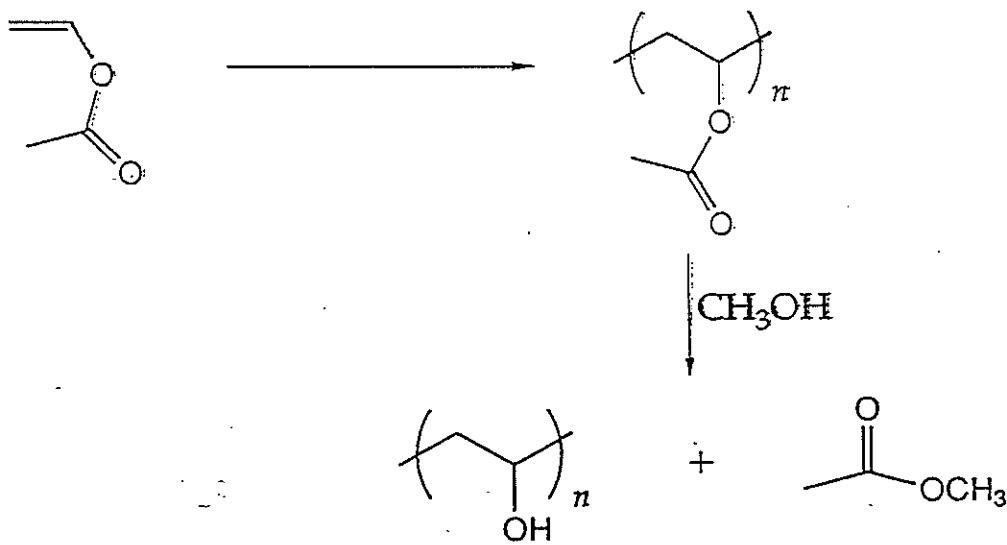
T. Solomons, "Organic Chemistry", 2d Ed.  
Wiley, 1980, pg 336



## The Synthesis of Poly(Vinyl Alcohol)

"...poly(vinyl acetate) is used to produce two polymers that cannot be synthesized directly since their monomers do not exist."

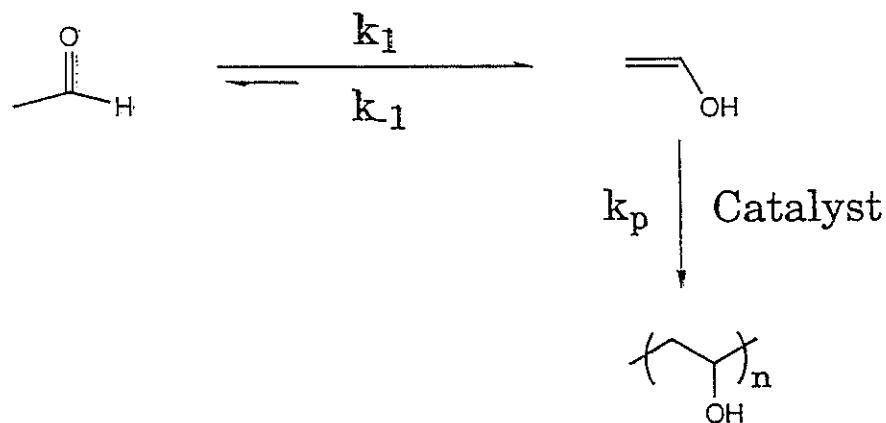
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3rd Edition, 1991, pg 711



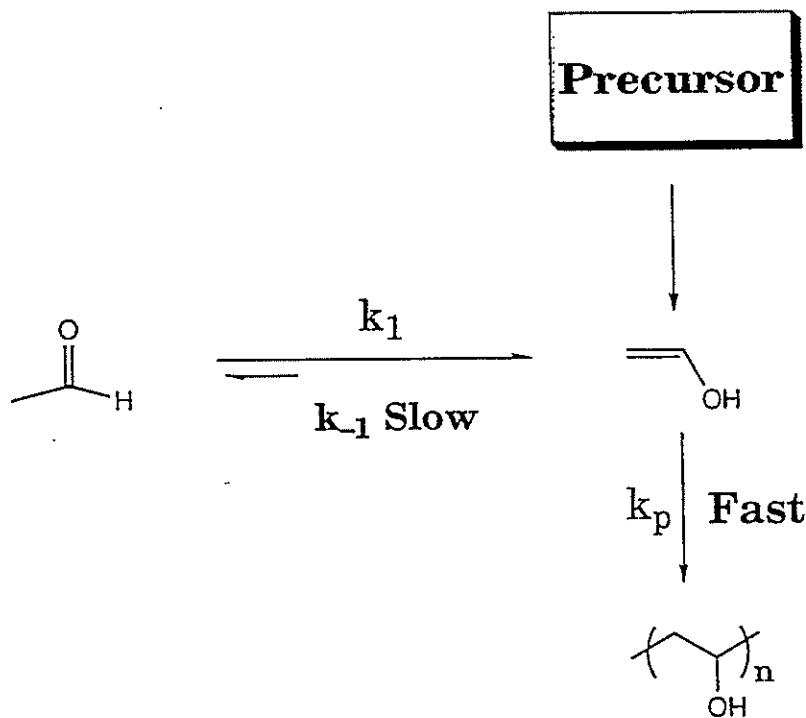
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# Proposal



## Our Approach (Kinetics vs. Thermodynamics)

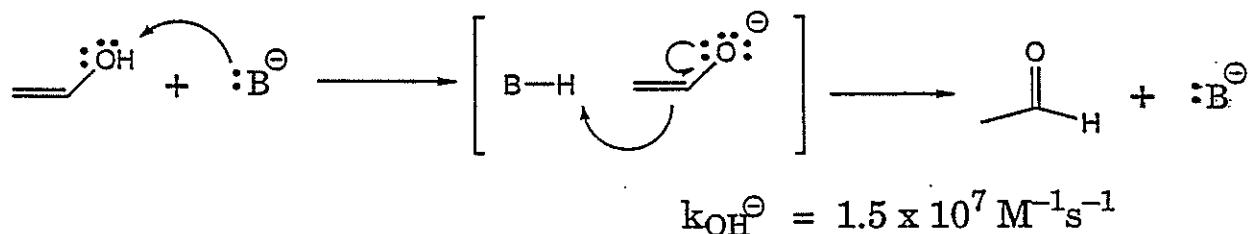


Require Conditions Under Which:

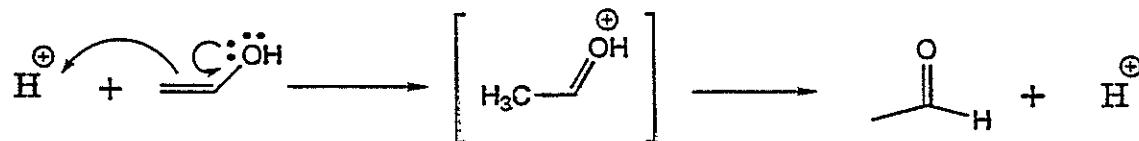
$$k_p \ggg k_{-1}$$

## Mechanism of Enol Ketonization

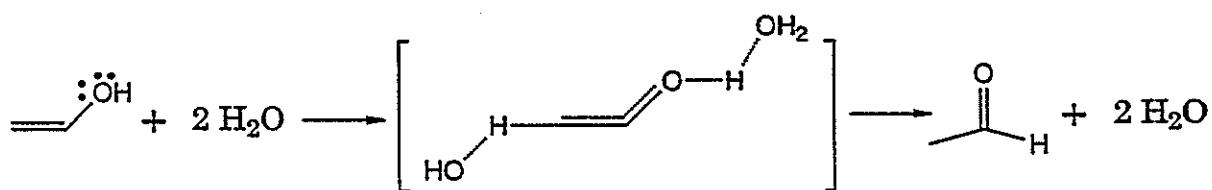
### Base Catalysis (Fast)



### Acid Catalysis (Slow)



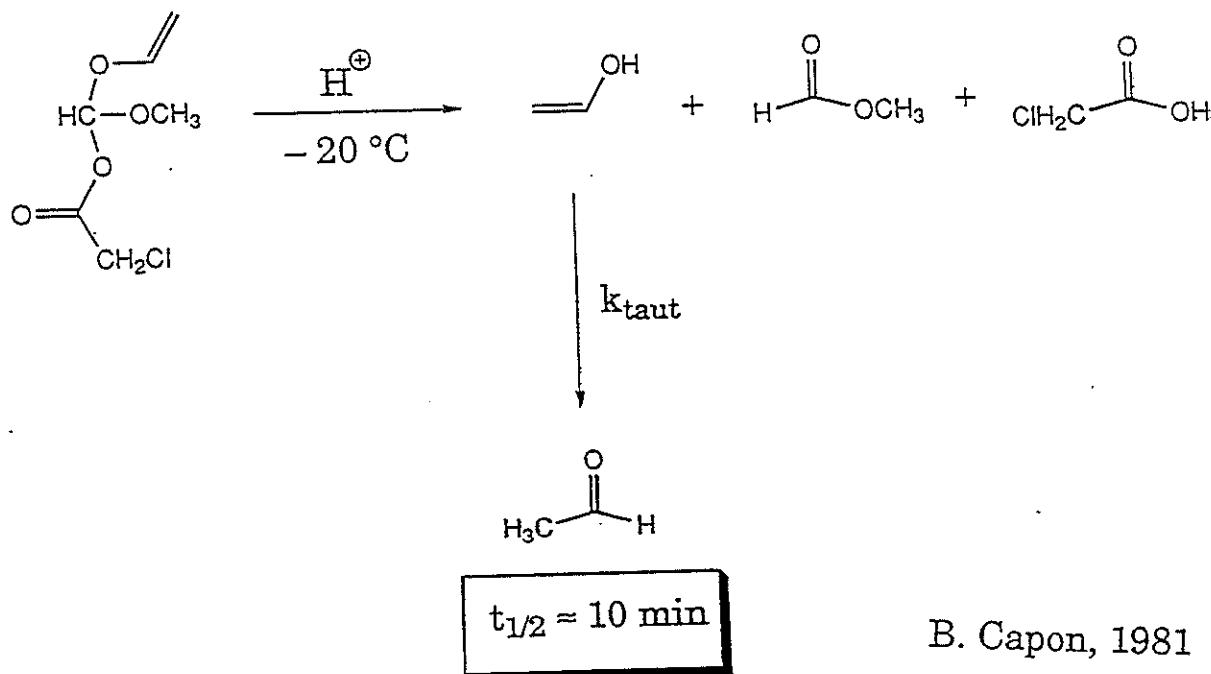
### Concerted Water Catalysis



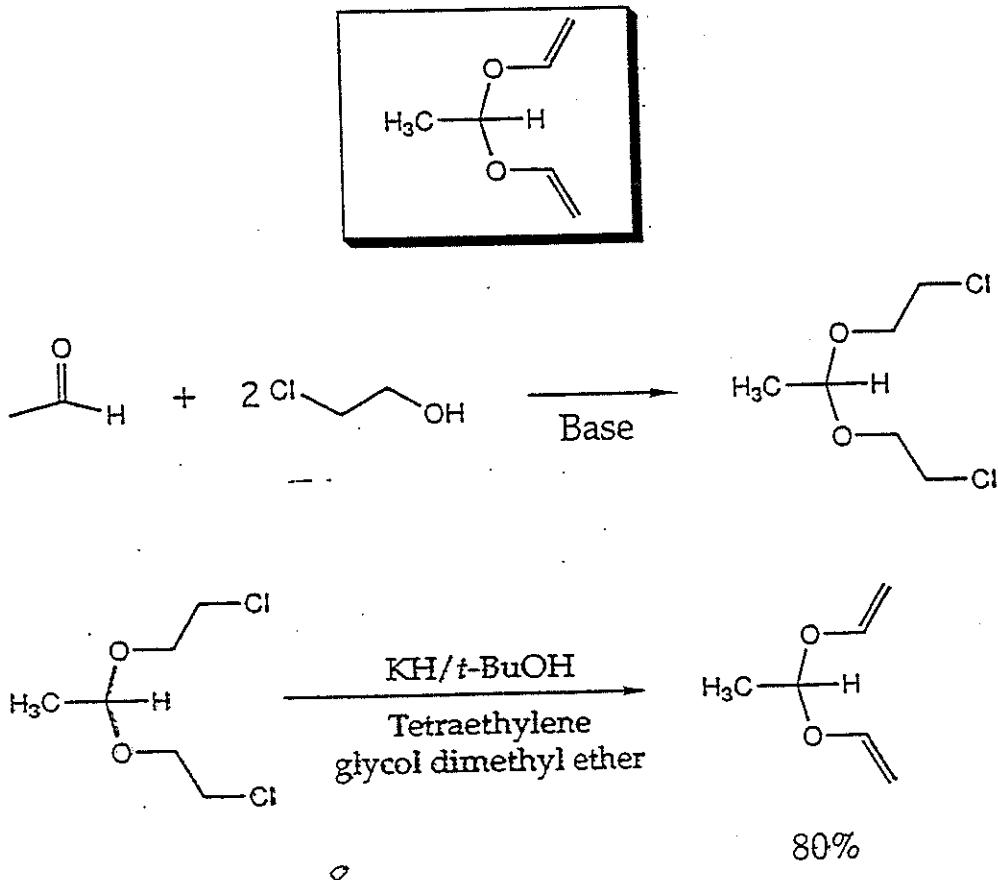
Rate of Tautomerization is Dependent On:

- pH
- Water Content
- Vinyl Alcohol Concentration  
(Upper limit  $\approx 0.6 \text{ M}$ )

# Hydrolysis of Orthoesters

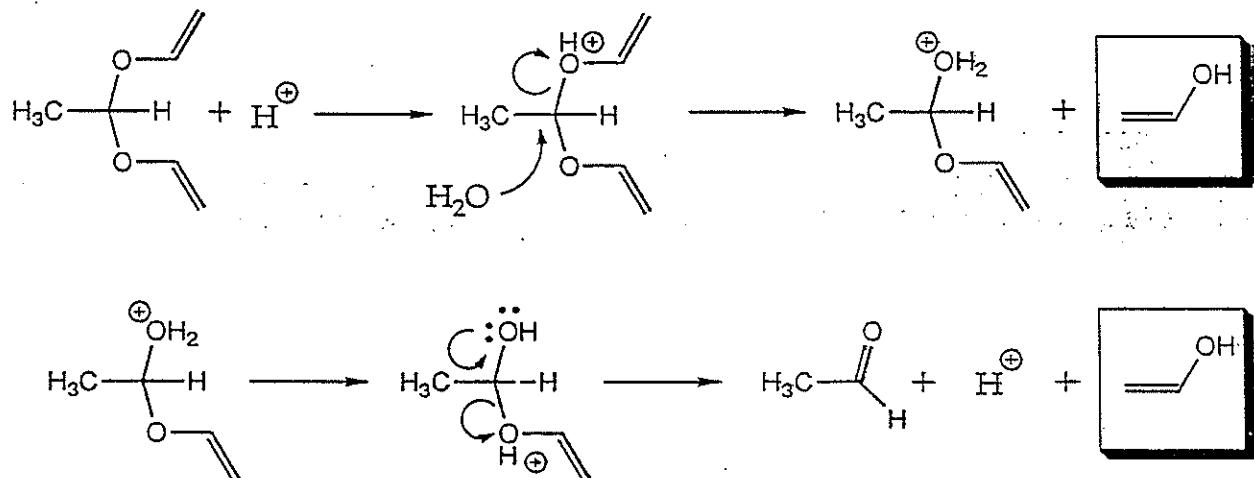
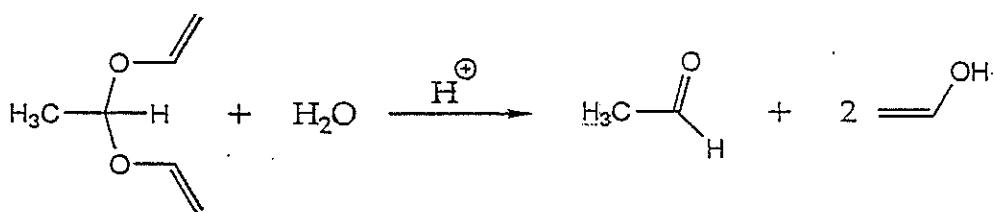
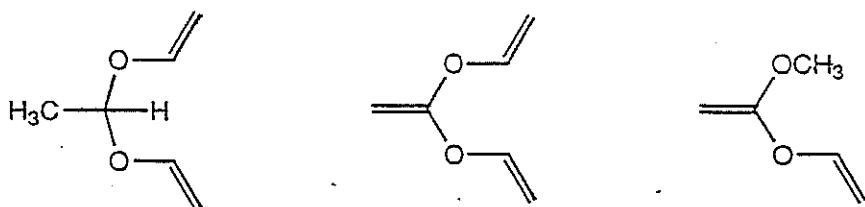


## The Synthesis of Unsaturated Acetals



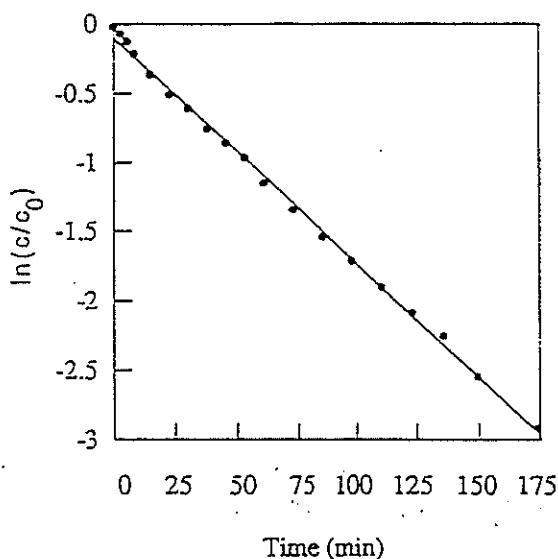
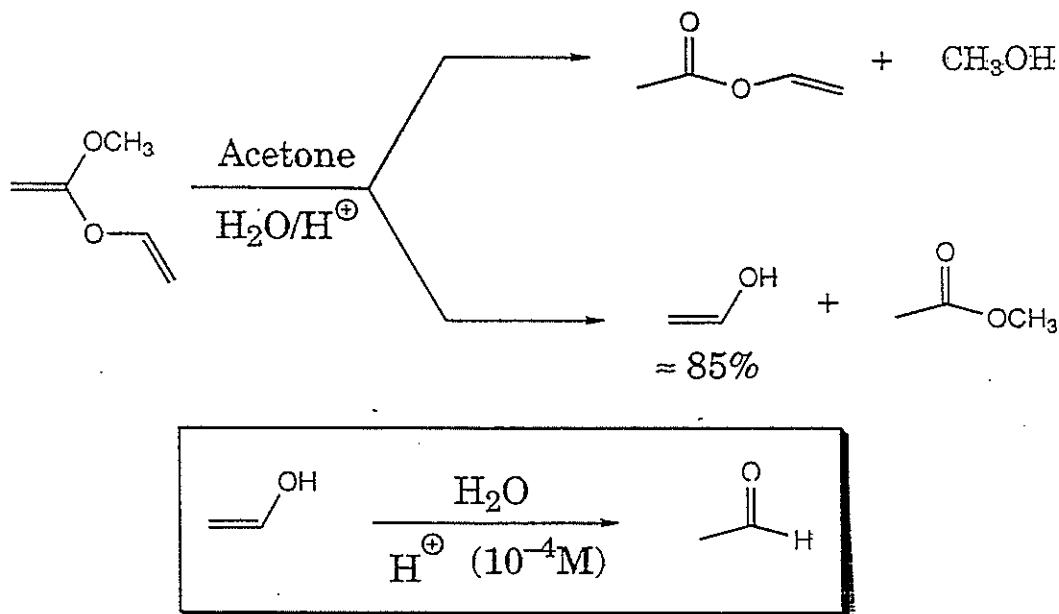
# Precursor Method for Vinyl Alcohol Synthesis

## Hydrolysis of Acetals and Ketene Acetals



B. Capon, 1982

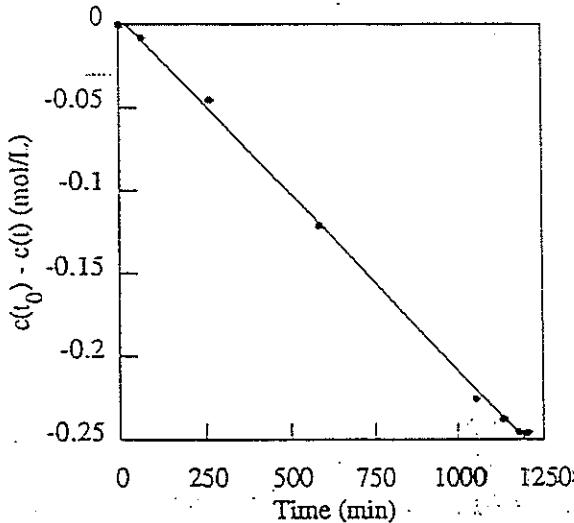
## Kinetics of Tautomerization



Excess Water

First Order in VA

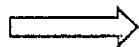
$$k_{\text{obs}} = 2.7 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$$



One Equivalent  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$

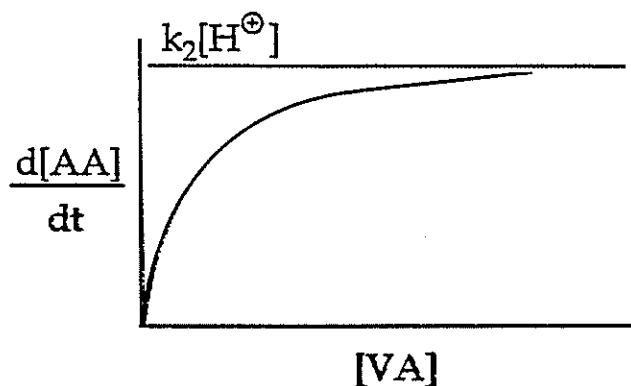
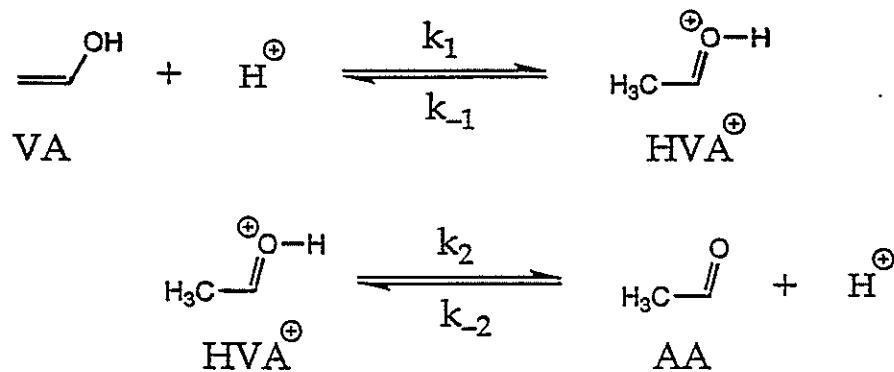
Zero Order in VA

$$k_{\text{obs}} = 3.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M/s}$$



Water Catalyzes Tautomerization

# Michaelis-Menten Enzyme Kinetics



$$\frac{d[\text{AA}]}{dt} = \frac{k_2[\text{H}^+][\text{VA}]}{K_M + [\text{VA}]}$$

$$\text{where: } K_M = \frac{k_1 + k_2}{k_1}$$

when:  $[\text{VA}] \gg K_M$

$$\boxed{\frac{d[\text{AA}]}{dt} = k_2[\text{H}^+]}$$

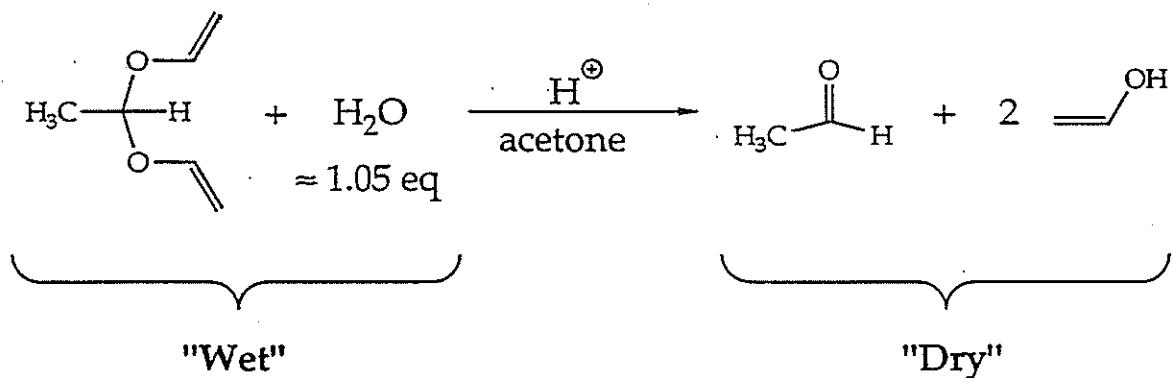
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# Extending Vinyl Alcohol's Lifetime

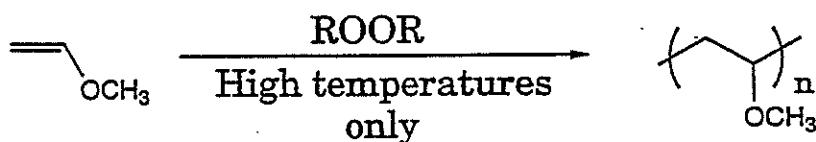
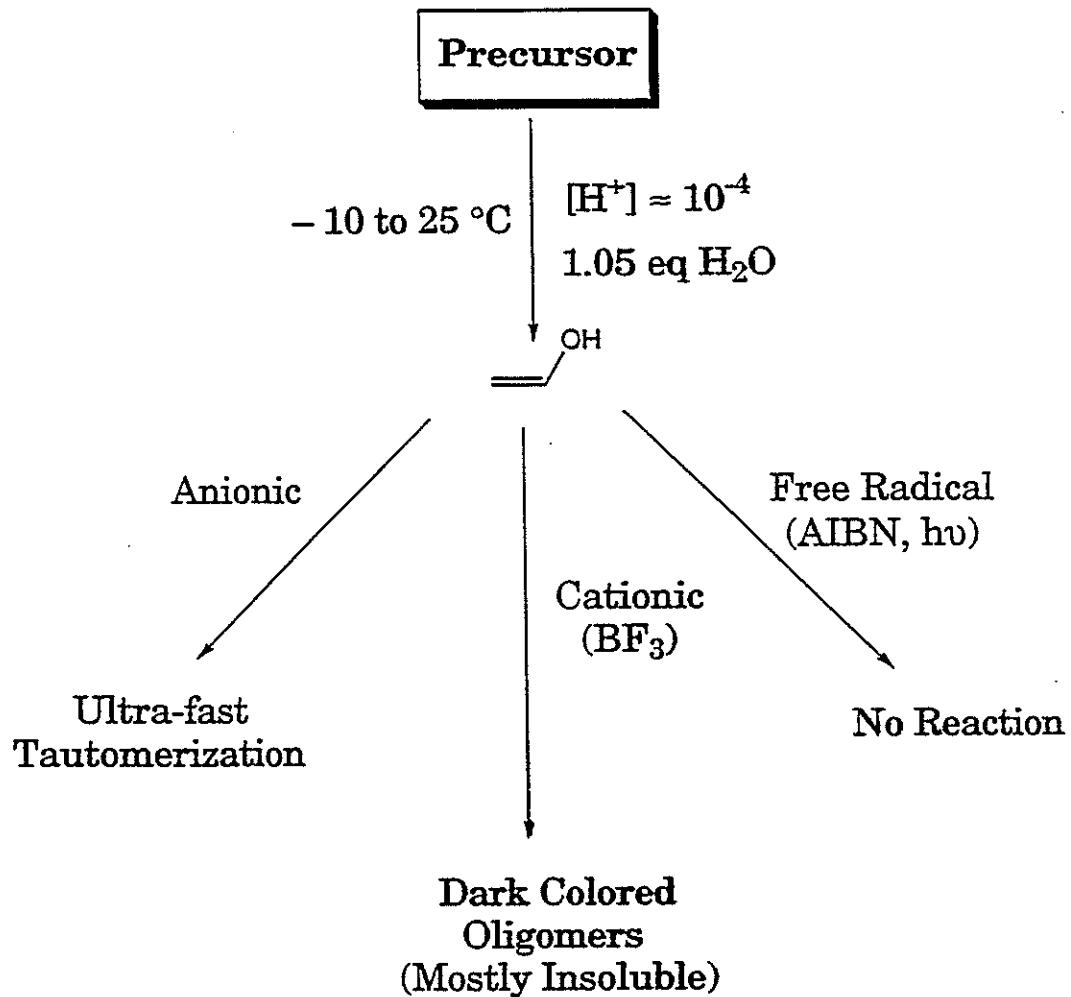
1. Use Acidic Conditions ( $[H^+] \approx 10^{-4}$ )

2. "Dehydrate" Hydrolysis System

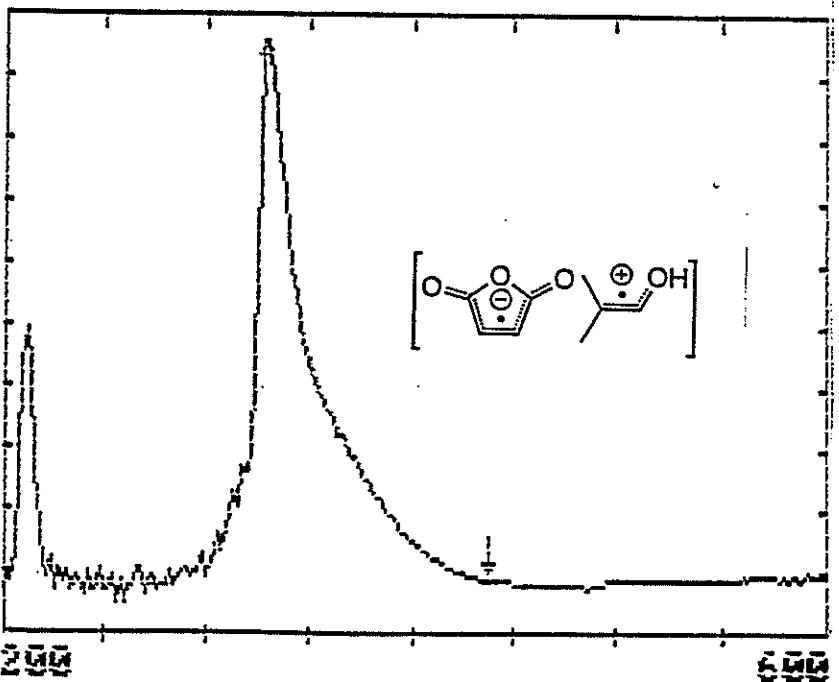
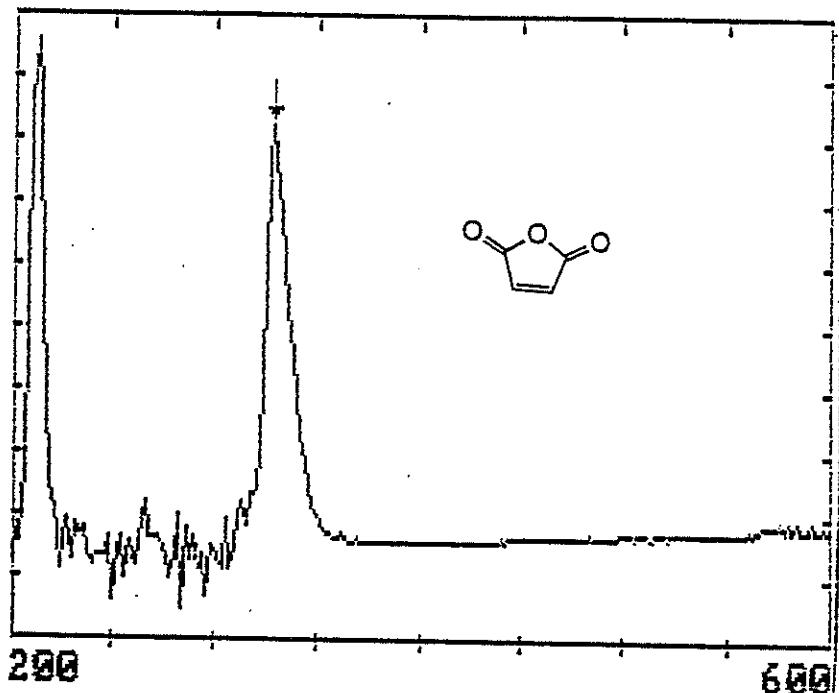
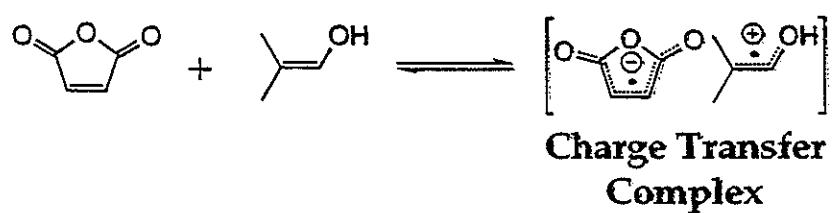
"Self Dehydrating" Conditions



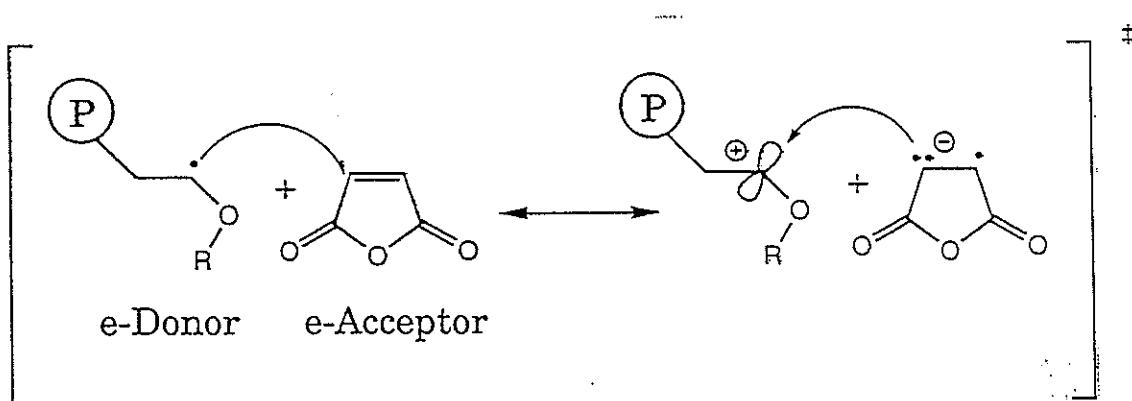
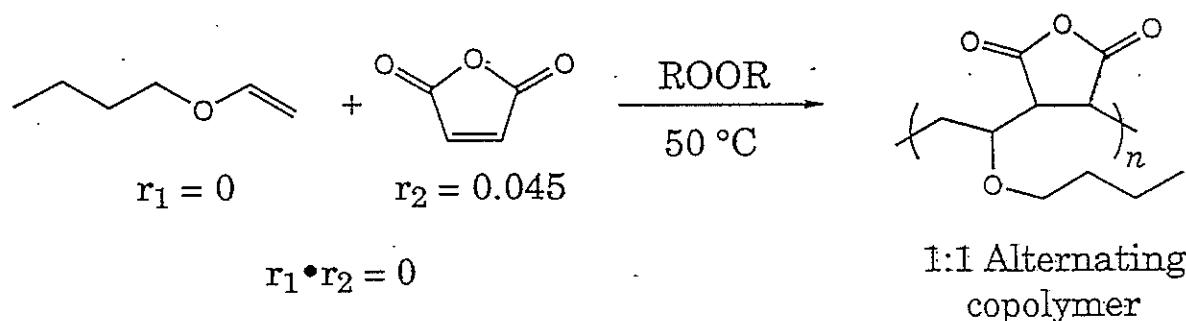
# Probing the Chemistry of Vinyl Alcohol



Stabilized, Electron-Rich Radical Intermediate

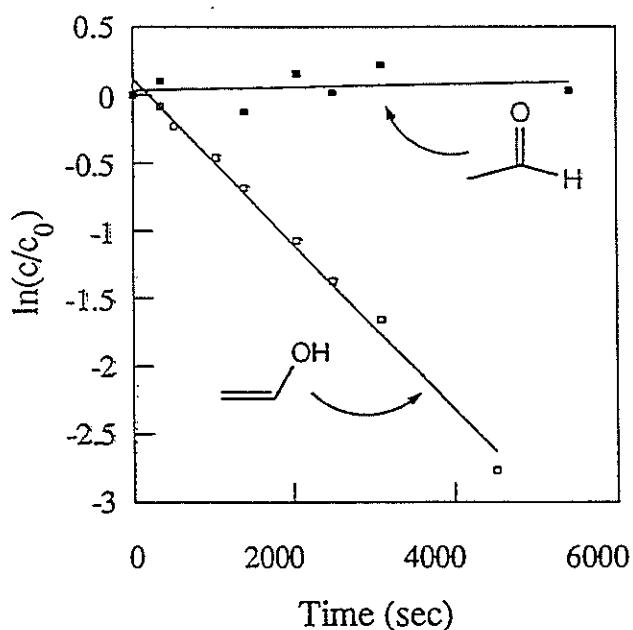
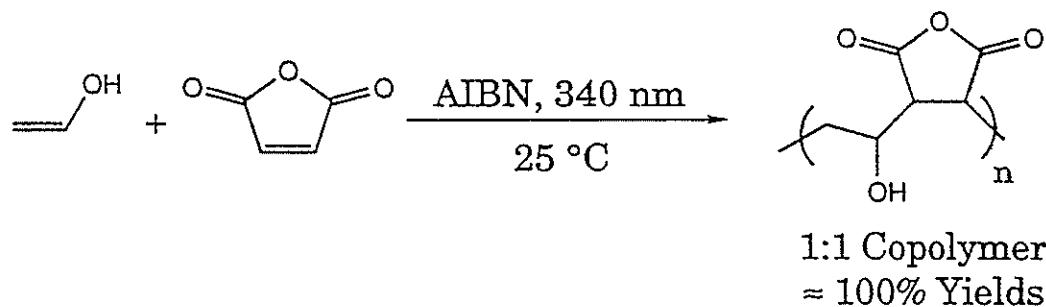


# 1:1 Alternating Copolymerizations

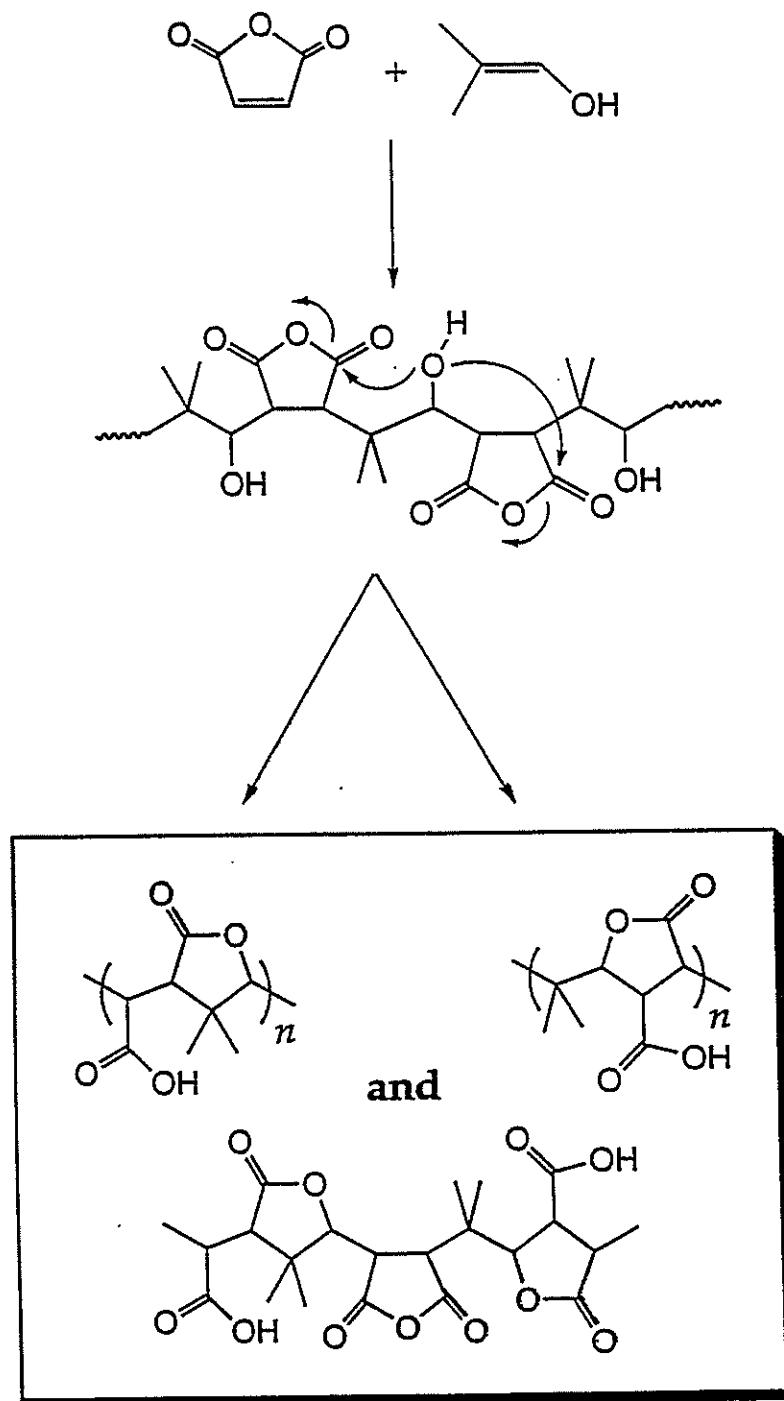


<b>Q</b>	0.86	0.018	0.038
<b>e</b>	3.69	-1.80	-1.50

# Donor-Acceptor Copolymerizations

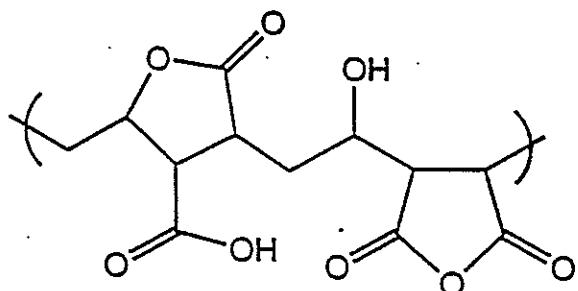


# Intramolecular Cyclization



Soluble in: DMSO, acetone, THF

# Vinyl Alcohol Copolymer Transformations



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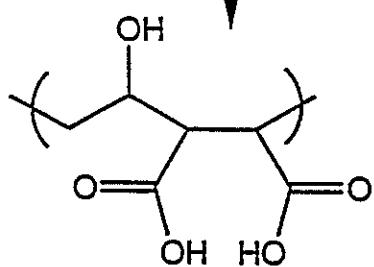
1716 - acid  
1732 - ester  
1778 - anhydride  
1849 - anhydride

Solubility

DMSO

3500-2400 - OH

DMSO  
 $H_2O, H^+$



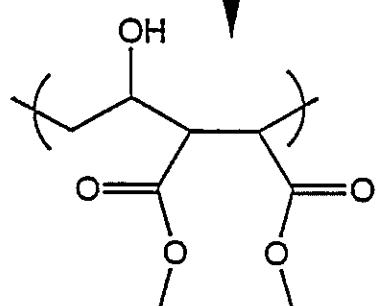
IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>)

1718 - acid  
3500-2400 - OH

Solubility

$H_2O$   
MeOH

$CH_2N_2$



IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>)

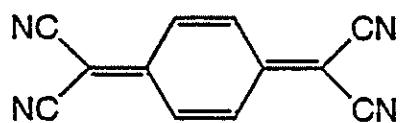
1731 - ester  
3448 (br) - OH

Solubility

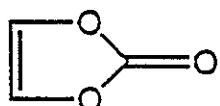
THF

Mn: 55,900  
Mw: 183,600  
PDI: 3.3

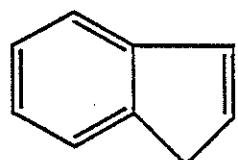
## Non-viable Acceptor Monomers



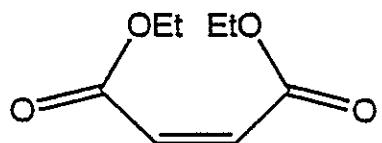
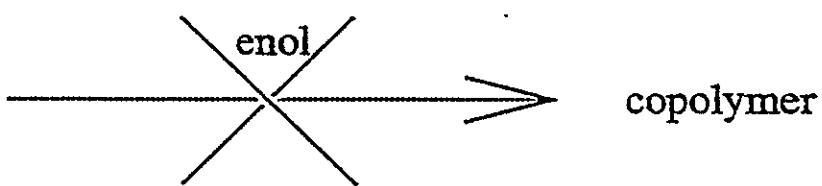
7,7,8,8 - tetracyanoquinodimethane



Vinyleno Carbonate

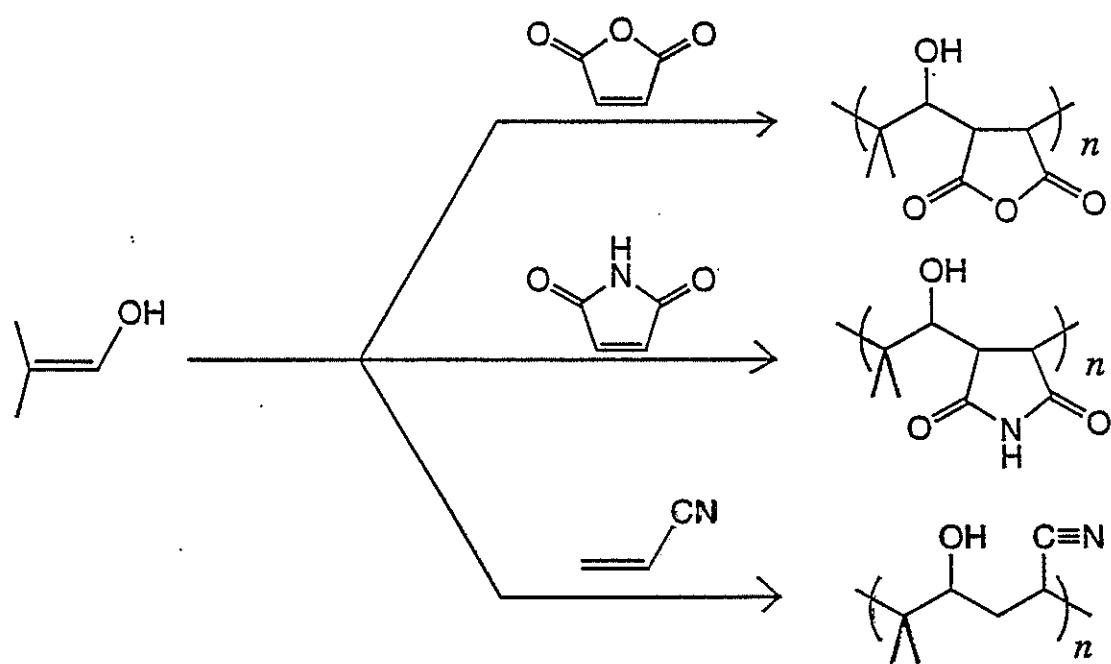


Indene



Diethyl Fumarate

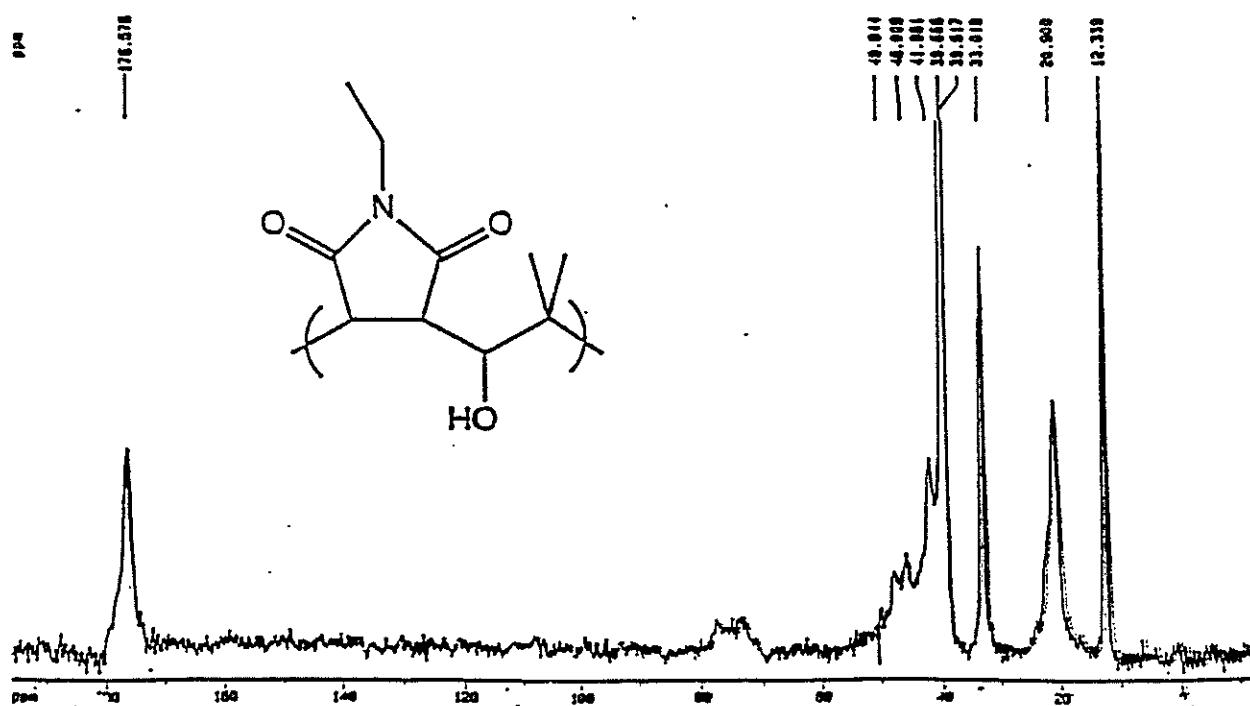
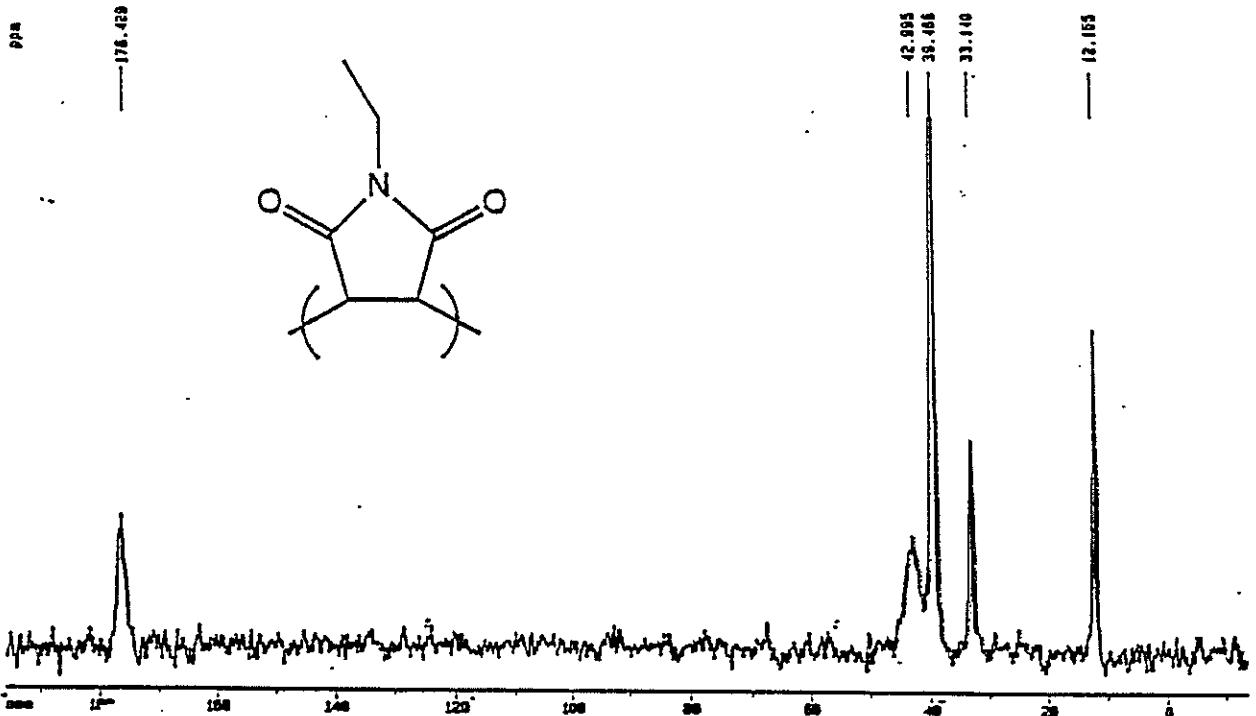
# New Alternating Copolymers Using Vinyl Alcohol



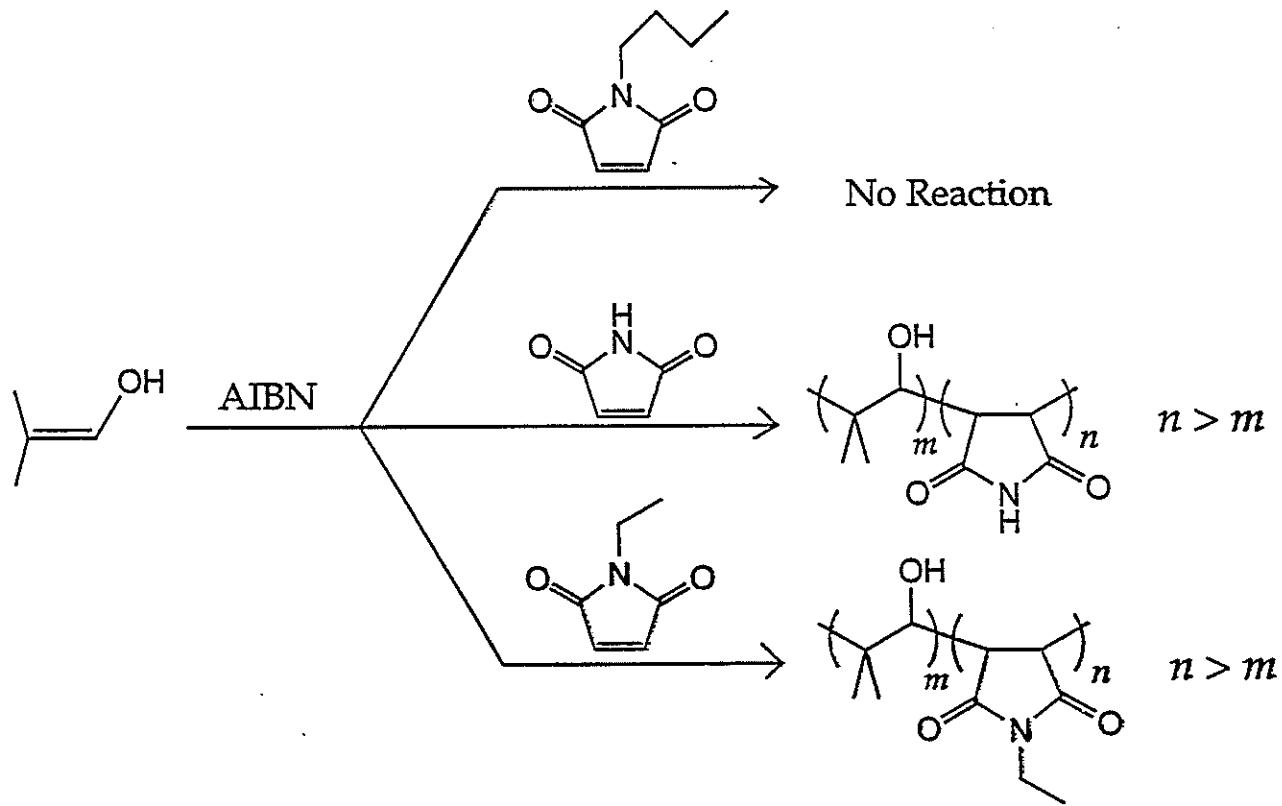
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<b>e</b>	3.69	2.86	1.20

# $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR of N-Ethyl Maleimide Polymers



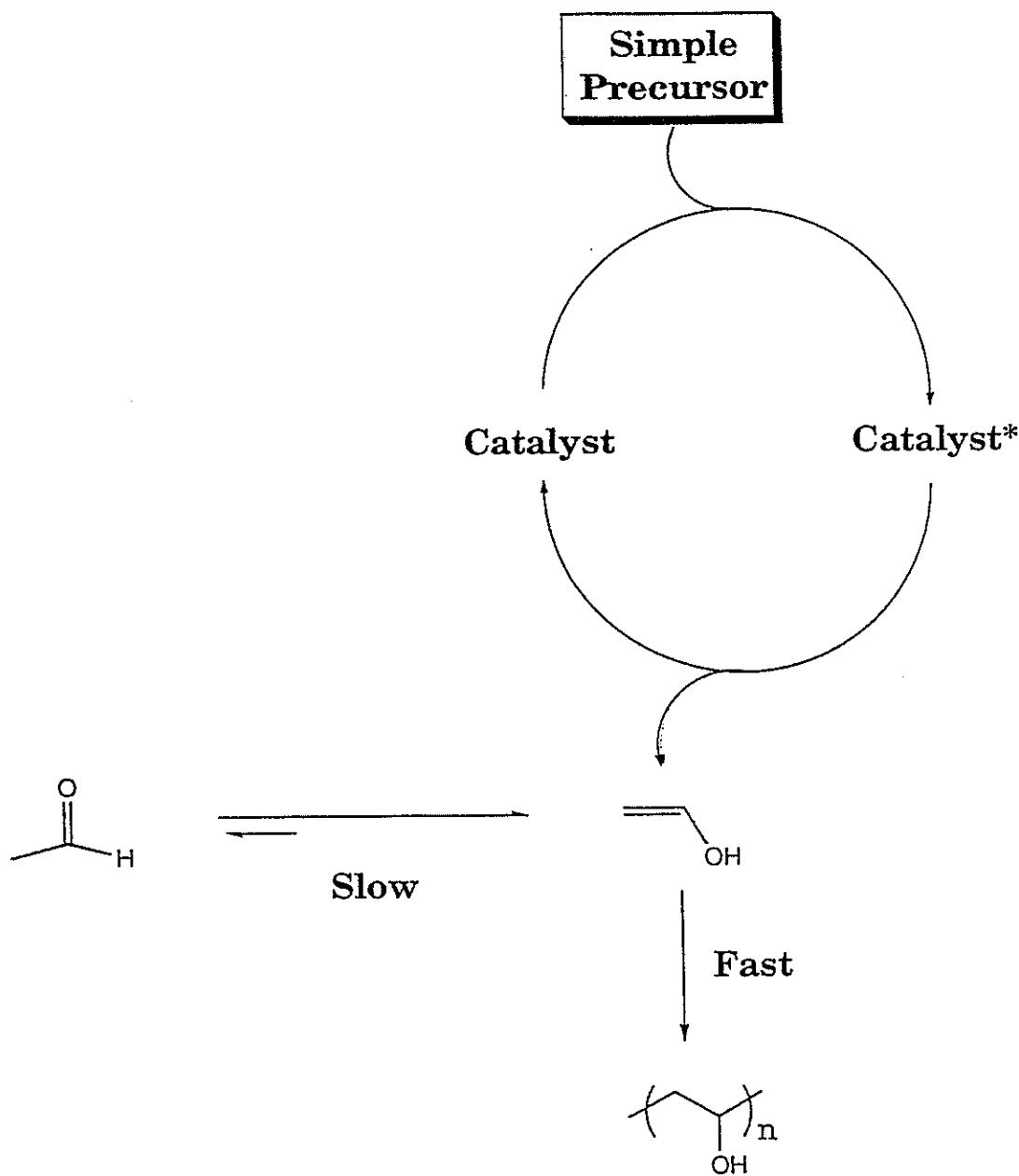
# Maleimide Copolymers



Feed Ratio      Copolymer Ratio ( $^1\text{H NMR}$ )

	1.3	1.2
	5.8	2.3
	10.9	3.2
	23.3	4.3

## Modified Precursor Route to Poly(Vinyl Alcohol) Copolymers



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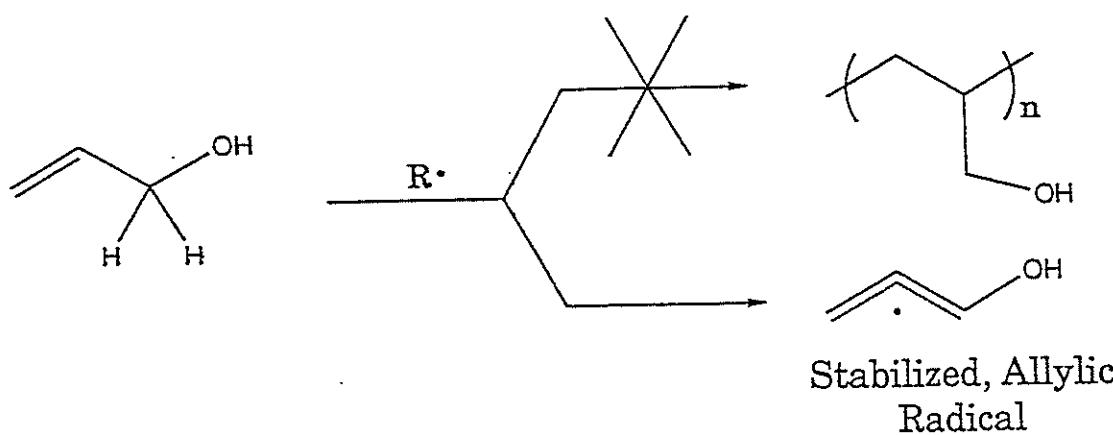
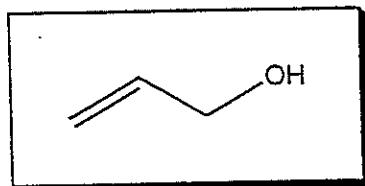


Vinyl Alcohol

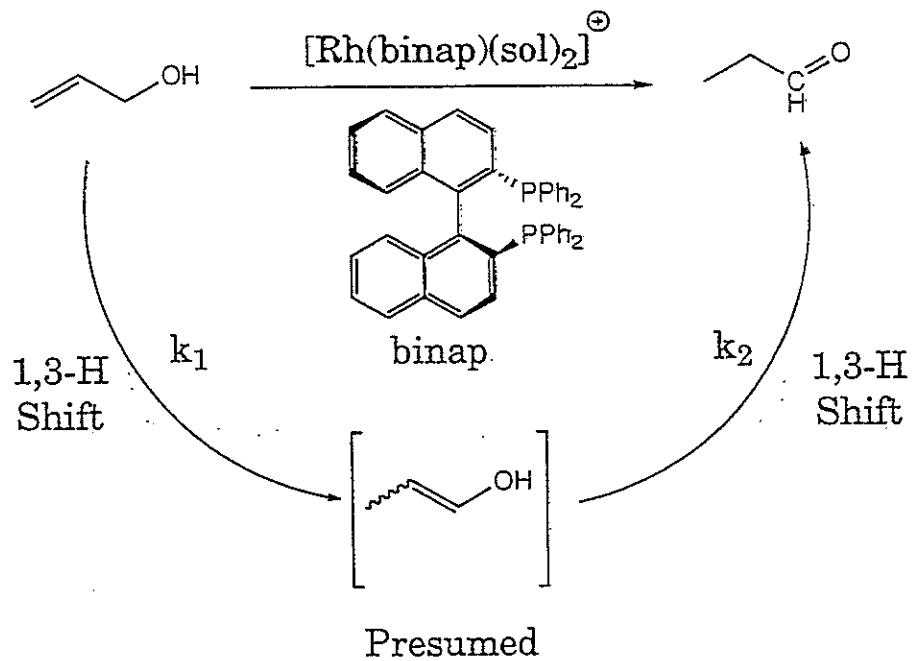
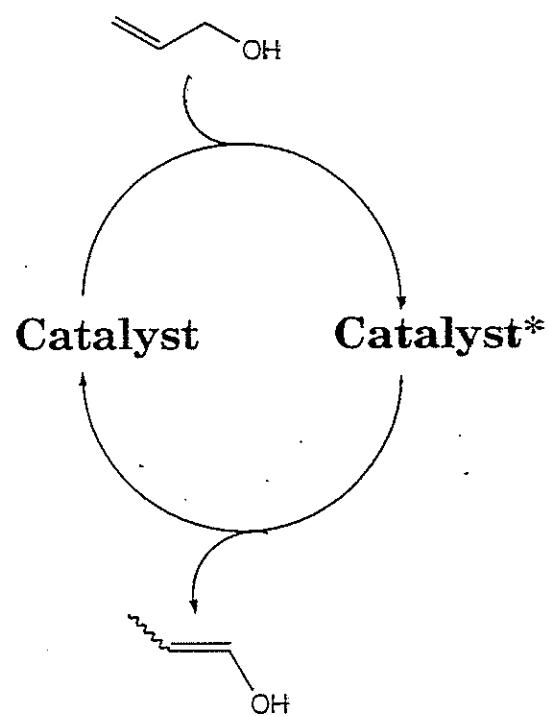


Allylic Alcohol

**Allylic Alcohol:**  
**A Cheap But Nonpolymerizable Monomer**

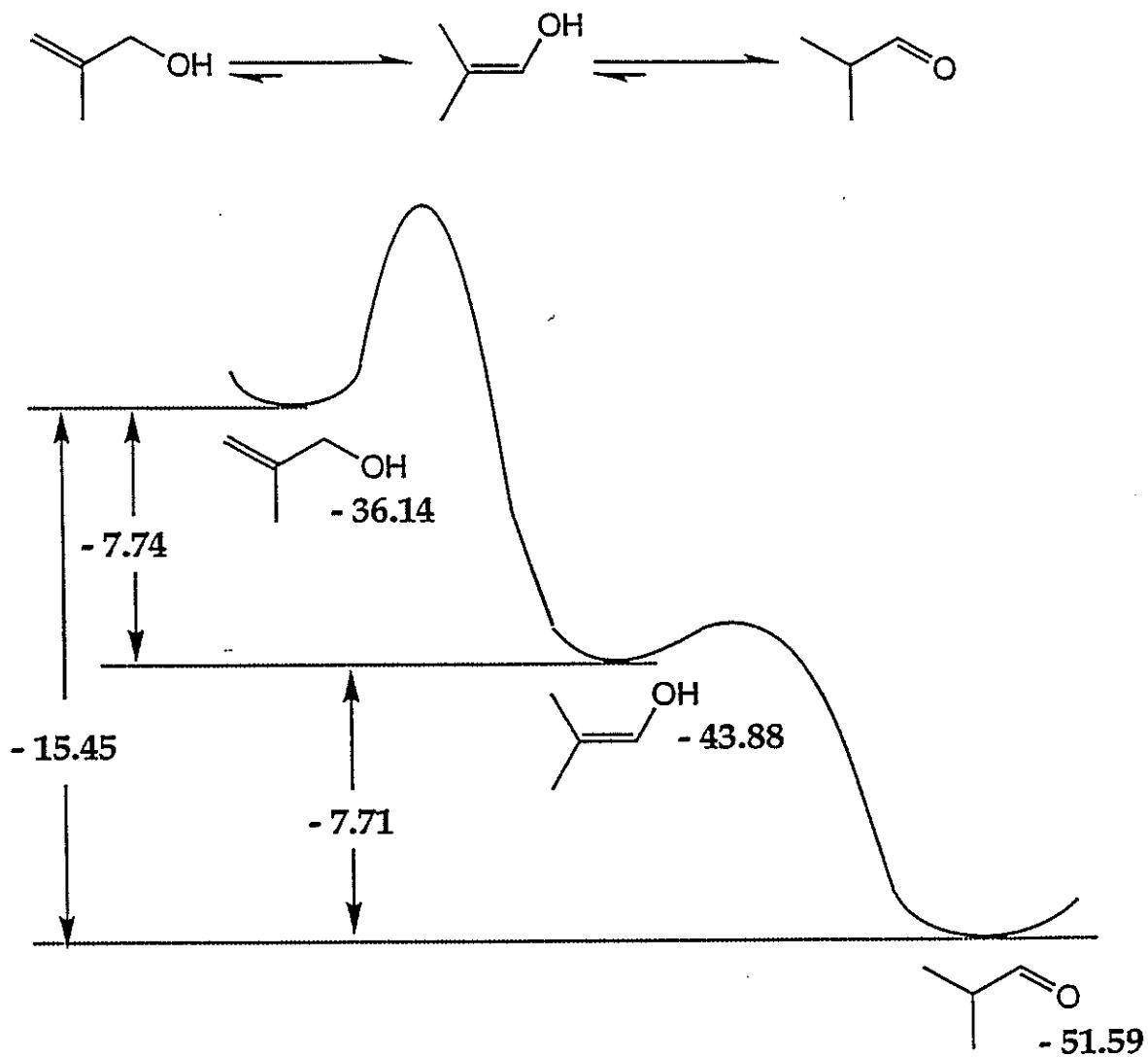


## Catalytic Enol Formation

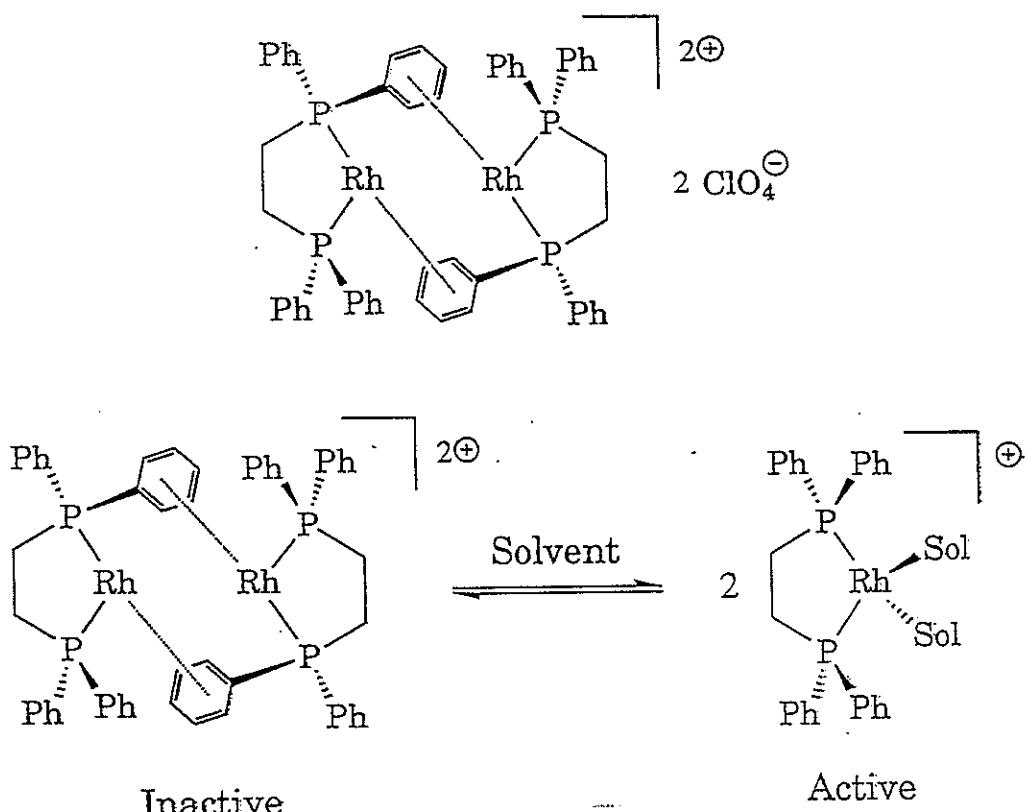


K. Tani, 1985

## Energy Diagram for the Isomerization of 2-Methyl Propenol to 2-Methyl Propanal



# Isomerization Catalysts



## Solvent

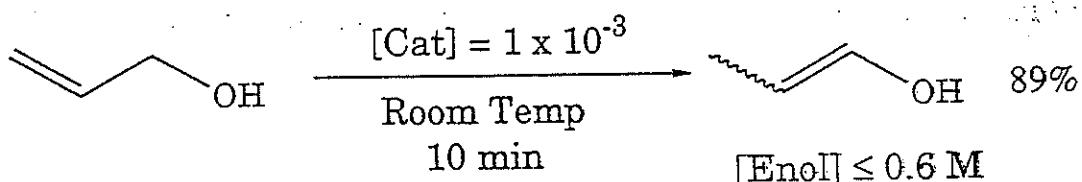
Acetone

Nitromethane

## Structure

Monomer

Dimer



B. Bosnich, 1988, 1991

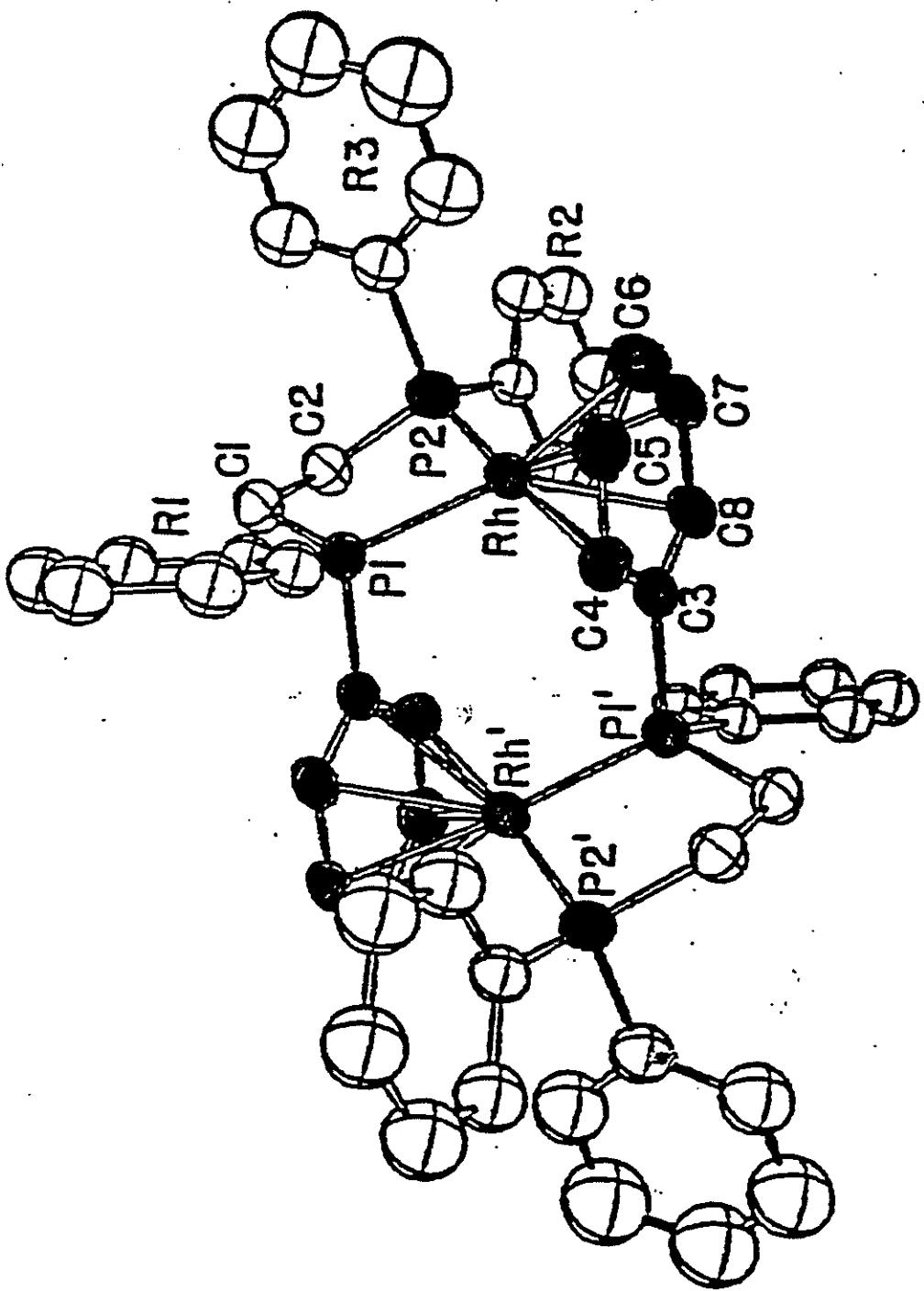
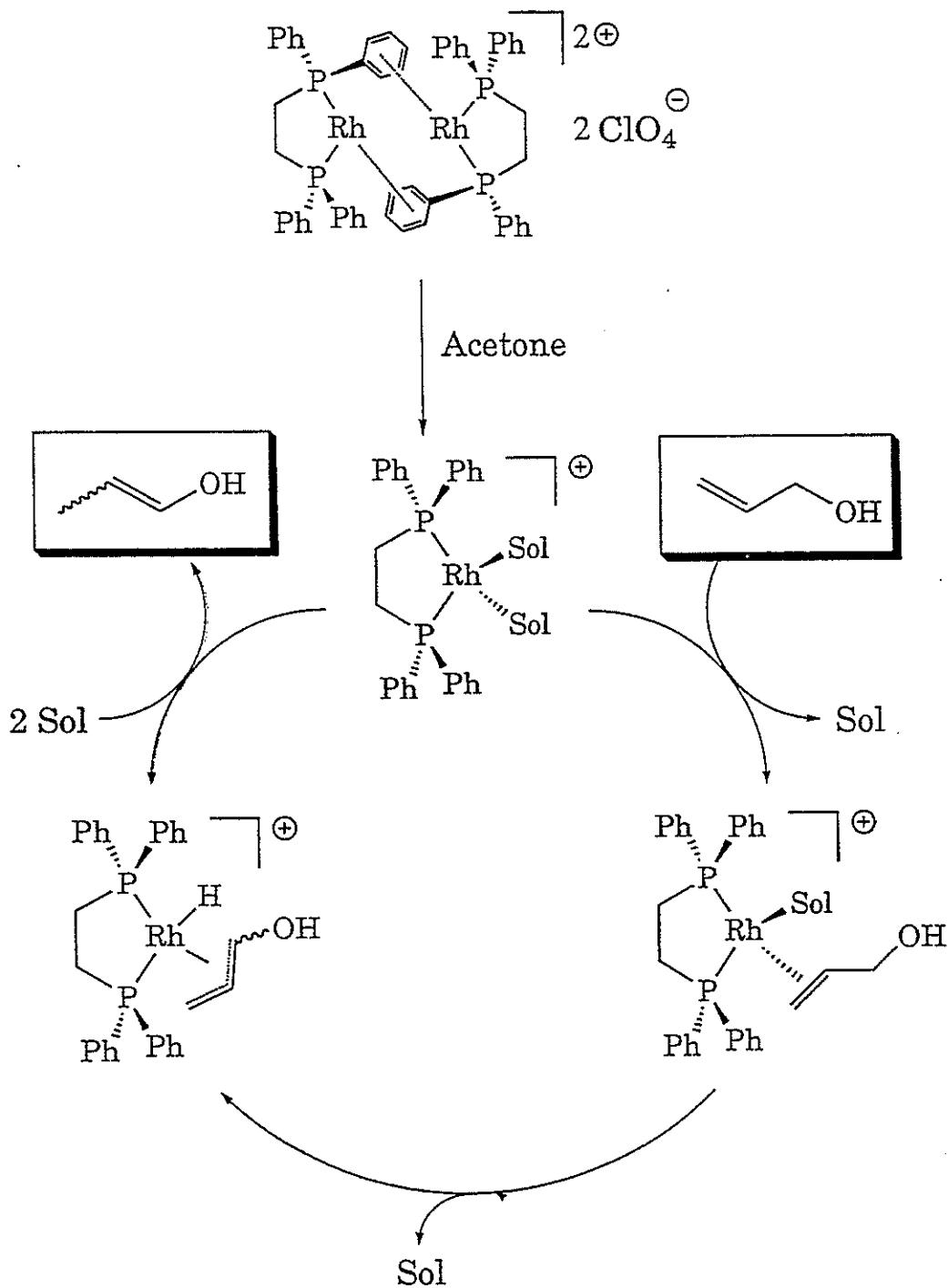
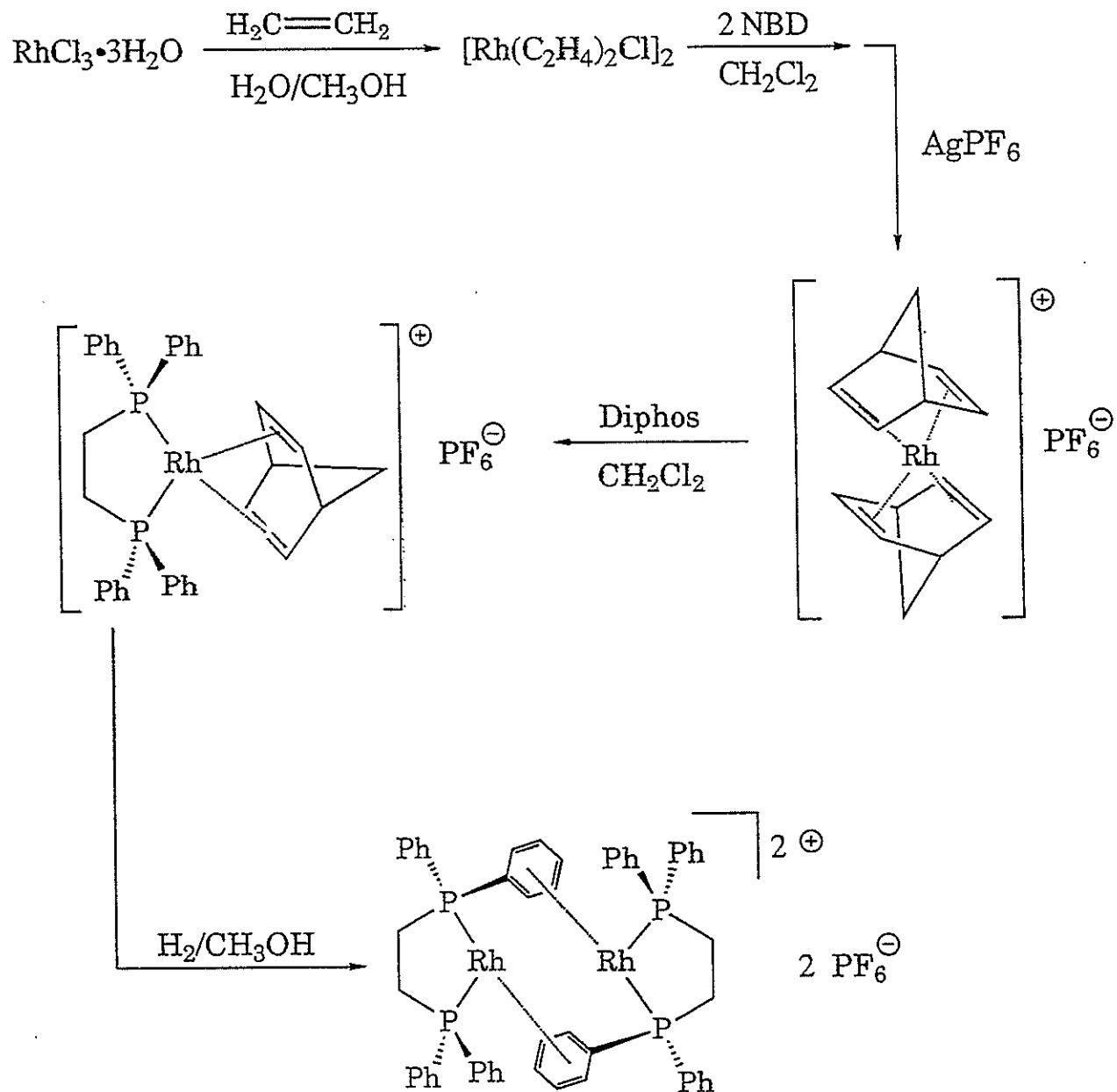


Figure 1. Structure of  $[\text{Rh}_2(\text{diphos})_2]^{2+}$ . Distances ( $\text{\AA}$ ):  $\text{Rh}-\text{Rh}$ , 4.275 (1);  $\text{Rh}-\text{P}$ , 2.230 (2), 2.240 (2);  $\text{Rh}-\text{C}$ , range 2.285–2.368, mean 2.33.

# Mechanism of Catalytic Enol Formation



# Synthesis of Rhodium PF<sub>6</sub> Catalyst



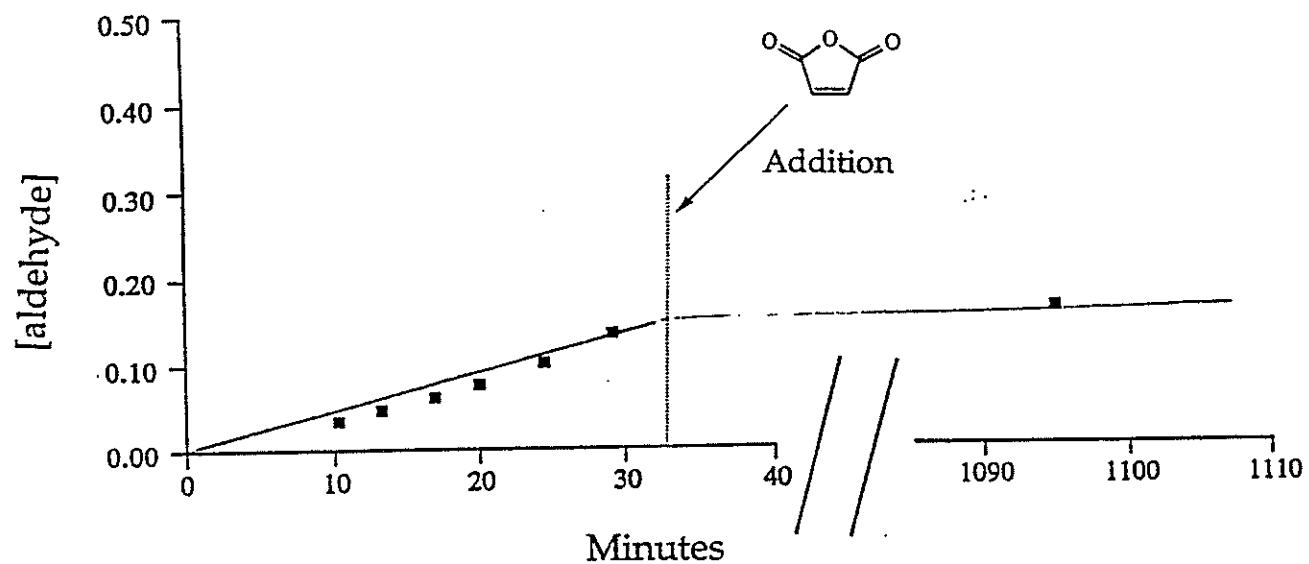
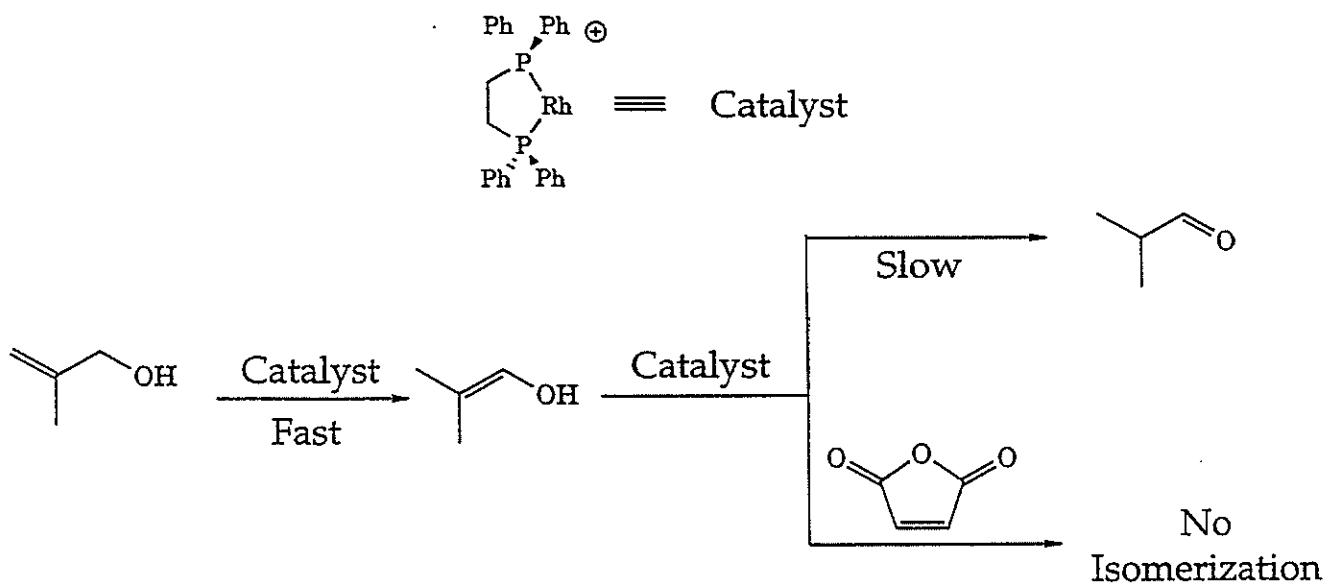
# Catalytic Production of Enols

[Cat] =  $1 \times 10^{-3}$

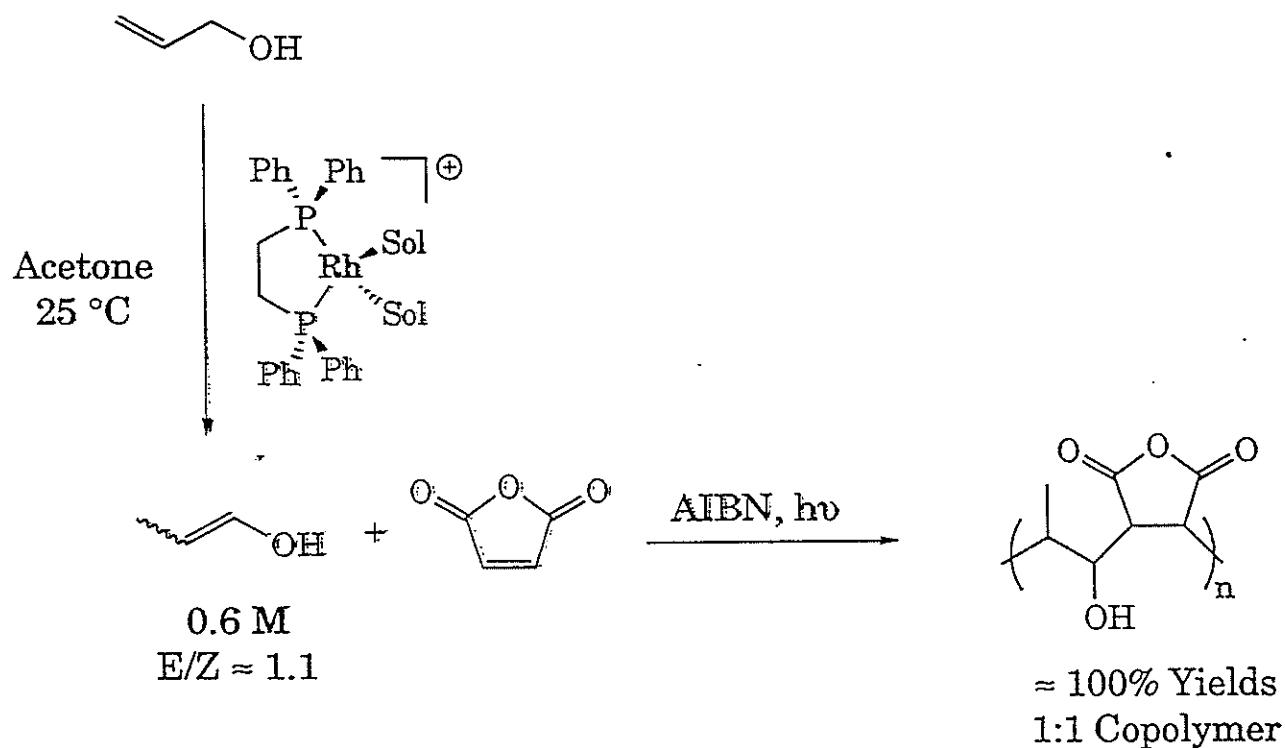
25 °C

[Substrate] / [Catalyst] ≈ 100 / 1

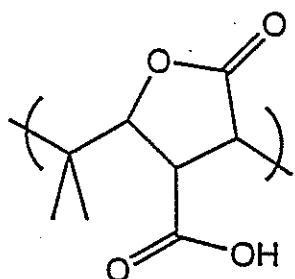
		<u>% Enol</u>	<u>E/Z Ratio</u>
	10 min		89%      1.1
	330 min		86%      1.0
	9 min		83%      0.19
	124 min		47%      All Z
	16 min		96%



## Copolymerization of Allyl Alcohol and Maleic Anhydride



## 2-Methyl-Propenol Copolymer with Maleic Anhydride



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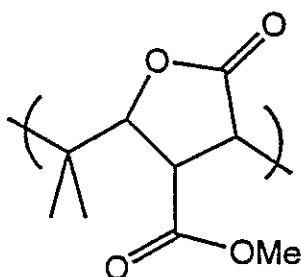
1717 - acid  
1781 - lactone

3600-2400 - OH

Solubility

DMSO  
Acetone

↓  
 $\text{CH}_2\text{N}_2$



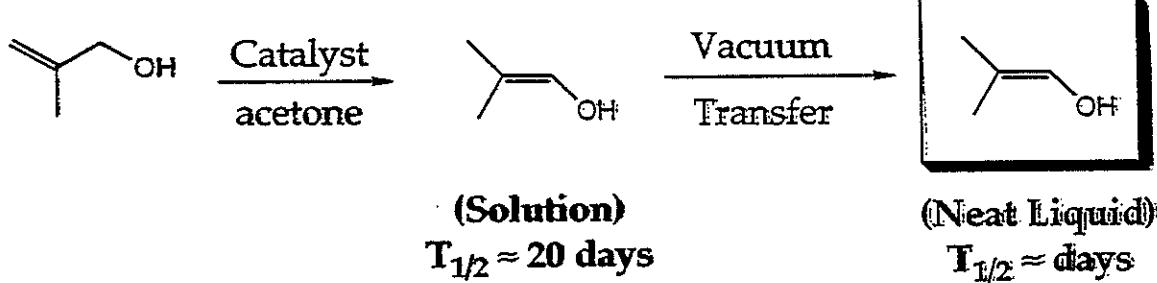
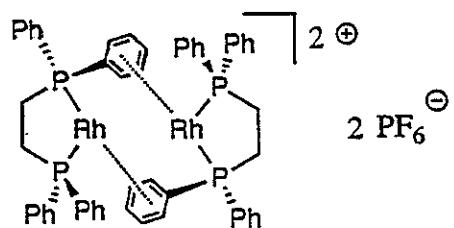
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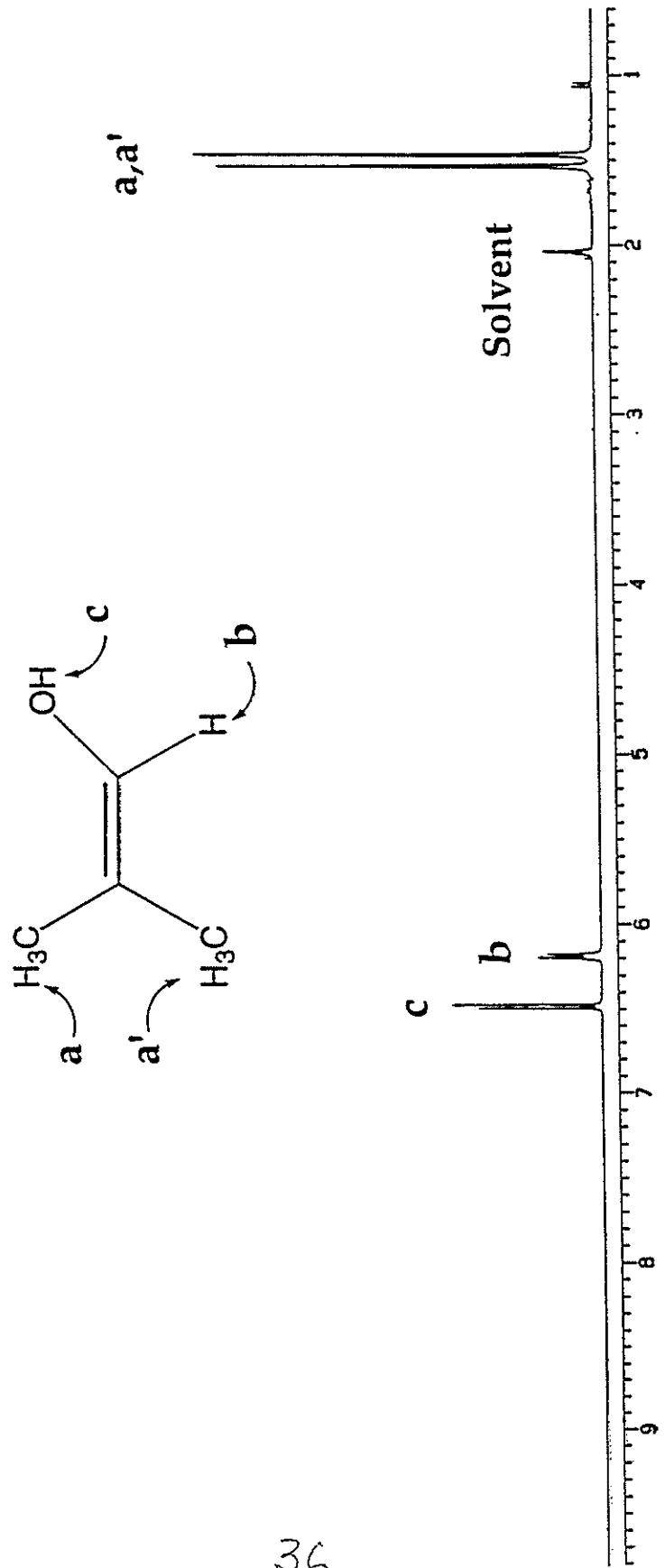
1736 - ester  
1782 - lactone

Solubility

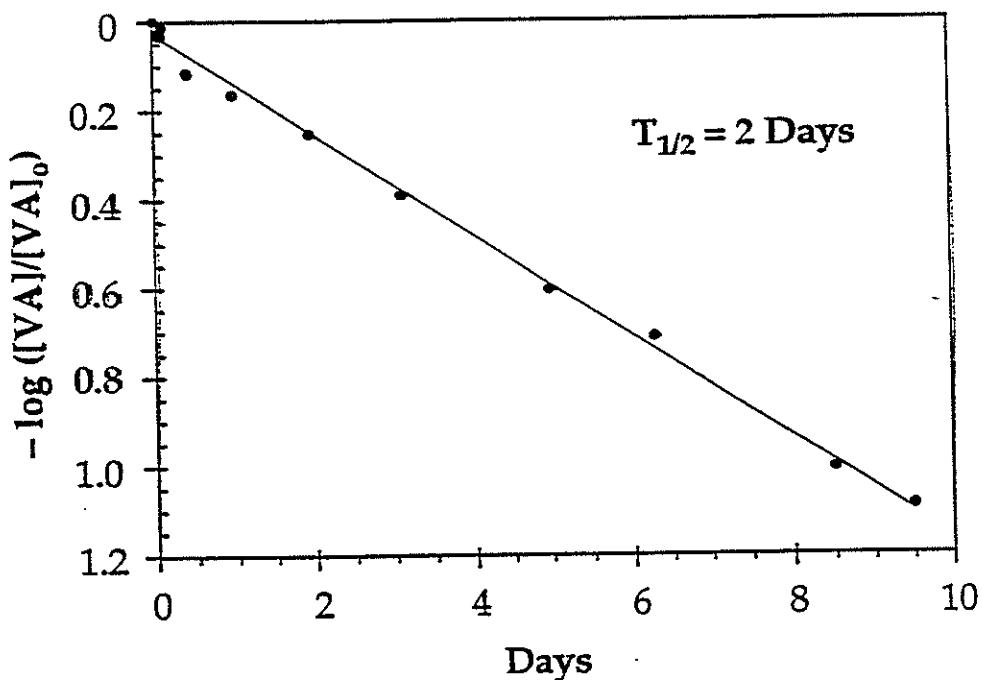
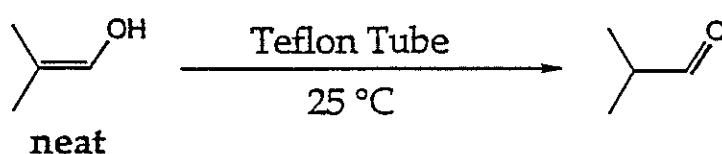
$\text{MeCl}_2$

# Catalytic Activation of Monomers: Routes into Highly Stable Enols

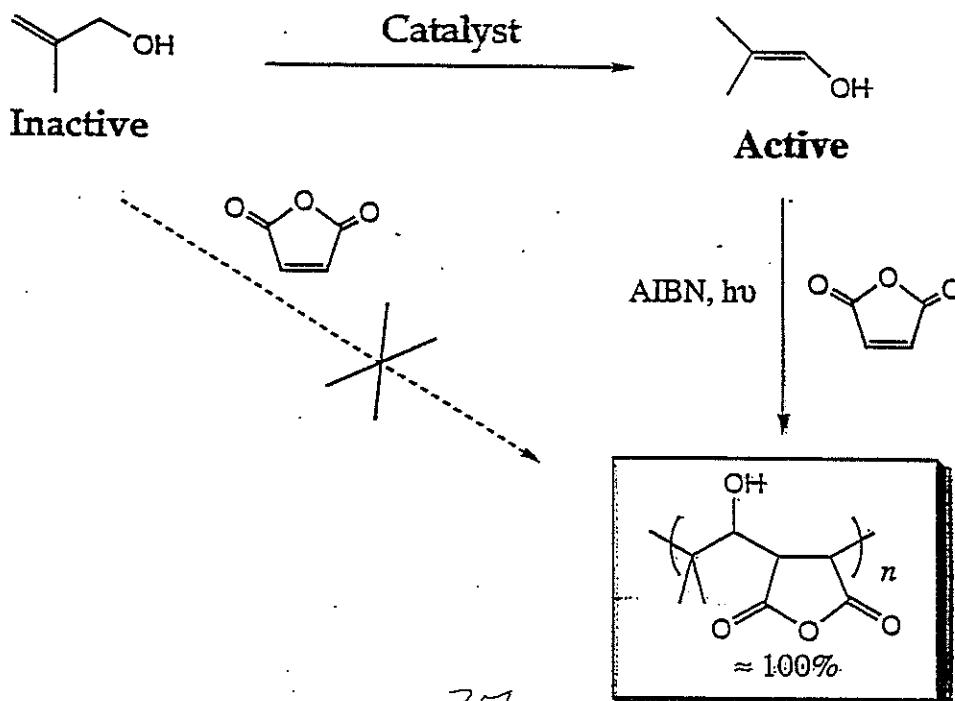




# Tautomerization Kinetics of Neat 2,2-Dimethyl Vinyl Alcohol



## Copolymerization of Stable Enols



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# Polymeric Materials Synthesis and Processing in Carbon Dioxide

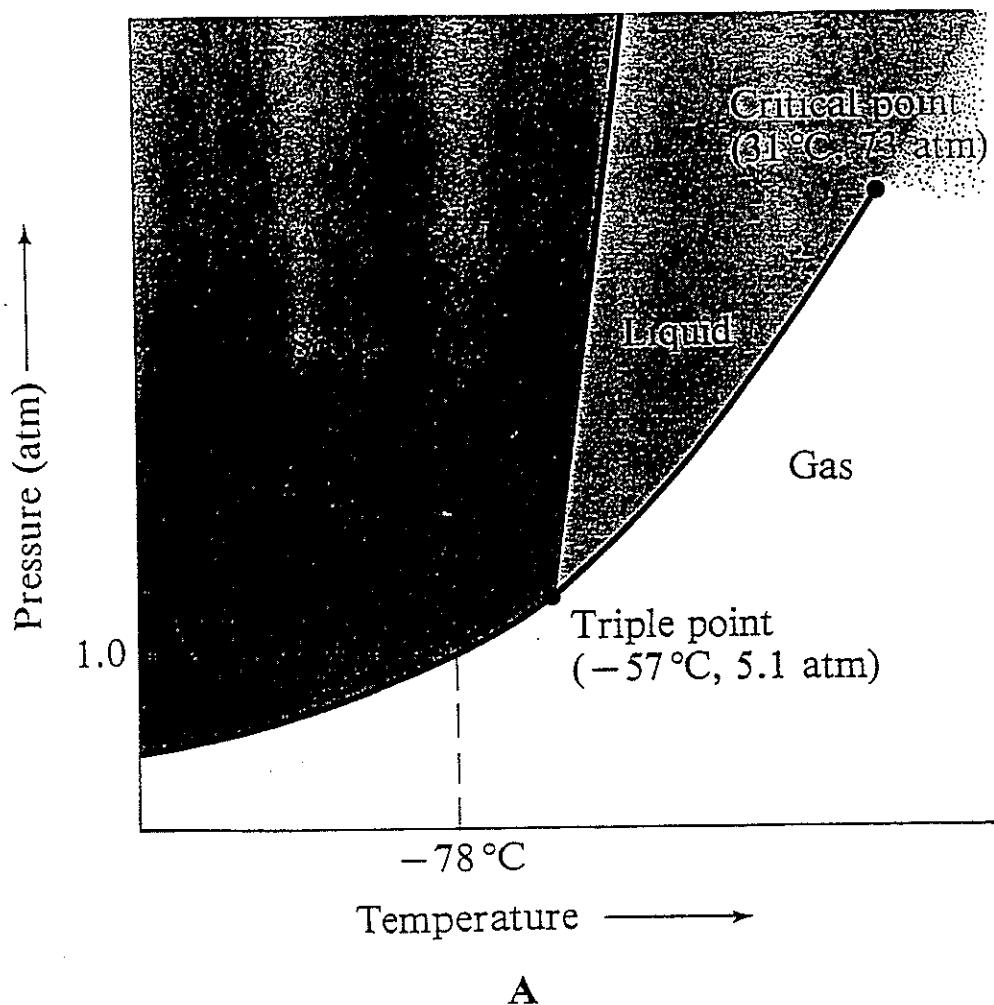
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## Outline

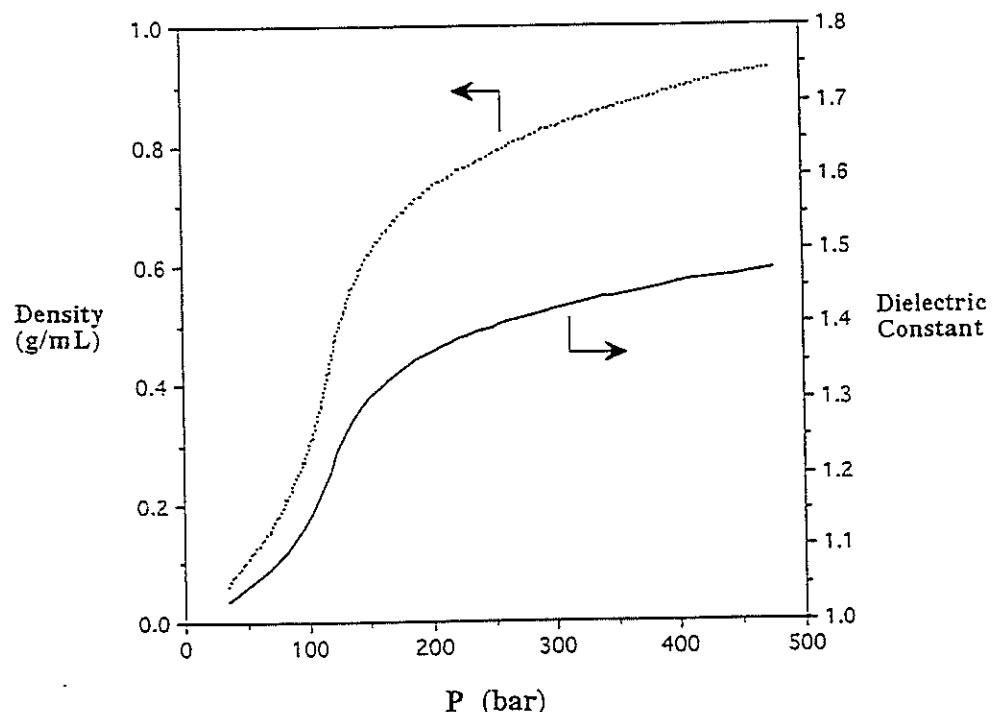
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- ◆ *Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> solvent properties*
- ◆ *Characterization of Poly(FOA),  
Poly(1,1-dihydroperfluorooctyl  
acrylate), a CO<sub>2</sub> soluble polymer*
- ◆ *Design and characterization of  
CO<sub>2</sub>-philic/hydrophilic amphiphiles*
- ◆ *Design and characterization of  
CO<sub>2</sub>-philic/lipophilic amphiphiles*
- ◆ *Conclusions*

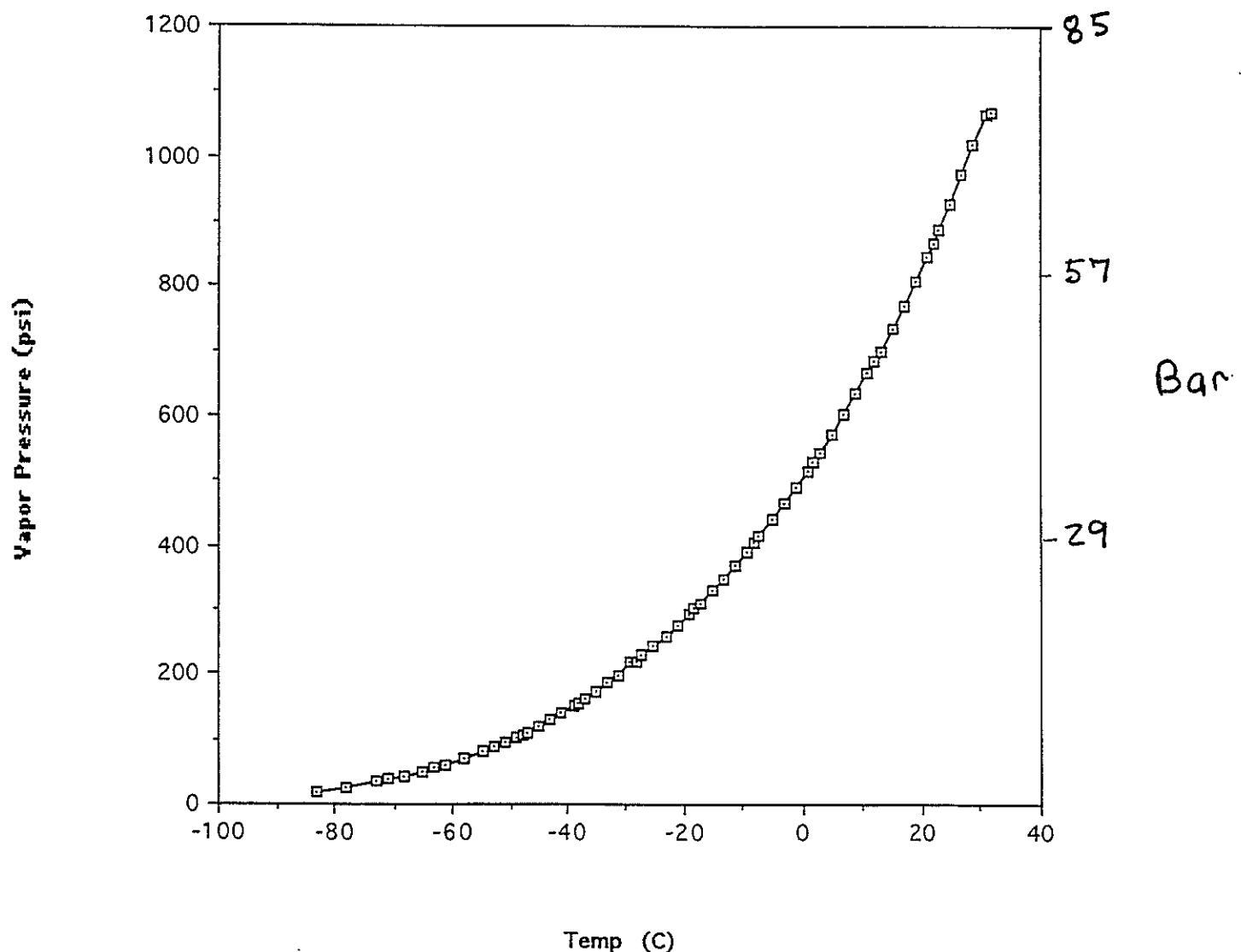


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Dependence of CO<sub>2</sub> density and dielectric constant on pressure at 59.4 °C



Vapor Pressure of Carbon Dioxide  
vs. Temp at Saturation



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## **Advantages and Attributes of Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> for Synthesis and Processing**

**"...not just another solvent..."**

### **Compatible Chemistries:**

- Free Radical
- ROMP
- Others...
- Cationic

### **Carbon Dioxide**

- Environmentally Responsible
- Inexpensive ( 2.5 ¢ / lb )
- Non-toxic
- Easily removed
- Easily recycled

### **Supercritical Carbon Dioxide**

- Tunable Density-dependant Properties
  - 0.1 - 0.9 g/cc
  - Dielectric Constant
  - Solubility Parameter
- Gas-like Viscosity ( < 0.09 cps )
- Gas-like Diffusivity
- Plasticizing Agent
  - Increased rate of solute diffusion in polymers

## Solubility Characteristics of SC Carbon Dioxide

- Tunable
- Similar to Hexane for Small Molecules
  - Immiscible with water
- Similar to Fluorocarbons for Polymers
  - Freon-113

## Topologically Ordered "Soft" Structures

- Amphiphilic Surfactant Systems

**Hydrophilic Cores ( W / O )  
Lipophilic Cores ( O / W ; FC / HC )**

- Emulsions and Microemulsions
- Compressible Medium
  - Small Angle Neutron Scattering (SANS)
  - Small Angle X-ray Scattering (time resolved - SAXS)
- Technological Significance
  - Polymerizations
  - Separations
  - Cleaning

## Modified Polymerization Processes Based on CO<sub>2</sub>

### (A) Bulk:

Traditional → high temperature and vacuum

Modified → high temperature with SCFE

### (B) Solution:

Fluoropolymers or siloxanes

### (C) Heterogeneous:

#### (1) Precipitation

monomer soluble → polymer insoluble

#### (2) Dispersion

monomer soluble → polymer insoluble but stabilized as colloid

#### (3) Suspension

monomer soluble  
monomer-soluble initiator  
stabilizer or dispersant

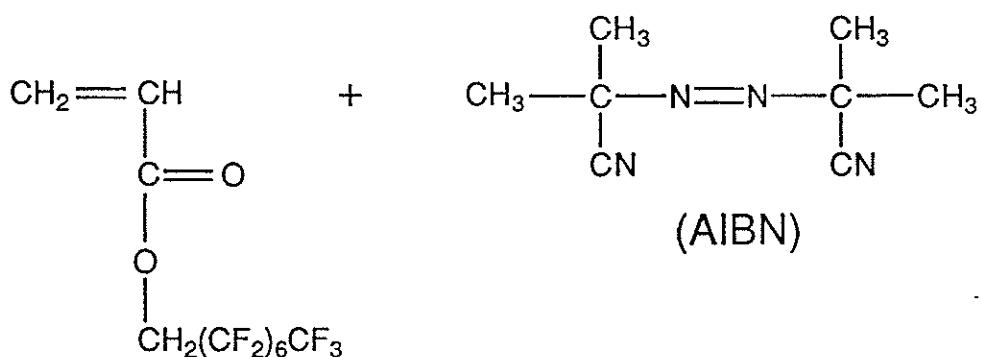
#### (4) Emulsion

monomer insoluble  
monomer-insoluble initiator  
surfactant

#### (5) Interfacial

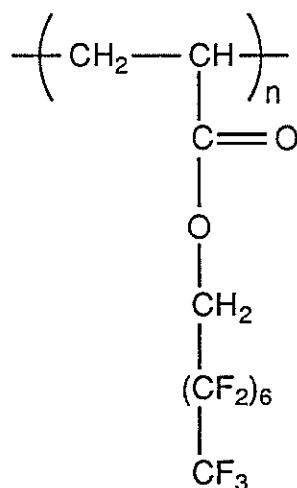
water-rich phase / CO<sub>2</sub>-rich phase

## Homogeneous Free Radical Polymerization in Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub>



FOA

$\text{CO}_2$   
 60 °C, 24 hours  
 345 bar



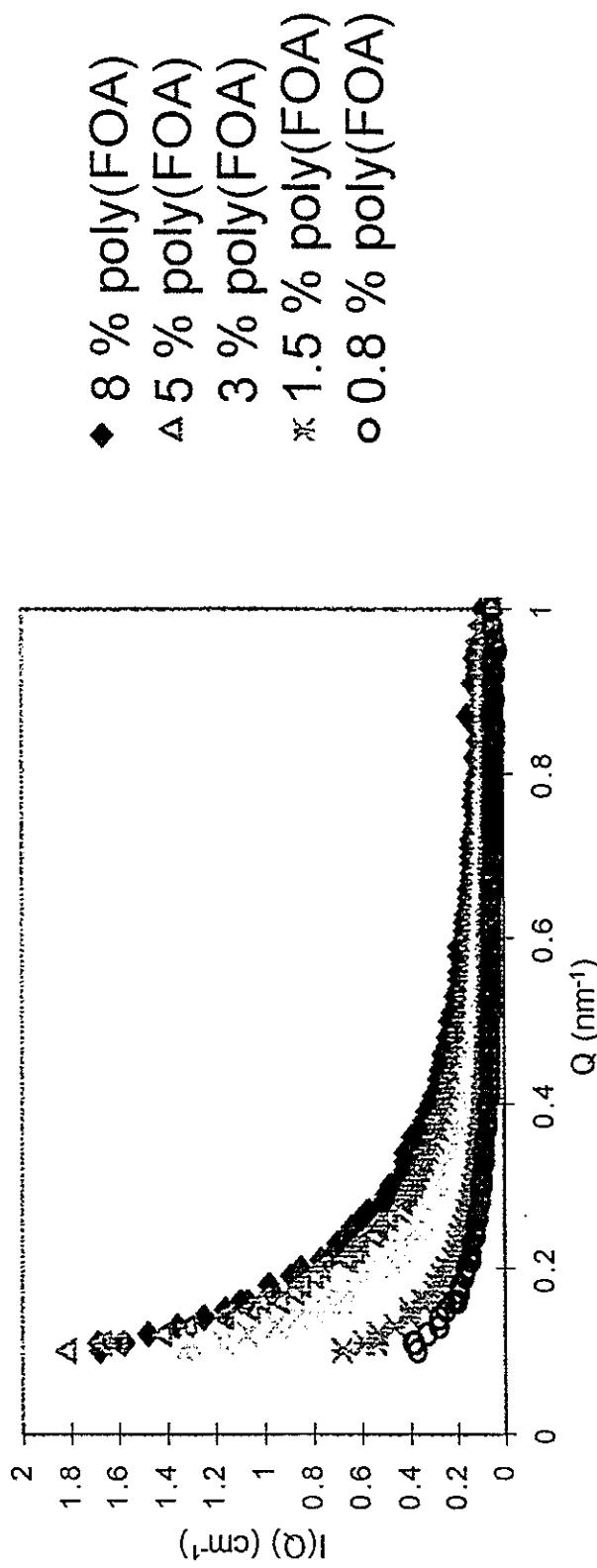
Poly(FOA)

DeSimone, J. M.; Guan, Z.; Elsbernd, C. S. *Science* 1992, 257, 945

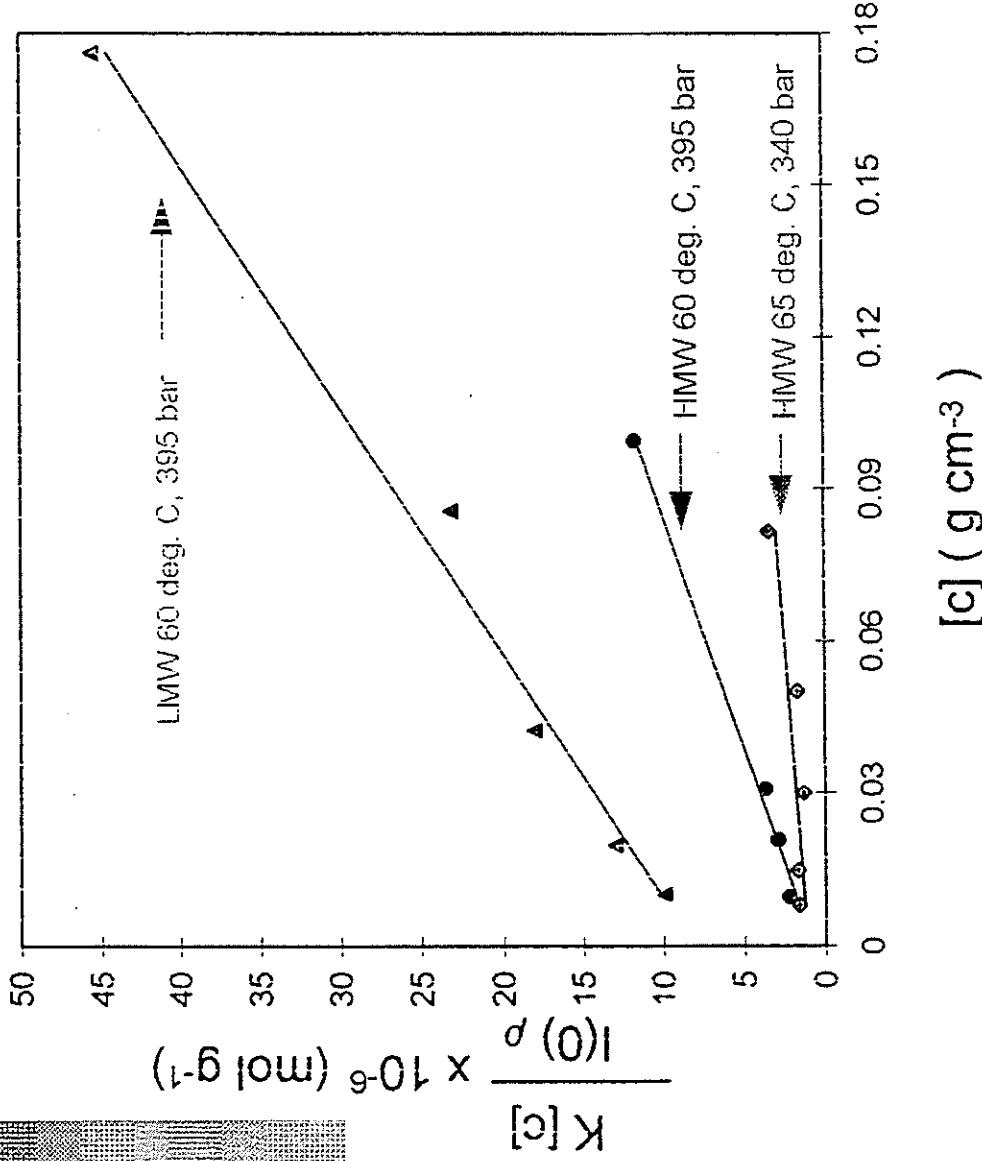
# Small Angle Neutron Scattering Analysis of Polymers in SC-CO<sub>2</sub>

- CO<sub>2</sub> (SLD) =  $1.8 \times 10^{10}$  -  $2.2 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  {Variable with density}
- Poly(FOA) (SLD) =  $3.4 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- Ability to tune both the solvent strength and the scattering contrast

Typical SANS spectra for a concentration series of poly(FOA), 65 deg. C, 340 bar



# $M_w$ and $A_2$ Determination for Poly(FOA)



## Degree of Aggregation of Poly(FOA) as a Function of CO<sub>2</sub> Density

Poly(FOA) Sample	P (psia)	T (°C)	$\rho$ (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	Degree of Association
High Mw	5,800	60	0.89	Unimer
High Mw	5,000	65	0.84	Unimer
High Mw	4,500	65	0.82	Trimer
High Mw	4,300	65	0.81	10 -mer
High Mw	4,200	65	0.80	40 - mer
High Mw	4,100	65	0.79	Cloudy
High Mw	4,000	65	0.77	Two Phase

- There is significant polydispersity ( $MWD \approx 1.5 - 2.0$ ) in the polymer.
- We are in a density range where fractionation can be explored.

## Tetrafluoroethylene Polymerization



- Aqueous polymerization media
- Ammonium persulfate initiator
  - ionic end groups
  - acid end groups
- Perfluorinated surfactants

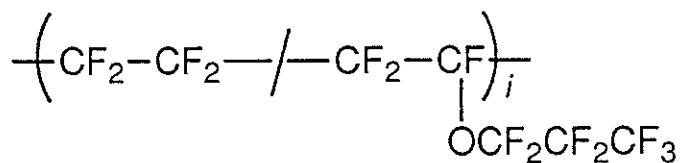
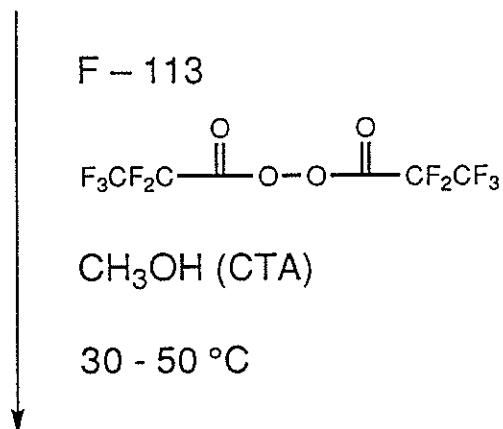


- $T_m = 342^\circ\text{C}$
- Broad-based applications

## Melt Processable Fluoropolymers

	$T_m$ (°C)
$\left( \text{CF}_2-\text{CF}_2-\text{---} / \text{---} \text{CF}_2-\text{CF} \right)_i$ <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;"> </div>	260
FEP	
$\left( \text{CF}_2-\text{CF}_2-\text{---} / \text{---} \text{CF}_2-\text{CF} \right)_i$ <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;"> </div>	305
PFA	
$\left( \text{CF}_2-\text{CF}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2 \right)_i$ <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;"> </div>	275
ETFE	
$\left( \text{CF}_2-\text{CF}_2-\text{---} / \text{---} \text{CF}-\text{CF} \right)_i$ <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;"> </div>	Amorphous $T_g = 160, 240$
Teflon AF	

# Non-Aqueous Polymerizations of Fluoroolefins



- No hydrocarbons
- Perfluorinated initiators
- Treat with  $\text{F}_2$ ,  $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$ , or  $\text{NH}_3$ 
  - Stable end groups
  - High molar masses
- Wire coatings, gaskets, microelectronics

$\eta \times 10^6 \text{ kg/yr}$  in U.S. ( $\$15 - 50/\text{kg}$ )  
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## Potential Alternatives to Chlorofluorocarbon Based Solvents

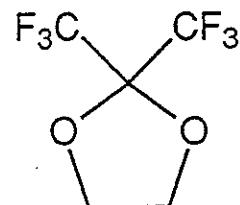
- Perfluorocarbons – Hexafluorobenzene, perfluorocyclobutane, perfluorohexane...

1972	US	3,642,742	DuPont
1994	JP	06,157,613	Asahi Glass
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1994	JP	06,157,675	Asahi Glass



- Hydrofluorocarbons – Tetrafluorocyclobutane, 2,2-bis(trifluoromethyl)-1,3-dioxolane...

1993	US	5,182,342	DuPont
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1994	JP	06,157,617	Asahi Glass
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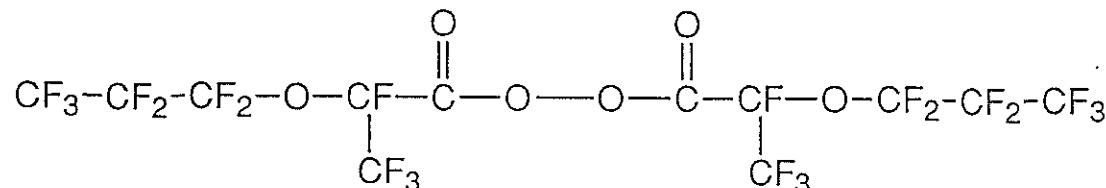
## Advantages of CO<sub>2</sub> for Non-Aqueous Polymerizations of Fluoroolefins

- No observable chain transfer to solvent
- Increased initiator efficiency
- Fluorinated initiators and monomers highly soluble
- Environmentally benign
- Non-toxic
- Inexpensive – 0.025 \$/lb
- Safe Handling of TFE (US Patent 5,345,013; 1994)

### *Additional Benefits (potential)*

- Plasticization (Dispersion polymerization?)
- Only one fluid phase present in reactor
- Supercritical fluid advantages – Viscosity, mass transport, in-situ extraction/washing, etc...

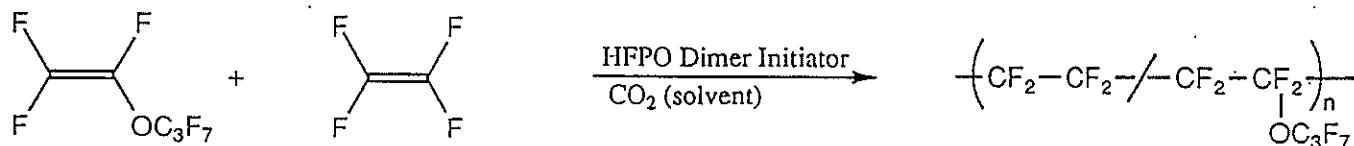
**Bis (Perfluoro-2-propoxy Propionyl) Peroxide  
(HFPO Dimer Peroxide)**



10 hour half life @ 7.6 °C       $K_d = 3.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ s}^{-1}$  @ 35°C, (half life = 33 min)

*Vysokomol. Soyed.* 1975, A17(6), 1235  
*J. Org. Chem.* 1982, 47, 2009

**Copolymerizations of TFE and PPVE in CO<sub>2</sub>  
with HFPO Dimer Initiator**



[ TFE ]	[ PPVE ]	Yield (%)*	wt. % PPVE	MV (poise)	T <sub>m</sub>
2.1	0.18	100	—	—	330.5
1.9	0.18	99	—	—	321.5
2.2	0.55	101	—	—	318.6
2.0	0.55	100	5.2	To high to Measure	312.7
2.2	0.92	101	5.8	Measure	313.7
1.2	0.35	70	7.8	$7.3 \times 10^4$ **	297.1

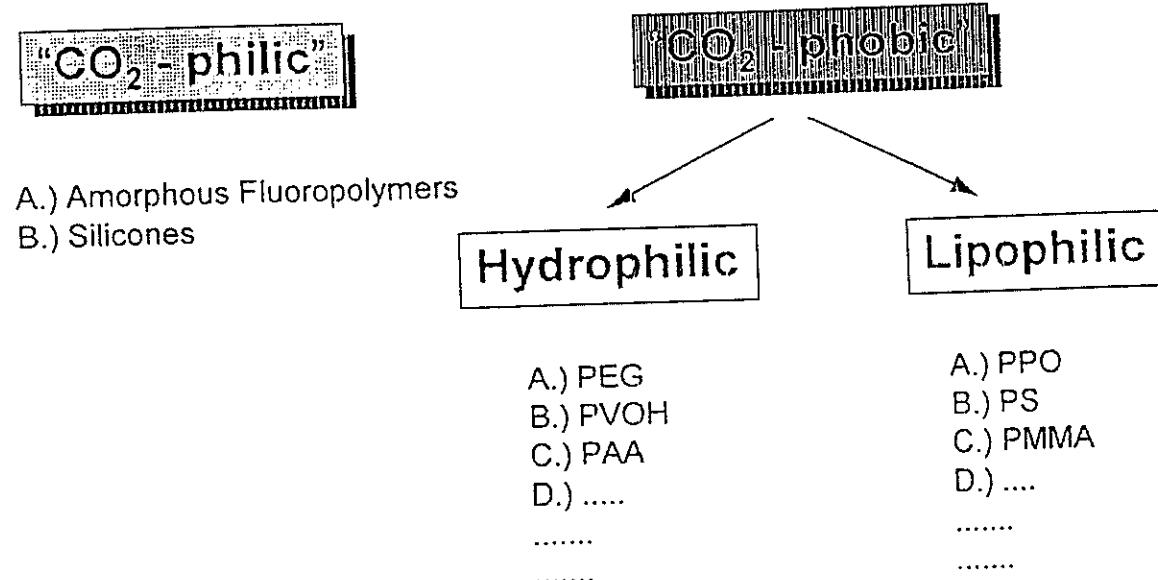
\* Based on TFE charge    \*\* Methanol added as chain transfer agent

- End group analysis (FT-IR) showed  $\leq 3$  CO<sub>2</sub>H, CO<sub>2</sub>F end groups per 10<sup>6</sup> Carbons
- Mn > 1,000,000 g/mol without chain transfer agent!!

## Other Copolymerizations in CO<sub>2</sub> with HFPO Dimer Initiator

- Ethylene / tetrafluoroethylene
- Vinyl Fluoride
- Perfluoro(methyl vinyl ether) / tetrafluoroethylene
- Chlorotrifluoroethylene / vinylidene fluoride
- Hexafluoropropylene / vinylidene fluoride

## Rational Design of Surfactants for CO<sub>2</sub>

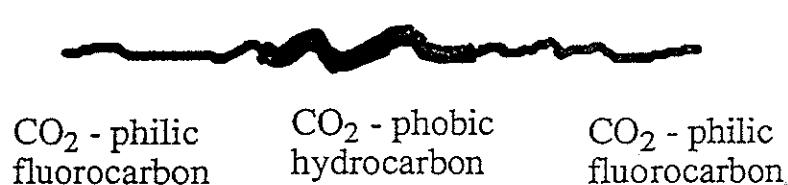
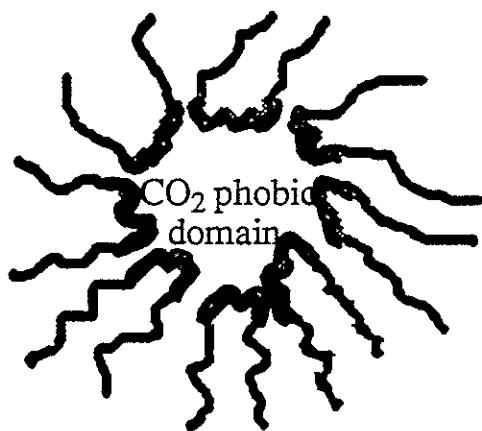


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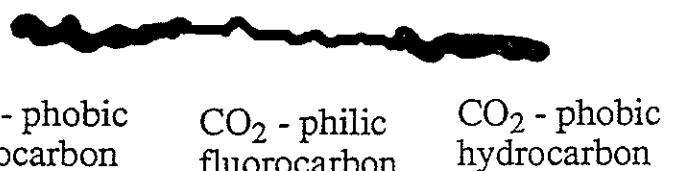
# Uses of Block Copolymers

- Dispersion polymerizations
- Emulsion polymerizations
- Viscosity modifiers

$\text{CO}_2$  continuous phase

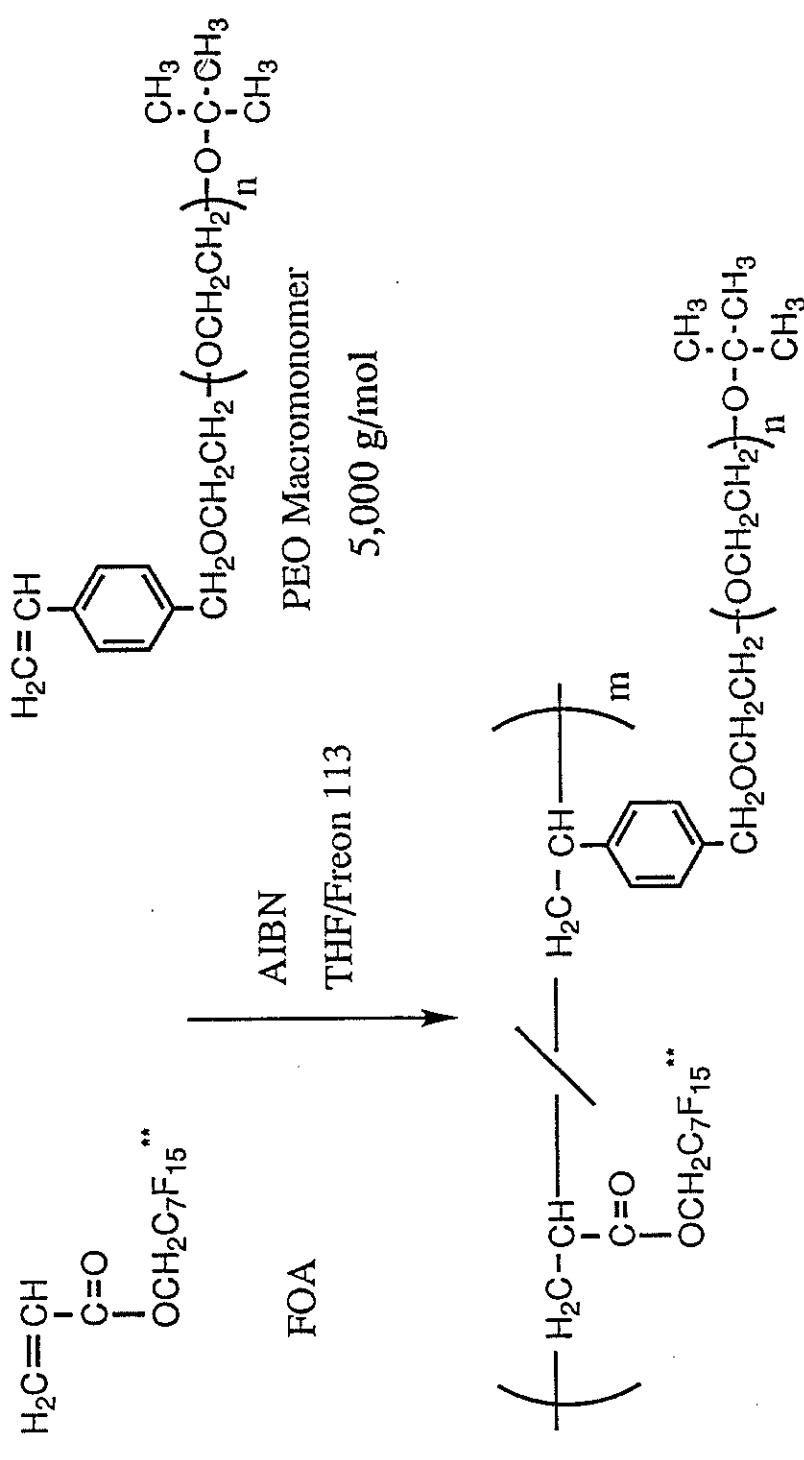


Stabilized micelle in  $\text{CO}_2$



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# $\text{CO}_2$ -philic/Hydrophilic Surfactant



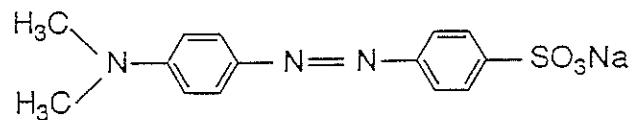
\* 15 wt % EO per molecule

\* Shown to stabilize 5 kg/mol PEO

\* Shown by UV studies to stabilize a  $\text{CO}_2$  insoluble water/methyl orange dye phase

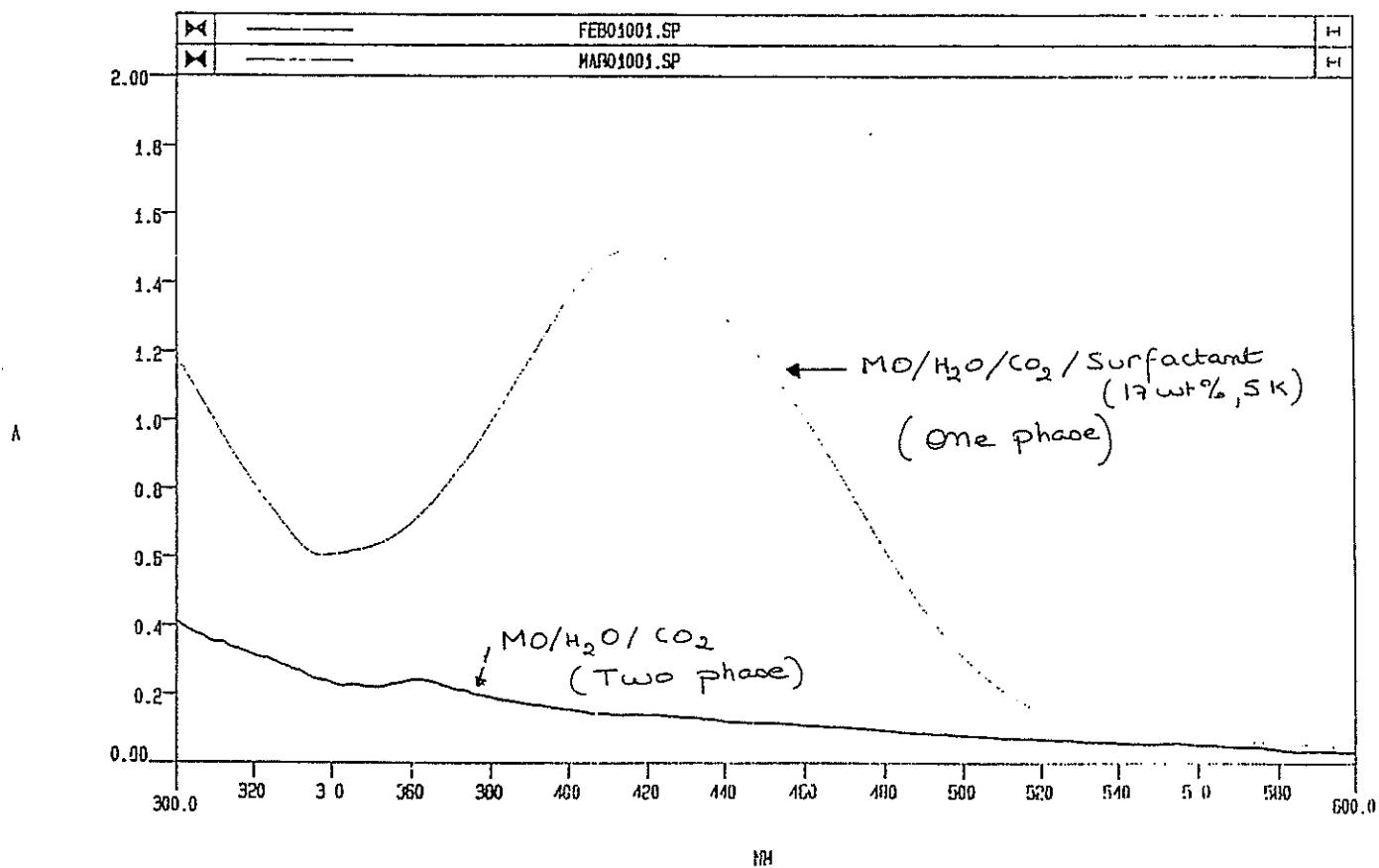
Initial Solvatochromic Studies

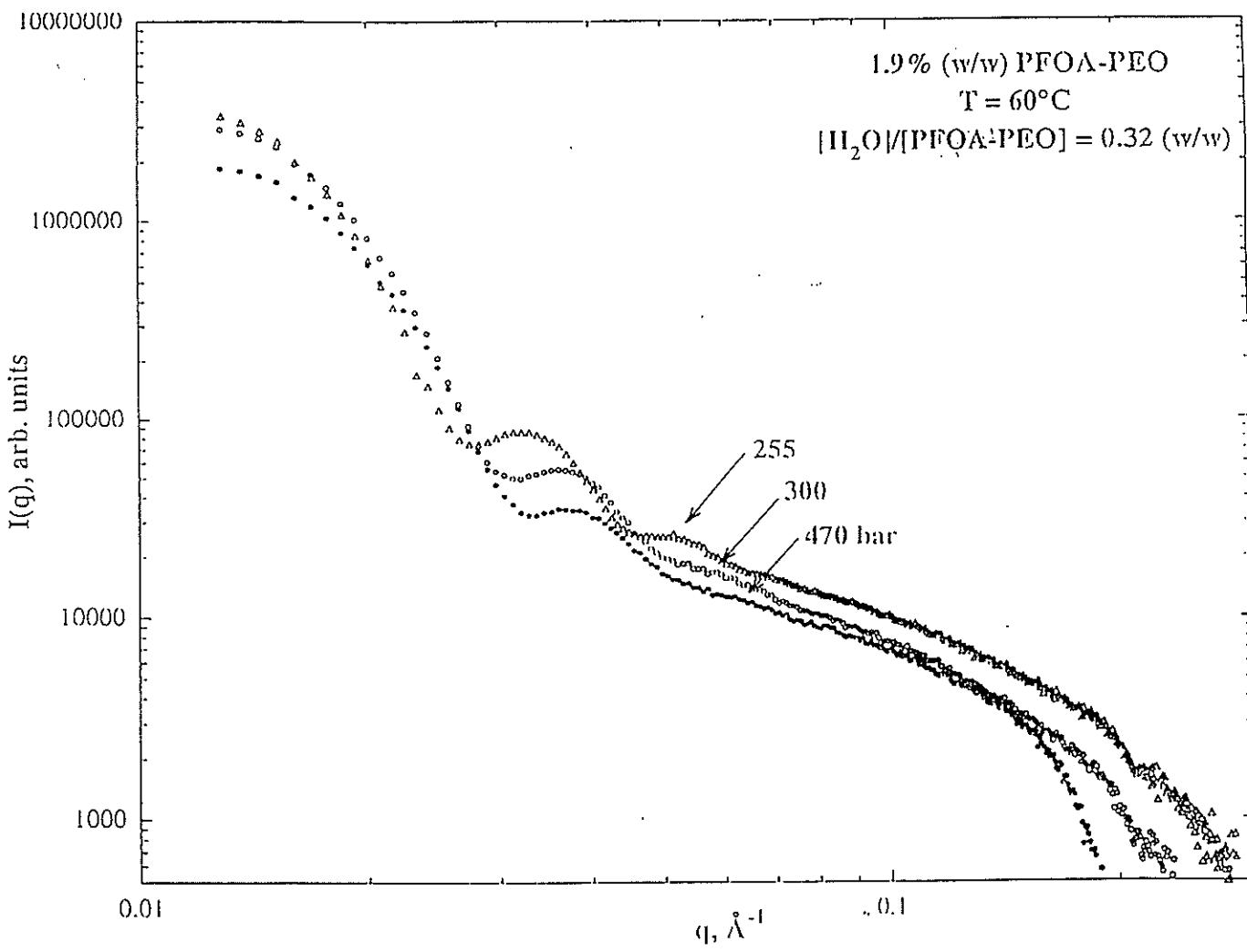
Dye: Methyl Orange (MO)



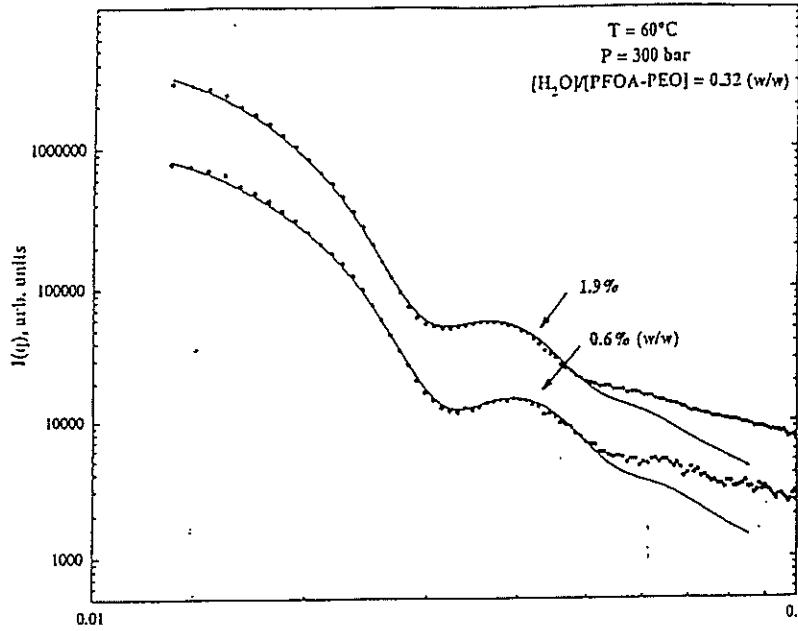
$\lambda_{\text{max}} = 464\text{nm}$  (in water)

soluble in water, methanol ...  
insoluble in  $\text{CO}_2$





## *Small Angle x-ray Scattering of Poly(FOA-g-EO)*



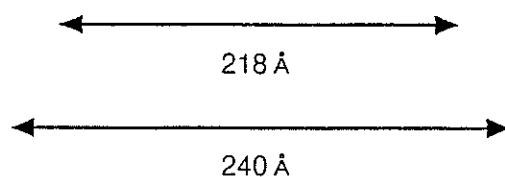
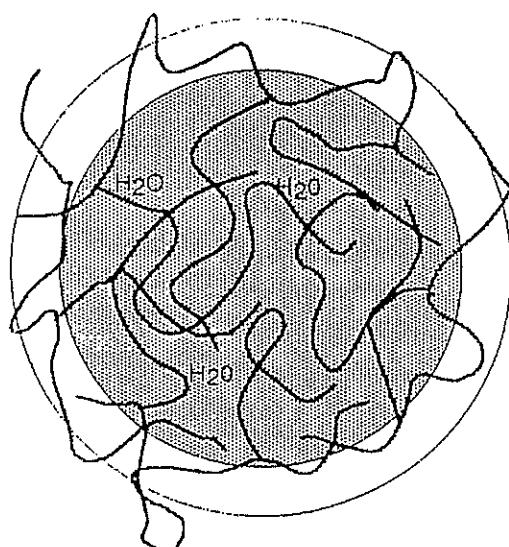
$$P(q) = [V_{\text{core}}(\rho_{\text{core}} - \rho_{\text{shell}})f_0(qR_{\text{core}}) + V_{\text{shell}}(\rho_{\text{shell}} - \rho_{\text{solvent}})f_0(qR_{\text{shell}})]^2$$

$R_{\text{core}} = 109 \text{ \AA}$

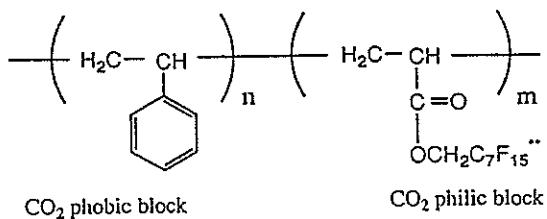
Shell Thickness = 11  $\text{\AA}$

• 0.32 wt % water based on surfactant promotes aggregation through hydrogen bonding

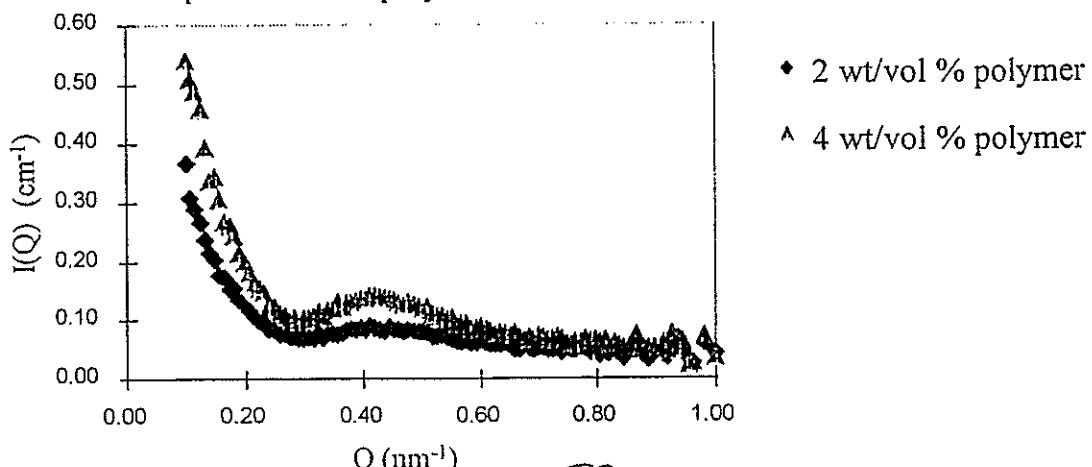
# Association of Poly(FOA-g-EO)



## *CO<sub>2</sub>-philic/Lipophilic Surfactant*

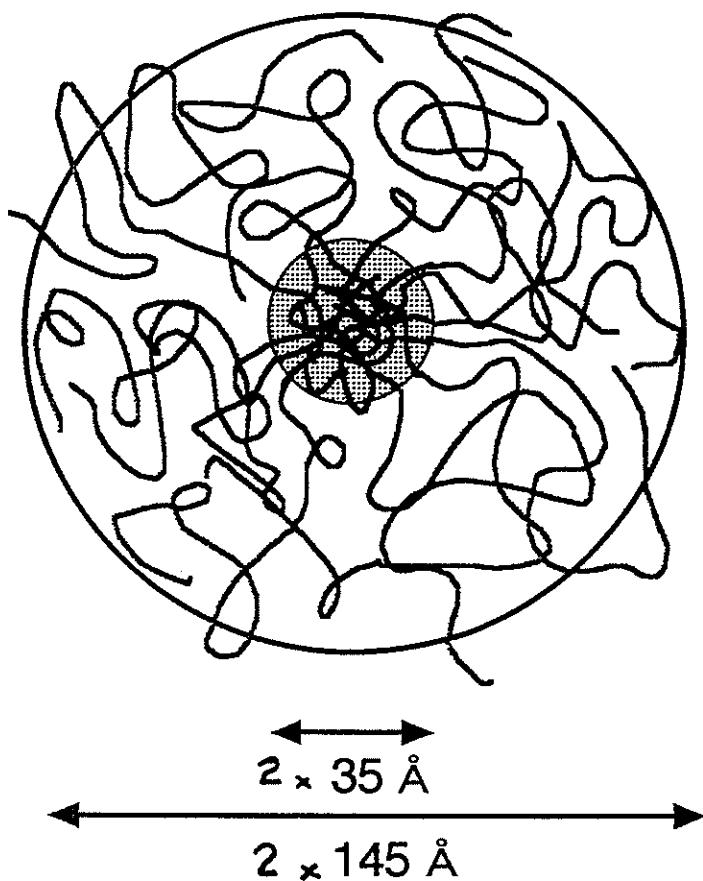
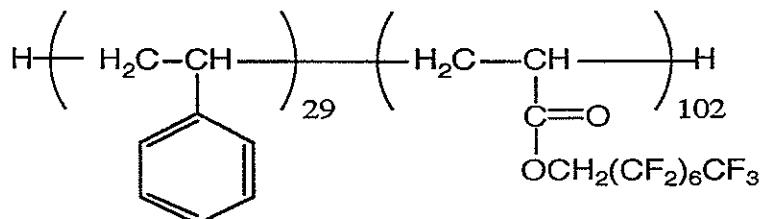


SANS spectra for a copolymer with n = 35, m = 37



# Aggregation of a Lipophilic - CO<sub>2</sub> philic Block Copolymer in Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub>

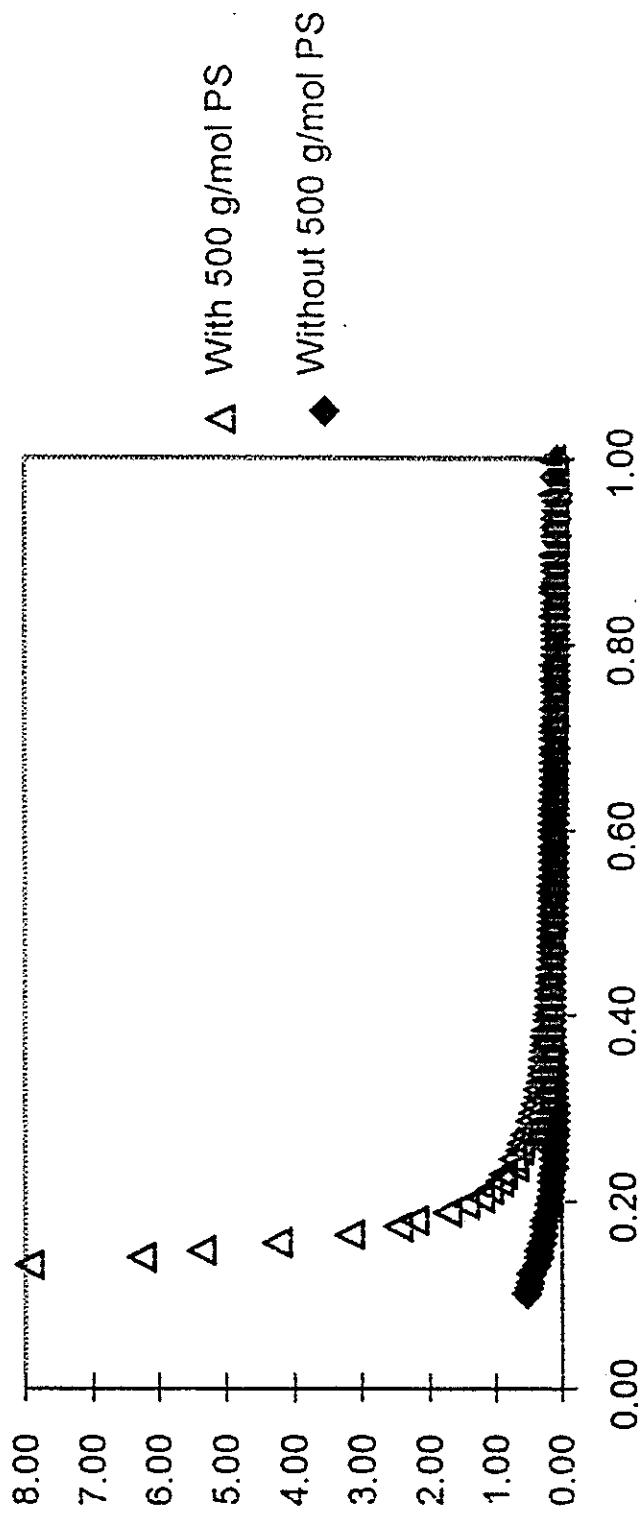
Poly(FOA-*b*-Sty)



- MW determined from SANS\* =  $2.1 \times 10^6$  g/mol
- MW determined from GPC and NMR =  $4.9 \times 10^4$  g/mol
- Estimate degree of aggregation of 40-45 molecules

# Addition of Lipophilic, $\text{CO}_2$ Insoluble Material

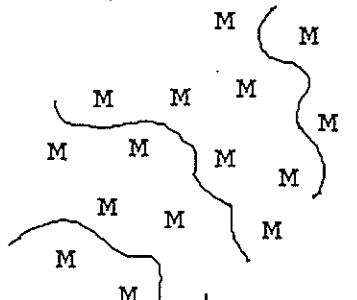
Comparative SANS spectra for 4.0 wt/vol % surfactant solutions, w/ and w/o added 500 g/mol PS



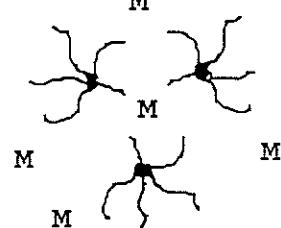
- Addition of  $\text{CO}_2$  insoluble PS oligomer swells the interior of the aggregates by approximately 2 orders of magnitude

## Dispersion Polymerization in CO<sub>2</sub>

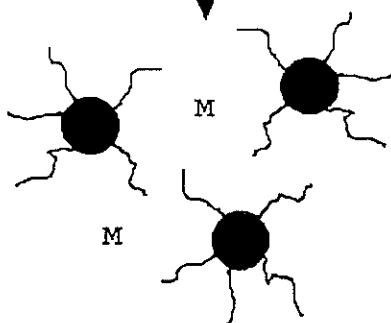
Homogeneous Solution



Nucleation



Particle Growth  
(gel effect)



### Observations

Clear, colorless solution



Clear solution o  
intensifying  
color



black (short)



white latex

According to Barrett's Model:

$$R_p = \alpha C_d V^{1/2} k_p (R_i/k_t)^{1/2}$$

where  $\alpha$  = monomer partition coefficient

$C_d$  = monomer concentration in the continuous phase

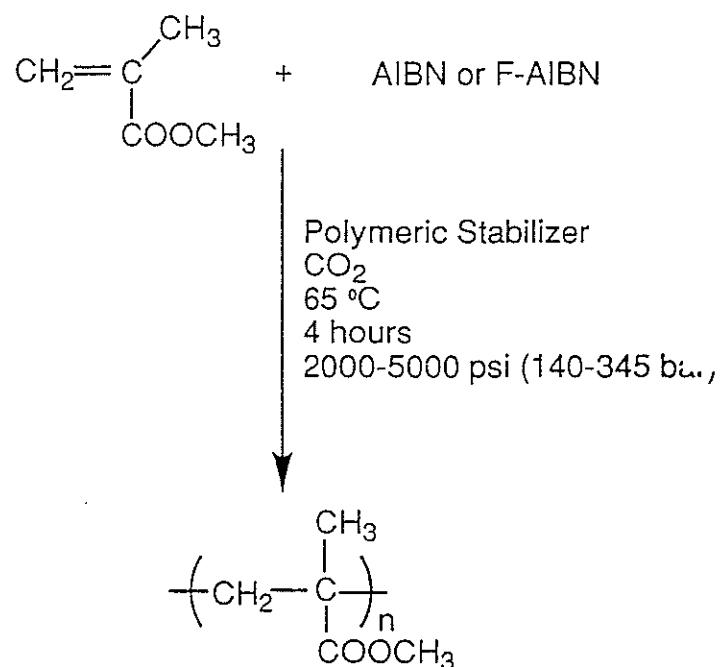
$V$  = particle volume fraction

$k_p$  = propagation rate constant

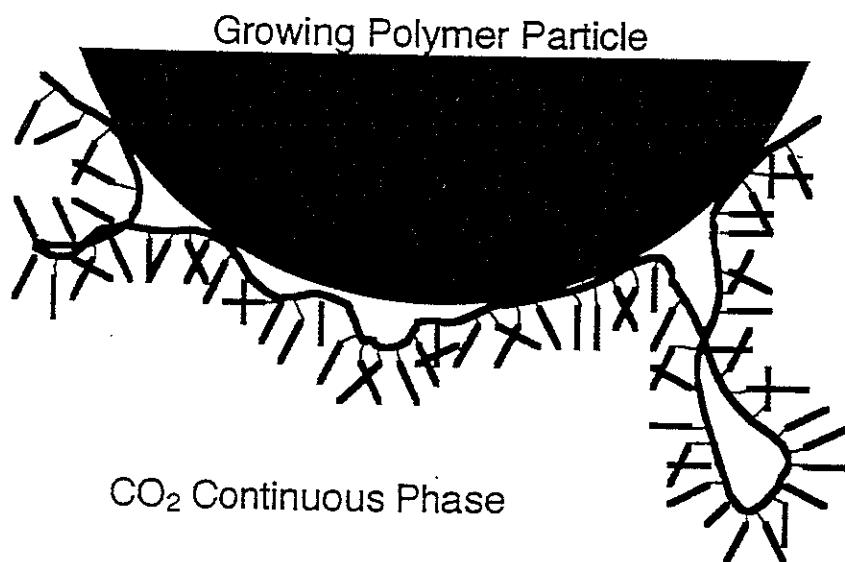
$k_t$  = termination rate constant

$R_i$  = initiation rate

Dispersion Polymerization in CO<sub>2</sub>



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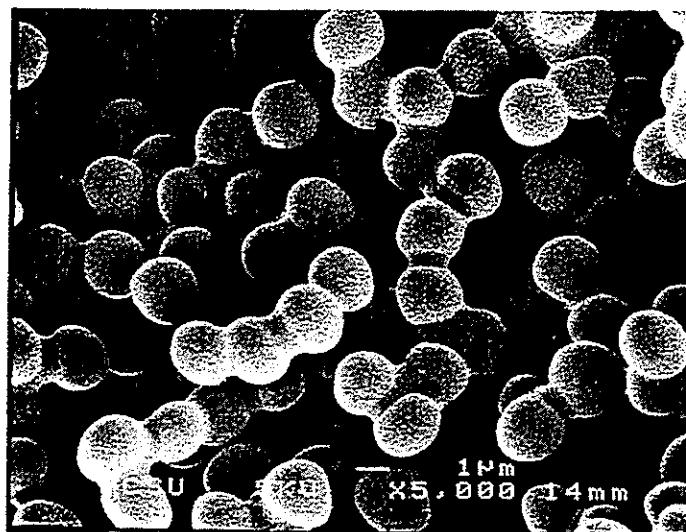


## Heterogeneous Dispersion Polymerization of MMA in CO<sub>2</sub>

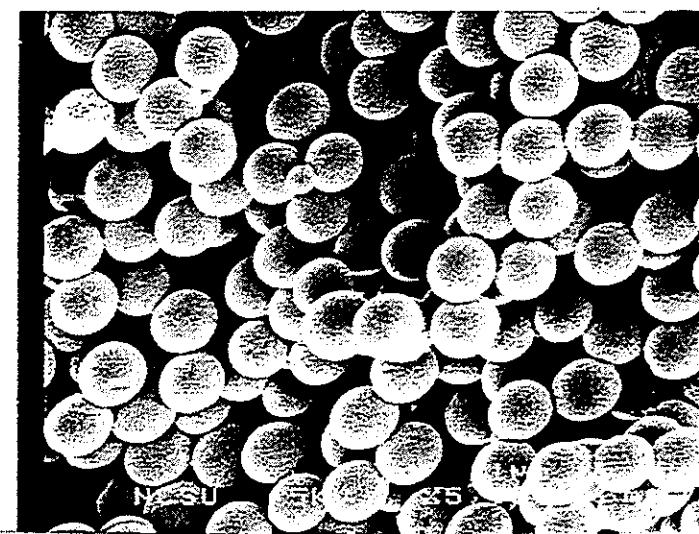
Reaction Conditions: F-AIBN, 65 °C, 204 bar, 4 hours

Initiator	Stabilizer (w/v %)	Yield (%)	$\langle M_p \rangle$ ( $\times 10^{-3}$ g/mol)	MWD	Particle Size (μm)
F-AIBN	0 % LMW- PFOA	10	77	2.9	
F-AIBN	2 % LMW- PFOA	98	277	2.5	2.0 (± 0.2)
F-AIBN	4 % LMW- PFOA	91	303	2.3	0.9 (± 0.3)
<hr/>					
F-AIBN	1 % HMW- PFOA	38	163	2.3	1.6 (± 0.6)
F-AIBN	2 % HMW- PFOA	47	193	2.3	2.4 (± 0.2)
F-AIBN	4 % HMW- PFOA	74	281	2.5	1.4 (± 0.1)

**Particle Isolation**

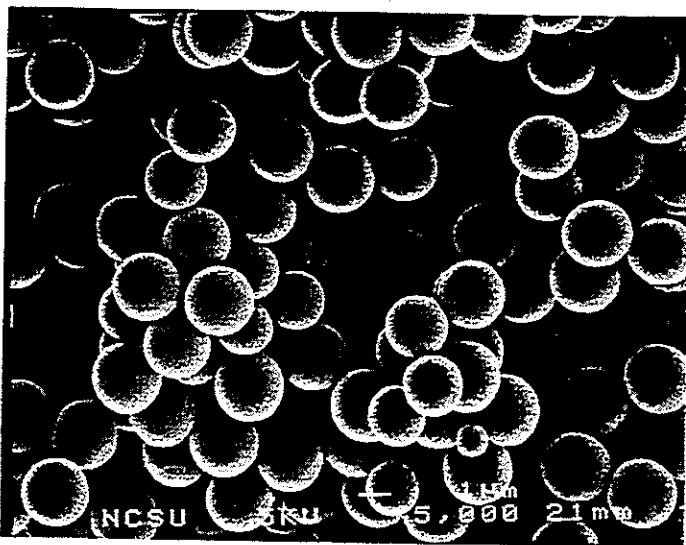


As Polymerized



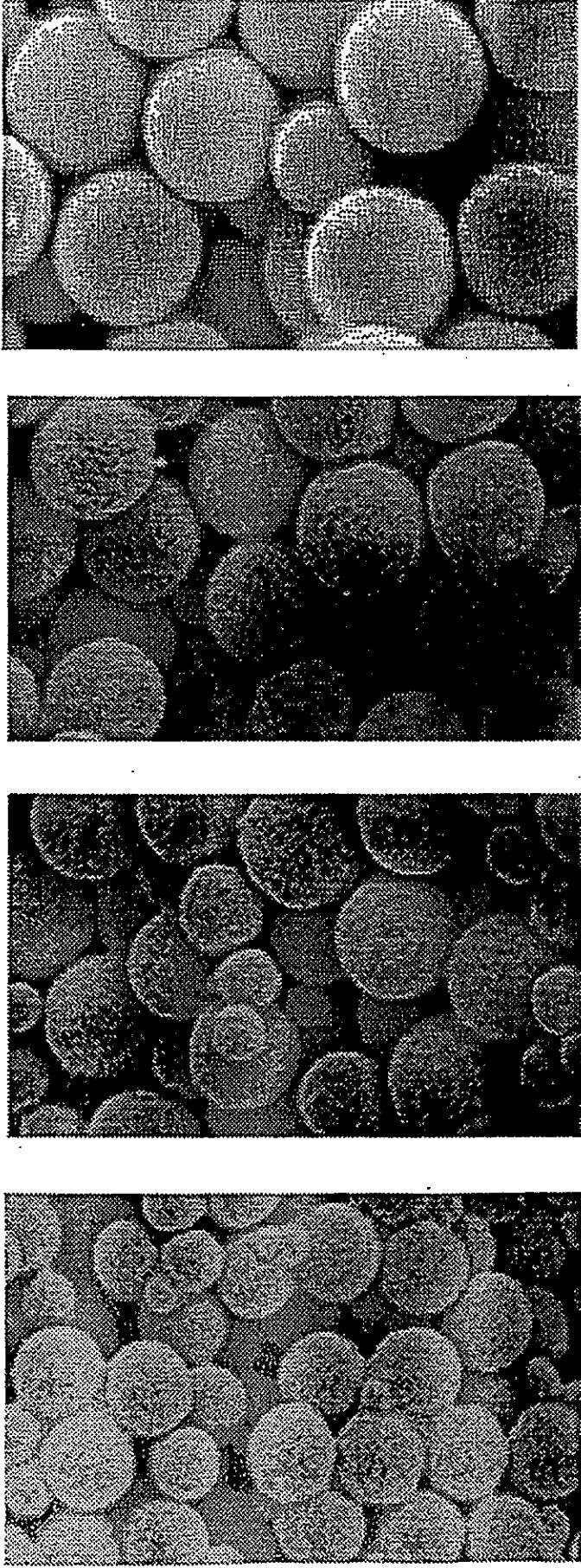
CO<sub>2</sub> Wash

5000 psi  
0°C



F-113 Wash

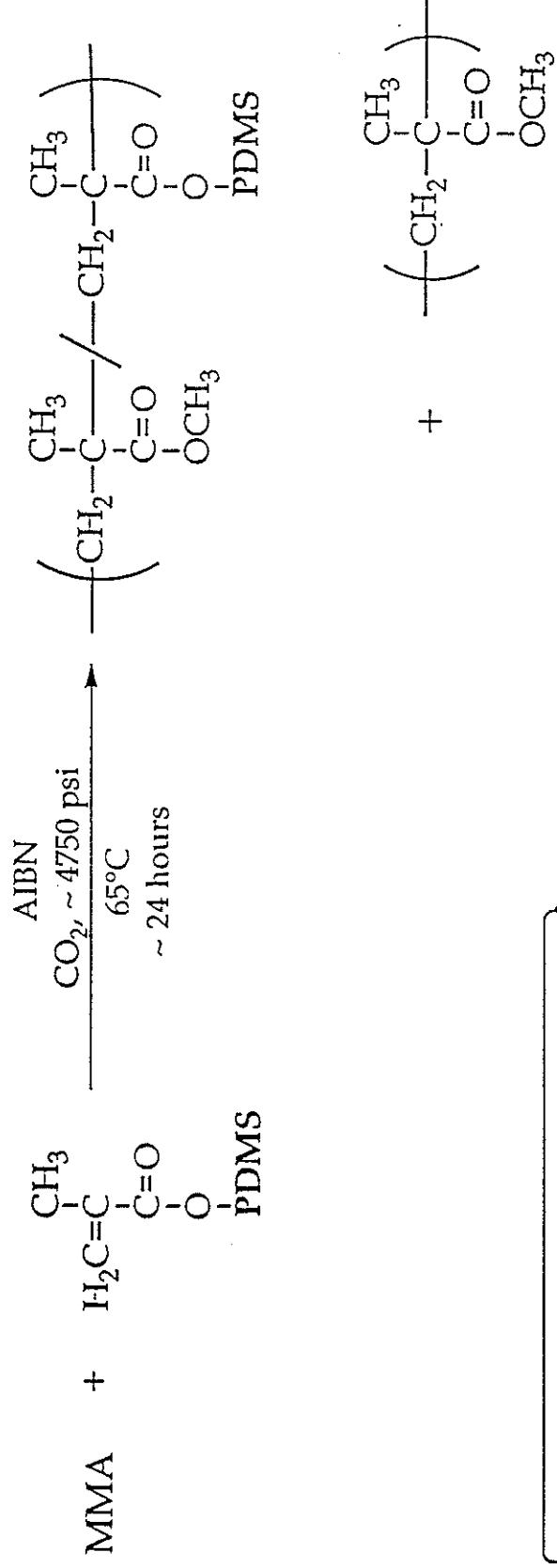
## Effect of the Concentration of Stabilizer



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4w/v% PFOA	2w/v% PFOA	1w/v% PFOA	0.5w/v% PFOA	20w/v% MMA	20w/v% MMA	2.2 $\mu\text{m}$	1.9 $\mu\text{m}$	2.7 $\mu\text{m}$
90-98% yield	94% yield	96% yield	91% yield	Mn=293K	Mn=230K	Mn=274K	Mn=302K	MWD=2.33
MWD=2.51	MWD=2.41	MWD=2.34	MWD=2.34	20w/v% MMA	20w/v% MMA	2.2 $\mu\text{m}$	1.9 $\mu\text{m}$	2.7 $\mu\text{m}$
4w/v% PFOA	2w/v% PFOA	1w/v% PFOA	0.5w/v% PFOA	20w/v% MMA	20w/v% MMA	2.2 $\mu\text{m}$	1.9 $\mu\text{m}$	2.7 $\mu\text{m}$

Macromonomer = comonomer and stabilizer

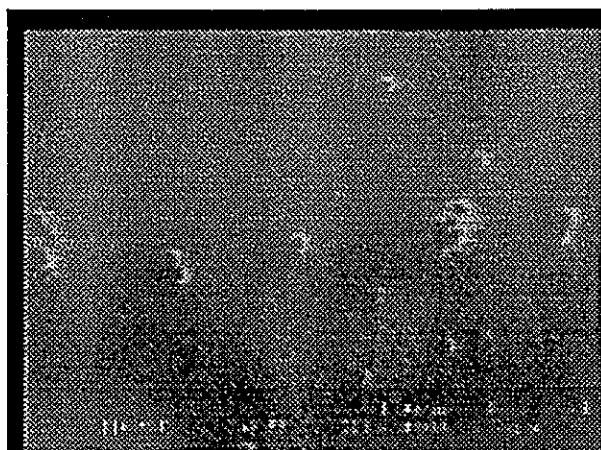

$$\text{PDMS} = \text{C}_4\text{H}_9 \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3 \\ | \\ \text{Si}-\text{O} \\ | \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array} \right)_{130} \text{C}_3\text{H}_6 -$$

0, 2, 4% based on MMA



X 5000

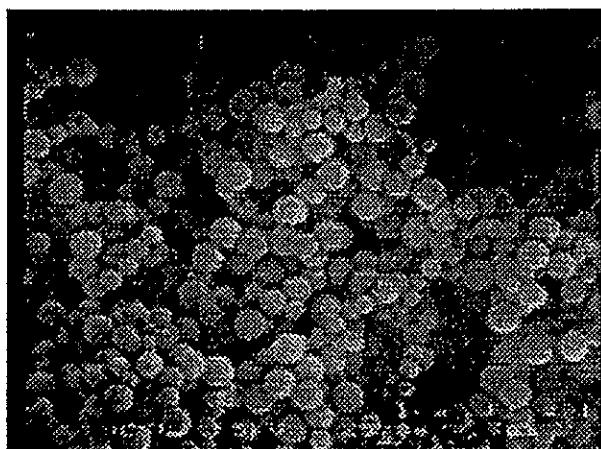
PMMA (no stabilizer)



X 1000

PMMA (stabilized)

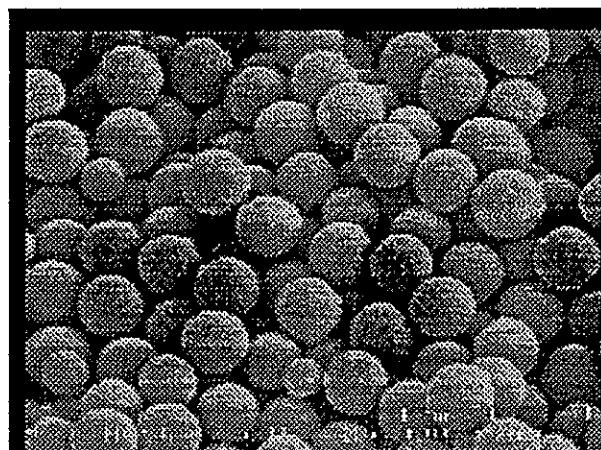
(4 w/v% PDMS homopolymer)



X 5000

PMMA (stabilized + washed)

(4 w/v% PDMS macromonomer)

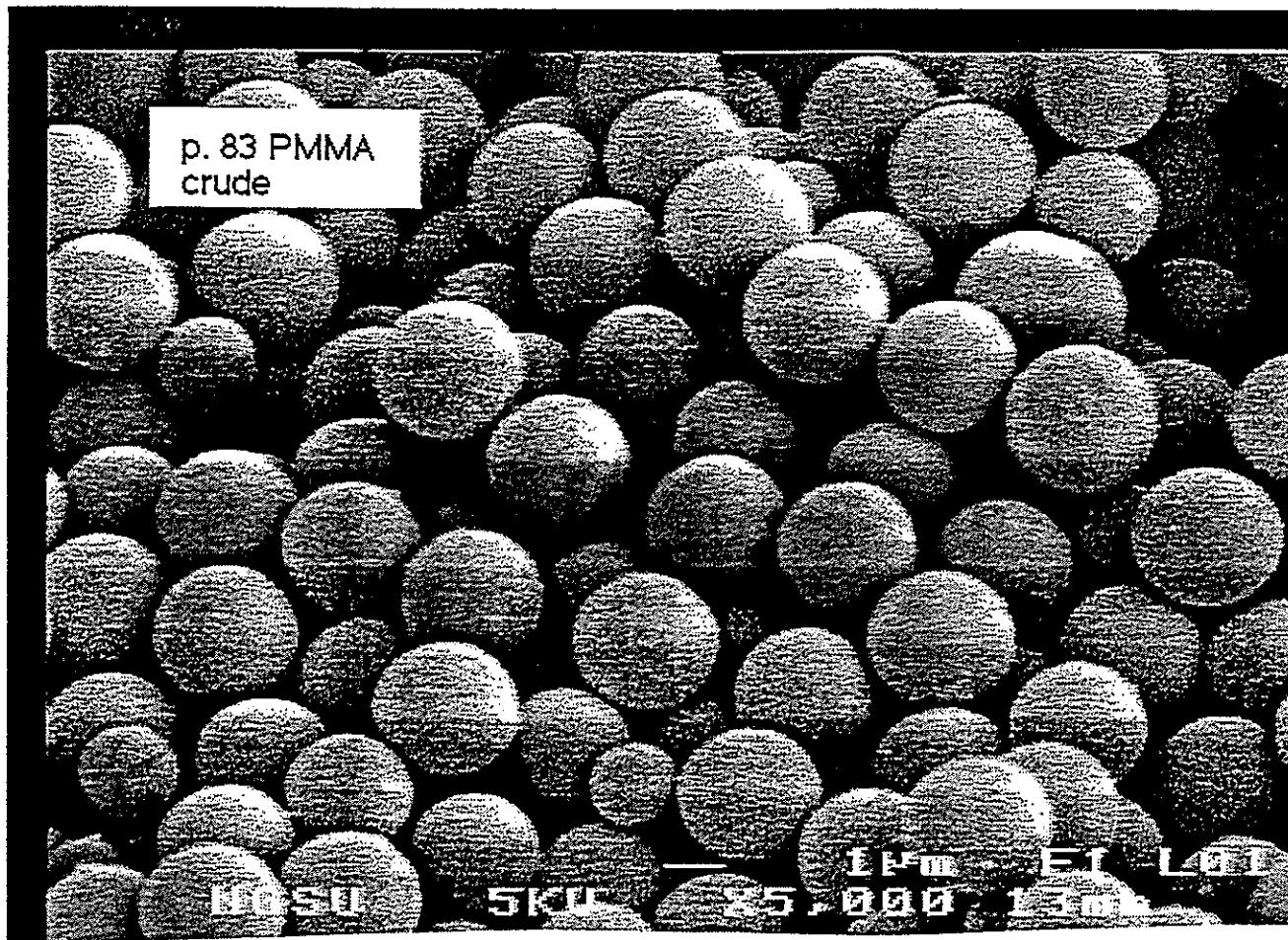


X 5000

PMMA (stabilized)

(0.7 w/v% PDMA macromonomer)

PMMA Particles Made in  
Supercritical Carbon Dioxide



After Washing: 0.2% PDMS by Weight

"...CO<sub>2</sub> is the best solvent for free radical chain reactions..."

- Inert to free radicals
  - No chain transfer to solvent
    - Even with highly electrophilic fluorinated radicals!
- Liquid-like densities, gas-like transport properties
  - Viscosity is order of magnitude lower than liquids
    - Highest radical initiator efficiencies
    - No Tromsdorf effect
  - Diffusivities of solutes one to two orders of magnitude higher in CO<sub>2</sub> than in liquids
- Solubilizes hard to dissolve fluoropolymers
  - Fluorinated acrylates, styrenics, polyethers, ...
  - Pseudoazeotrope w/ terafluoroethylene (safe handling)
- Plasticizes many CO<sub>2</sub>-insoluble polymers
  - Core-shell structures
  - IPNs
- Emulsions and Microemulsions
  - Option to have hydrophilic or lipophilic cores!
- Dispersion Processes
  - Stable polymer colloids (coatings)
  - New materials, new morphologies
- Precipitation Processes
  - Free flowing, bone dry powders
- Immisicible with water
  - Unique processes possible

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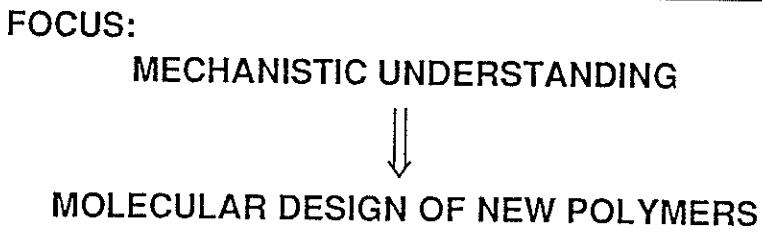
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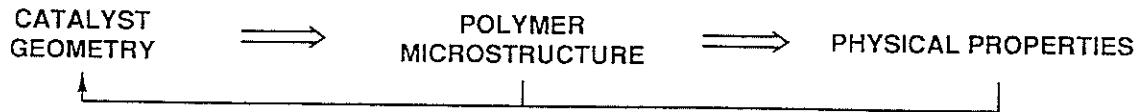
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- POLYMERIZATION MECHANISM



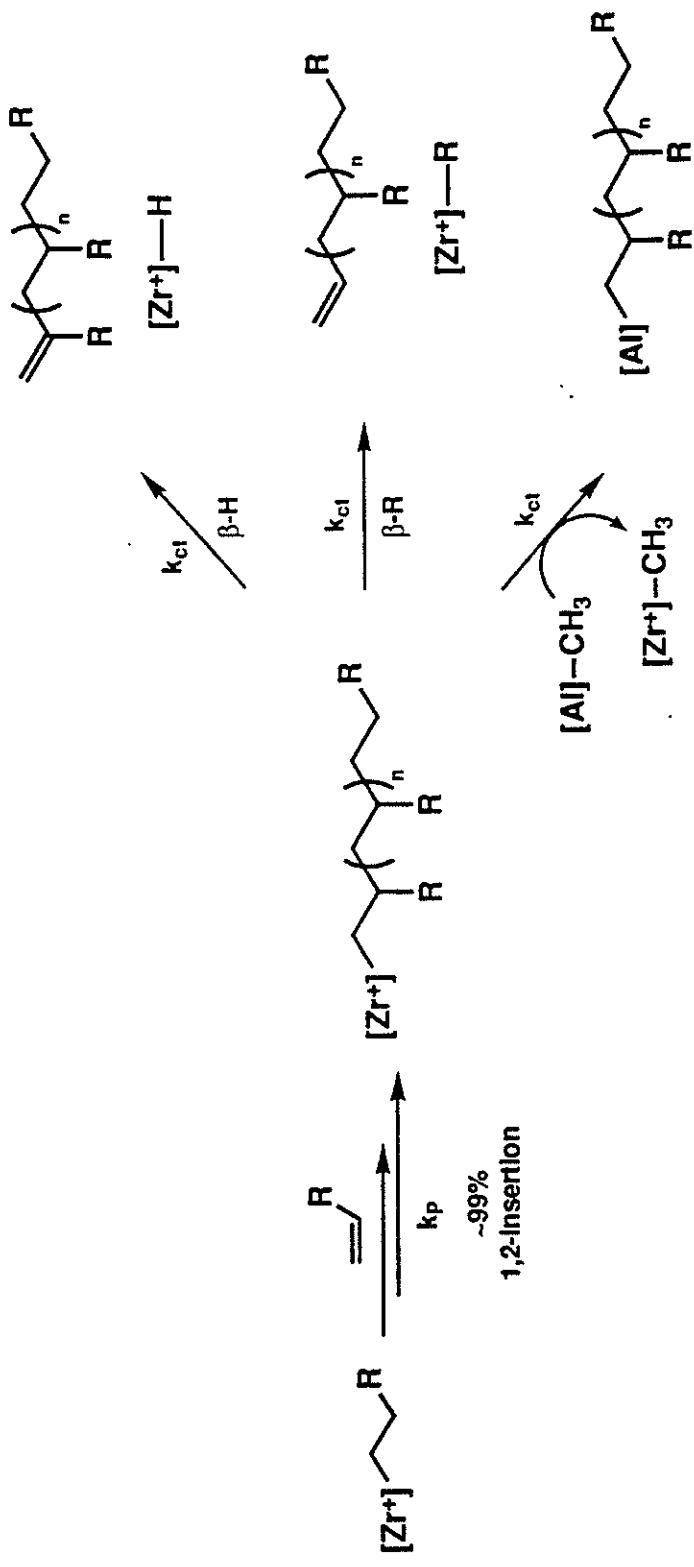
- POLYMERIZATION STEREOCHEMISTRY



- POLYMERIZATION OF FUNCTIONALIZED MONOMERS

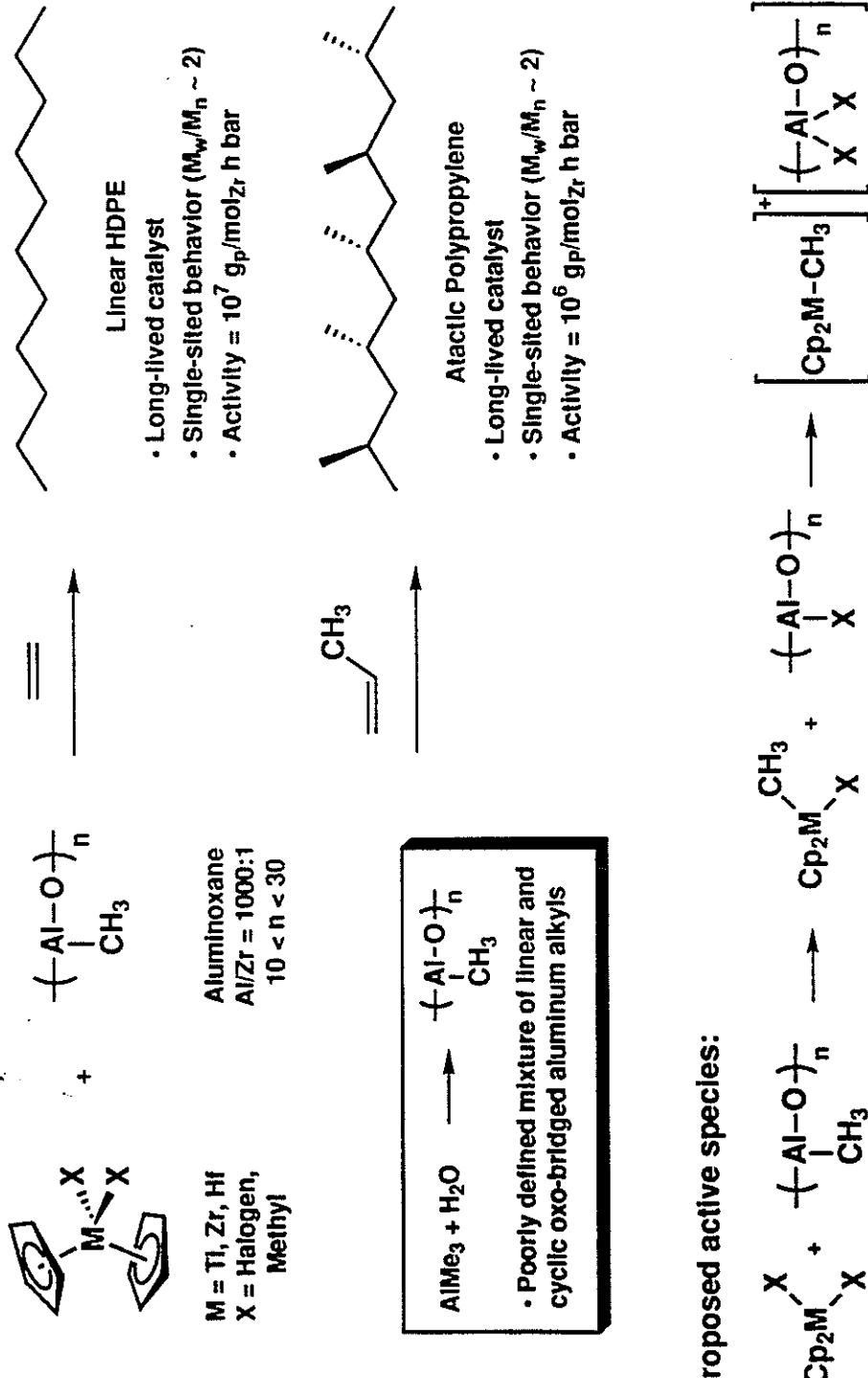


## INSERTION AND TERMINATION STEPS OF HOMOGENEOUS ZIEGLER-NATTA POLYMERIZATION



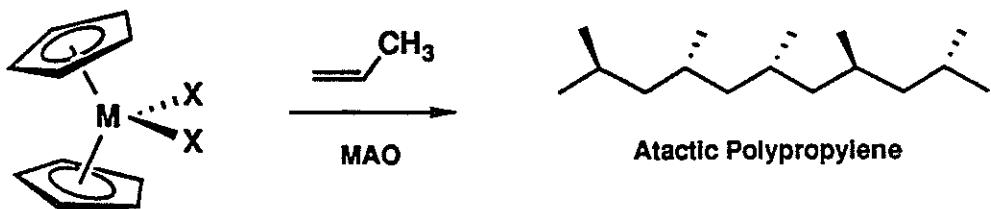
# THE FIRST EXAMPLE OF A COMMERCIALLY VIABLE HOMOGENEOUS ZIEGLER-NATTA CATALYST

1980 Sinn, Kaminsky (Adv. Organomet. Chem. p99)

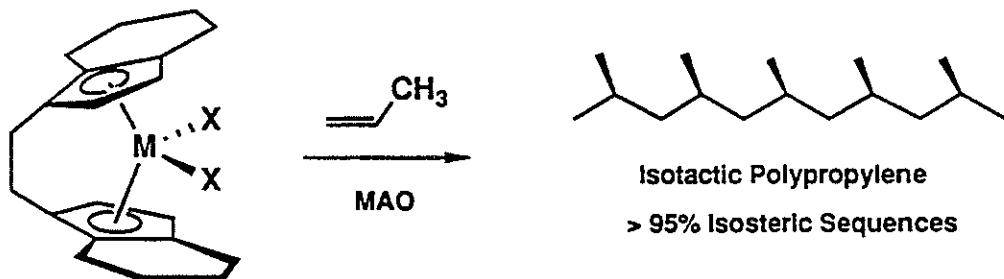


# STEREOCHEMISTRY OF POLYMERIZATION

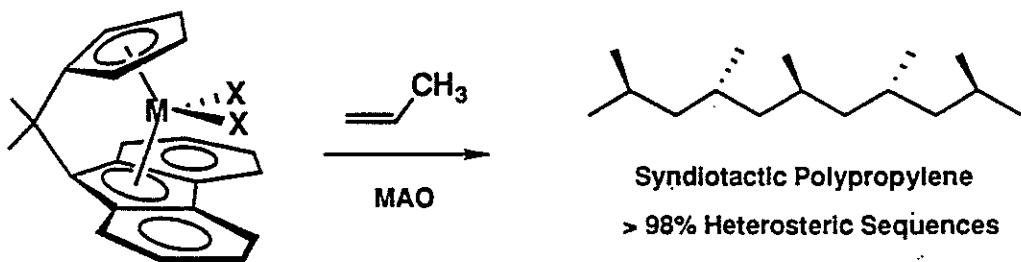
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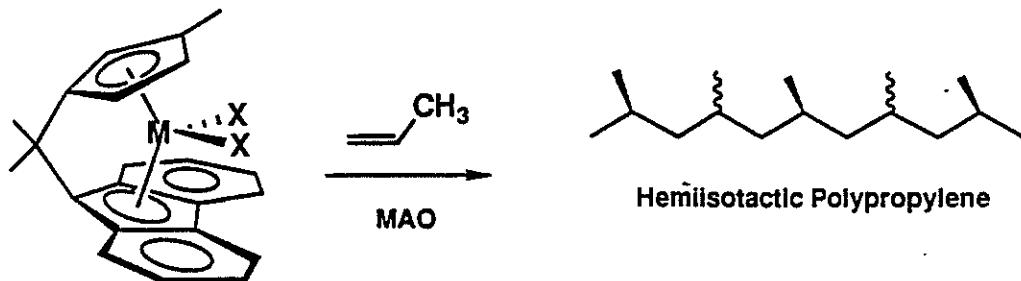
1984 Ewen, 1985 Brintzinger, Kaminsky



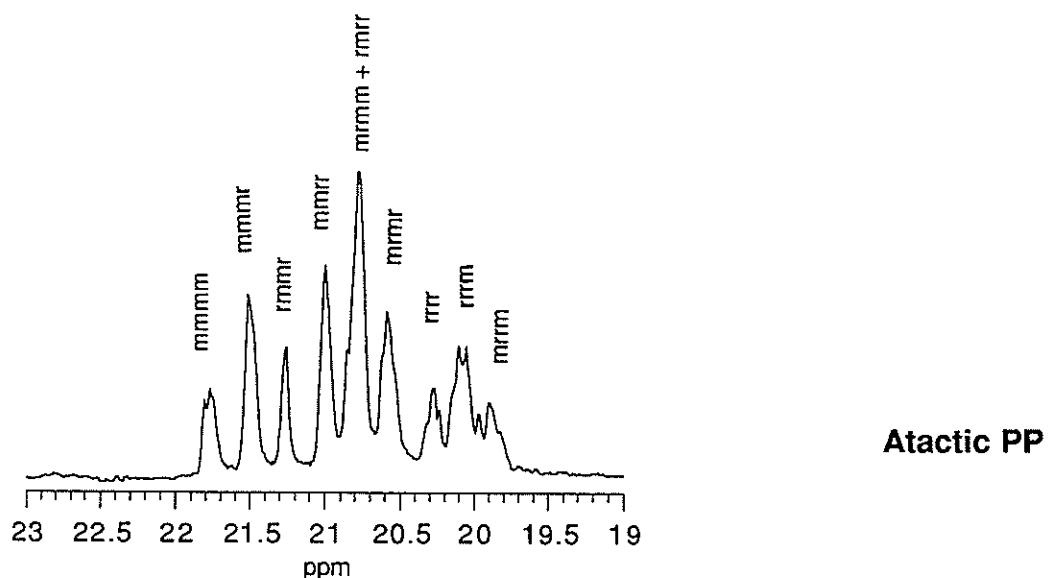
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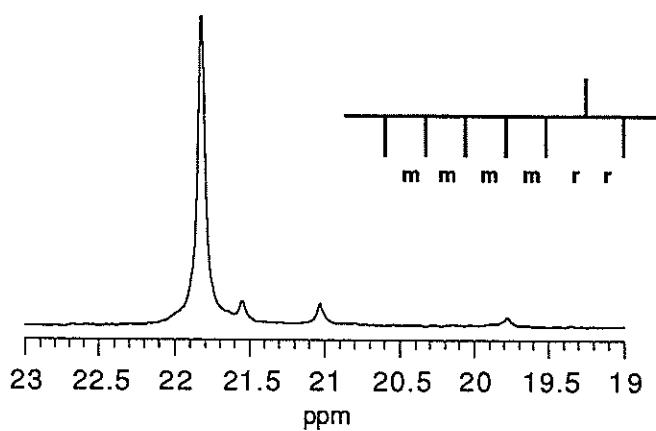
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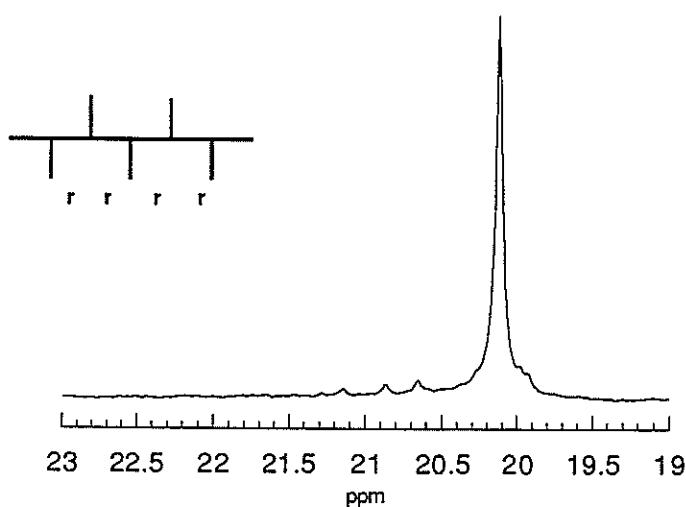
## Polymer Microstructure - $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR Spectrum



Atactic PP



Isotactic PP



syndiotactic PP

## Elastomeric Polypropylene: Initial Discovery

Natta: U. S. Patent 3,175,999, Mar. 30, 1965, to Montecatini  
Chim. e Ind., 1957, 39, 275

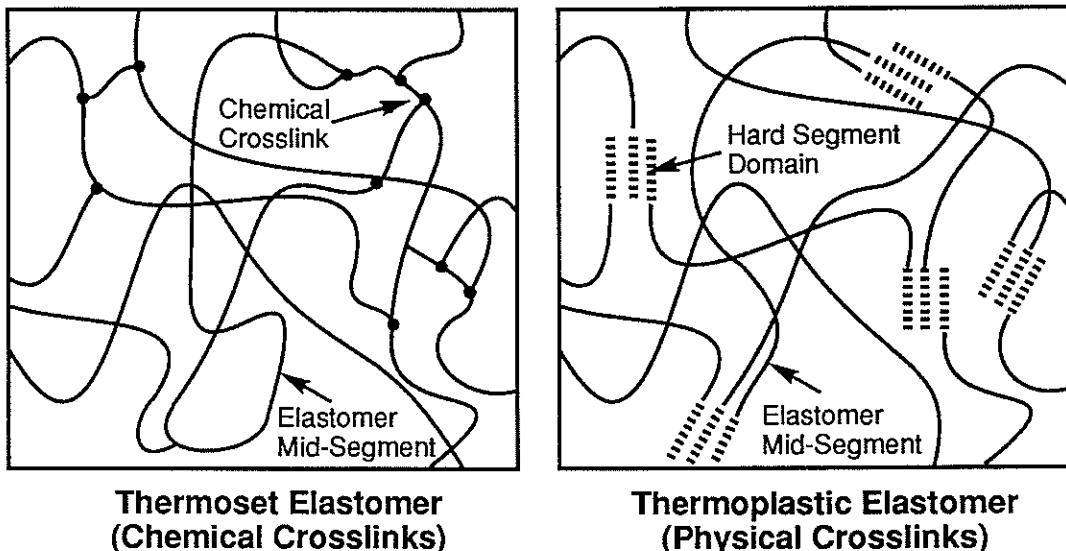


Catalysts: TiCl<sub>4</sub> / AlEt<sub>3</sub> at 145°C  
VOCl<sub>3</sub> / AlEt<sub>3</sub>

- polymer fractionated by boiling solvent extraction: acetone, ether, heptane
- heptane-soluble, isopropyl ether insoluble fraction had elastomeric properties
- elastomeric properties interpreted in terms of stereoblock structure

# THERMOPLASTIC ELASTOMERS

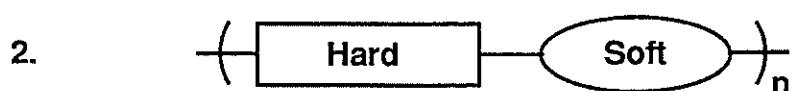
## MORPHOLOGY:



## BLOCK ARRANGEMENTS:



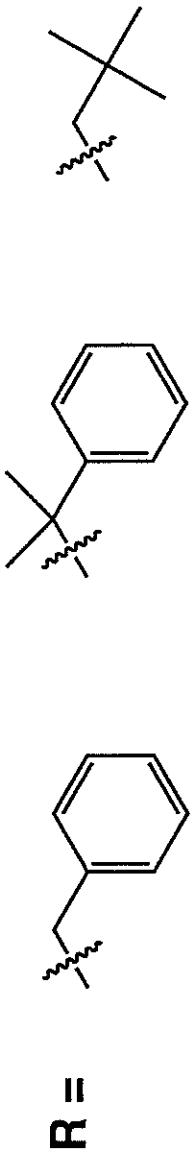
### STYRENE-BUTADIENE-STYRENE



### ISOTACTIC-ATACTIC STEREOBLOCK POLYPROPYLENE

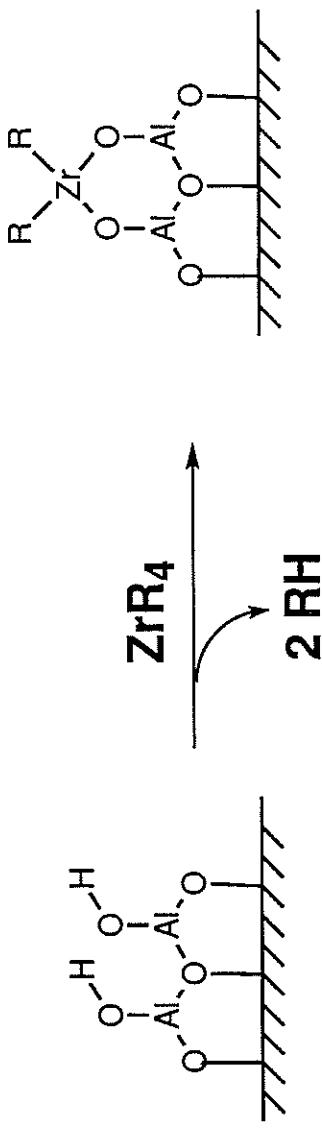
## DuPont Elastomeric Polypropylene

Collette and Tullock (*Macromolecules*, 1989, 22, 3851)  
US Patent 4,335,225 (1982)



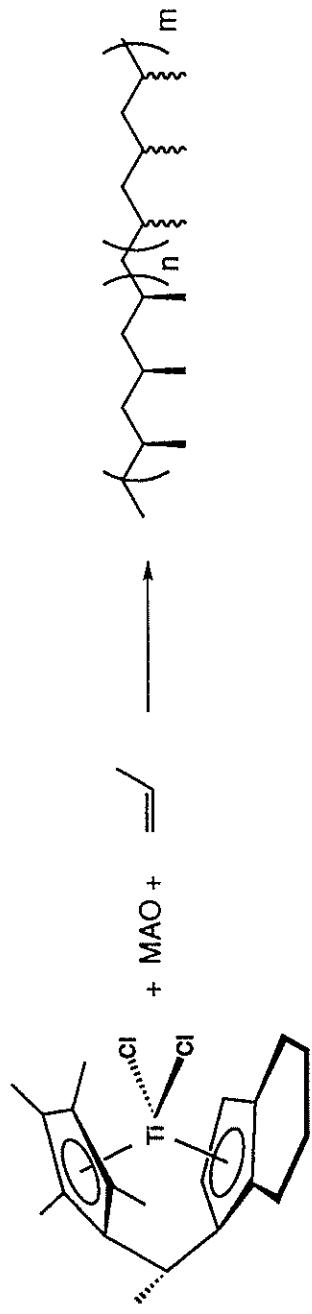
$M = Ti, Zr, Hf$

### Representation of Catalyst:



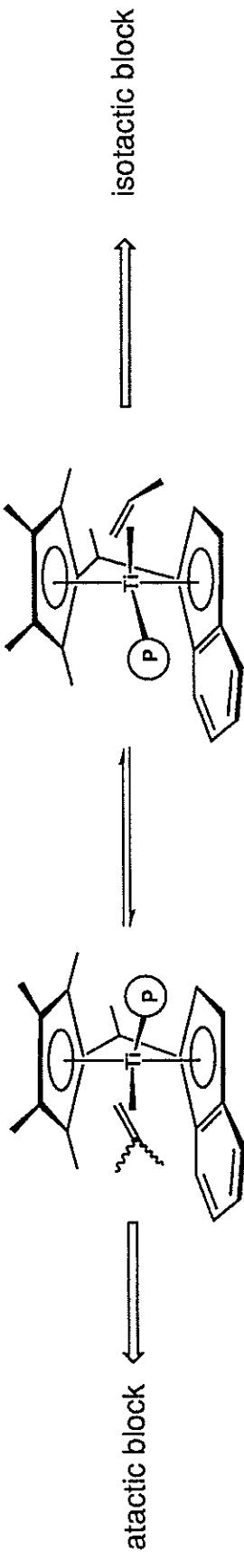
### Stereoblock Polypropylene

Chien JACS (1990) 2030, (1991) 8569

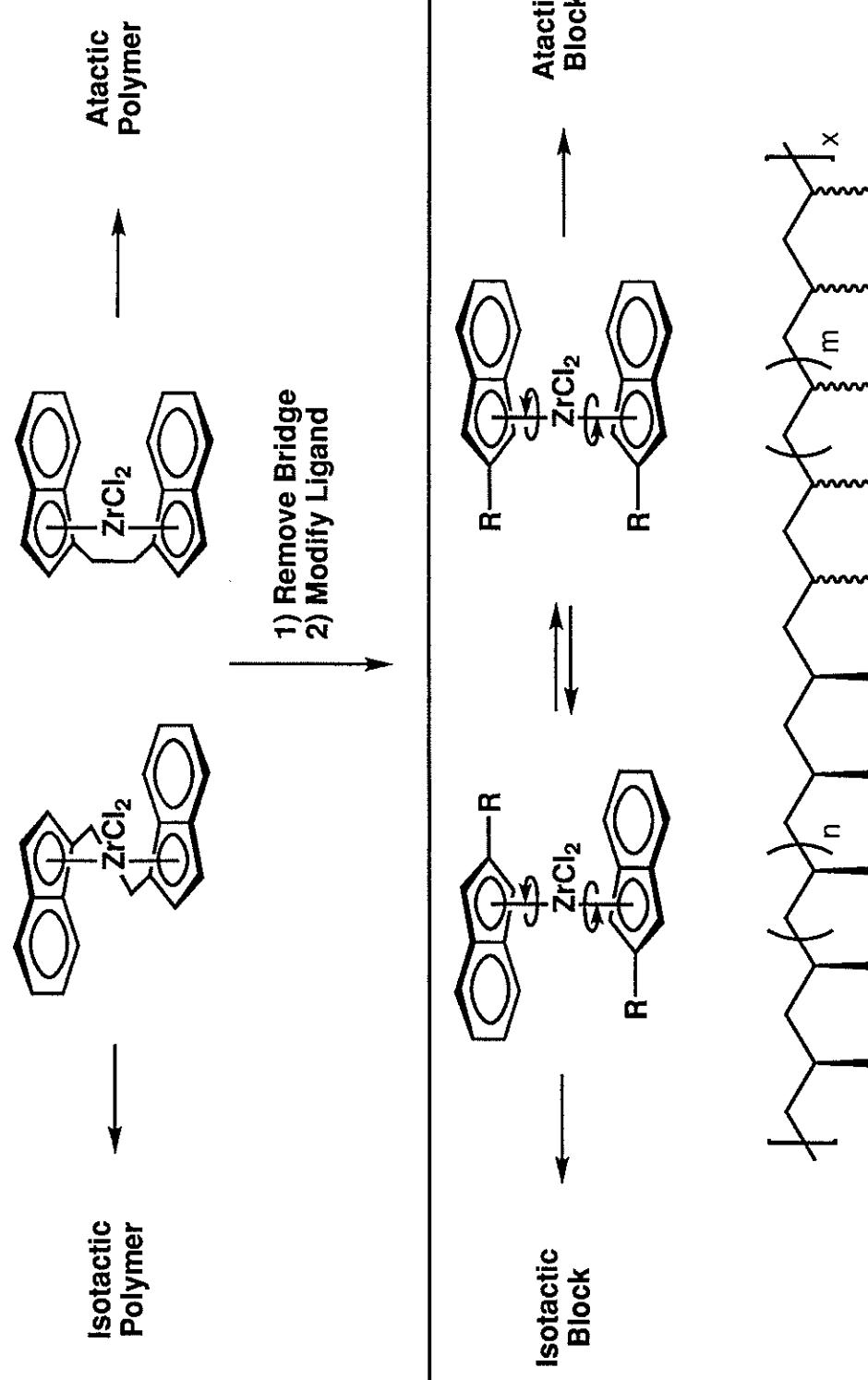


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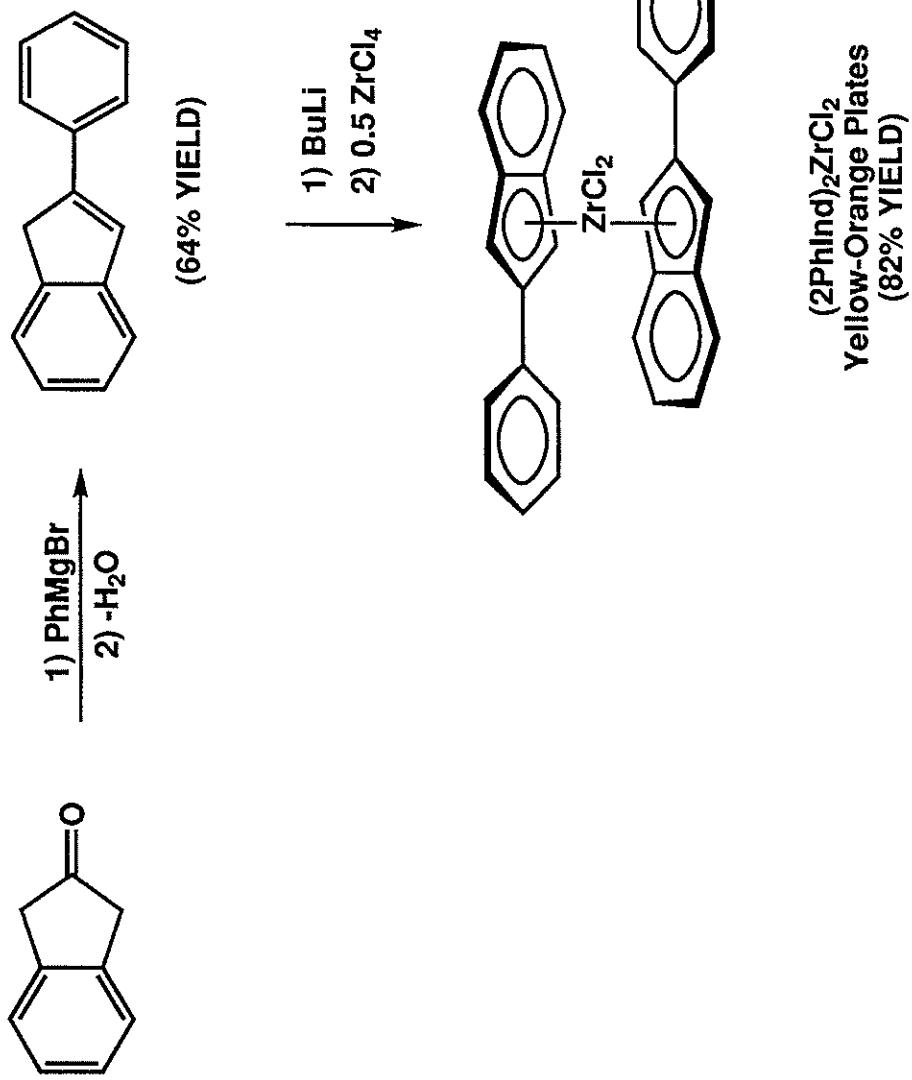
"Two Site" Mechanism Proposed (Coleman and Fox J Chem Phys (1963) 1065)



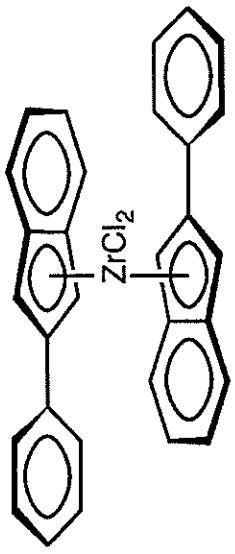
## A STRATEGY FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF ATACTIC-ISOTACTIC STEREOBLOCK POLYPROPYLENE



## PREPARATION BIS(2-PHENYLINDENYL)ZIRCONIUM DICHLORIDE



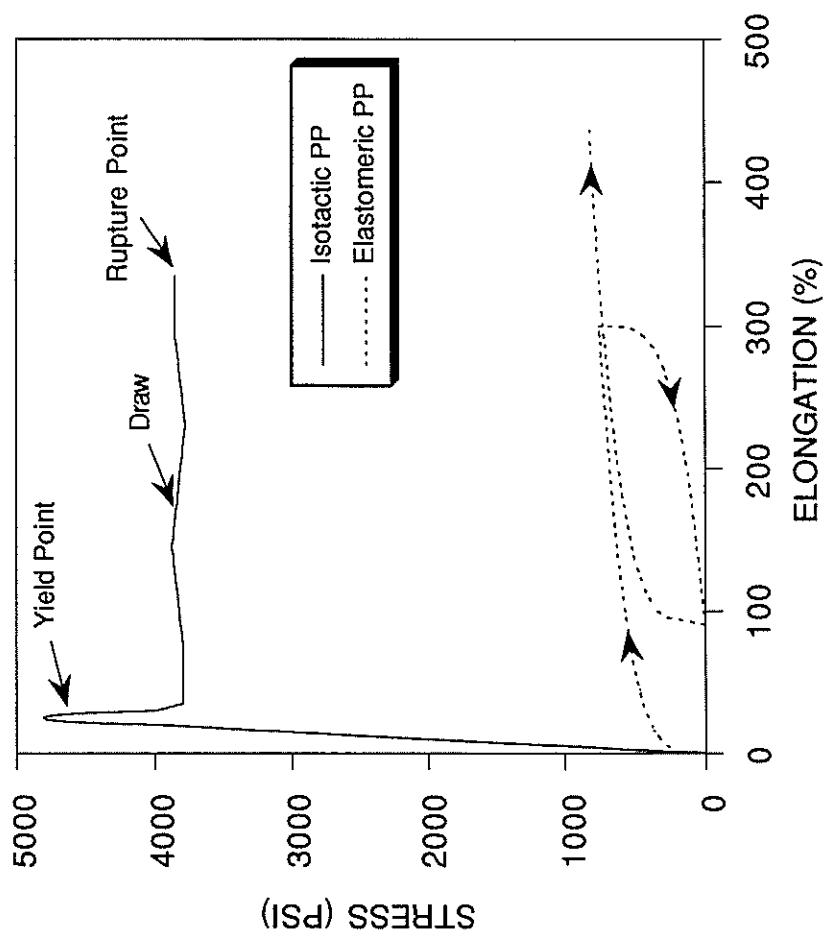
## INITIAL PROPYLENE POLYMERIZATION RESULTS



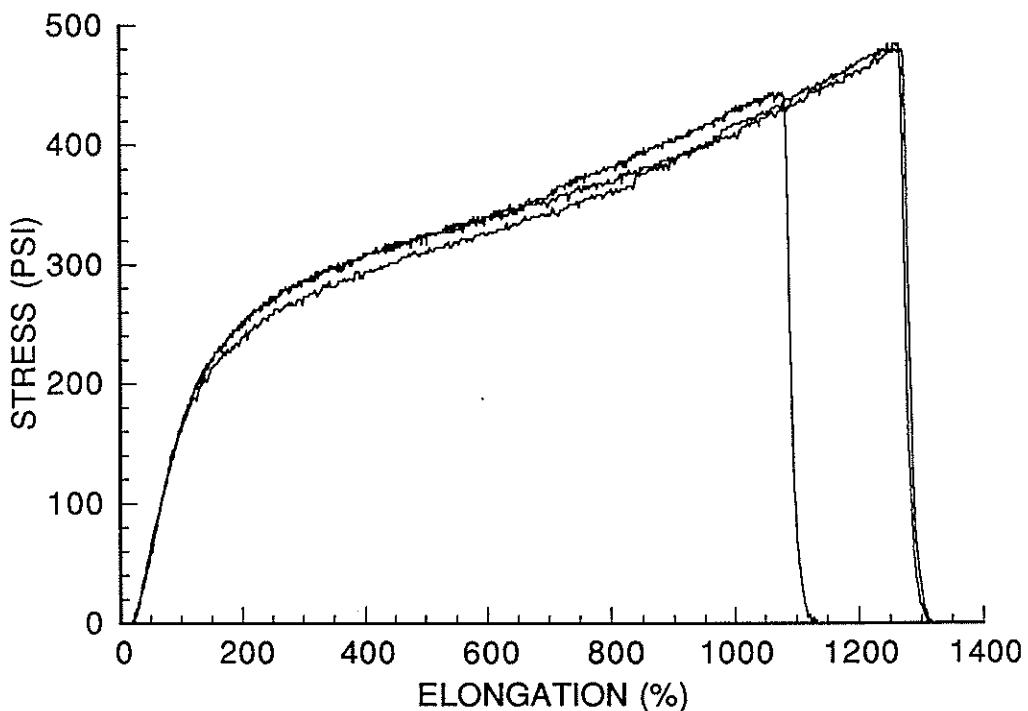
Experiment	Pressure (psig)	Productivity <sup>b</sup> (x 10 <sup>-5</sup> )	M <sub>w</sub> <sup>c</sup> (x 10 <sup>-3</sup> )	M <sub>w</sub> / Mn
GWC-4-93	5	2.7	213	1.5
GWC-4-95	25	6.2	395	1.9
GWC-4-97	50	10.4	540	1.7
GWC-4-99	75	17.3	604	1.8

<sup>a</sup> [Zr] = 5.5 x 10<sup>-5</sup> M, [Al]/[Zr] = 1000, T = 0 °C; <sup>b</sup> g PP / mol Zr · h; <sup>c</sup> by GPC vs. polystyrene

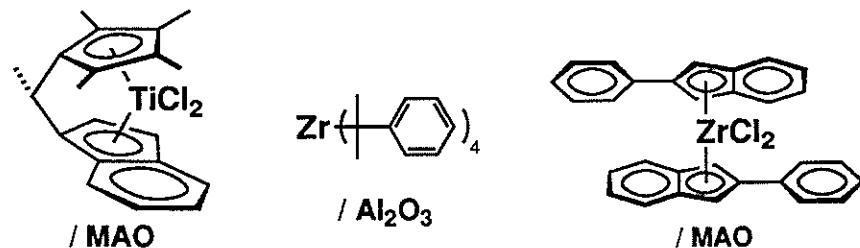
## STRESS-STRAIN CURVE



## STRESS-STRAIN CURVE OF POLYPROPYLENE MADE AT -25°C

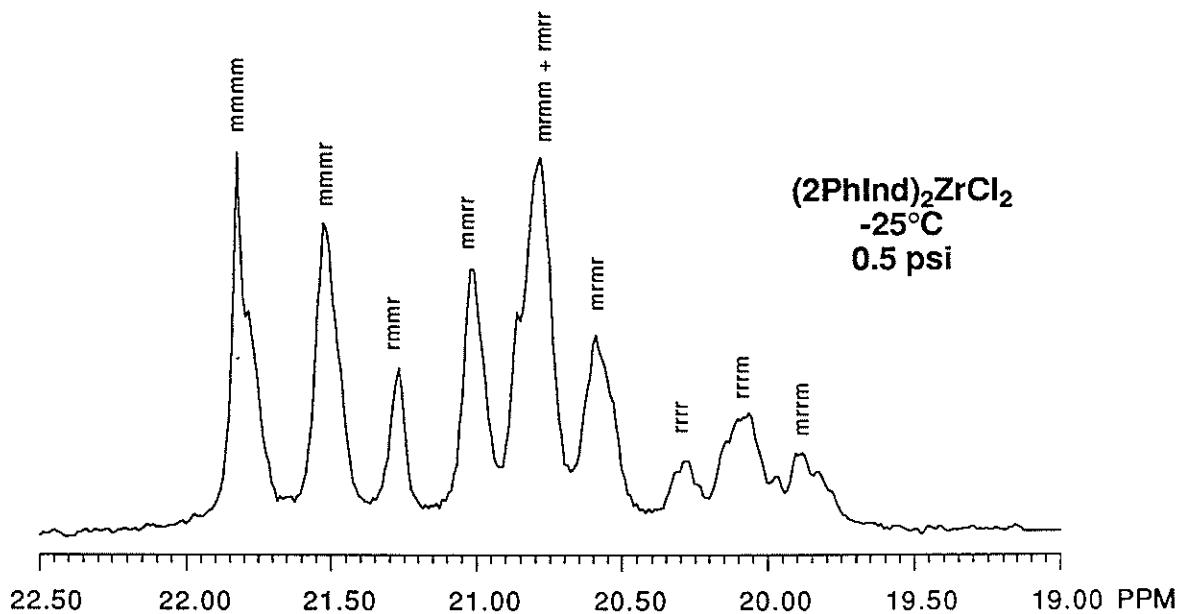


## COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:



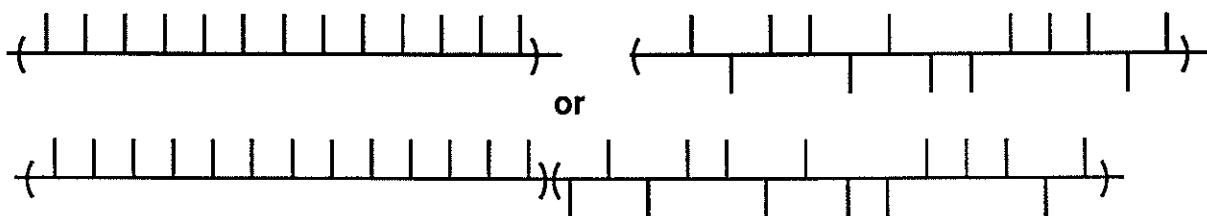
PHYSICAL PROPERTY	CHIEN	DUPONT	WAYMOUTH
TENSILE STRENGTH (psi)	1750	891	462 / 467
ELONGATION (%)	1300	875	1210 / 2550
MODULUS (psi)	nd	nd	246 / 201
TENSILE SET (%)	24	119	44 / 32

## POLYMER MICROSTRUCTURE - $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR SPECTRUM



MODEL (CHUJO Polym. J. (1983) 15 859):

Two-Site Model (Mixed Enantiomorphic Site / Bernoullian)



Appropriate for Block polymers if phase boundaries are negligible.

Isotactic  
Enantiomorphic  
Site Control,  $\alpha$   
 $\omega = \%$  Units

Atactic  
Chain-End  
Control,  $\sigma = P_m$   
 $1 - \omega = \%$  Units

$$\begin{aligned} \omega &= 9\% \\ \alpha &= 0.92 \\ \sigma &= 0.56 \end{aligned}$$

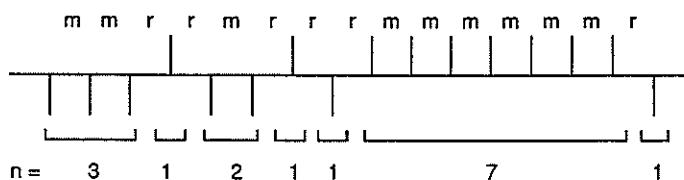
**Table.** Analysis of Pentad Distributions of PP15 Using Statistical Models Based on the Mechanism of Stereochemical Control.

Pentad	Obsvda	Enantiomor. Site	Bernoullian	1st Order Markov	2nd Order Markov	Concurrent Model - (Chujo)	Consecutive Model - (Cheng)
mmmm	25.8	23.0	25.0	24.8	25.1	25.6	25.6
mmmr	15.5	16.3	20.7	18.4	17.2	15.2	15.6
rmmr	4.4	3.6	4.3	3.4	3.0	4.7	4.0
mmrr	11.6	16.3	8.6	9.1	11.4	11.0	10.7
mrrm+							
rnrr	20.4	14.4	24.3	19.4	19.3	19.9	19.8
nmrr	7.8	7.2	8.6	5.9	7.8	9.3	8.8
rrrr	1.4	3.6	0.7	1.3	0.8	2.3	2.9
mrnr	8.3	7.2	3.5	4.5	4.7	6.5	7.6
nrrm	4.8	8.2	4.3	4.0	7.1	5.5	5.0
WF <sup>b</sup>		12.6	10.4	4.0	2.3	0.61	0.34
Parameters		$\alpha = 0.74$	$P_m = 0.71$	$P_{mm} = 0.73$ $P_{rm} = 0.64$	$P_{mmm} = 0.74$ $P_{rmm} = 0.60$	$W_E = 0.21$ $P_m = 0.59$	$W_E = 0.33$ $P_m = 0.54$
				$P_{mrm} = 0.51$	$\alpha = 0.95$		$\alpha = 0.99$
				$P_{rrm} = 0.75$		$BE = 9.1$	
				$P_{rrm} = 0.75$			$BB = 18.7$

a Determined by quantitative  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectroscopy, with Lorentzian peak fitting. b Weighted Fit =  $(\Sigma I_0(I_0 - I_c)^2)/100$ ,  $I_0$  = Observed intensity,  $I_c$  = Calculated intensity.

# NUMBER OF ISOTACTIC BLOCKS PER CHAIN

THE FORMATION OF A PHYSICALLY CROSSLINKED NETWORK IS CRITICALLY DEPENDENT UPON THE PRESENCE OF TWO OR MORE SEGMENTS PER CHAIN THAT ARE CAPABLE OF COCRYSTALLIZATION WITH OTHER CHAINS.



The probability of an isotactic block of length n:

$$P_i(n) = P_m^{(n-1)} r = W_E[(\alpha)^n (1-\alpha)^2 + (\alpha)^2 (1-\alpha)^n] + W_B[(P_m)^{n-1} (1-P_m)^2]$$

The number of isotactic blocks of length n per polymer chain:

$$N_i(n) = P_i(n) DP$$

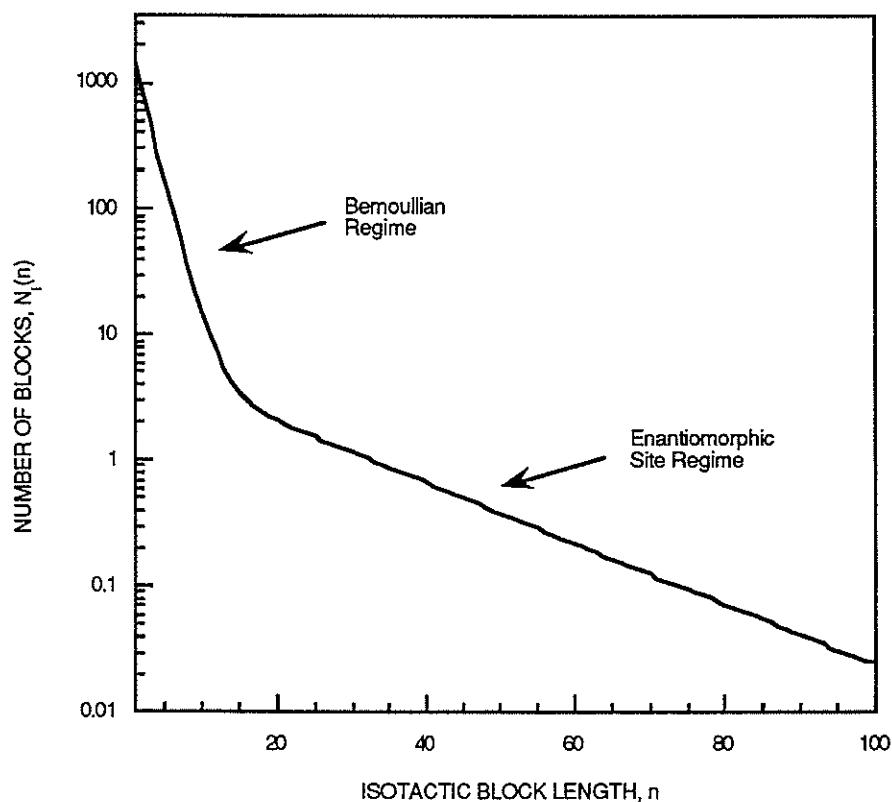
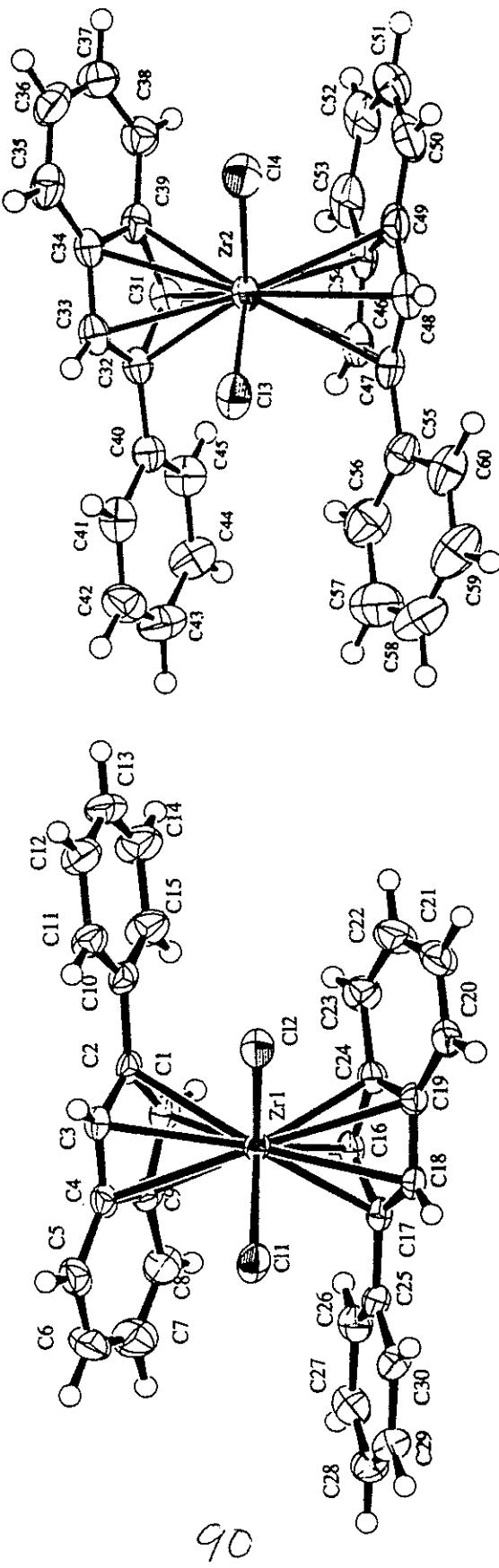


Table 5.14. Number of Isotactic Blocks of Length n per Chain of PP15.a

<i>Block</i>	<i>N<sub>i</sub></i>	<i>Block</i>	<i>N<sub>i</sub></i>
<i>Length, n</i>		<i>Length, n</i>	
1	1430.9	13	5.4
2	794.2	14	4.3
3	469.2	15	3.5
4	279.4	16	3.0
5	167.2	17	2.7
6	100.6	18	2.4
7	61.1	19	2.3
8	37.7	20	2.1
9	23.7	21	2.0
10	15.4	22	1.8
11	10.3	23	1.7
<b>12</b>	<b>7.3</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1.6</b>

a [mmmm] = 25.8, W<sub>E</sub> = 0.21,  $\alpha = 0.95$ , P<sub>m</sub> = 0.59, DP = 10,060.

# X-TAL STRUCTURE CONTAINS 2 ROTAMERS!



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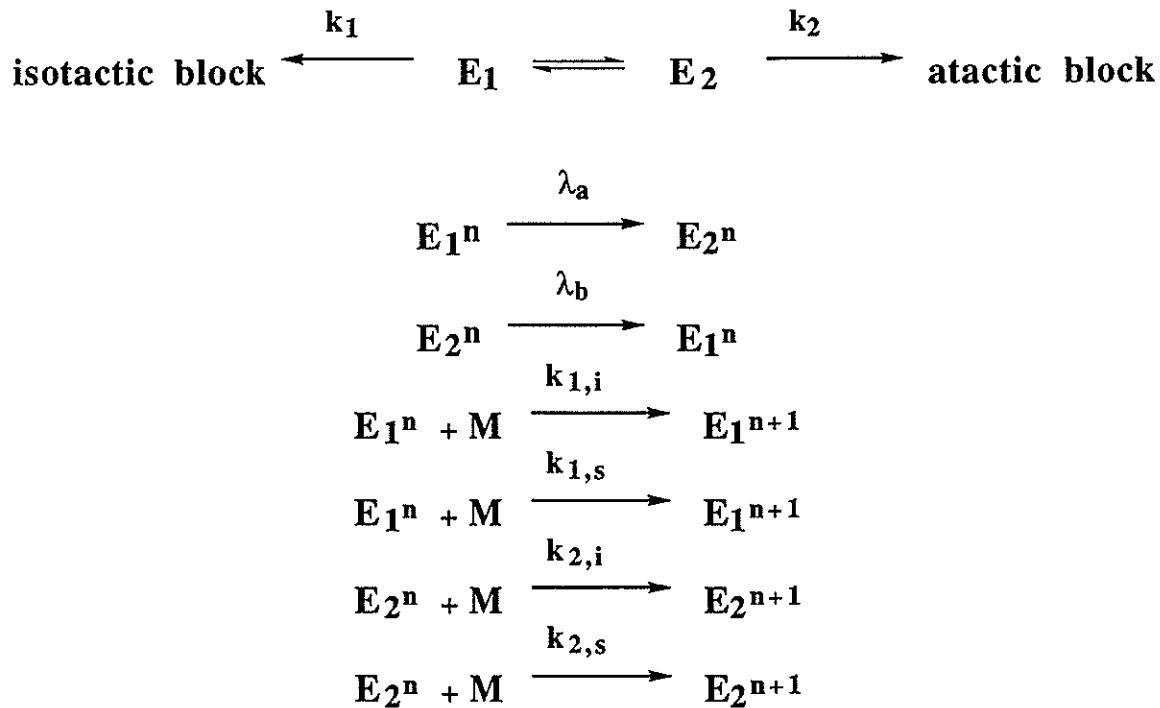
RAC - LIKE ISOMER

MESO - LIKE ISOMER

TORSIONAL ANGLES OF PHENYL GROUPS ~ 12°

## Multistate Mechanism for Ionic Polymerization

Coleman and Fox J. Chem. Phys. 1963 **38**, 1065



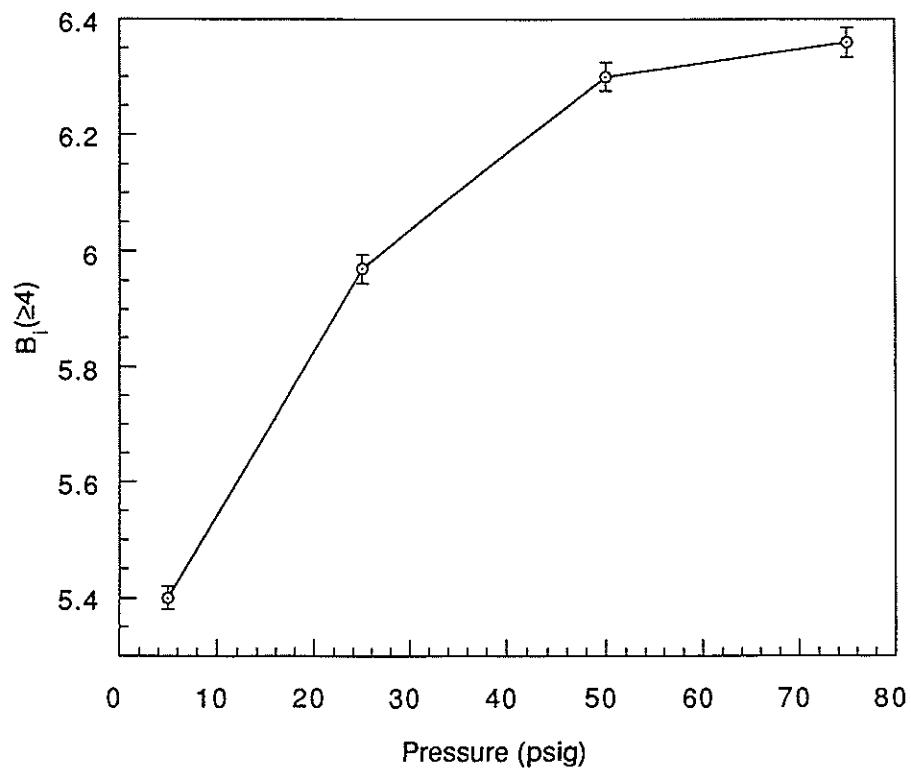
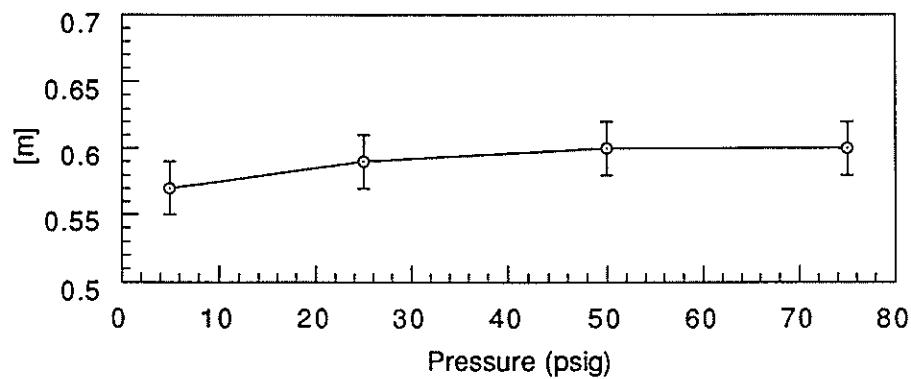
Model: no monomer concentration dependence on [m] or [r]:

$$p_1\{I\} = \phi_1\alpha_1 + \phi_2\alpha_2 = [m]$$

However, isotactic block lengths depend on monomer concentration:

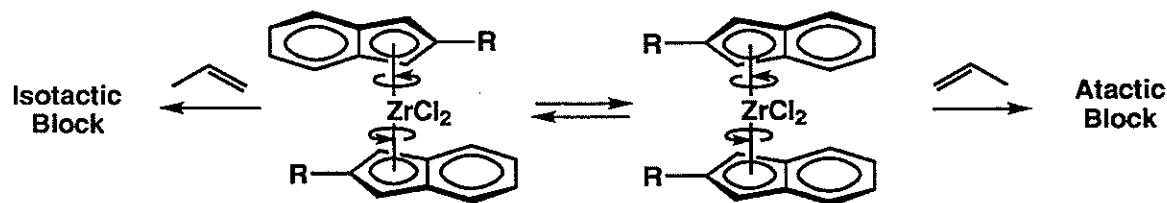
$$\mu\{I\} = \frac{\phi_1\alpha_1 + \phi_2\alpha_2}{\phi_1\alpha_1(1-\alpha_1) + \phi_2\alpha_2(1-\alpha_2) + \frac{\lambda_b\phi_1(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)}{k_1[(\lambda_a/k_1\phi_1) + [M]]}}$$

## EFFECT OF PROPENE PRESSURE ON MICROSTRUCTURE



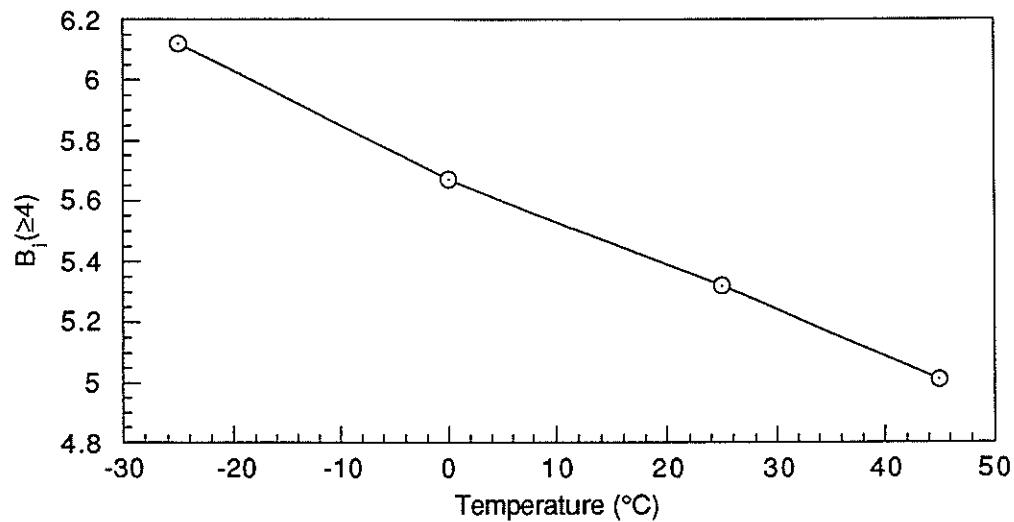
# MECHANISM OF STEREOBLOCK FORMATION

## Effect of Temperature on Microstructure

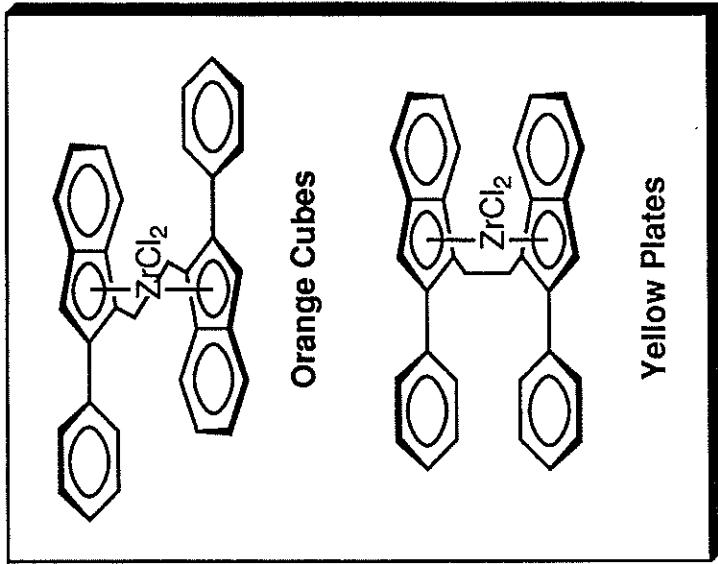
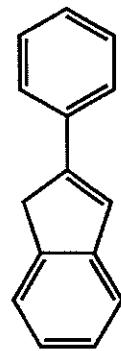
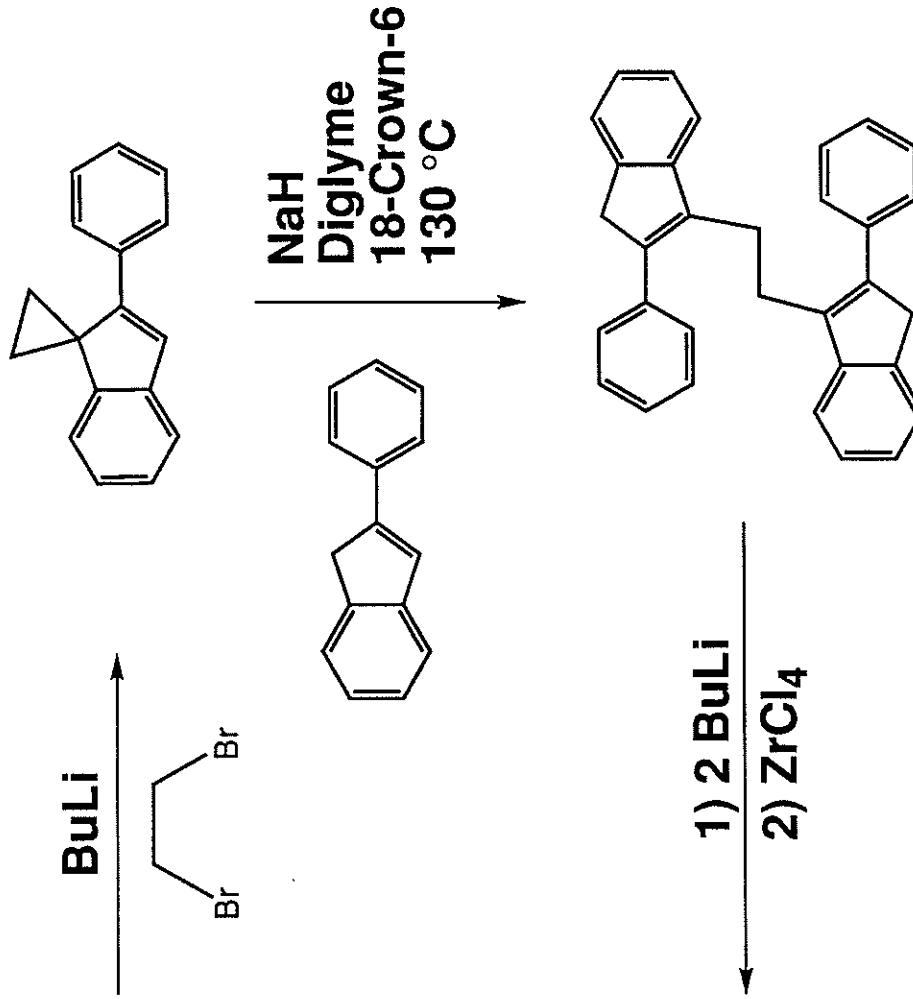


$$\text{Block Size } \alpha = \frac{\text{Propagation Rate}}{\text{Ligand Isomerization Rate}}$$

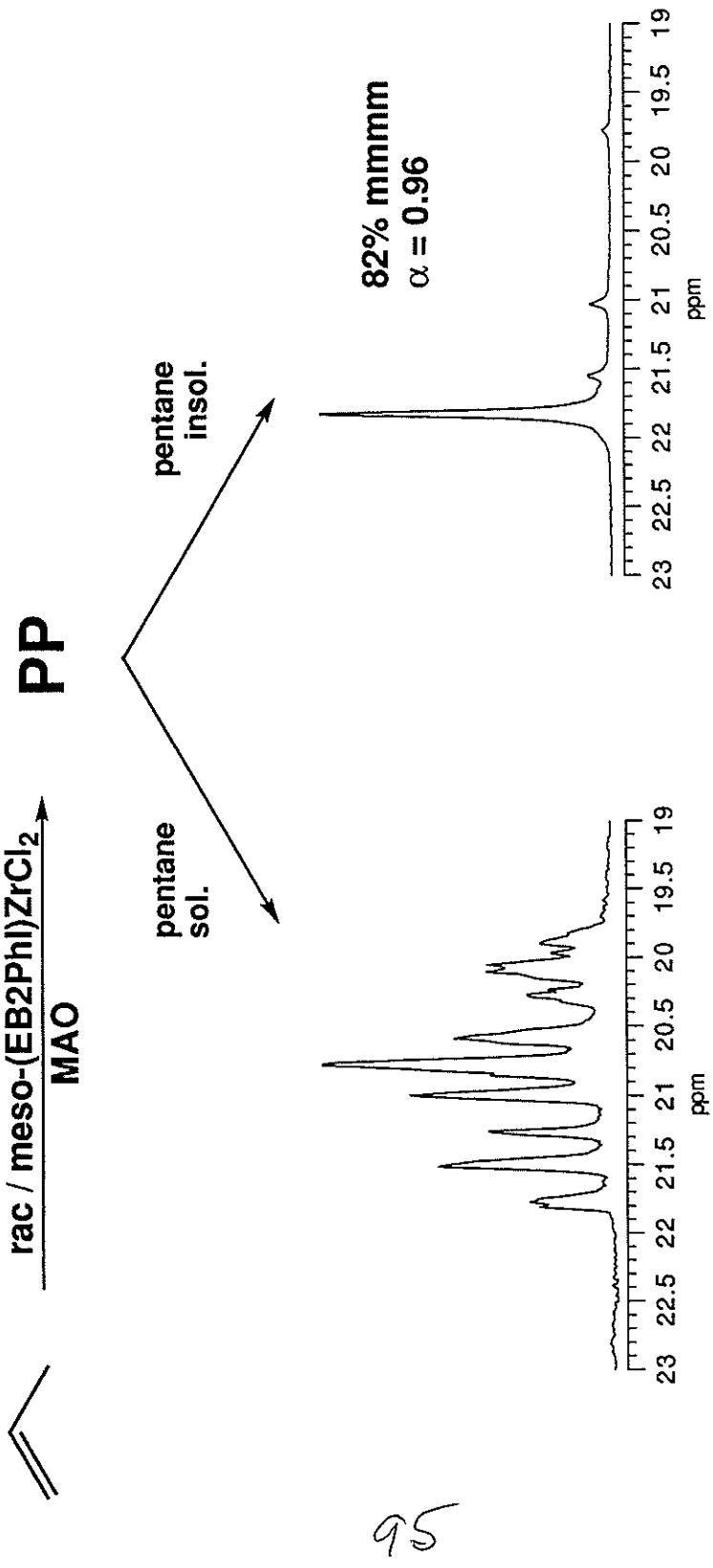
$$\langle B_i \rangle_{\geq 4} = 4 + 2[m m m m]/[m m m r]$$



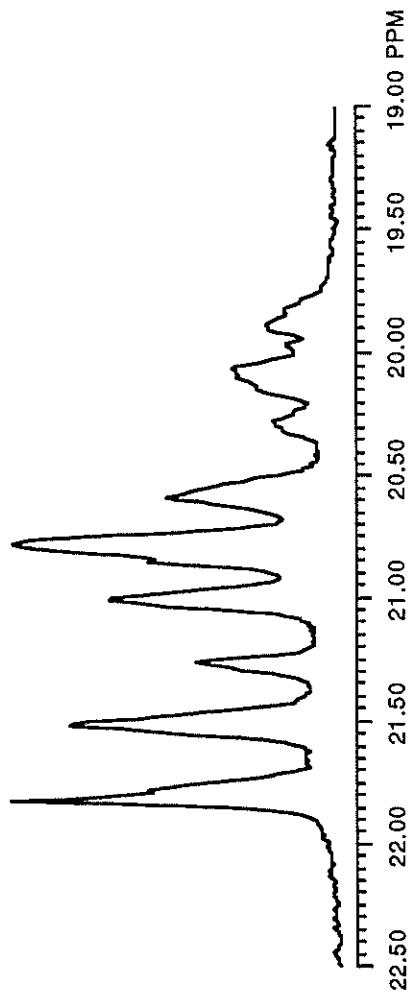
# PREPARATION OF (EB2PhI)ZrCl<sub>2</sub>



## STEREOSPECIFICITY OF ETHYLENE-BRIDGED COMPOUND



Fractionation of Polypropylenes  
 $(2\text{-PhIInd})_2\text{ZrCl}_2$  1 atm, -25°C



RAW POLYMER

[mmmm] = 16.1

$M_w = 457,000$ ;  $M_w/M_n = 2.2$

Et<sub>2</sub>O soluble (80%)

Et<sub>2</sub>O insoluble (20%)

[mmmm] = 13.5

$M_w = 451,000$   
 $M_w/M_n = 2.1$

[mmmm] = 28.0  
 $M_w = 484,000$   
 $M_w/M_n = 2.0$

## FRACTIONATION OF POLYPROPYLENES

### WHY ARE THESE MATERIALS FRACTIONABLE ?

#### I. MULTIPLE SITES

- fractionable by solvent extraction
- broad molecular weight distribution
- different fractions should have different  $M_w$

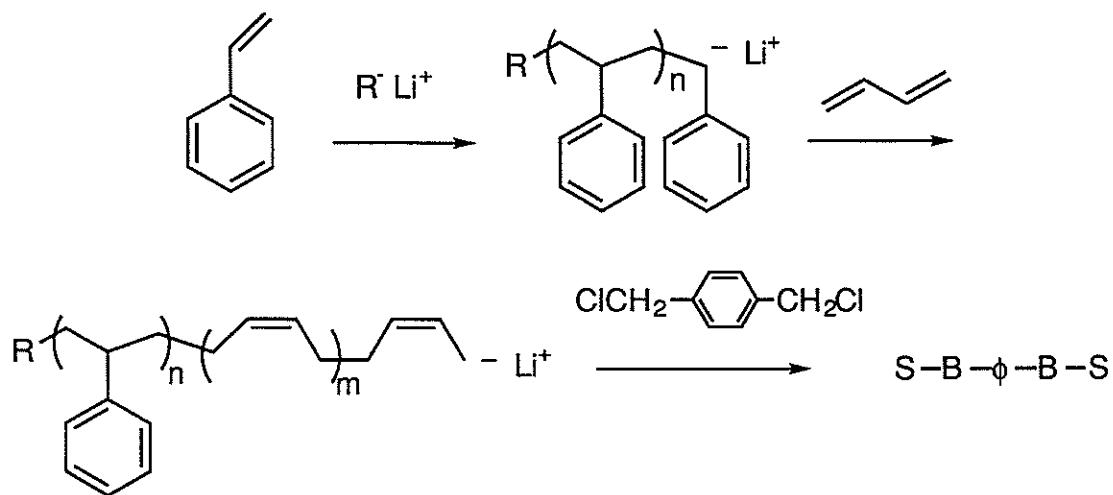
#### II. DISTRIBUTION OF BLOCK LENGTHS; SINGLE SITES

- fractionable by solvent extraction
- narrow molecular weight distribution
- different fractions should have similar  $M_w$
- Press. dependence on block lengths, extractable fractions
- % of insoluble material should depend on minimum isotactic sequence length that can crystallize

## BLOCK POLYMER SYNTHESIS

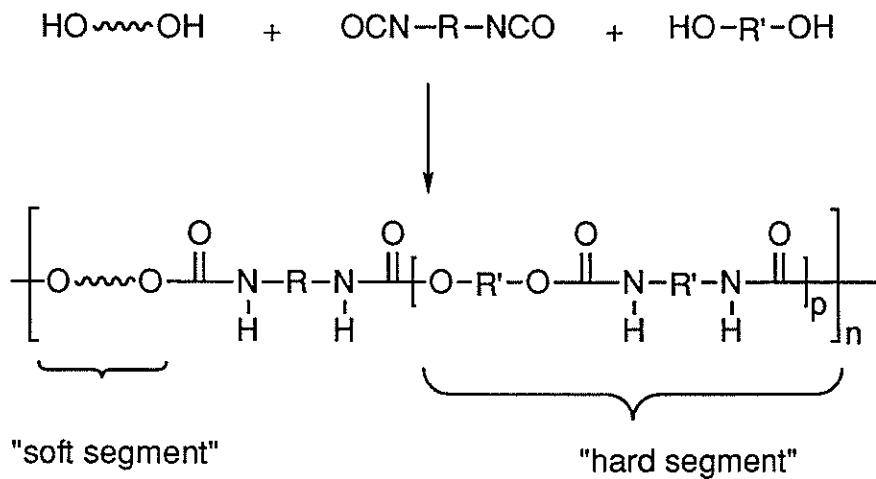
### 1. LIVING POLYMERIZATION CATALYSTS

- Styrene-Butadiene-Styrene (Kraton<sup>TM</sup>)

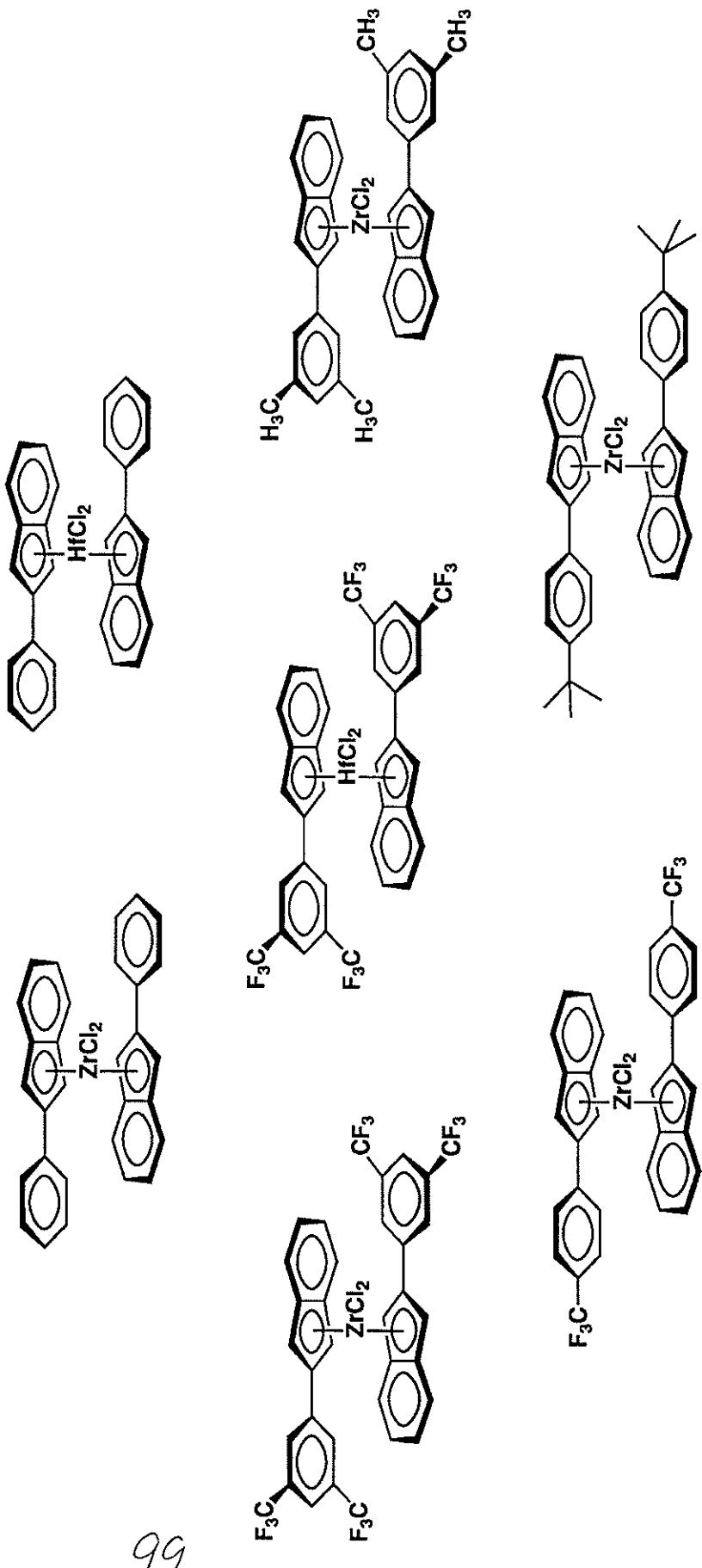


### 2. STEP-GROWTH POLYMERIZATION

- Polyester-Polyurethanes (Lycra<sup>TM</sup>)



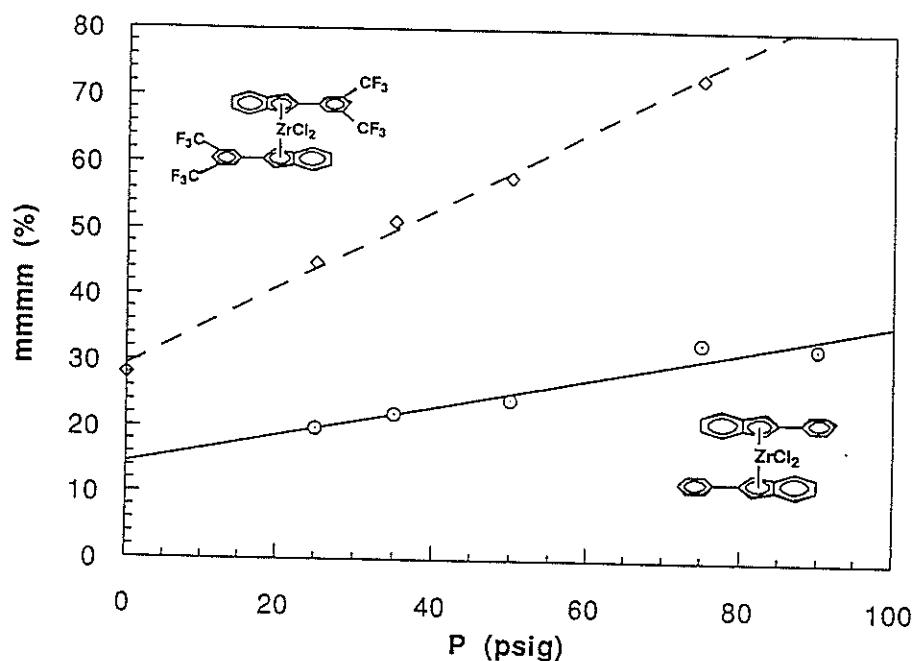
**Modified 2-Phenyl Indene Catalyst Precursors**



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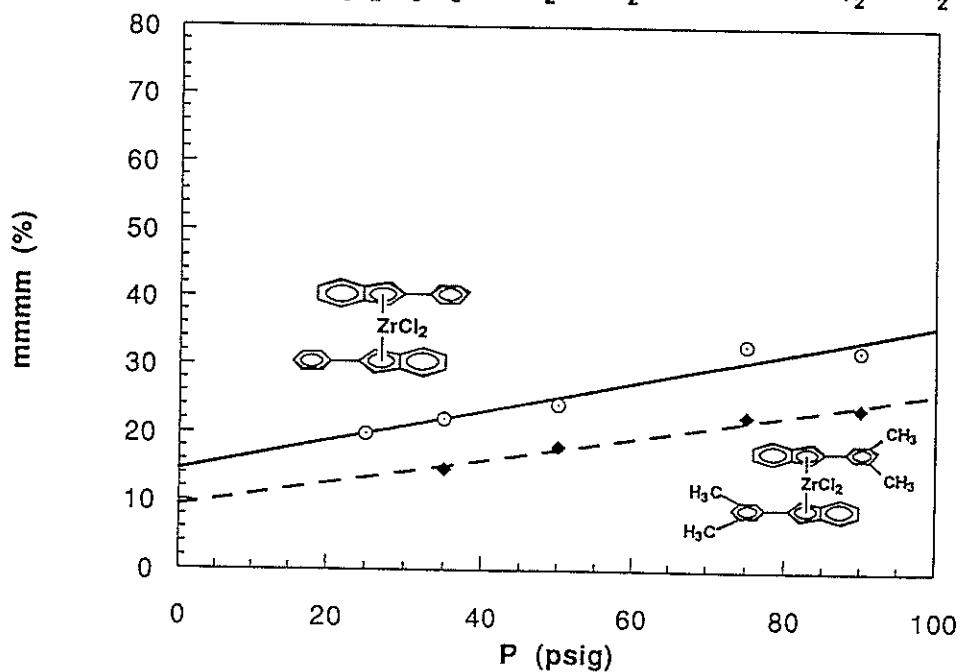
Pressure Dependence at 25°C

$(2-(3,5-(CF_3)_2C_6H_3)Ind)_2ZrCl_2$  vs  $(2-PhInd)_2ZrCl_2$

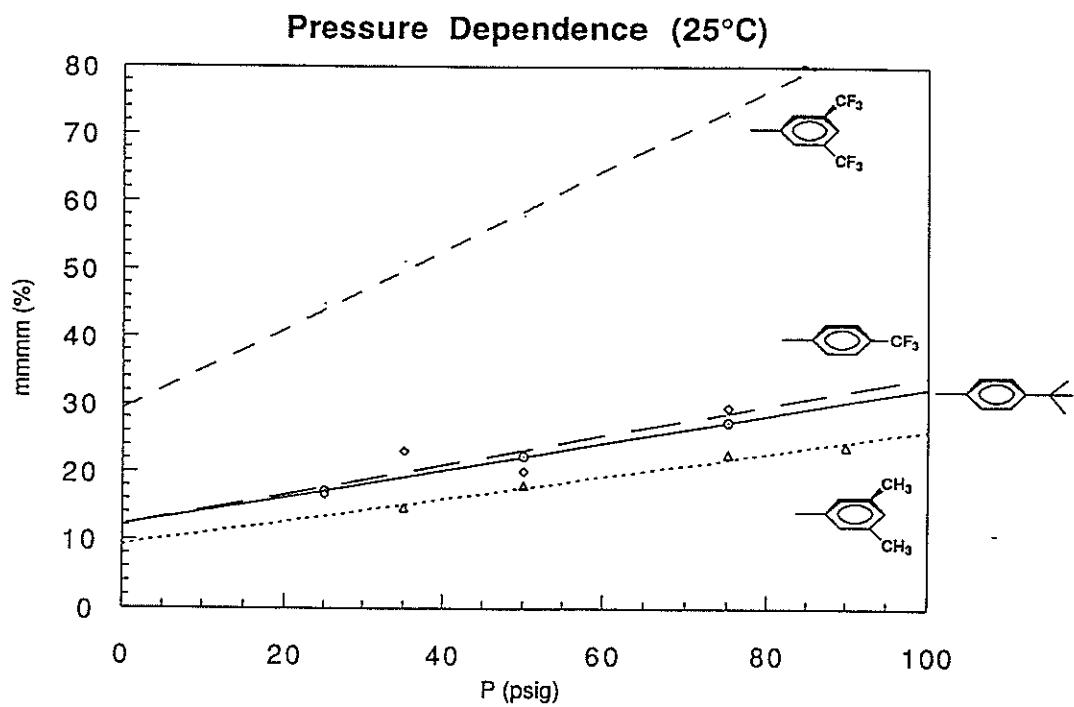


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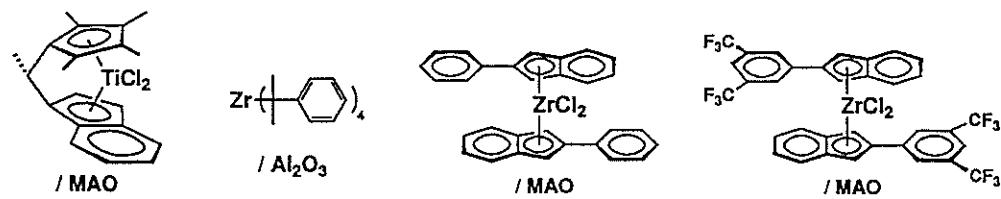
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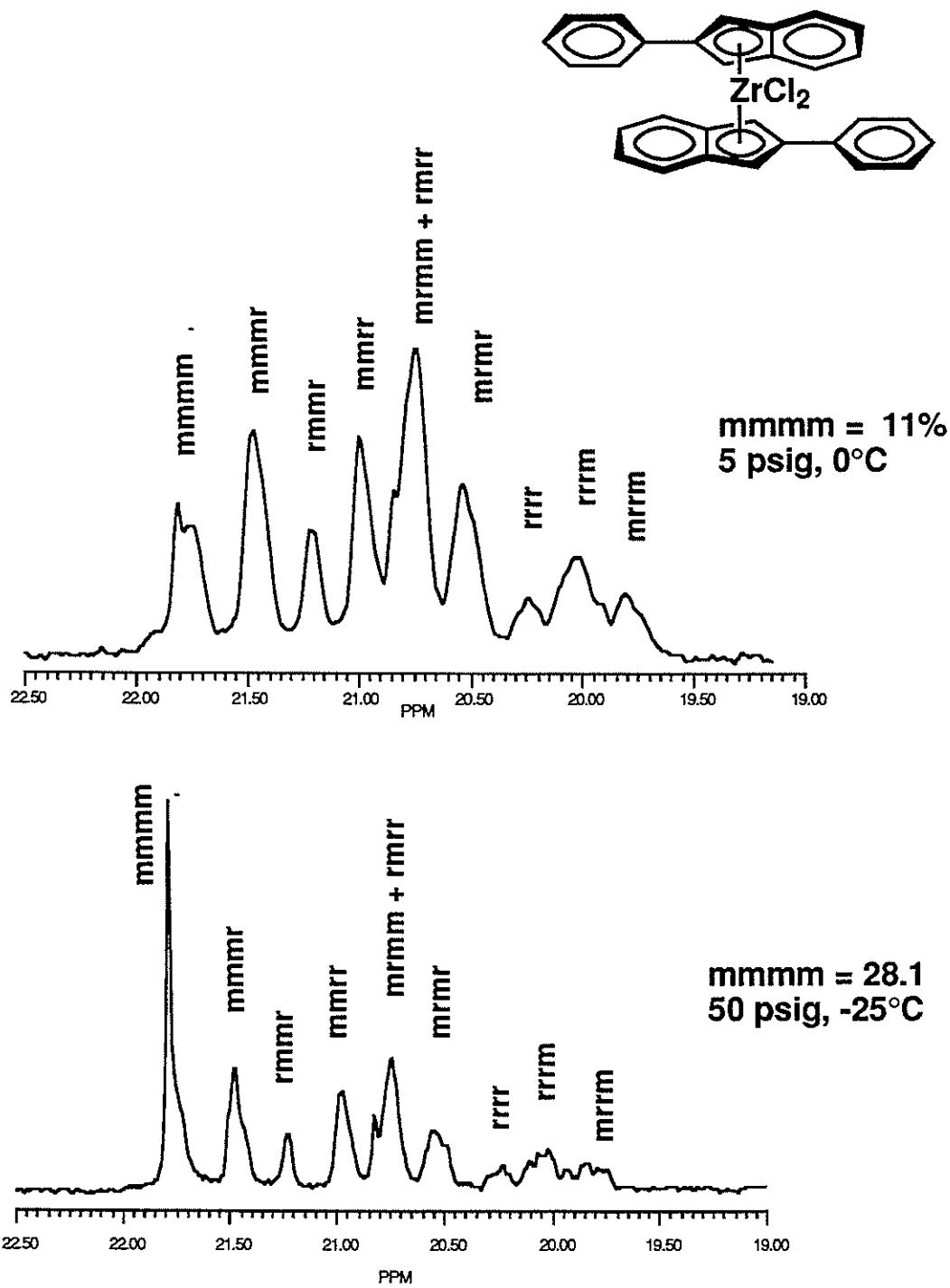


### COMPARISON OF PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:



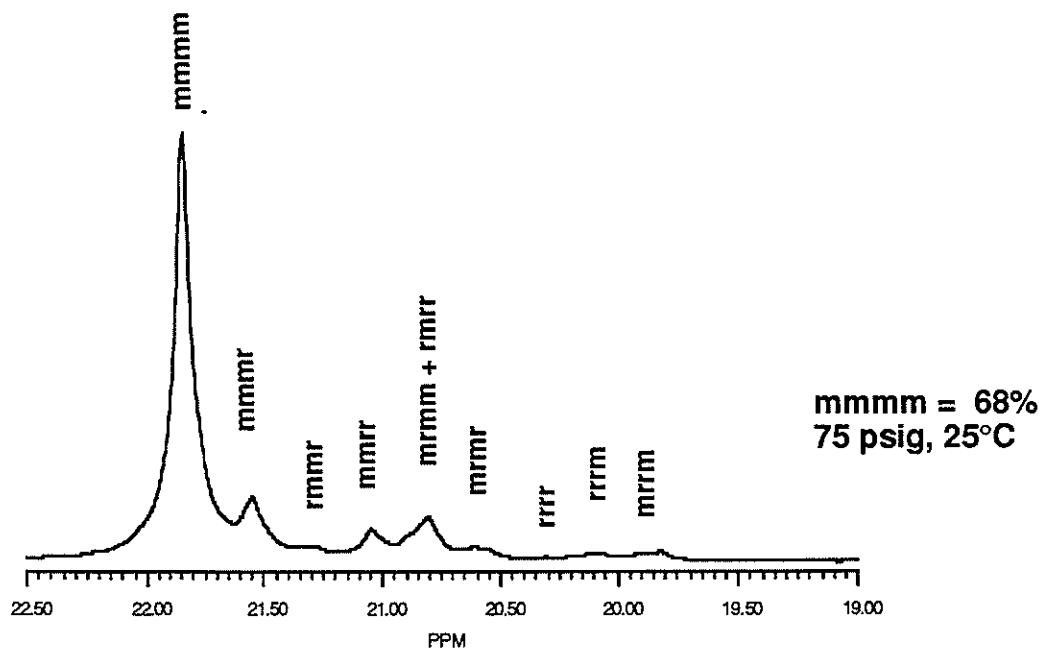
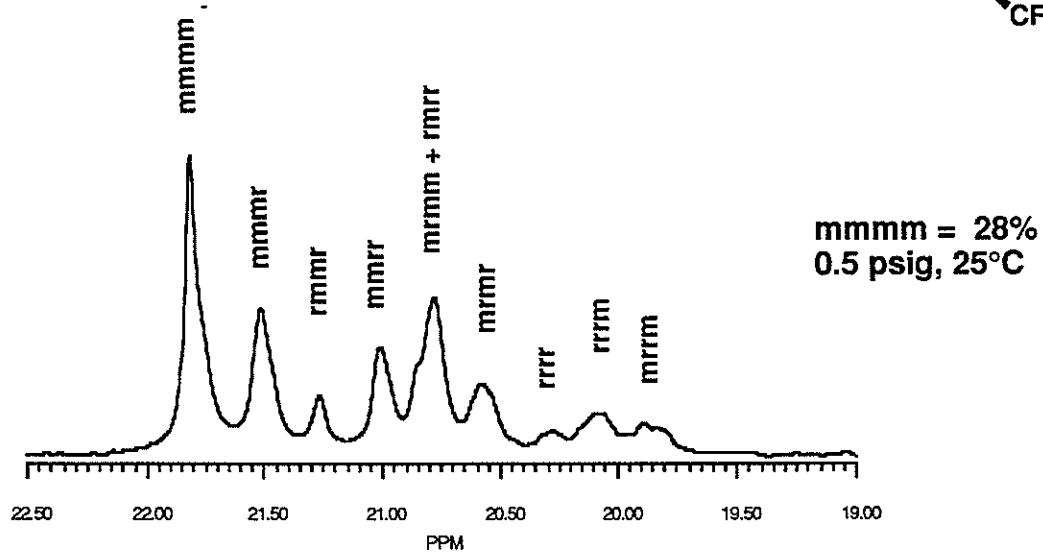
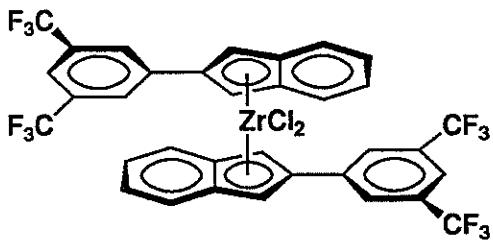
PHYSICAL PROPERTY	CHIEN	DUPONT	WAYMOUTH	WAYMOUTH
TENSILE STRENGTH (psi)	1750	891	462 / 467	5040
ELONGATION (%)	1300	875	1210 / 2550	100
MODULUS (psi)	nd	nd	246 / 201	12,390
TENSILE SET (%)	24	93	44 / 32	197

## Polypropylene Microstructures



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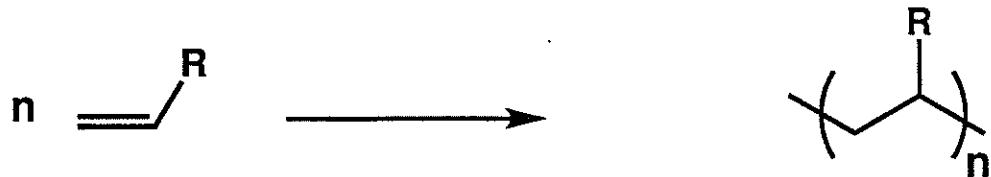
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# **New Pd(II)- and Ni(II)-Based Catalysts for Polymerization of Ethylene and $\alpha$ -Olefins**

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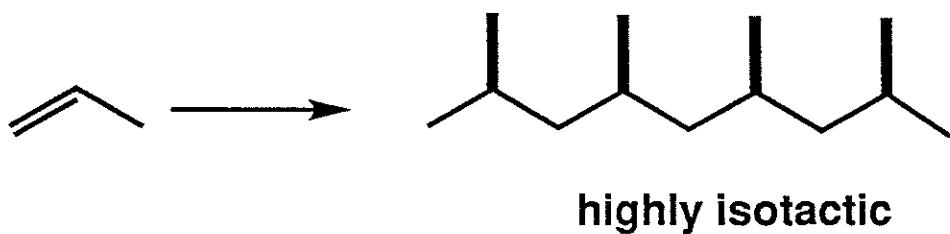
## Olefin Polymerizations Using Early Metal Catalysts



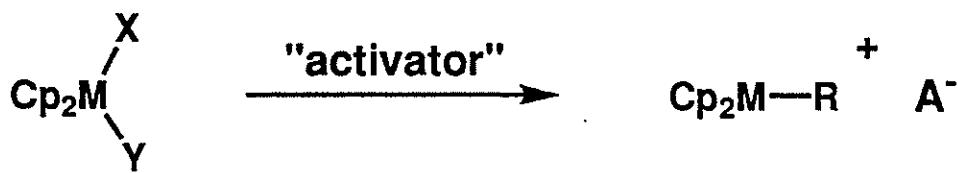
## Ziegler-Natta Systems

1.  $\text{TiCl}_3 / \text{AlEt}_2\text{Cl}$  ( $\text{AlEt}_3$ )
2.  $\text{TiCl}_3 / \text{AlEt}_2\text{Cl} / \text{Lewis Base}$
3.  $\text{TiCl}_4 / \text{MgCl}_2 / \text{Lewis Base} / \text{AlEt}_2\text{Cl}$

## Supported Catalysts



## "Single-Site" Homogeneous Metallocene-Based Catalysts



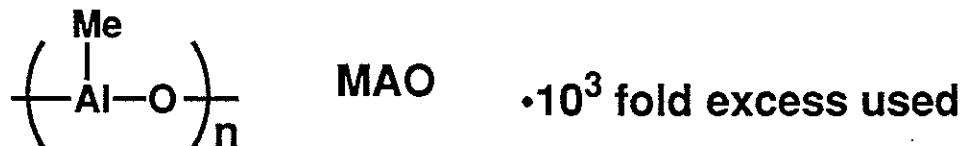
X, Y = halide, alkyl

M = early metal or lanthanide  
 $d^0$  or  $d^0 f^n$

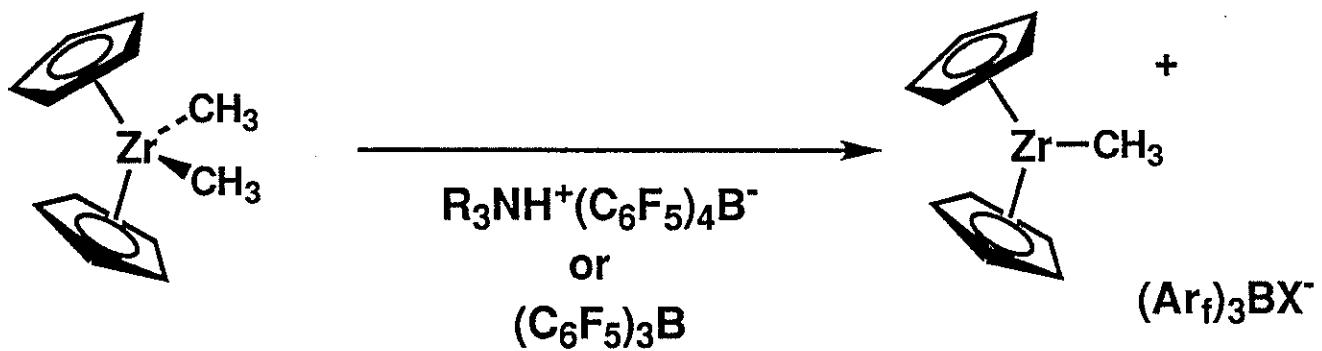
$\text{A}^-$  = noncoordinating counterion

### Examples of Activators

- Methylaluminoxane (Sinn, Kaminsky)



- Lewis or Bronsted Acids based on fluorinated aryl borates (Turner, Jordan, Marks, ....)



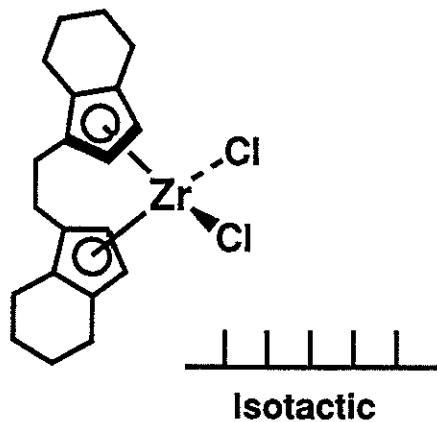
## "Single-Site" Catalysts

- Modification of ligand structures allows control of:

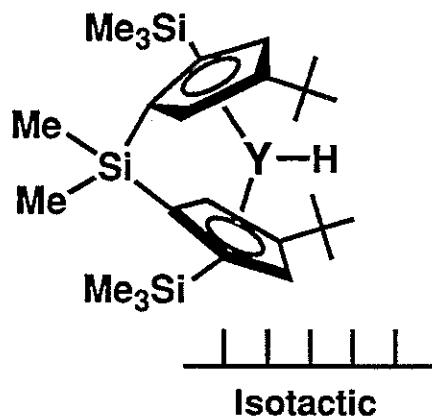
- activity
- molecular weight, molecular weight distribution
- microstructure / regiochemistry
- comonomer incorporation

### Polypropylene

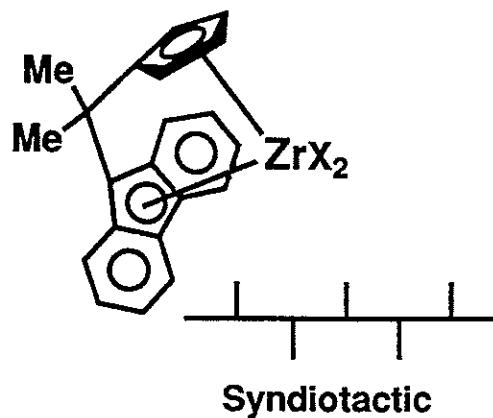
Brintzinger, Ewen



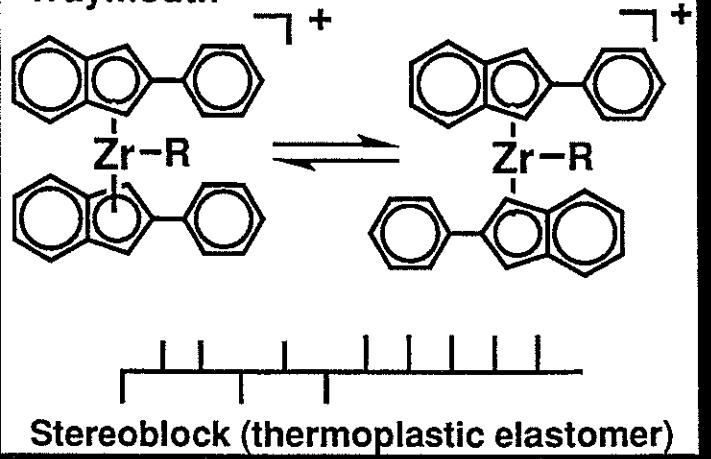
Bercaw



Ewen



Waymouth



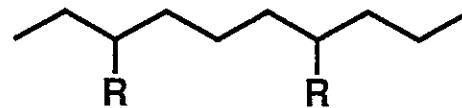
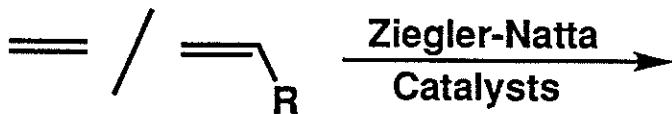
## Polyethylene



linear, semicrystalline

$$T_m = 133-138 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

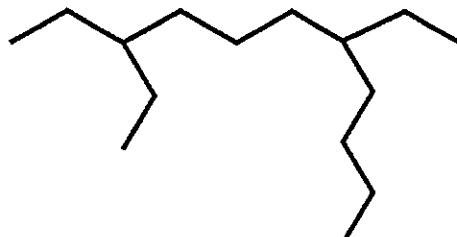
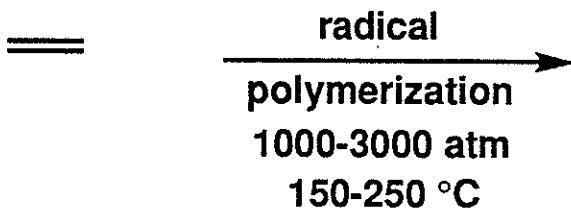
High Density  
Polyethylene (HDPE)



1- 10% comonomer incorporation

$$T_m = 115-130 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

Linear Low Density  
Polyethylene (LLDPE)



$$T_m = 105-115 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$$

Low Density  
Polyethylene (LDPE)

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## Late Metal Catalysts

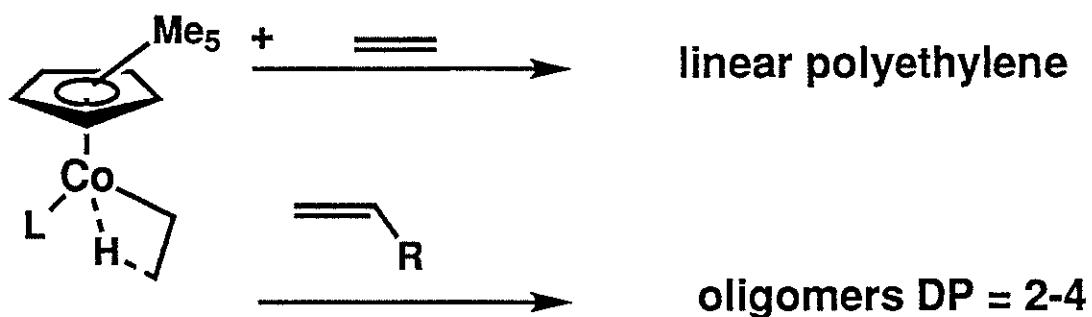
### Advantages

- Less oxophilic, more functional group tolerant

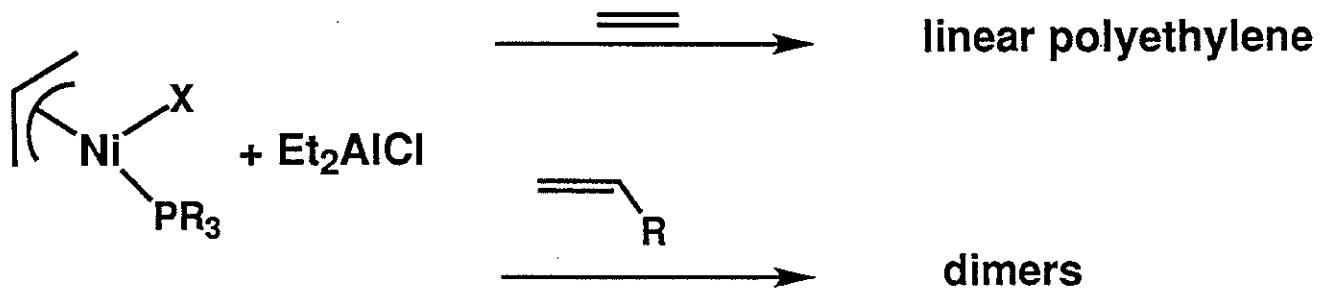
### Disadvantages

- Reduced activities
- $\beta$ -Elimination competitive with insertion

## Brookhart



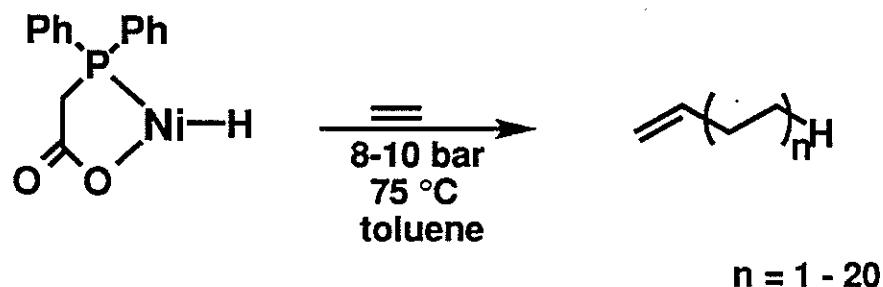
## Wilke



R = t-butyl

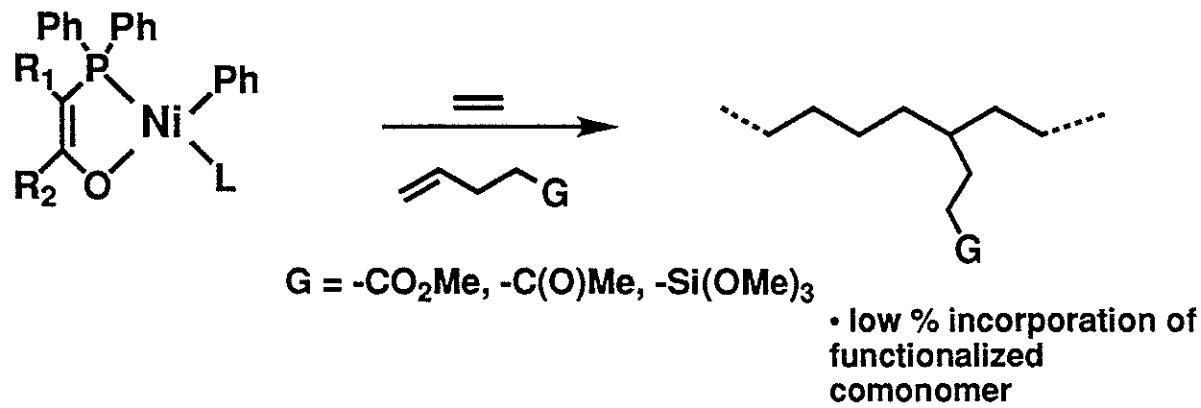
# Nickel-Catalyzed Oligomerization and Polymerization of Olefins

## Shell Higher Olefin Process (SHOP)



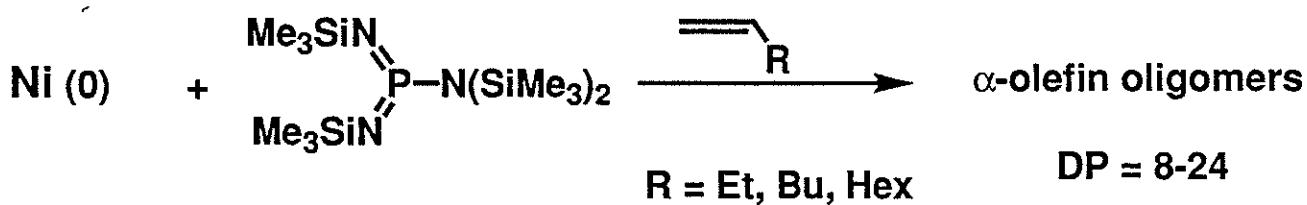
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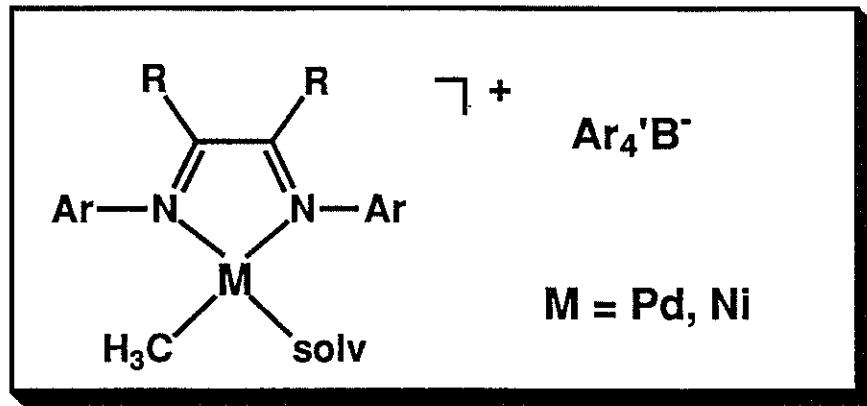
## Dupont



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## Möhring and Fink

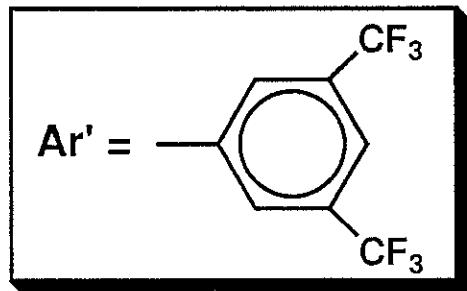
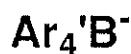
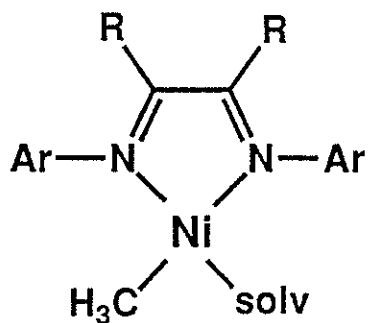




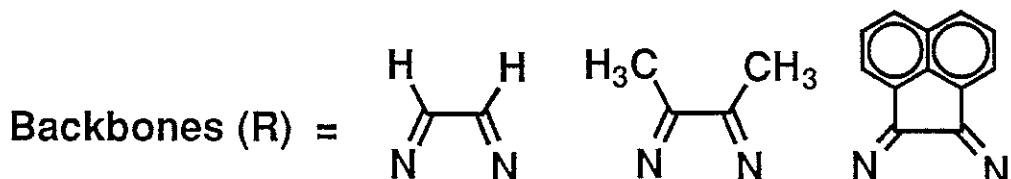
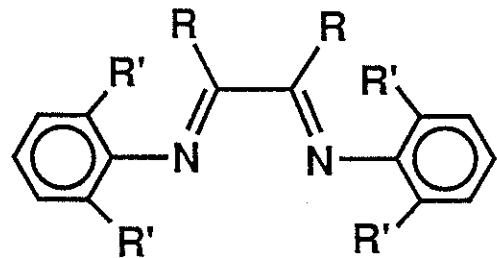
### New Class Of Late Metal Catalysts For:

- Polymerization of ethylene to polyethylene
  - unique and variable microstructures
  - activities approach Ziegler-Natta activities
- Polymerization of  $\alpha$ -olefins to high molar mass polymers
- Polymerization of 1,2-disubstituted olefins and cyclic olefins
- Copolymerizations of ethylene and methyl acrylate

## Well-Defined Initiators

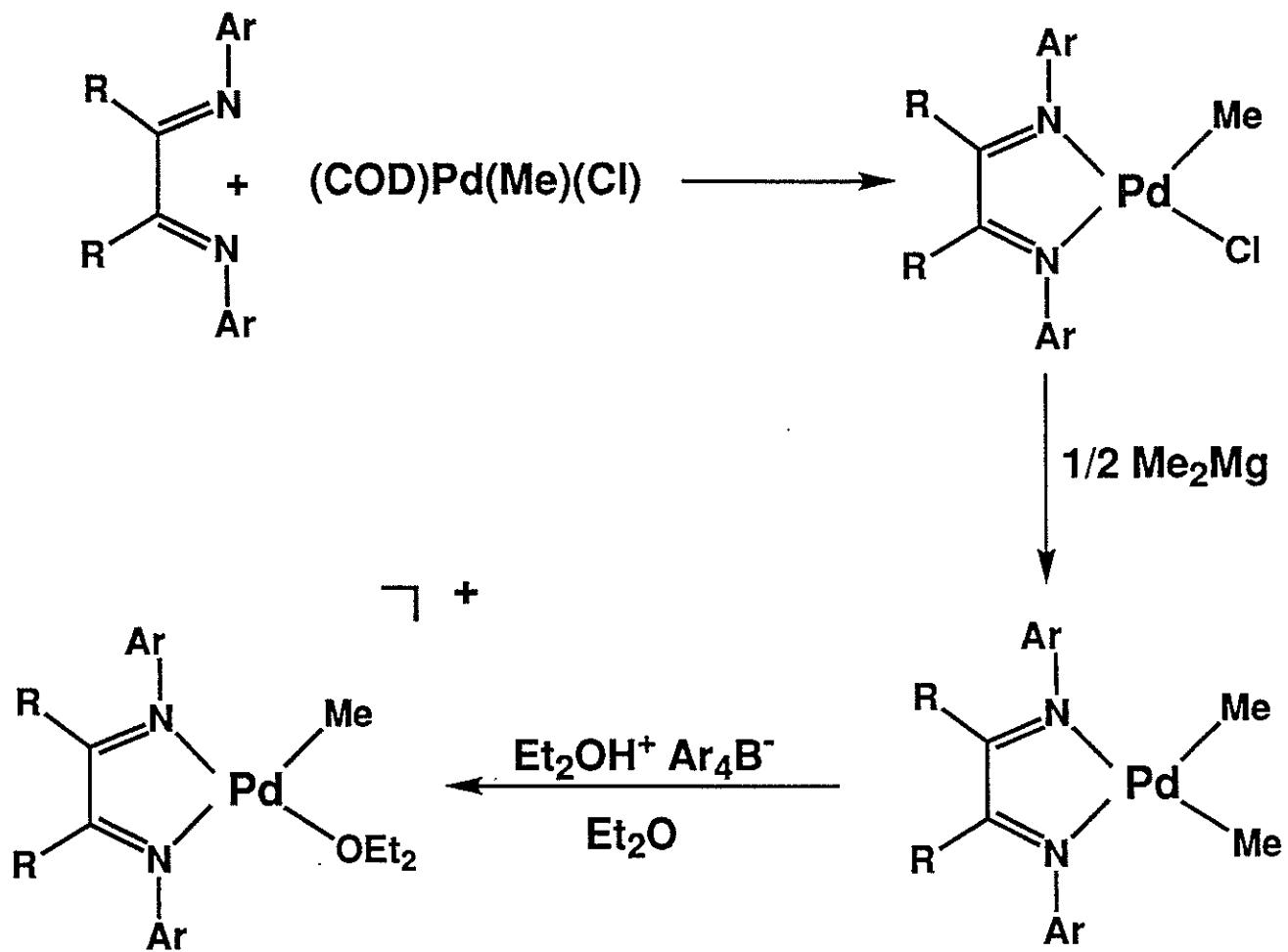


### Examples of Diimine Ligands Employed

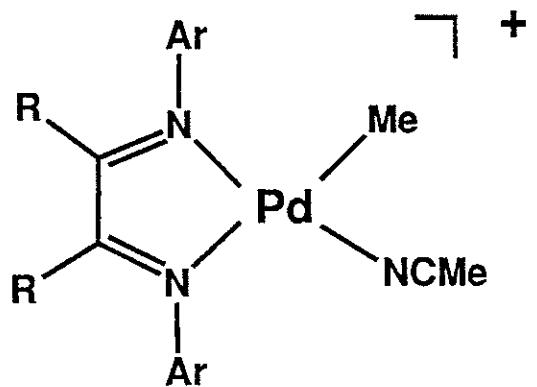
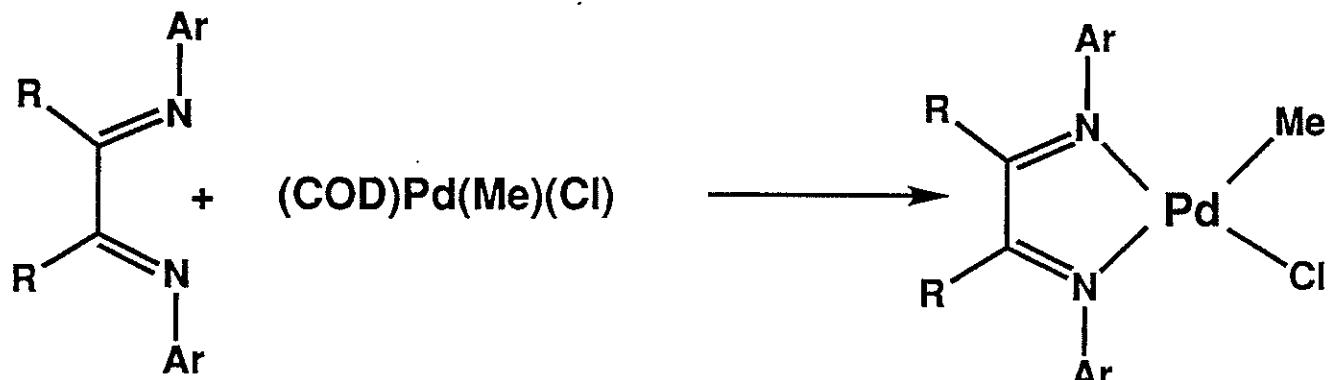


Ortho substituents (R') =  $-\text{CH}_3$ ,  $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$

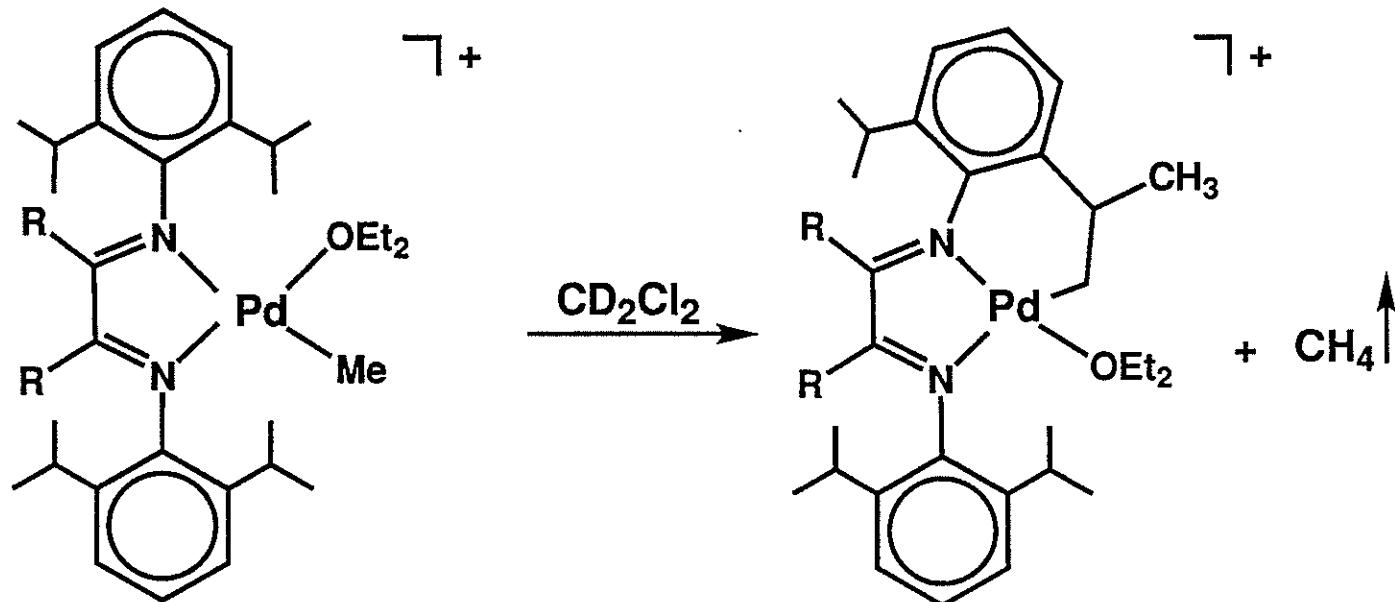
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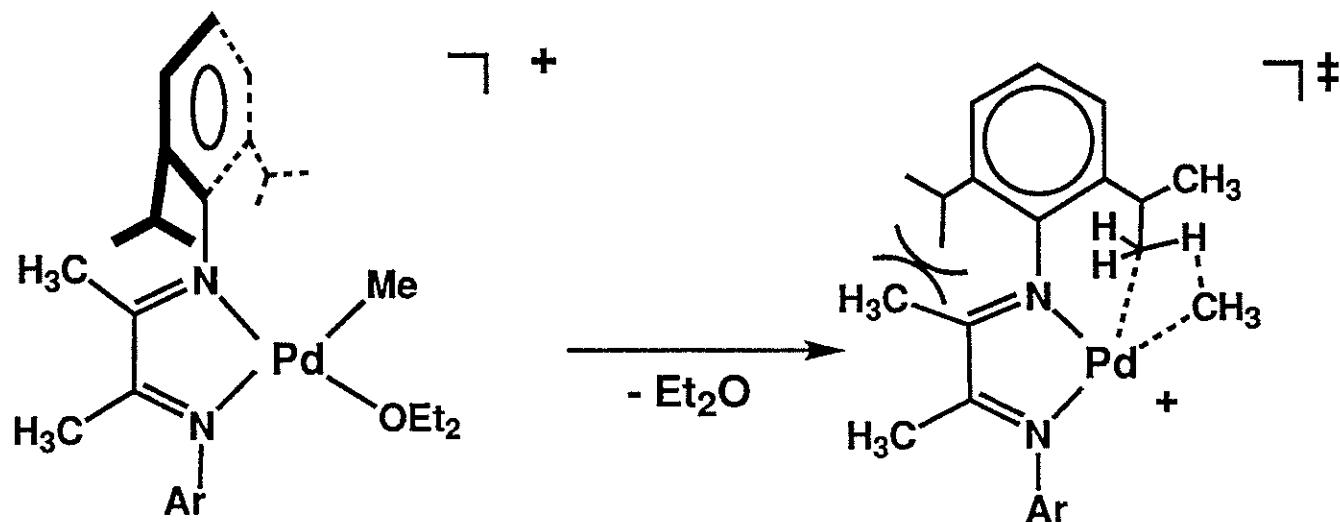


## Stability of Initiators



(more stable)  $\text{R} = \text{CH}_3$        $25^\circ\text{C}$        $t_{1/2}$  ca. 30 min

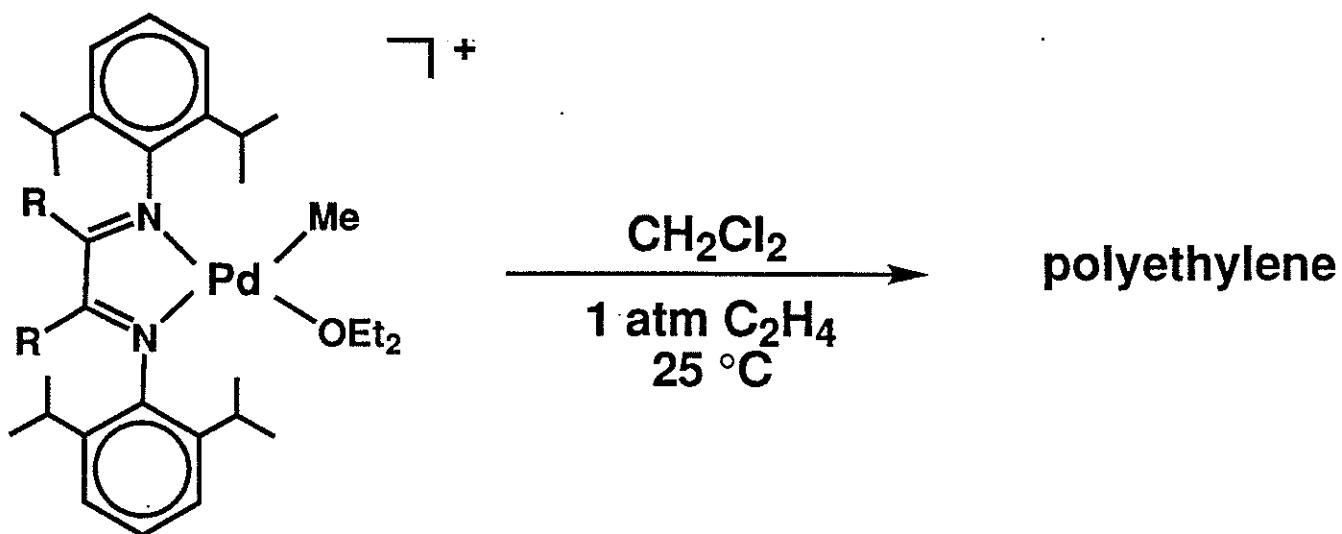
$\text{R} = \text{H}$        $25^\circ\text{C}$        $t_{1/2} < 5$  min



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$\sigma$ -bond metathesis?

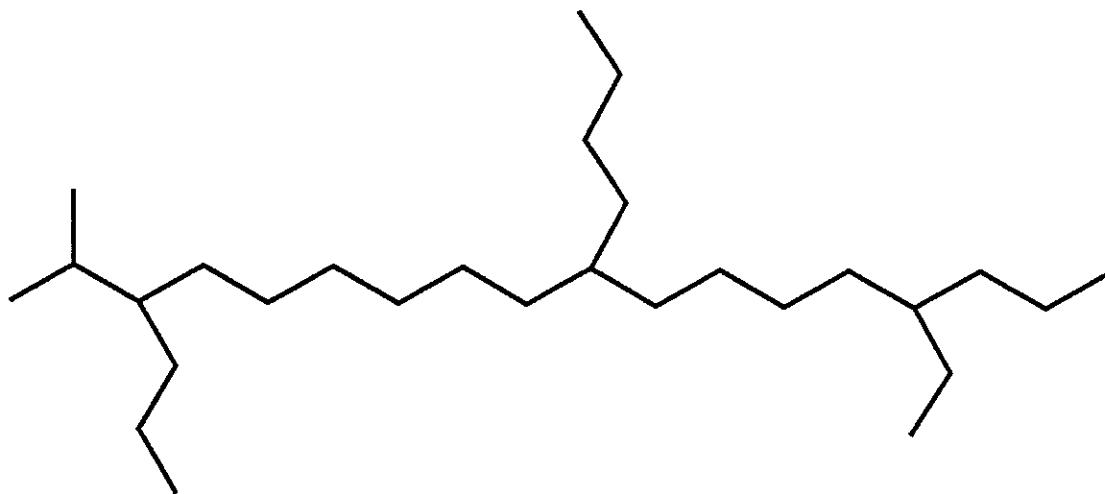
## Ethylene Polymerization



		time	total TO	$\bar{M}_w$	$\bar{M}_n$	$\bar{M}_w/\bar{M}_n$
1)	$\text{R} = \text{H}$	24 h	3500	18,000	6,000	3.0
2)	$\text{R} = \text{CH}_3$	17 h	16,000	112,000	29,000	3.9
3)	$\text{R} = \text{CH}_3$ (28 atm)	29 h	55,000	407,000	177,000	2.3

## Polymer Microstructure

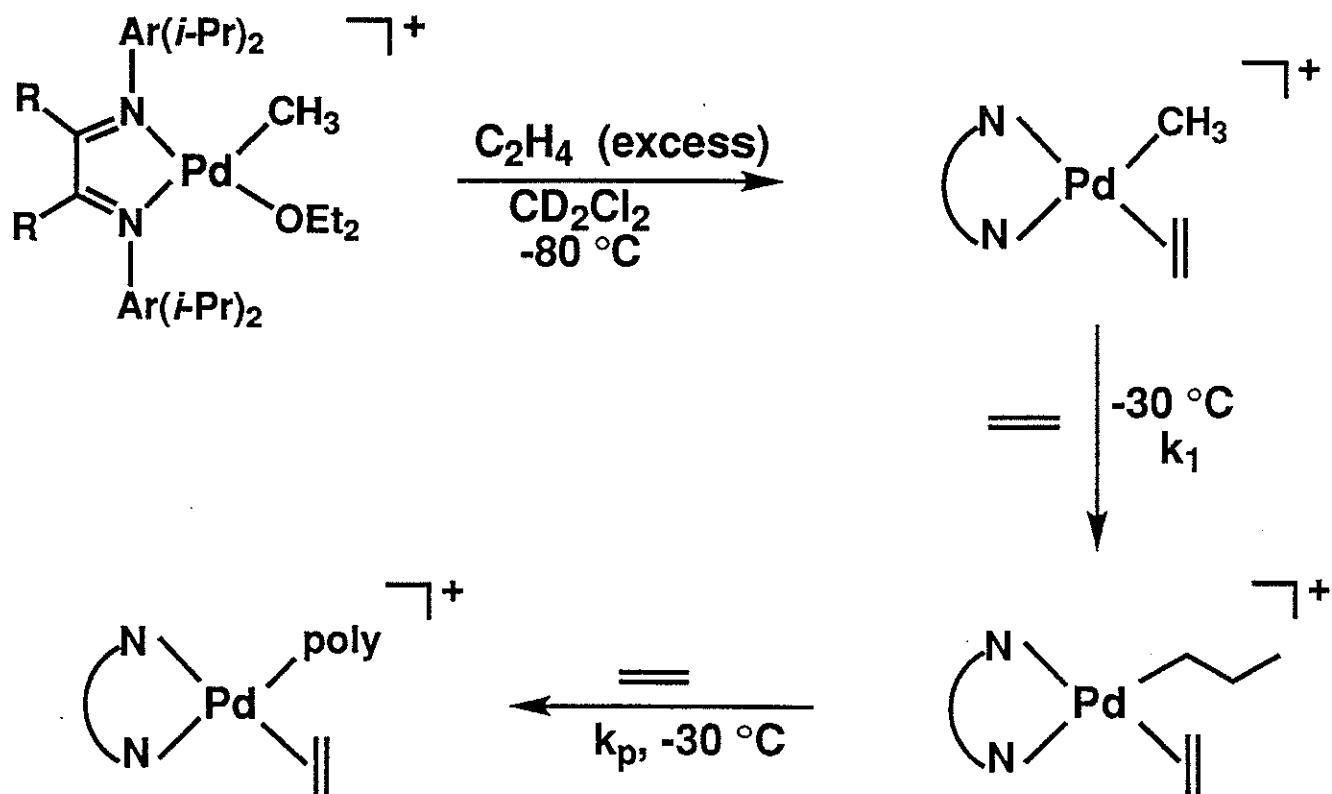
- Amorphous, Highly Branched Polymer ( $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^1\text{H}$  NMR)



$^1\text{H}$ :  $-\overset{\text{l}}{\underset{\text{l}}{\text{CH}}}-$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2-$     vs    $-\text{CH}_3$    yields   branches / 1000 carbons

- |                             |                           |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1)    116 branches / 1000 C | $T_g = -85^\circ\text{C}$ |
| 2)    103 branches / 1000 C | $T_g = -68^\circ\text{C}$ |
| 3)    97 branches / 1000 C  | $T_g = -66^\circ\text{C}$ |

## $^1\text{H}$ , $^{13}\text{C}$ NMR Studies



$$R = -H \quad k_1 = 1.9 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec}^{-1} \quad \Delta G^\ddagger = 17.2 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$k_p = 1.7 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec}^{-1} \quad \Delta G^\ddagger = 17.3 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

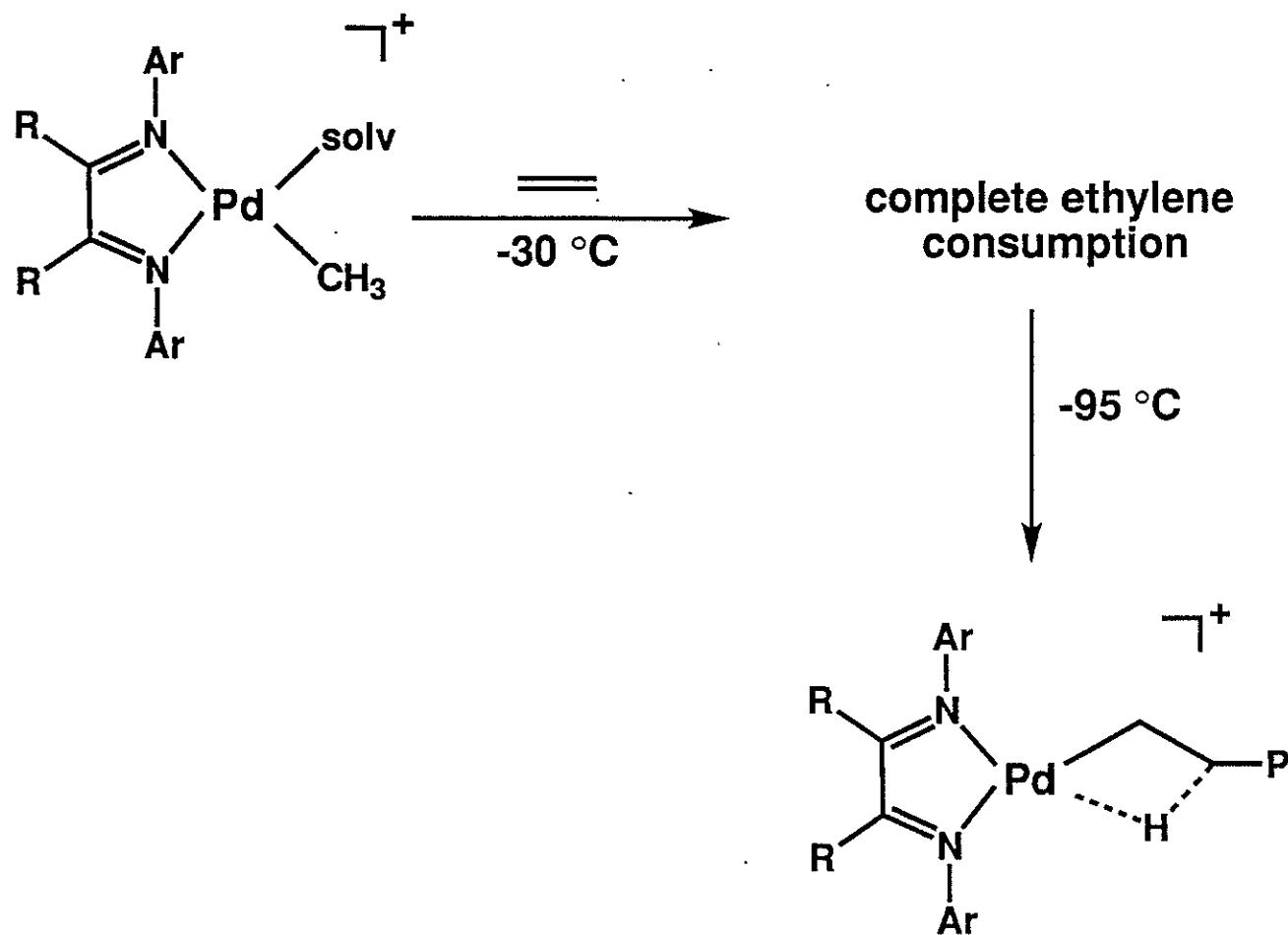
$$R = -\text{CH}_3 \quad k_1 = 8.8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ sec}^{-1} \quad \Delta G^\ddagger = 17.8 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

$$k_p = 3.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec}^{-1} \quad \Delta G^\ddagger = 16.9 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

- Catalyst resting state = alkyl ethylene complex

- Chain growth zero order in ethylene

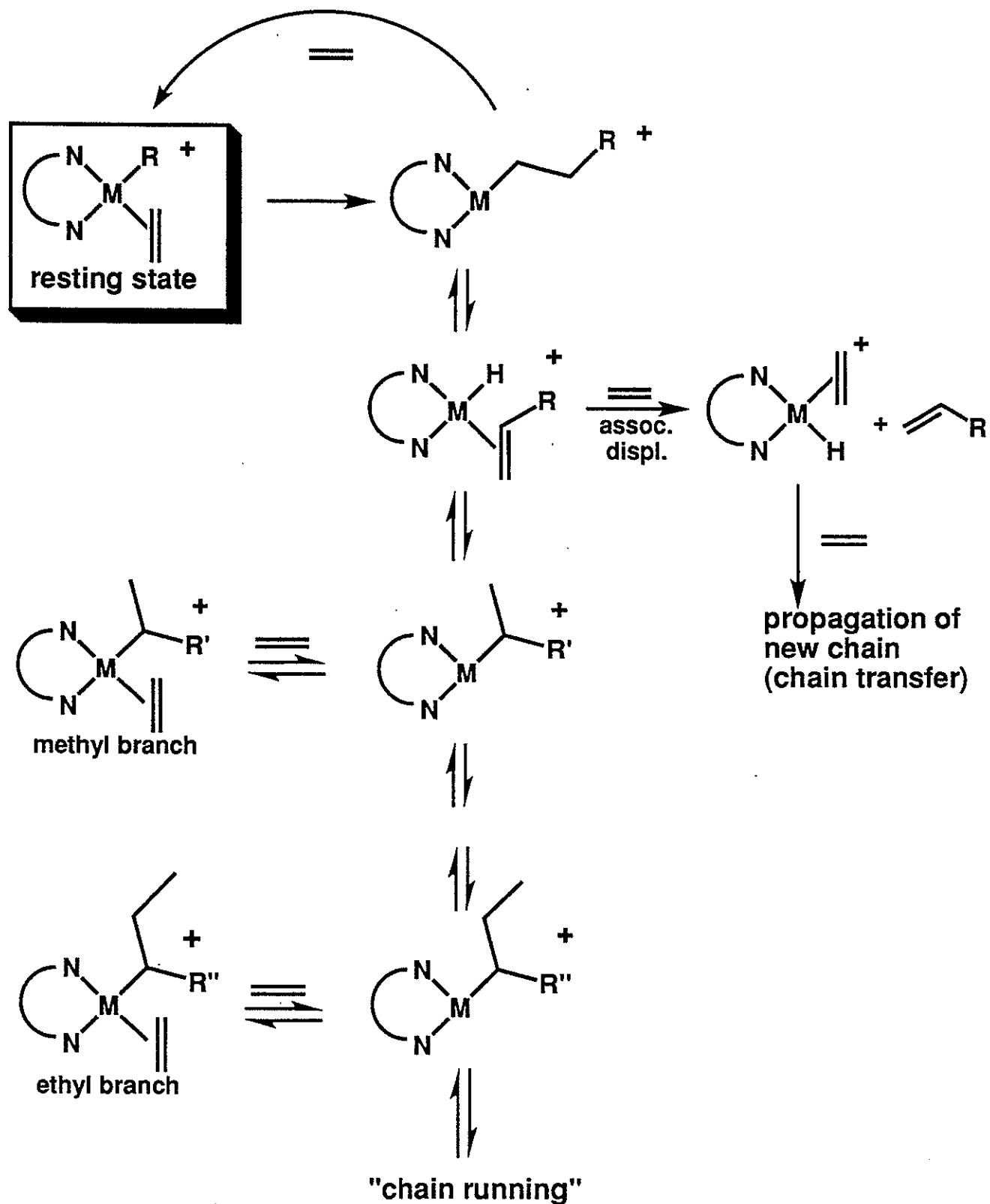
## NMR Studies



R = -CH<sub>3</sub>      -8.4 ppm (br)

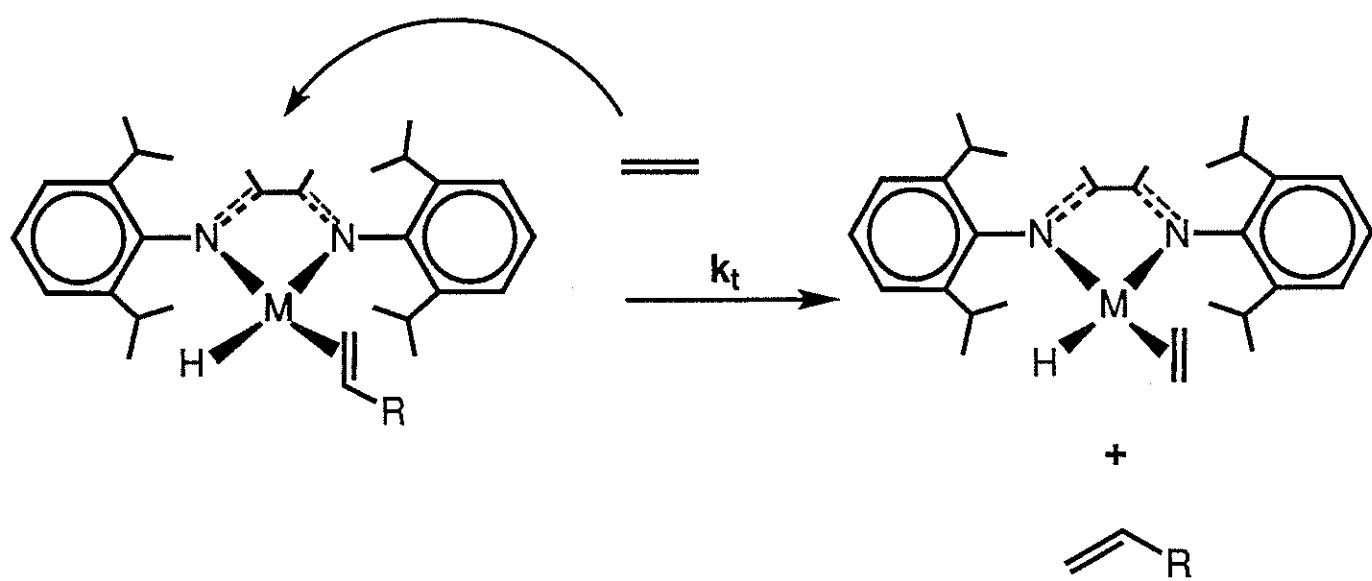
R = -H      -7.2 to -7.5 (br)  
-8.0 to -8.5 (br)

## Proposed Mechanistic Model

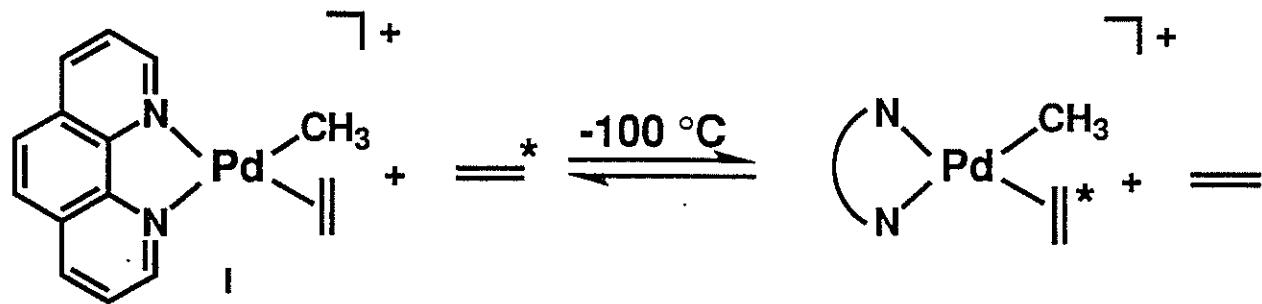


## Chain Transfer Rate Controlled by Associative Exchange

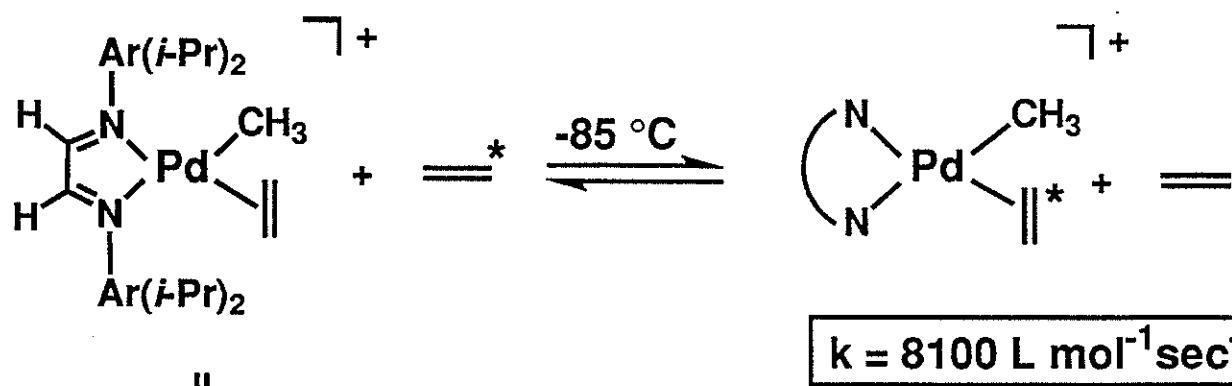
- Key to large  $k_p/k_t$  - Retard associative exchange by sterically blocking axial positions in  $d^8$  square planar complexes



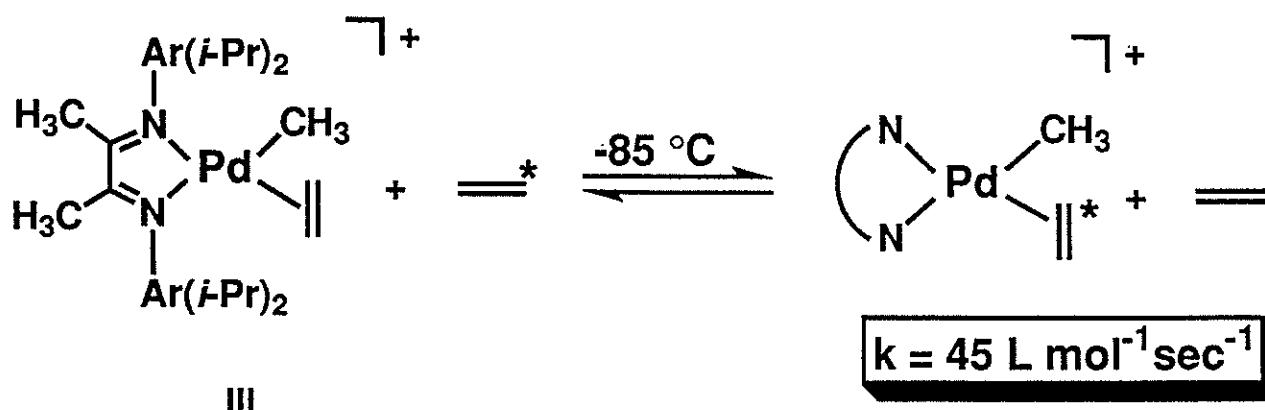
## Models for Associative Exchange Rates



too fast to measure at  $-100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$



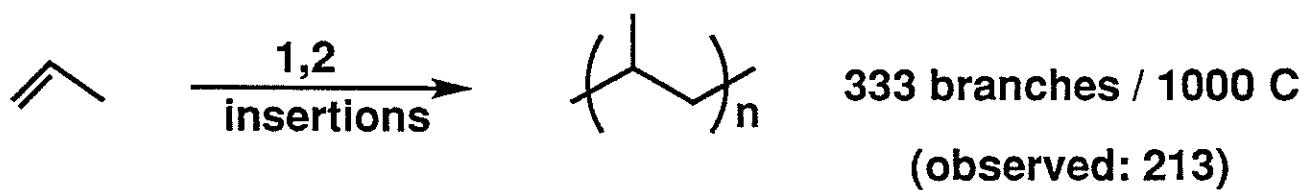
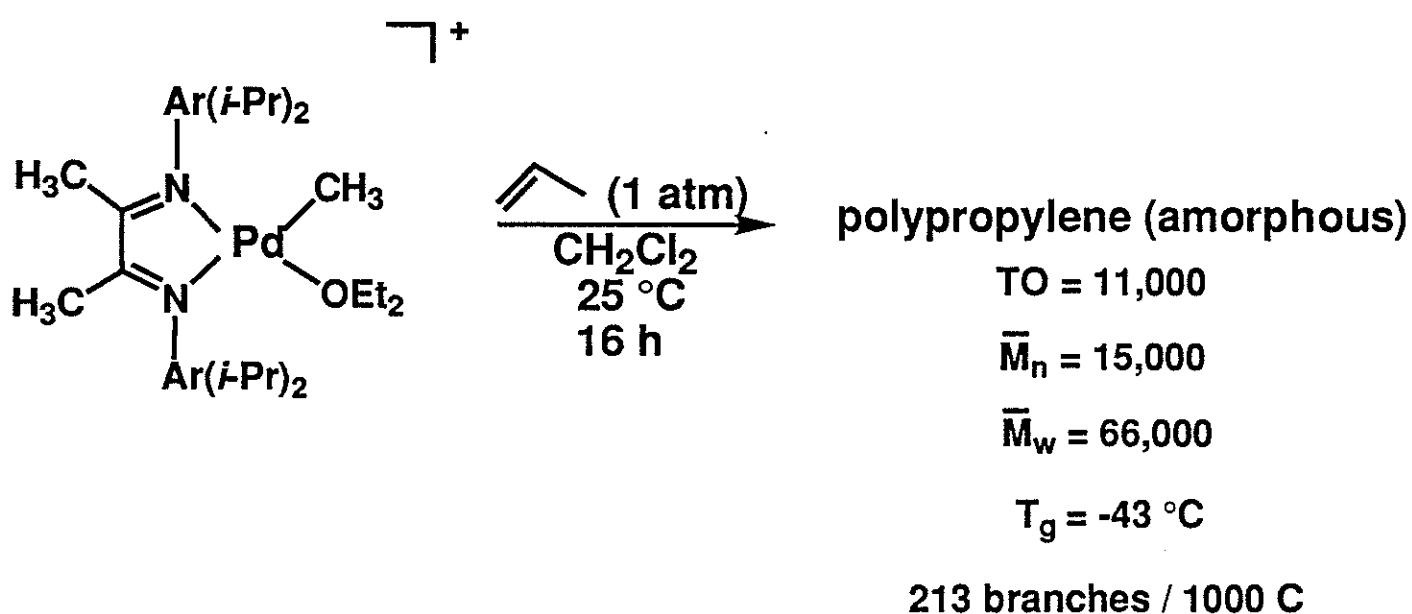
$k = 8100 \text{ L mol}^{-1}\text{sec}^{-1}$



$k = 45 \text{ L mol}^{-1}\text{sec}^{-1}$

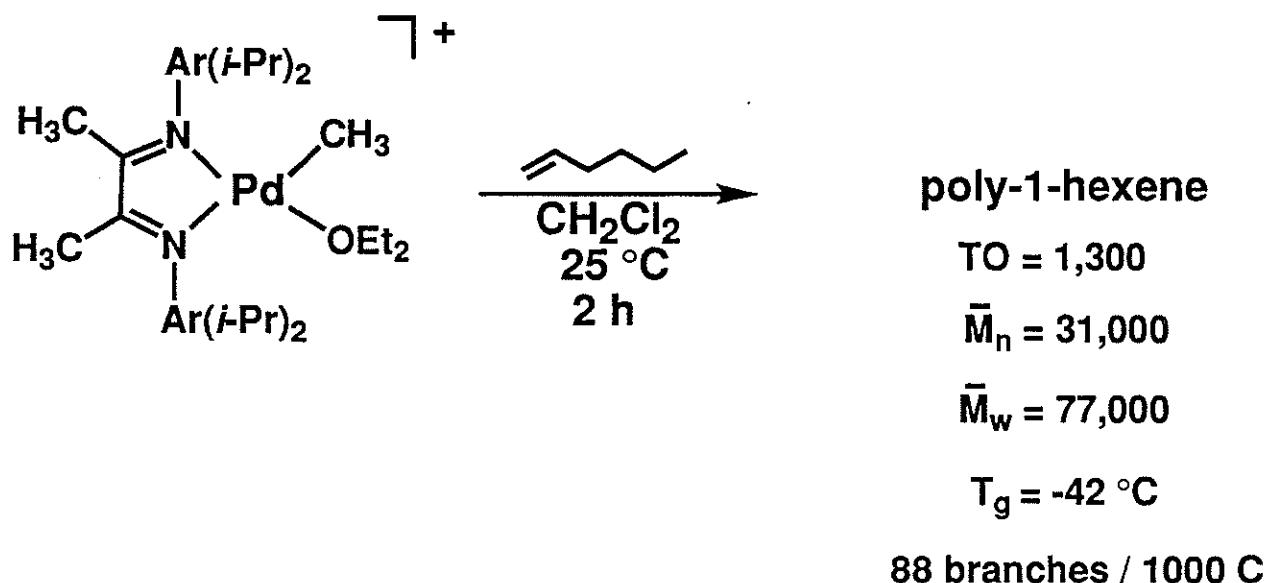


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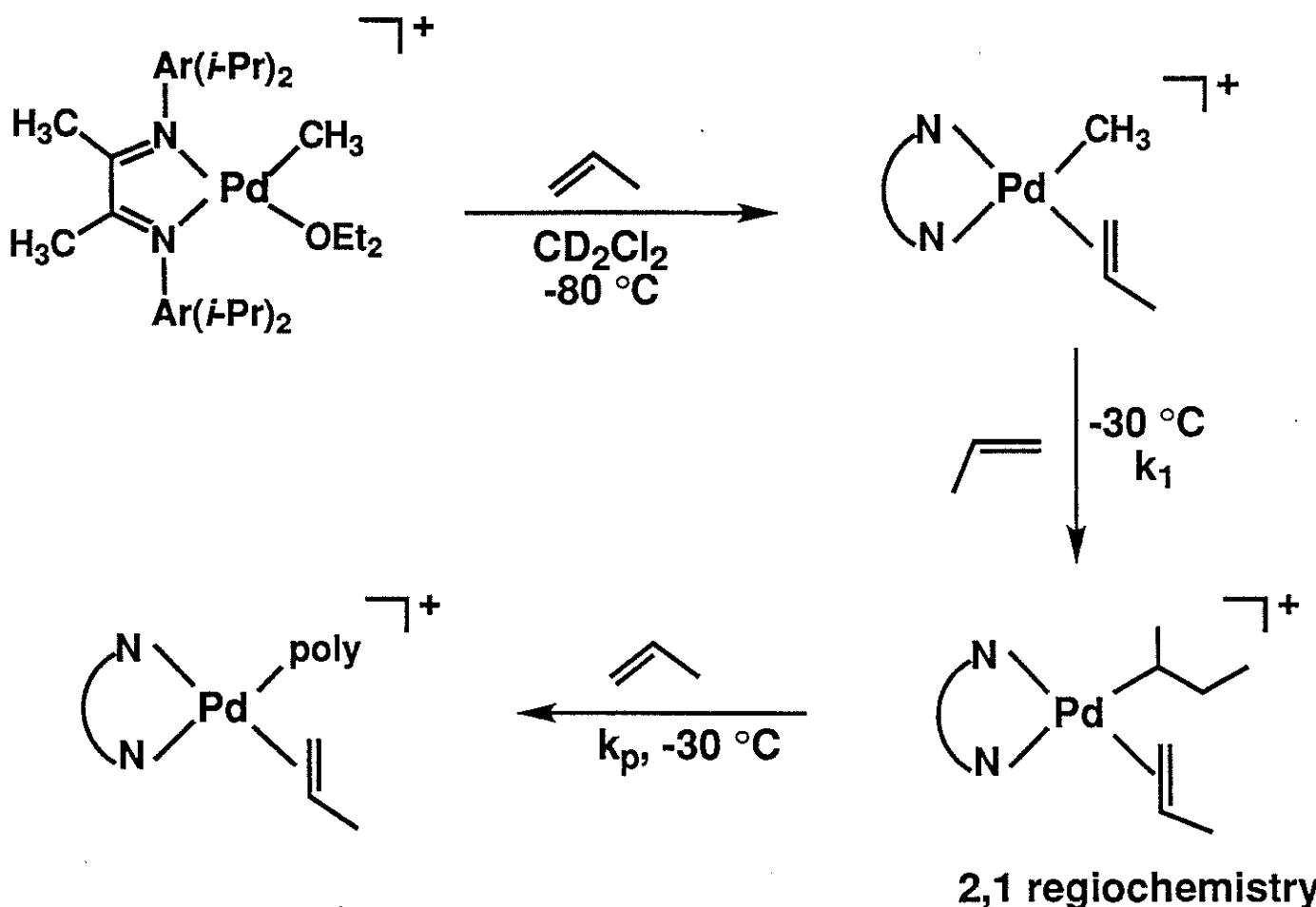
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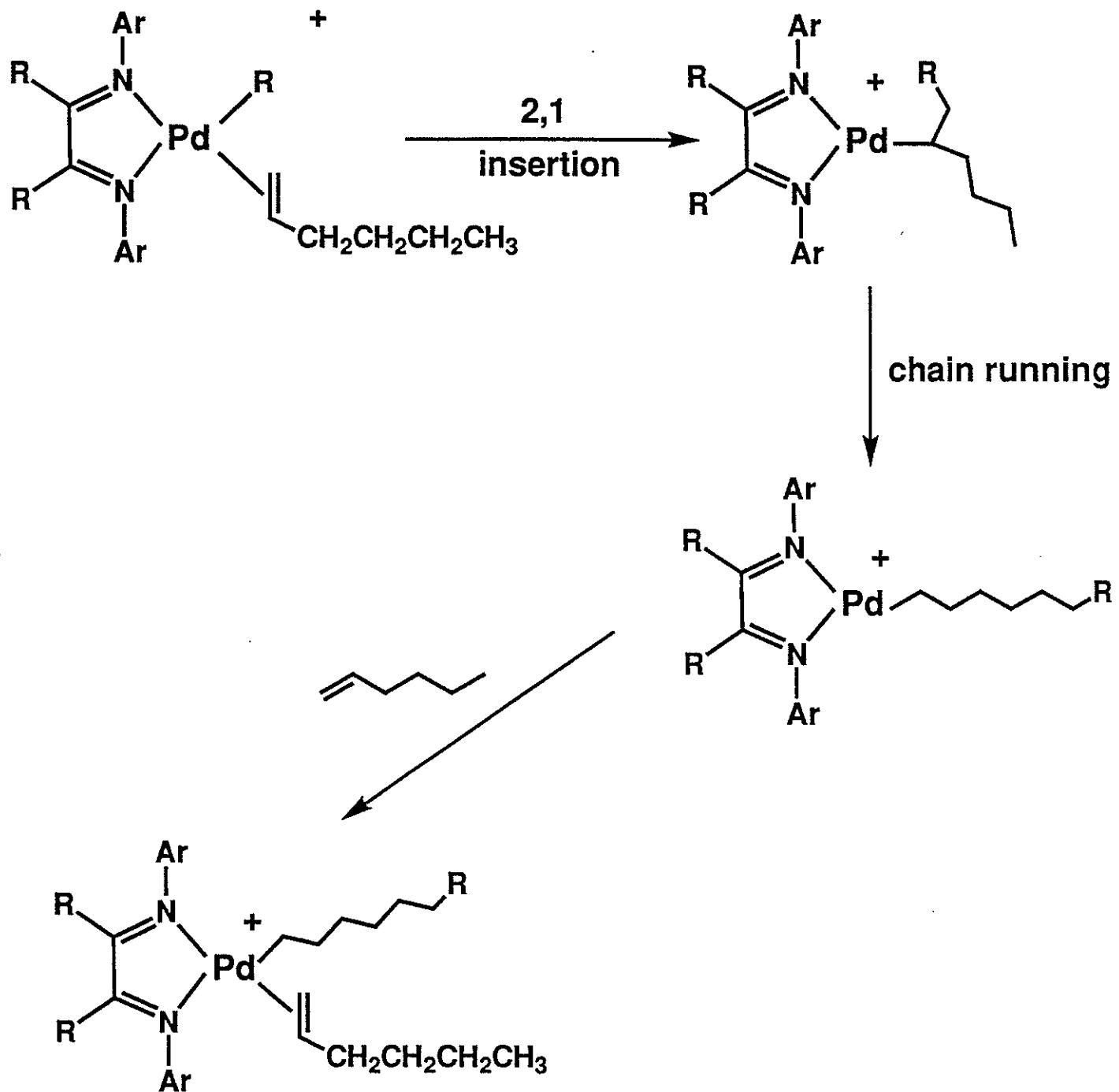


$$k_1 = 5.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ sec}^{-1} \quad \Delta G^\ddagger = 17.8 \text{ kcal/mol, } -30^\circ\text{C}$$

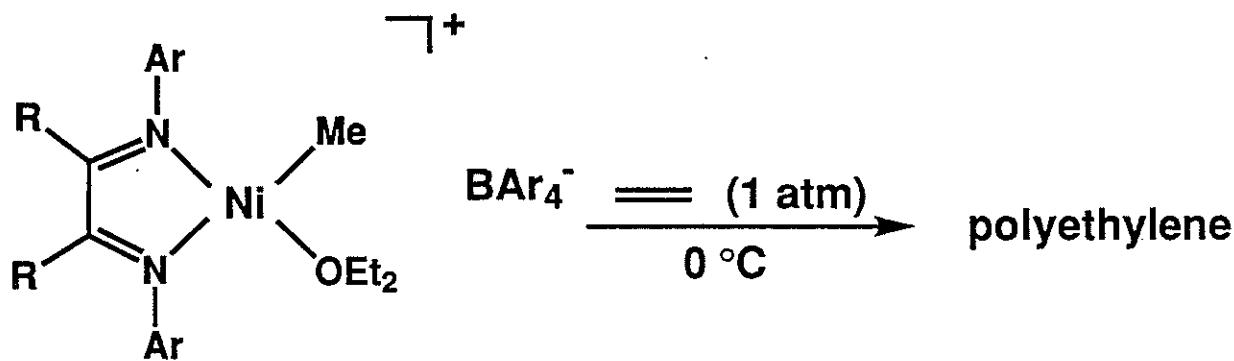
$$k_p = 1.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sec}^{-1} \quad \Delta G^\ddagger = 17.4 \text{ kcal/mol, } -30^\circ\text{C}$$

- Catalyst resting state = alkyl propylene complex
- Chain growth zero order in propylene
- 2,1 insertions predominate

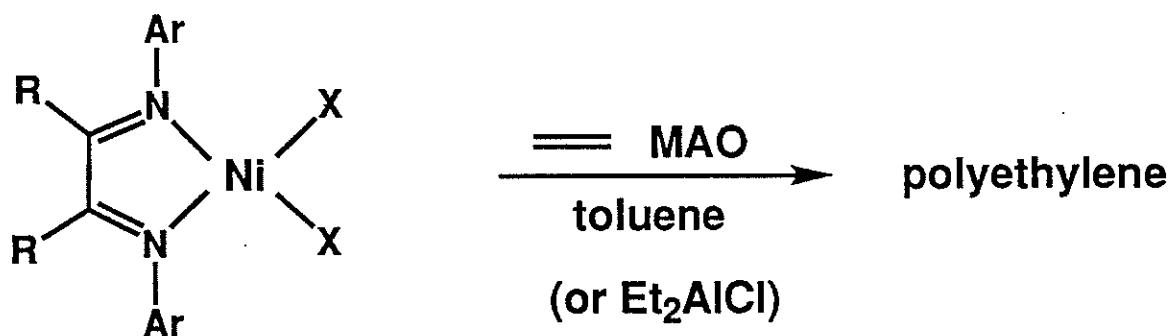
### Chain Straightening Mechanism



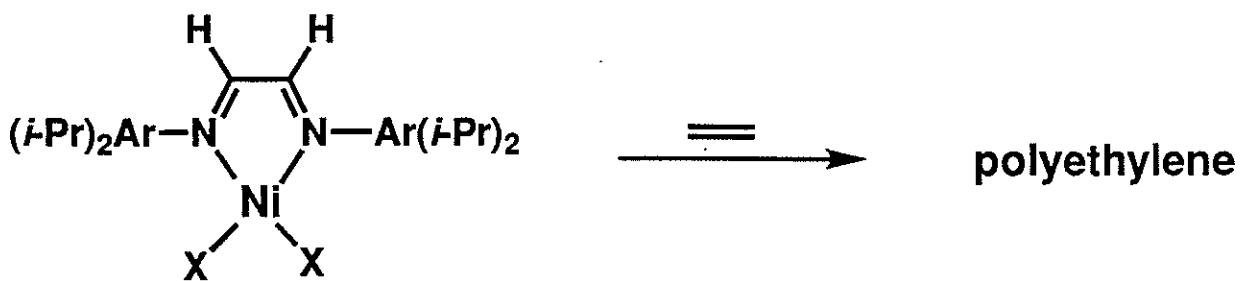
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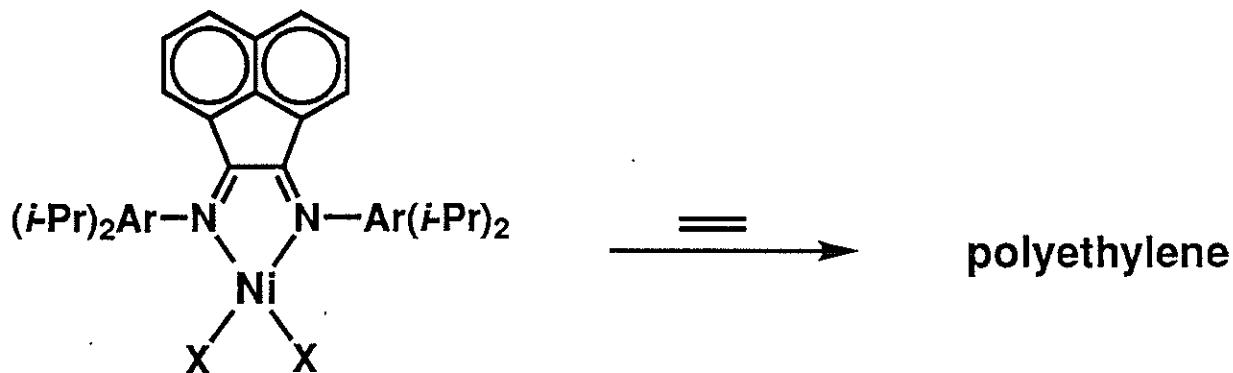
## MAO Activated



Activities (MAO Activated in toluene, 25 °C)

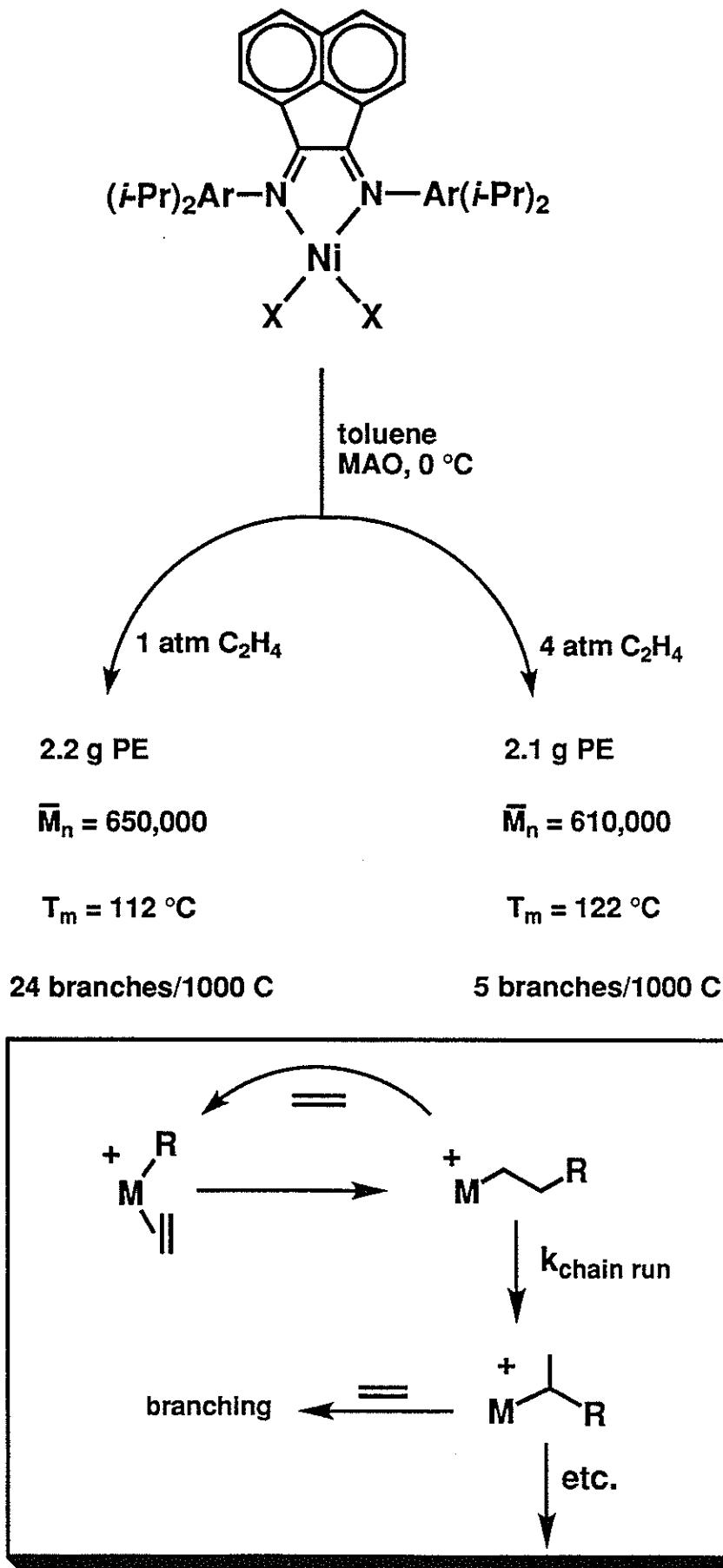


solvent volume	$P_{(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)}$	moles cat $\times 10^6$	TOF
100 mL	1 atm	1.7	$4 \times 10^5/\text{h}$

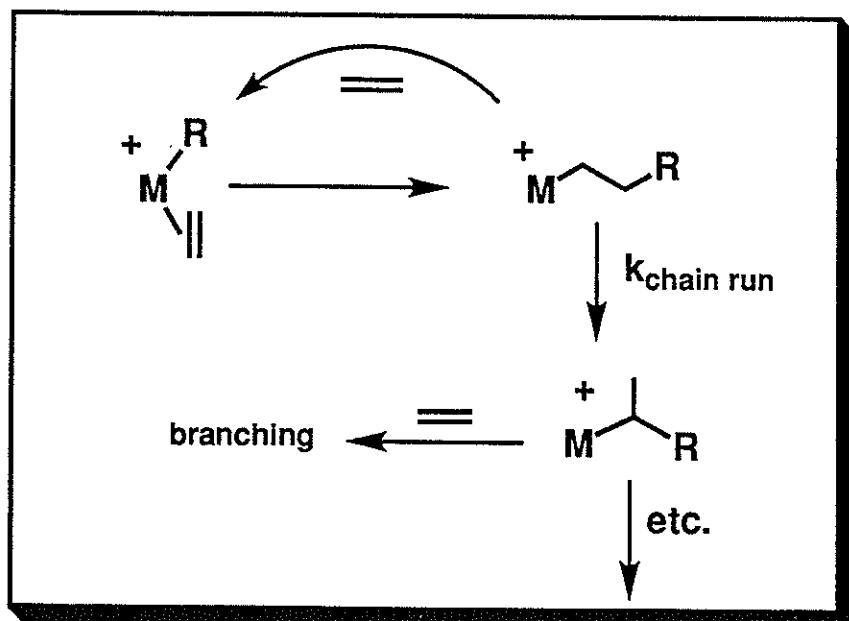
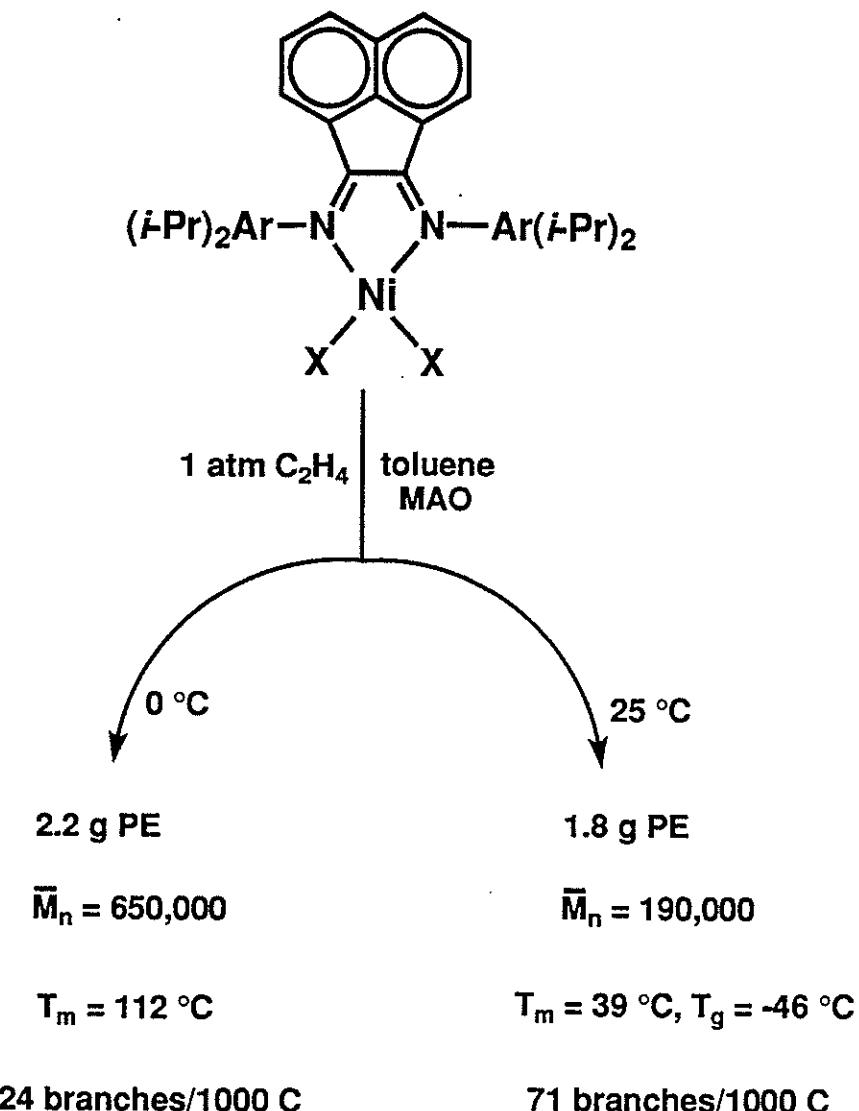


solvent volume	$P_{(\text{C}_2\text{H}_4)}$	moles cat $\times 10^6$	TOF
200 mL	15 atm	0.8	$2 \times 10^6/\text{h}$
200 mL	30 atm	0.8	$2 \times 10^6/\text{h}$
200 mL	40 atm	0.8	$2 \times 10^6/\text{h}$

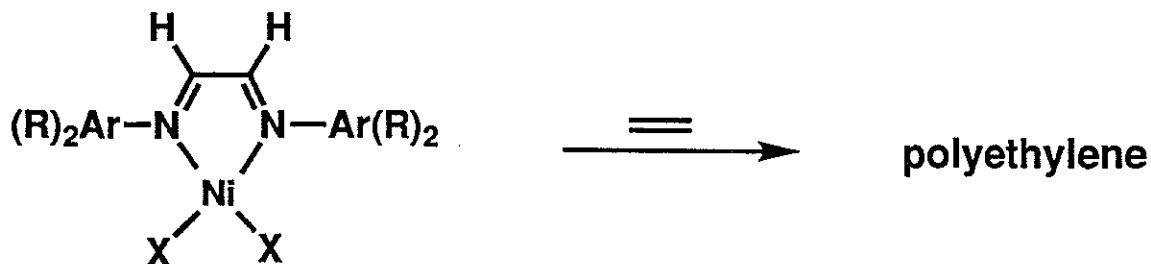
## Pressure Effects



## Temperature Effects

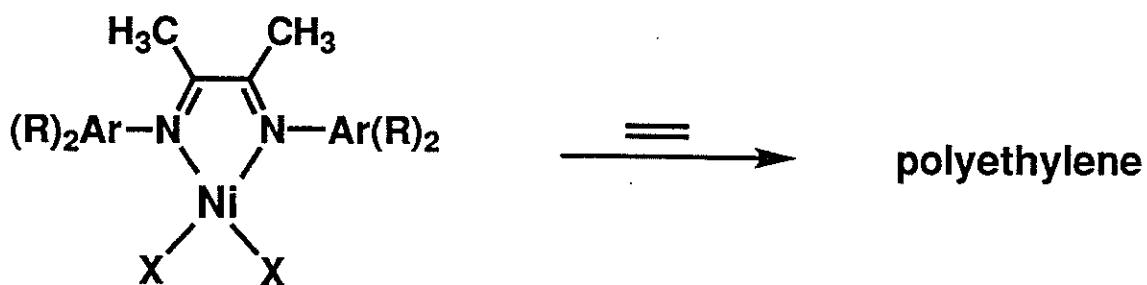


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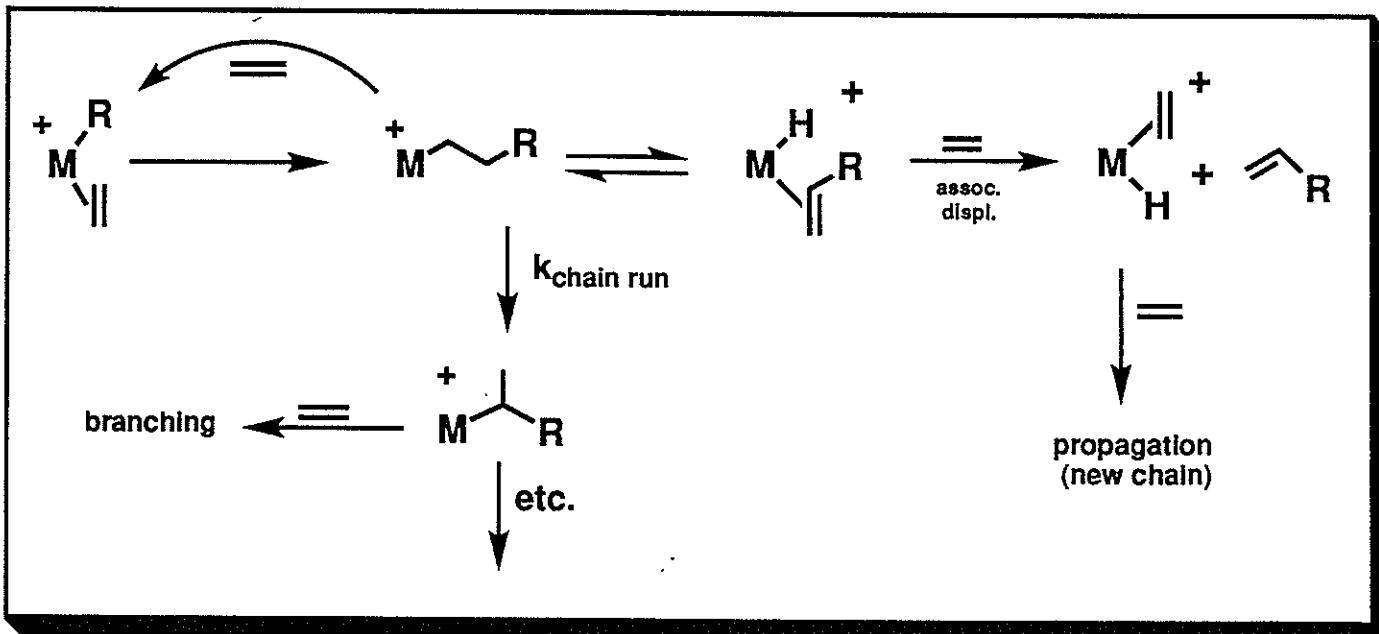
	<u><math>\bar{M}_n</math></u>	<u><math>\bar{M}_w/\bar{M}_n</math></u>	<u><math>T_m</math></u>	<u>branches/1000 C</u>
$R = o\text{-}i\text{-Pr}$	110,000	2.7	129 °C	7
$R = o\text{-CH}_3$	43,000	2.5	132 °C	1

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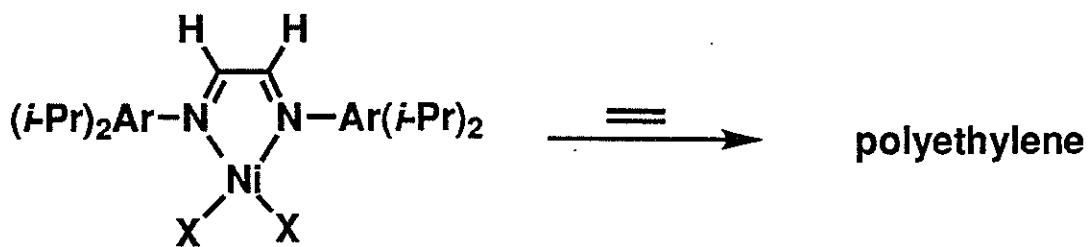


	$\bar{M}_n$	$\bar{M}_w/\bar{M}_n$	$T_m$	branches/1000 C
$R = o - i\text{-Pr}$	520,000	1.6	109 °C	48

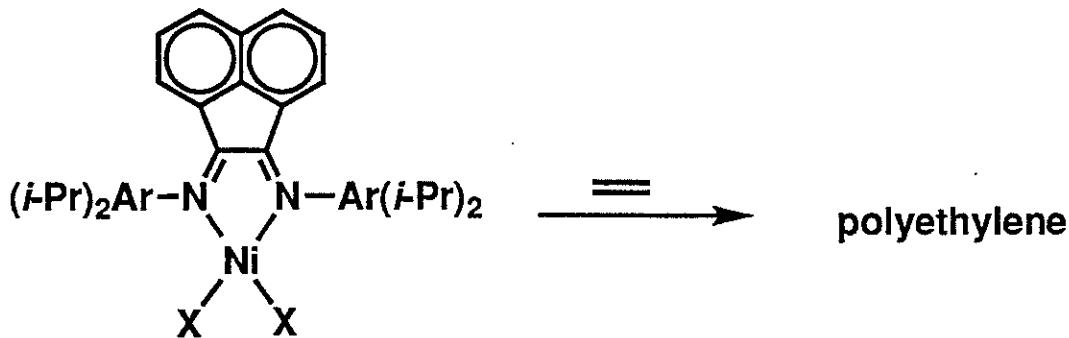
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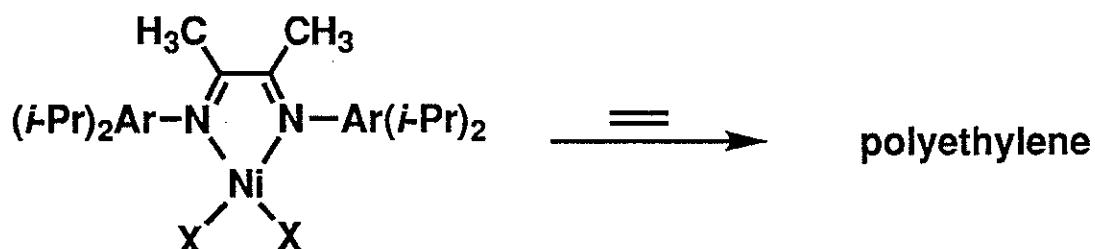
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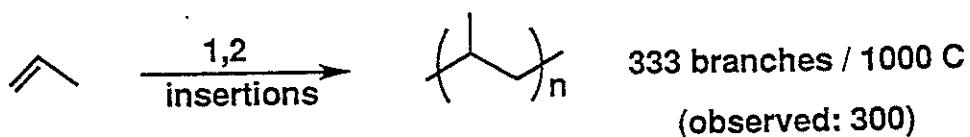
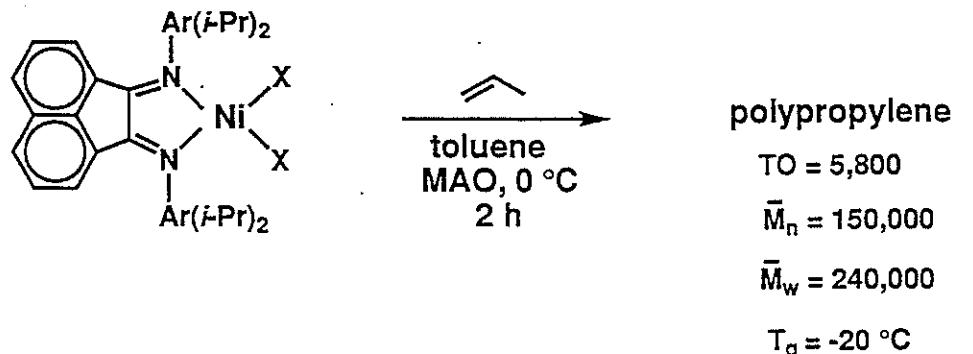


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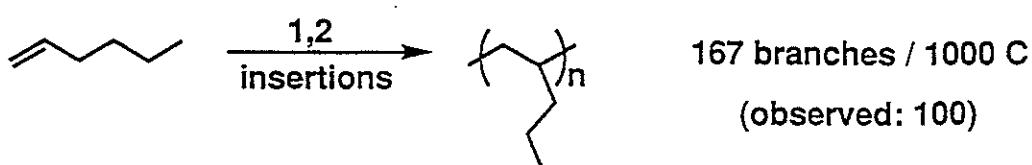
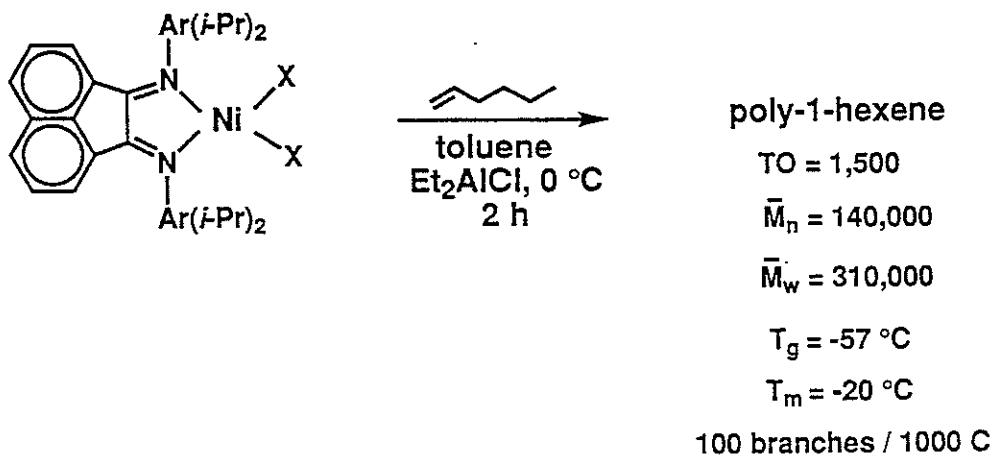


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520,000	1.6	109 °C	48

## Ni (II) Polymerization of $\alpha$ -Olefins



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Implies "Chain Straightening"

## Summary

- First late metal catalysts to convert  $\alpha$ -olefins to high molar mass polymers
- First catalyst systems examined where alkyl olefin complexes definitively established as catalyst resting states
- Polyethylenes variable from highly branched, amorphous to linear, crystalline material by changes in pressure, temperature, and catalyst structures. No comonomers required.
- Activities of Ni(II) systems approach Ziegler-Natta activities-ligands are inexpensive, minimal quantities of Lewis acid activators required.
- First demonstration of metal-based random copolymerization of ethylene and methyl acrylate

# Material Design in Poly(Lactic Acid) Systems

M. Spinu, C. Jackson, M. Y. Keating, K. H. Gardner

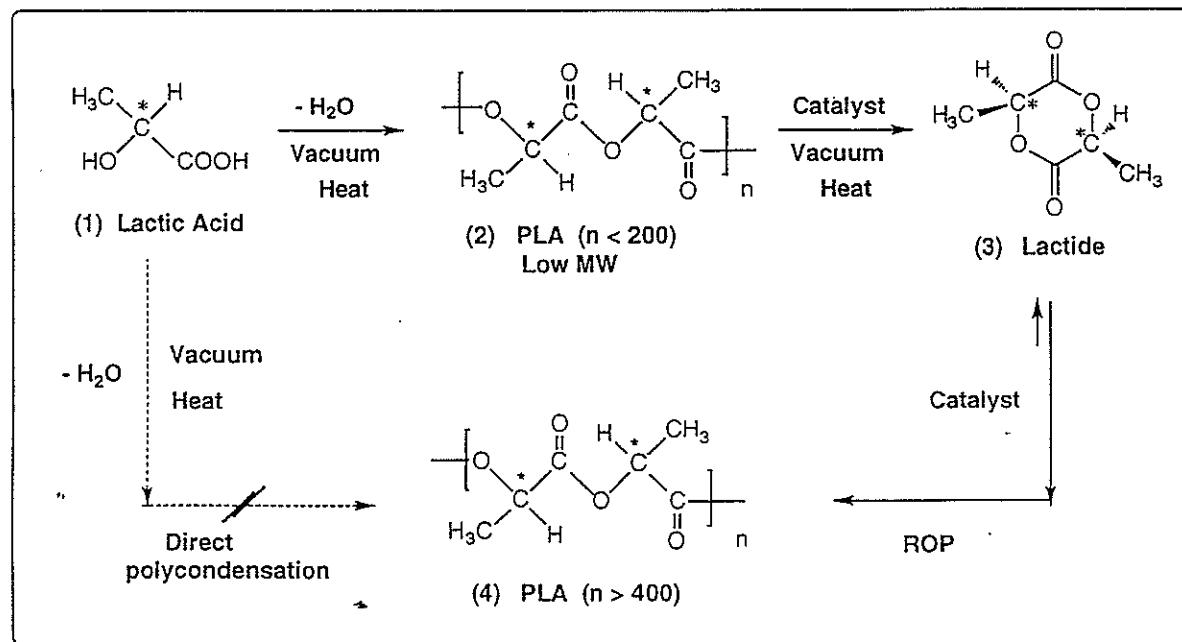
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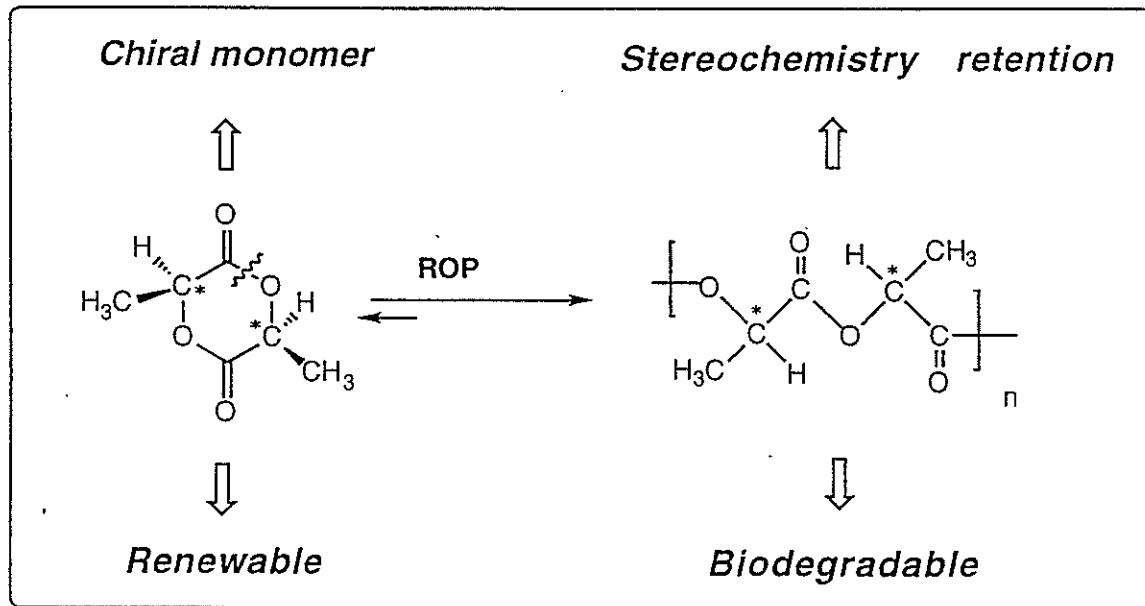
## Outline

- ❑ Background
- ❑ New PLA Materials
  - (i) Copolymerization
    - ABA triblocks
    - $(ABA)_n$  multiblocks
    - Stereoblocks
  - (ii) Controlled architecture
  - (iii) Controlled microstructure
  - (iv) Stereocomplex - L/D-PLA blends
- ❑ Conclusions

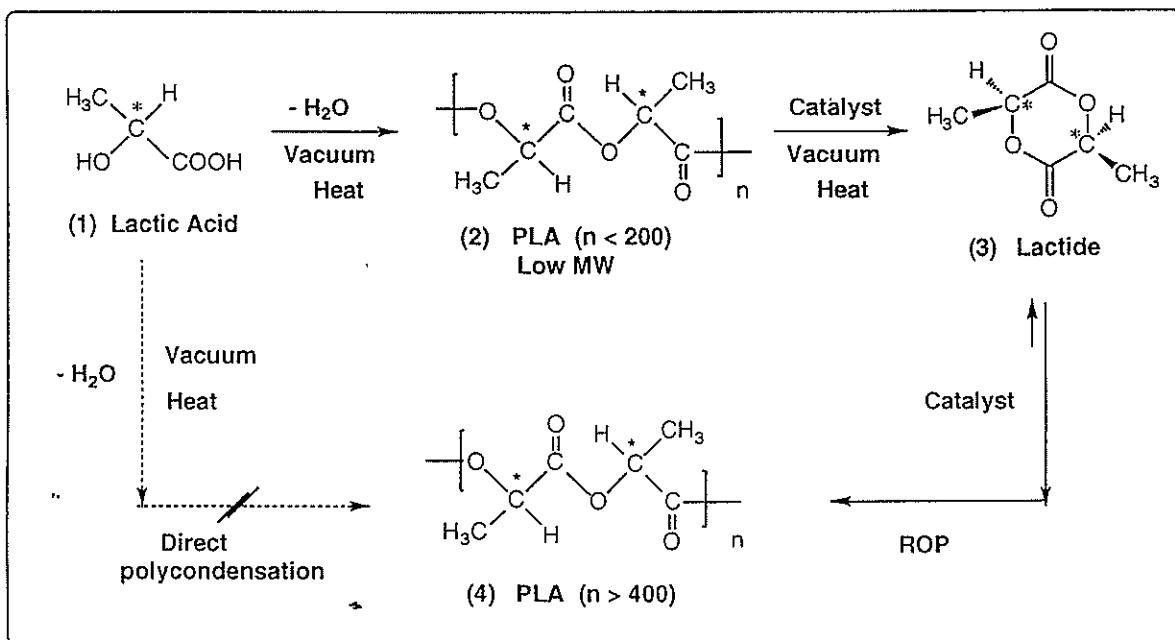
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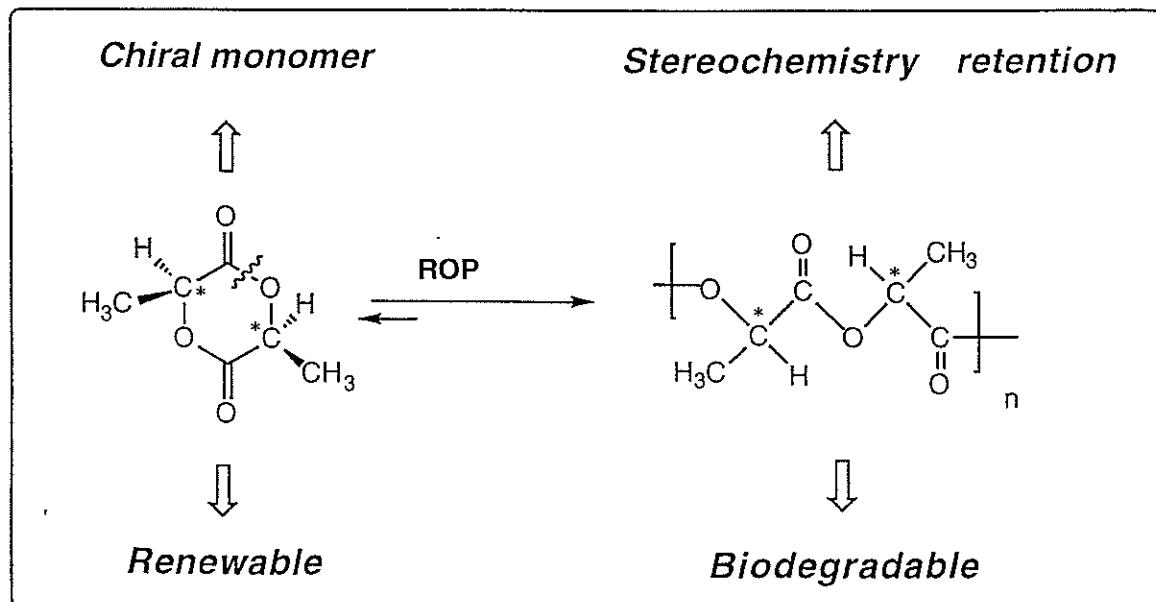
## Characteristics of PLA Polymers



# PLA Synthesis

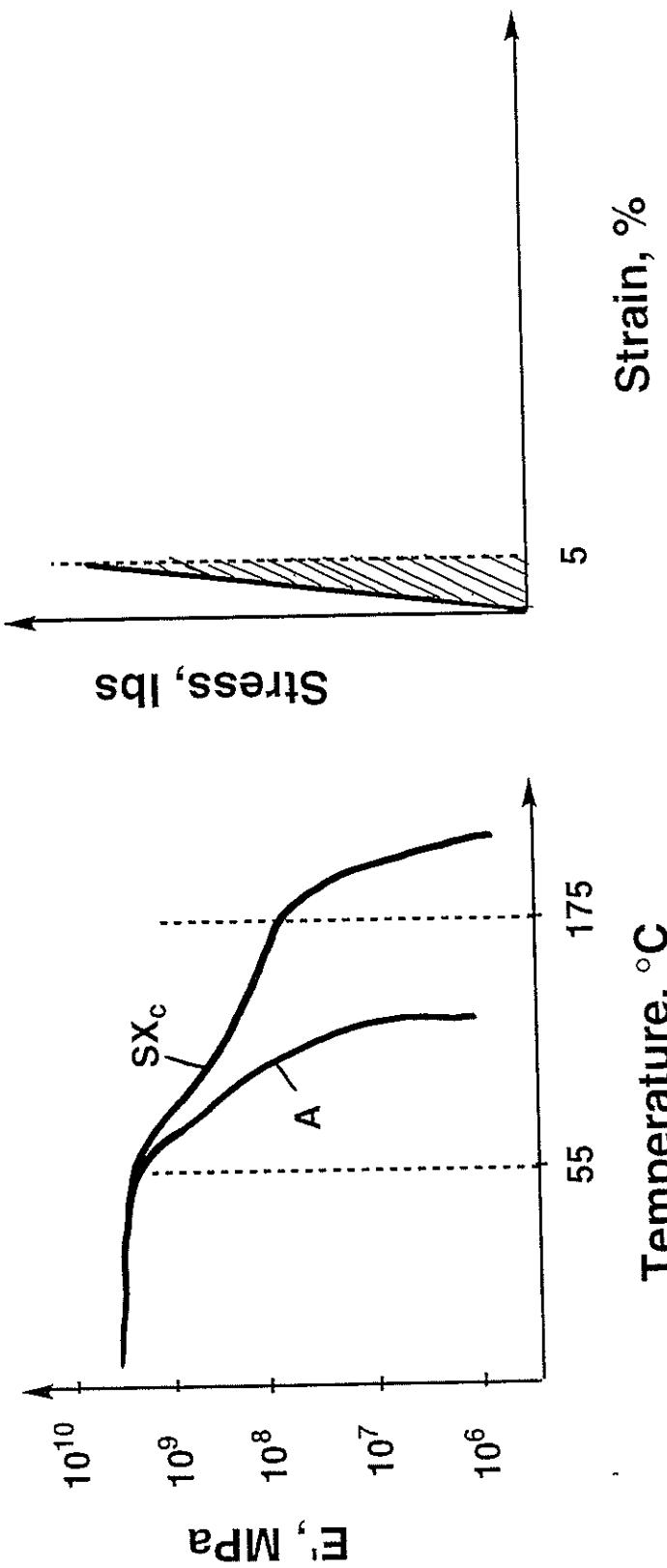


## Characteristics of PLA Polymers



## PLA - General Properties

Modulus-Temperature (DMTA)      Stress-Strain (Instron)



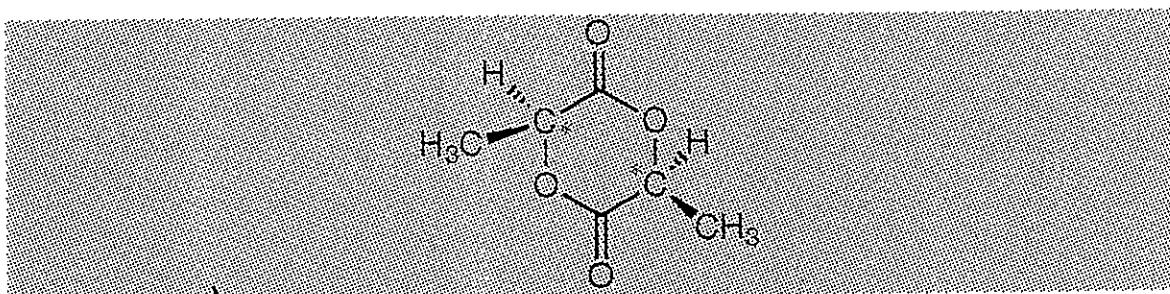
T.S. = 9,000psi (62.1 MPa); I.M. = 300 Kpsi (2.1 GPa); % E = 5%

# *Research Objectives*

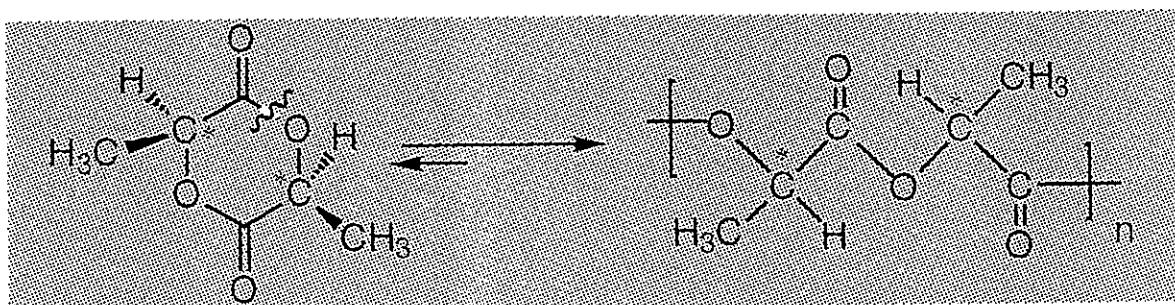
- *Diversify polymer properties*
- *Hard Plastics* → *Elastomers*
- *Improve processability*
  - lower  $T_m$
  - high degree of crystallinity
  - high crystallization rates
- *Develop economical polymerization processes*

# Synthetic Tools

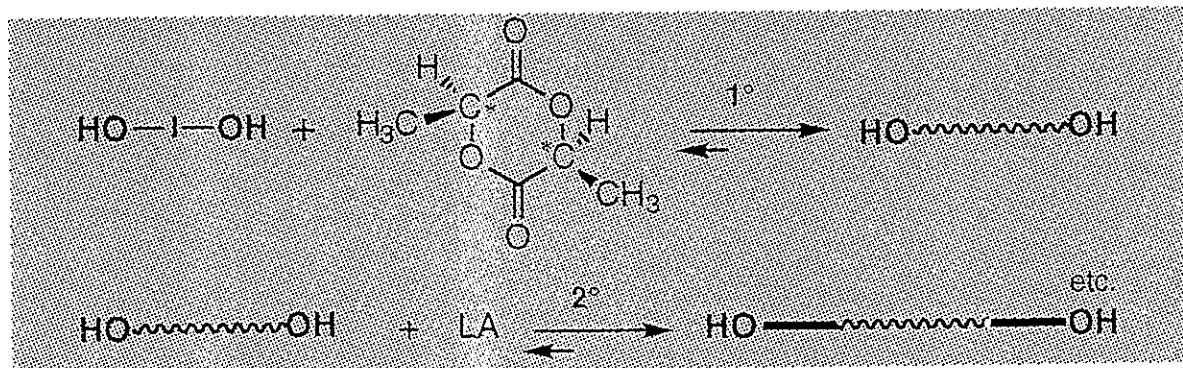
- *Chiral monomer:*



- *Retention of configuration on polymerization*



- *"Living" nature of ROP*



- *No transesterifications*

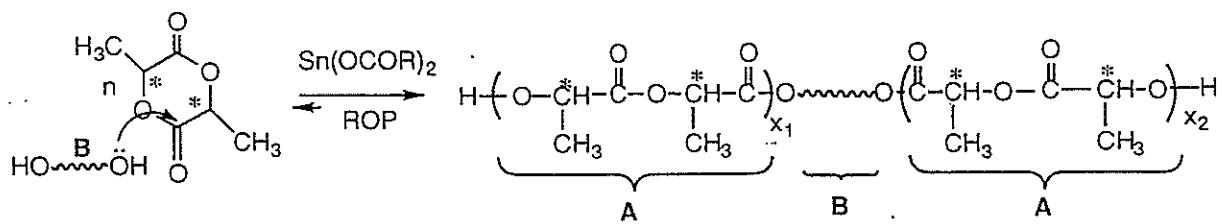
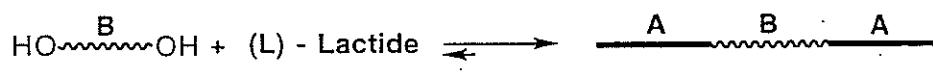
# PLA Block Copolymers

*Triblocks*

*Multiblocks*

*Stereoblocks*

## ABA Tri-block Copolymers

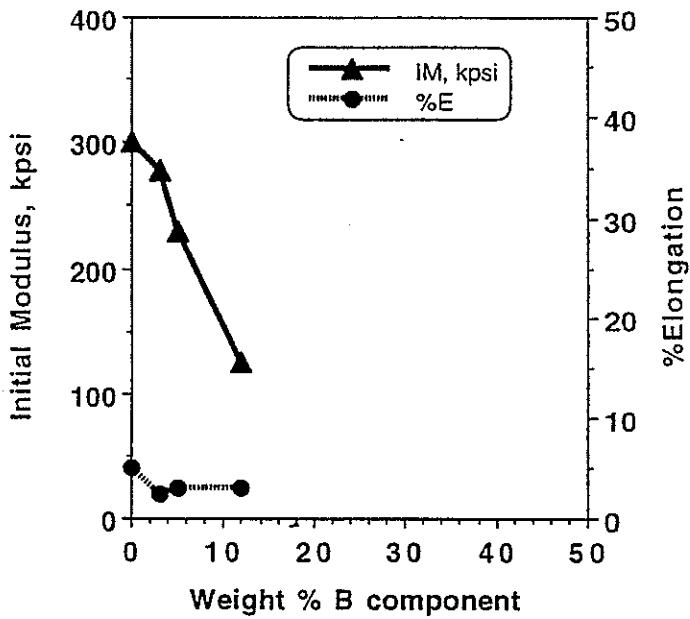


$$\overline{M}_n(\text{PLA}) = \frac{\text{Grams LA}}{\text{Moles OH}} \longrightarrow \overline{M}_n(\text{ABA}) \sim \frac{1}{[\text{B}]}$$

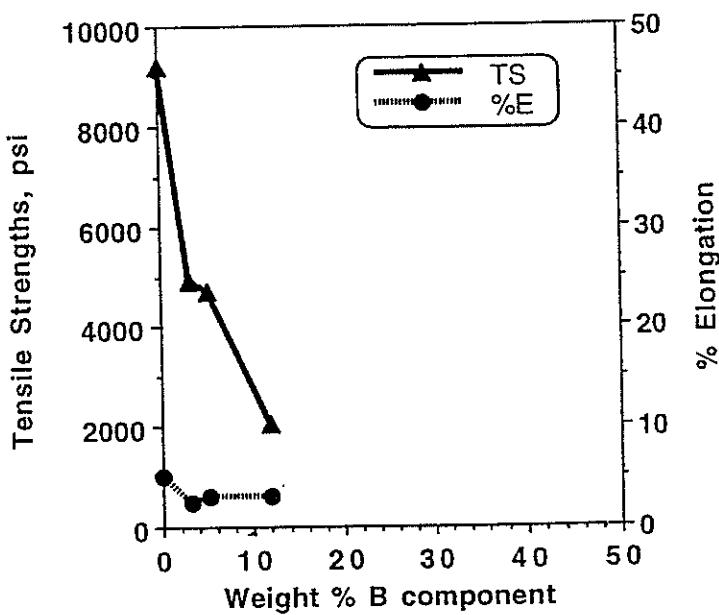


*Limited Composition Range*

## Initial Modulus and % Elongation vs Composition



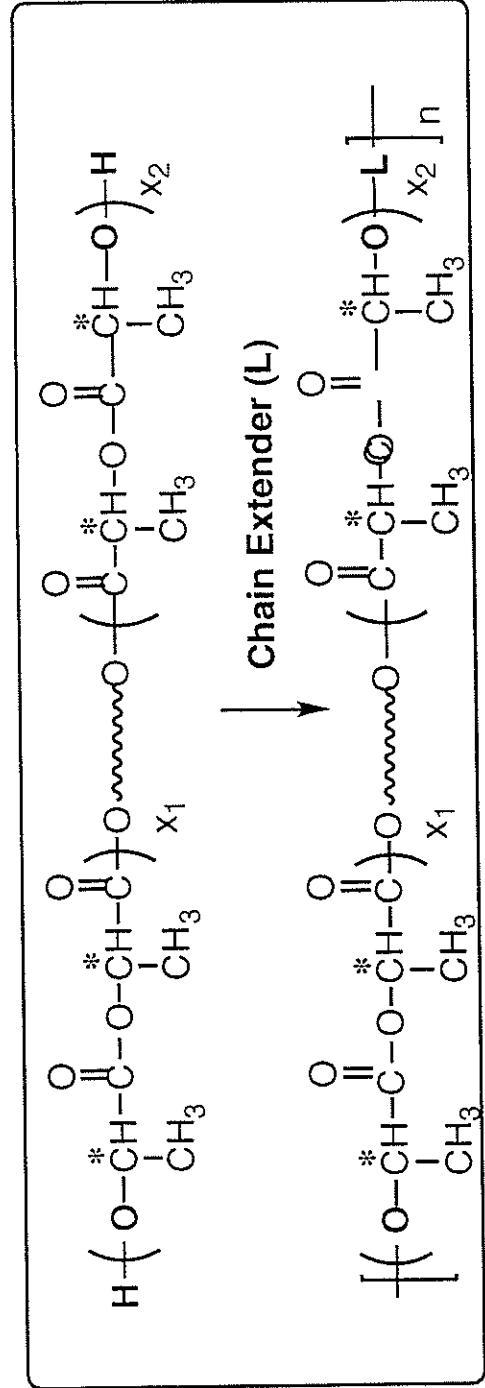
## Tensile Strength and % Elongation vs Composition



# $(ABA)_n$ Multi-Block Copolymers



$\langle M_n \rangle \neq f(\text{composition})$



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US Patent 5,202,413, M. Spinu (1993)

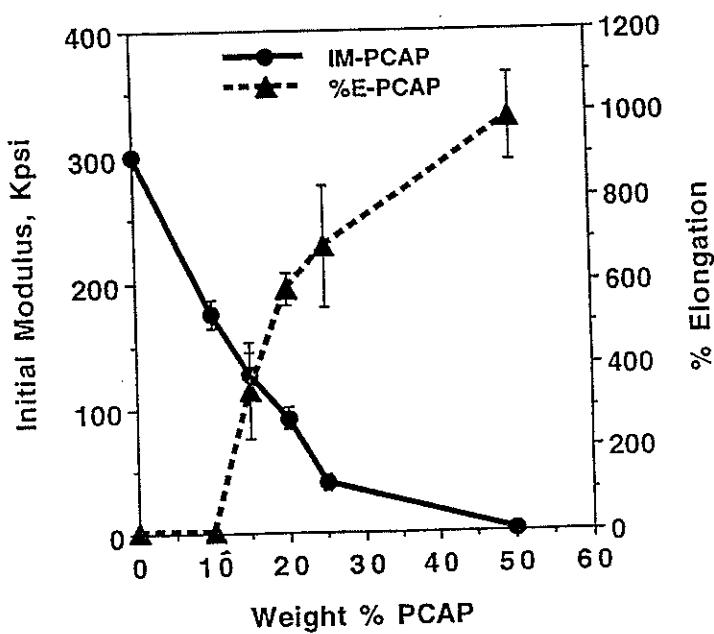


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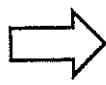
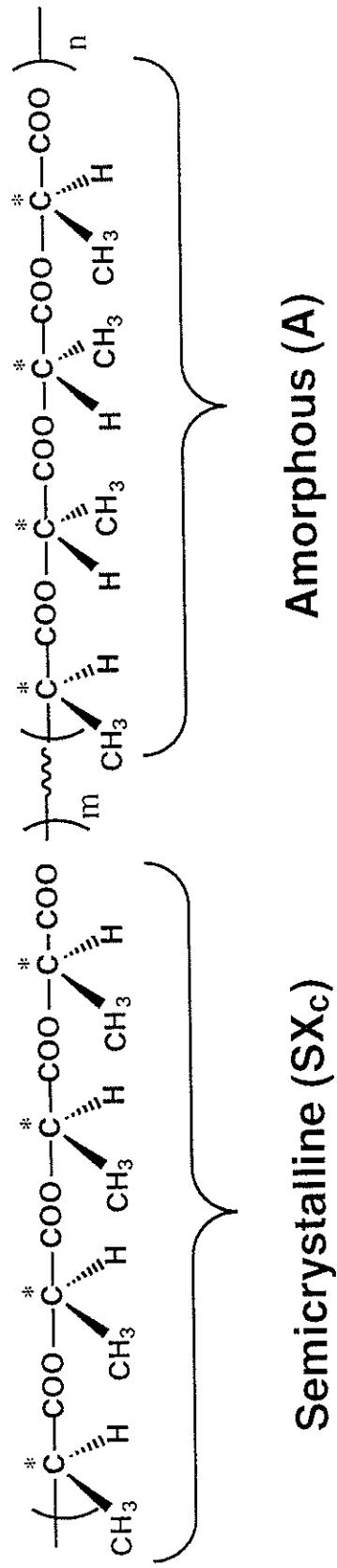
# System Variables

- Chemical composition (A/B)
- Nature of B block
  - Aliphatic polyester
  - Aliphatic polyether
  - Polydimethylsiloxane
- Block length

## Initial Modulus and % Elongation vs Composition



## PLA Stereo blocks

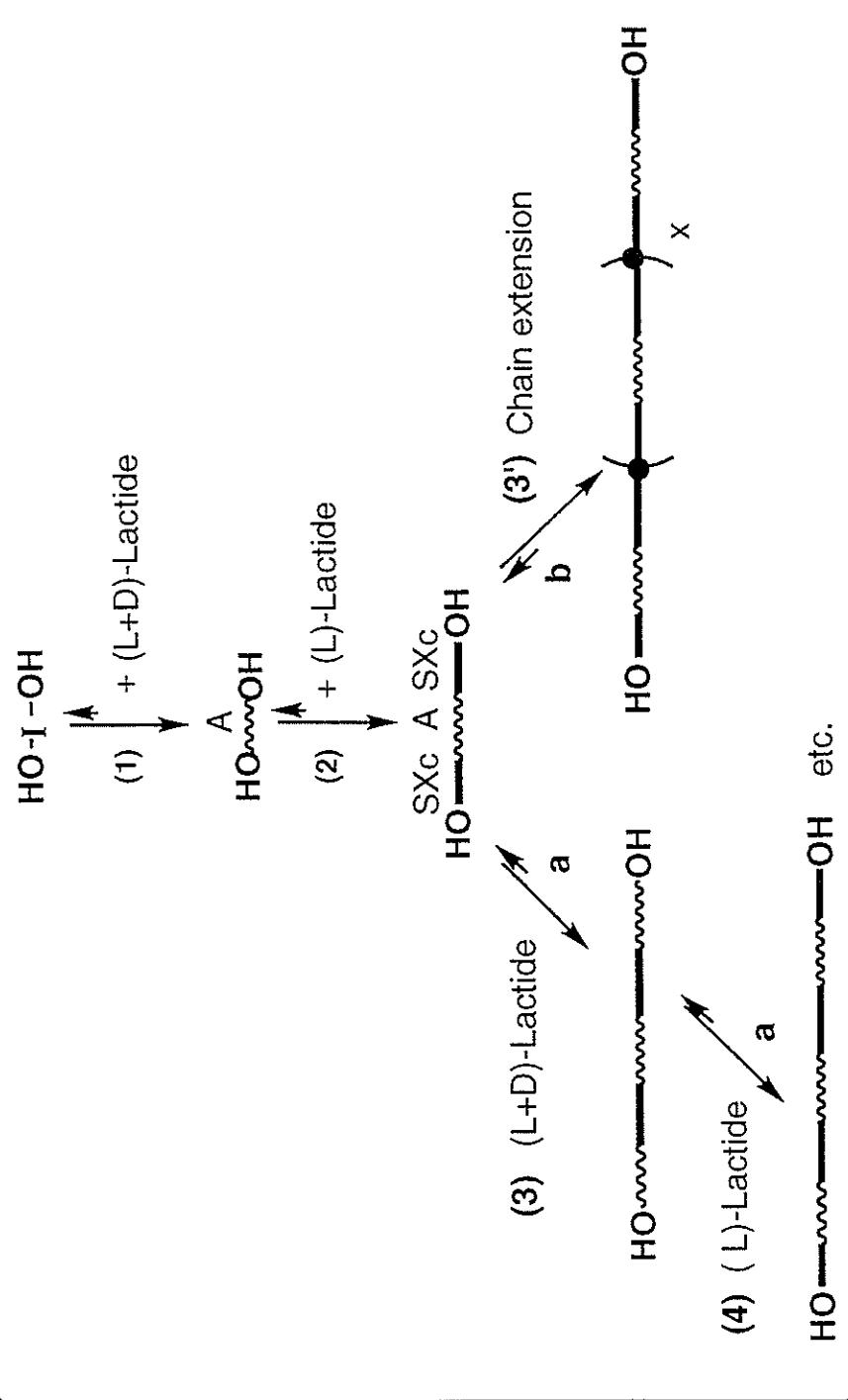


Independent Control	
Melting Temperature ( $T_m \leq 150^\circ\text{C}$ )	Crystallization Behavior ( $X_c > 30\%$ ; $t_{1/2} - 4 \text{ min}$ )
Good Processability, High $X_c$ & Low $t_{1/2}$	



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# Synthesis of PLA Stereoblocks

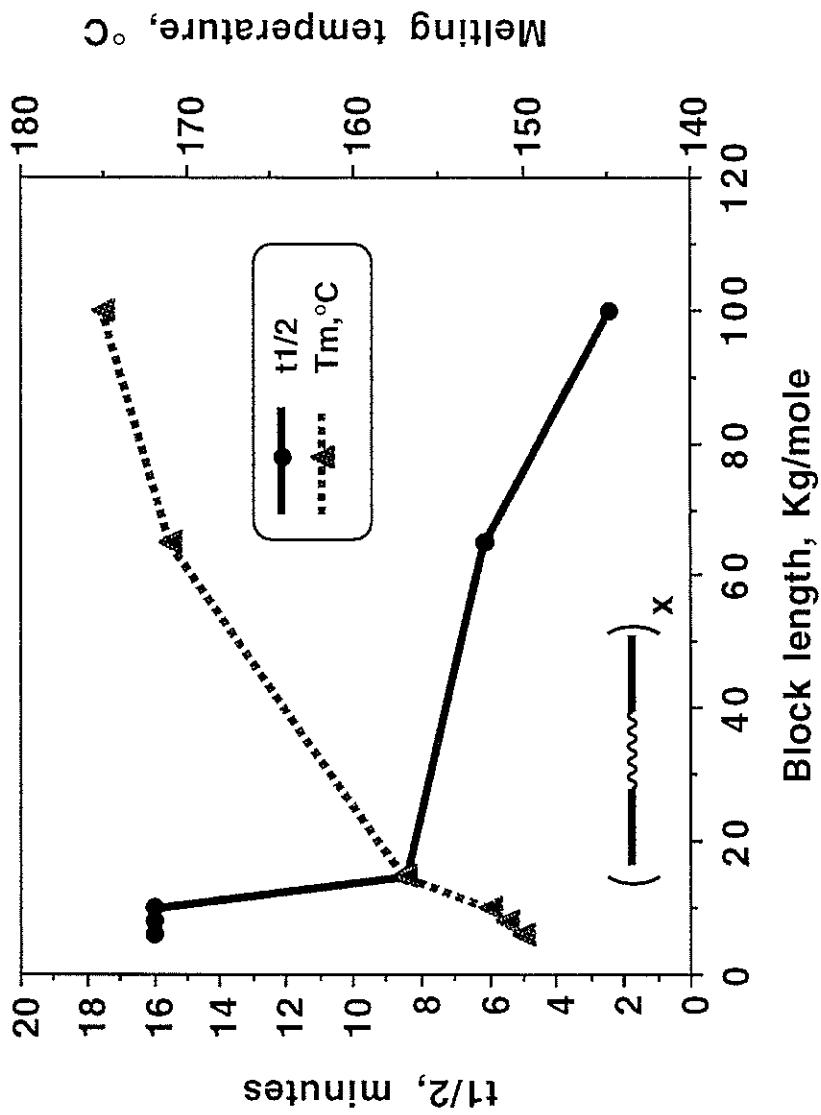


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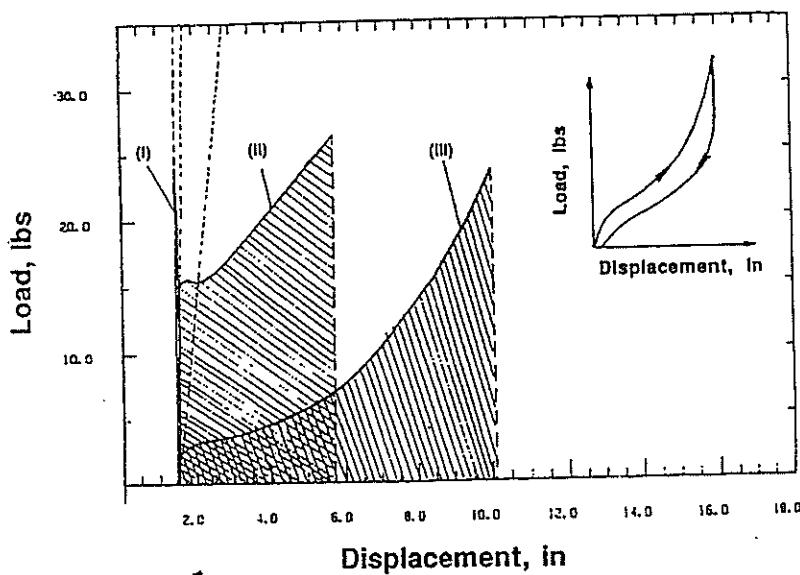
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# $T_m$ and $t_{1/2}$ for PLA Stereoblock Copolymers



# Typical stress-strain plots

(I) PLA; (II) PLA/PBEA 75/25; (III) PLA/PBEA 50/50

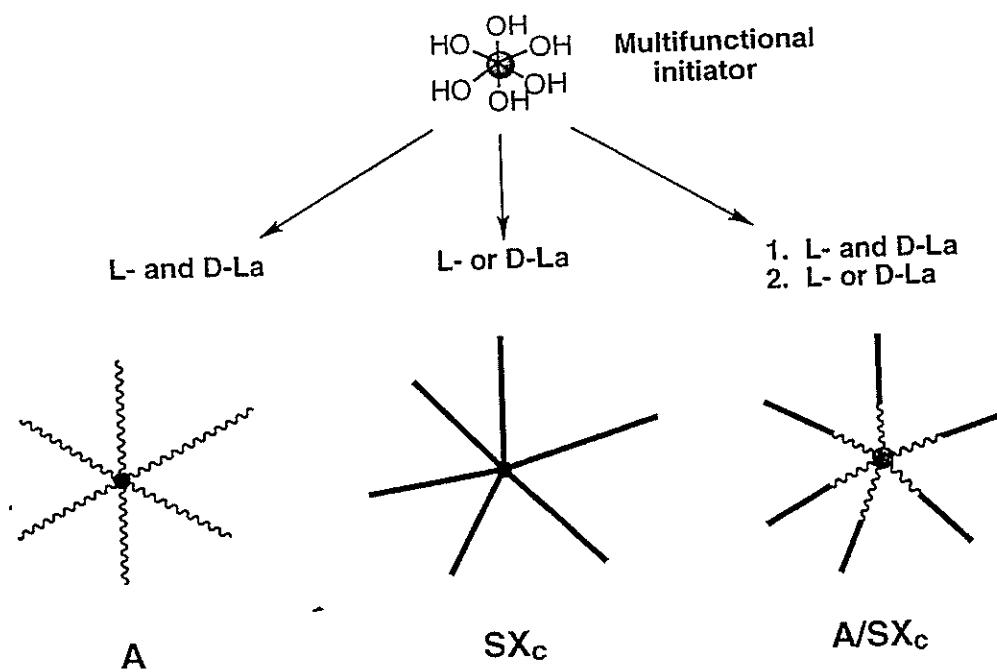


## PLA Stars

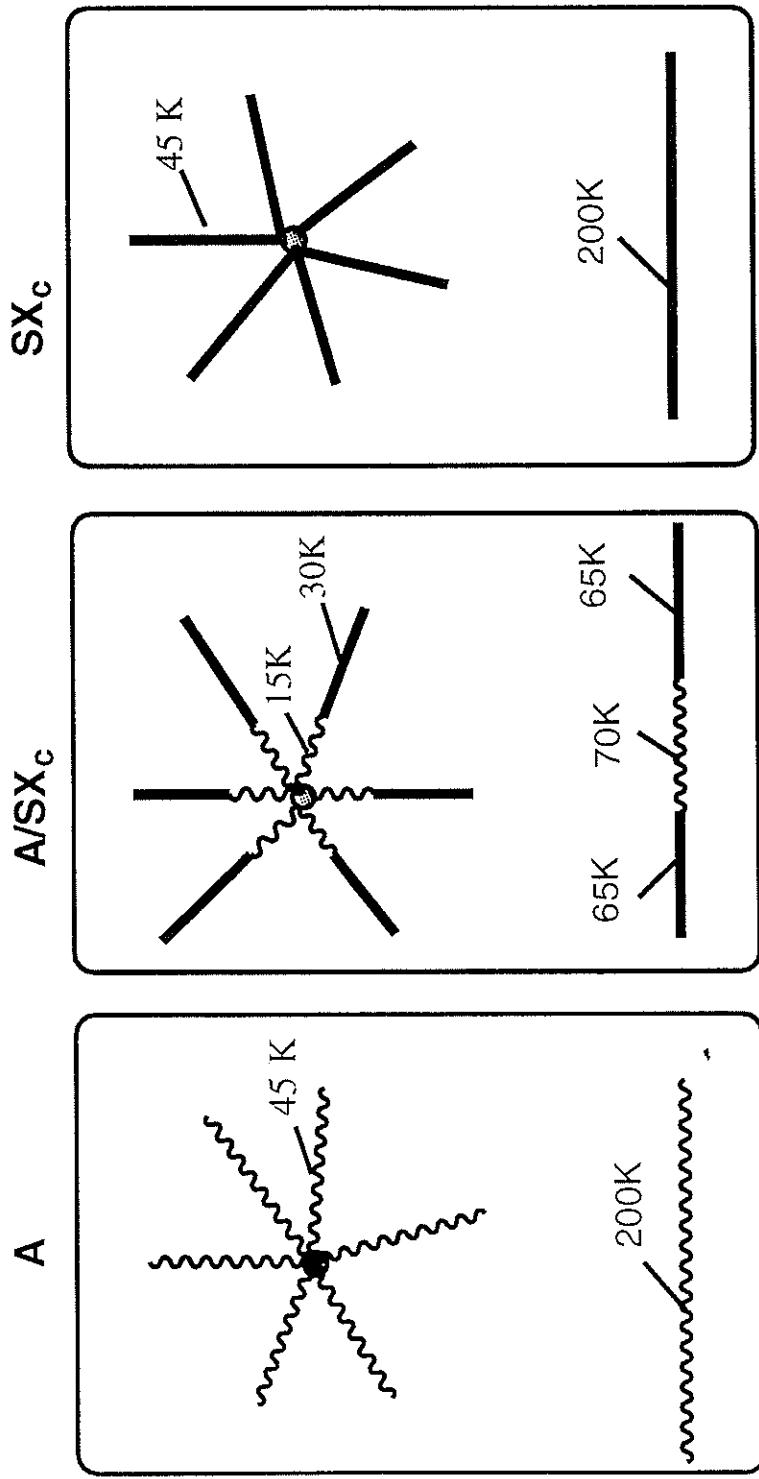
*Controlled Architecture &  
Microstructure*

### Synthesis of PLA Stars

*(w/Controlled Microstructure)*

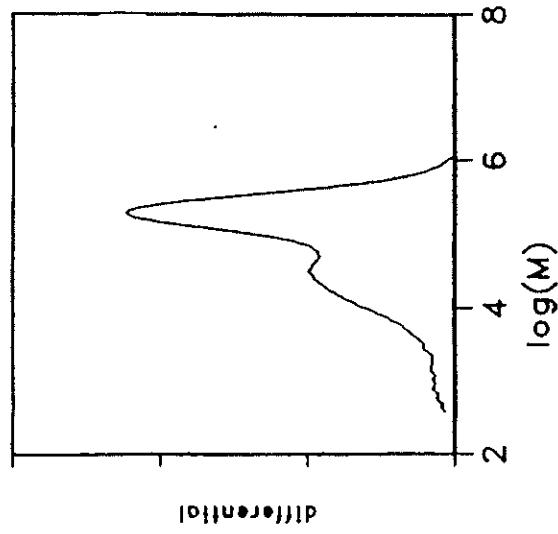


# Star and Linear PLA w/ Controlled Microstructure



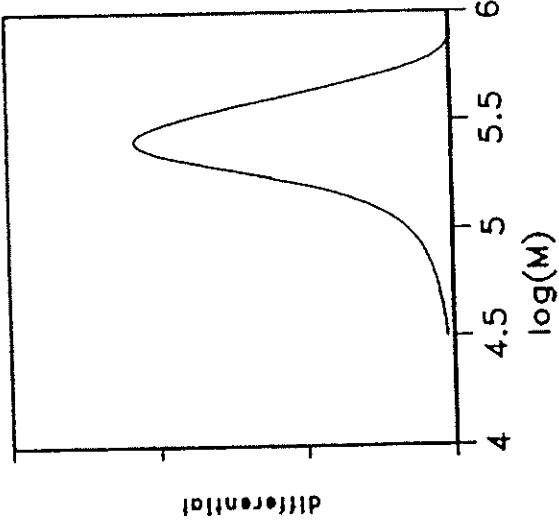
# Typical GPC Traces for 6-Arm PLA Stars

## (a) before and (b) after fractionation

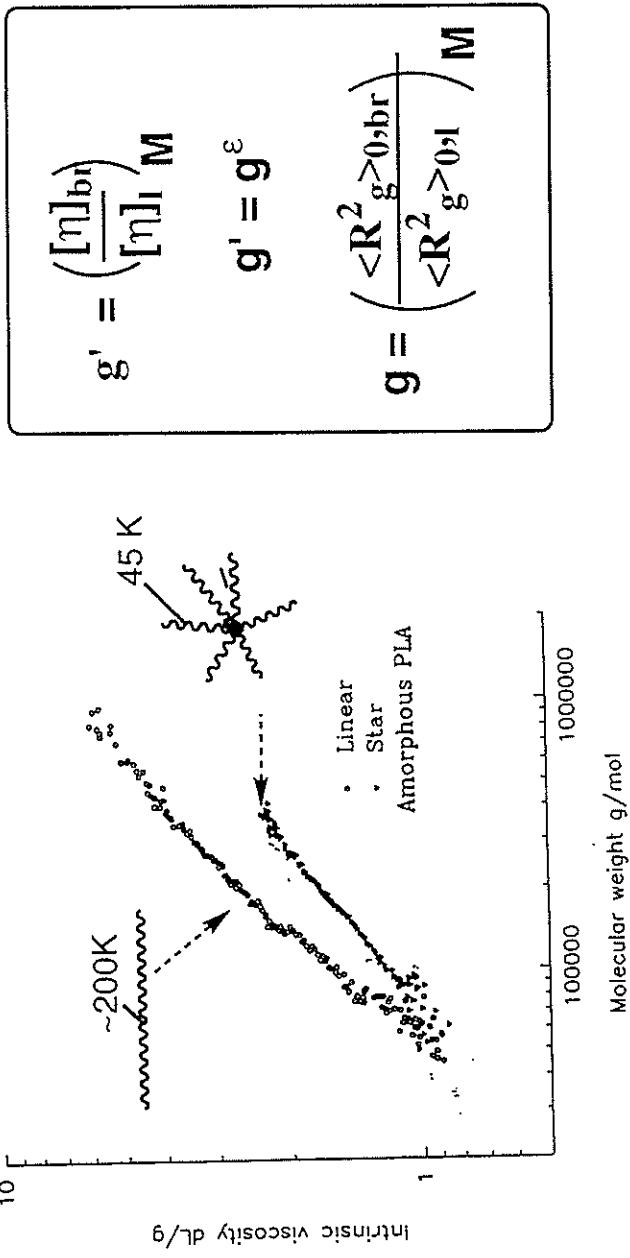


$M_w = 146000$   $M_n = 120000$   $P/D = 12.15$   
 $M_z = 299000$   $M_z' = 454000$   $M_v = 124000$   
 $M_p = 2180000$   $P_m = 26.93$   $C = 29.14$

$M_w = 270000$   $M_n = 207000$   $P/D = 1.30$   
 $M_z = 318000$   $M_z' = 364000$   $M_v = 263000$   
 $M_p = 2650000$   $P_m = 35.35$   $C = 35.63$



# Solution Properties Mark-Houwink Plots



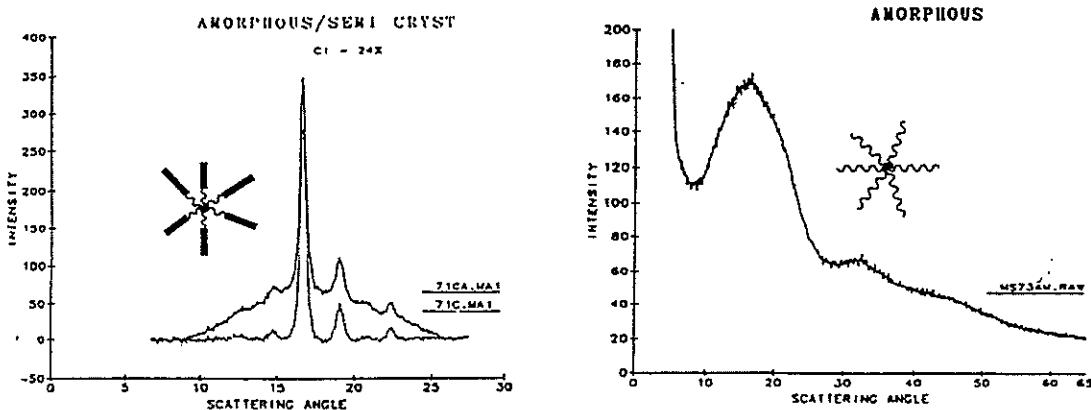
## Number of Arms

	g'	Number of arms, f (Calculated)		
		$\varepsilon = 0.6$	$\varepsilon = 0.7$	$\varepsilon = 1.0$
A	0.66	8.8	7.6	5.8
A/SXc	0.70	7.6	6.7	5.2
SXc	0.81	5.2	4.7	3.9

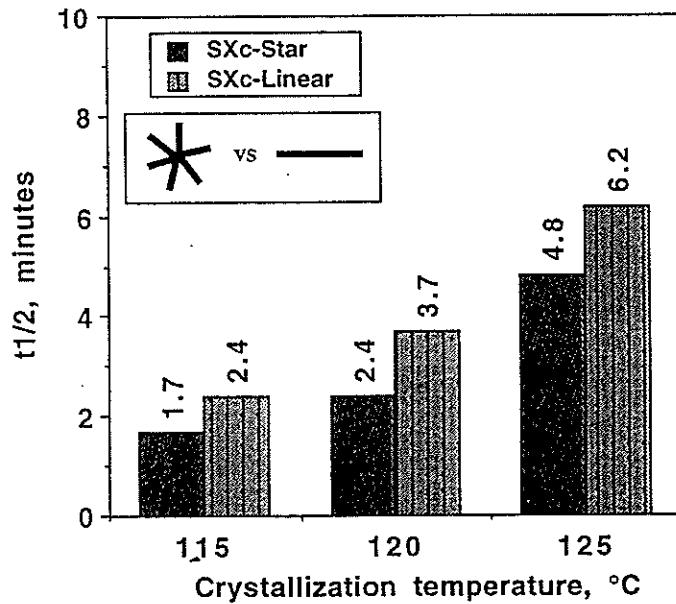
$$g' = g^c$$

$$g = \frac{6f}{(f+1)(f+2)}$$

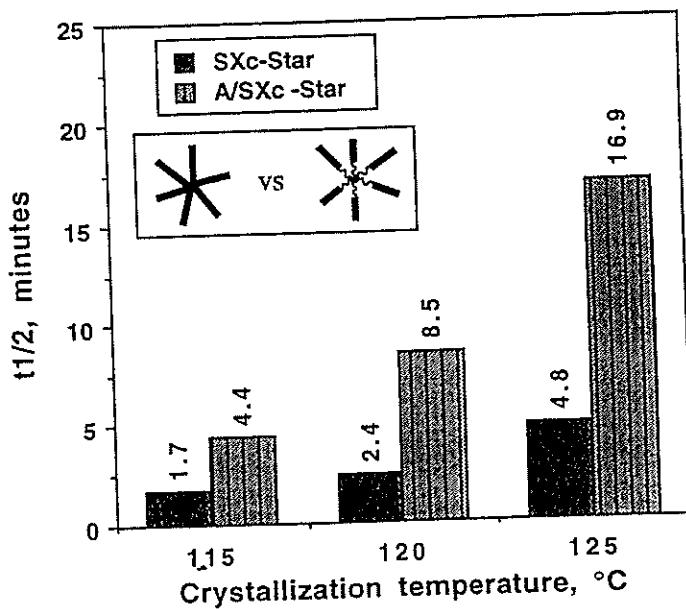
## X-Ray Diffraction Patterns (A vs A/SXc Stars)



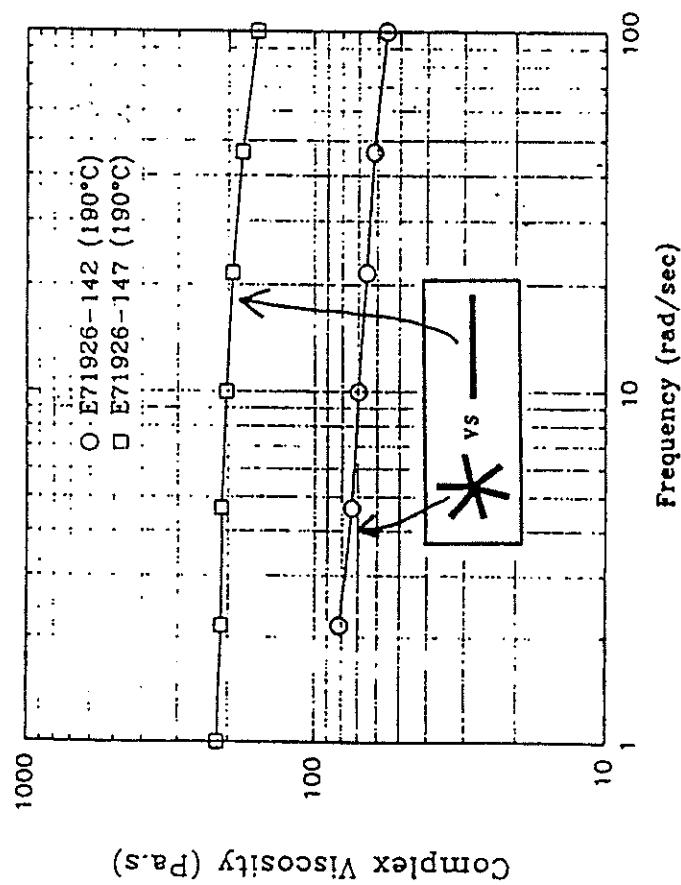
## Half Crystallization Time, $t_{1/2}$ (Star vs Linear PLA)



## Half Crystallization Time, $t_{1/2}$ (SXc vs A/SXc PLA stars)



## Effect of Polymer Architecture on Melt Rheology



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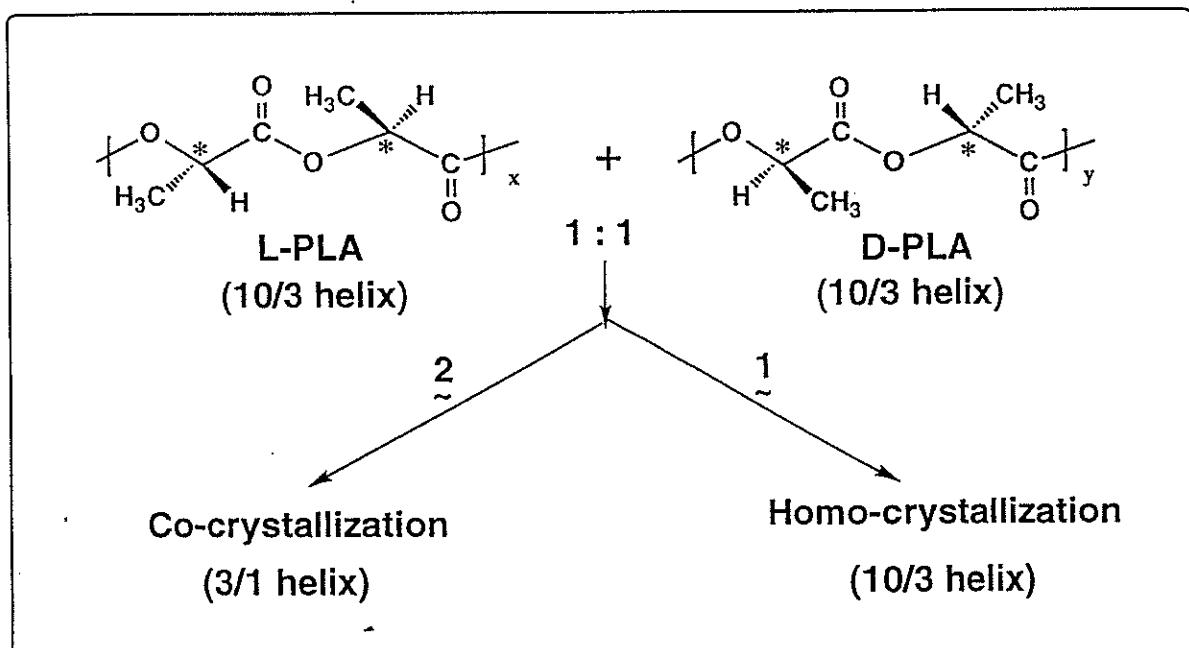


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# L/D-PLA Stereocomplexes

## (PLA Blends)

### L/D-PLA Stereocomplex Formation

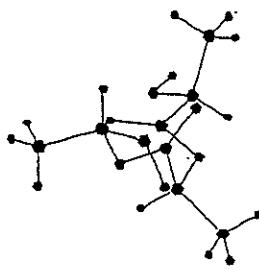


## Stereocomplex - Background

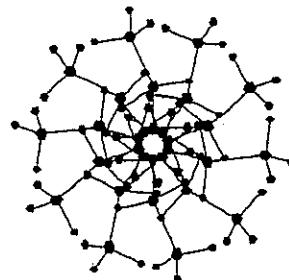
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# PLA Molecular Conformation

3/1 helix



10/3 helix



120° rotations/residue  
d<sub>interchain</sub> < 0.4 Å

108° rotations/residue

## Preparation of L/D-PLA Stereocomplex

### I. Polymer blends

- Solution blending

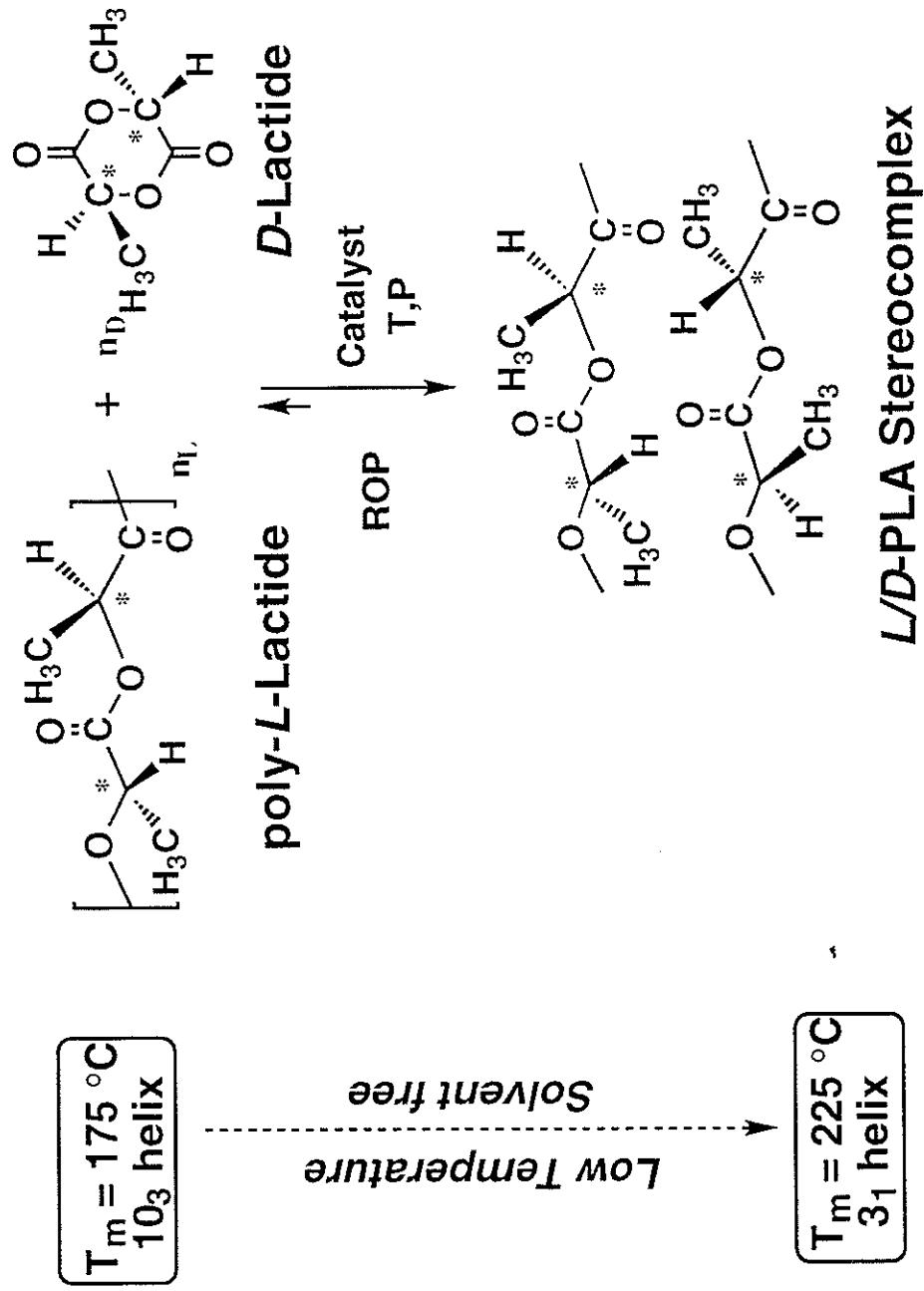
- Solvent removal

- Melt blending

- Thermal degradation

### II. Monomer/Polymer enantiomeric blends

# New Stereocomplex Approach



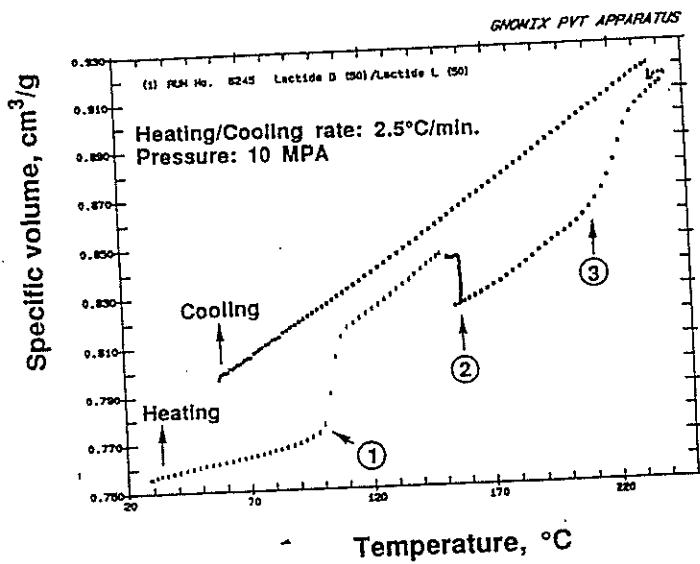
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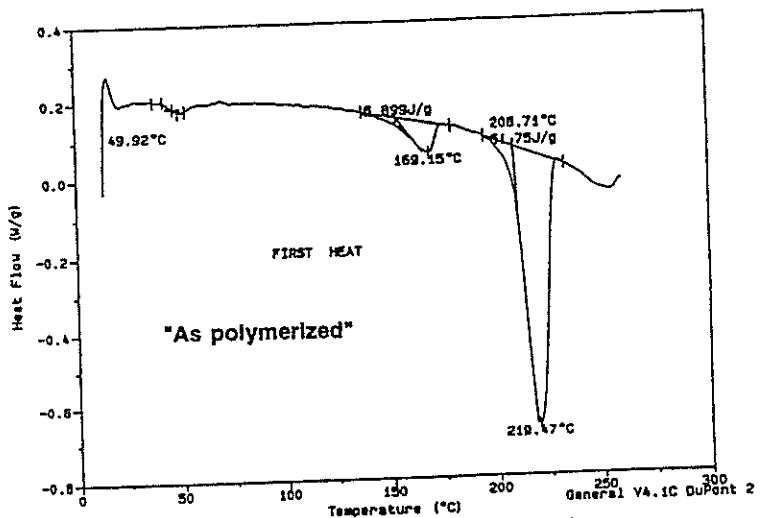


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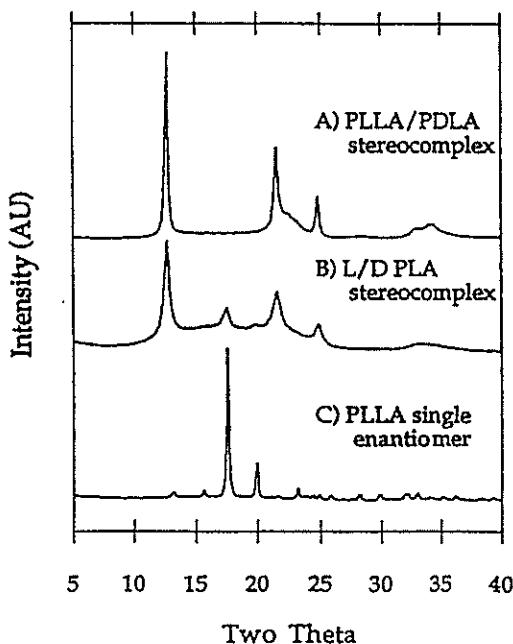
# PVT (Pressure-Volume-Temperature) Experiments



DSC scan for "in situ" generated stereocomplex  
(Polymerization: 2.5 hrs @ 170 °C; 500)



## X-ray diffraction patterns



## Summary

- *New materials using known characteristic features:*
  - monomer chirality
  - retention of configuration
  - "living" nature of ROP
  - no transesterifications
- *PLA materials with a broad range of properties*

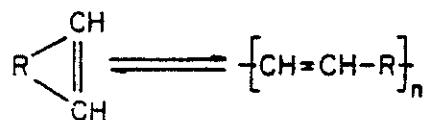
Plastics ← → Elastomers
- *PLA with improved processability*
  - lower  $T_m$
  - high  $\chi_c$  and fast  $t_{1/2}$
- *Many possible combinations*

# Synthesis of Silicone Polymers Via ADMET Polymerization Techniques

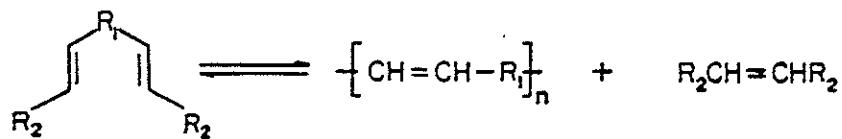
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## RING OPENING VS ACYCLIC DIENE METATHESIS POLYMERIZATION

### Ring Opening Metathesis Polymerization

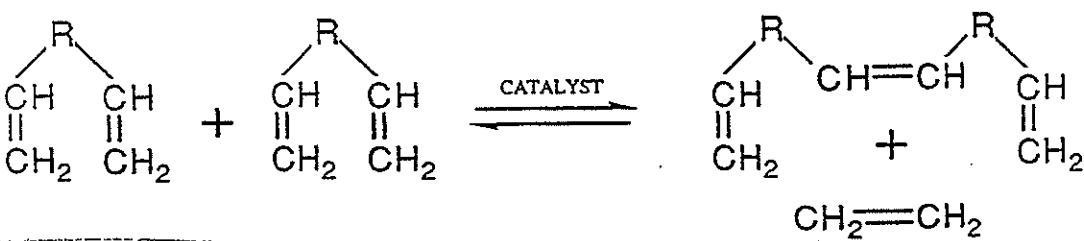


### Acyclic Diene Metathesis Polymerization

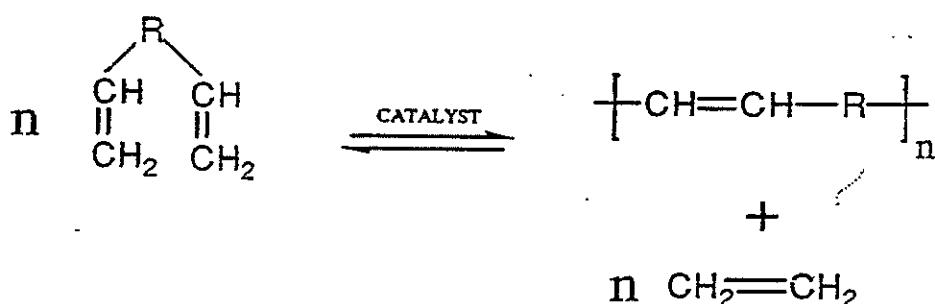


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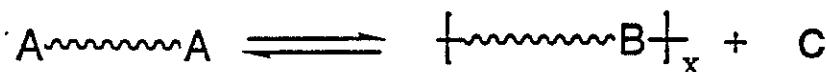
## ADMET DIMERIZATION



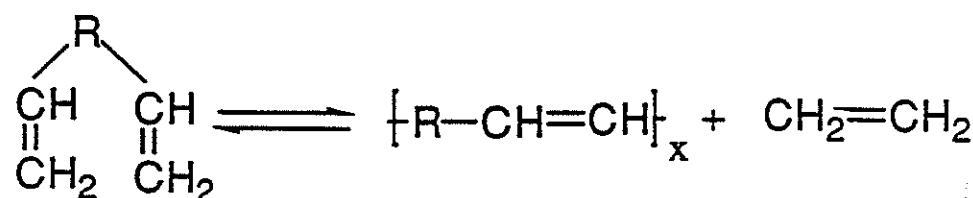
## ADMET POLYMERIZATION



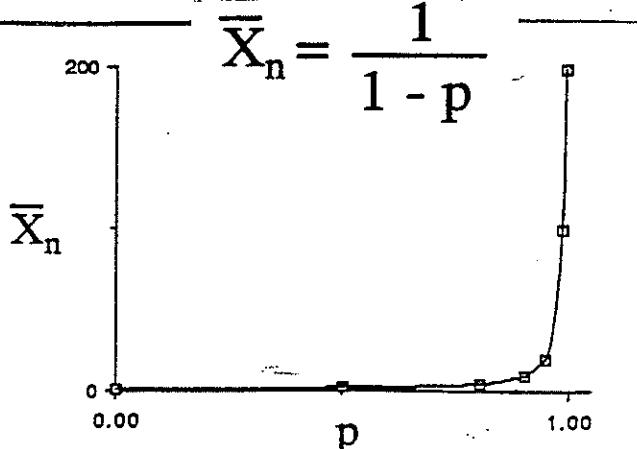
## Equilibrium Step Polymerization



For Example :



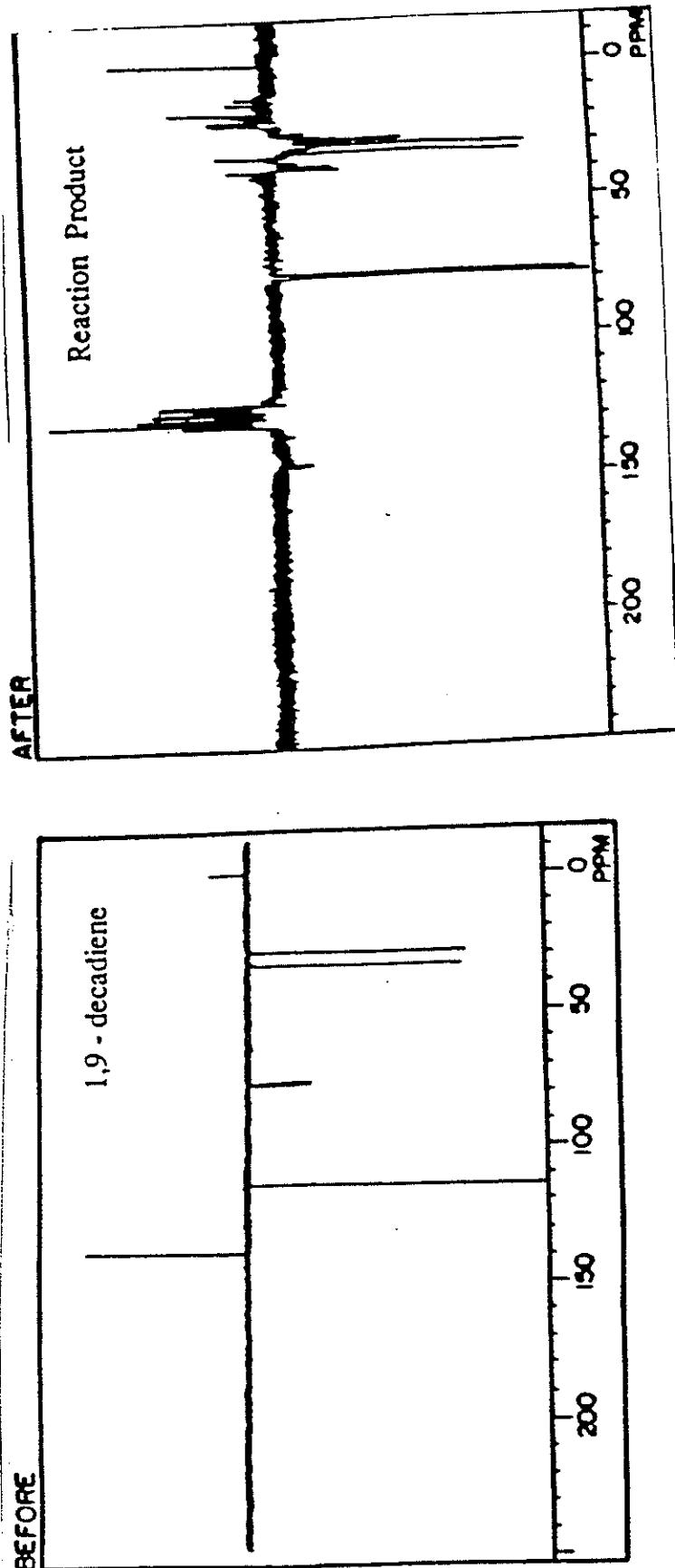
$p$	$\bar{X}_n$
0.8	5
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0.95	20
0.99	100
0.995	200



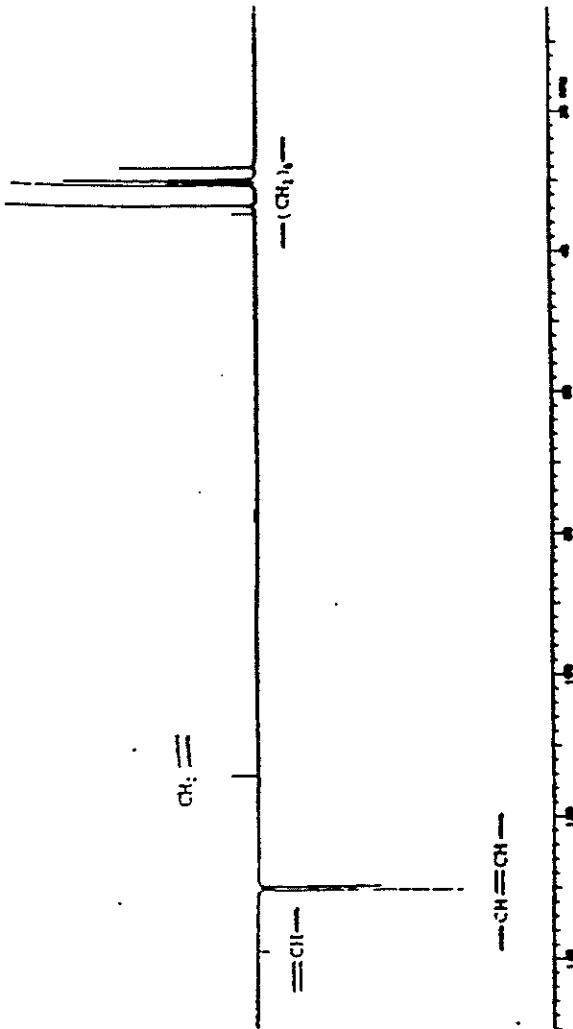
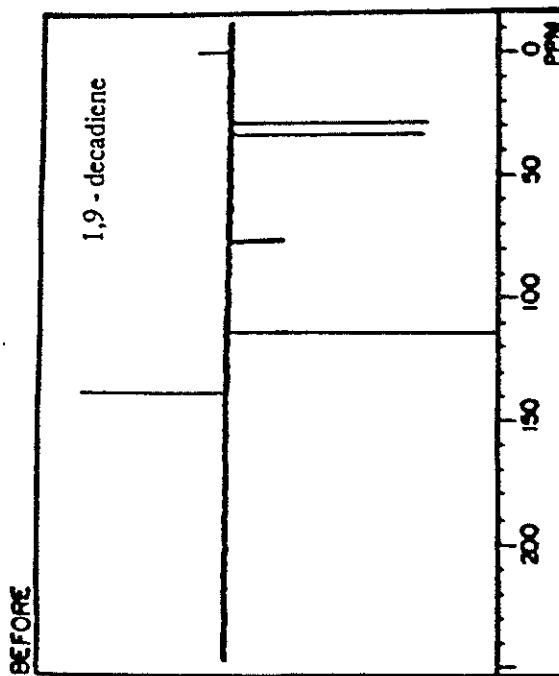
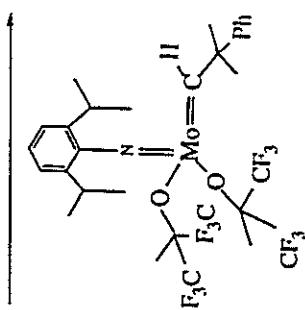
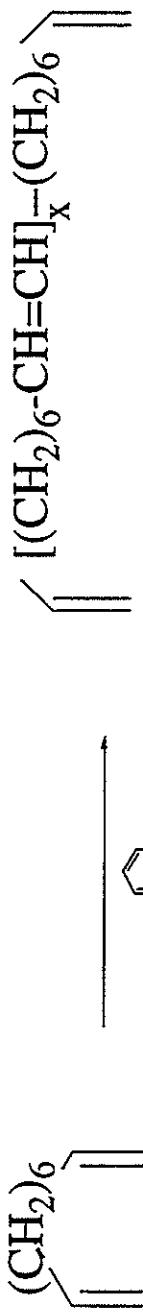
# THE KEY TO ADMET CHEMISTRY

## -Eliminate Acids in the Catalyst System

The Adverse Effect of Acids:  
Vinyl Addition Chemistry Competes with Metathesis



# Remove Acids and Only ADMET Chemistry Occurs



A High Molecular Weight Polymer

	<u>% C</u>	<u>% H</u>
Theory	<b>87.27</b>	12.73
Experimental	<b>87.16</b>	12.68

IV = 0.95 dl / gram

Conversion = 99+ %

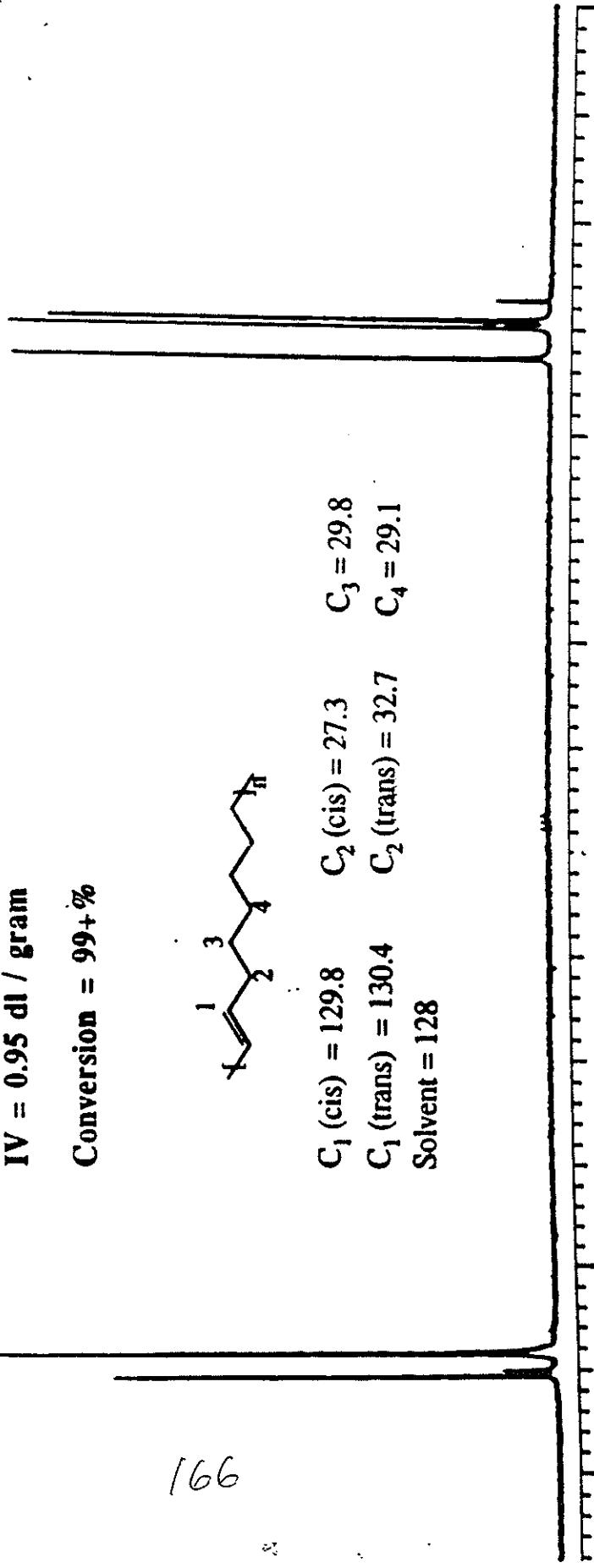


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Solvent = 128

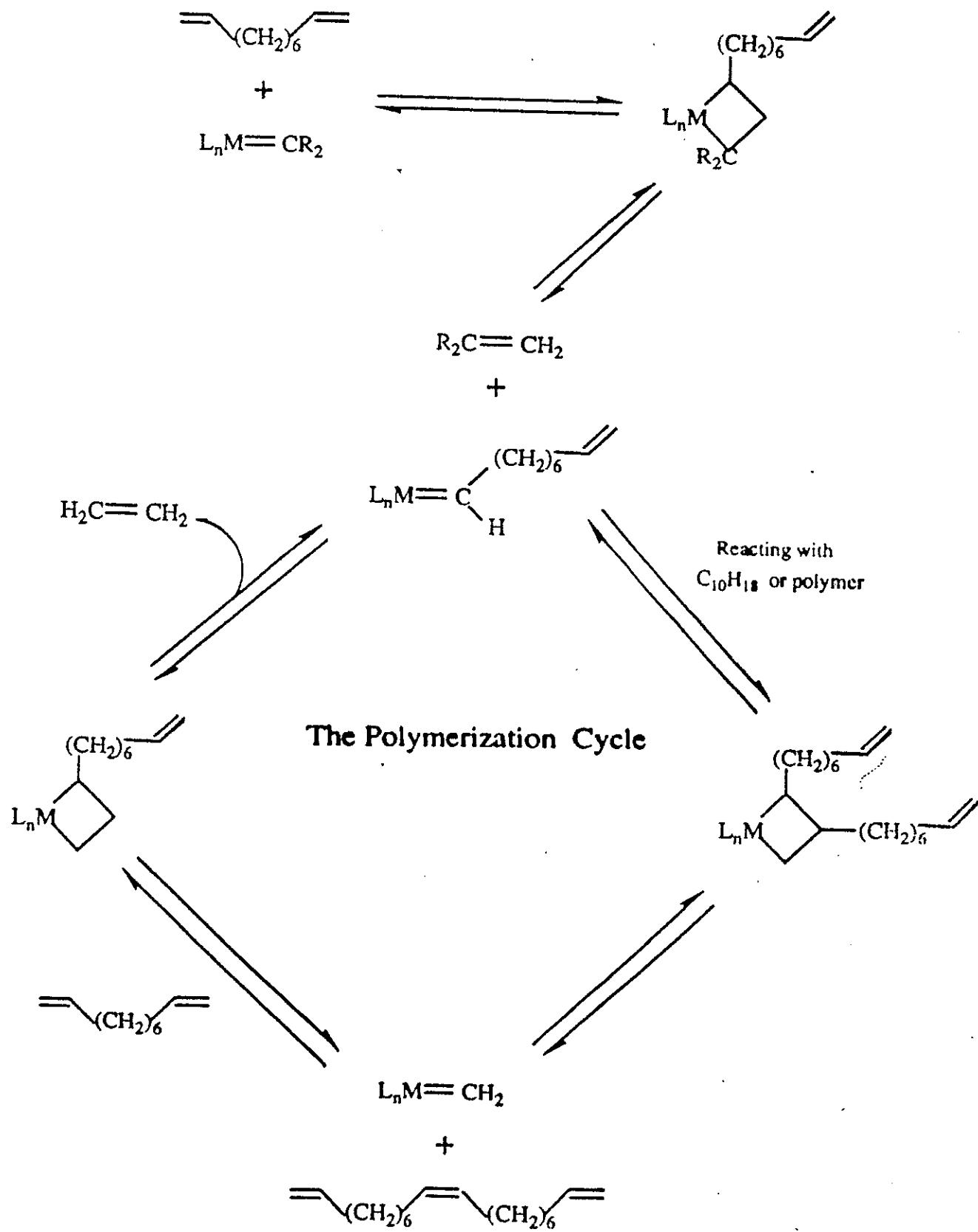
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**13C NMR of 92% trans Polyoctenamer formed by Acyclic Diene Metathesis Polymerization**

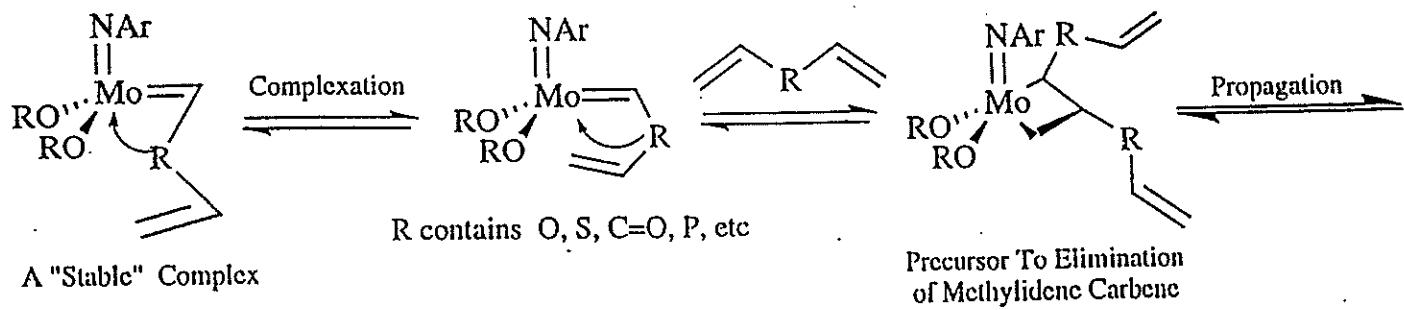
Wagener, Boncella, and Nel, *Macromolecules*, **24**, 2649 (1991).

# ADMET POLYMERIZATION CYCLE



# Heteroatom Functionality and the Negative Neighboring Group Effect

Proper "spacing" between the functional group and the metathesis olefin permits ADMET chemistry to occur.



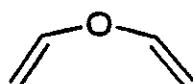
How the  
Negative Neighboring Group Effect  
Works

**ADMET**  
**Structure and Reactivity of**  
**Ether Containing Dienes (Brzezinska)**

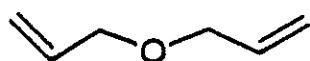
*The Negative Neighboring Group Effect*

**Monomer**

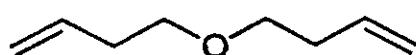
**Reactivity?  
(YES or NO)**



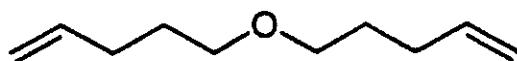
**NO**



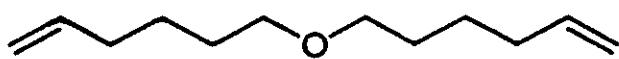
**NO**



**Sluggish**



**YES**



**YES**

Brzezinska and Wagener, *Macromolecules*, **24**, 5273 (1991).

Wagener, Brzezinska and Bauch, *Die Makromol. Chemie*, **13**, 75 (1992).

**Keeping the Negative Neighboring Group  
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**Esters**

**Ketones**

**Carbonates**

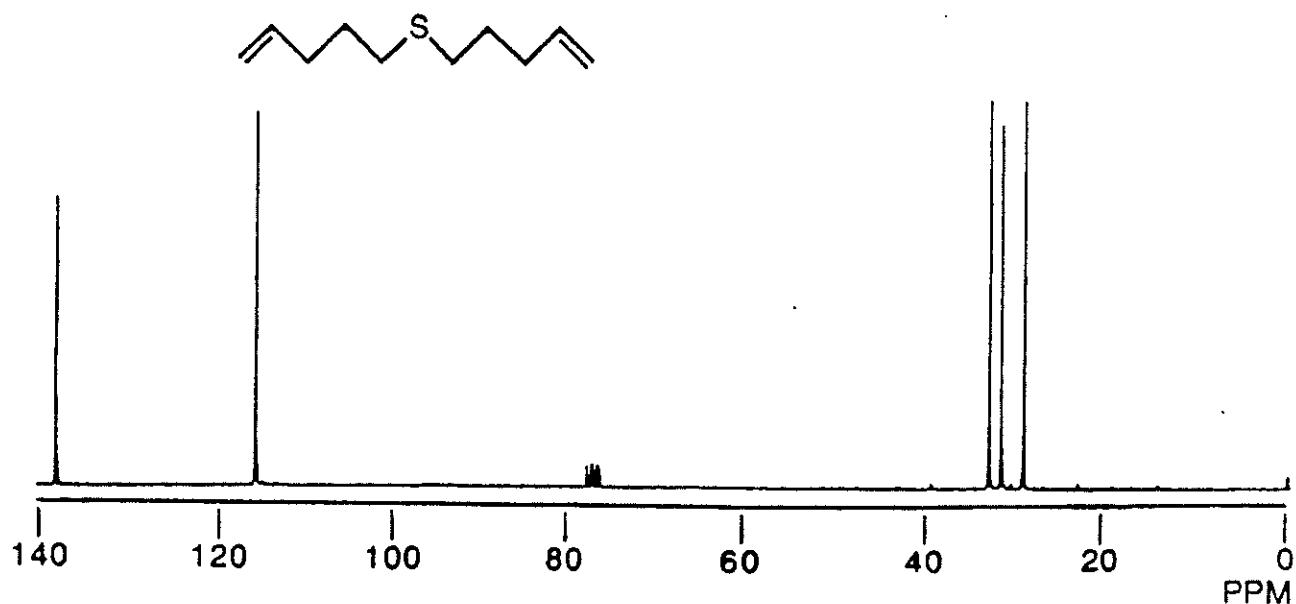
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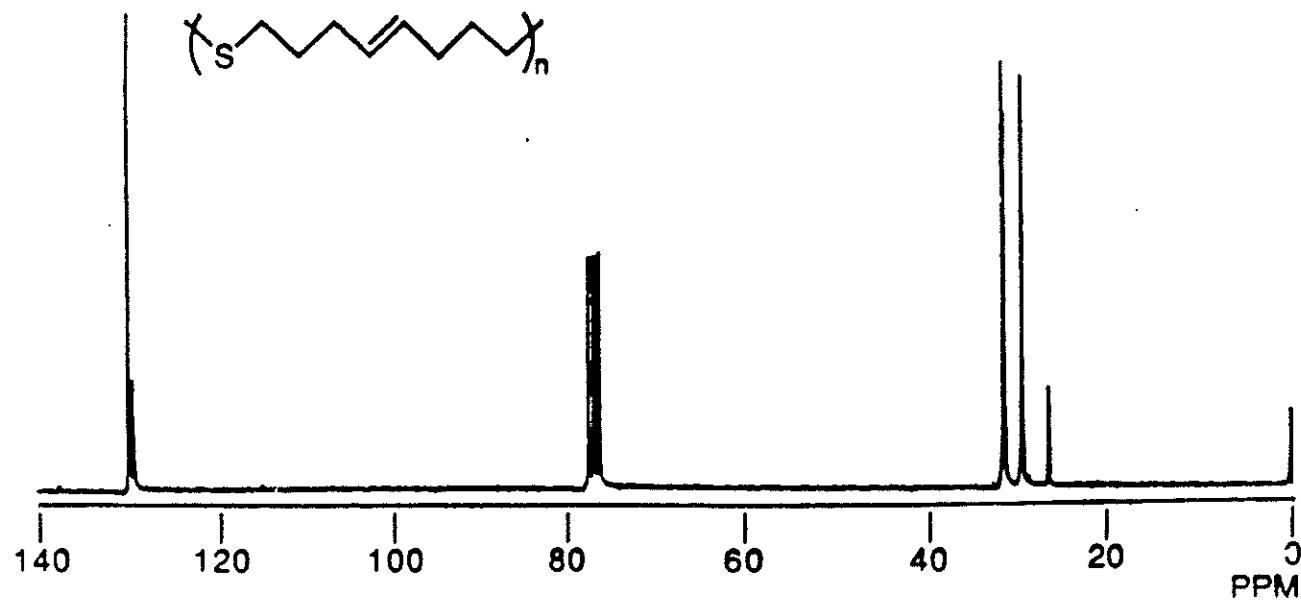
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## Monomer to Polymer

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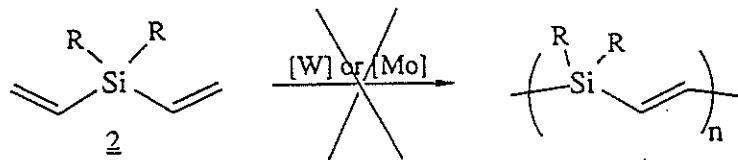


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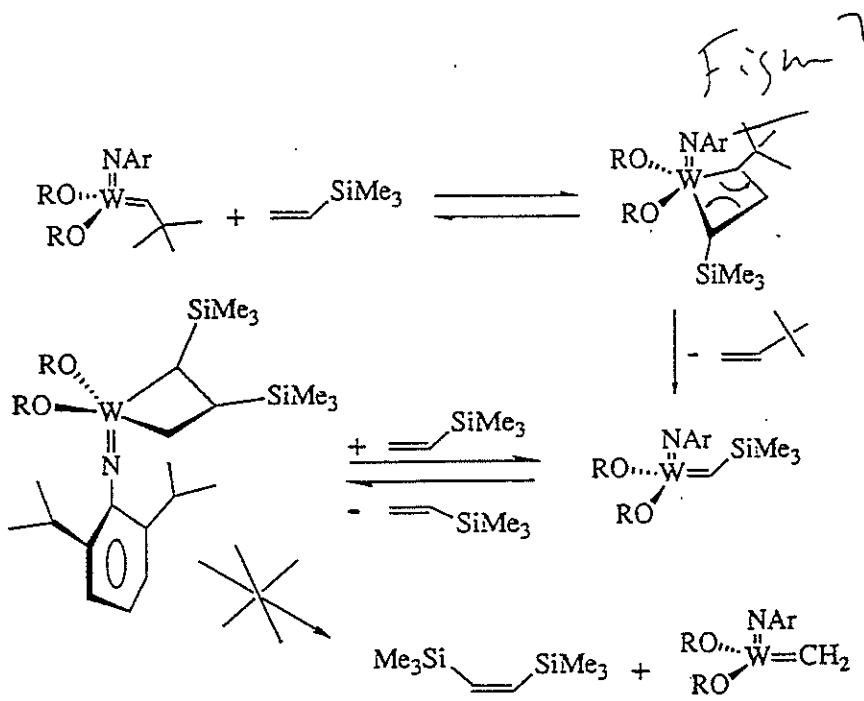


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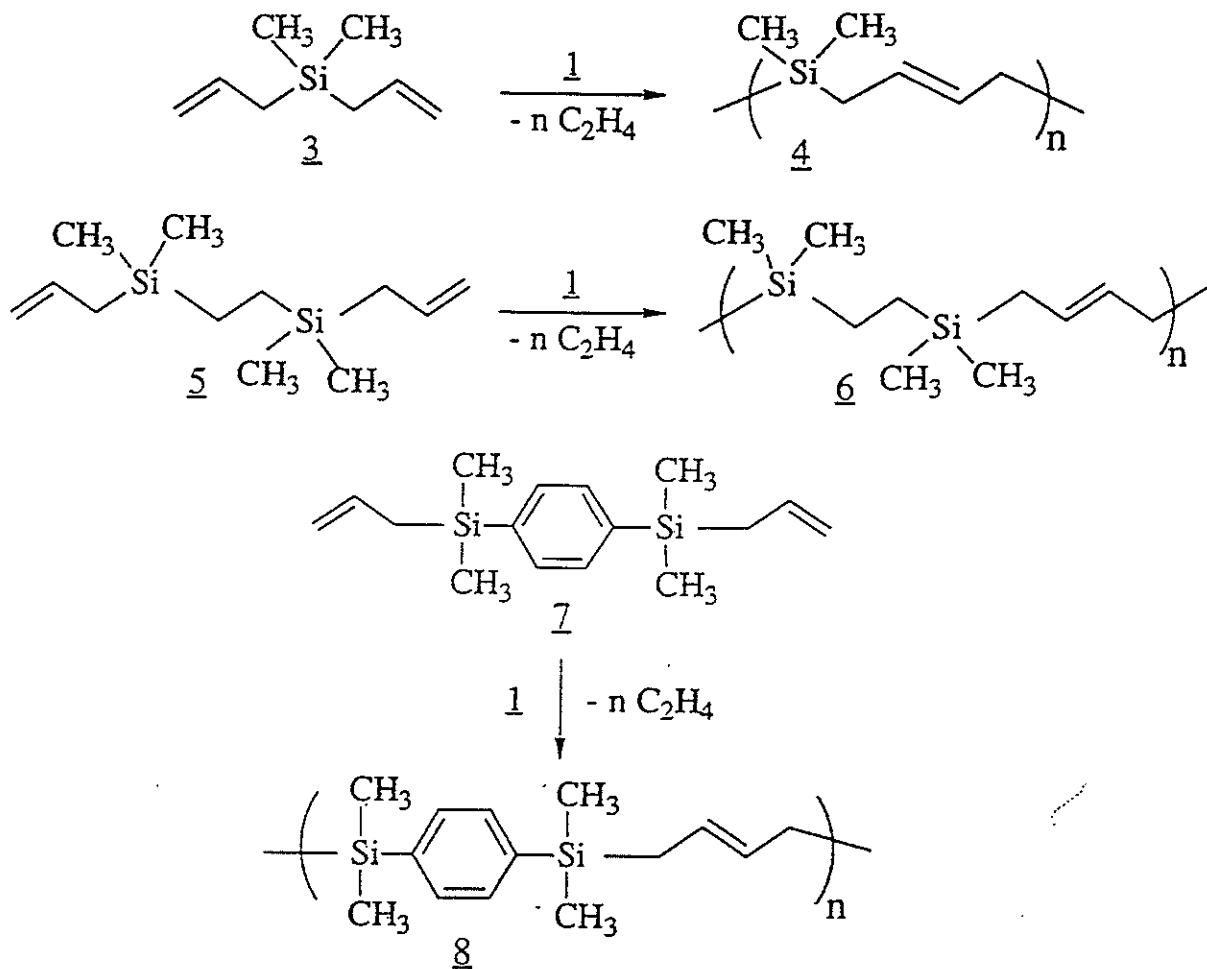
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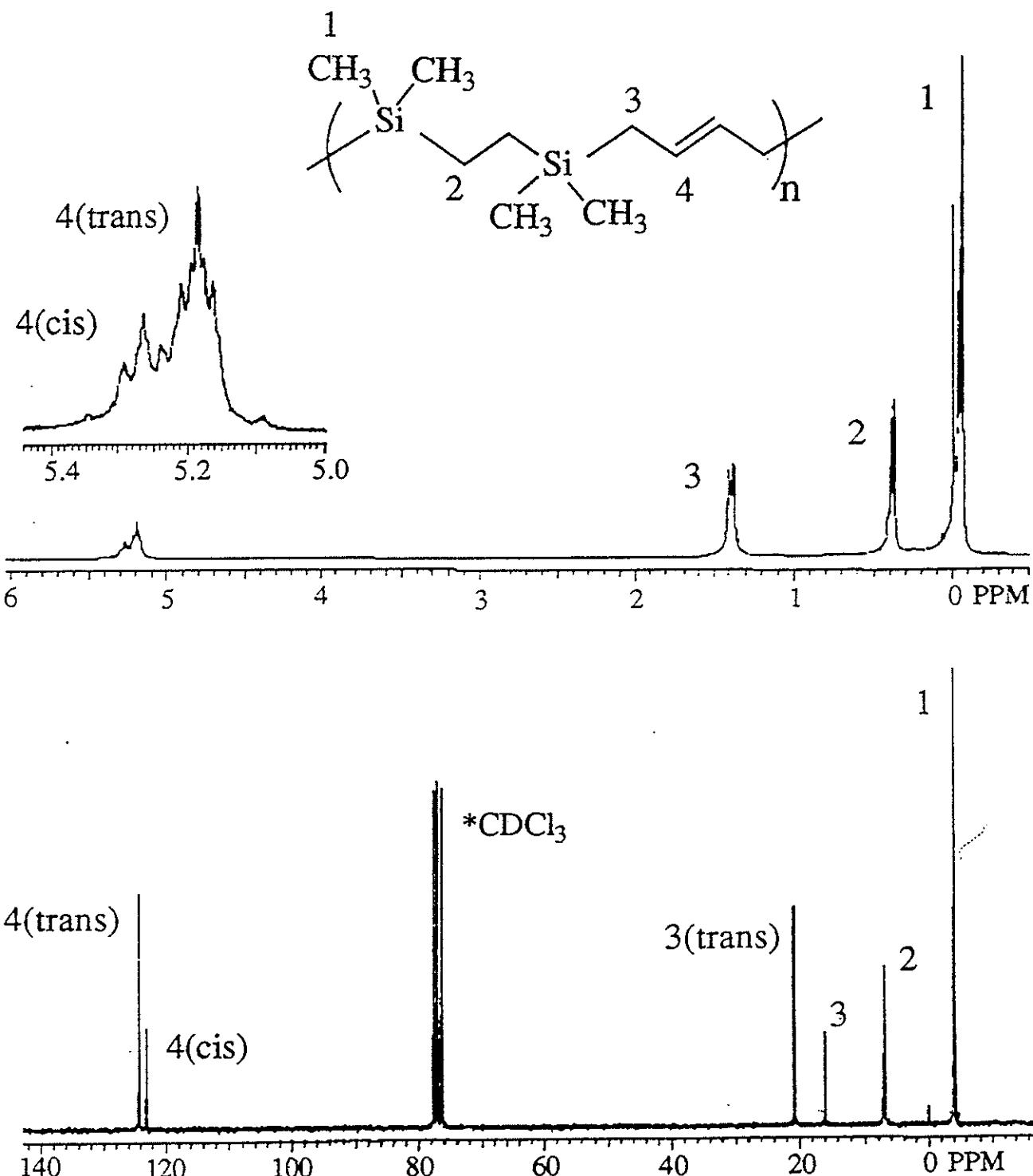
Divinylsilane resistance to ADMET, where R = Me (2) or Ph.



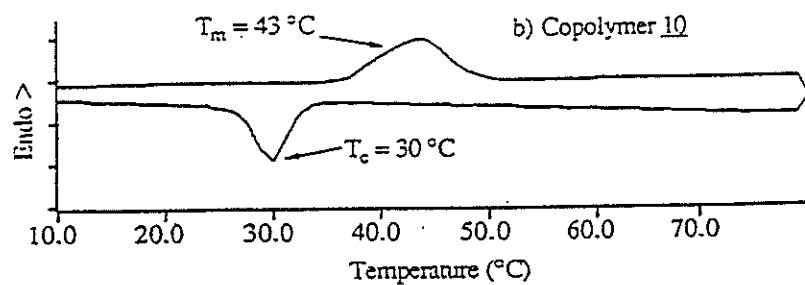
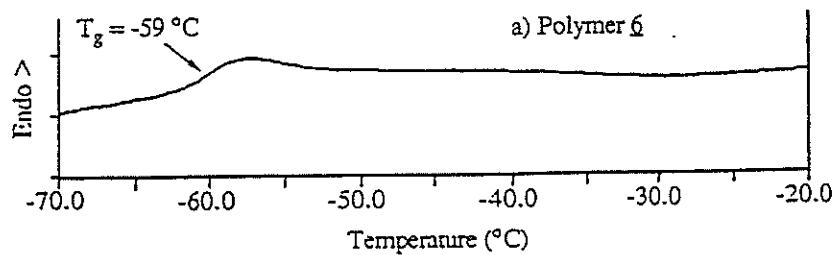
Schrock's VinylTMS Study (R=CMe(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>).



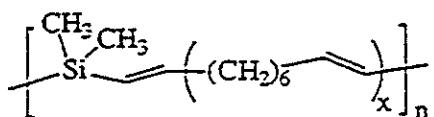
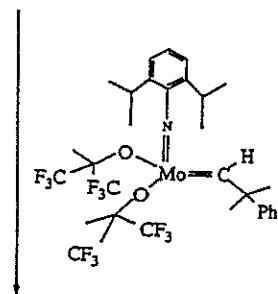
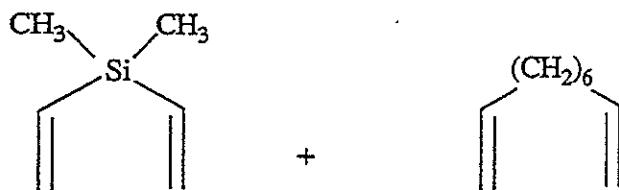
Polycarbo(dimethyl)silanes produced by acyclic diene metathesis (ADMET) polymerization of bis(allyl)carbosilanes.

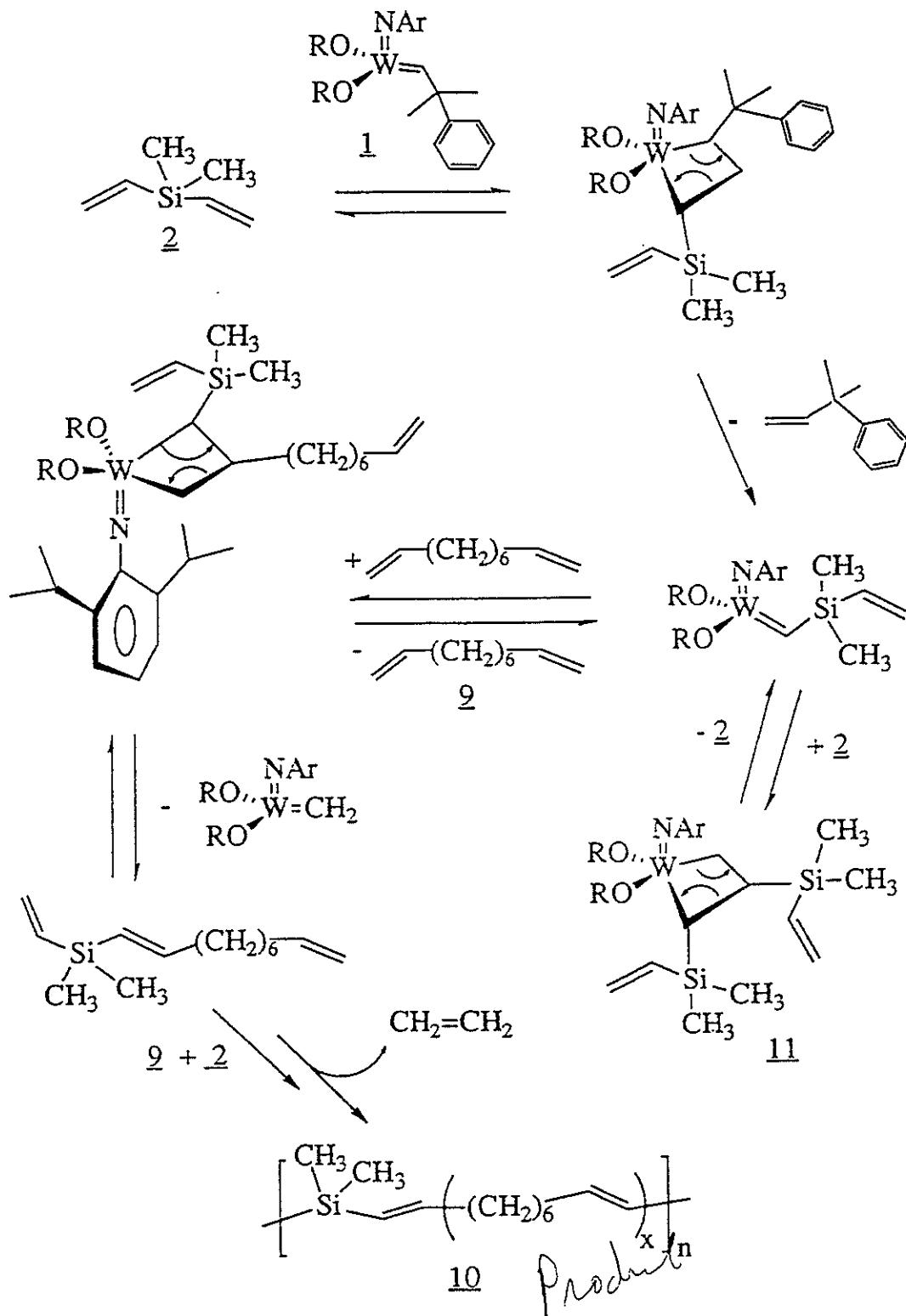


200-MHz  $^1\text{H}$  and 50-MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of high molecular weight 73 % *trans* polymer 6 final reaction mixture.

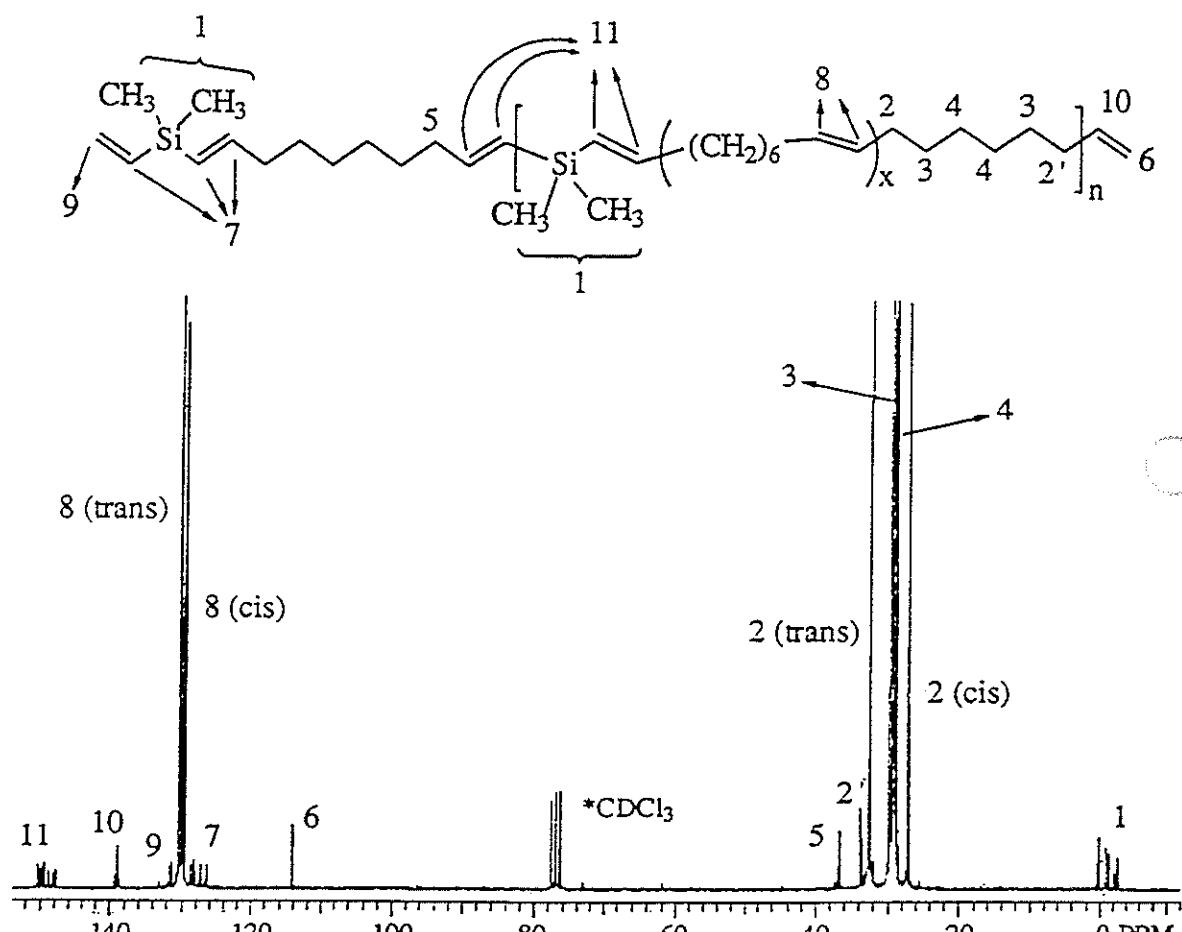


Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) thermogram of a) polymer 6 at (10 °C/min) and b) copolymer 10 (10 °C/min).



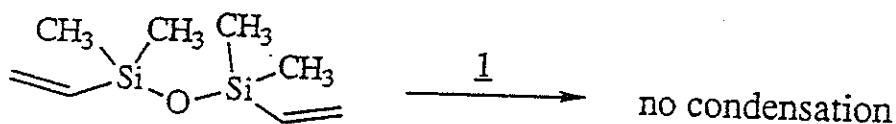


Monomer specific copolymerization of dimethyldivinylsilane (2) and 1,9-decadiene (9) ( $\text{R} = \text{CMe}(\text{CF}_3)_2$ ).

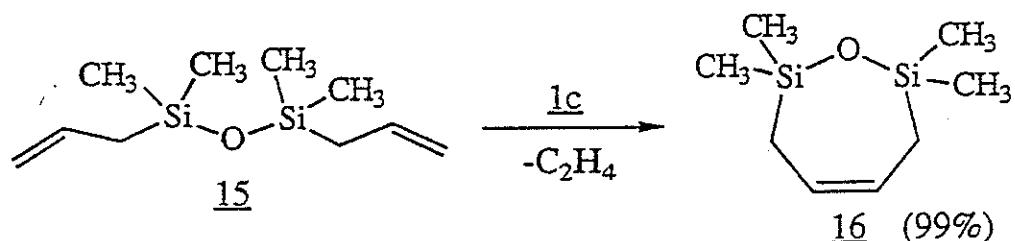


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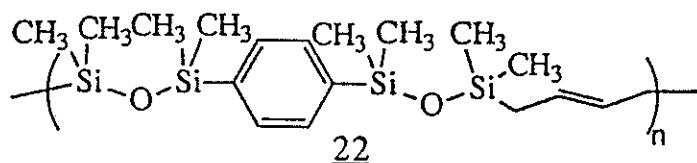
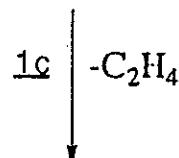
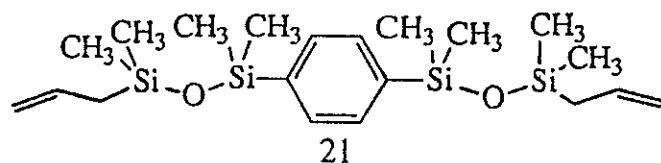
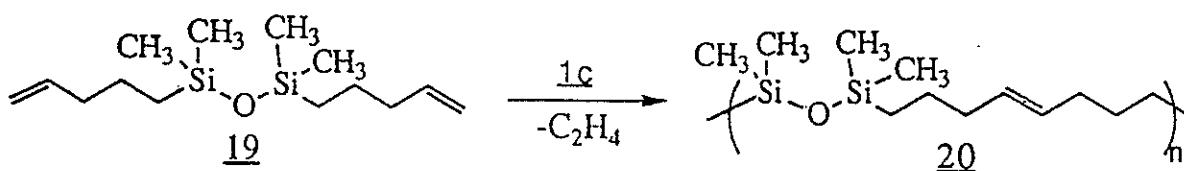
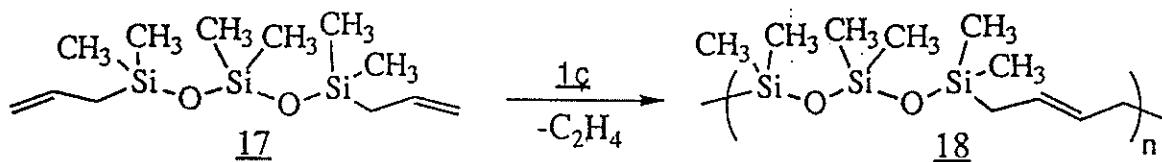
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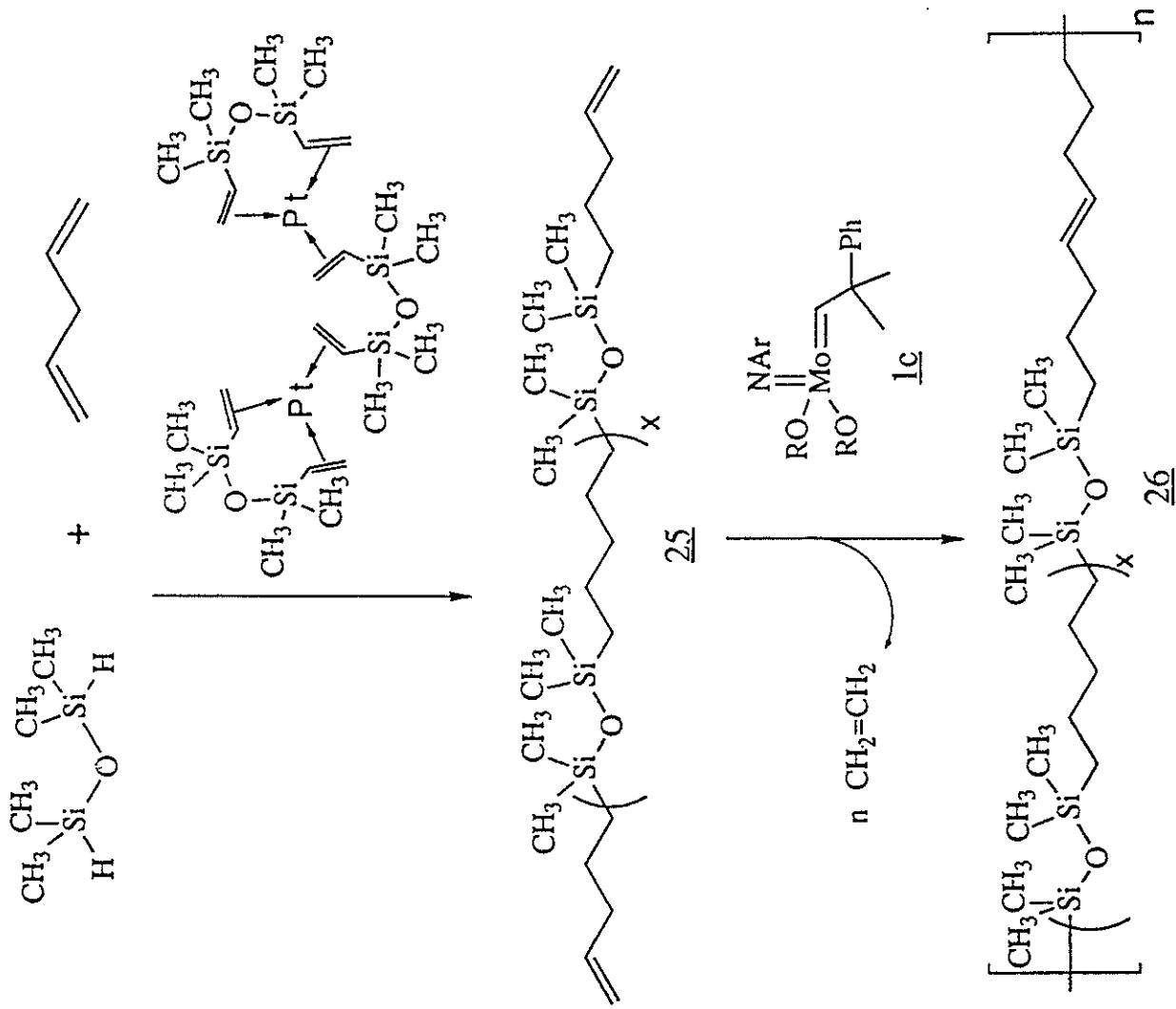
Bis(vinyl)tetramethyldisiloxane fails to polymerize via ADMET.



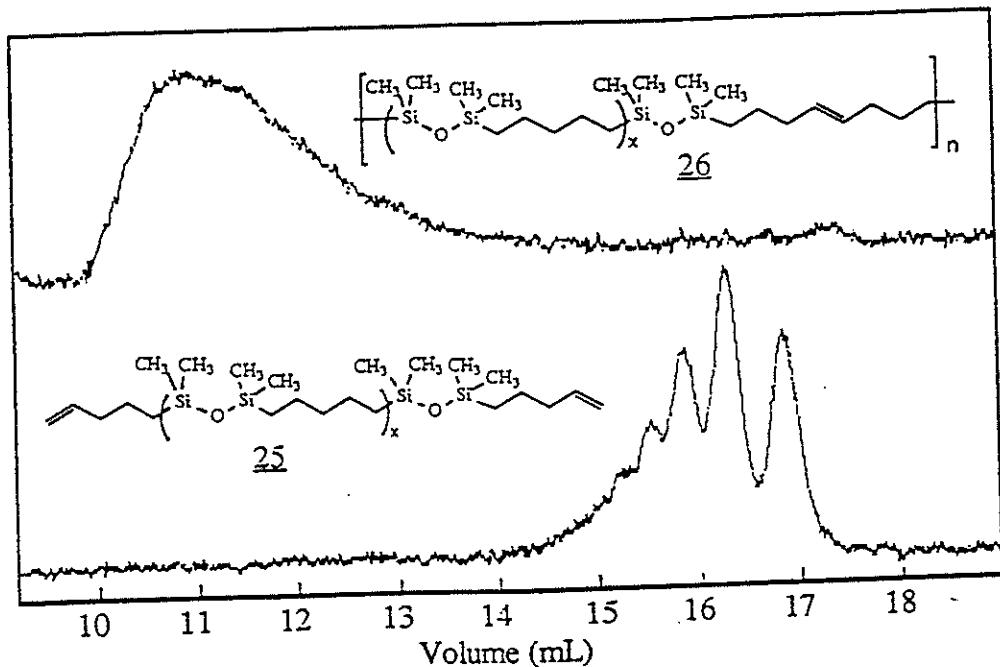
Exclusive metathesis cyclization condensation of bis(allyl)disiloxane.



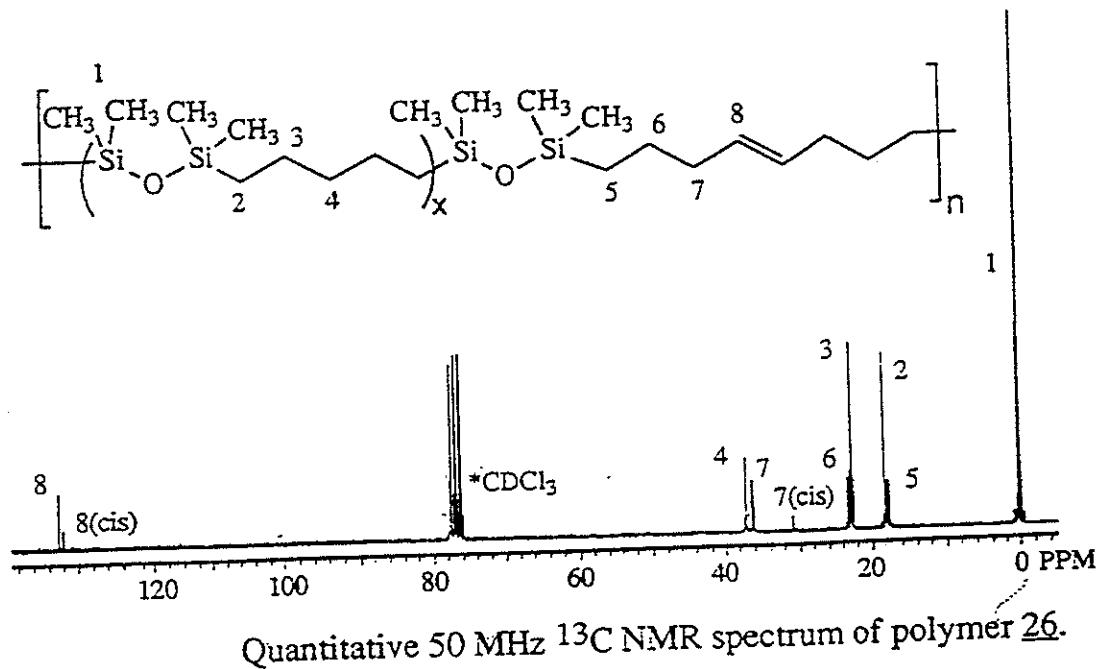
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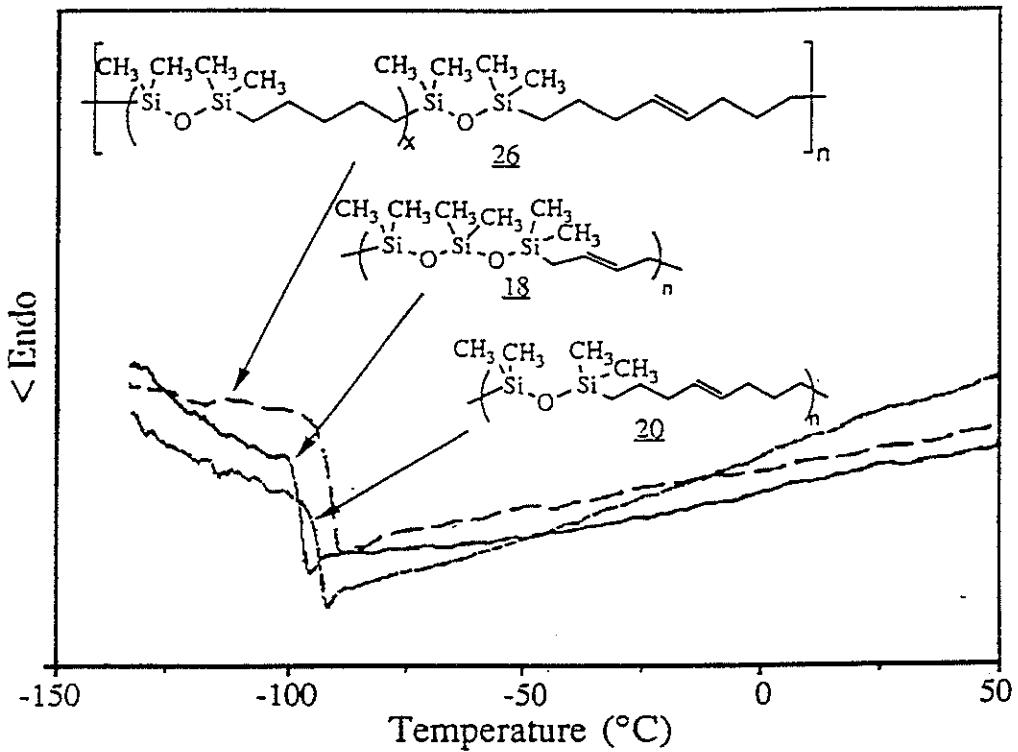


Synthesis of  $\alpha,\omega$ -telechomer **25** and resulting polymer **26**.

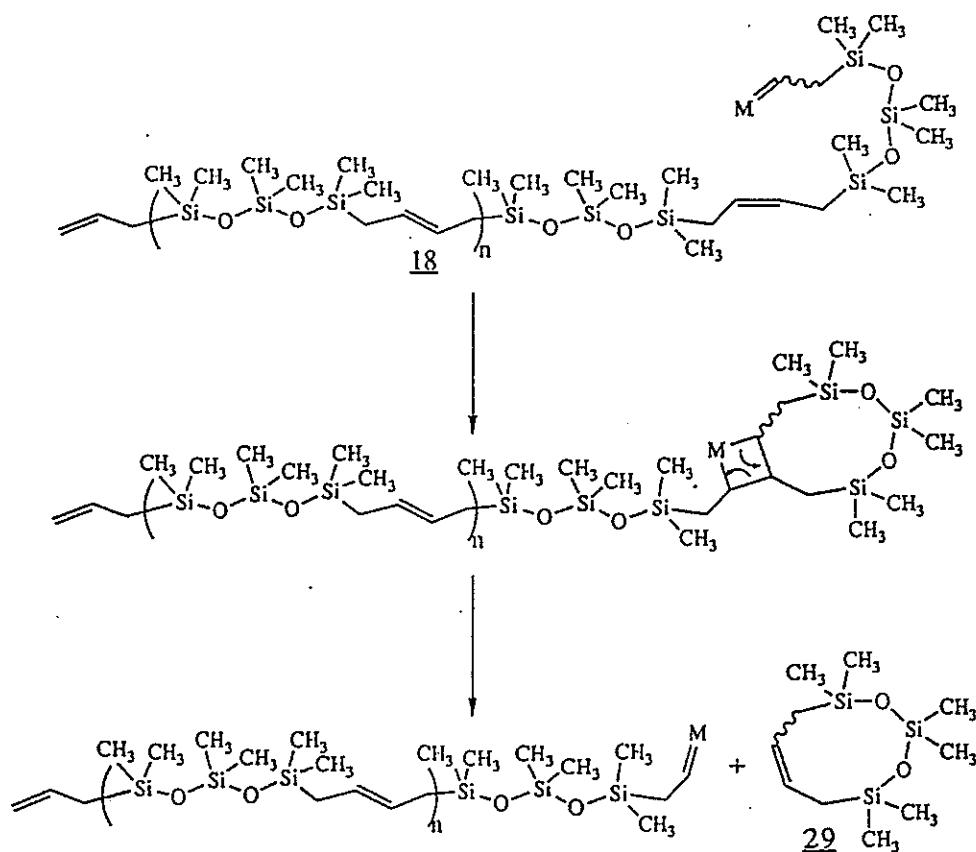


Gel permeation chromatography (GPC) of  $\alpha,\omega$ -telechelomer **25** and resulting polymer **26**.

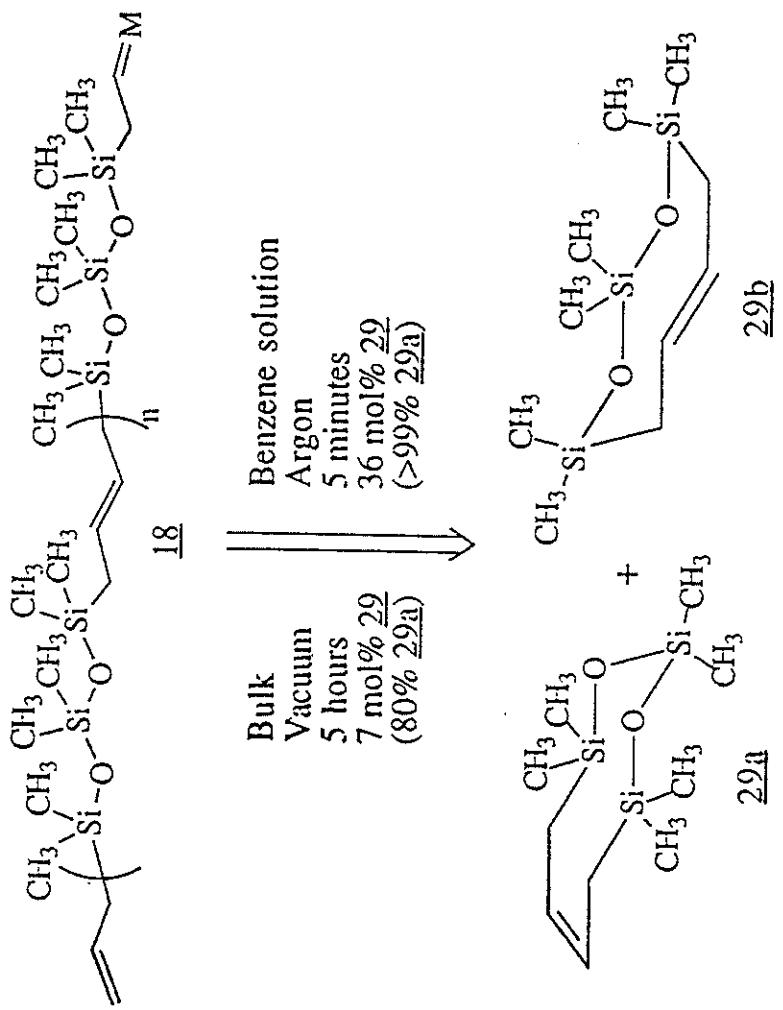




Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) of polymers 18, 20, and 26:  
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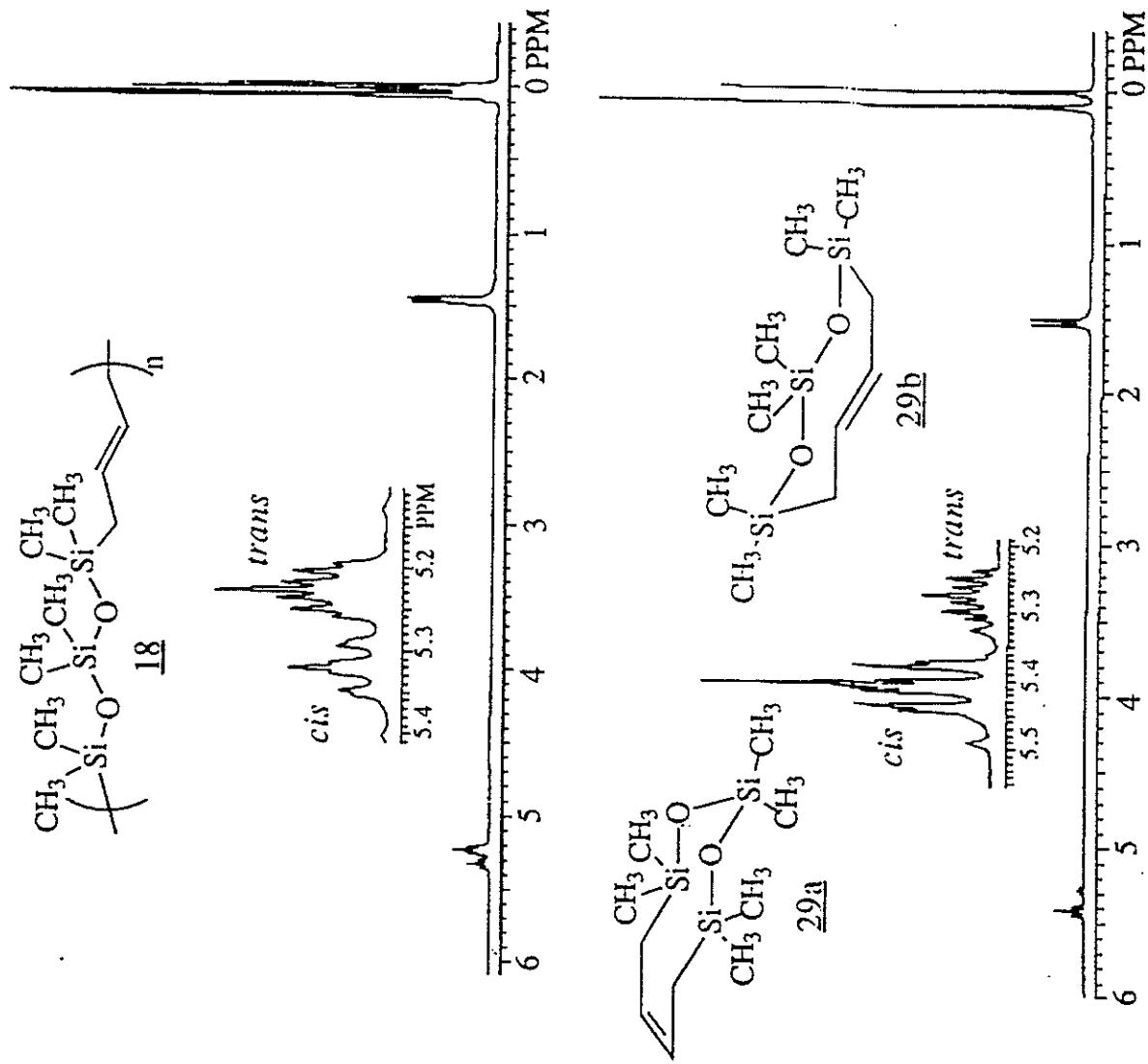


Backbiting mechanism for formation of cyclic dimer 29 from polymer 18. M = Mo(N-2,6-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>-i-Pr<sub>2</sub>)[OCMe(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>.



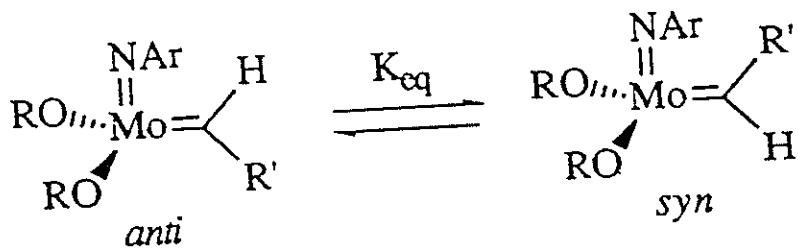
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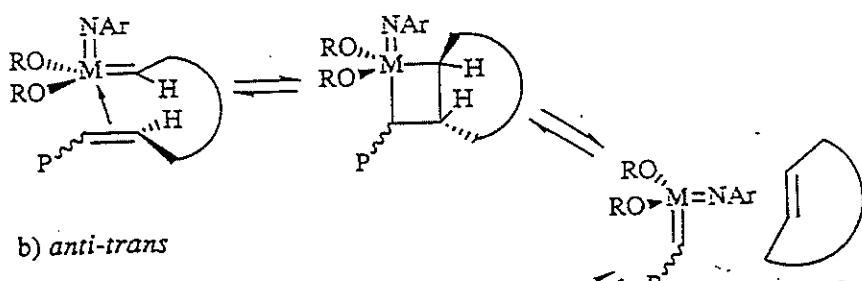
200 MHz  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of cyclic 65 % *trans* polymer 18 and isomeric mixture of byproduct 29.

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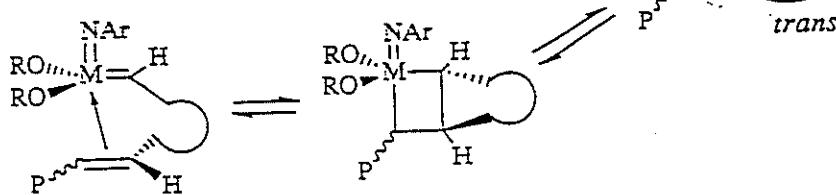


*Anti* and *syn* rotamers for a molybdenum alkylidene.

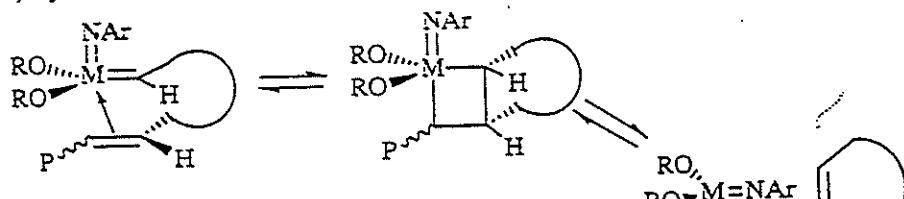
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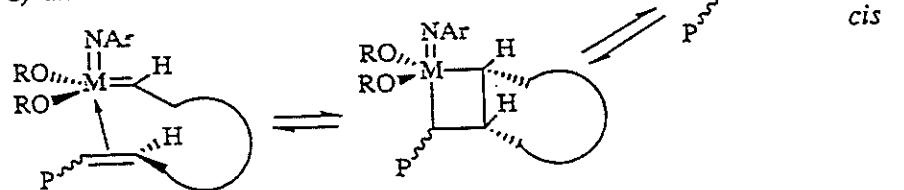
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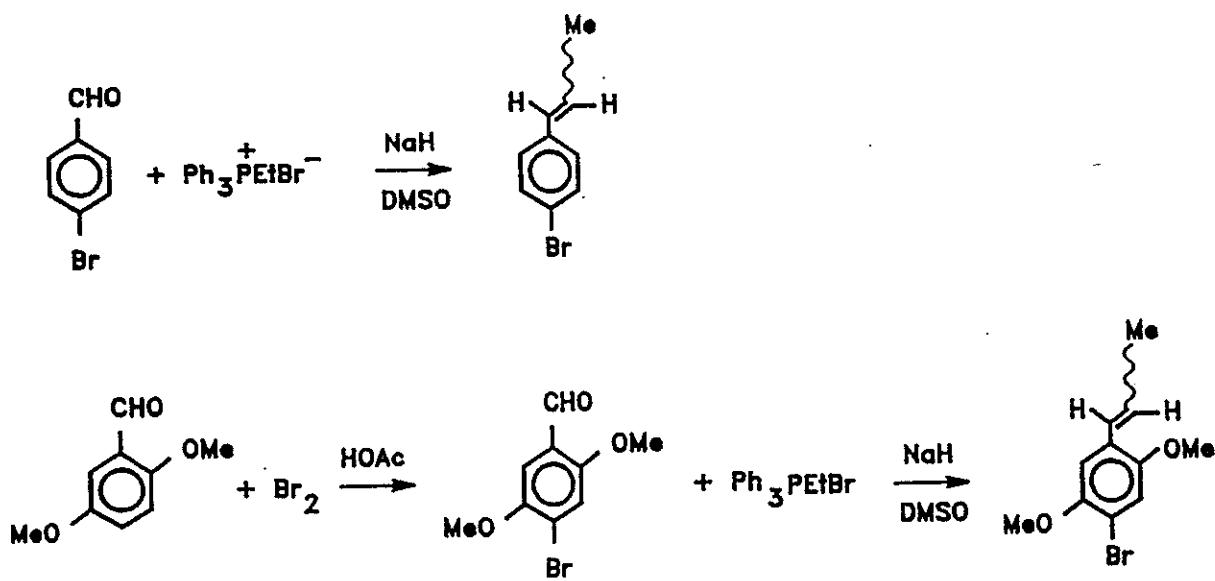
d) *anti-cis*



Generalized geometries for intermediates participating in back biting reactions, where M = Mo, R = CMe(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> and P = Polymér.

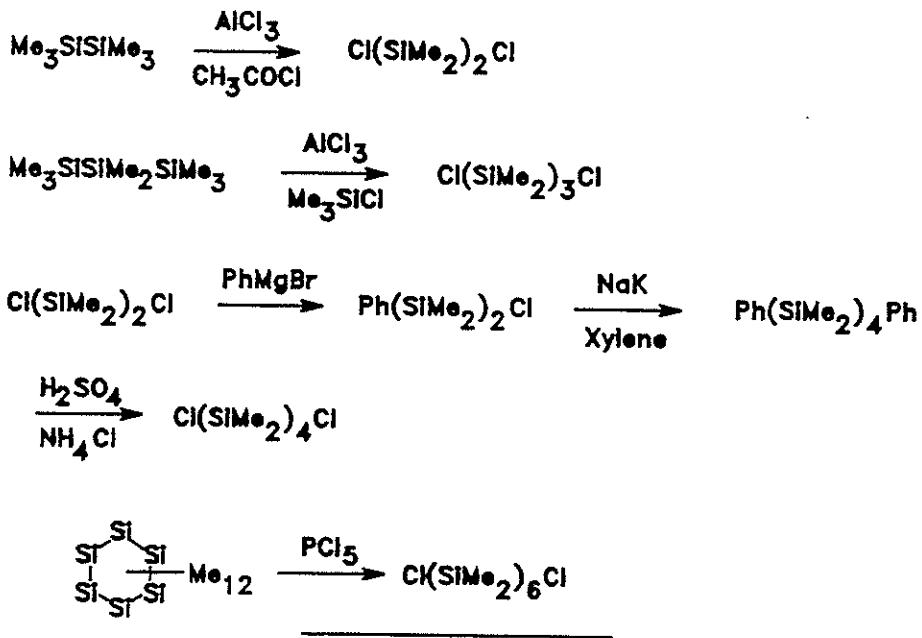
# Sigma-Pi Conductive Hybrid Silicon Polymers

## Monomer Synthesis - p-bromostyrenes

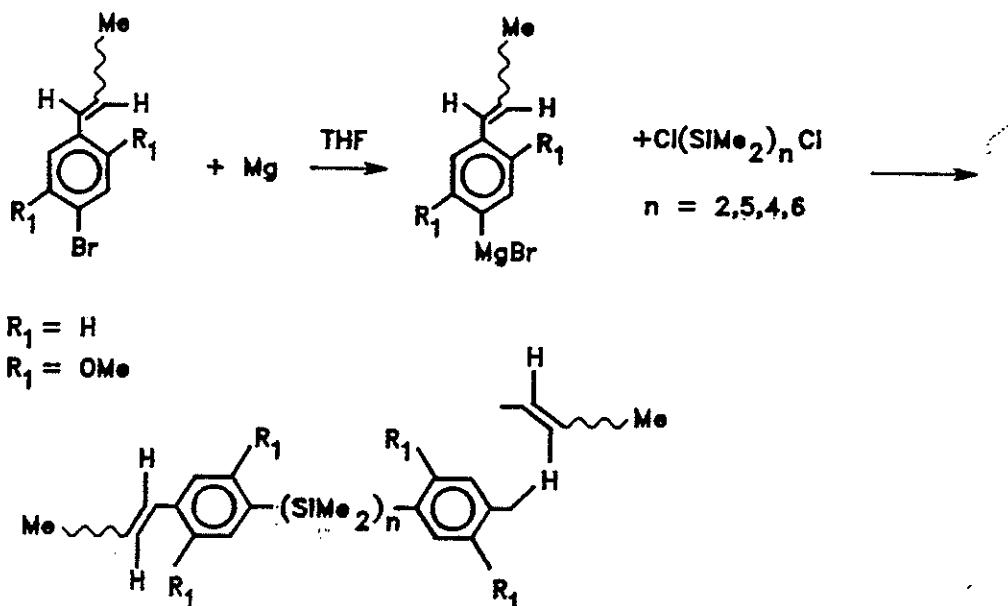


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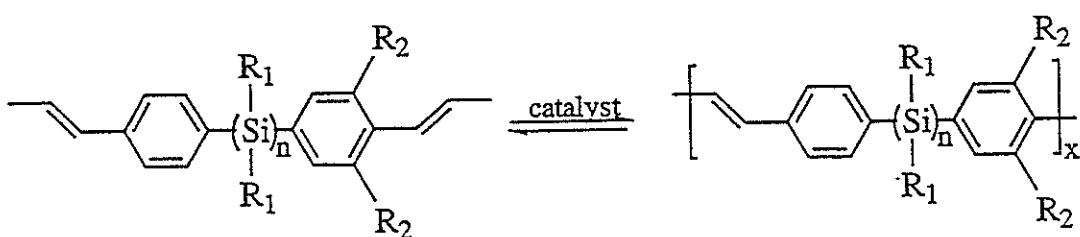
## Oligosilanes



## $\sigma-\pi$ Monomers



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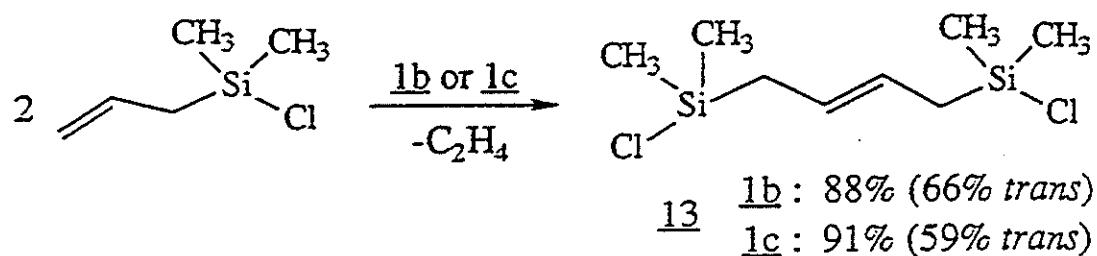


A  $\sigma$ - $\pi$  Conjugated Hybrid  
Polymer System

## Silicon Polymers Possessing

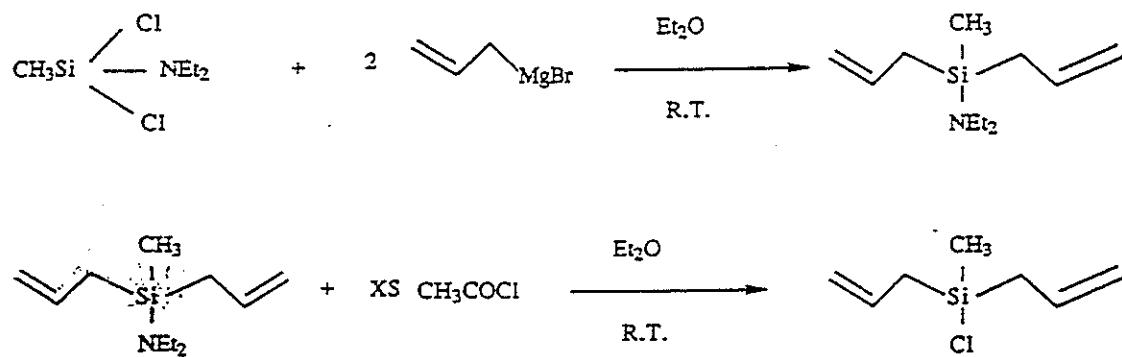
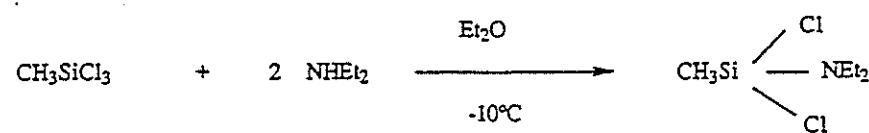
### the Reactive Si-Cl Bond

(Analogous to dichloropolyphosphazenes)



ADMET of reactive silicon functionalities.

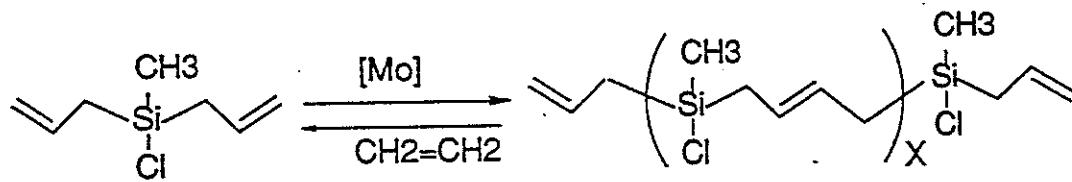
### III Indirect Synthesis With Blocking Group



Issleib,K. Kuhne, U. Kreck, F., Phosphorus and Sulfur, **21**, 367, 1985.

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### ADMET OLIGOMERIZATION



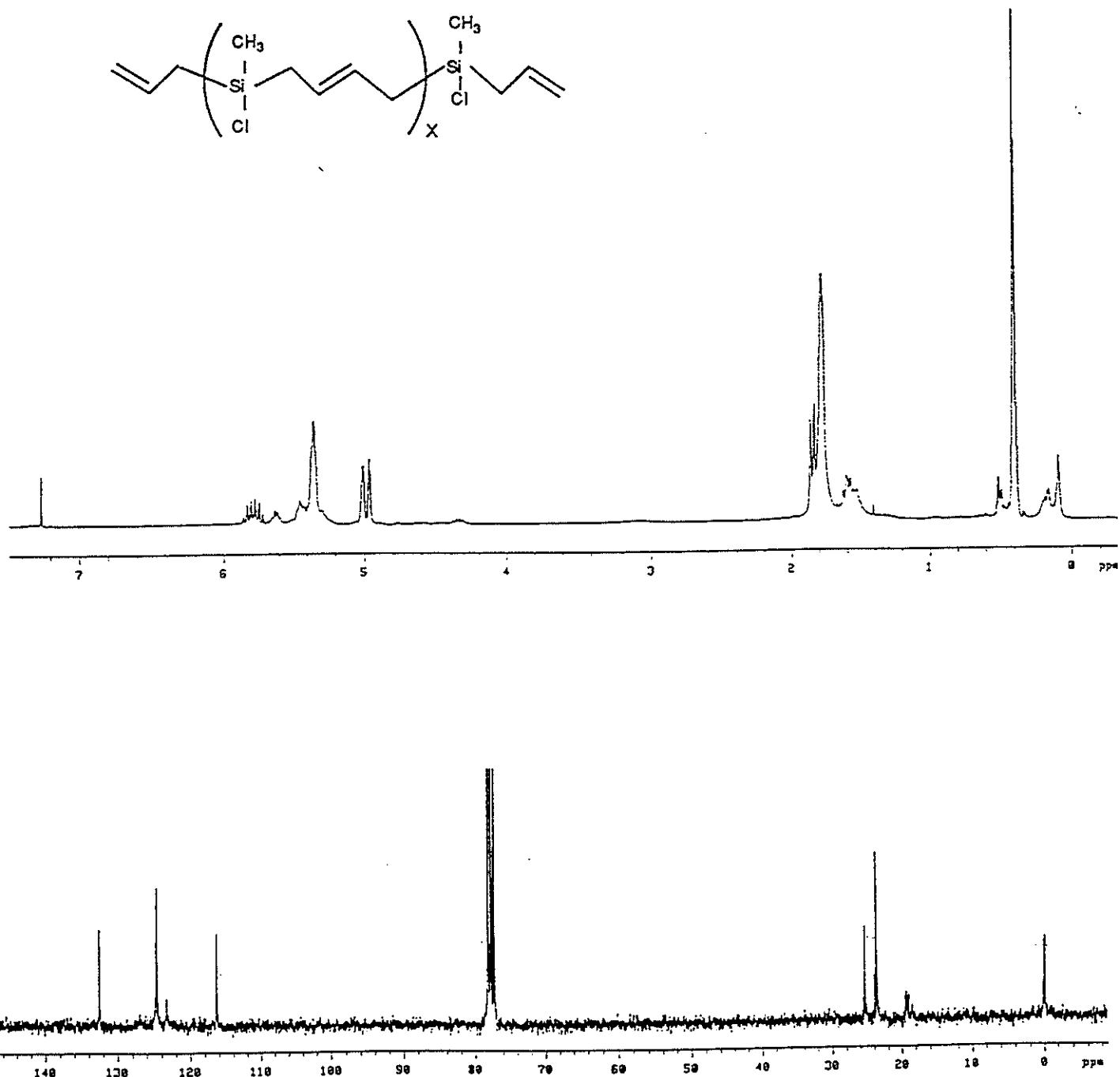
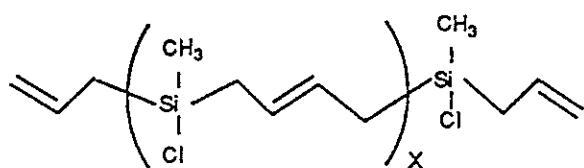
### OBSERVATIONS:

Immediate bubbling

Increase in viscosity

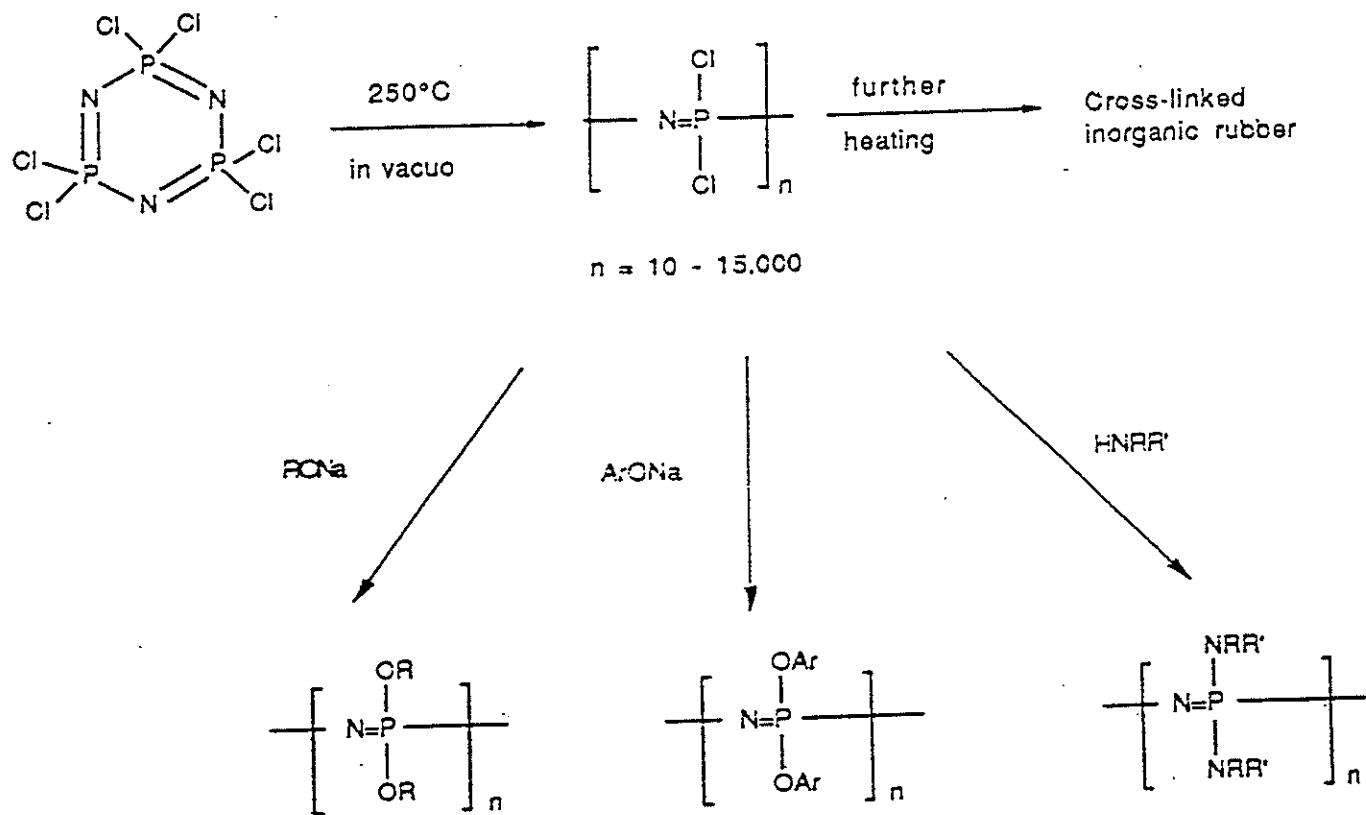
Presence of internal olefin

Presence of 5-membered cyclic

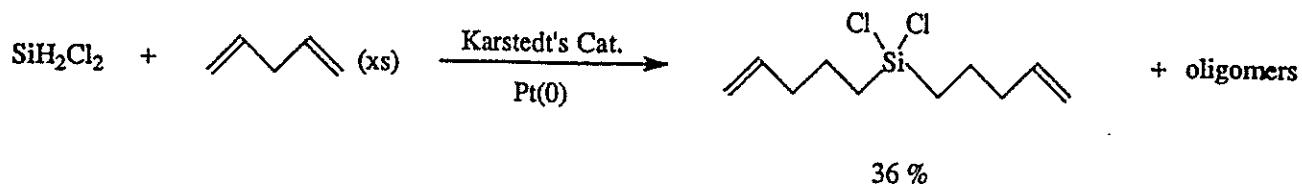


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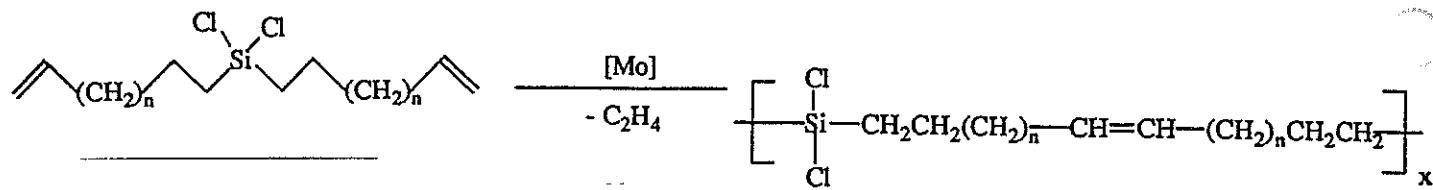
## POLYPHOSPHAZENE CHEMISTRY



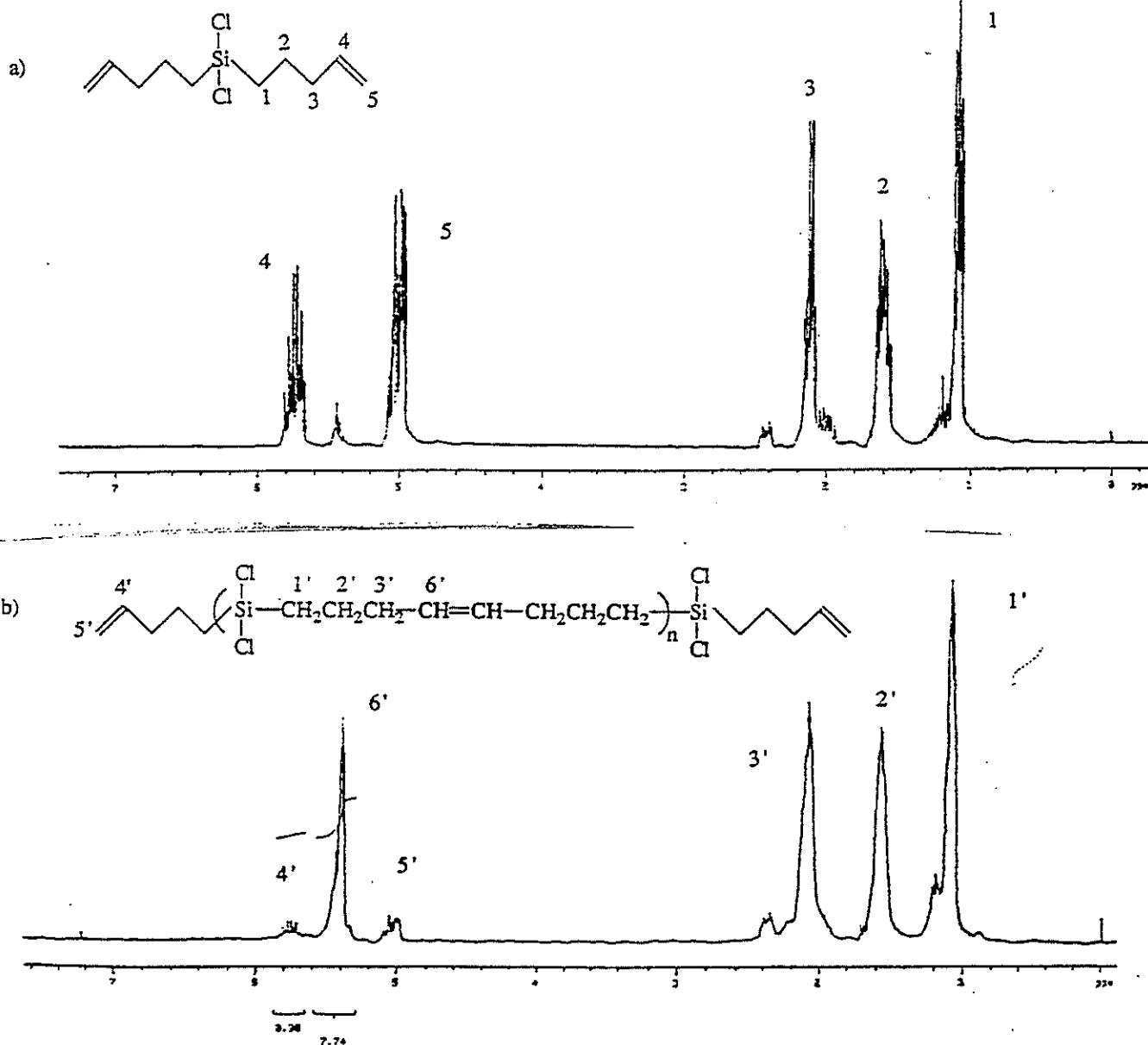
### Preliminary Preparation of Carbo(dichloro)siladienes



# Synthesis of Polycarbo(dichloro)silanes

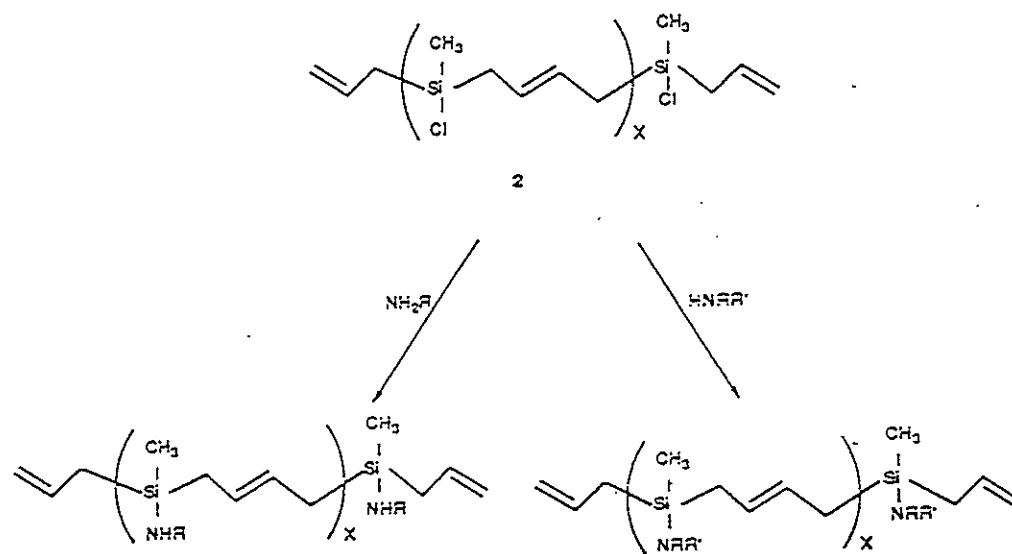


## Characterization Data Of Chloro Functionalized Carbosilane Monomer and Polymer



<sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectra for a) Bis(5-pentenyl)dichlorosilane Monomer  
and b) Poly(1,1-dichloro-1-sila-5-nonenylenene) Polymer

## OPPORTUNITY: Carbosilane Analogs of Polyphosphazenes



## Summary Statements

- ADMET is room temperature polycondensation chemistry, best done in the bulk state.
- The catalysts available for ADMET reactions are beginning to broaden in scope.
- Functionality does not pose a problem given sufficient spacing between the metathesizing olefin and the functional group.
- Aromatic and aliphatic carbosilane polymers are easily accessible by ADMET chemistry, if proper attention is paid to steric and the electronic effects.
- The same holds true for carbosiloxane polymers.
- The silicon-chlorine bond is inert to ADMET chemistry.
- Chlorofunctionalized ADMET oligomers have been synthesized, structures which may be further reacted in a manner reminiscent of dichloropolyphosphazene chemistry.

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# SYNTHESIS OF POLYMERS WITH CATALYTIC LOCI

*Molecular Inclusion Thereof*

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Since Vögtle's initial cascade synthesis in 1978 [1], the preparation and study of dendritic (cascade) macromolecules has been a rapidly expanding field of polymer chemistry. Numerous researchers have developed procedures to create unique dendritic polymers and are beginning to define the potential applications for these molecules [2]. The inner "void" regions offer the possibility for molecular inclusion or recognition, which may provide access to water soluble catalysts as well as drug and molecular delivery systems.

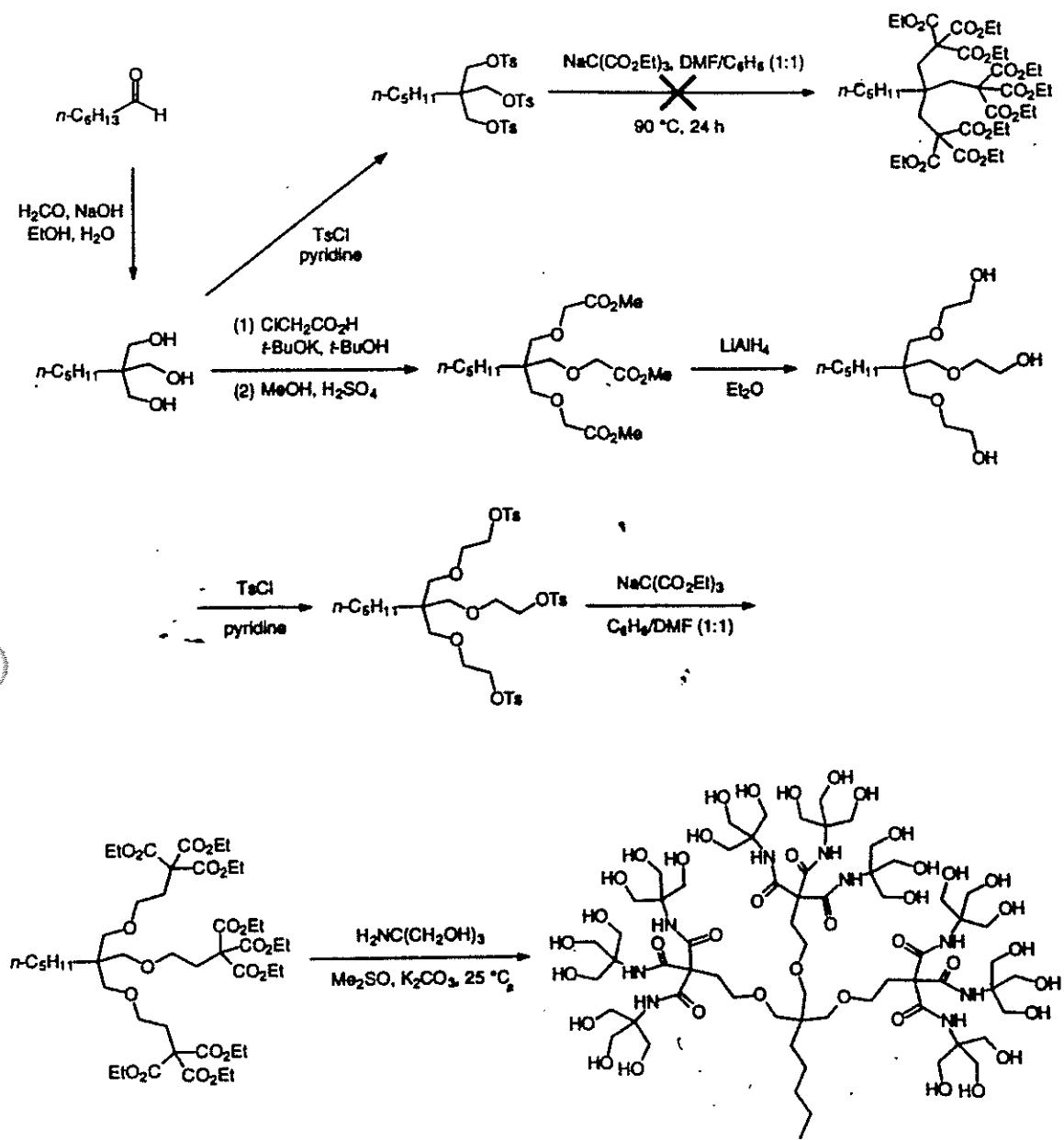
Our foray into the "molecular forest" began with a desire to mimic at the molecular level the branching pattern of trees. Professor Tomlinson [3] published a thorough description of the architectural design of trees derived from his studies of the rain forests of South America. The Leeuwenberg model represented the ideal topological model for "molecular trees" with branches emanating from quaternary carbons and providing a one-to-three branch multiplicity (i.e., a repetitive synthesis would give molecular structures with a simple mathematical progression of  $1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 9 \rightarrow 27 \dots$ ). Within this general concept, there remains unlimited variations regarding branch composition, length, and functionality.

## 2. CASCADE MACROMOLECULES

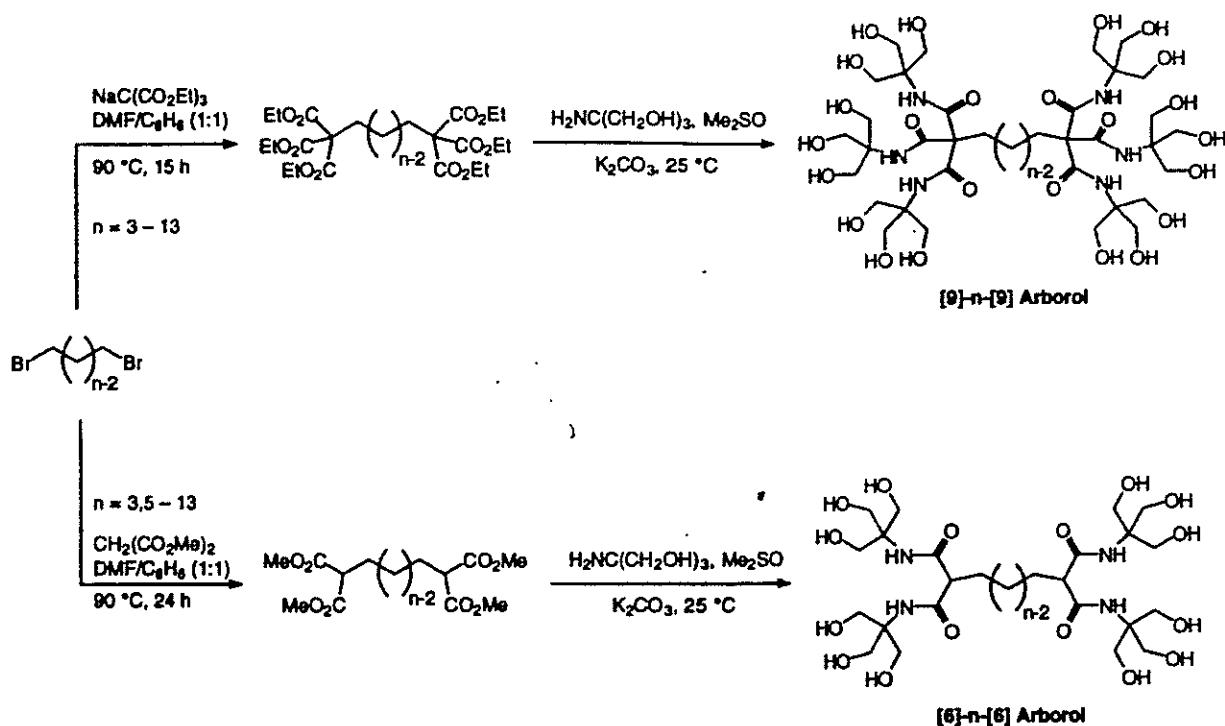
### 2.1 BRANCHES WITH AMIDE LINKAGES

From the beginning, our synthetic strategies have employed prebranched "building blocks" each consisting of a central quaternary carbon possessing a single "reactive" functionality and three "protected" (or differentiated) functions. The preparation of the [27]-Arborol is shown in Scheme 1 [4]. Retardation of the chemical reactivity of the neopentyl core necessitated the incorporation of spacer groups, added multiple steps to the synthesis, and ultimately hindered the addition of further branching. The preparation of "2-D" [5,6] and "4-D" [7,8] arborols via similar methods are shown in Schemes 2 and 3.

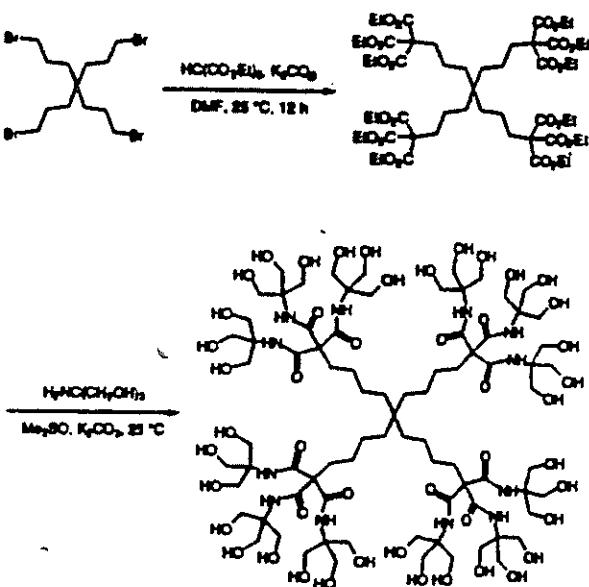
Bishomotris (BHT) was prepared [9] (Scheme 4) to replace tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane (tris) in these reaction schemes; the additional methylenes should circumvent the steric hinderance imposed by neopentyl structure of tris. The use of BHT gave only traces of transesterified material instead of the desired amide formation. This result supports a cyclic intermediate in the proposed mechanism (Figure 1) for the amidation of esters under these conditions [6].



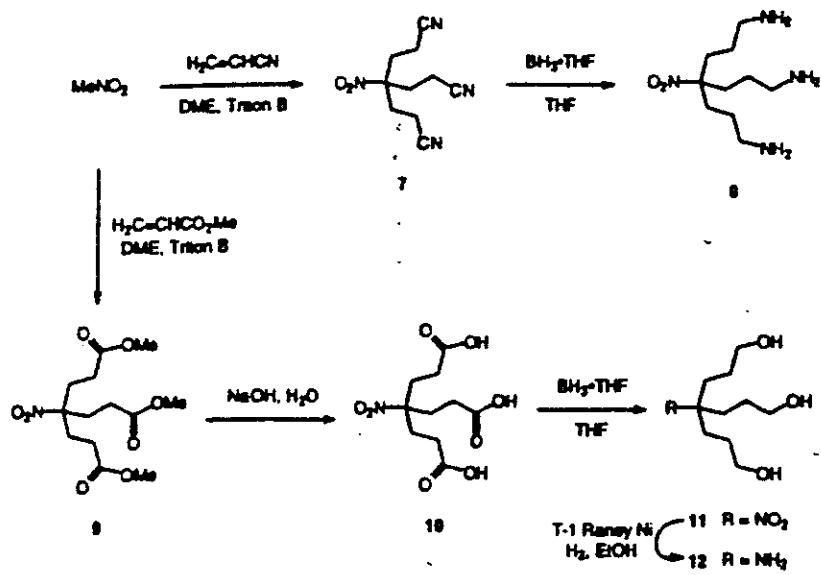
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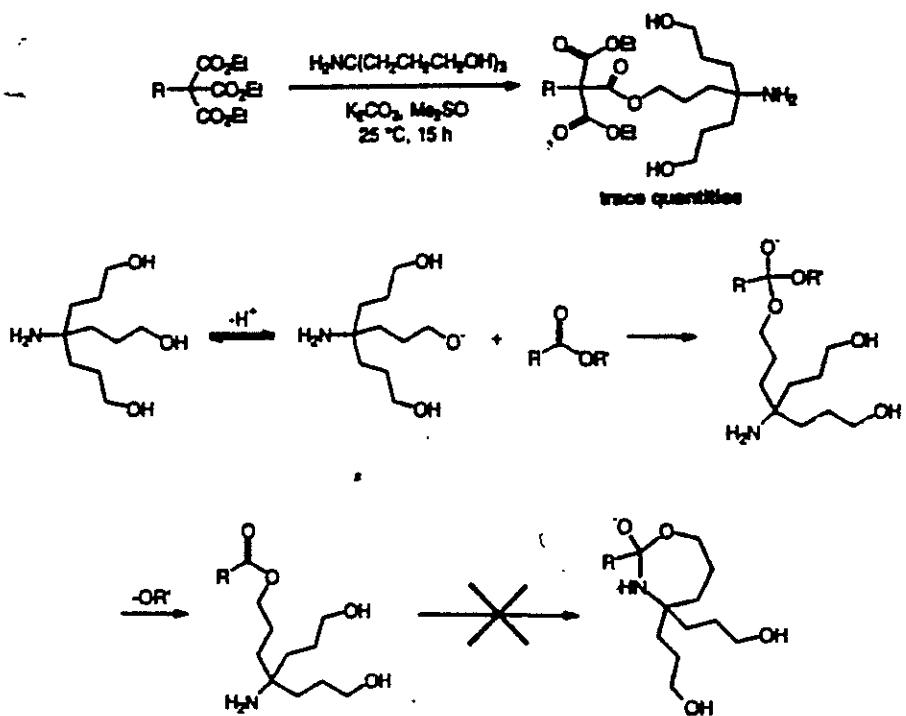
Scheme 2. Preparation of 2-Directional Arborols.



Scheme 3. Preparation of a 4-Directional Arborol.

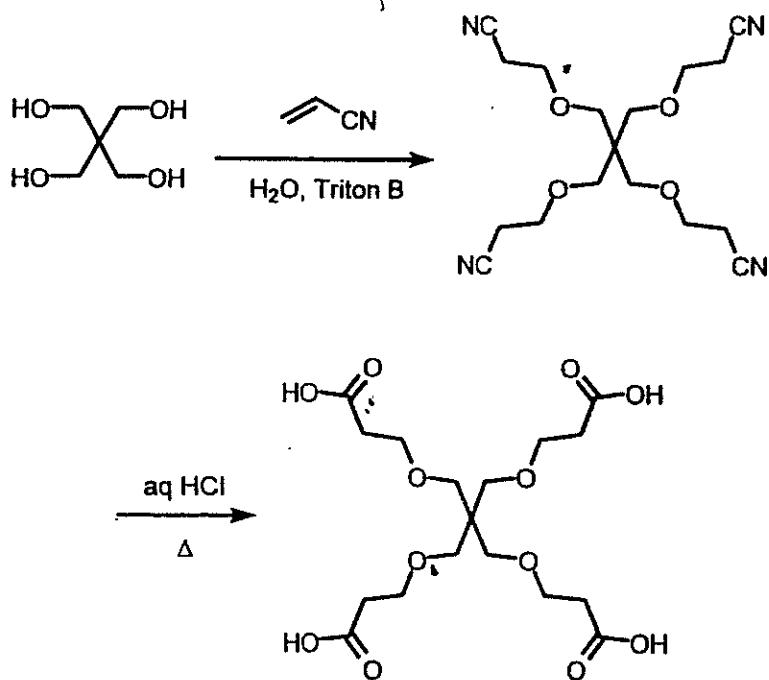


**Scheme 4.** Synthesis of Bishomotris (BHT).



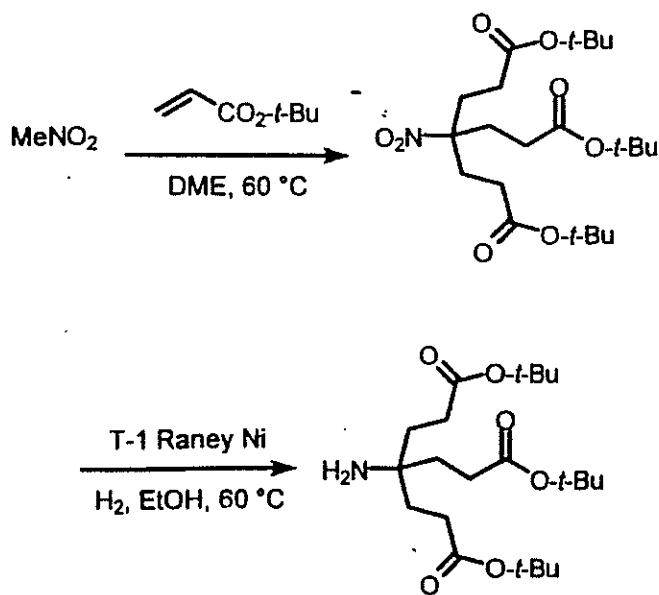
**Figure 1.** Proposed Mechanism for the Reaction of BHT with an Ester.

These experiences focused our thought process toward the use of protecting groups and functional group differentiation. A building block possessing a pendant amine and three esters would facilitate the amidation of a carboxylic acid via peptide coupling conditions; subsequent ester hydrolysis would yield three acid moieties that could be coupled with additional aminotriester to give larger, more branched macromolecules. The Michael addition of MeNO<sub>2</sub> into acrylic esters and subsequent reduction of the nitro to an amine seemed a feasible route into the desired building block. For simple alkyl esters, reduction of the pendant nitro moiety results in lactam formation. This undesirable process was readily avoided by the use of *tert*-butyl esters (Scheme 5) [10].

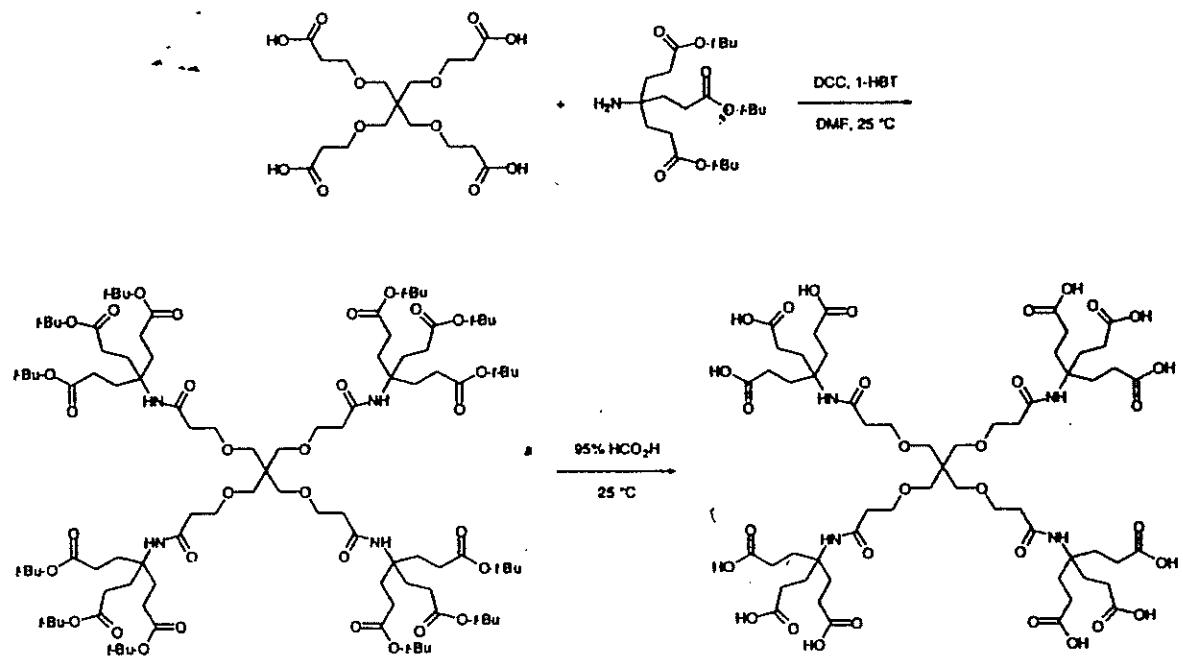


**Scheme 5.** Synthesis of Di-*tert*-butyl 4-Amino-4-[2-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-ethyl]-1,7-heptanedioate.

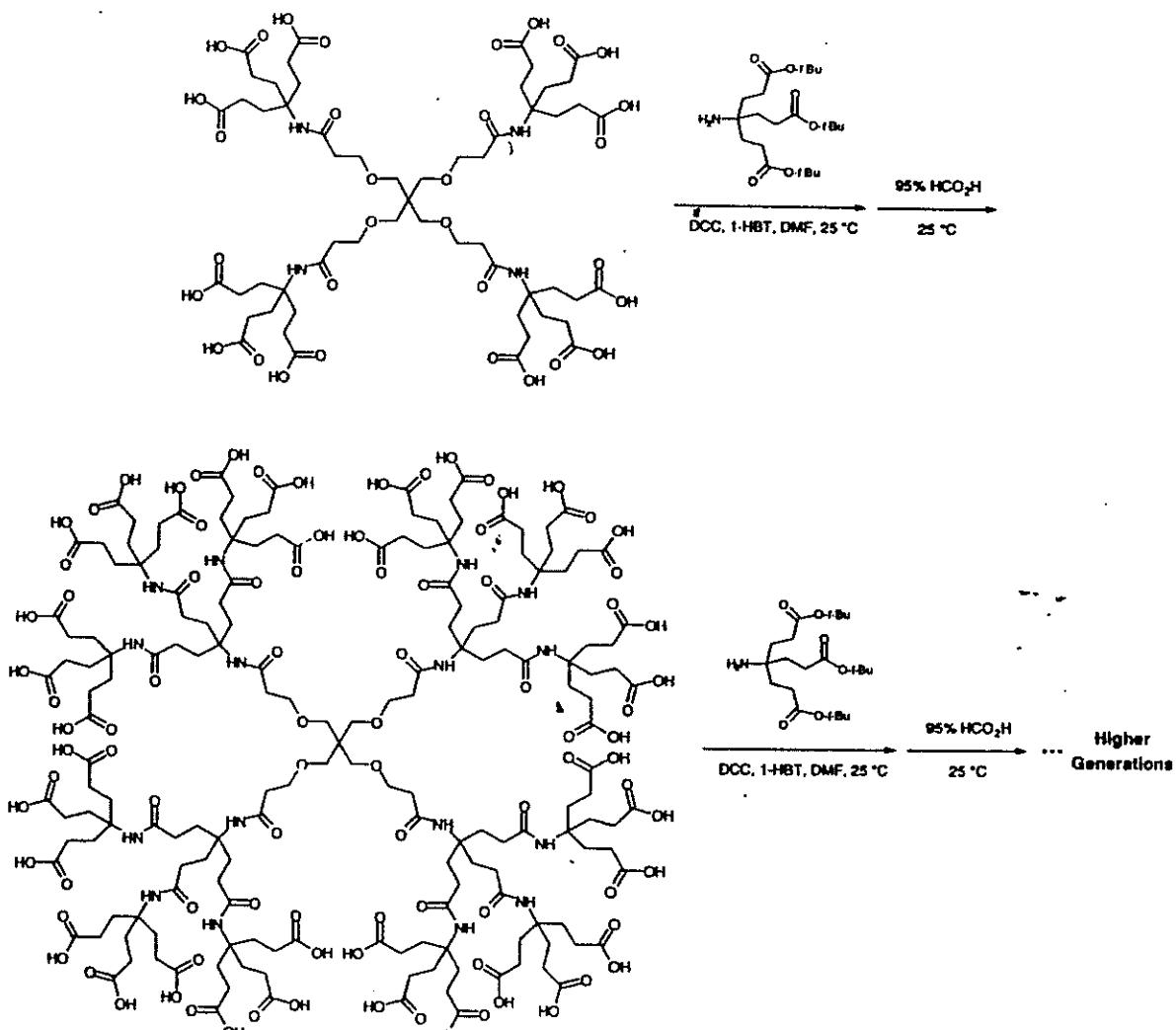
An easily accessible tetraacid initiator core was prepared (Scheme 6) via Michael addition of pentaerythritol to acrylonitrile and subsequent hydrolysis with HCl [11]. Amide formation under traditional peptide coupling conditions gave the dodecaester; hydrolysis with formic acid gave the corresponding dodecaacid (Scheme 7). Synthesis of the second generation 36-acid is shown in Scheme 8 [12]; further repetition of these two steps gave the first six generations of the Z-Cascade:methane[4]:(3-oxo-6-oxa-2-azaheptylidyne):(3-oxo-2-azapentylidyne)<sup>G-1</sup>:propanoic acid [13] (Figure 2).



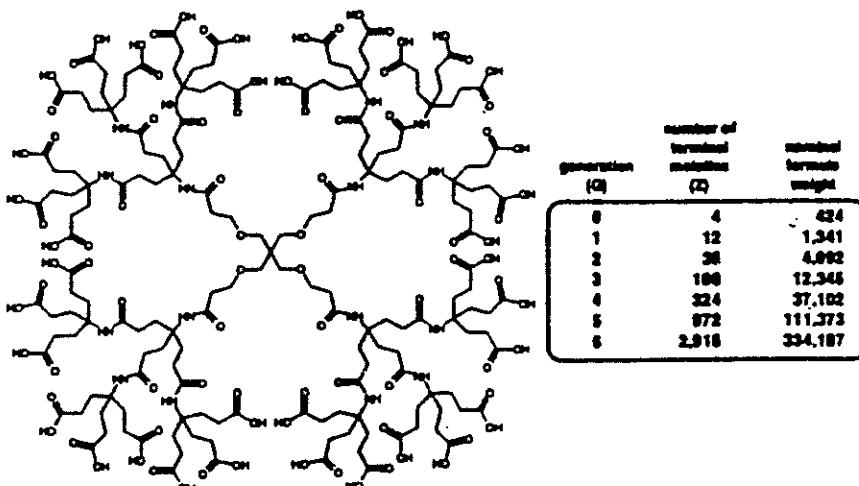
**Scheme 6.** Preparation of a Tetraacid Initiator Core.



**Scheme 7.** Synthesis of the 12-Cascade:Acid.



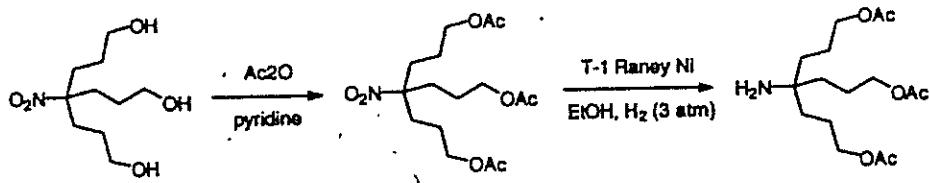
**Scheme 8.** Iterative Synthesis of Higher Generation Polyamido Cascades.



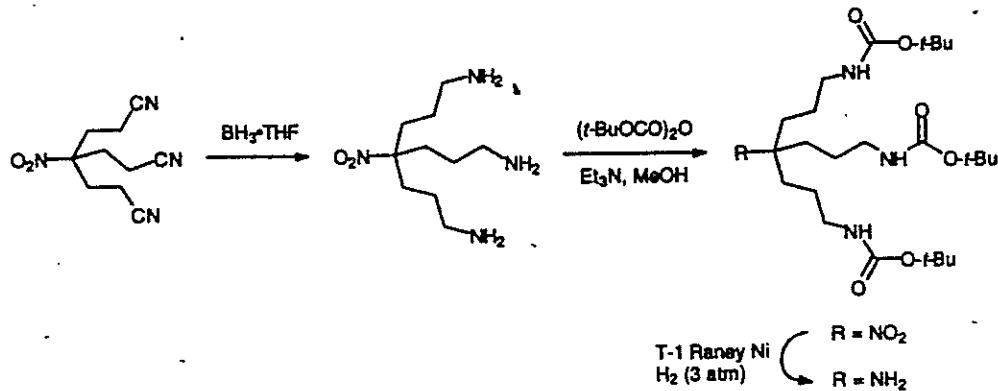
**Figure 2.** Molecular Weight versus Generation for the Polyamido Cascades.

Size exclusion chromatography (SEC) provided verification of the monodispersity and formula weight of the third generation 108-acid [12]. Interestingly, the elution volume exhibited a marked dependence upon the pH of the sample solution. This apparent size change was attributed to expansion (or contraction) of the molecule as the terminal acid moieties were deprotonated (or protonated). Further evidence for this '*smart*' phenomena [14] was obtained by determination of the hydrodynamic radii for the first five generations of this cascade family via diffusion ordered spectroscopy (DOSY NMR) [12].

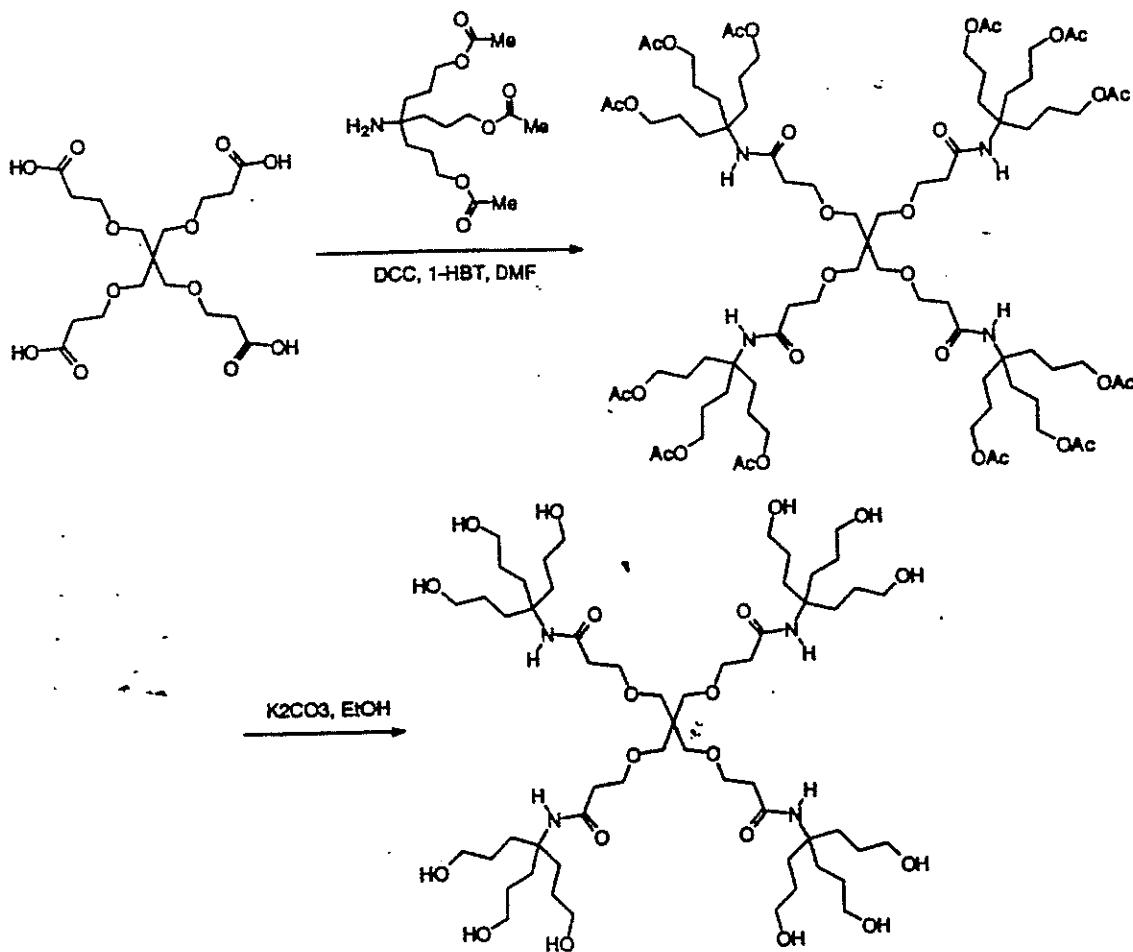
Ionization of the terminal acid moieties was presumed responsible for the pH dependence of the hydrodynamic radius; incorporation of other terminal functionalities facilitated control of this '*smart*' behavior. Thus, the first three generations of the related alcohol- and amine-terminated cascades were prepared via a modular approach [15]. The required building blocks were synthesized as shown in Scheme 9 and 10. Amide formation with the tetraacid initiator core and the appropriate building block via peptide coupling conditions gave the dodecaalcohol (Scheme 11) or dodecaamine (Scheme 12). Similar reactions with the first or second generation polyacids gave the second and third generation members of each family, respectively. As expected, the amine-terminated cascades exhibited pH-size behavior opposite to that observed for the acid-terminated cascades, and the alcohols showed no change in hydrodynamic radius as a function of pH (Figure 3) [15].



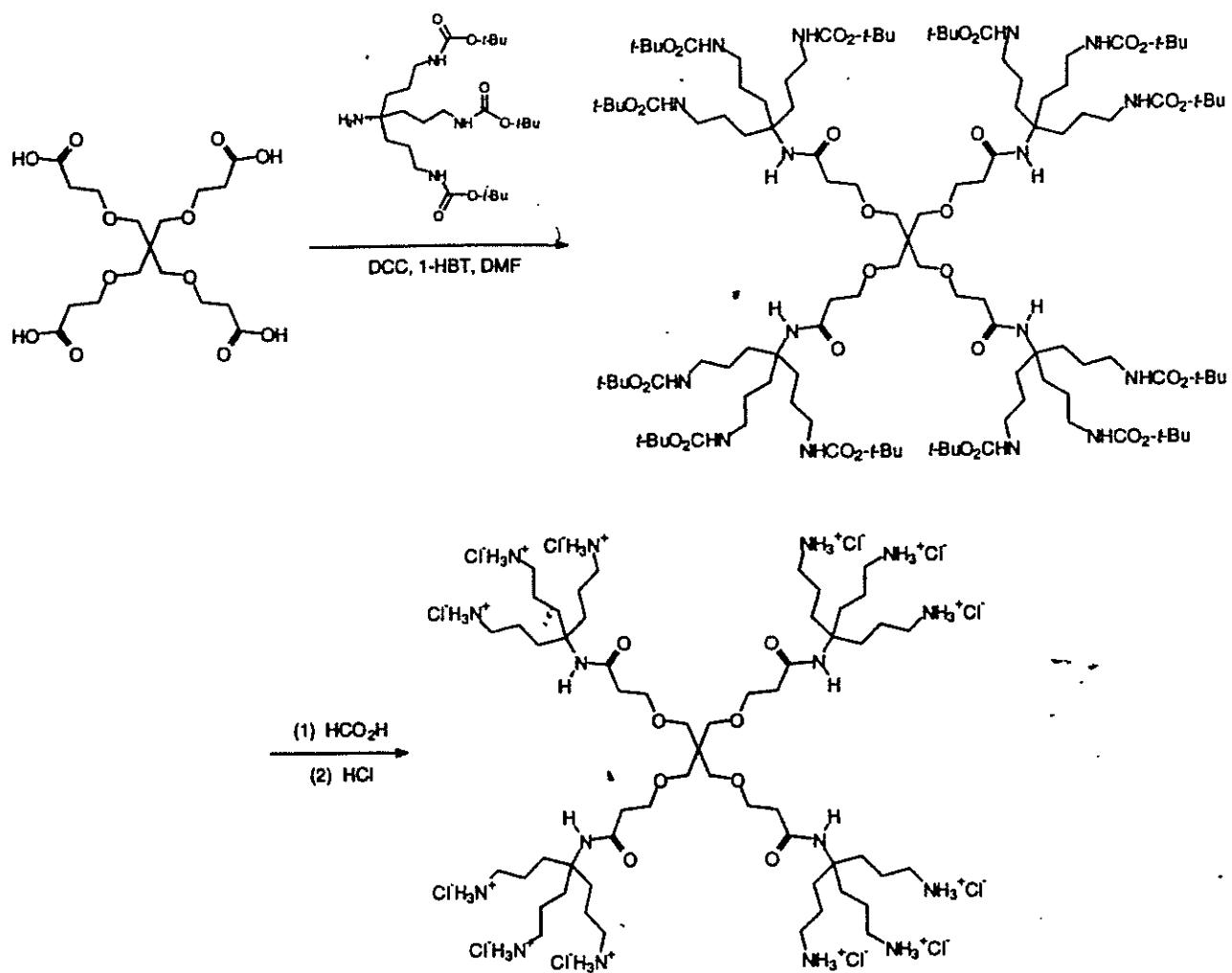
**Scheme 9.** Preparation of the Alcohol-Terminated Modular Building Block.



**Scheme 10.** Preparation of the Amine-Terminated Modular Building Block.



**Scheme 11.** Synthesis of the 12-Cascade:Alcohol.



**Scheme 12.** Synthesis of the 12-Cascade:Amine.

Generation (G)	Number of Terminal Groups (Z)	Formula Weight	[Cascade] (mM)	D ( $\text{cm}^2\text{s}^{-1}$ ) / Hydrodynamic Radius ( $\text{\AA}$ )		
				Acidic pH	Neutral pH	Basic pH
1	12	1,341	1.00	$2.41 \times 10^{-6}$ 8.24	$1.62 \times 10^{-6}$ 12.3	$1.68 \times 10^{-6}$ 11.8
2	36	4,092	1.00	$1.74 \times 10^{-6}$ 11.4	$1.15 \times 10^{-6}$ 17.3	$1.26 \times 10^{-6}$ 15.8
3	108	12,345	1.00	$1.15 \times 10^{-6}$ 17.3	$8.32 \times 10^{-7}$ 23.9	$9.09 \times 10^{-7}$ 21.9
4	324	37,102	0.97	$8.79 \times 10^{-7}$ 22.6	$6.01 \times 10^{-7}$ 33.1	$6.87 \times 10^{-7}$ 28.9
5	972	111,373	0.34	$7.83 \times 10^{-7}$ 25.4	$5.35 \times 10^{-7}$ 37.1	$6.17 \times 10^{-7}$ 32.3

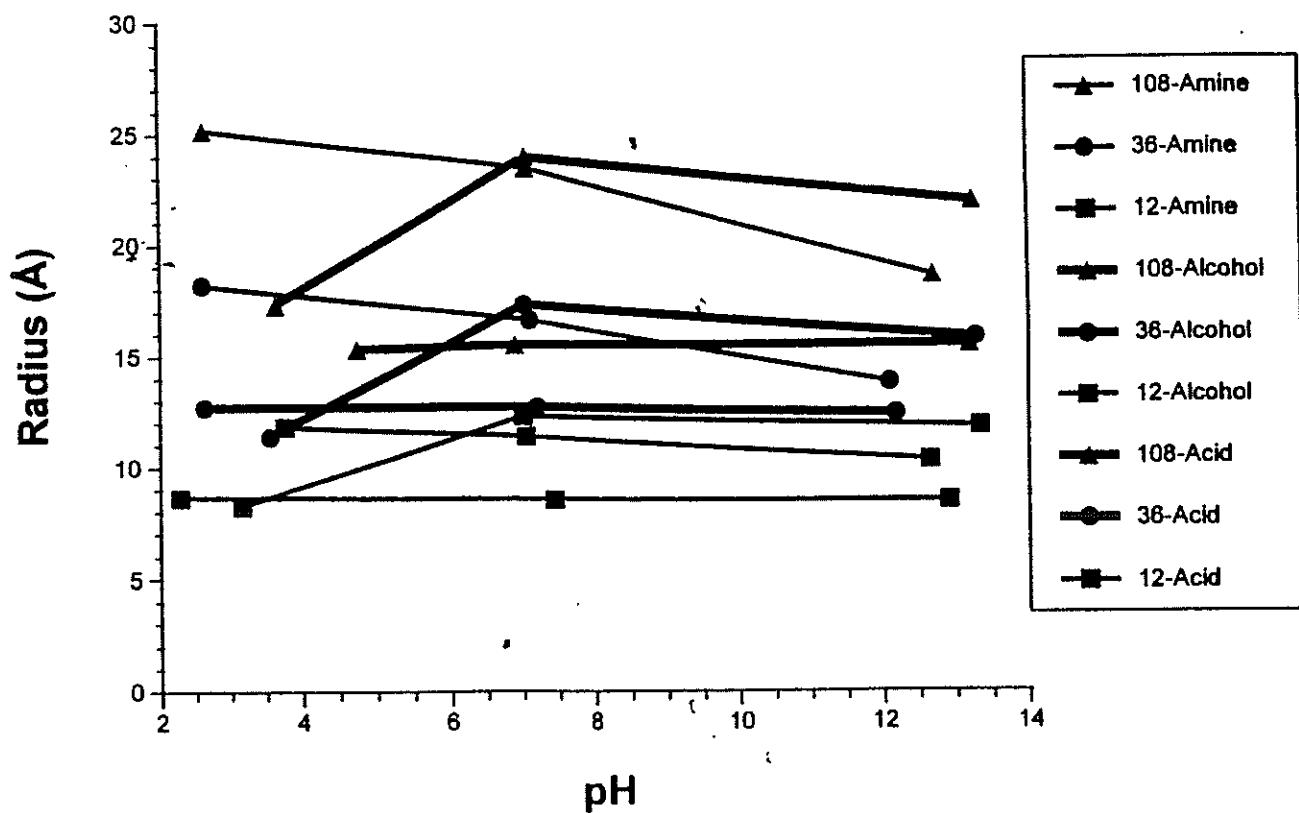
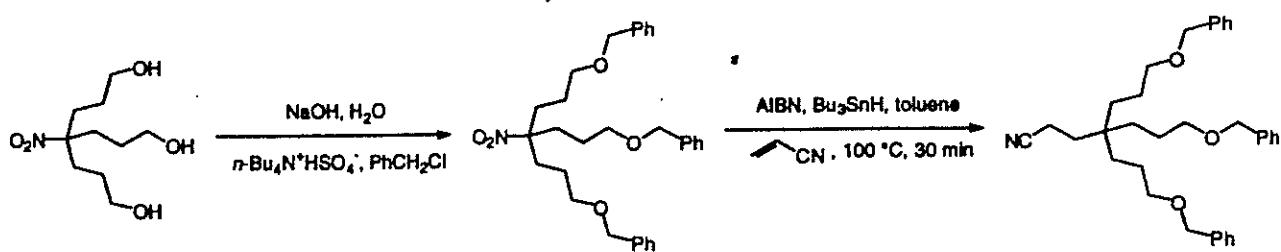


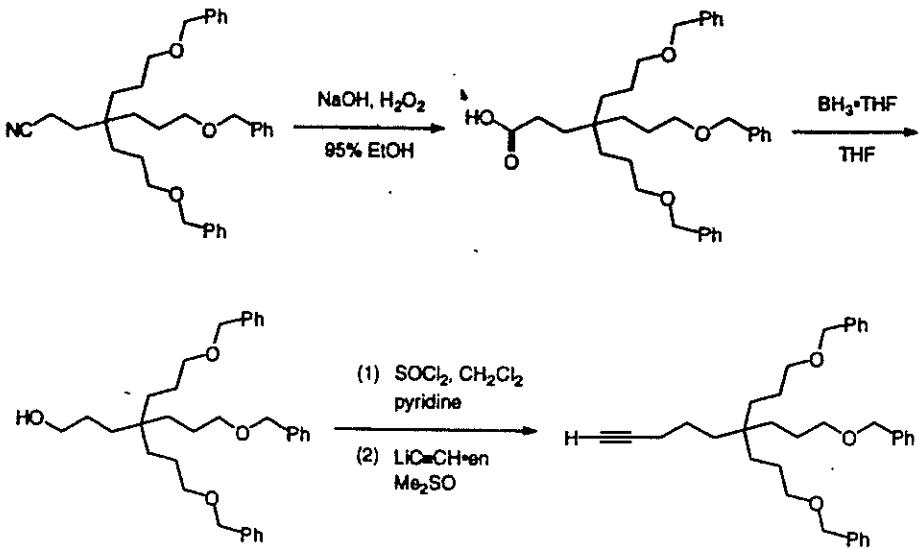
Figure 3. Hydrodynamic Radius as a Function of pH for the Polyamido Cascades.

## 2.2. HYDROCARBON BRANCHES

Synthesis of a tetraalkylmethane building block possessing a reactive functionality on one alkyl group and suitably protected functions on the three remaining alkyl moieties opened an avenue to a dendritic macromolecule with polar surface (terminal) groups and an entirely hydrocarbon interior. One possible synthon was prepared from the nitrotriol precursor to BHT. The alcohol groups were protected as benzyl ethers, followed by substitution of a cyanoethyl group for the tertiary nitro moiety via the method of Ono<sup>16</sup> (Scheme 13); further chemical manipulation afforded terminal alkyne (Scheme 14) [17].



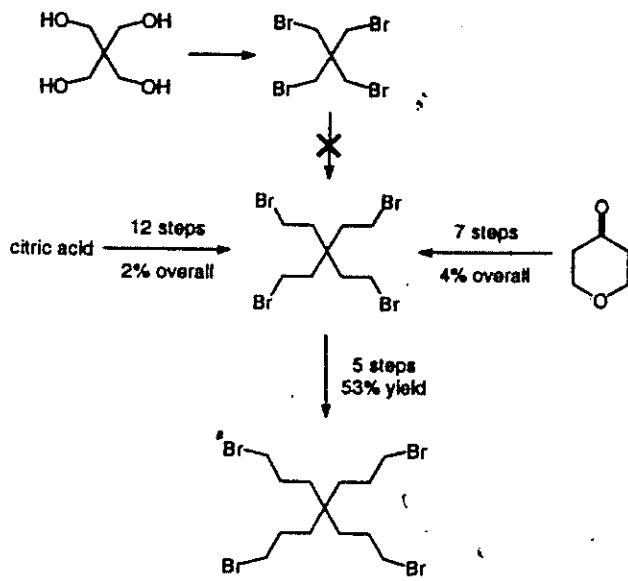
**Scheme 13.** Cyanoethylation of the Nitrotriether.



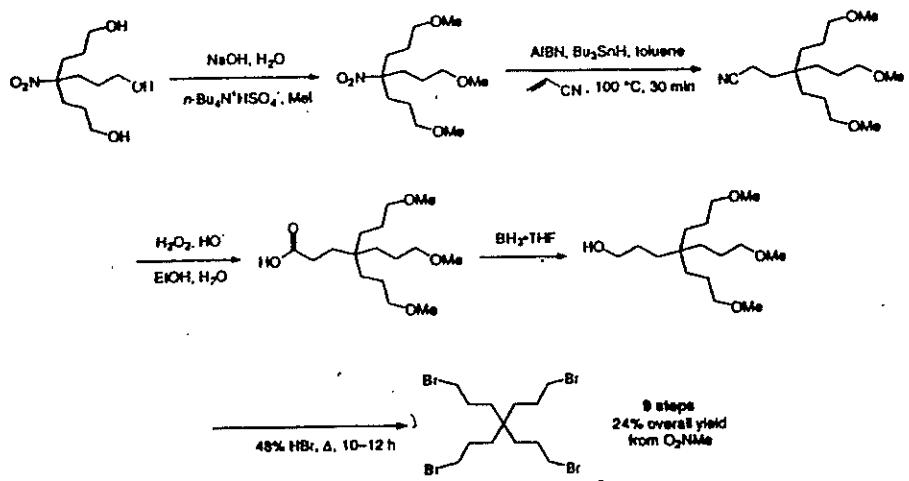
**Scheme 14.** Synthesis of the Alkyne Building Block.

Scheme 15 illustrates several routes to 4,4-bis(3-bromopropyl)-1,7-dibromoheptane; the shortest reported preparation arose from conversion of the nitrotriol (Scheme 16) [8]. Successful first tier construction was effected via addition of four equivalents of the alkynide of the building block to the tetrabromide initiator core and subsequent catalytic reduction of the benzyl ethers with concomitant reduction of the internal alkynes (Scheme 17) [17]. Conversion of the terminal alcohols to bromides and repetition of the alkylation-reduction steps afforded the second generation 36-Micellano<sup>TM</sup> cascade (Scheme 18) [17]. Water solubility of this polyol was enhanced by oxidation with RuO<sub>2</sub>/NaIO<sub>4</sub> to afford the corresponding 36-Micellanoic Acid<sup>TM</sup> cascade {36-Cascade:methane[4]:(nonylidyne)2:propanoic Acid; Figure 4} [17].

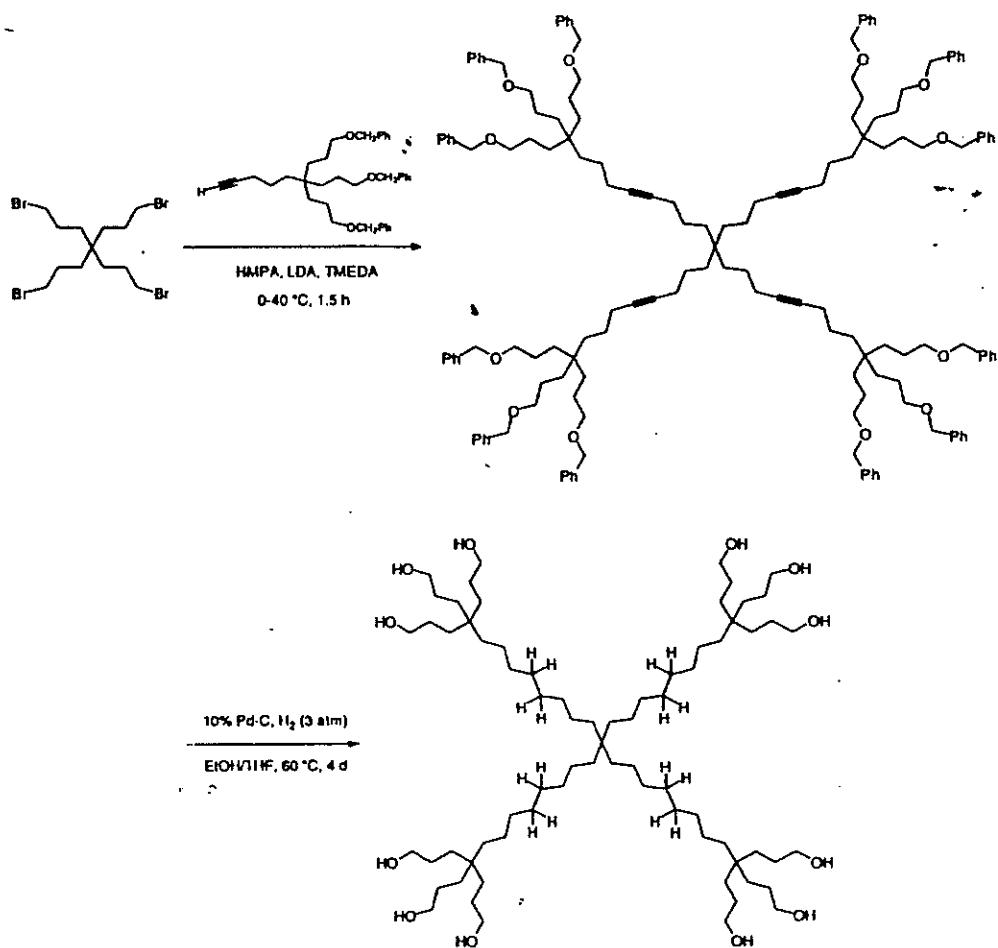
UV studies of guest molecules traditionally used to ascertain micelle properties (e.g., phenol blue, pinacyanol chloride, naphthalene, and chlortetracycline) and fluorescence lifetime decay experiments of diphenylhexatriene confirmed the micellar behavior of the NMe<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup> salt of 36-Micellanoic Acid<sup>TM</sup> cascade[18]. Electron microscopy was used to determine the monodispersity, size, and absence of intermolecular aggregation.



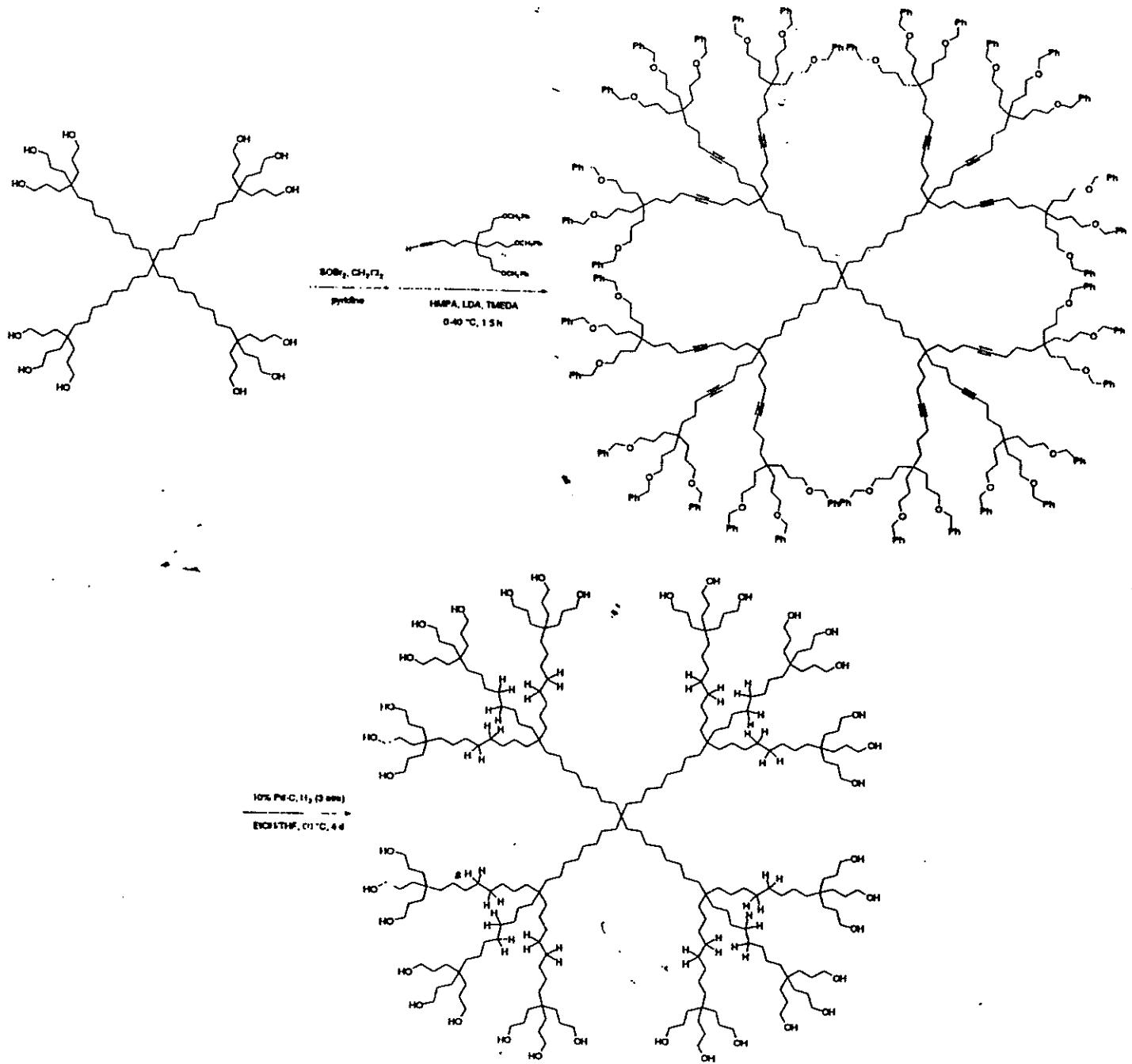
**Scheme 15.** Possible Routes to 4,4-Bis(3-bromopropyl)-1,7-dibromoheptane.



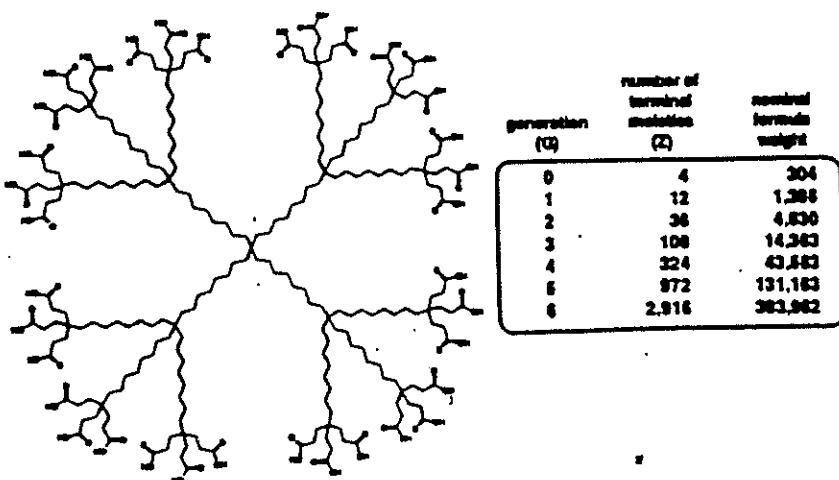
**Scheme 16.** Improved Synthesis of 4,4-Bis(3-bromopropyl)-1,7-dibromoheptane.



**Scheme 17.** Preparation of the 12-Micellane<sup>TM</sup> Alcohol .



**Scheme 18.** Preparation of the 36-Micellane™ Alcohol .



**Figure 4.** Molecular Weight versus Generation for the Micellanoic Acid™ Cascades.

### 3. SUPRAMOLECULAR CHEMISTRY WITHIN DENDRITIC MOLECULES

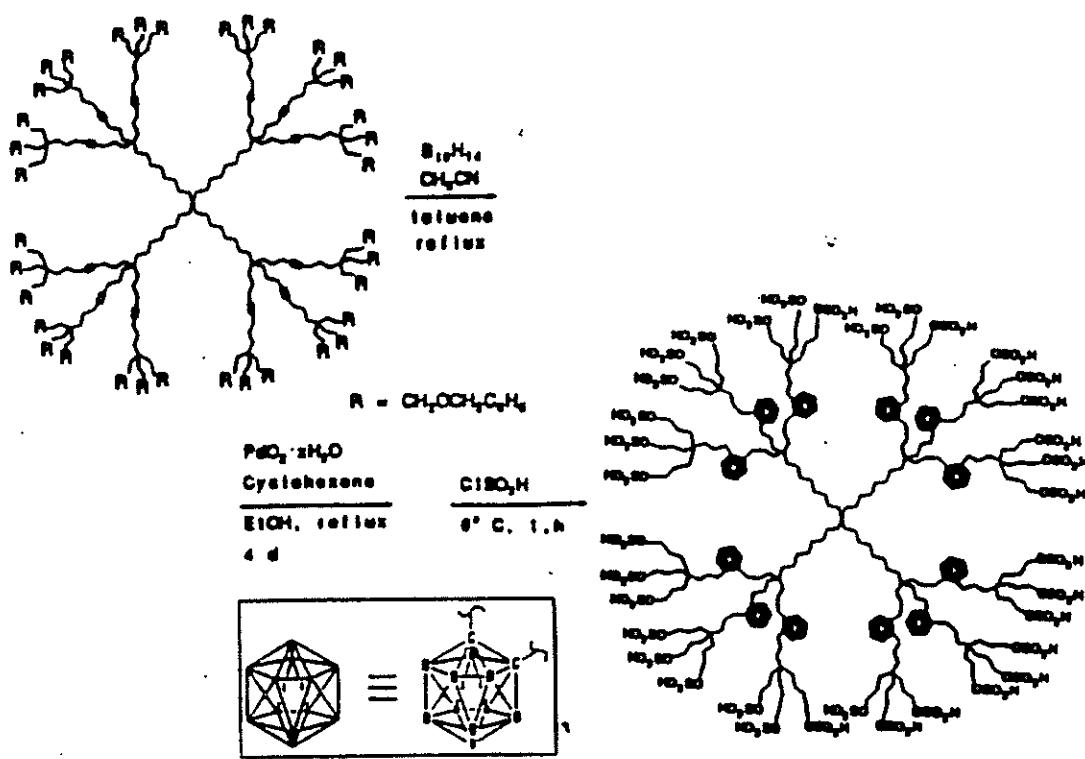
The relative ease of *heterogeneous* catalytic reduction of the internal alkynes (Schemes 17 and 18) and the interior 'void' regions within the lipophilic interior of the Micellane™ cascades has motivated our use of these molecules as 'molecular scaffolding' for the attachment of chemically active species. Initial studies have been directed toward chemical modification of the internal alkynes of the polybenzyl ether precursor to the Micellanoic Acid cascades; the incorporated functionalities are symmetrically located equidistant from the initiator core.

#### 3.1. METALLOIDOMICELLANE™ CASCADES

Treatment of the second generation dodeaalkyne with acetonitrile activated decaborane ( $B_{10}H_{14}$ ) gave an essentially quantitative yield of the dodeca-*o*-carborane. Catalytic reduction to remove the benzyl ether protecting groups gave the polyol. The limited water solubility of this polyol was enhanced via treatment with chlorosulfonic acid to give the polysulfate (Scheme 19) [19].

#### 3.2. METALLOMICELLANE™ CASCADES

Polybenzyl ether terminated hydrocarbon based cascades possessing internal alkyne moieties have also been employed to attach metal species such as Co via reaction with  $Co_2(CO)_8$ . Other cascade macromolecules internally functionalized with diamine ligands are currently being examined for inclusion of metals such as Cu, Pt, and Pd.

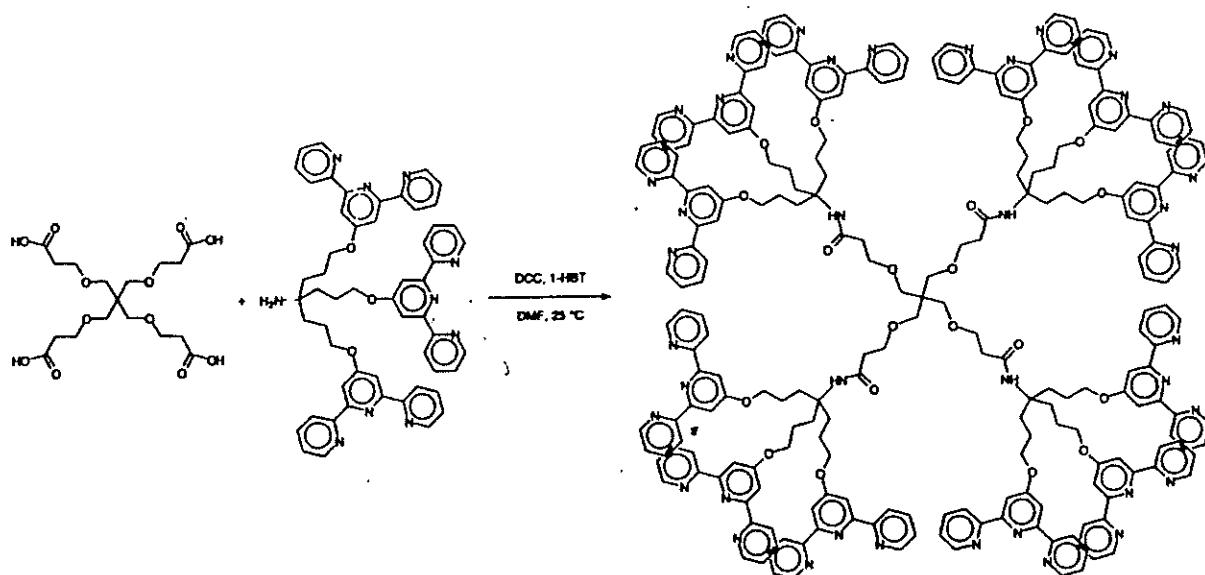


**Scheme 19.** Synthesis of a Sulfate-Terminated 36-MetallocidoMicellane<sup>TM</sup>. Cascade.

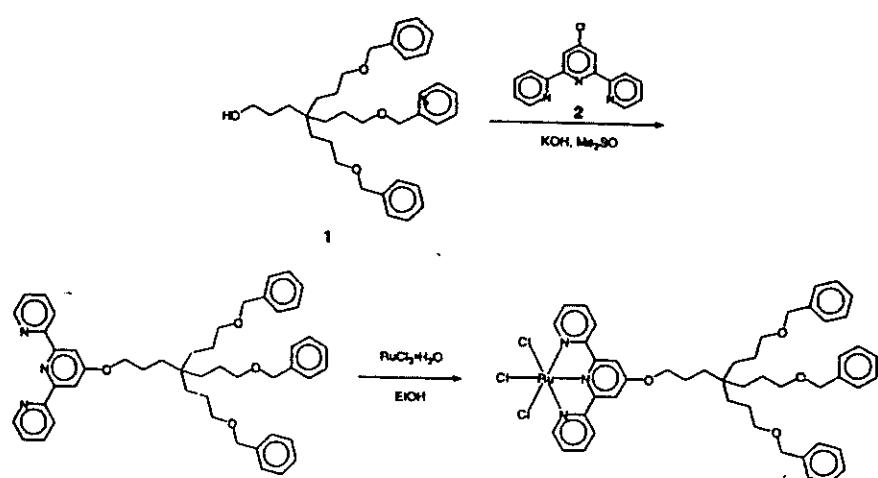
Metallomicellane<sup>TM</sup> macromolecules have also been prepared that utilize chelation of Ru<sup>+2</sup> building block connectivity. Reaction of BHT with 4'-chlorotterpyridine gave an amine building block that was coupled with the tetraacid described earlier to give a dodecaterpy cascade (Scheme 20) [20]. A Ru<sup>+3</sup> containing building block was prepared (Scheme 21) and coupled to the dodecaterpy cascade with concomitant reduction to give a metallocascade as shown in Scheme 22 [20].

Figure 5 is a graphical depiction of the utilization of our newest terpyridine building blocks (Scheme 23) for the construction of dendritic complexes. These studies on small “oligomers” will ultimately lead to the construction of well-defined dendritic networks.

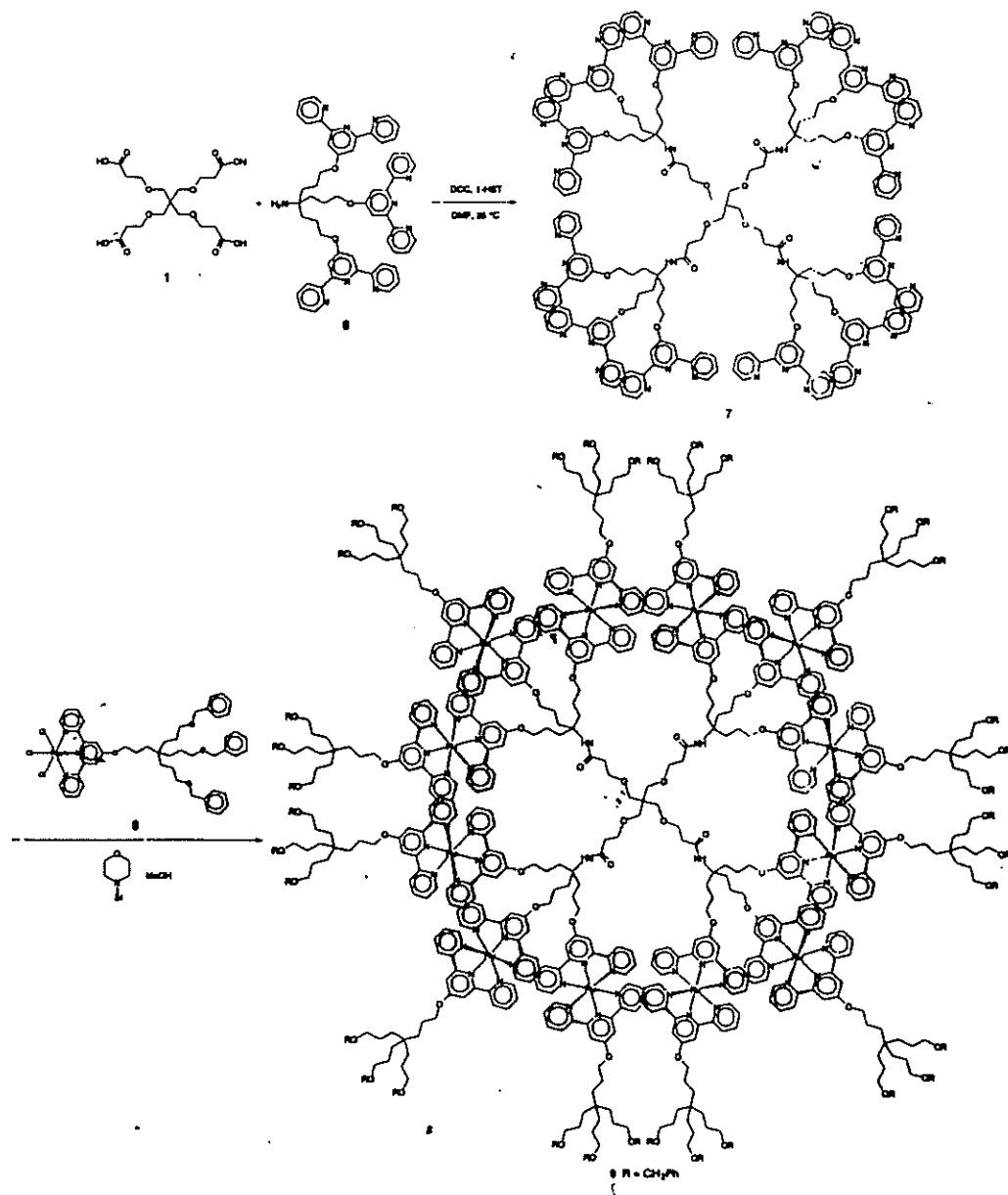
Figures 6 and 7 show the cyclic voltammograms obtained for the Ru containing dendrimers.



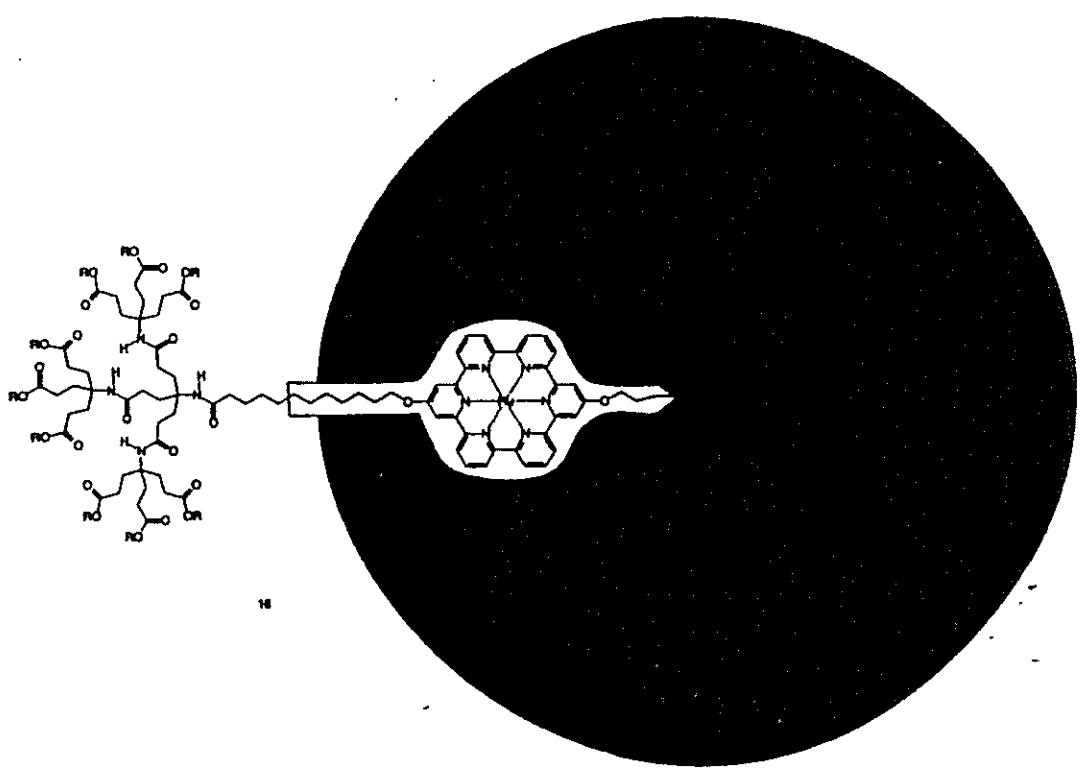
**Scheme 20.** Synthesis of a Terpyridine-Terminated Cascade.



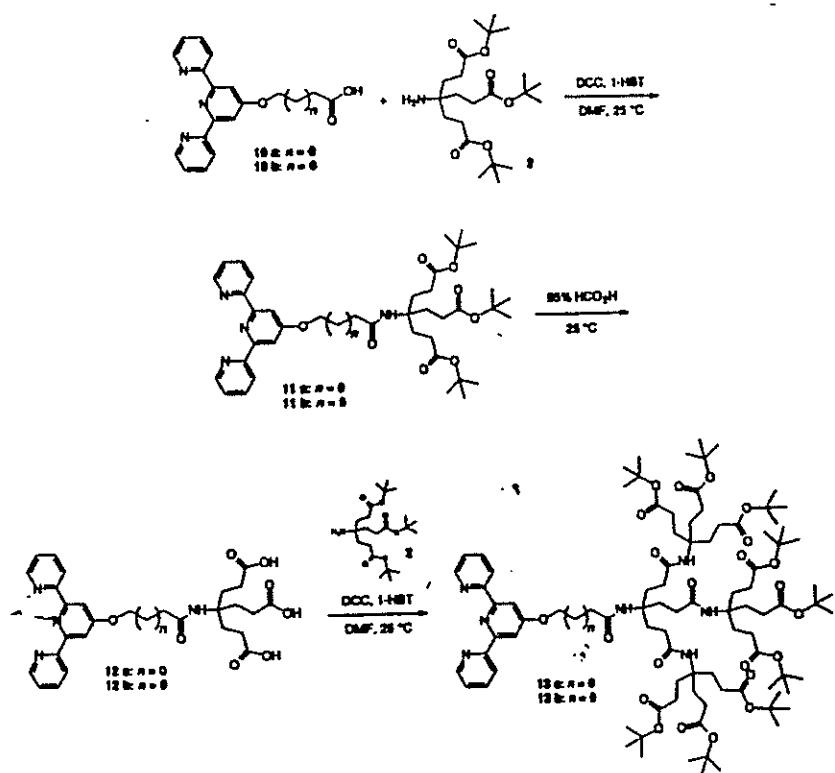
**Scheme 21.** Preparation of a  $\text{RuCl}_3\text{-tpy}$  Building Block.



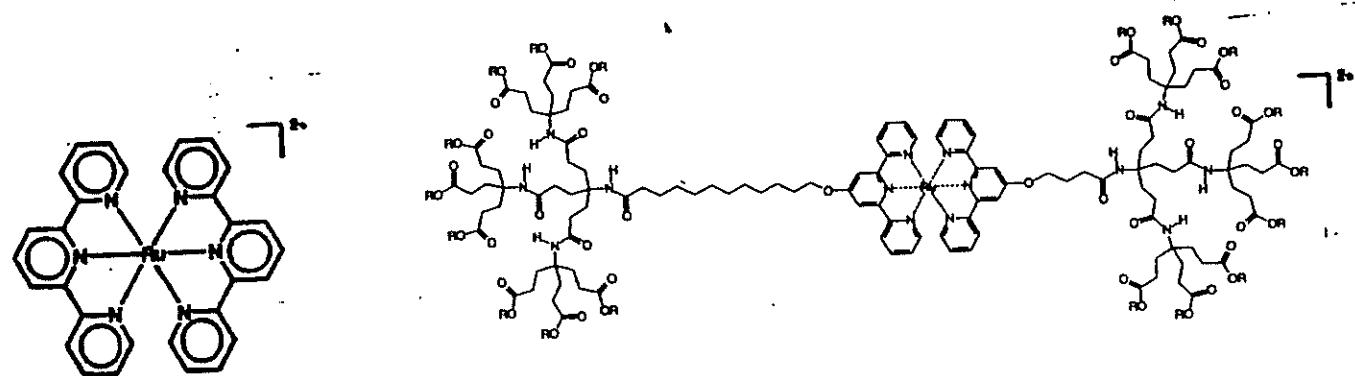
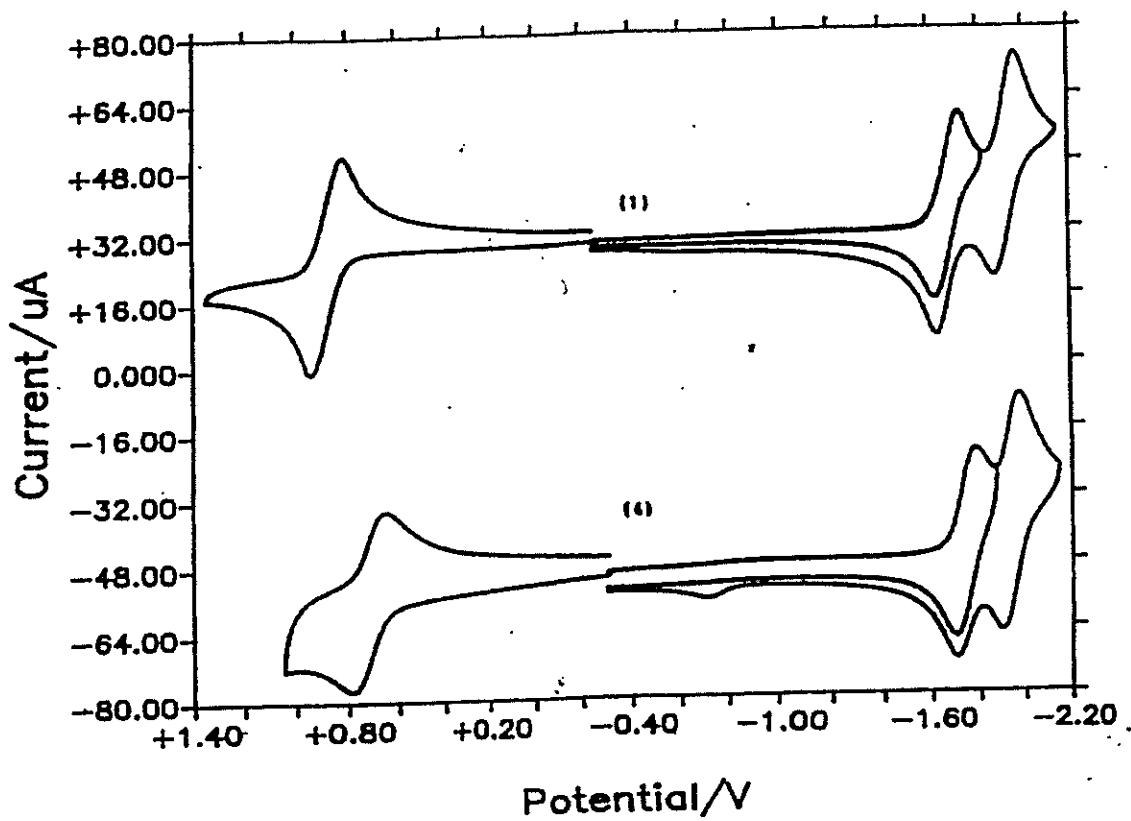
**Scheme 22.** Synthesis of a  $\text{Ru}^{+2}$ -Linked MetallocMicellane<sup>TM</sup> Cascade.



**Figure 5.** Beginnings of a Dendritic Network

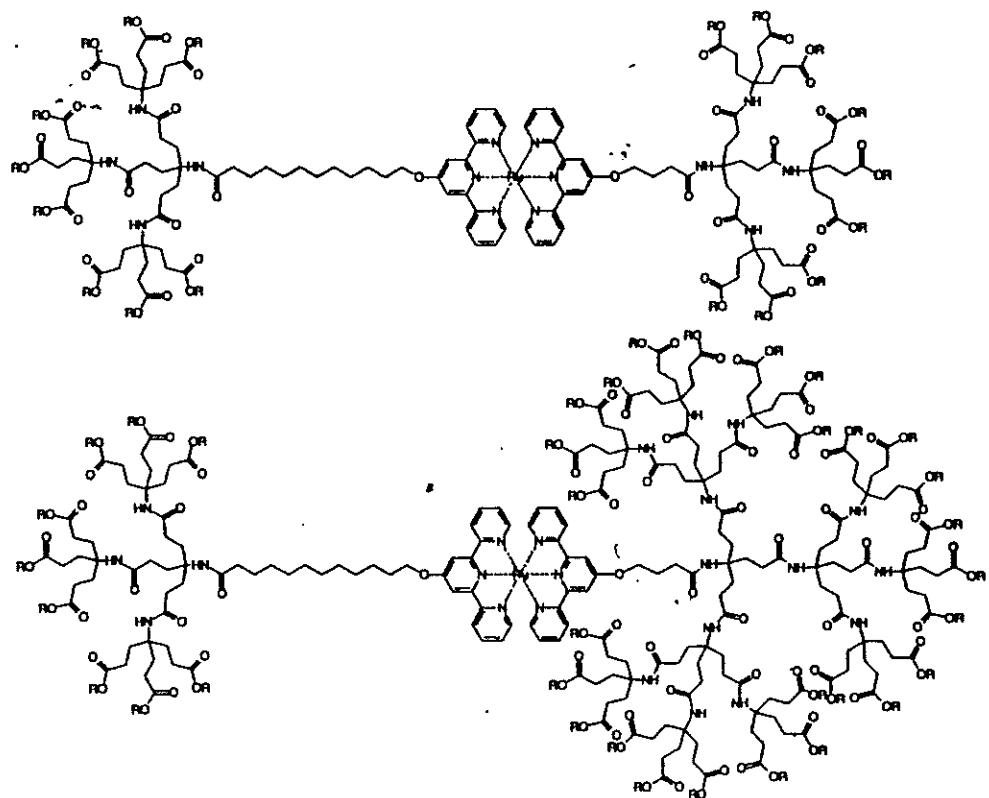
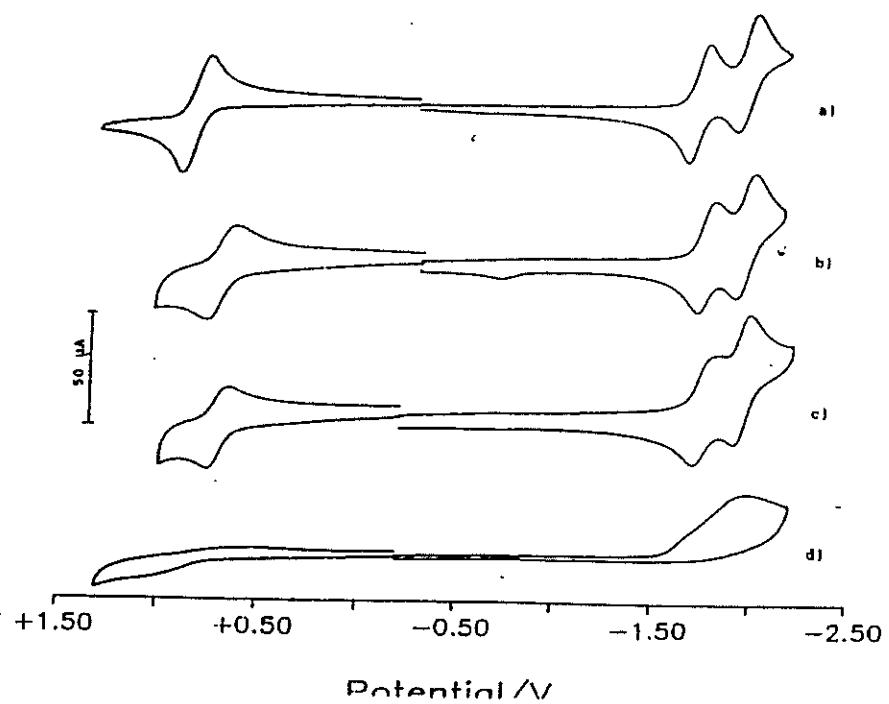


**Scheme 23.** Preparation of Terpyridine Dendrimer Building Blocks



**Figure 6.** Cyclic Voltammogram

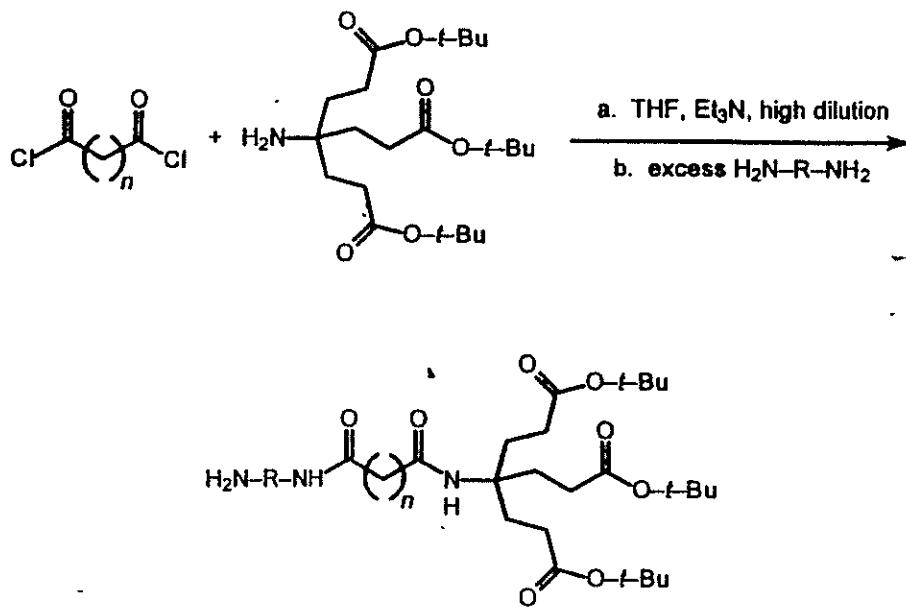
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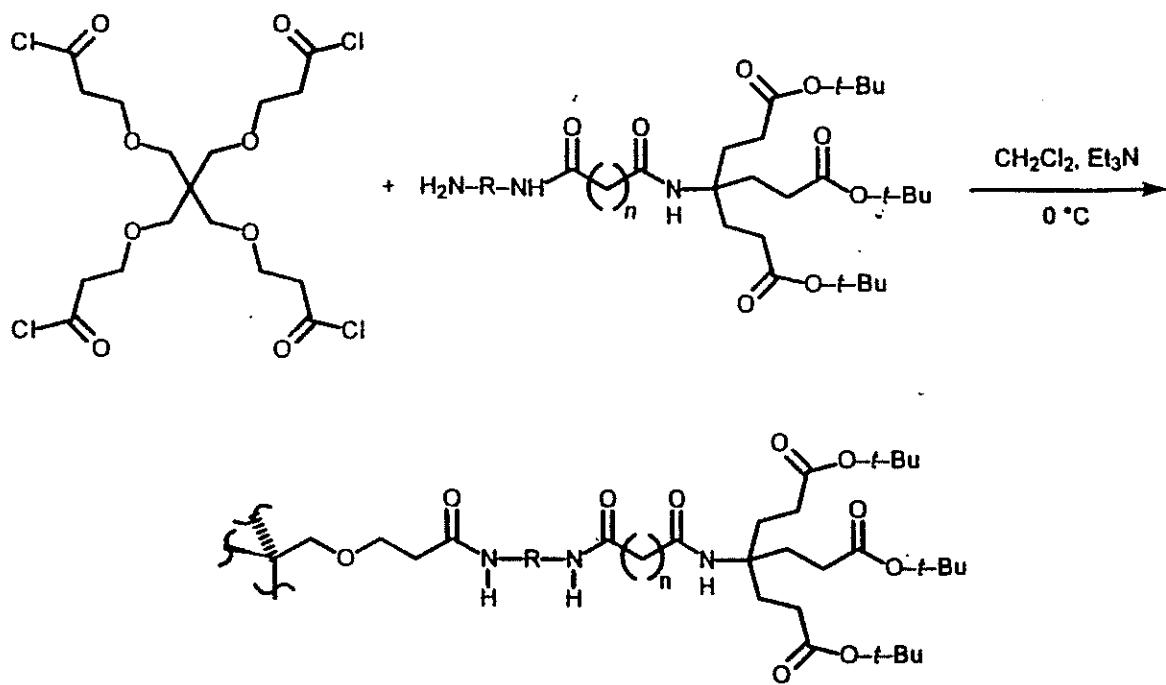
**Figure 7.** Cyclic Voltammagram

#### 4. MOLECULAR RECOGNITION

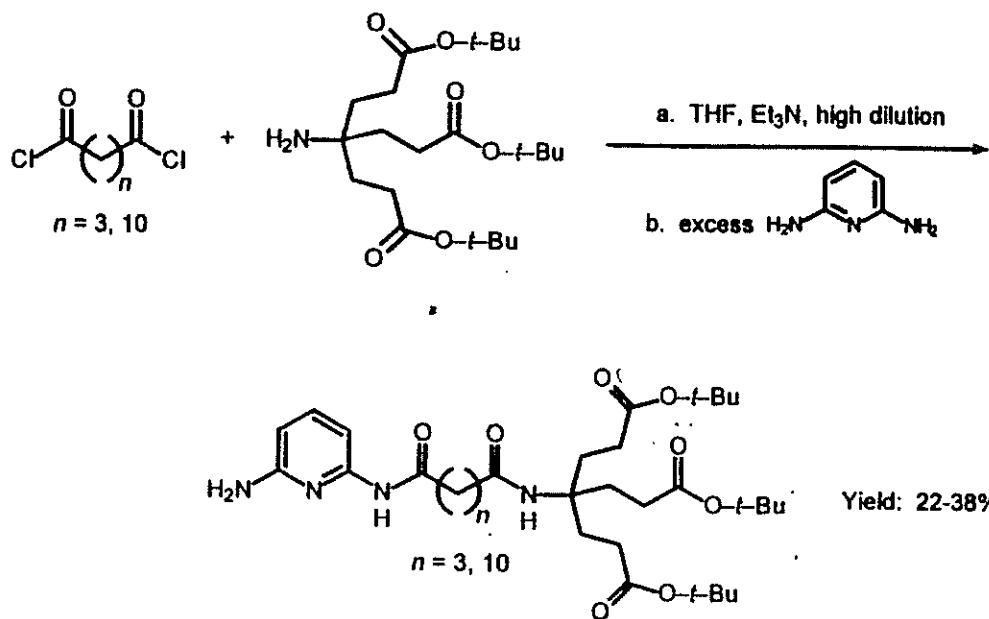
Introduction of molecular recognition sites along the dendritic infrastructure will impart specificity toward included guest molecules. We have readily incorporated several H-bonding and ligating moieties into our cascade macromolecules via a straightforward, high-dilution synthesis of functionalized building blocks (Scheme 24 and 25). The preparation of a 2,6-diaminopyridine containing cascade molecule is shown in Scheme 26 and 27. The diaminopyridine moiety forms relatively strong H-bonded interactions with imide containing substrates [e.g., barbituric acids (Figure 8) and uracils].



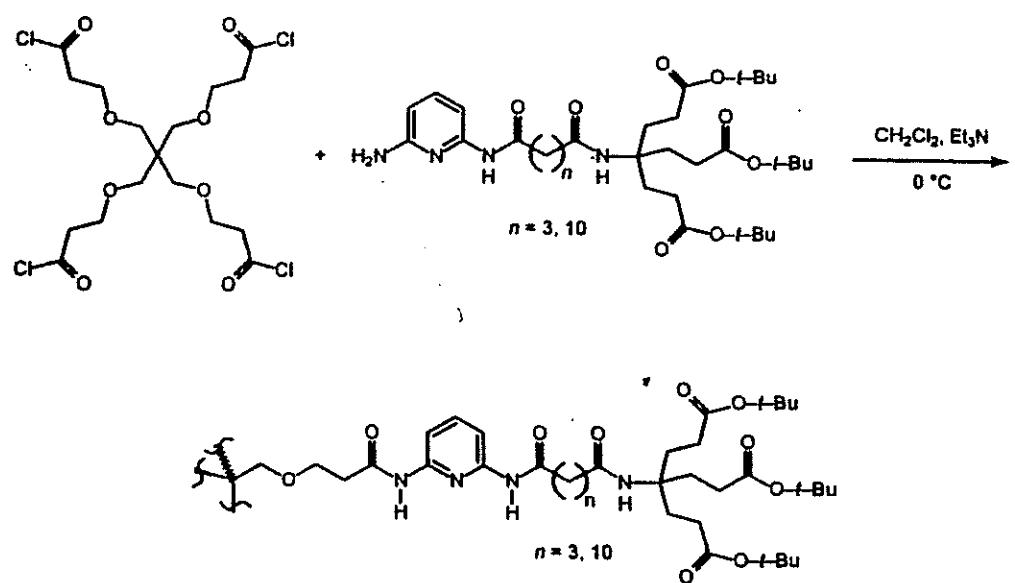
**Scheme 24.** General High Dilution Building Block Preparation



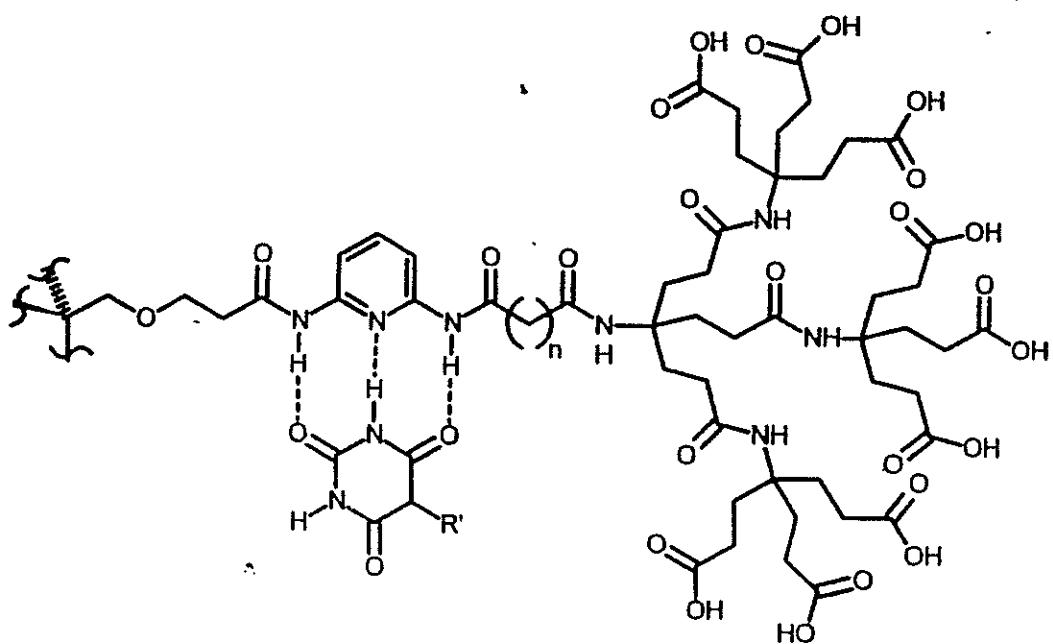
**Scheme 25.** General Cascade Molecule Synthesis with Functionalized Building Blocks



**Scheme 26.** Preparation of a Diaminopyridine Containing Building Block



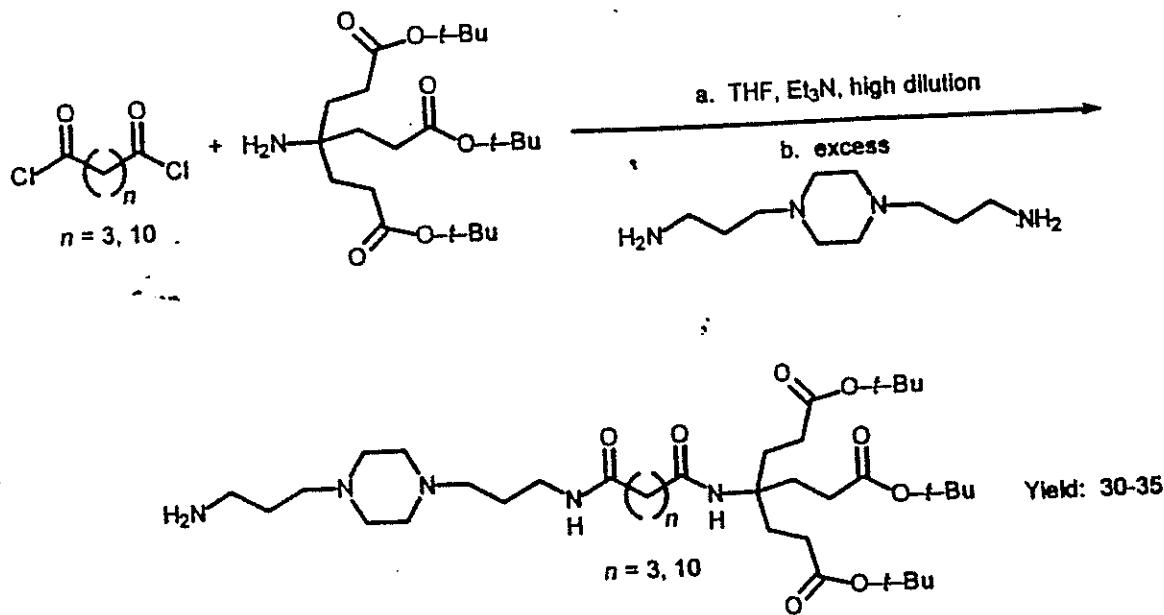
**Scheme 27.** Synthesis of the First Generation Diaminopyridine Containing Cascade Molecule



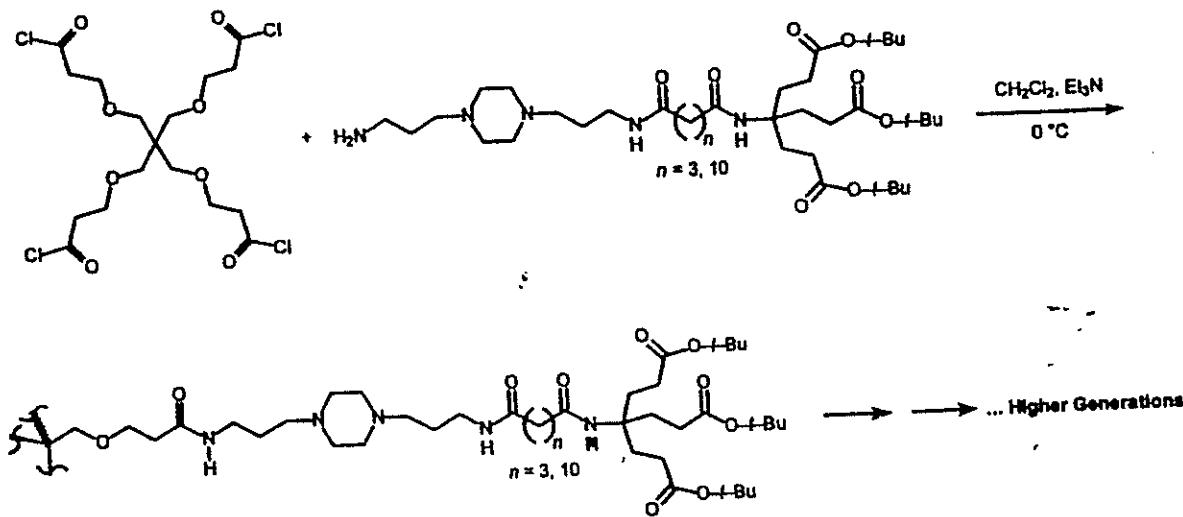
**Figure 8.** H-Bonding Complex with Barbituric Acid

## 5. METAL COMPLEXES

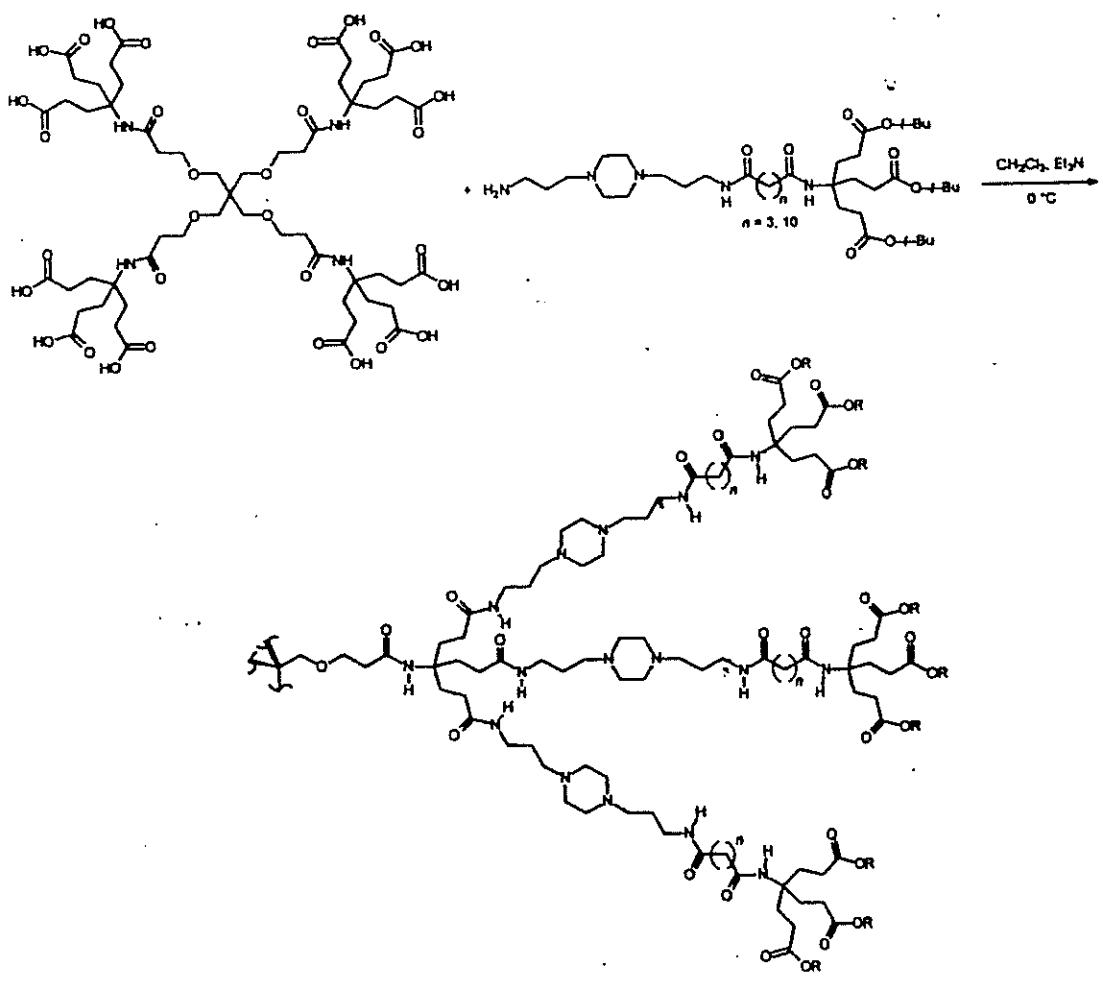
The three component, high dilution process shown above (Scheme 24) has also been used for the introduction of ligands into the cascade interior. A building block derived from *N,N'*-bis(3-aminopropyl)piperazine was prepared (Scheme 28) and subsequently used to prepare a dendrimer possessing 4 piperazines and 12 surface carboxylic acids (Scheme 29). Alternatively, the same building block may be coupled with larger acid terminated cascade molecules (e.g., Scheme 30: 12 piperazines and 36 surface carboxylic acids). Formation of the CuBr<sub>2</sub> complex proceeds smoothly (Scheme 31). Coordination by the piperazine nitrogens (as opposed to the carboxylic acids) is clearly seen by comparison of the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the two dendrimers (Figures 9 and 10).



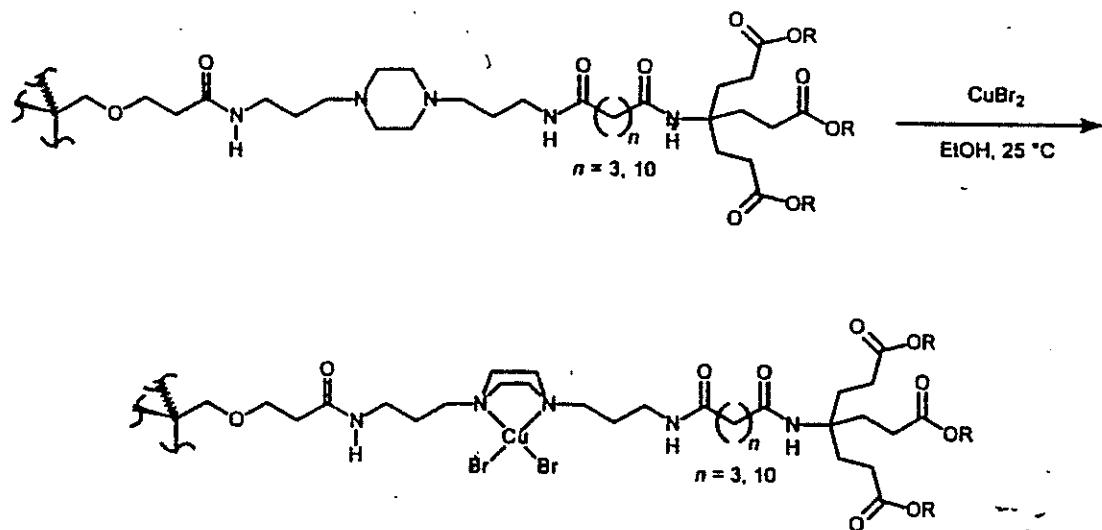
Scheme 28. Preparation of a Piperazine Containing Building Block



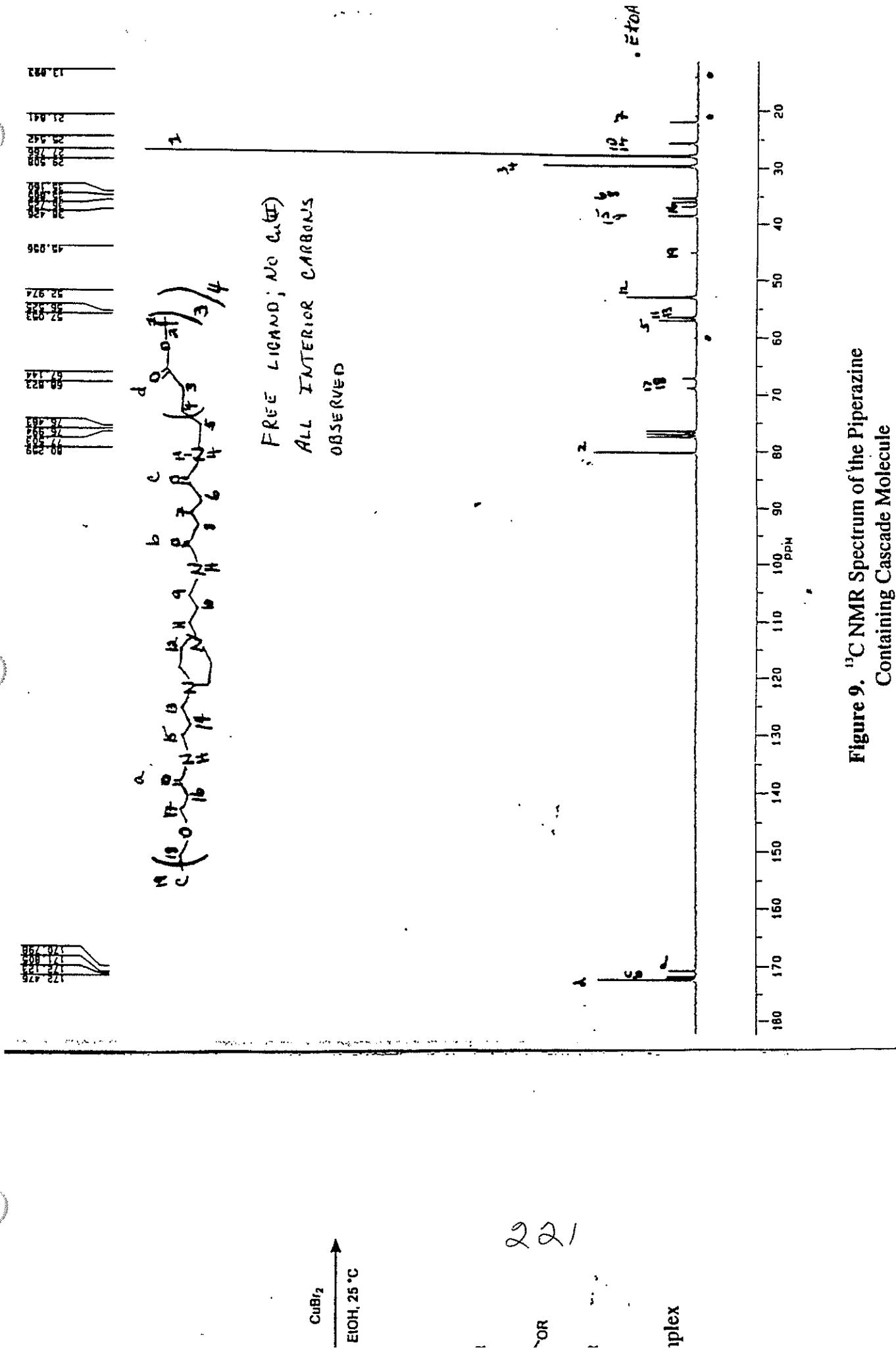
Scheme 29. Preparation of the First Generation Piperazine Containing Cascade Molecule



**Scheme 30.** Synthesis of a Second Generation Piperazine Containing Cascade Molecule



**Scheme 31.** Formation of the Piperazine Dendrimer- $\text{CuBr}_2$  Complex



**Figure 9.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectrum of the Piperazine Containing Cascade Molecule

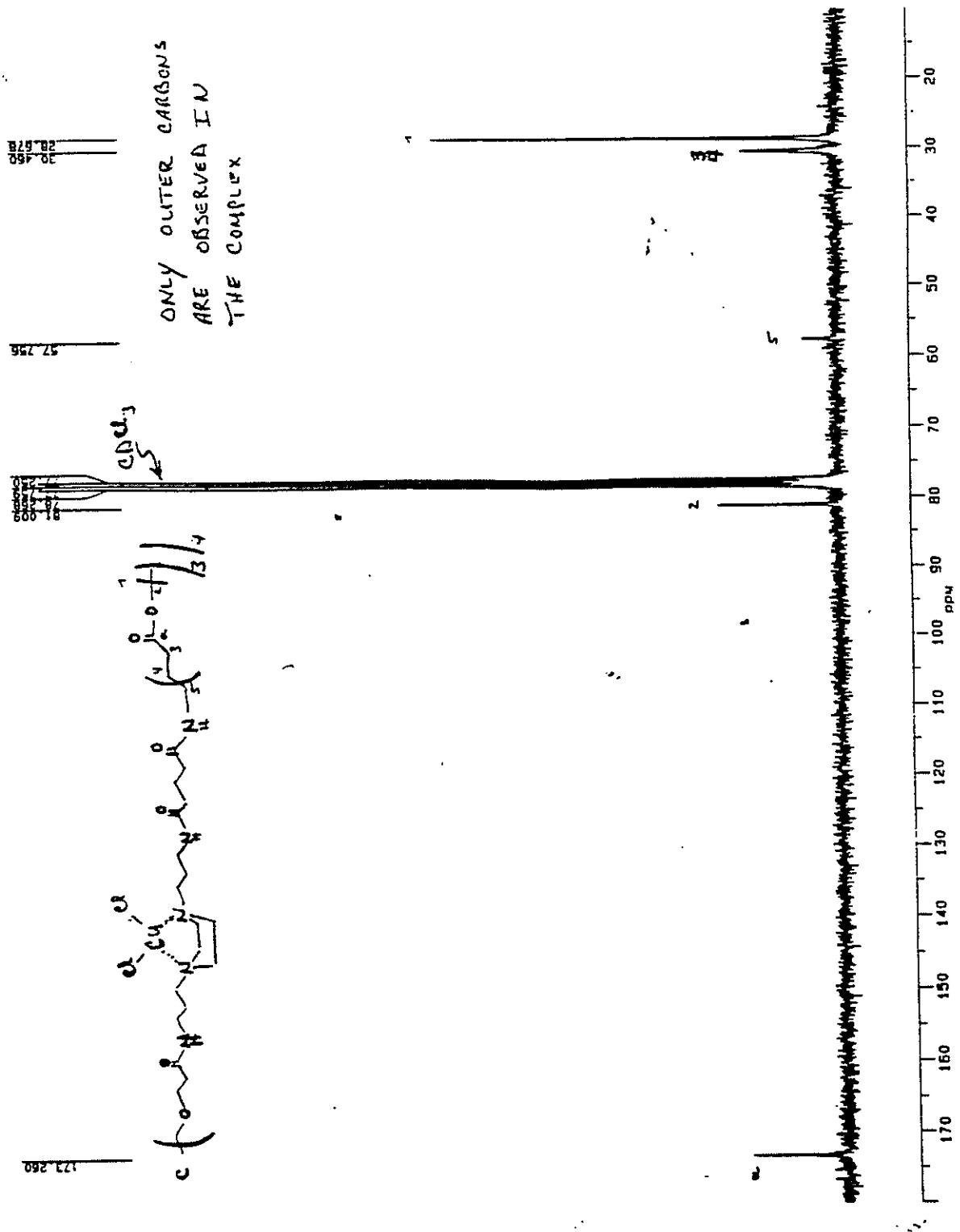


Figure 10.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR Spectrum of the Piperazine- $\text{CuBr}_2$  Complex.

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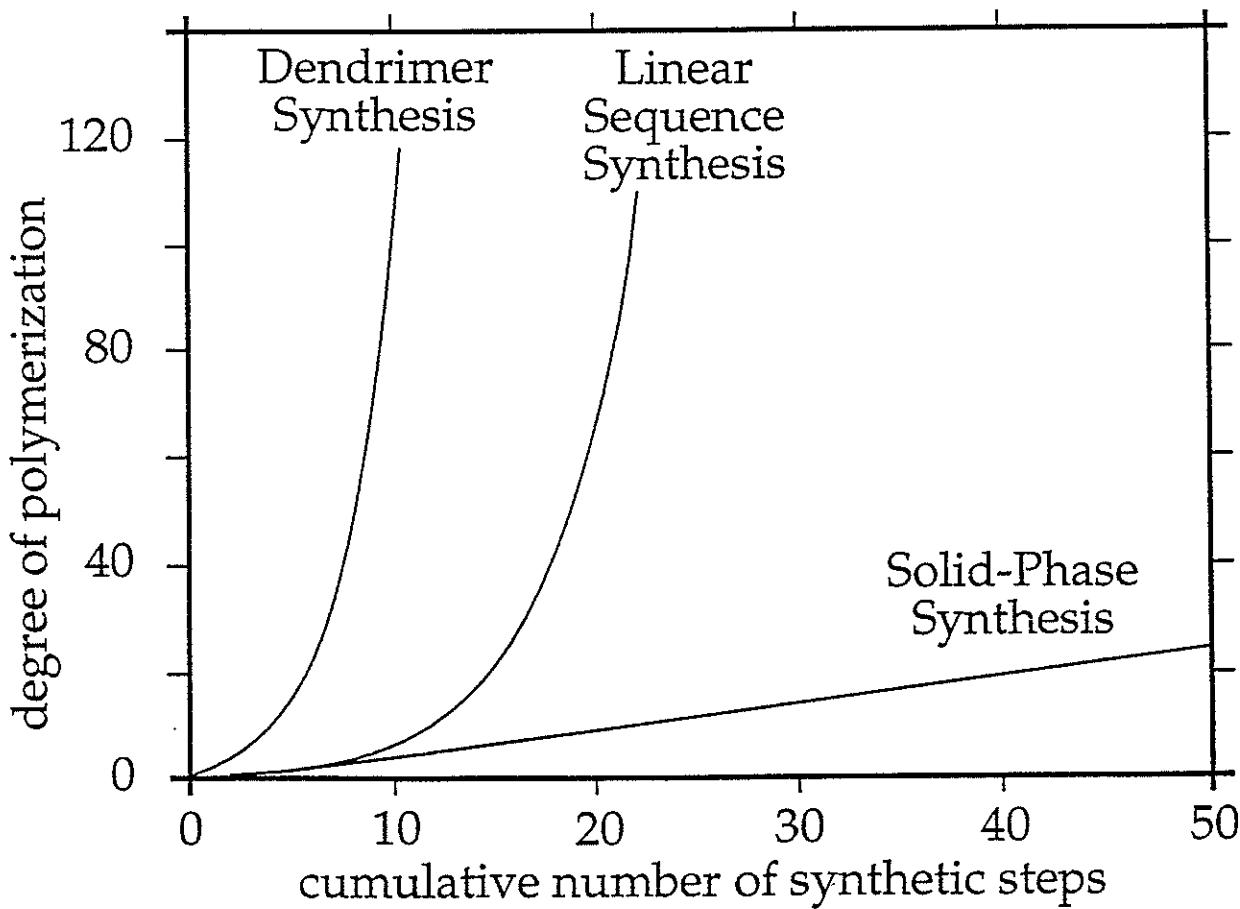
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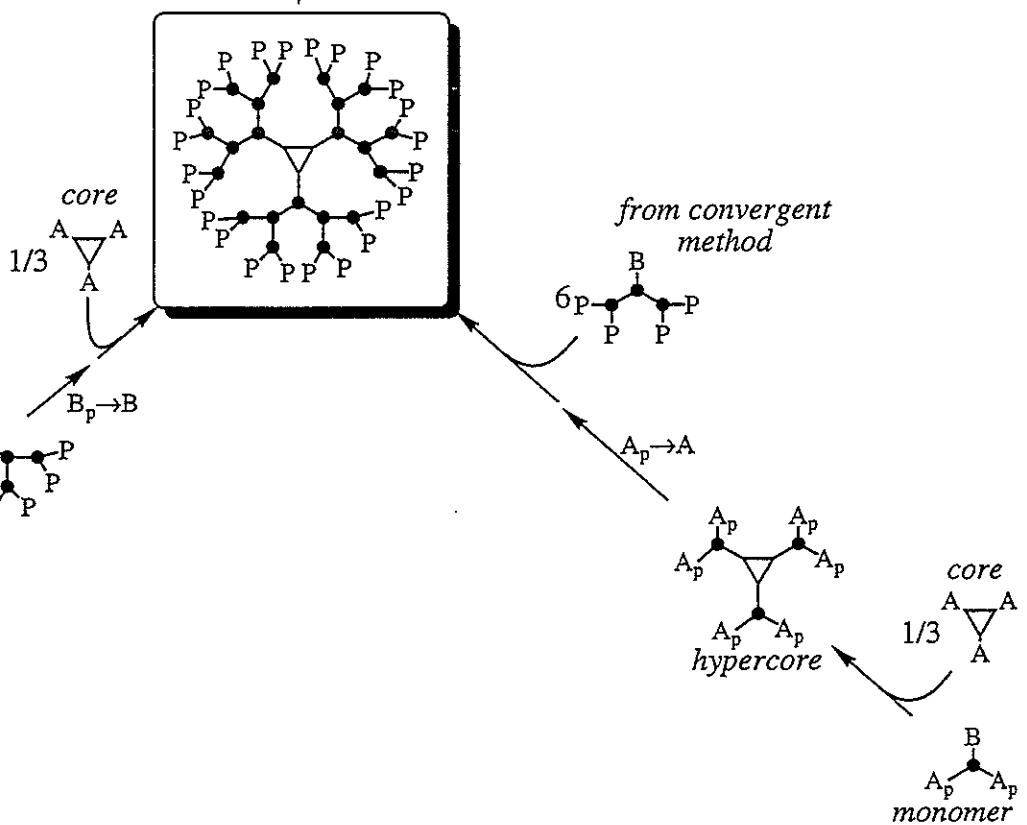
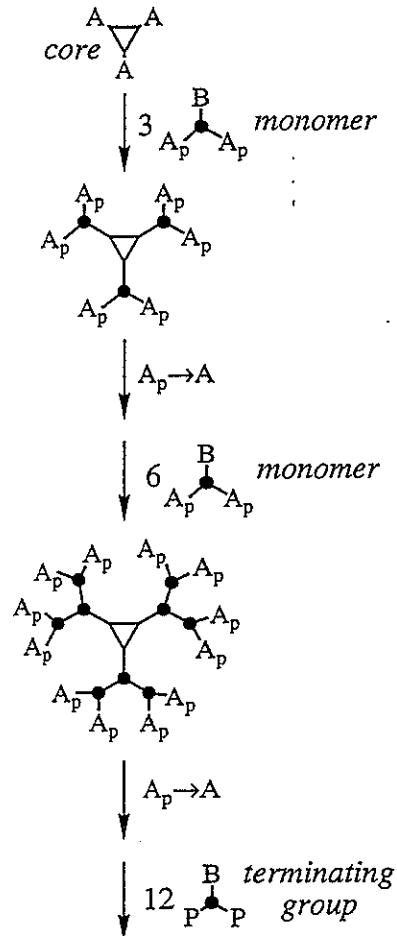
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# The Key to the Synthesis of Organic Nanoarchitectures - Repetitive Nonlinear Growth Schemes

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### Divergent Method

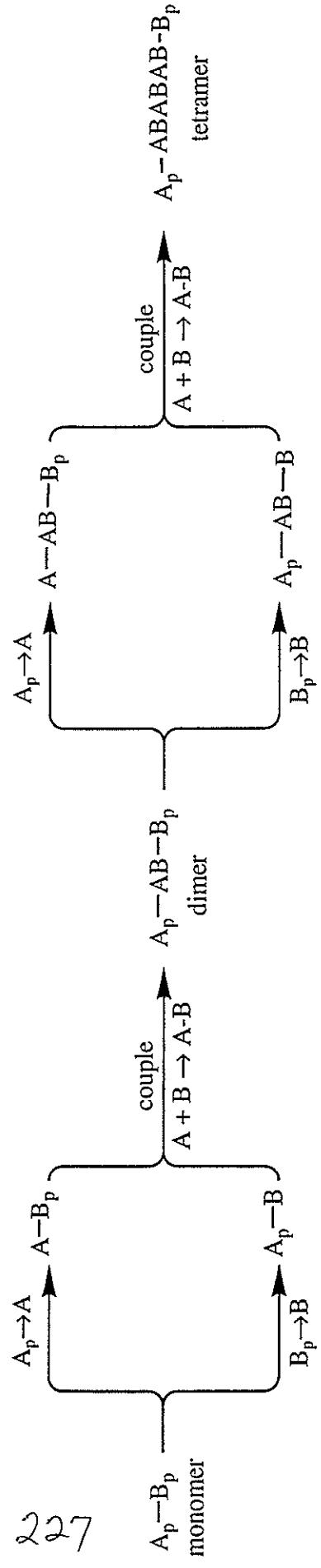


### Convergent Method

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### Double-Stage Method

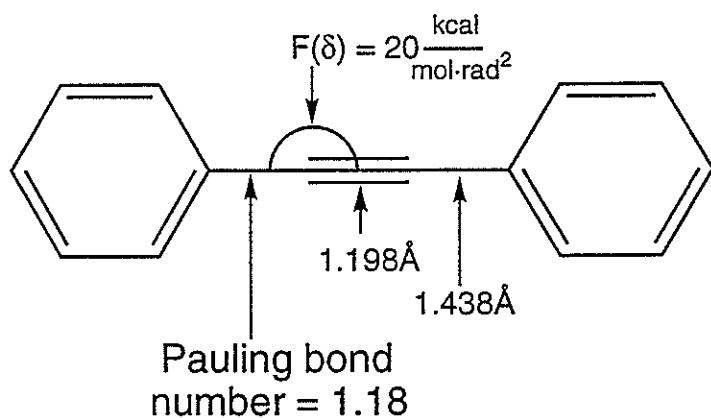
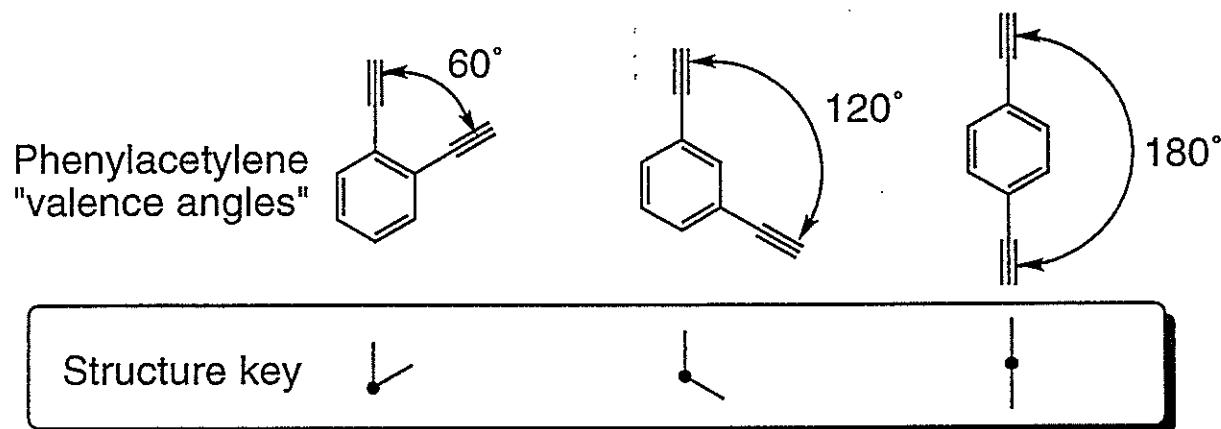
## A Repetitive Method for Synthesizing Oligomeric Sequences



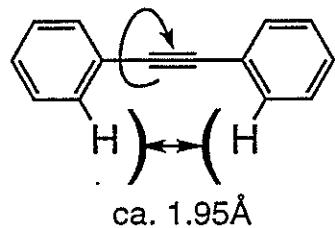
number of monomers  $\sim 2^n$

# Phenylacetylene Monomer Protocol

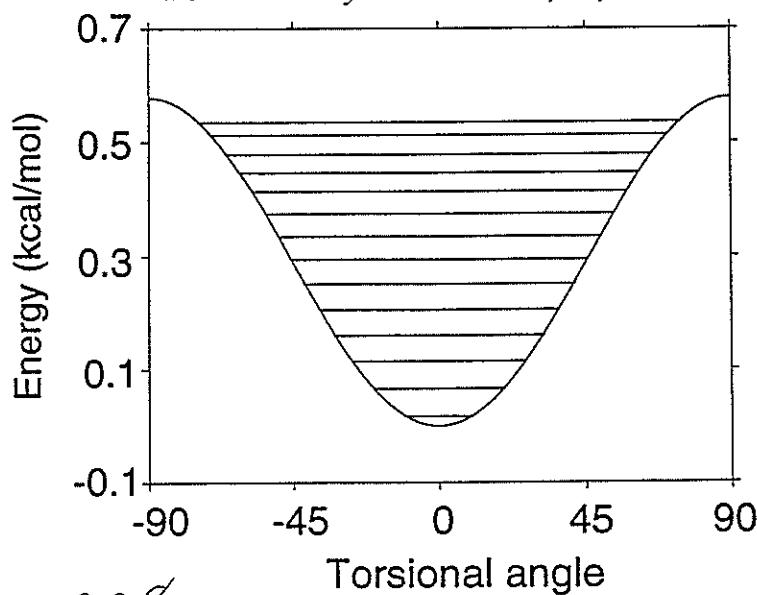
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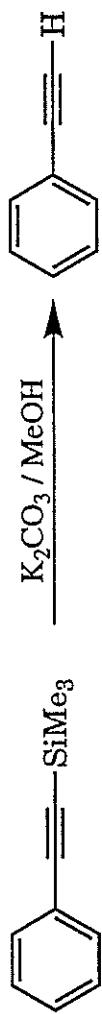
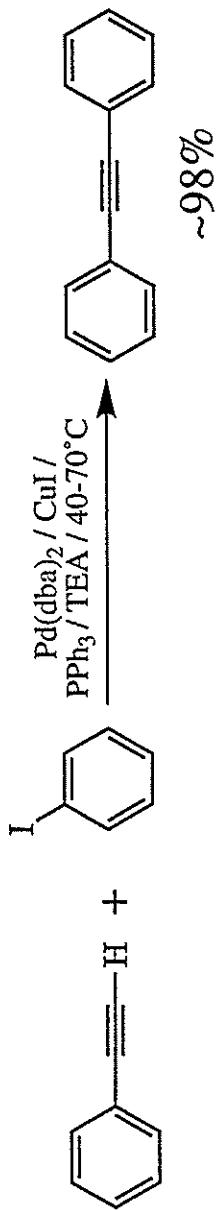
## Conformational Considerations



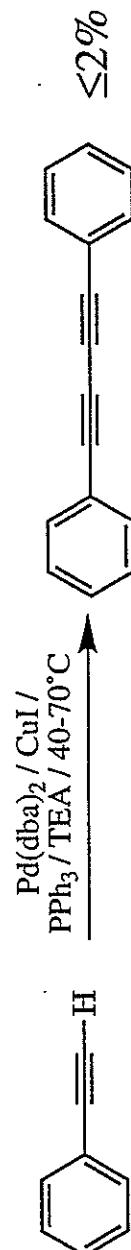
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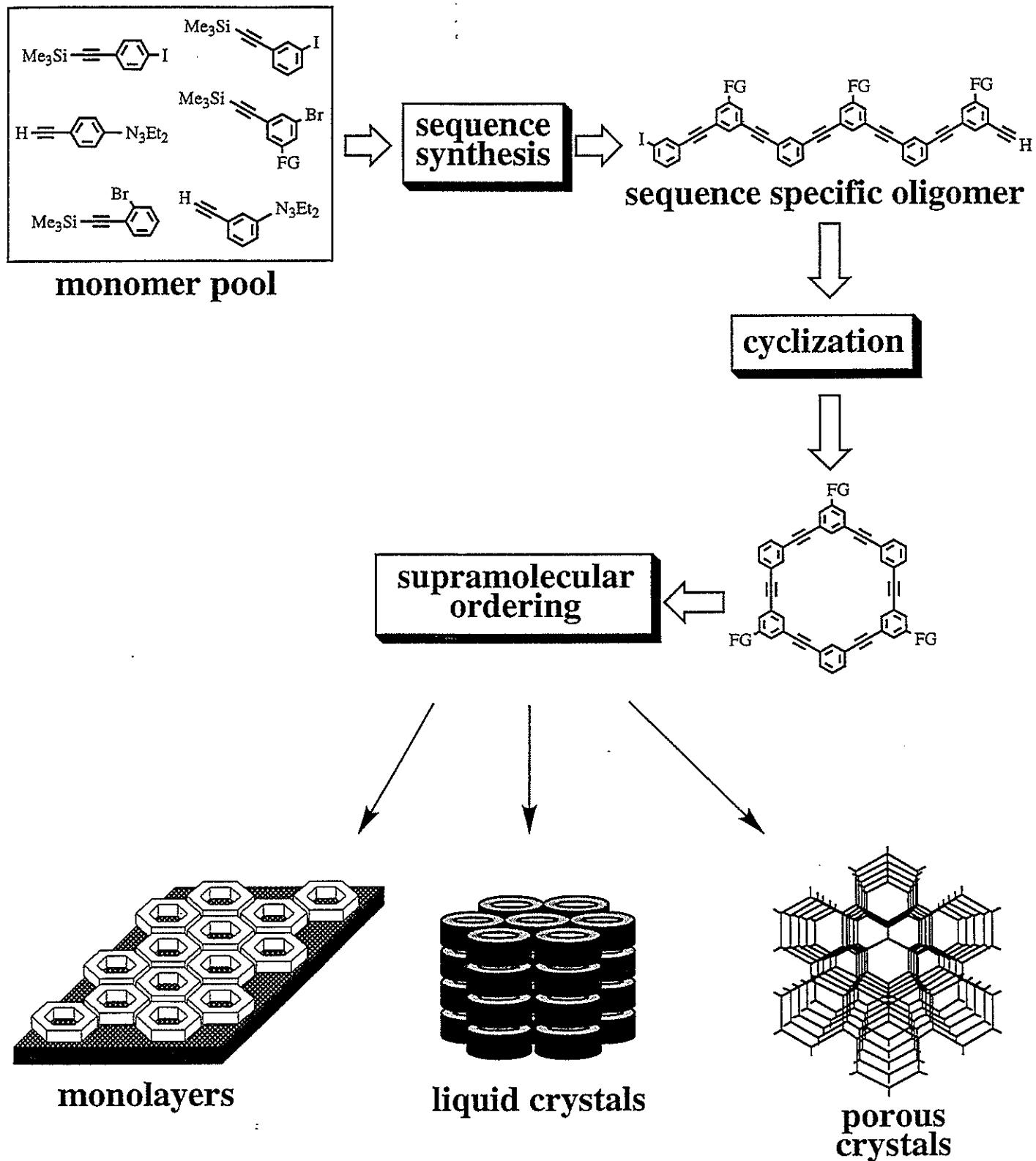
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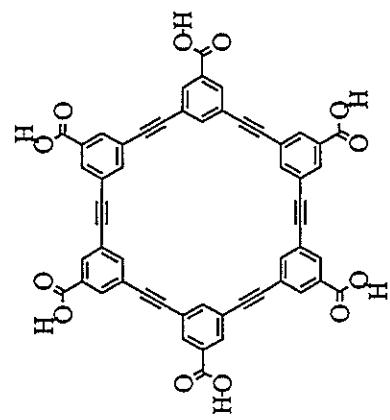
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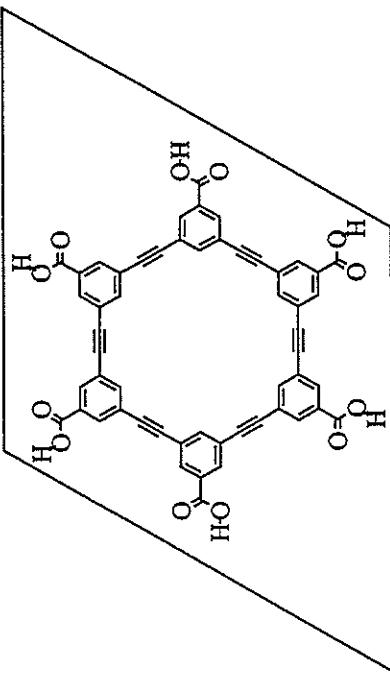
# *A Modular Approach to Supermolecule Building Blocks*



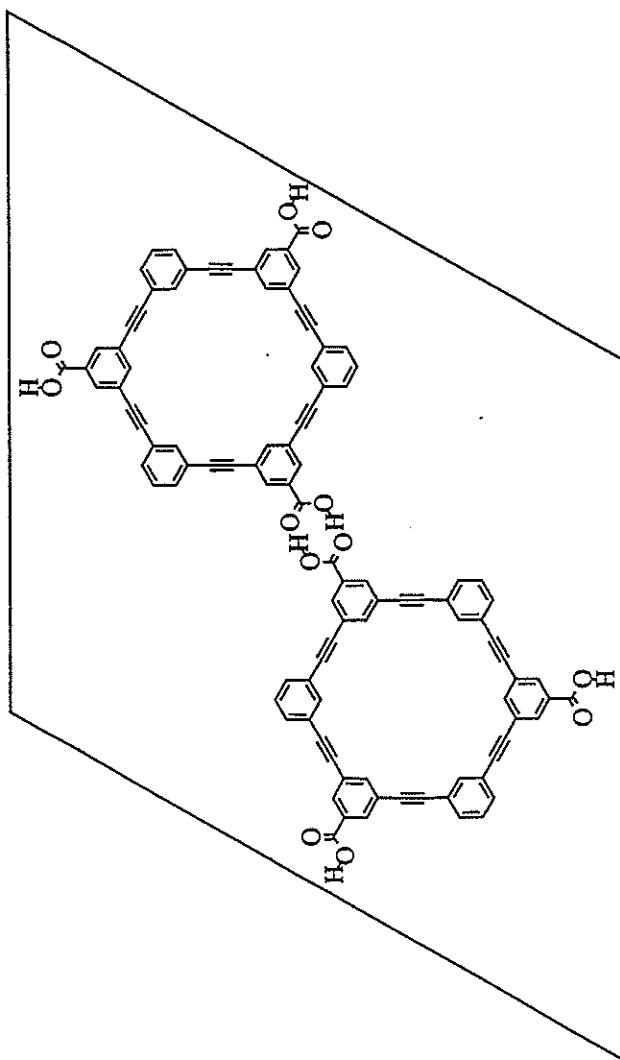
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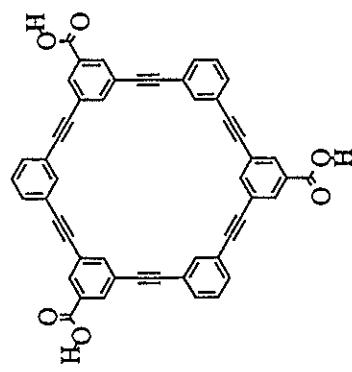
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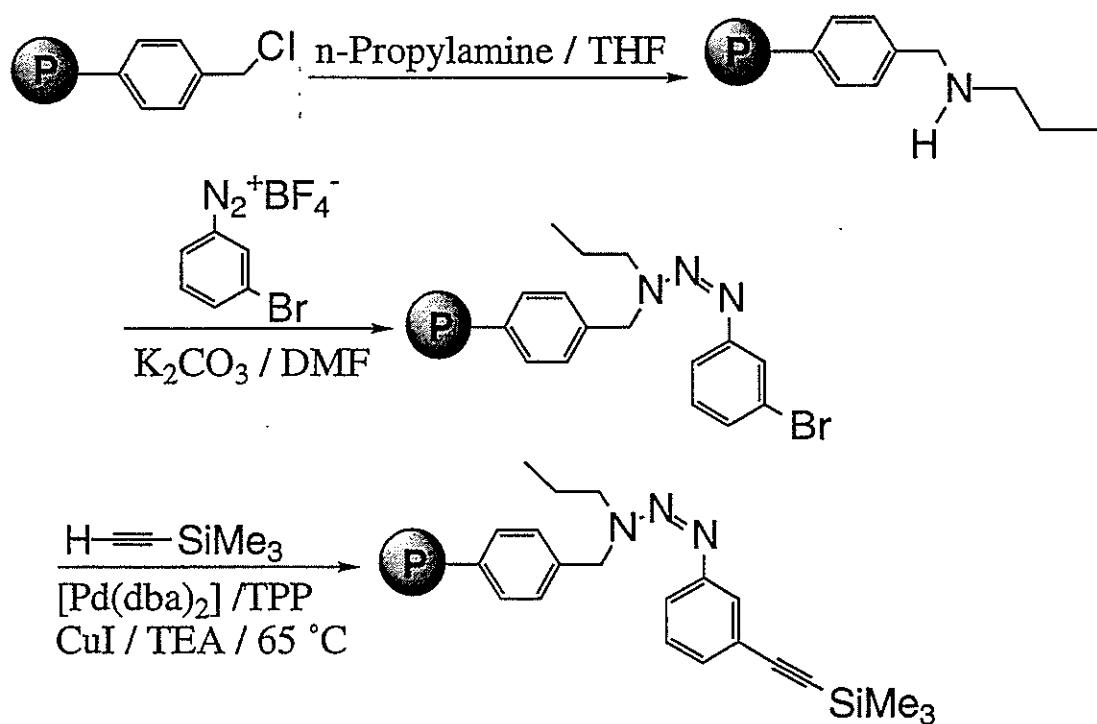
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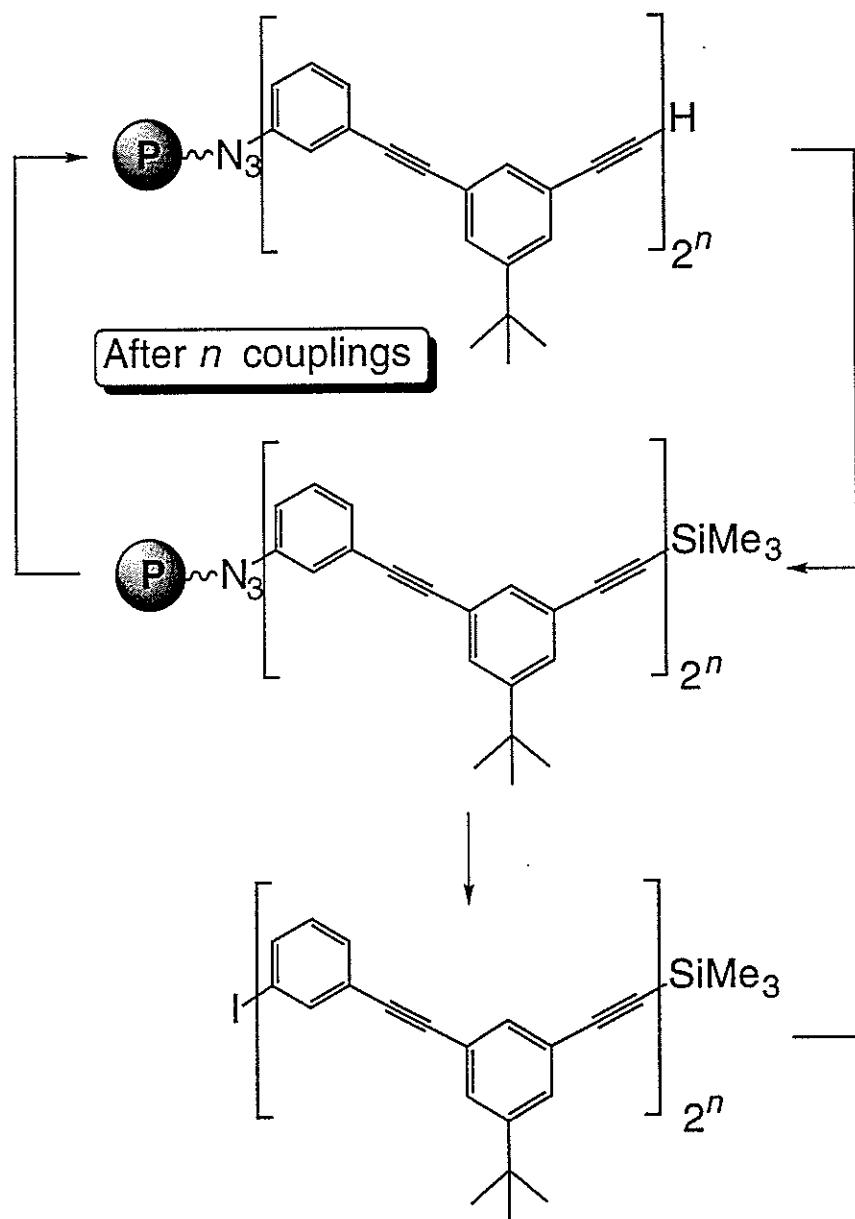
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## Triazene Formation Using an *N*-Alkylated Aminomethylated Polystyrene



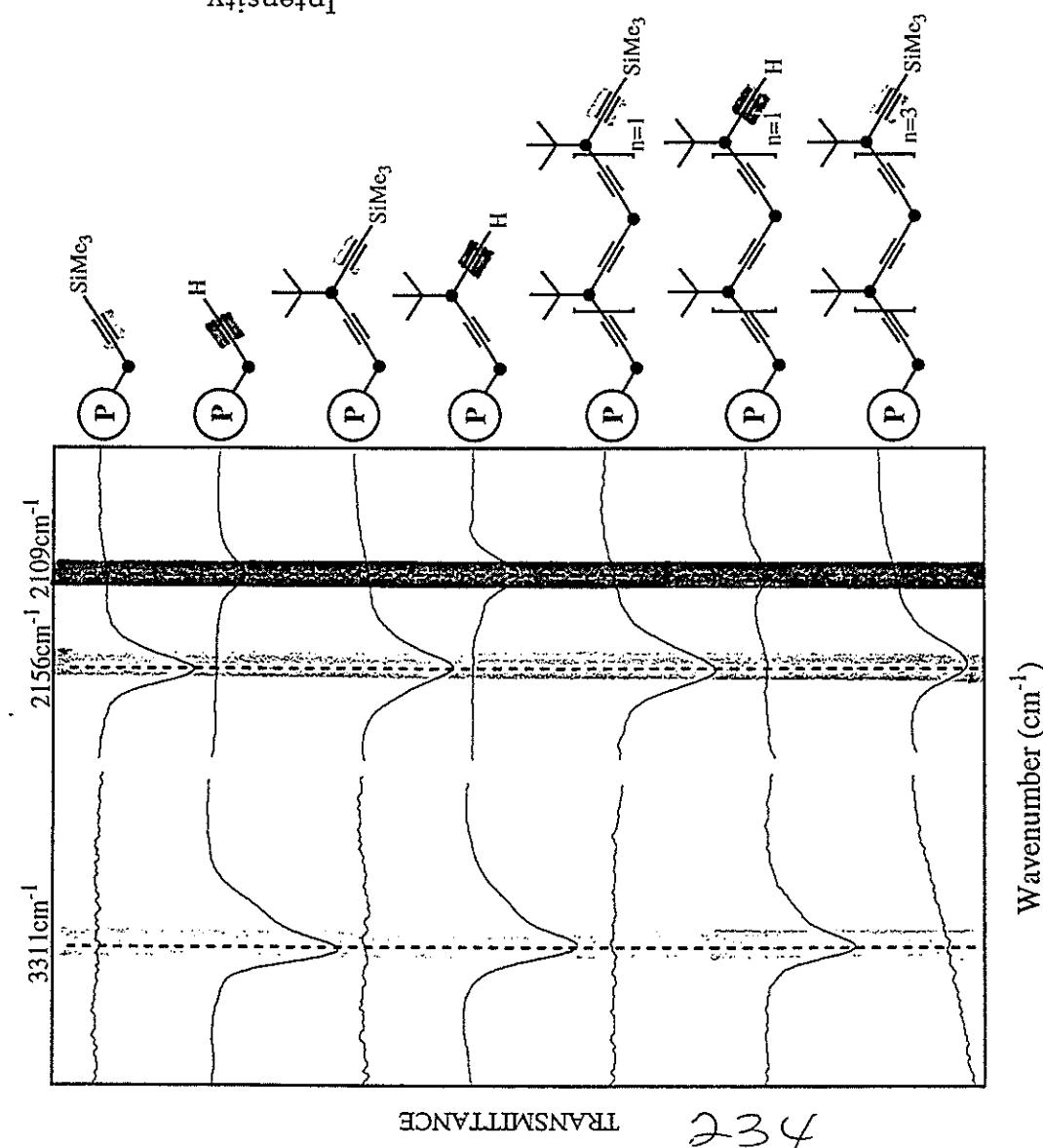
## SOLID PHASE REPETITIVE SYNTHESIS OF PHENYLACETYLENE OLIGOMERS



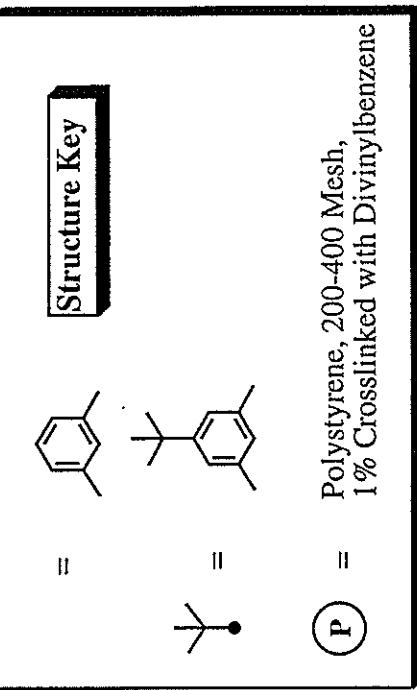
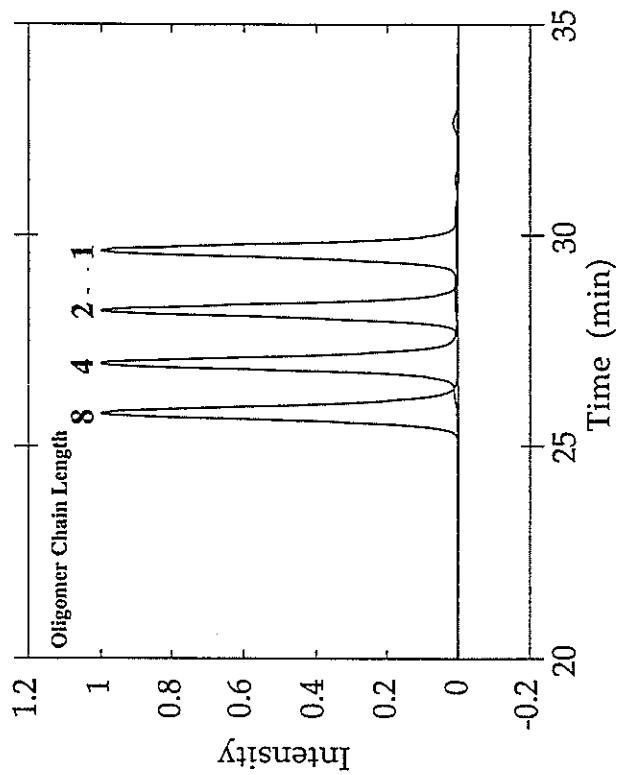
= Polystyrene, 200-400 Mesh,  
1% Crosslinked with Divinylbenzene

## Monitoring Polymer Supported Phenylacetylene Reactions

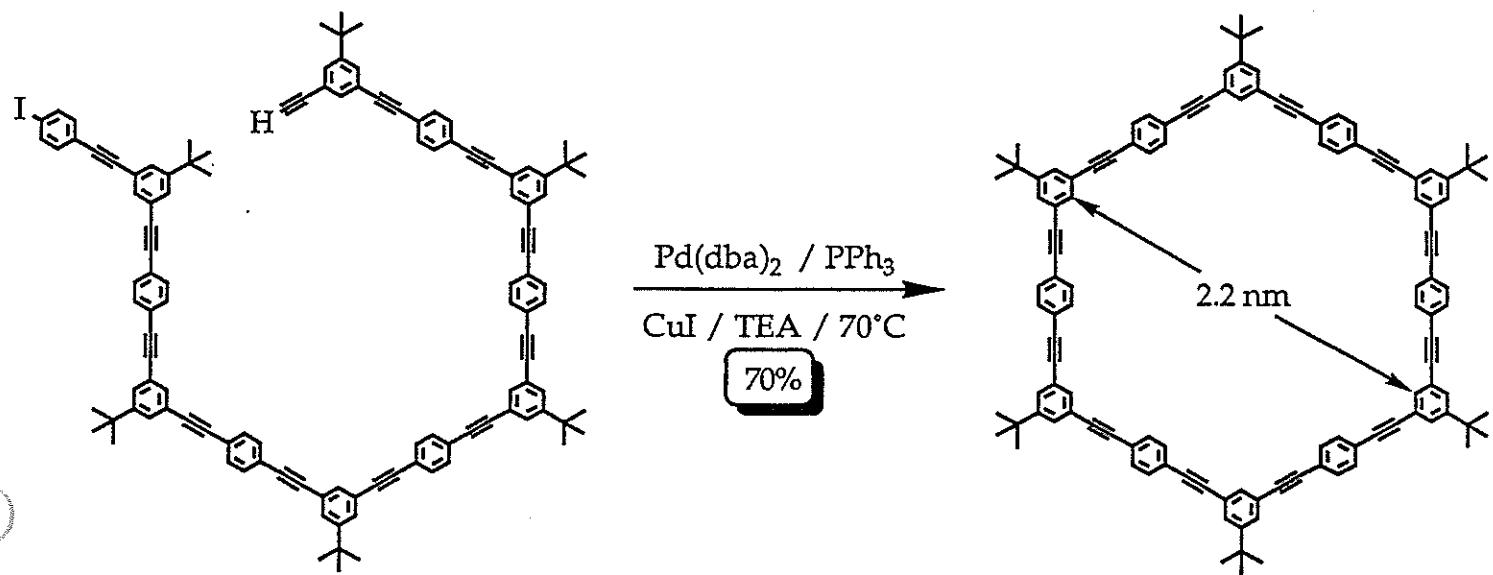
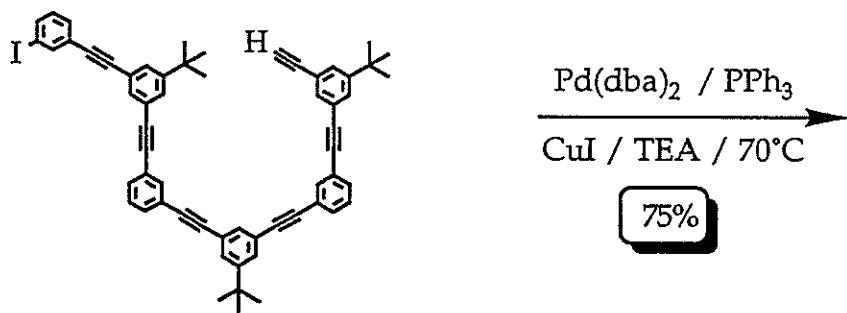
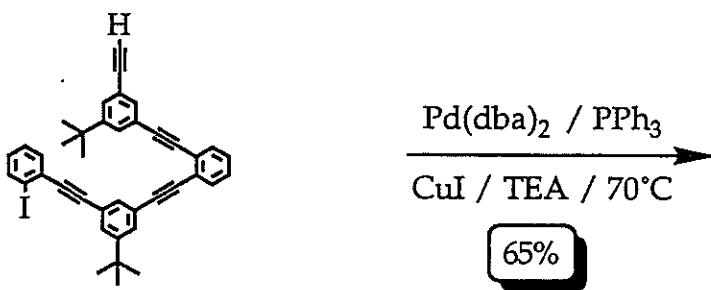
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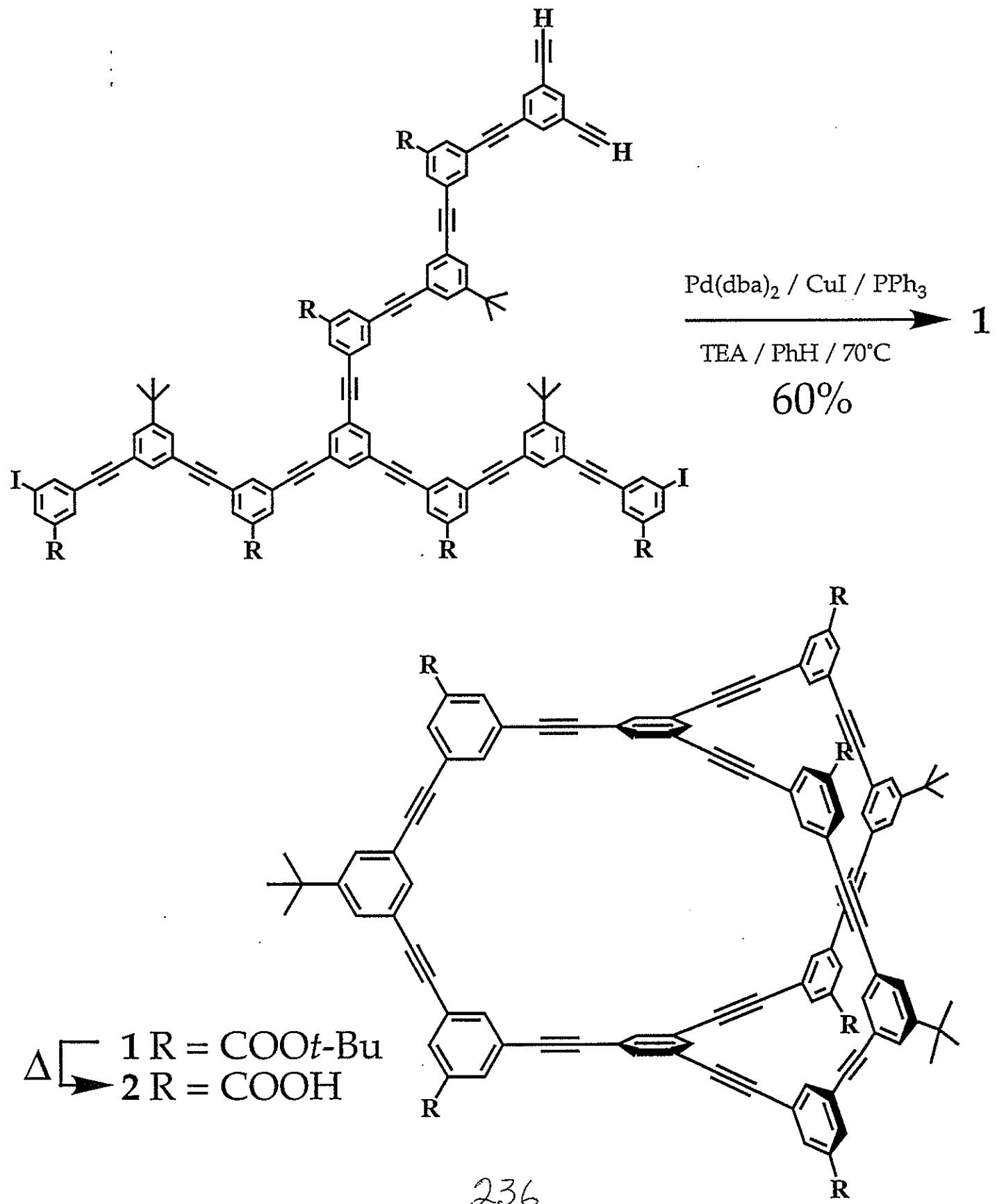
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# Synthesis of Polyaromatic Macrocycles



# Double Cyclization Gives Macrobicycles



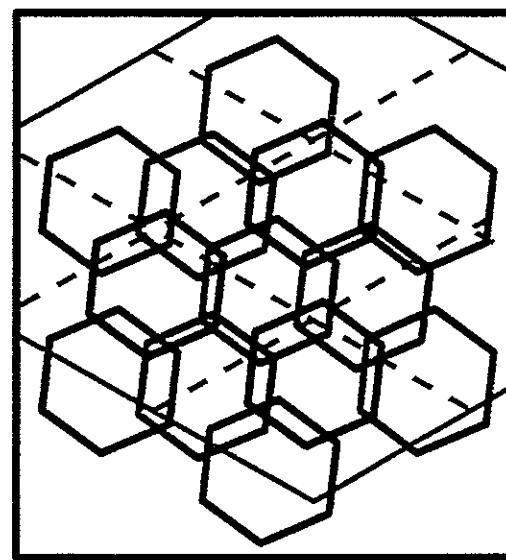
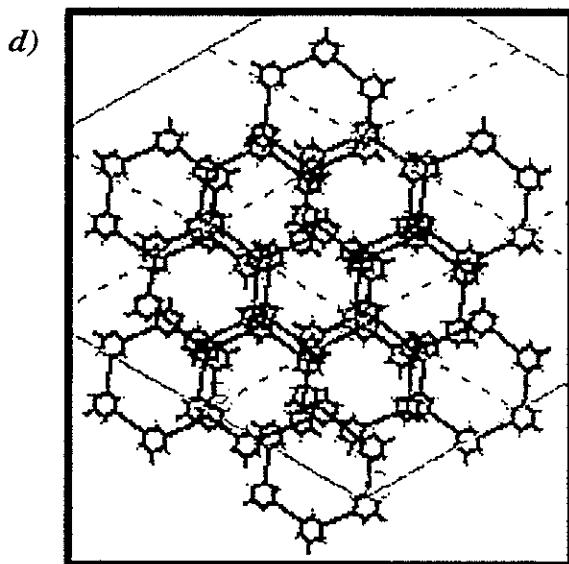
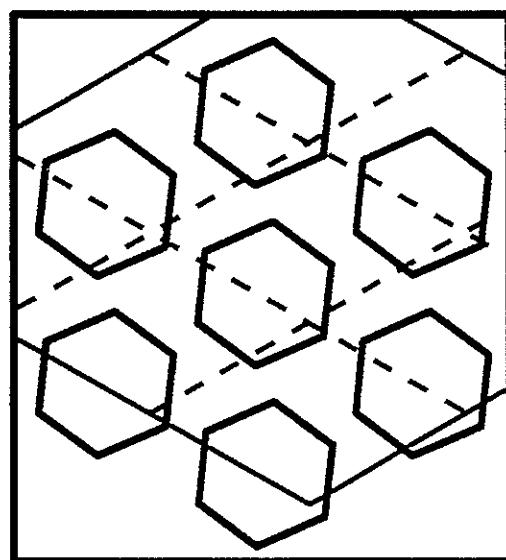
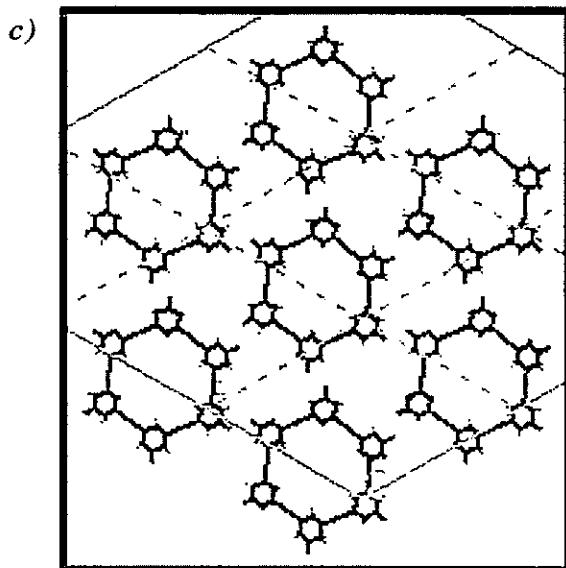
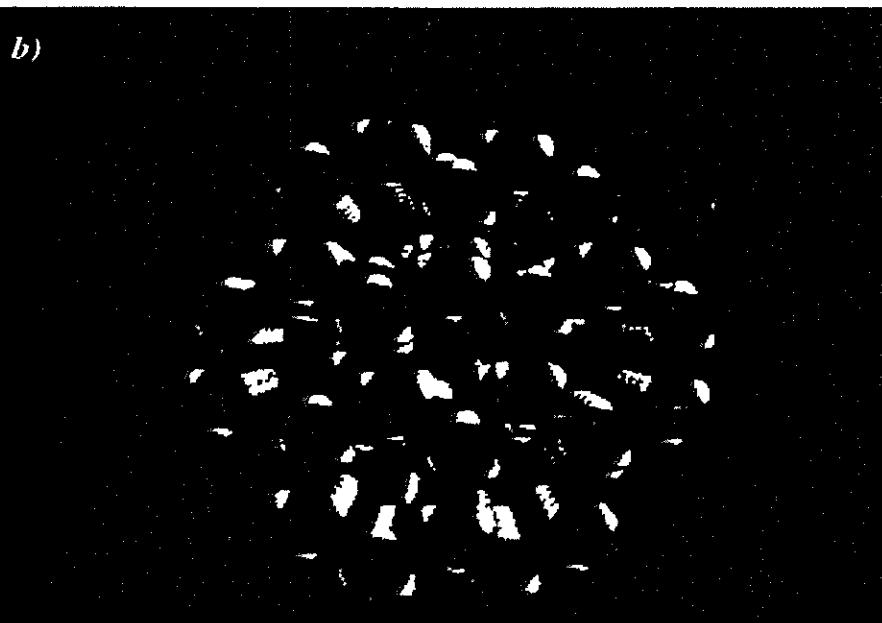
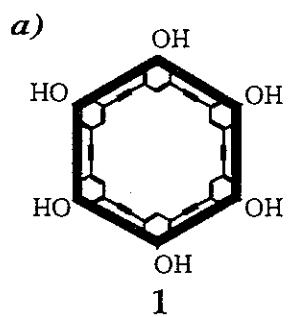
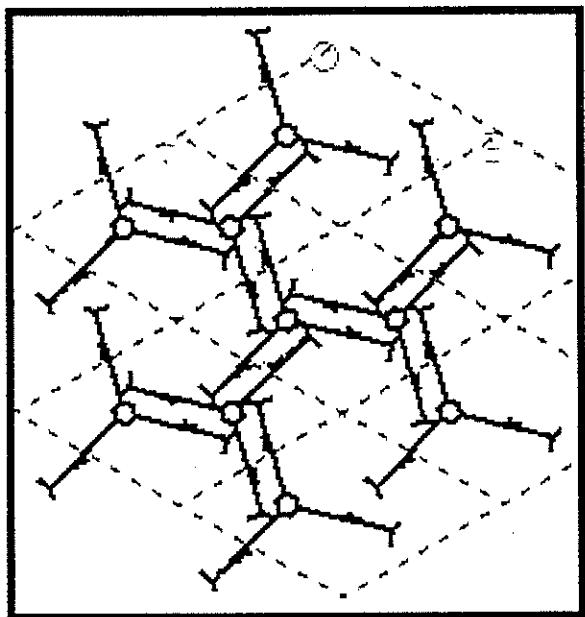
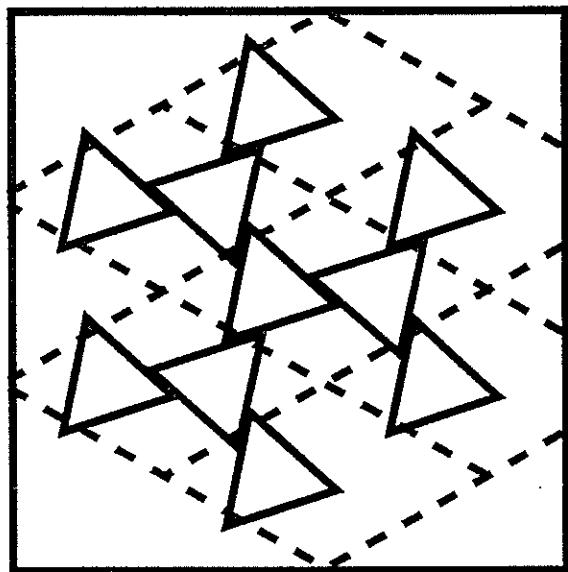
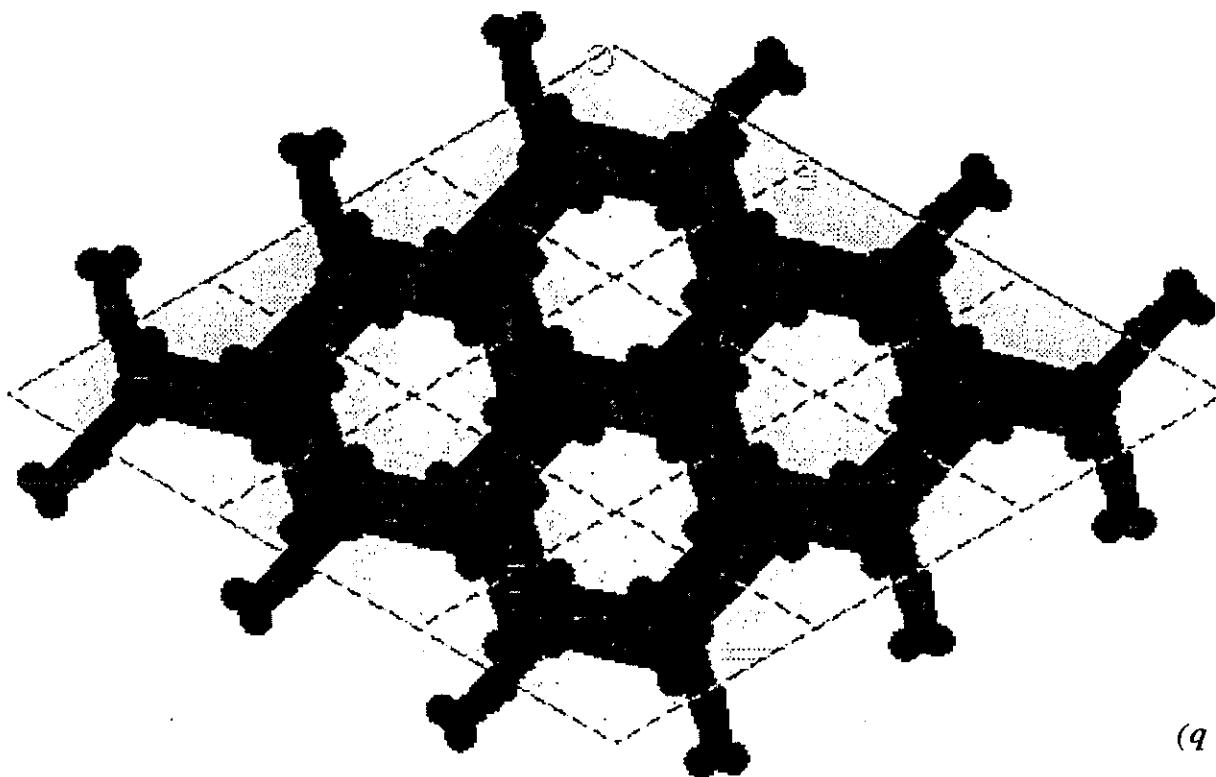


Figure 3. (a) Chemical structure of 1 superimposed with its hexagonal polygon representation, (b) X-ray structure of 1 shown as its space filling model, (c) packing diagram of a single hydrogen-bonded layer, (d) packing diagram of three layers. The central hexagon in (c) has a total of 12 nearest neighbors (6 in same plane (red hexagons), 3 in upper plane (blue hexagons), and 3 in the lower plane (green hexagons)).



(c)



(d)

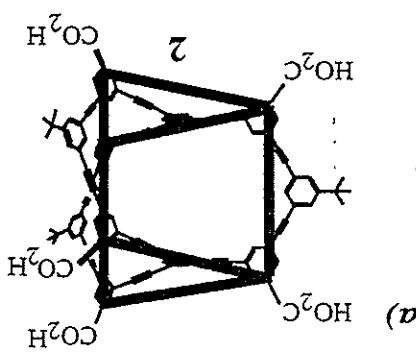
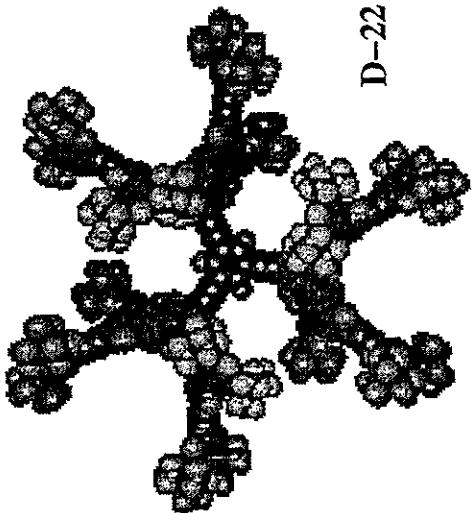
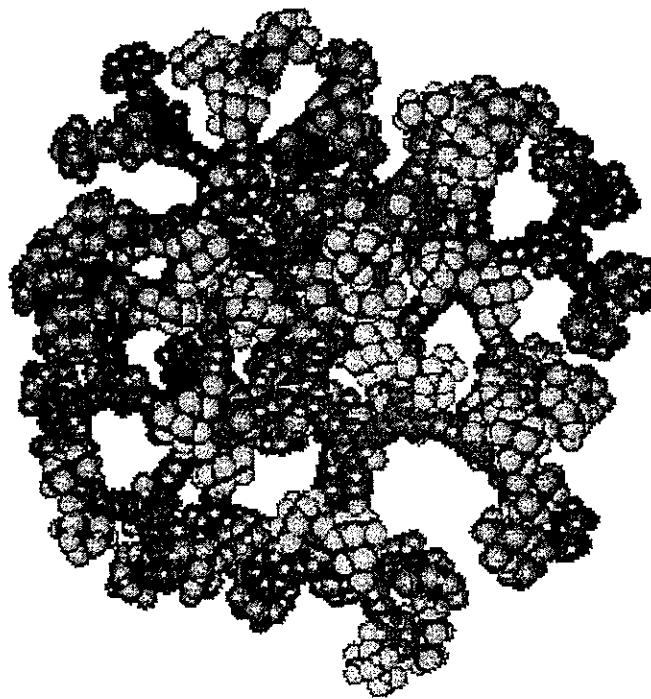


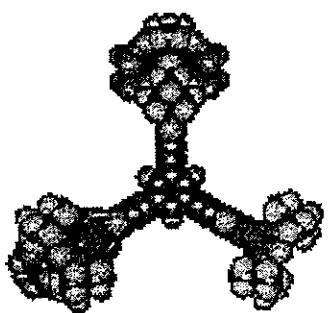
Figure 4. (a) Chemical structure of L superimposed with its trigonal prismatic representation, (b) X-ray structure of L shown as its space-filling model (c) packing diagram viewed along the c axis. The central molecule in (c) has 6 nearest neighbors in the same plane (colored blue) and 3 nearest neighbors in each of the two adjacent planes (colored red) making a total of 12 nearest neighbors. Note that hydrogen atoms have been omitted.



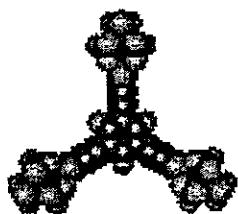
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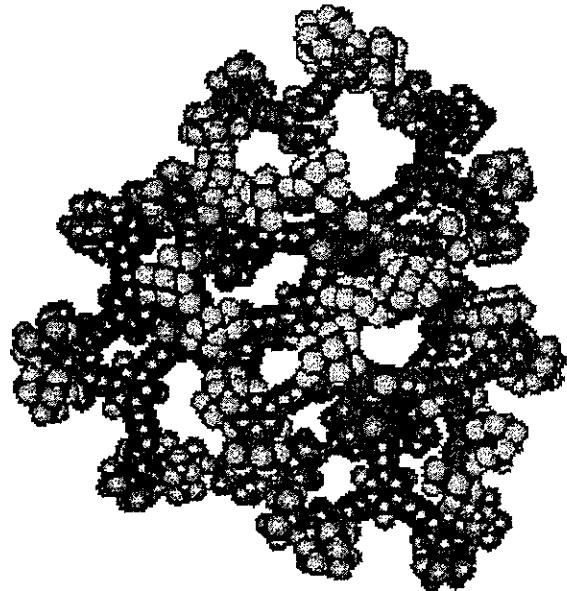
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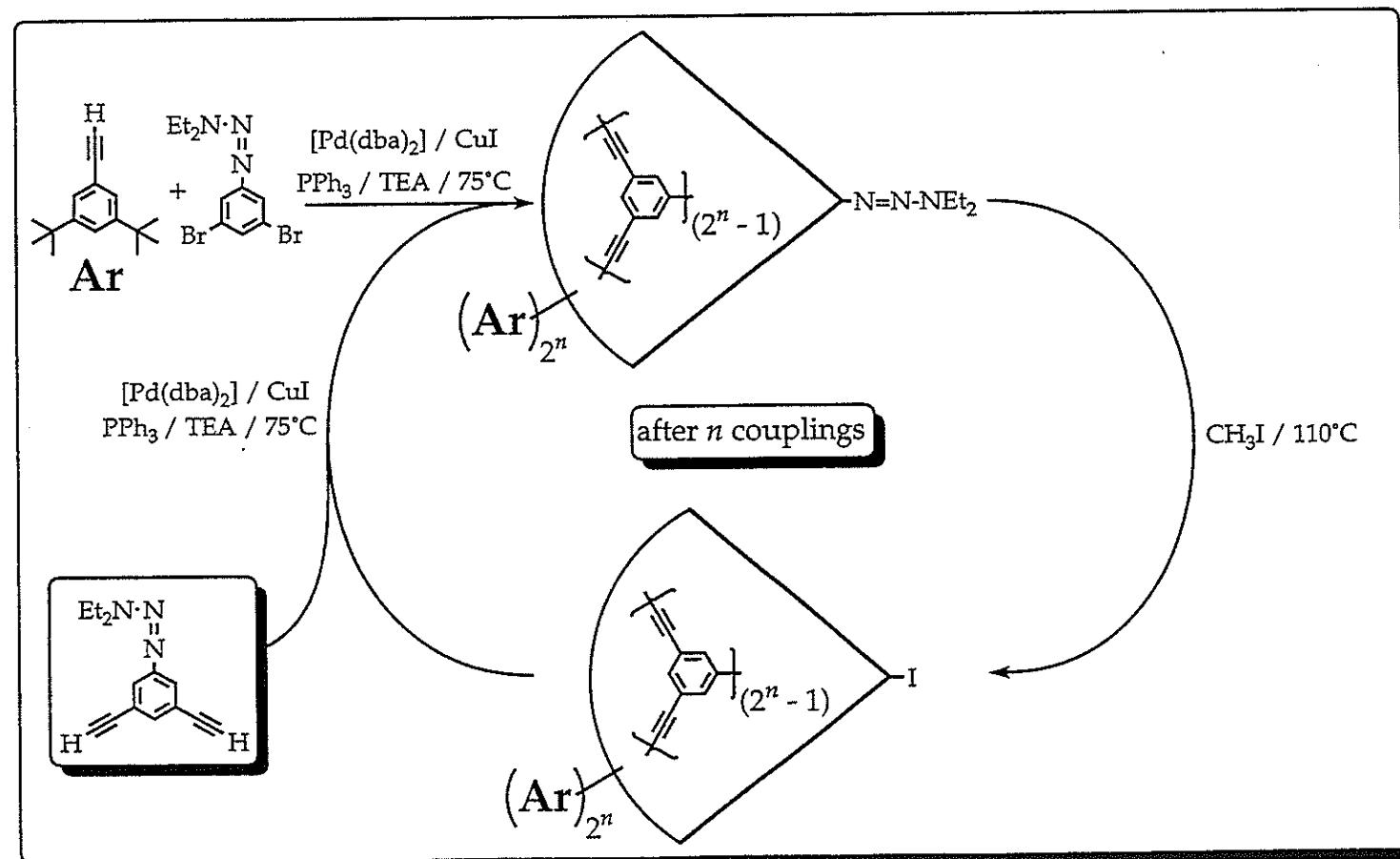
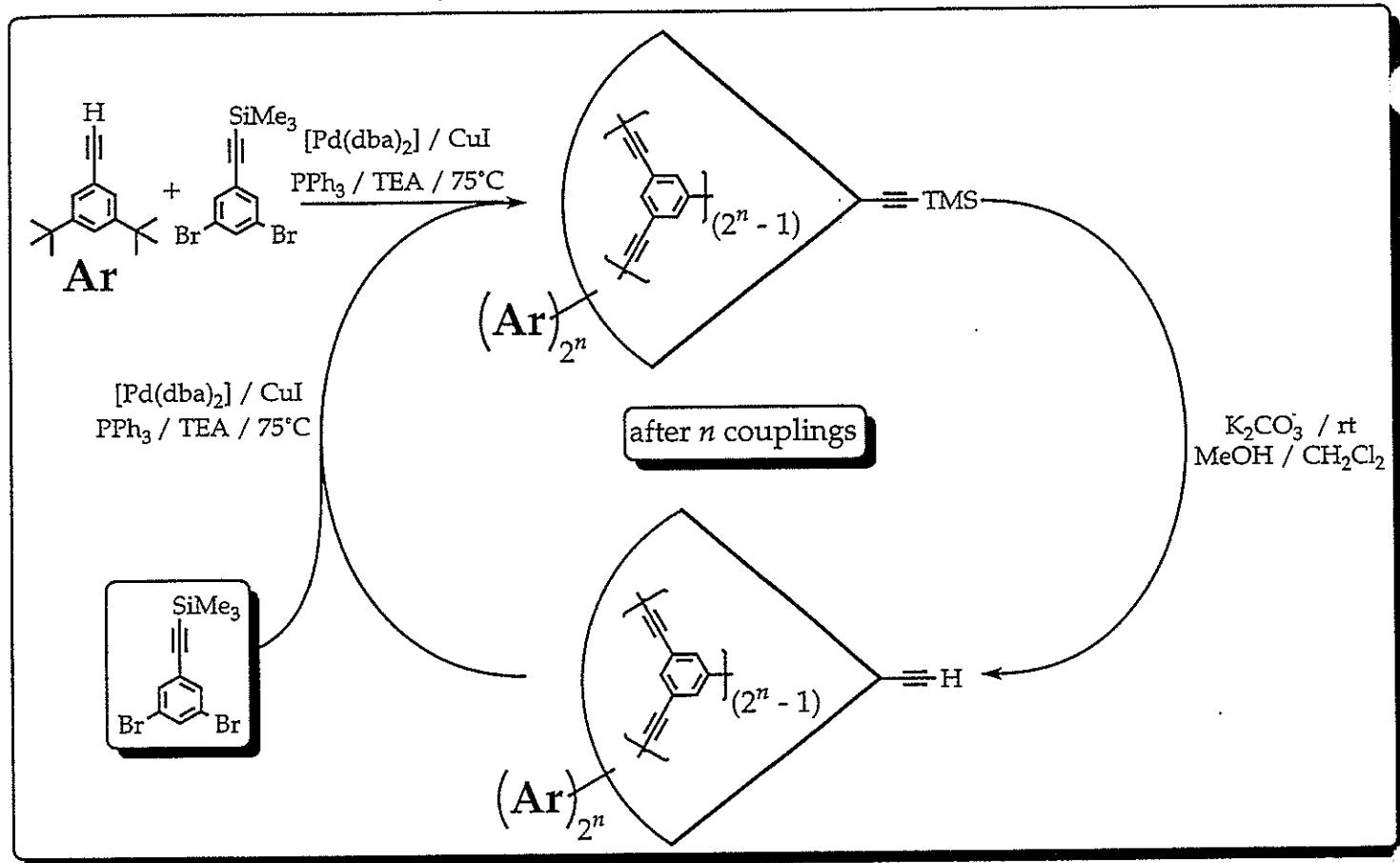


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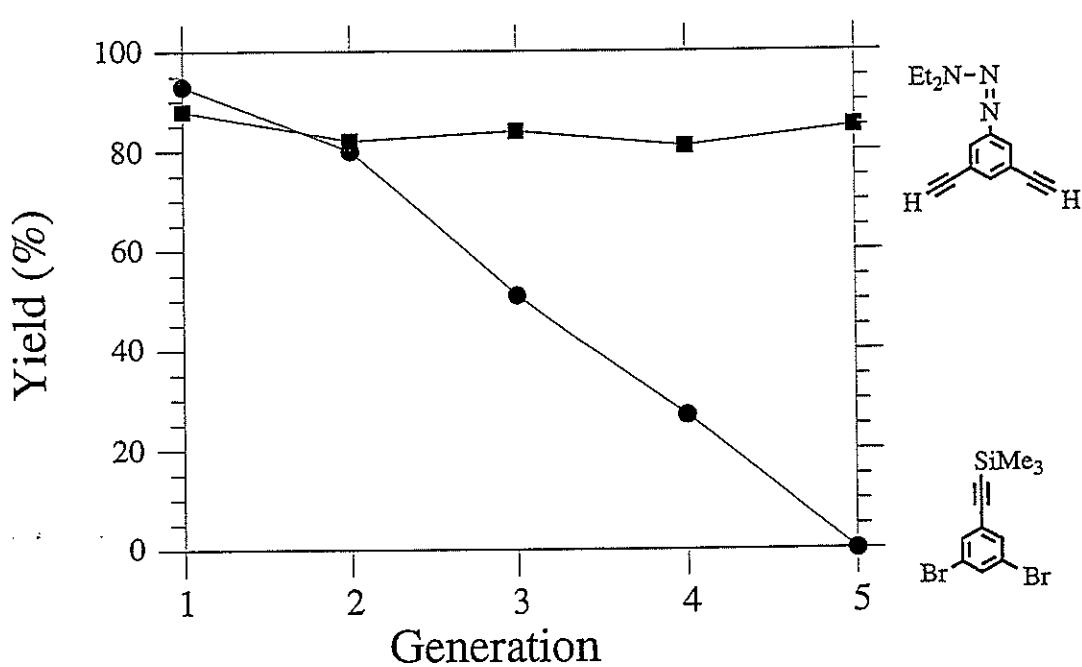
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## Two Schemes to Prepare Phenylacetylene Monodendrons

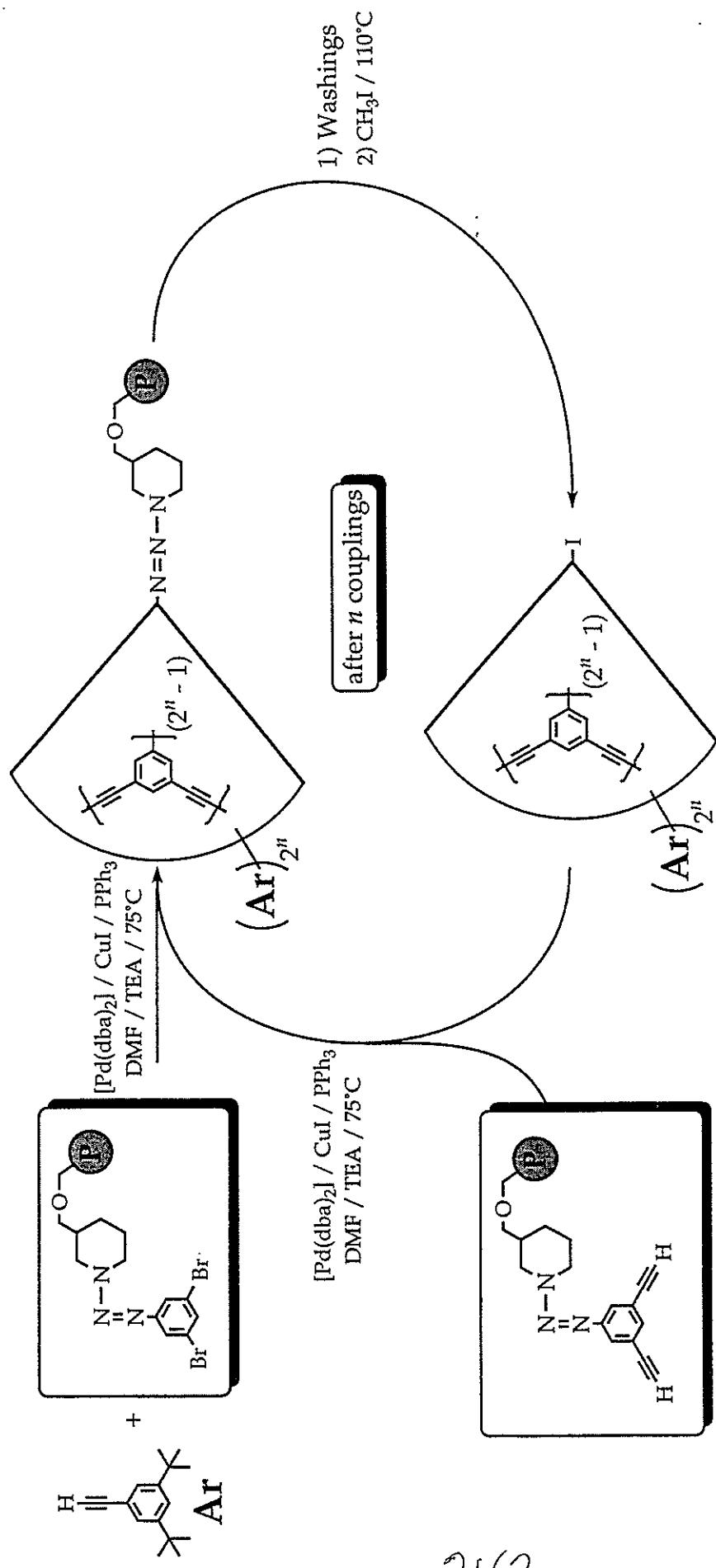


*Subtle changes in chemistry can have significant consequences on monodendron yields*

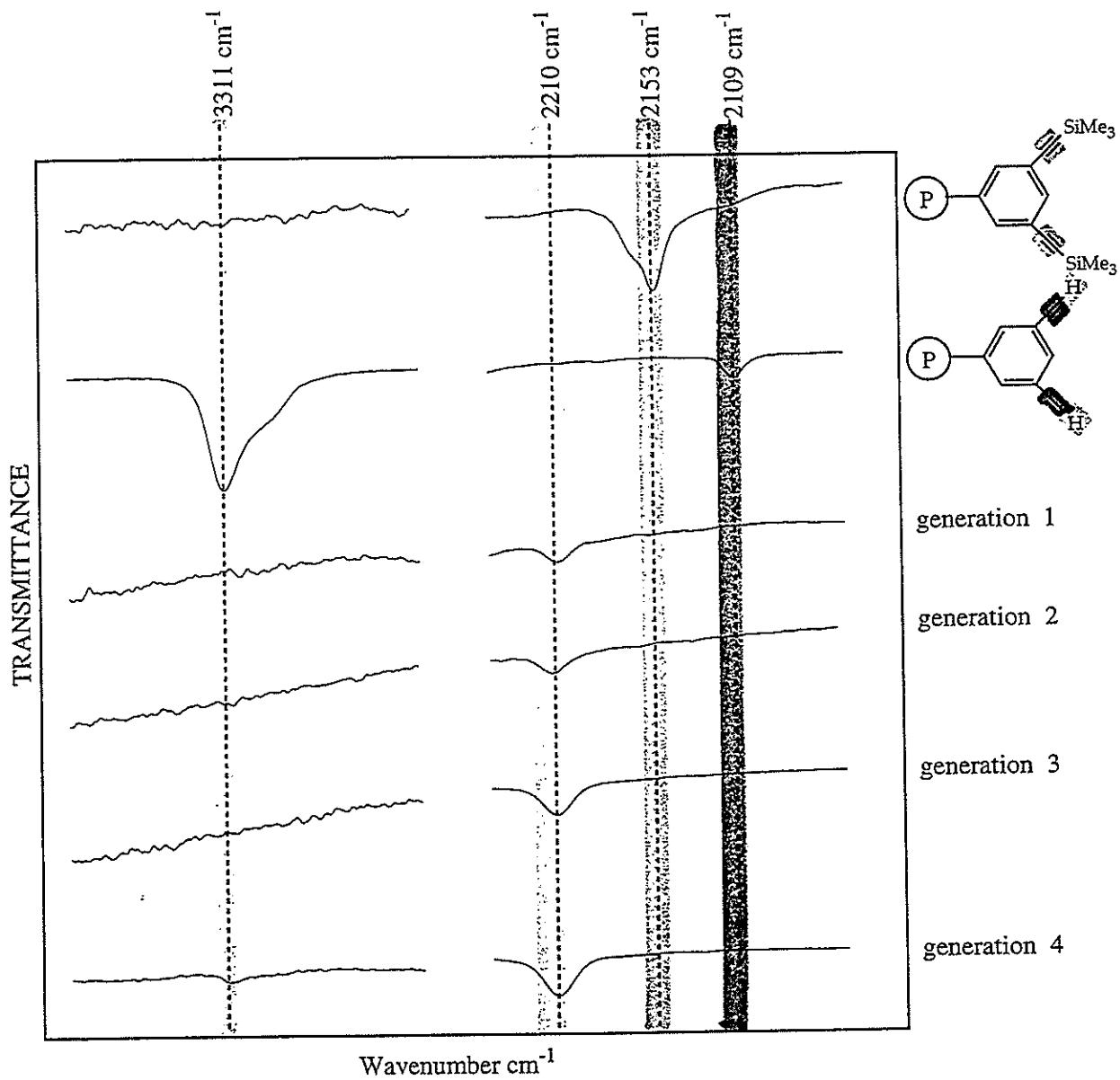
monodendron scheme	Scheme	Yield (%)
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7-mer	<chem>Brc1cc(C#Cc2cc(C#N)nc(N(C)C#C)c2)cc1</chem>	80
15-mer		51
31-mer		27
63-mer		0
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		82
		84
		81
		85

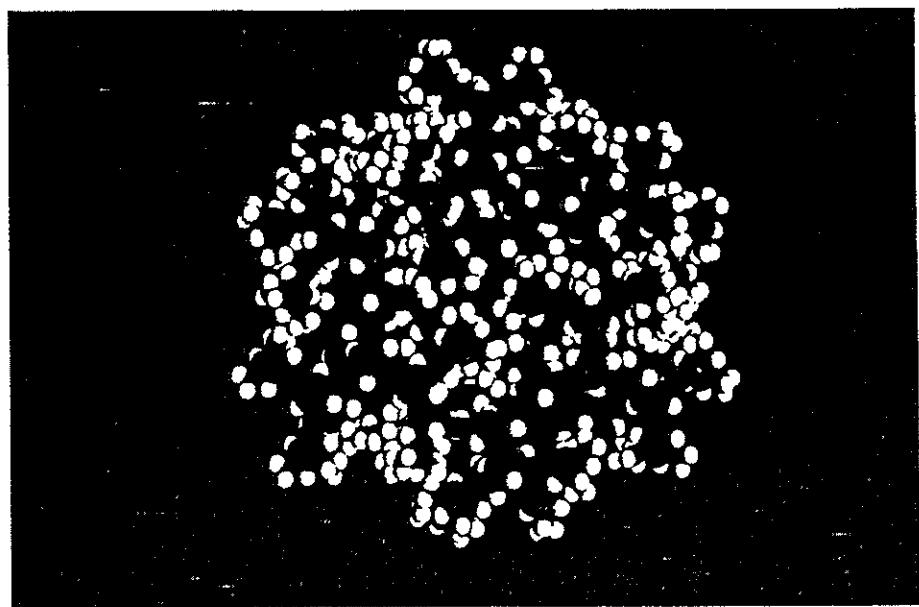
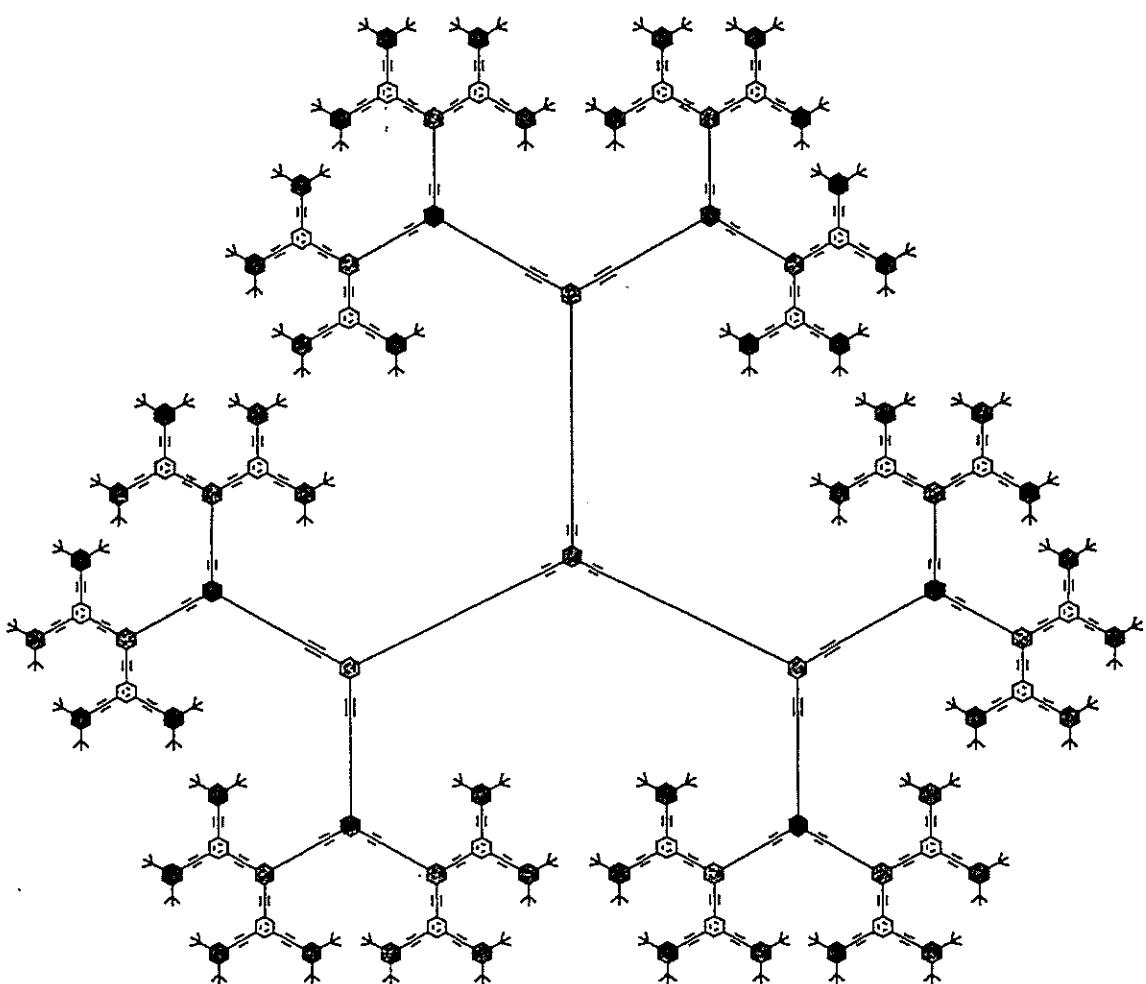


# A Solid Phase Convergent Synthesis Simplifies Purification

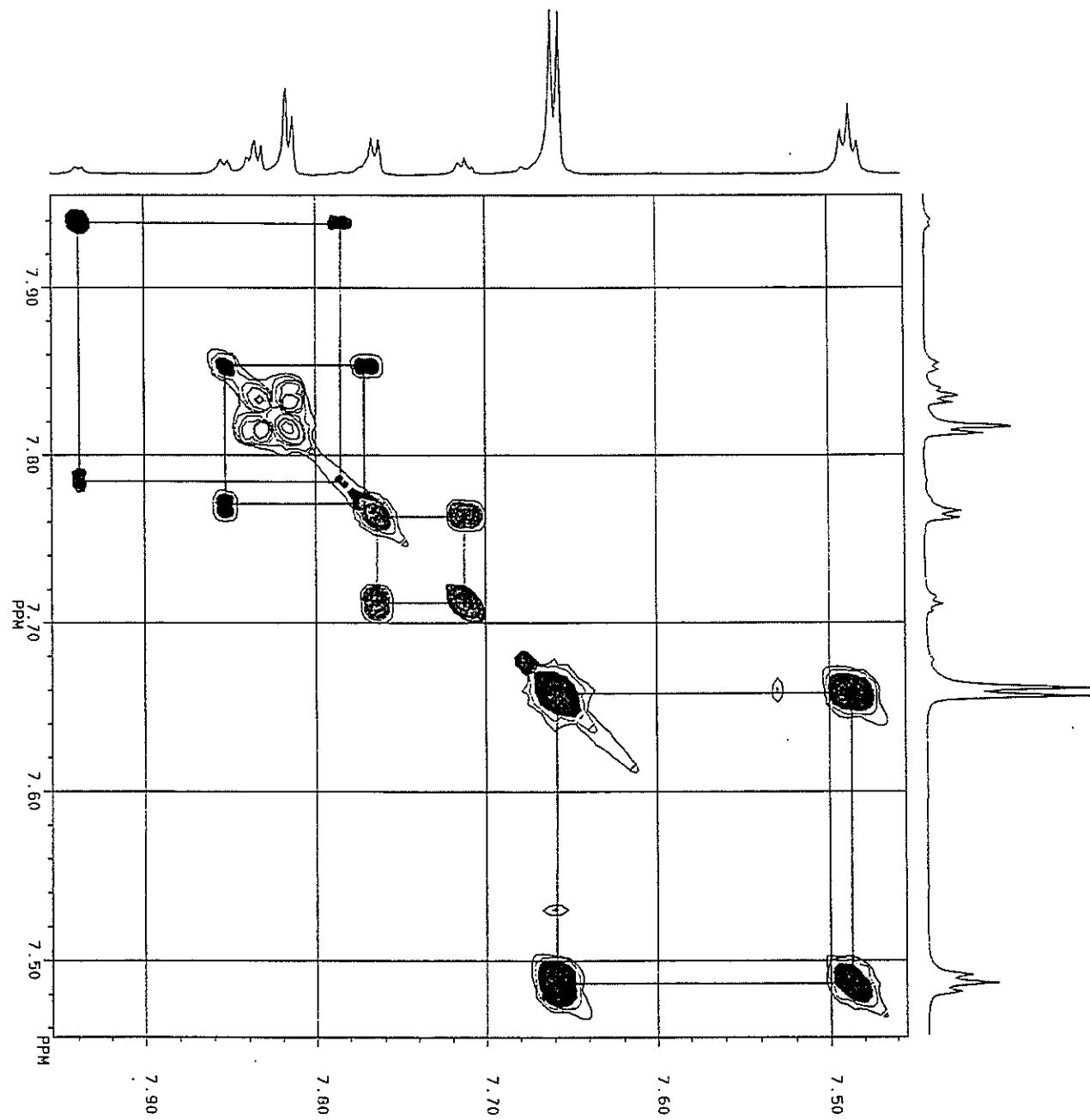


# *Solid Phase Chemistry Can be Monitored by Infrared Spectroscopy*





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# Mass Spectrometric Analysis of D-94

(In collaboration with Charles Wilkins, UC Riverside)

ION ABUNDANCE

MALDI-TOF

PEG 1000

D-94 ( $C_{1134}H_{1146}$ )

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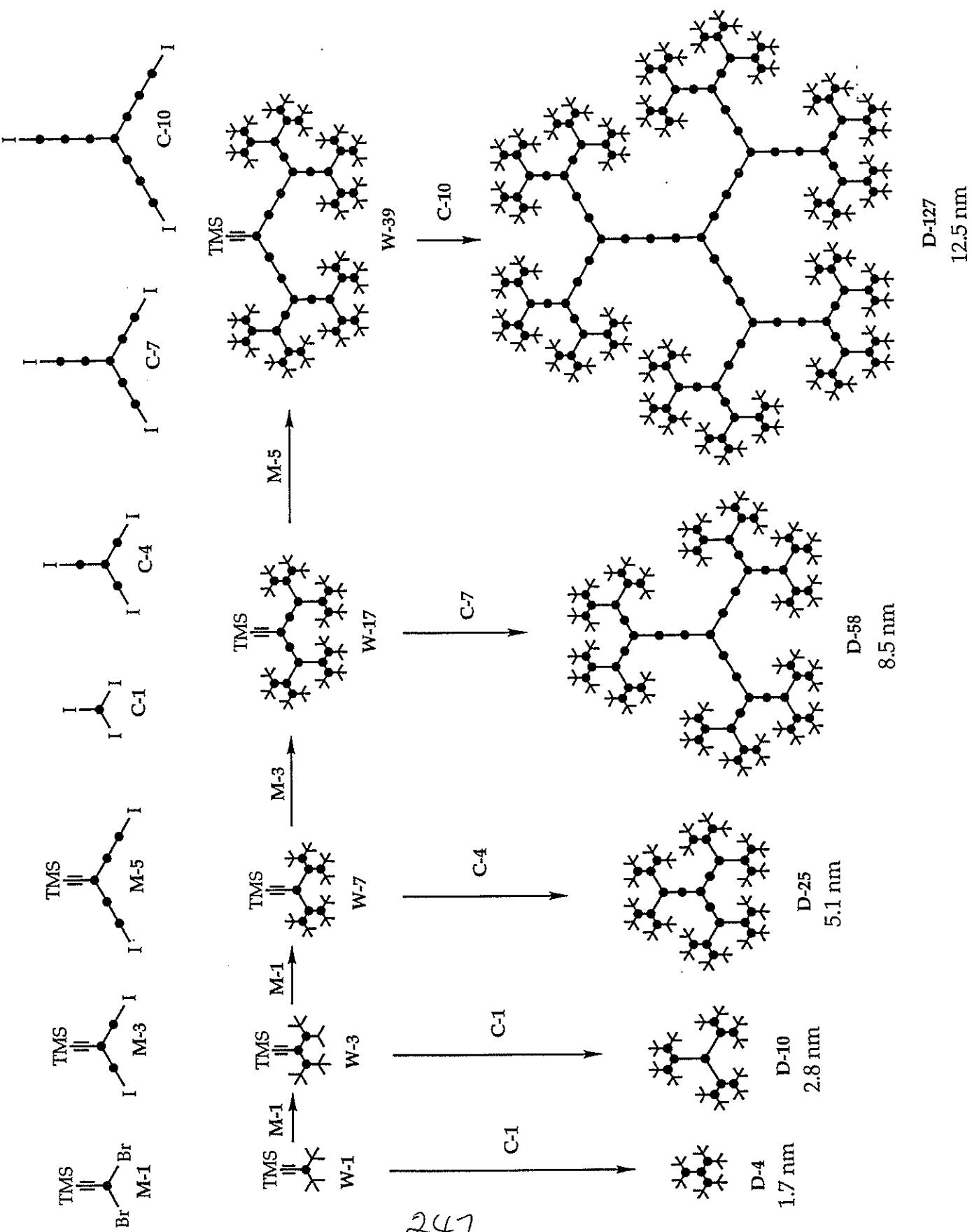
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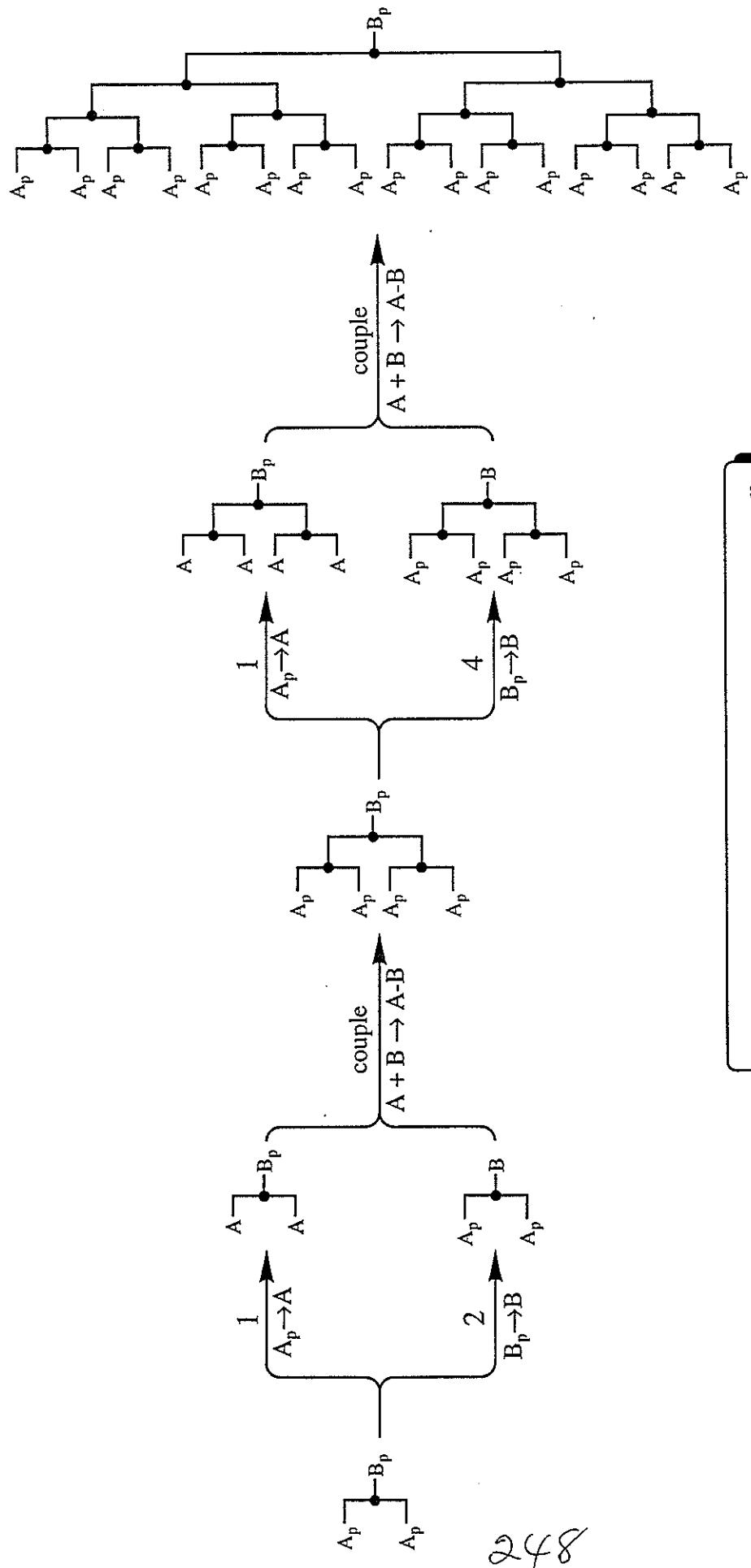
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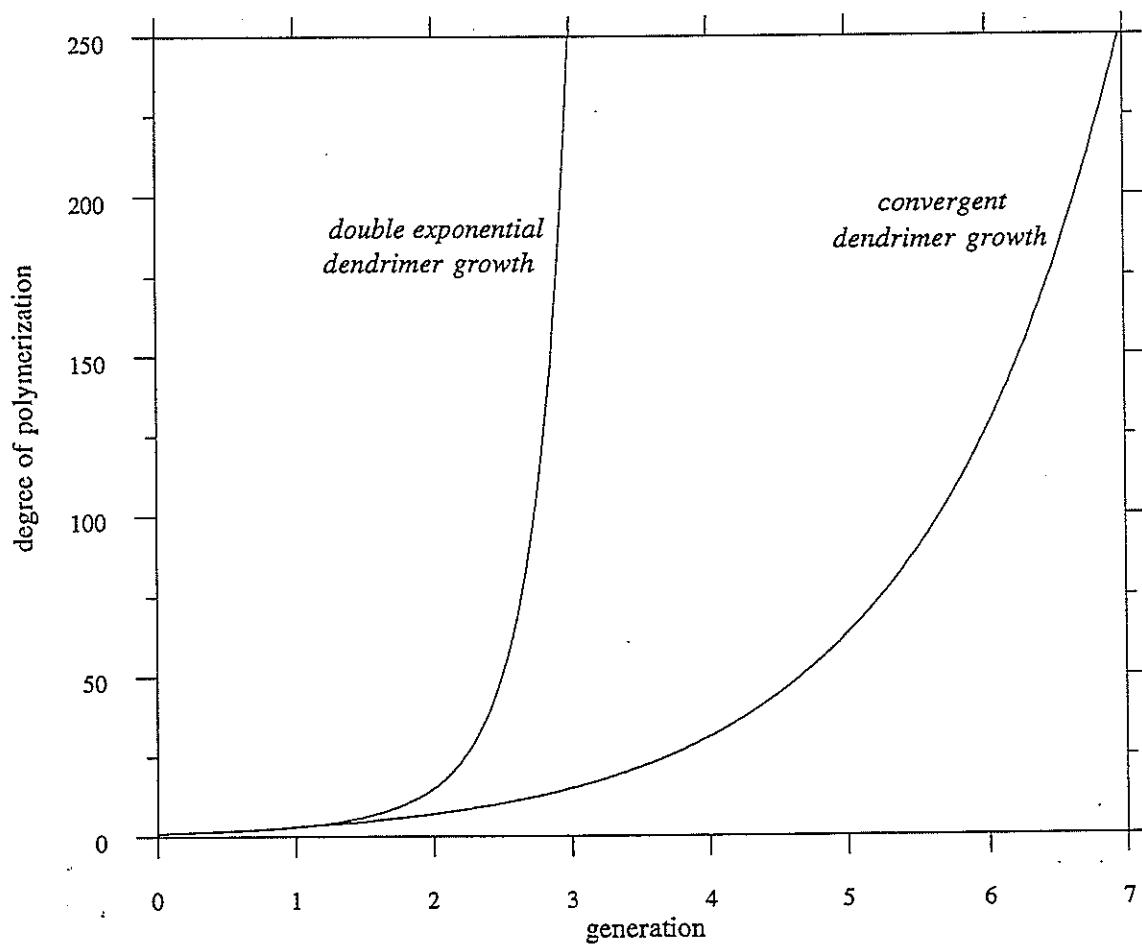
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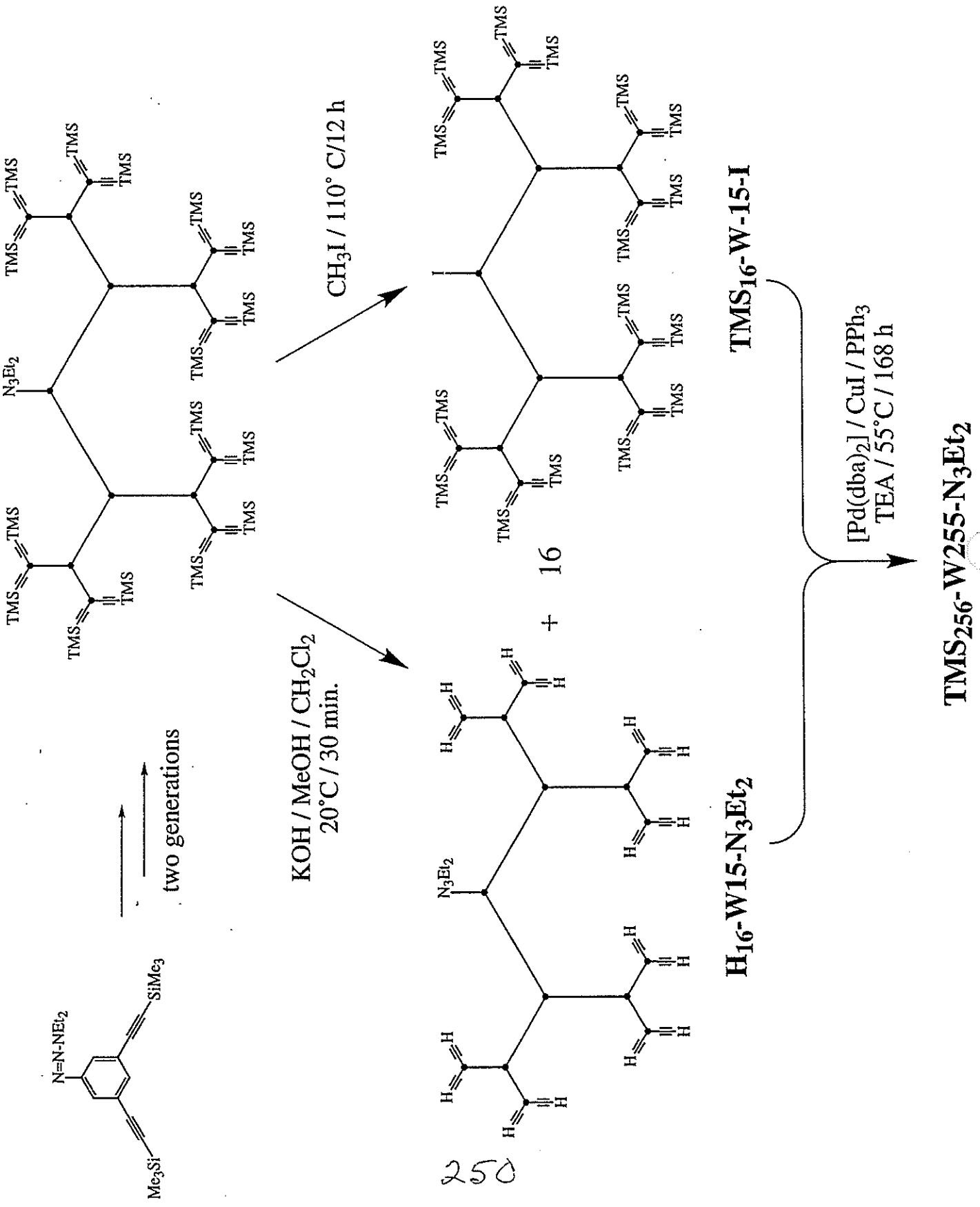
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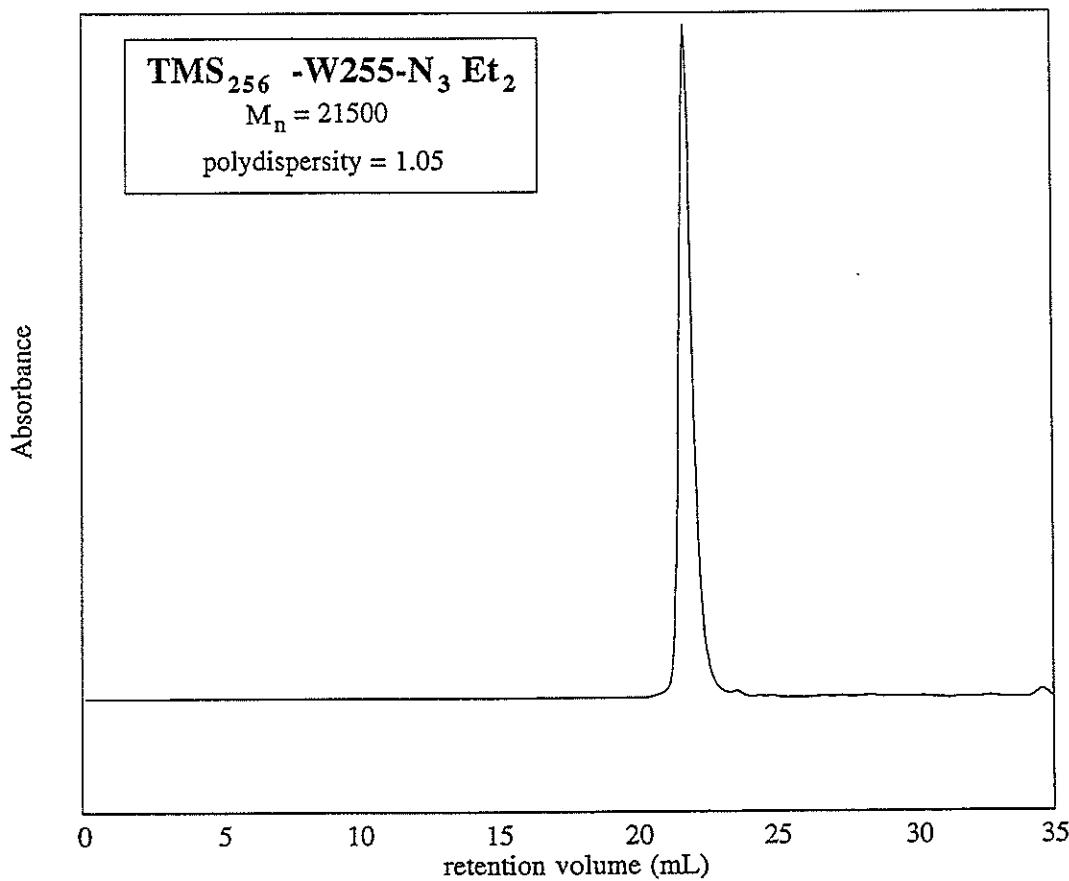
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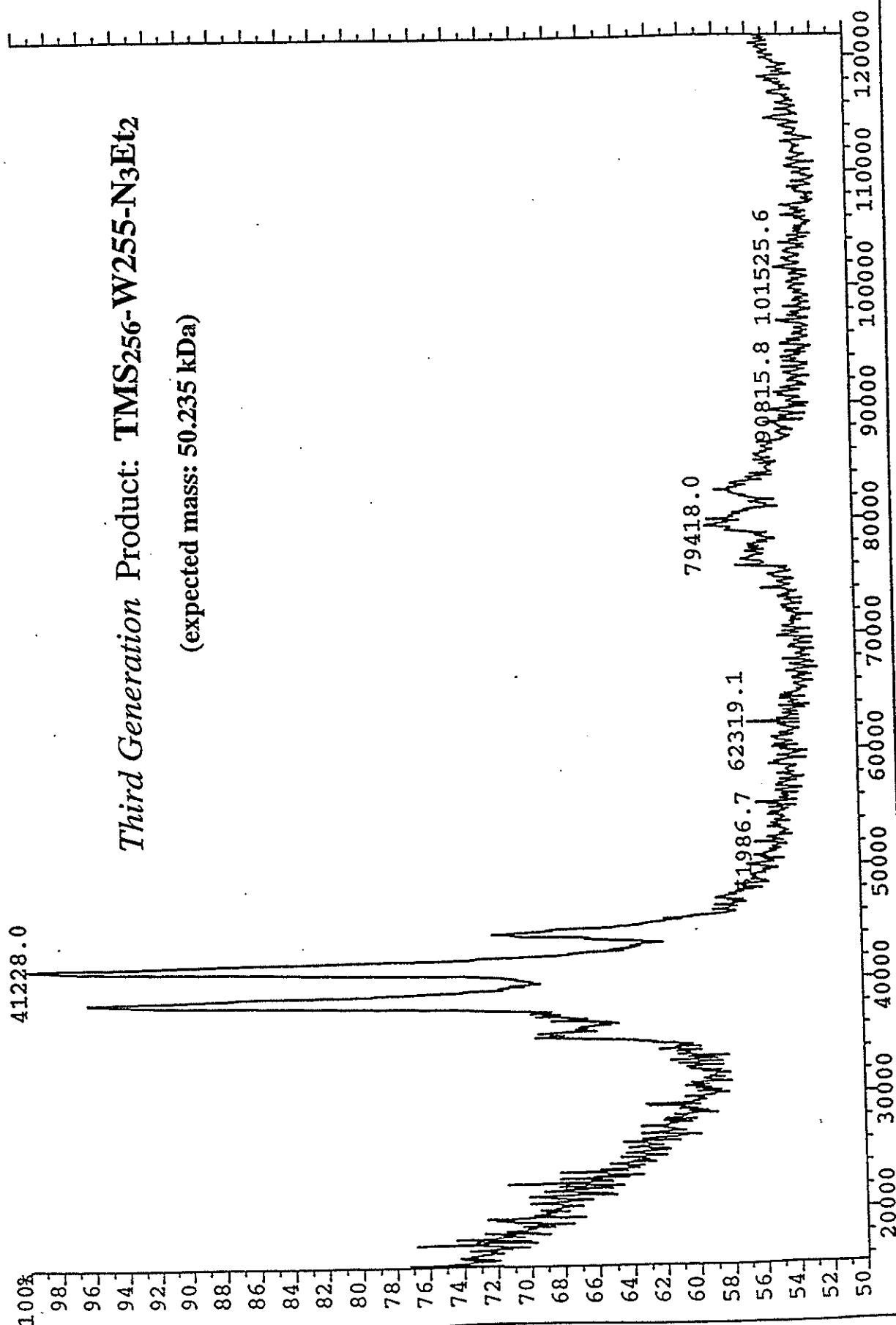


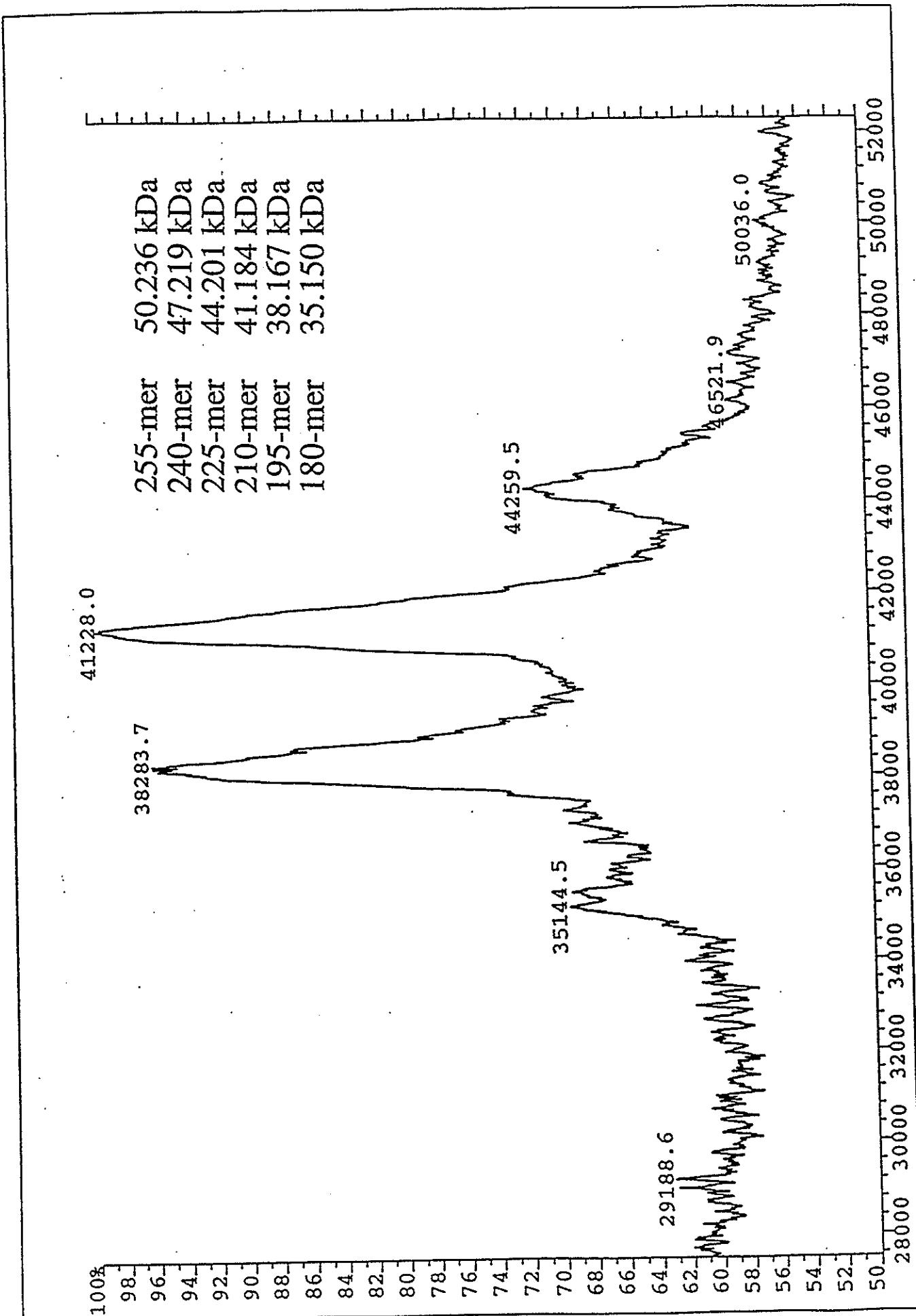
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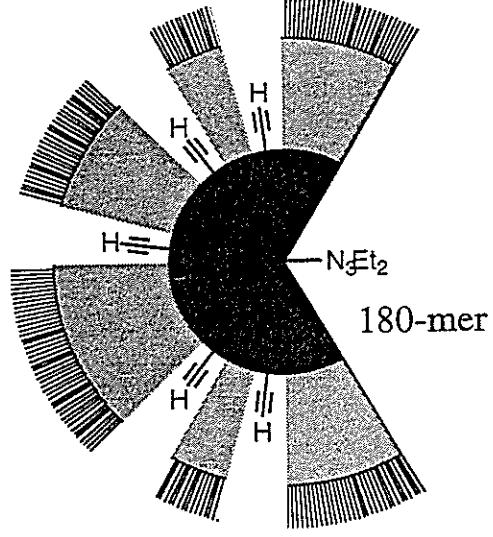
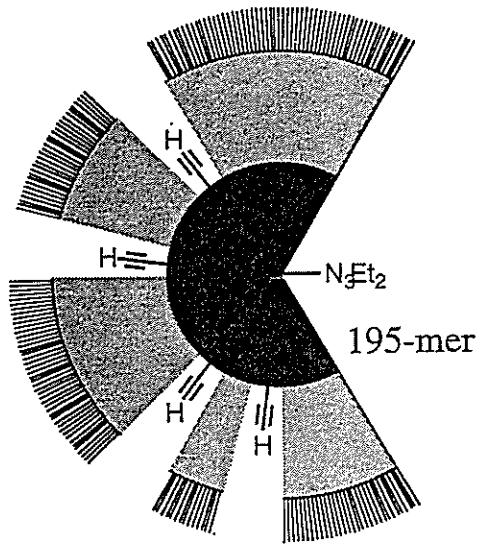
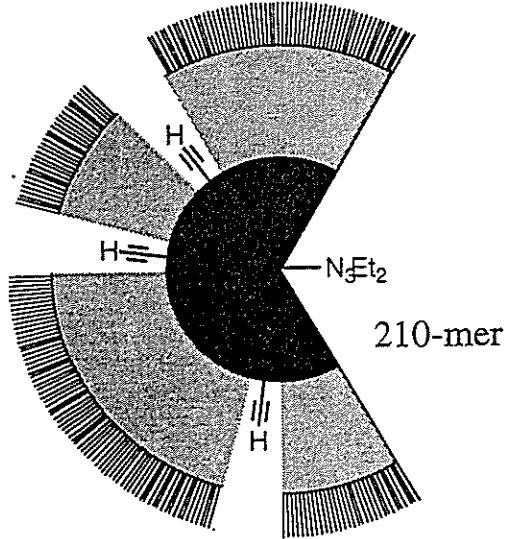
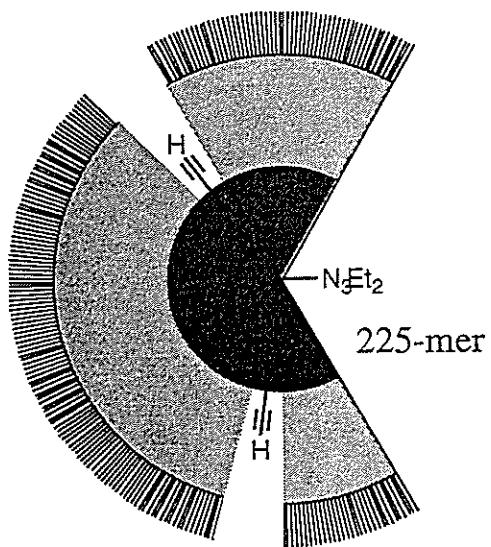
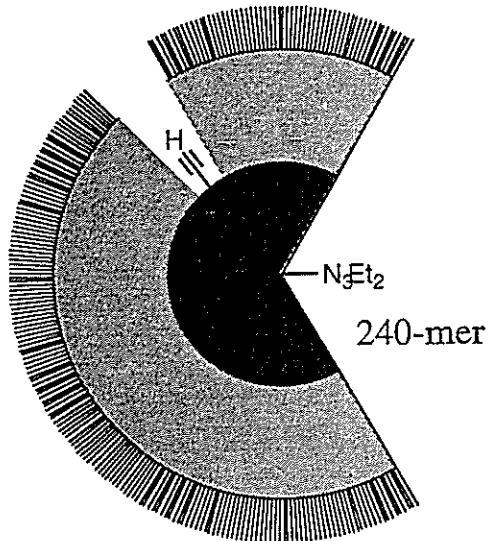
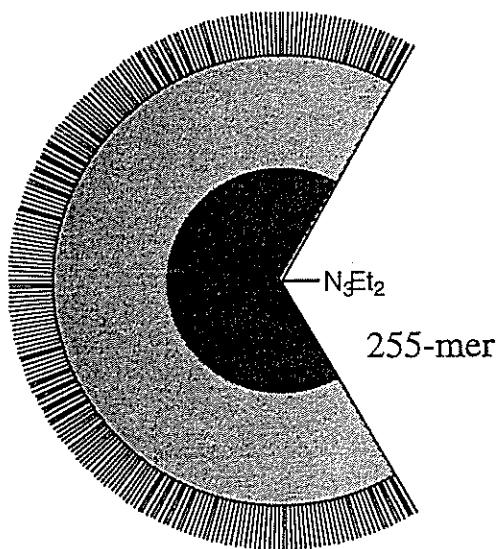
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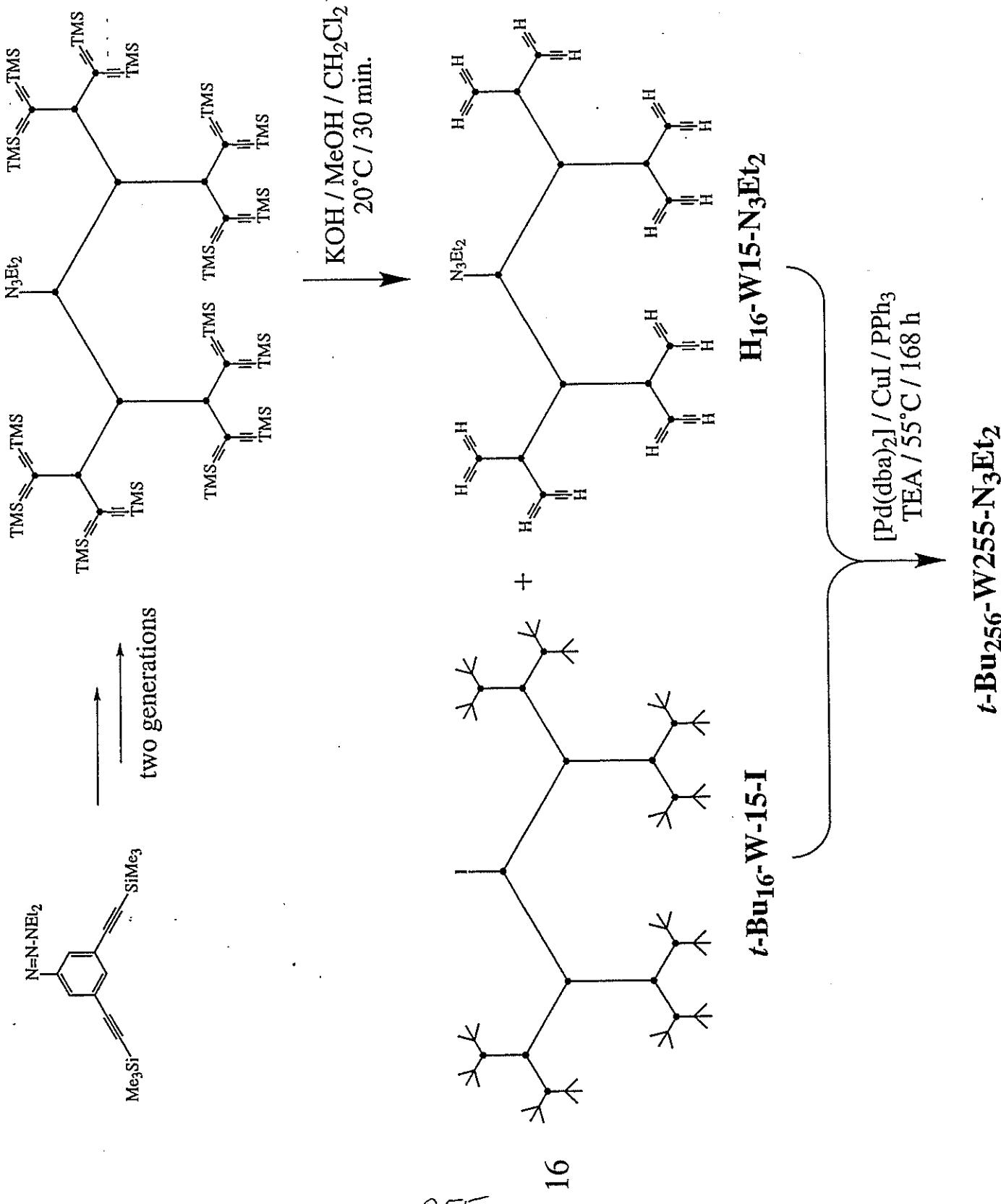




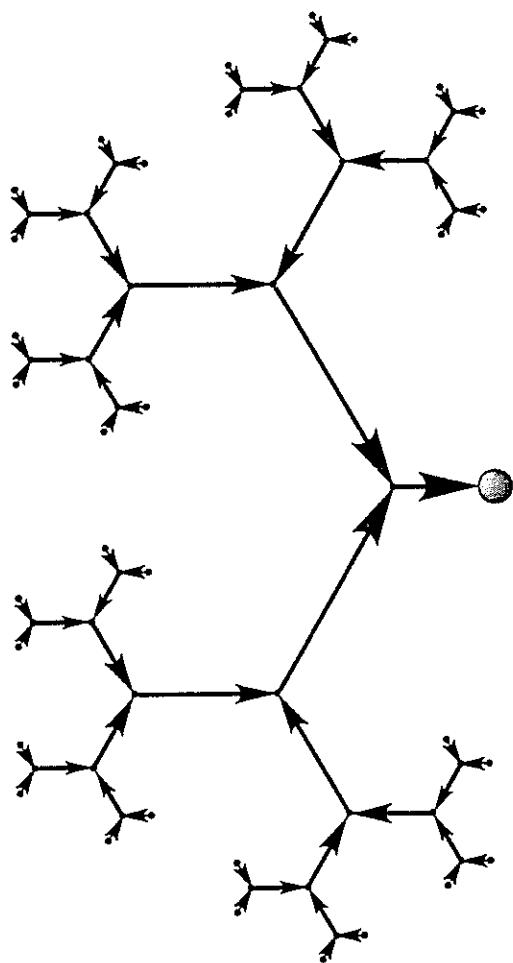


## Incomplete Coupling Would Give These Products

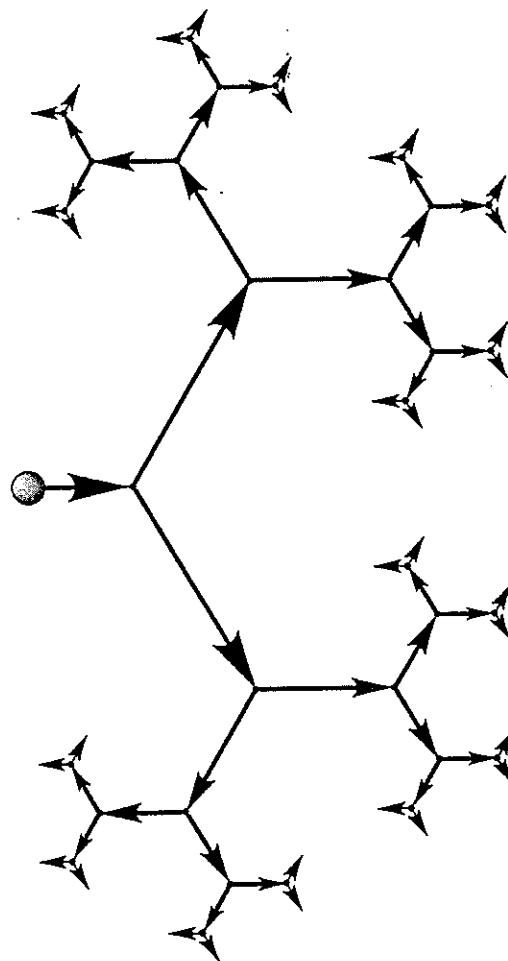




## ***The Dendritic Topology is Unique: Convergent and Divergent Paths***

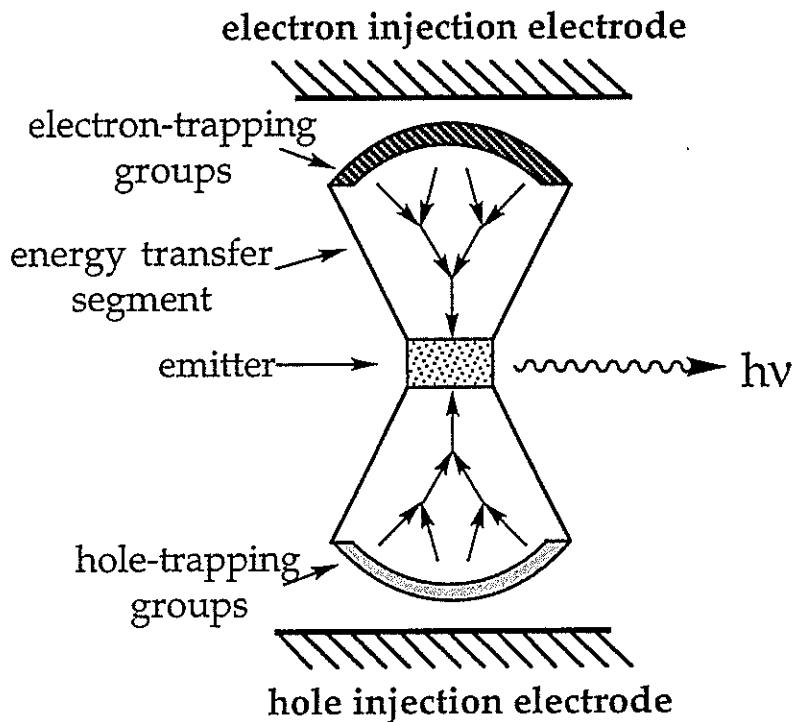


**converging paths**



**diverging paths**

# ELECTROLUMINESCENT THIN FILMS BASED ON DENDRITIC MACROMOLECULES



## Potential Features:

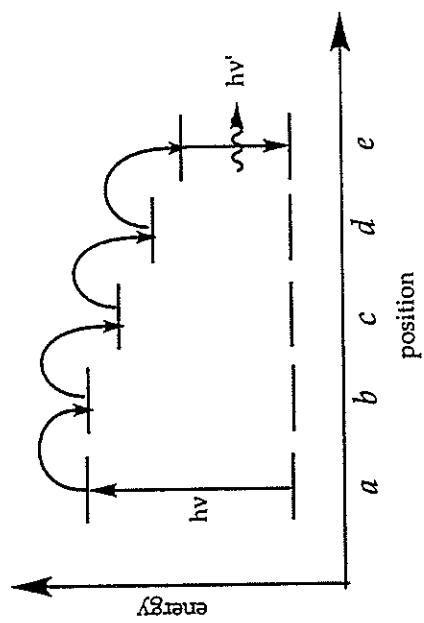
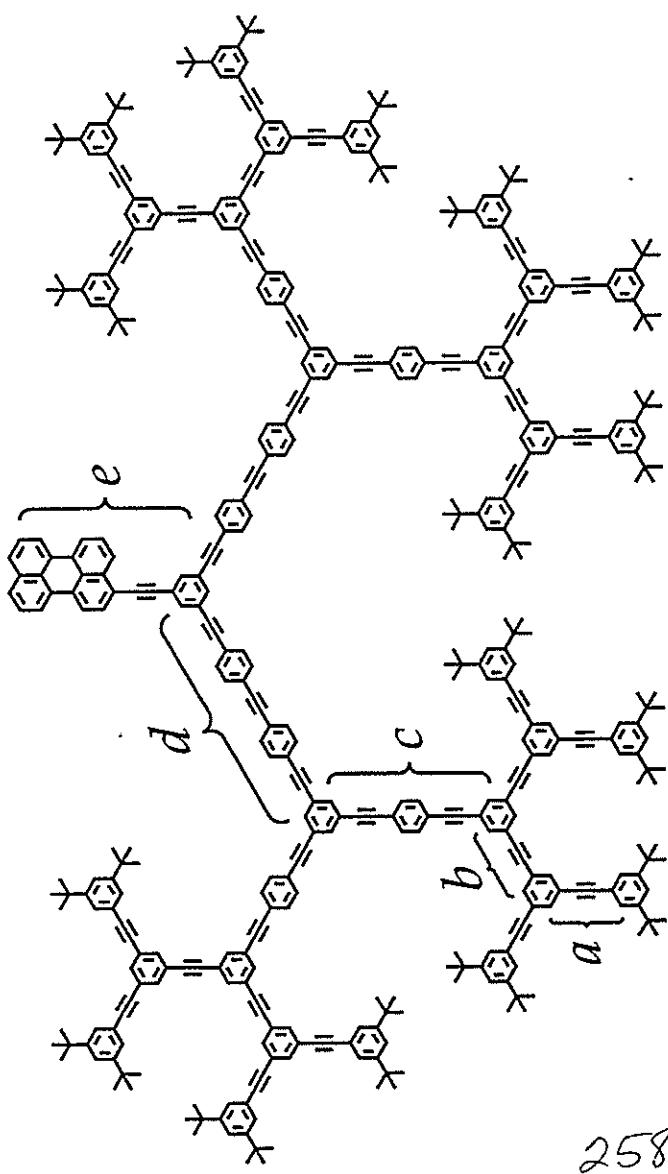
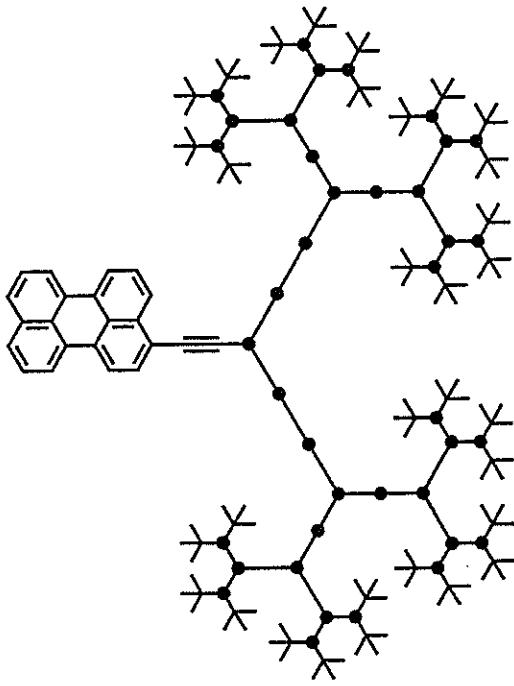
- modular design and construction
  - charge trapping groups
  - convergent energy transfer
  - luminescent core
  - oriented by self-assembly
- single component device
- monolayer device?

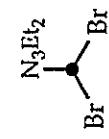
## Unknown Issues:

- thin film formation / quality
- charge trapping and recombination
- energy transfer efficiency
- solid state quantum yield

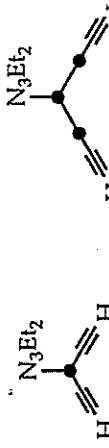
## Convergent and Directional Energy Transfer in a Dendritic Macromolecule

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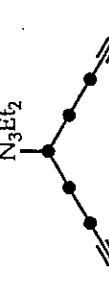




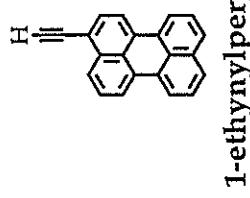
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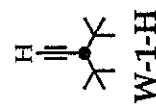
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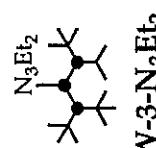
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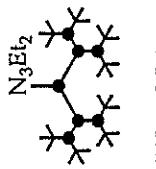


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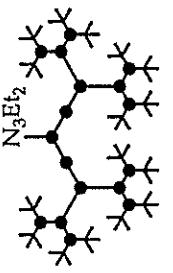
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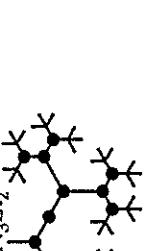


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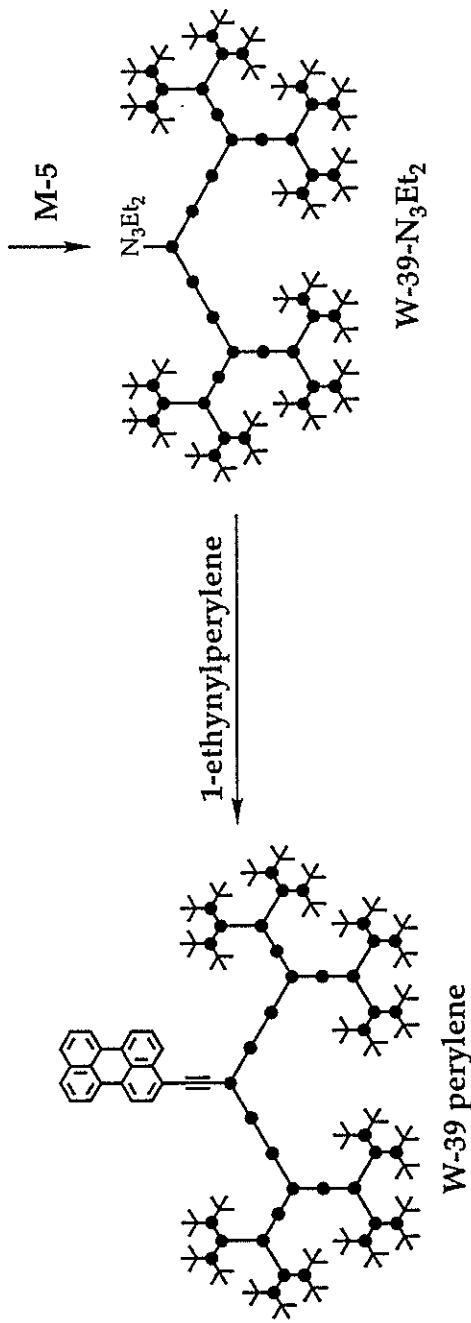
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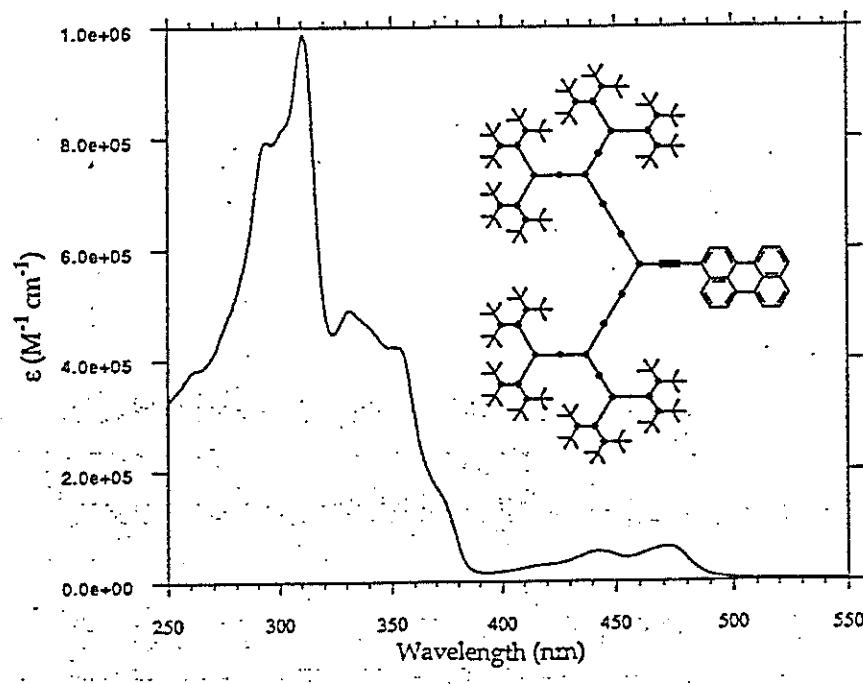
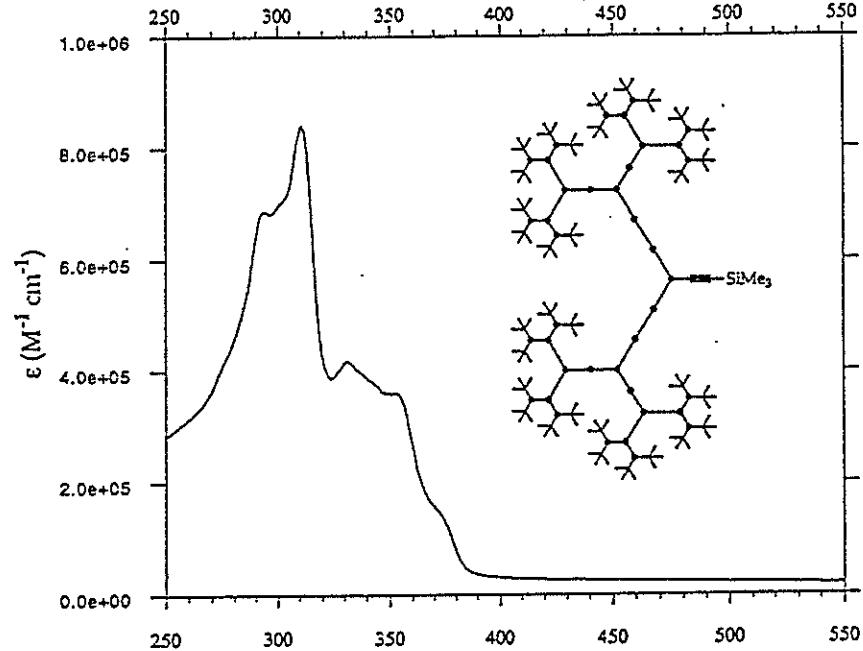
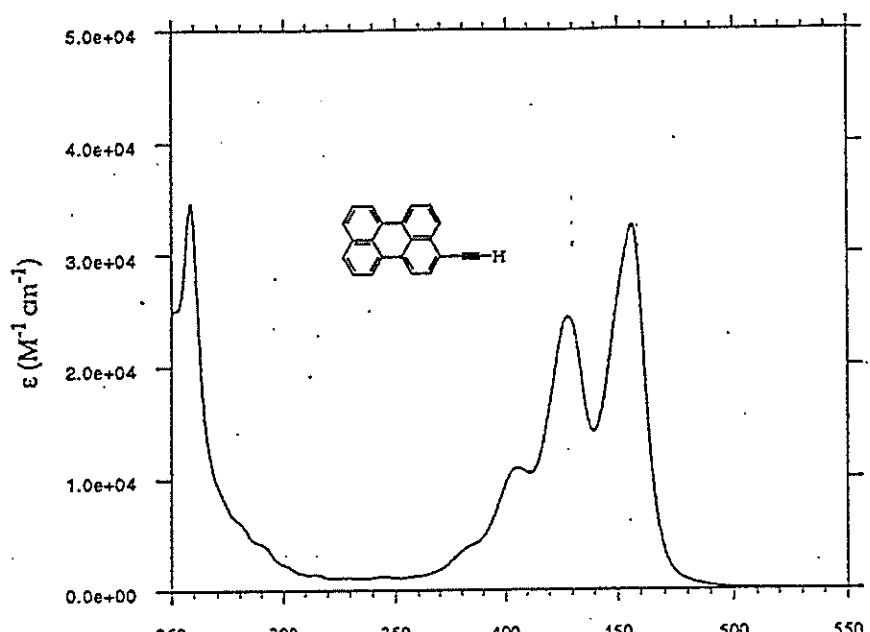


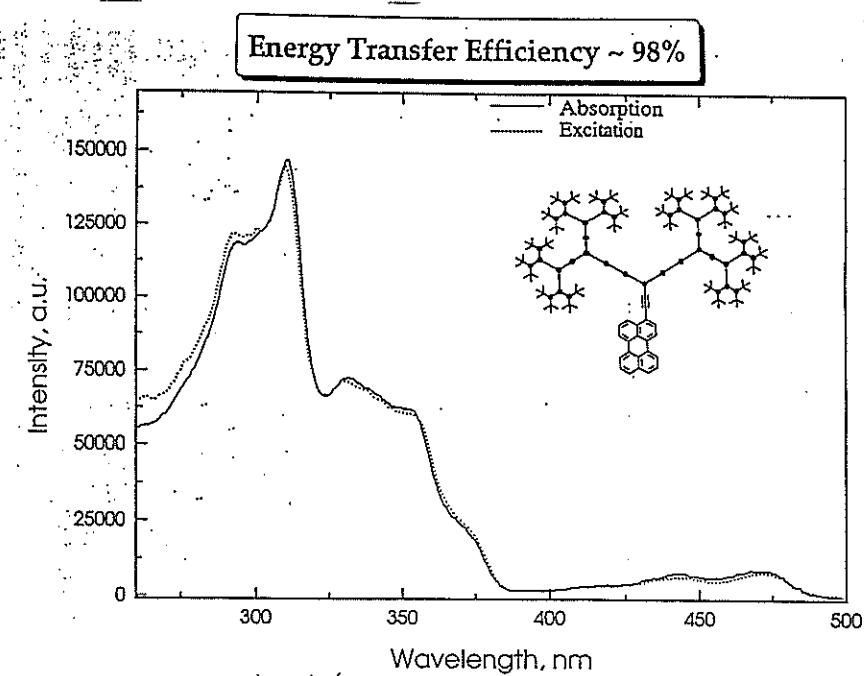
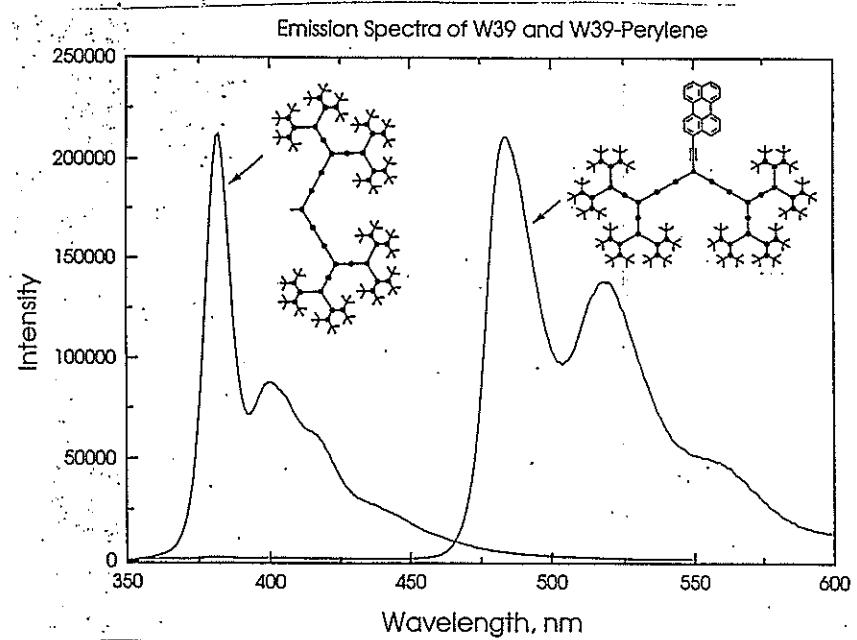
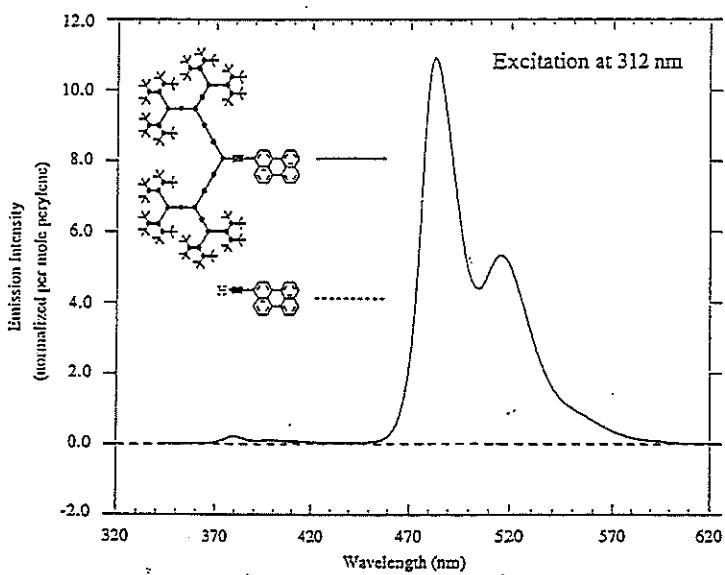
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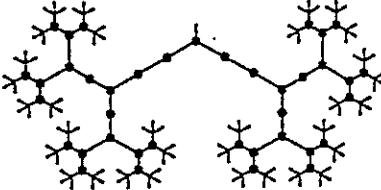
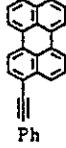
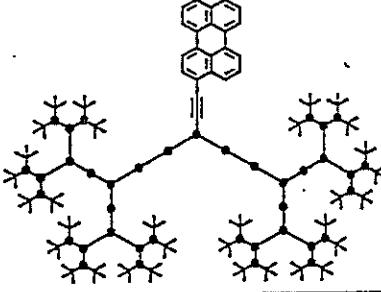
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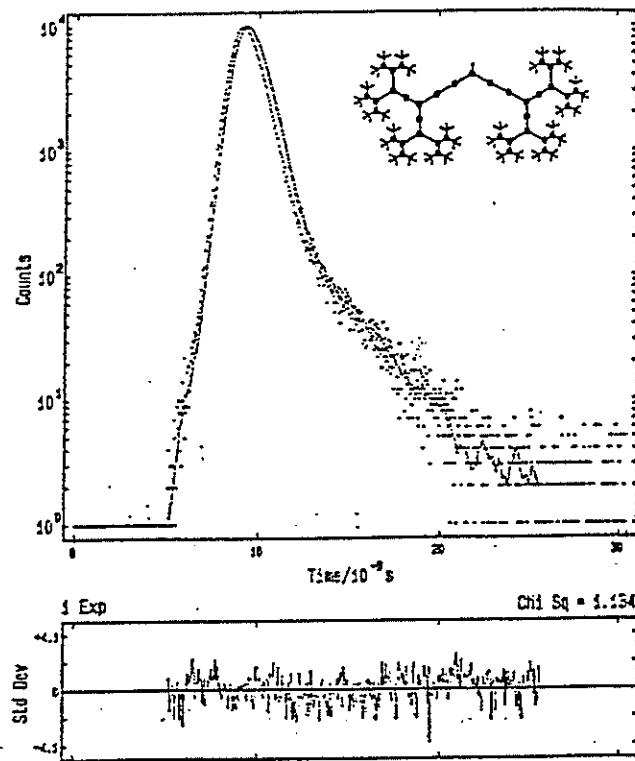
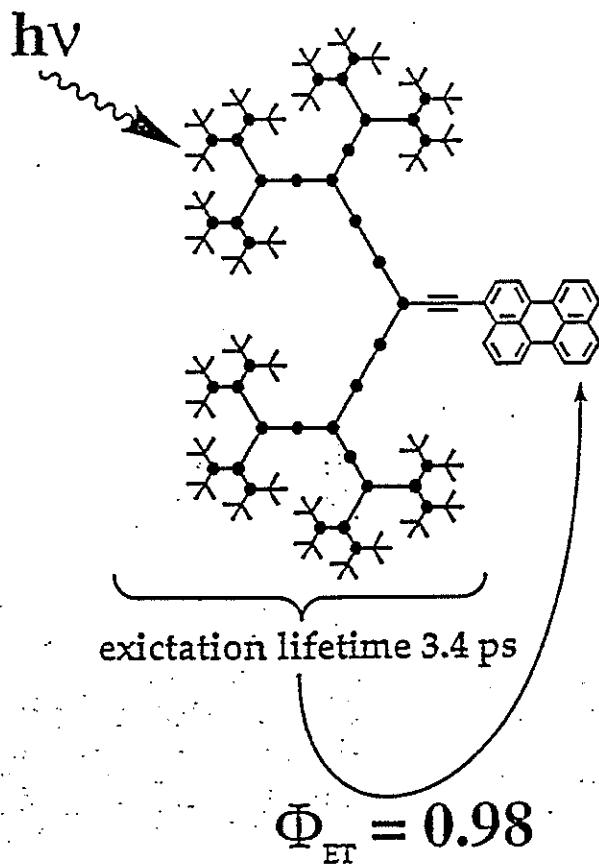






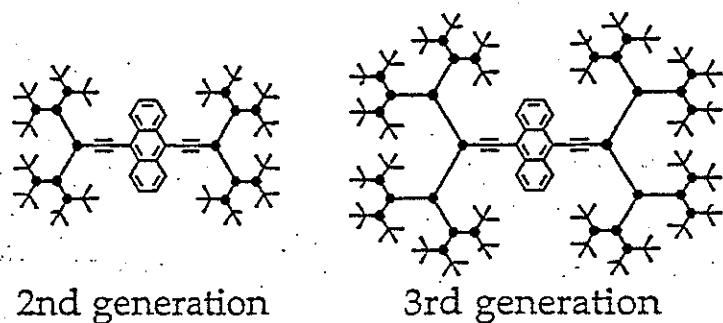
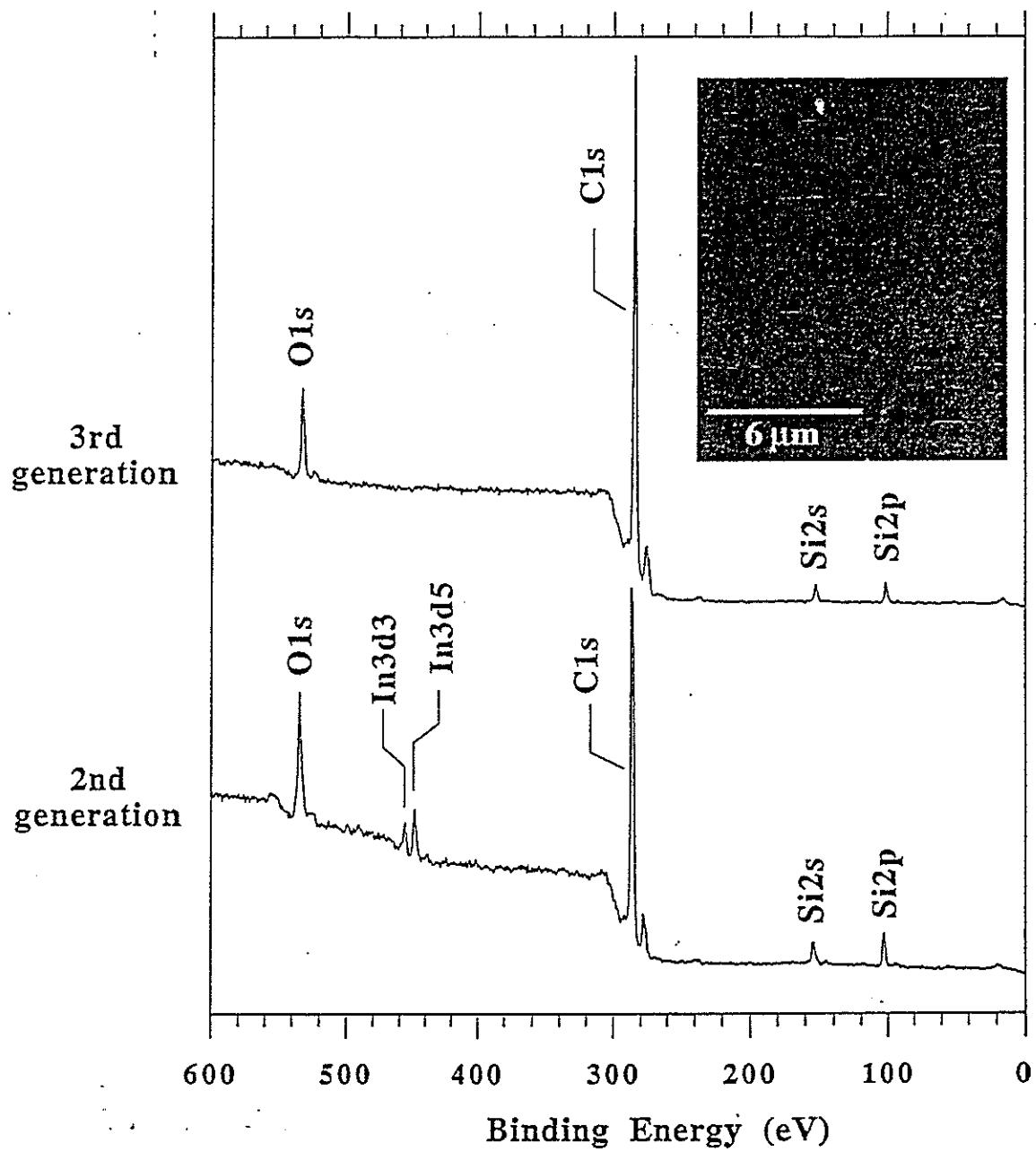
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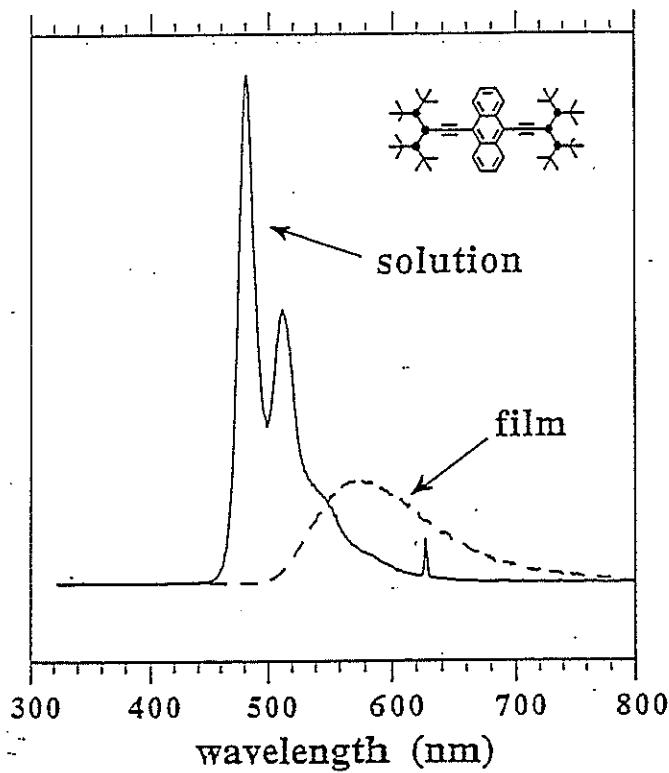
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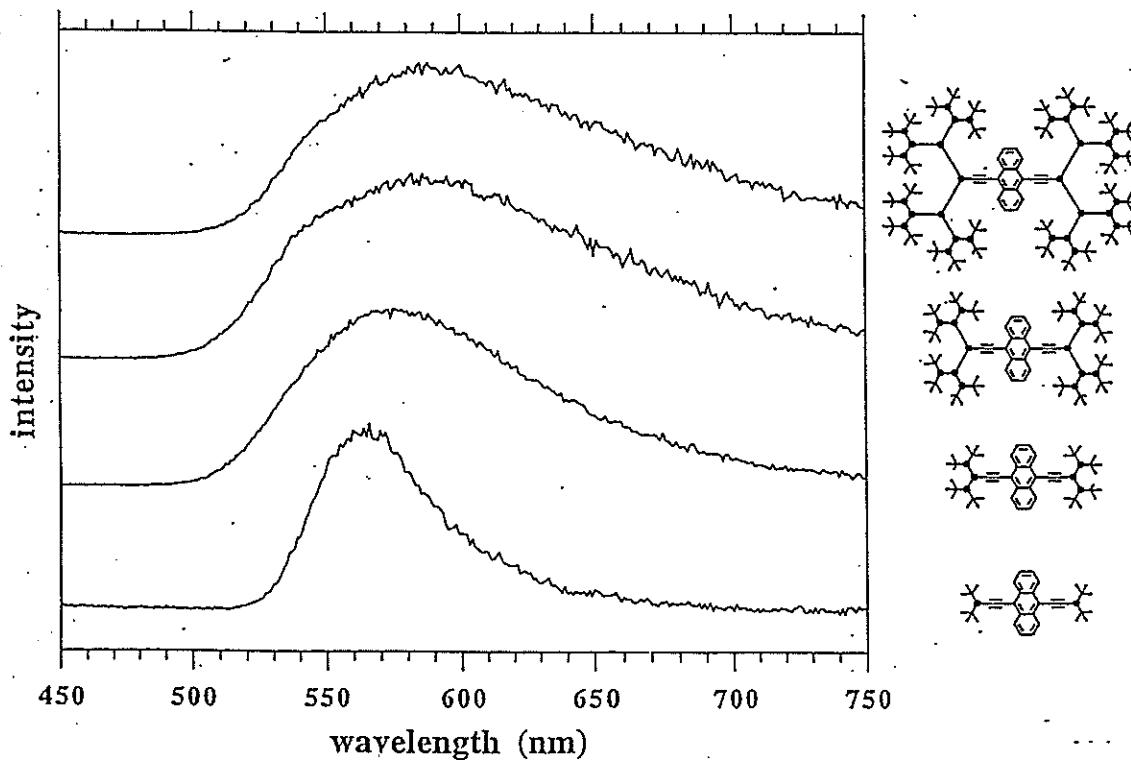


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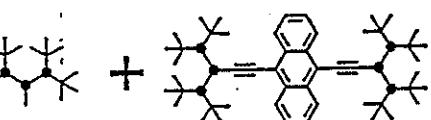
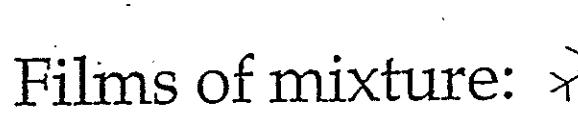
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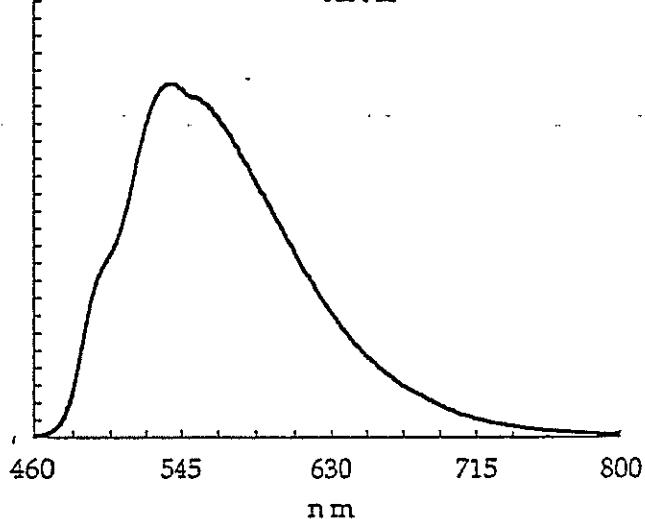
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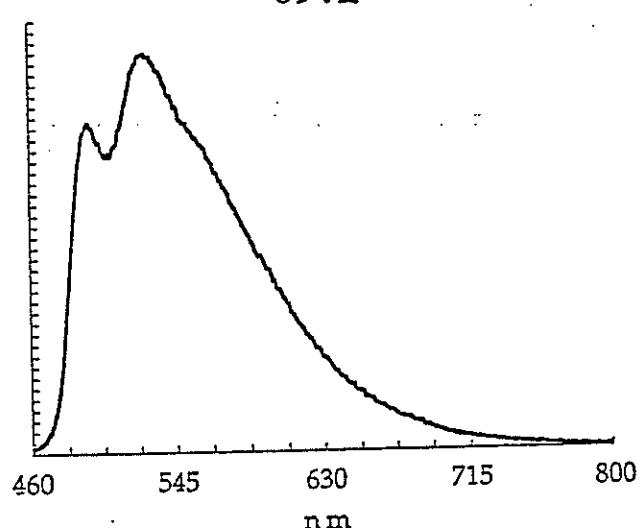
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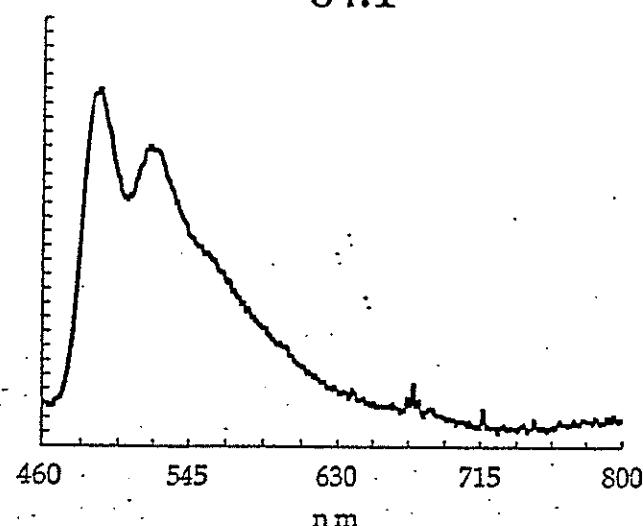
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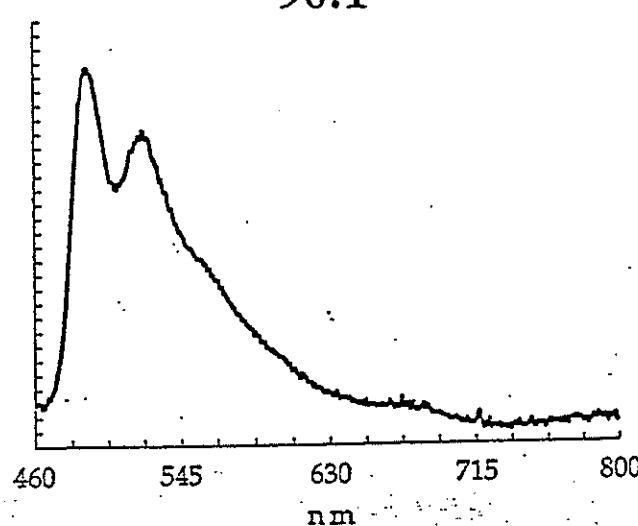
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# ARBORESCENT GRAFT POLYMERS AND COPOLYMERS: SYNTHESIS AND PROPERTIES

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Lecture notes

Slide 1 - Title page

Slide 2 - Outline

Slide 3 - General characteristics of arborescent graft polymers

AGPs are prepared by successive anionic grafting reactions. A linear polymer backbone is first functionalized to introduce grafting sites, which are coupled with living anions to produce a comb (generation G=0) structure. If the side chains can be functionalized in the same manner, the grafting process can be repeated, leading to subsequent generations G=1, 2, etc. The approach used provides extensive control over the structure of the molecules. The branching density can be varied by controlling the degree of substitution of the backbone polymer. The molecular weight of the chains grafted in each reaction cycle is also controllable. The chemical functionality of the molecules can be controlled by introducing functional groups throughout the structure, or specifically at the chain ends. Using these parameters, it is possible to obtain branched polymers with a wide range of molecular weights and branching functionalities, while maintaining a low apparent polydispersity. Although AGPs in their simplest form are styrene-based, it will be shown that the basic method can also be extended to include other monomers.

Slide 4 - Advantages / disadvantages

The method used to prepare AGPs results in a diffuse layer growth process. This is because the grafting sites are randomly distributed on the backbone polymer, rather than strictly at the chain ends like in dendritic systems. This results in distinct advantages and disadvantages when AGPs and dendritic polymers are compared. **Advantages:** As mentioned previously, extensive control is gained over the structure of the polymers. The molecular weight of the polymers increases very rapidly for successive generations, because the building blocks used are linear polymer chains, rather than small molecules. The homopolymers can be easily functionalized through electrophilic substitution reactions, since they are styrene-based. Random distribution of grafting sites has a distinct advantage in that side reactions leading to a lower grafting efficiency also take place randomly over the molecular structure. The overall shape of the molecules is thus unaffected. **Disadvantages:** The introduction of grafting sites relies on electrophilic substitution; the method is therefore limited to aromatic vinyl monomers. As discussed later, the importance of this problem can be minimized, and copolymers containing a large proportion of a different monomer can also be prepared. The apparent polydispersity of AGPs is much lower than that of hyperbranched polymers ( $M_w/M_n$ )

= 1.5-2 typically), but still higher than for dendrimers, for which polydispersities below 1.01 have been reported. The surface of AGPs is also expected to be less well defined than that of dendrimers, because of the diffuse layer growth process.

## PREPARATION OF STYRENE HOMOPOLYMERS

### Slide 5 - Introduction of grafting sites

Two types of grafting sites have been used to prepare styrene-based AGPs, chloromethyl and acetyl functionalities. Both reactions can be carried out under conditions preventing intermolecular cross-linking, leaving the molecular weight distribution (MWD) of the polymers unaffected. The choice of reaction conditions (catalyst, solvent, polymer concentration) are critical in determining the success of the reaction.

### Slide 6 - Grafting

Chloromethyl functionalities are preferred for the grafting reaction, because of their high grafting efficiency under optimal conditions, reaching over 95%. This simplifies the purification of the graft polymer, since the removal of only a minor amount of ungrafted side chains is required. The graft polymers are prepared by titrating the living anions, capped with 1,1-diphenylethylene, with the chloromethylated backbone polymer at -30°C. Capping is a major factor increasing the efficiency of the coupling reaction, since it minimizes the occurrence of side reactions involving metal-halogen exchange, as described in *Macromolecules* 1991, 24, 4548. Subsequent generations are prepared by repetition of the functionalization and grafting cycles in the same manner. Grafting on acetyl functionalities is also possible, although less efficient, resulting in the deactivation of around 35% of the living anions.

## CHARACTERIZATION OF HOMOPOLYMERS

### Slide 7 - Gel permeation chromatography

The example given here is for a series of graft polymers with a branch molecular weight around 5000 g/mol for each generation. Characterization of the branches was possible was removing a sample of the living anions from the reactor prior to the grafting process. The branches have a low polydispersity, as expected for anionic polymerization. The graft polymers can also be characterized by GPC, although only apparent molecular weight and polydispersity values are obtained, since the calculations are normally based on a linear polystyrene standards calibration curve. The low polydispersities obtained for each generation nevertheless show that a relatively narrow MWD is maintained at each step. The apparent molecular weights determined for the branched polymers are expected to be strongly underestimated, because of the very compact structure of AGPs. No GPC data could be obtained for the generation G=4 polymers, which were systematically retained on the different columns tested.

### Slide 8 - Light scattering - Dilute solutions

Static light scattering allows the measurement of absolute weight-average molecular weights, which are shown to increase in an approximately geometric fashion for successive generations. The branching functionalities  $f_w$  reported are the number of branches grafted in each of the reactions. They were calculated from

$$f_w = \frac{\bar{M}_w(G) - \bar{M}_w(G-1)}{\bar{M}_w(br)}$$

where  $\bar{M}_w(G)$  and  $\bar{M}_w(G-1)$  are the weight-average molecular weights of generation G and of the previous generation, respectively, and  $\bar{M}_w(br)$  is the weight-average molecular weight of the branches grafted in generation G. The branching functionality of the polymers also increases for successive generations.

### Slide 9 - Scaling behaviour

One way to obtain information about the structure of the polymers prepared is to look at the relation between certain parameters (e.g., the second virial coefficient  $A_2$ , the radius of gyration  $R_g$  and the translational diffusion coefficient  $D_z$ ) and  $M_w$ . The scaling relation between the parameters mentioned and the molecular weight is an exponential function, the value of the exponent (a, b or c) in the relation being structure-sensitive. The exponent is obtained as the slope of a log-log plot, as illustrated here for the diffusion coefficients. The three series of data given are for arborescent polymers with branch molecular weights of either 5000 g/mol (hollow circles), 10000 g/mol (solid circles) or 20000 g/mol (inverted triangles). All three data series have essentially the same slope, which is -0.34 overall. The table underneath gives the exponent values expected for random coils (formed by linear chains in solution) and for hard spheres. Obviously, the arborescent polymers behave like hard spheres in dilute solution. The same conclusions can be drawn by examining the exponents obtained for  $A_2$  and  $R_g$ , although the errors in the measurements are larger in these cases.

### Slide 10 - Dilute solution viscosity

The intrinsic viscosities obtained are compared for two series of polymers with comparable branching functionalities, one with 5000 g/mol branches, the other one with 30000 g/mol branches for each generation. A good solvent (toluene) and a poor solvent for polystyrene (cyclohexane) was used for each of the polymer series. As in the previous cases, the intrinsic viscosity is an exponential function of the molecular weight for linear polymers. For hard spheres, however,  $[\eta]$  should be independent of  $M_w$ , i.e. a flat line should be obtained on a  $[\eta] - M_w$  plot. This is easy to understand looking at the Einstein equation (given at the bottom) in the limit of infinite dilution ( $N_A$  = Avogadro's number). Since the ratio  $M/V_H$  represents the density of the spheres, the limiting value of  $\eta_{sp}/c$ , i.e.  $[\eta]$  should remain constant as long as the density of the spheres remains constant. This is essentially the case for each of the two series of polymers investigated. The density of the spheres actually seems to increase slightly for the upper generations, since  $[\eta]$  decreases slightly. Another interesting observation concerns the difference in  $[\eta]$  between toluene and cyclohexane

solutions in each of the two series. There is little change in  $[\eta]$  in the 5K series, implying that the molecules have a very rigid structure and undergo little expansion in a good solvent. The difference is much more significant in the 30K series, implying that the molecules are much more expanded in toluene than in cyclohexane. These results confirm that it is possible to tailor the solution behavior of AGPs by varying the structure of the polymers.

### Slide 11 - Light scattering - Semidilute solutions

Dilute solutions normally measure the properties of individual, non-interacting molecules. Useful information on intermolecular interactions can be gained when the molecules are forced to overlap, i.e., in the semidilute concentration range (typically 1-15 % w/v). One of the methods suggested to characterize the repulsive forces between molecules under these conditions is the so-called osmotic modulus. It can be shown that the osmotic modulus corresponds experimentally to the ratio  $M_w/M_{app}$  of the molecular weight at infinite dilution to the apparent molecular weight determined at a finite concentration  $c$ . The osmotic modulus is expressed as a function of a scaling parameter  $X$  which is proportional to concentration for a given polymer sample. In the example given, the solid line and the dotted line correspond to theories for random coils and for hard spheres, respectively. Both types of behaviors have been verified experimentally, using linear polymers and globular proteins. The data points provided are for three generations of arborescent polymers with branches of 5000 g/mol. It can be seen that the behavior of the G=0 (comb) polymer (hollow circles) somewhat resembles linear chains, while the G=1 and G=2 polymers (solid circles and inverted triangles, respectively) are closer to hard spheres. None of the polymers investigated fall directly on the curve for hard spheres, however. This is easy to understand by recalling the structure postulated for AGPs (slide 12). The inner portion of the molecules should have a rigid, impenetrable structure, resulting from a high segmental density. The outer layer, on the other hand, should be more diffuse and flexible, allowing limited interpenetration of the molecules.

### Slide 12 - Reminder - Structure of G=1 polymer

### Slide 13 - COPOLYMERS WITH A MAJOR COMONOMER COMPONENT

The basic grafting reaction relies on electrophilic substitution on aromatic rings for the preparation of successive generations. This does not, however, preclude the preparation of highly branched polymers containing a different type of monomer unit in the last generation. By adjusting the relative amounts of core polymer, the number of grafting sites and the molecular weight of the grafted chains, it is possible to prepare graft polymers in which the polystyrene core accounts for a very small fraction of the total mass. These polymers should, therefore, behave essentially like highly branched polymers of the comonomer. This approach was illustrated by preparing a copolymer where polyisoprene is the major component.

### Slide 14 - Preparation of polyisoprene copolymer

The approach used is very similar to the preparation of the styrene homopolymers. In this case, however, living chains of the second monomer type are prepared, and are titrated with a chloromethylated backbone polymer.

### **Slide 15 - Characterization of copolymer**

The results obtained so far by this technique are very encouraging. The GPC diagrams obtained show that the polyisoprenyl anions were grafted on the chloromethylated backbone in 75% yield, and the resulting polymer had a narrow apparent polydispersity. Ungrafted material was easily removed by precipitation fractionation.

### **Slide 16 - NMR**

The fractionated graft copolymer was analyzed by  $^1\text{H-NMR}$ , to confirm the presence of a large polyisoprene component (80% by weight), and hence the success of the reaction. The polyisoprene chains have a microstructure including different isomers, because the polymerization was carried out in THF. The cis-1,4- isomer, preferred for elastomeric applications, could be prepared as easily using hexanes in the isoprene polymerization, followed by addition of THF prior to grafting.

### **Slide 17 - COPOLYMERS WITH A CORE-SHELL MORPHOLOGY**

Copolymers including a lower amount of comonomer preferentially on the outside of the molecules can be prepared by a variation of the basic technique. These molecules are particularly interesting when a hydrophilic component such as poly(ethylene oxide) is incorporated in the shell, leading to micelle-like character. Amphiphilic block copolymers are commonly used to mimic micelles, but suffer from a number of limitations. The micellar structures obtained typically have a bimodal size distribution, because larger aggregates are formed in addition to desolvated single molecules. Block copolymer micelles are also susceptible to aggregation and/or coagulation when subjected to flow or solvency conditions are changed. The highly branched structures should greatly minimize the occurrence of these problems.

### **Slide 18 - Preparation of functionalized core**

The synthetic scheme used is similar to the preparation of homopolymers, except for the last core generation, where a bifunctional initiator (6-lithiohexyl acetaldehyde acetal) is used. The preparation of a G=1 functionalized core is given for illustration purposes. The bifunctional initiator results in protected hydroxyl functionalities being introduced at or near the surface of the highly branched core. It should be noted that the same approach can be used to prepare arborescent polymers carrying functional groups at the surface, providing control over the surface chemistry of the polymers.

### **Slide 19 - Addition of poly(ethylene oxide) shell**

The acetal functionalities are hydrolyzed under mildly acidic conditions, and then titrated with a potassium naphthalide solution, to give the potassium alcoholate. A poly(ethylene oxide) shell is thus grown directly on the core when ethylene oxide monomer is added. The thickness of the hydrophilic shell is easily varied by controlling the amount of ethylene oxide added in the reaction.

### **Slide 20 - Reaction on a G=1 core**

First attempts at growing the hydrophilic shell as described led to a large increase in the apparent polydispersity of the products, as determined by GPC analysis. The appearance of a large shoulder at low elution volumes implies the occurrence of cross-linking reactions.

### **Slide 21 - Cross-linking side reactions**

Side reactions were linked to the presence of residual chloromethyl groups, resulting from incomplete grafting reactions in the preparation of the core. The cross-linking mechanism suggested involves formation of highly reactive benzylpotassium functionalities through metal-halogen exchange, followed by coupling with an unreacted chloromethyl functionality. Intermolecular reactions lead to dimer and multimer formation, as illustrated.

### **Slide 22 - Elimination of residual chloromethyl groups: Metal-halogen exchange**

To test the hypothesis suggested, residual chloromethyl sites were destroyed by exhaustive metal-halogen exchange under controlled conditions. The polymer in THF was equilibrated with a large excess of n-butyllithium, and hydrolyzed to convert benzylolithium functionalities to methyl groups.

### **Slide 23 - Addition of shell on treated core**

Following the metal-halogen exchange reaction, the core was used in the shell growth process. The resulting polymer, containing 30% poly(ethylene oxide) by weight, was initially characterized by GPC in pure THF. The considerably lower apparent polydispersity obtained confirms the cross-linking mechanism suggested. The asymmetry of the peak, which displays a shoulder at low elution volumes, could be due to association between core-shell polymer molecules. The problem was even more obvious when core-shell polymers with a higher poly(ethylene oxide) content (70% w/w) were prepared and analyzed. More detailed GPC studies were undertaken to determine the origin of the peak broadening effects observed.

### **Slide 24 - GPC analysis of core-shell polymers**

A mixture of THF with 4% acetic acid v/v was used as the mobile phase in a first series of measurements of core-shell polymers with 30% and 70% poly(ethylene oxide) by weight, respectively. The peak obtained for the 30% copolymer is symmetrical, and is characterized by a low apparent polydispersity  $M_w/M_n = 1.09$ , compared to 1.20 obtained for the same polymer in pure THF. The peak broadening observed in THF was therefore due to association, rather than cross-linking. The copolymer with a higher poly(ethylene oxide) content, on the other hand, gives a shoulder at high elution volumes in the THF/acetic acid mixture, which could be due to adsorption of the polymer on the polystyrene beads of the GPC column. To prevent this, the measurements were repeated using N,N-dimethylformamide as the mobile phase. In this case, a low apparent polydispersity was obtained for the sample containing 70% poly(ethylene oxide), but a shoulder appeared in the 30% sample. It should be noted that the horizontal line displayed in both figures represents

the range over which the calibration curve is linear. This shows that all samples analyzed were in the linear portion of the calibration curves. Therefore, none of the effects reported can be attributed to peak distortion because the maximum exclusion volume of the column is reached.

### **Slide 25 - Characterization of the core-shell polymers**

GPC analysis shows that the core-shell polymers prepared have a low apparent polydispersity, but the analysis conditions must be carefully selected, depending on the composition of the copolymers analyzed. The solubility behaviour of the copolymers strongly supports a core-shell morphology. Redispersion of the G=1 solid polymer in water is possible, although the dispersion is turbid, resulting from partial aggregation of the molecules. When a 2-5% solution of the core-shell polymer in THF is dropped in water, however, a clear solution is obtained. This presumably corresponds to a molecularly dispersed state, or else involving minimal aggregation. Dispersion of the molecules in water would of course be impossible if the hydrophobic polystyrene core was not covered by a poly(ethylene oxide) shell, acting as a stabilizing layer. A last confirmation of the success of the reaction can be found in the hydrodynamic radii determined by dynamic light scattering. The values reported in the table compare the radii determined in THF for the hydroxyl-functionalized core and for the core-shell molecules based on a G=1 core and a G=4 core. The hydrodynamic radius increased after growth of the shell in all cases, and the increase was higher when a larger amount of poly(ethylene oxide) was incorporated.

## **CONCLUSIONS**

### **Slide 26 - Synthesis**

### **Slide 27 - Properties**

### **Slide 28 - Future developments**

### **Slide 29 - Acknowledgements**

# **ARBORESCENT GRAFT POLYMERS AND COPOLYMERS: SYNTHESIS AND PROPERTIES**

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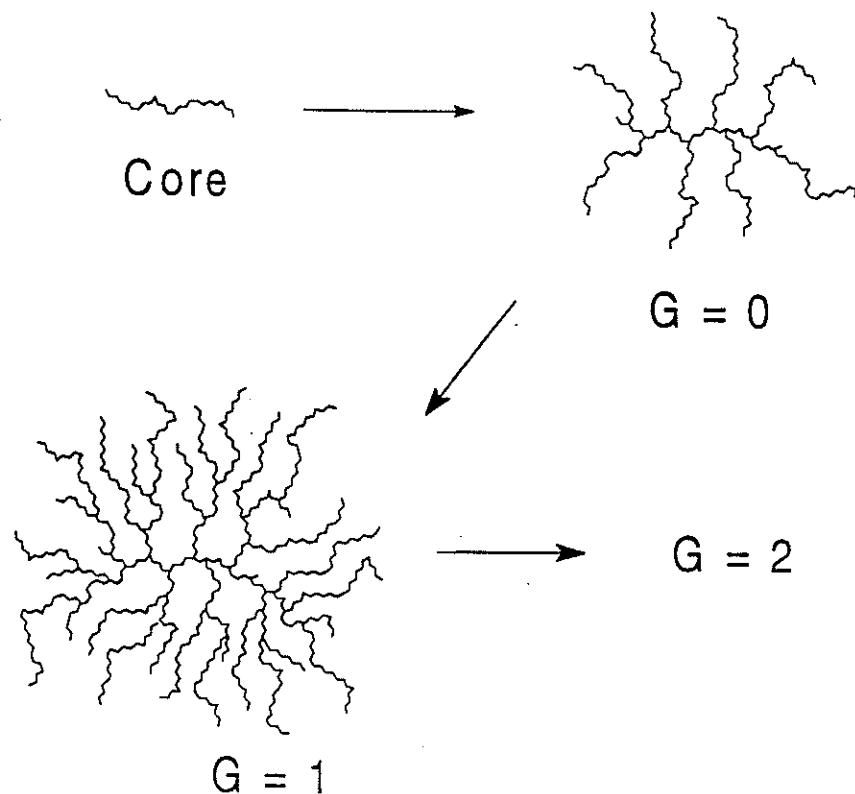
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# OUTLINE

1. General characteristics of arborescent polymers
2. Preparation of styrene homopolymers
  - Characterization
  - Solution properties
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  - Characterization
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# GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF AGP's

- Successive grafting reactions



- Control over branching density

branch molecular weight

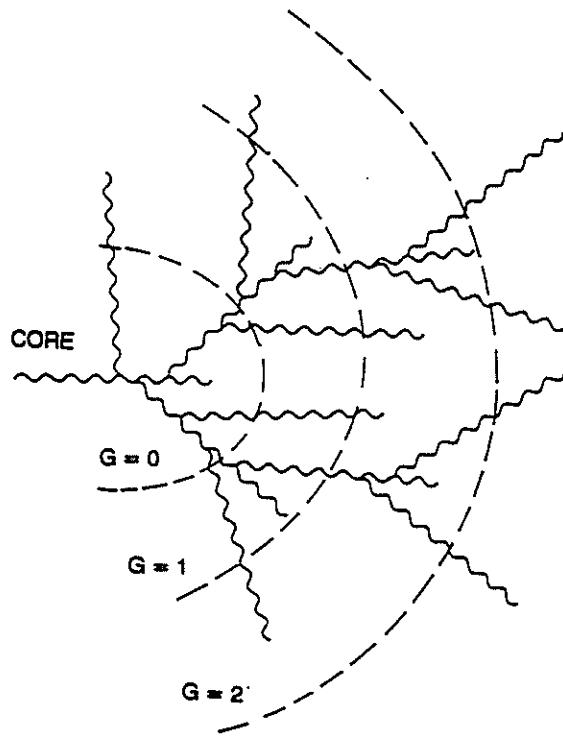
chemical functionality

- Mol. weights  $\bar{M}_w = 5 \cdot 10^4 - 5 \cdot 10^8$  g/mol,  $(\bar{M}_w/\bar{M}_n)_{app} = 1.1-1.2$

- Branching functionalities  $f = 10 - 10^4$

## ADVANTAGES / DISADVANTAGES

- Diffuse layer growth

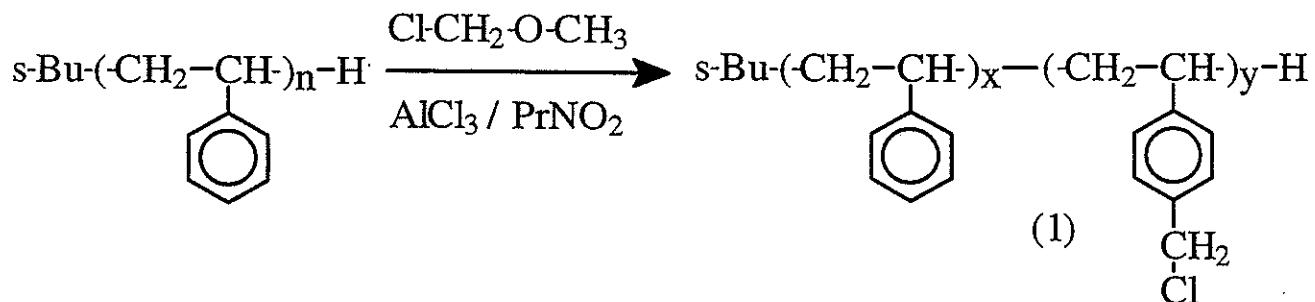


- Control over the structure
  - Functionalization possible (polystyrene)
  - Fast increase in molecular weight, branching functionality
  - Insensitive to side reactions
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- Grafting site introduction requires electrophilic substitution
  - Apparent  $\bar{M}_w/\bar{M}_n = 1.1-1.2 >$  dendrimers
  - Surface not as well-defined as dendrimers

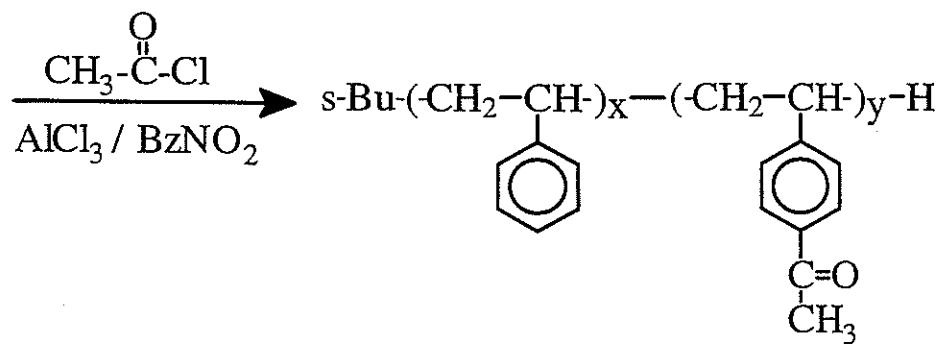
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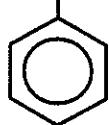
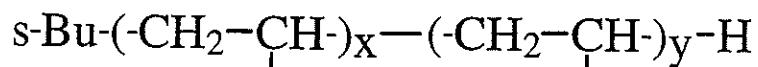
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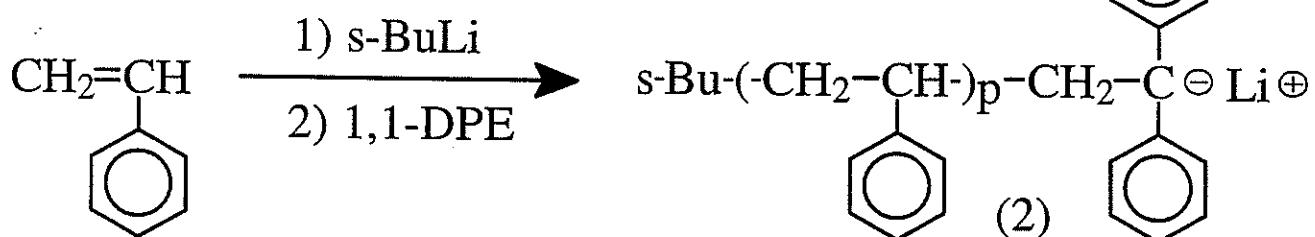
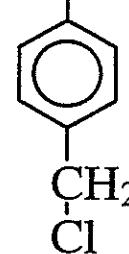
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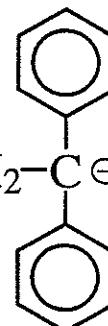
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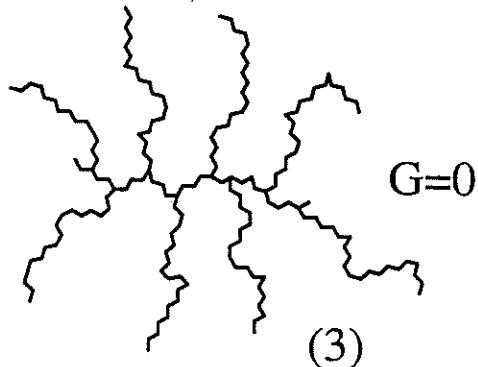
(1)



(2)



(1) + (2)



Grafting efficiency

> 95% ( $\text{ClCH}_2\text{-}$ )

$\approx 65\%$  ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CO-}$ )

# CHARACTERIZATION OF HOMOPOLYMERS

## GEL PERMEATION CHROMATOGRAPHY

Generation	Branches		Graft polymers	
	$\bar{M}_w(\text{br})$ $/\text{g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	PDI (br)	$\bar{M}_w$ $/\text{g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	PDI
Core	$4.7 \cdot 10^3$	1.08	-----	-----
0	$4.4 \cdot 10^3$	1.03	$4.2 \cdot 10^4$	1.06
1	$4.7 \cdot 10^3$	1.03	$1.4 \cdot 10^5$	1.07
2	$4.4 \cdot 10^3$	1.04	$3.6 \cdot 10^5$	1.20
3	$4.6 \cdot 10^3$	1.05	$5.1 \cdot 10^5$	1.15
4	$5.3 \cdot 10^3$	1.08	-----	-----

- Low apparent PDI
- Molecular weights underestimated!

## LIGHT SCATTERING - DILUTE SOLUTIONS

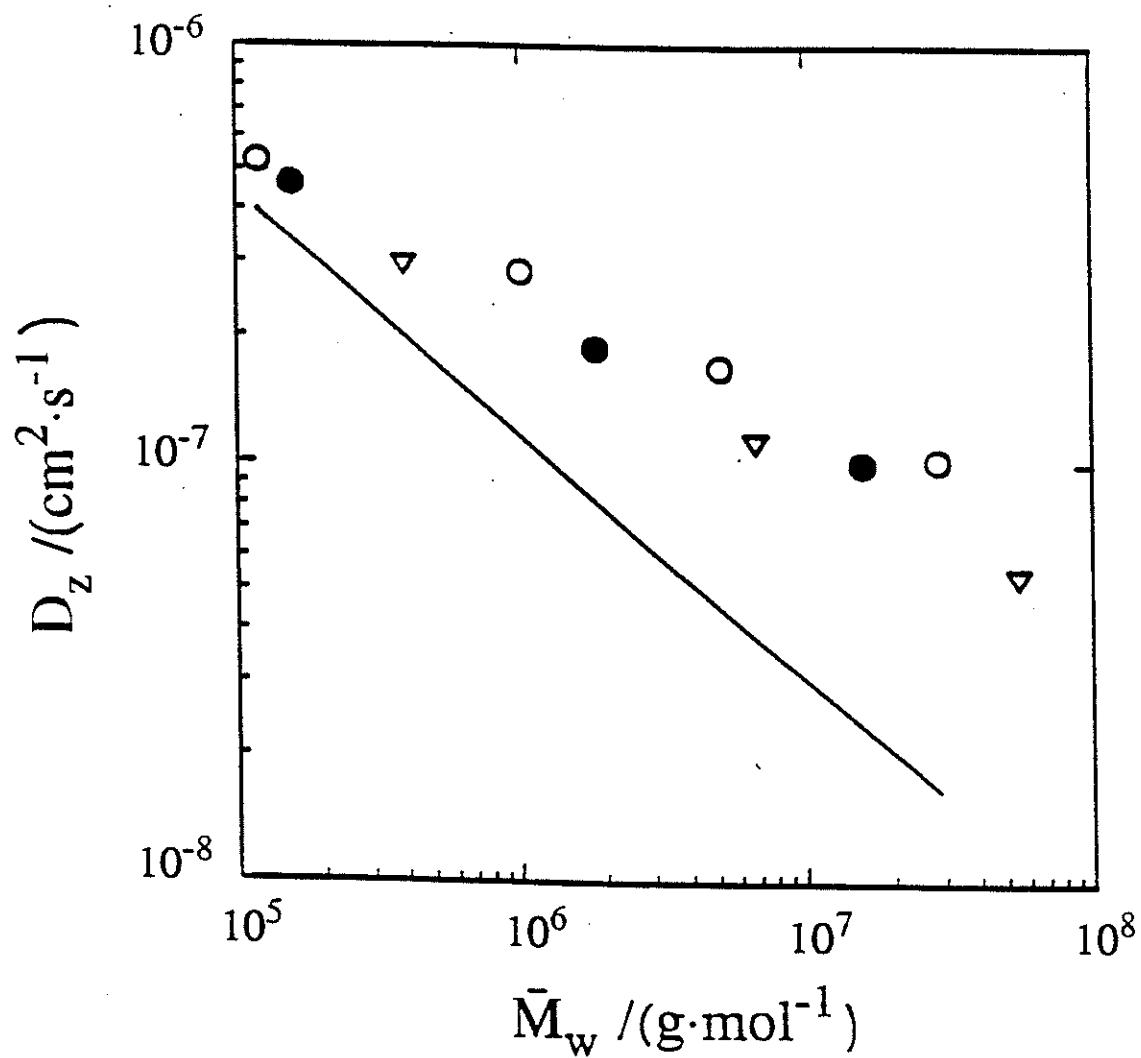
Generation	$\bar{M}_w(\text{LS})$ $/\text{g}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	$f_w$
0	$6.7 \cdot 10^4$	14
1	$8.7 \cdot 10^5$	170
2	$1.3 \cdot 10^7$	2800
3	$8.8 \cdot 10^7$	16000
4	$2.3 \cdot 10^8$	27000

- Absolute molecular weight  $\bar{M}_w$
- Geometric increase in  $\bar{M}_w$
- Uniform growth for successive generations

## SCALING BEHAVIOR

Gauthier, M.; Möller, M.; Burchard, W. *Macromol. Symp.*  
**1994**, 77, 43.

$$A_2 = k_1 \bar{M}_w^a \quad R_g = k_2 \bar{M}_w^b \quad D_z = k_3 \bar{M}_w^c$$



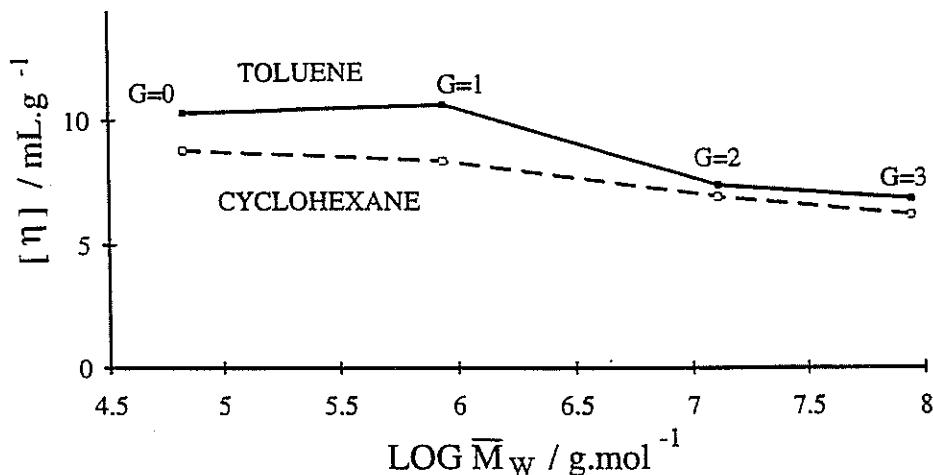
Parameter	Coils	Hard spheres	Graft polymers
$D_z$	-0,6	-0,33	-0,34
$R_g$	0,6	0,33	0,2
$A_2$	-0,2	-1	-0,9

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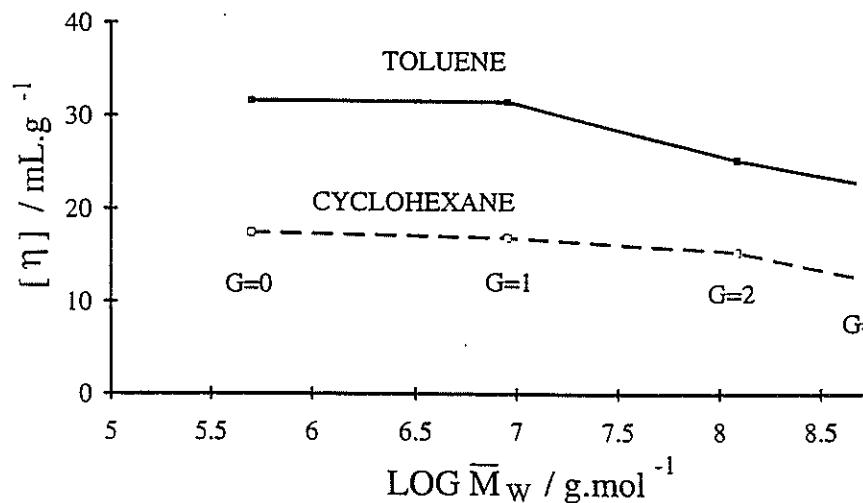
## DILUTE SOLUTION VISCOSITY

Gauthier, M.; Li, W.; Tichagwa, L. *Polym. Prepr.* **1995**, *36*(2).

- 5K branches, ca. 10 branches/backbone chain



- 30K branches, ca. 10 branches/backbone chain



$$\frac{\eta_{sp}}{c} = \frac{5}{2} N_A \frac{V_H}{M}$$

∴ Hard-sphere behavior

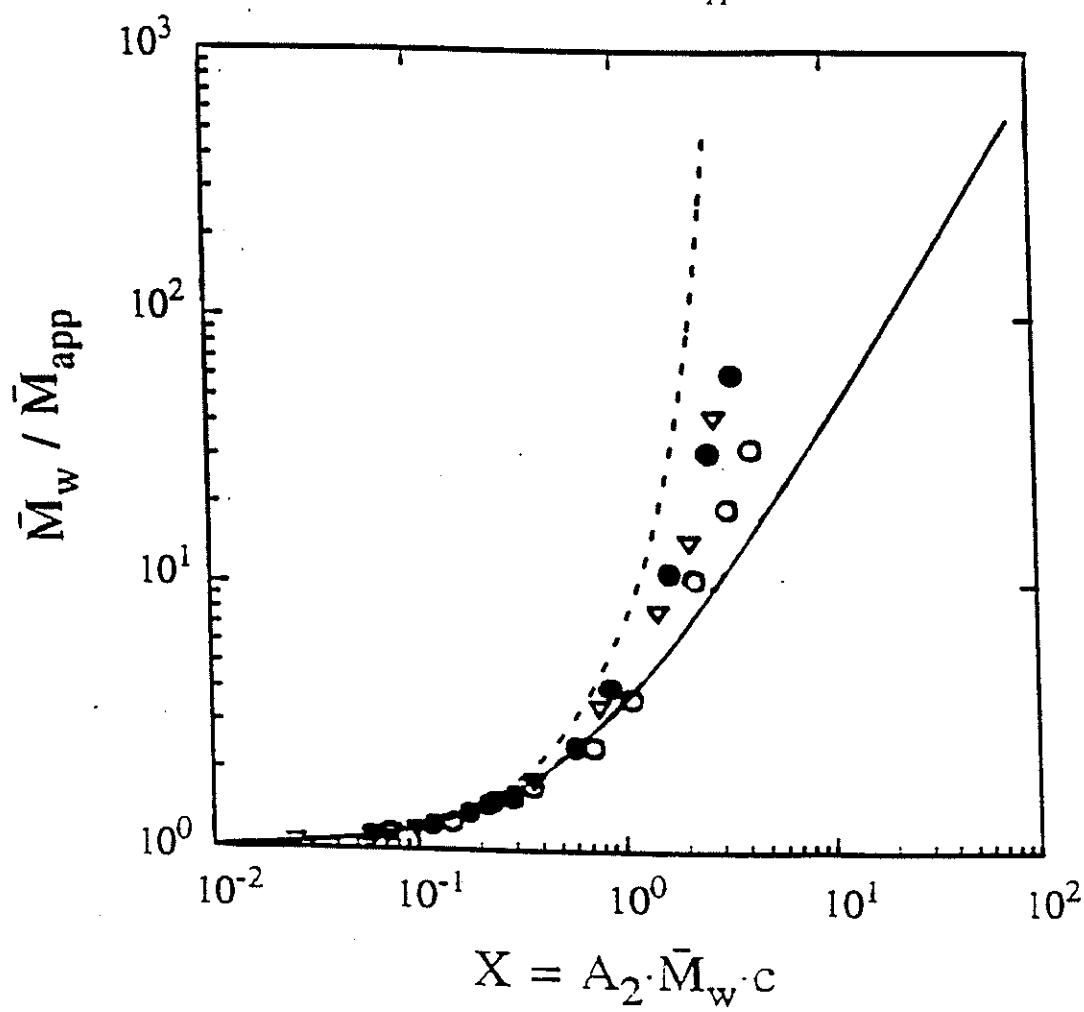
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## LIGHT SCATTERING - SEMIDILUTE SOLUTIONS

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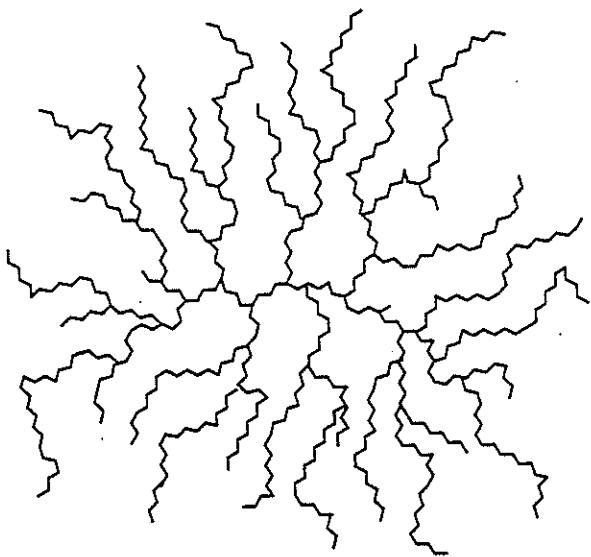
- Osmotic modulus

$$\frac{\bar{M}_w}{RT} \frac{\partial \pi}{\partial c} = \frac{\bar{M}_w}{\bar{M}_{app}}$$

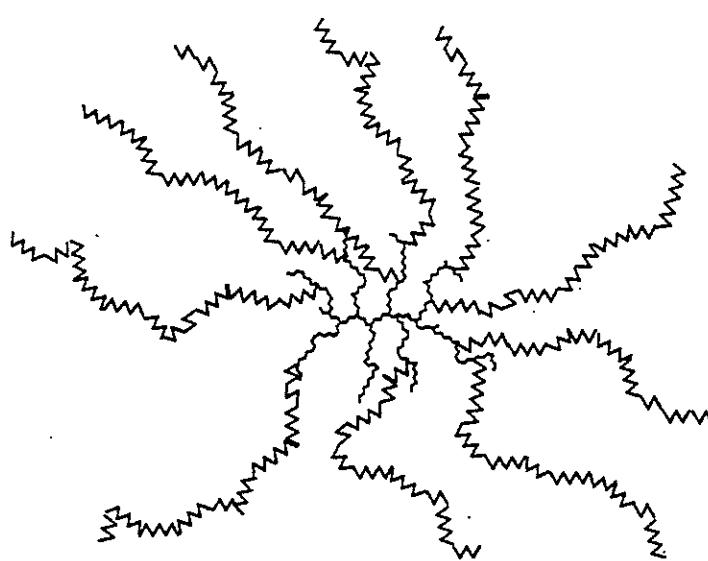


∴ Limited interpenetration at higher concentrations

(consistent with diffuse layer growth)



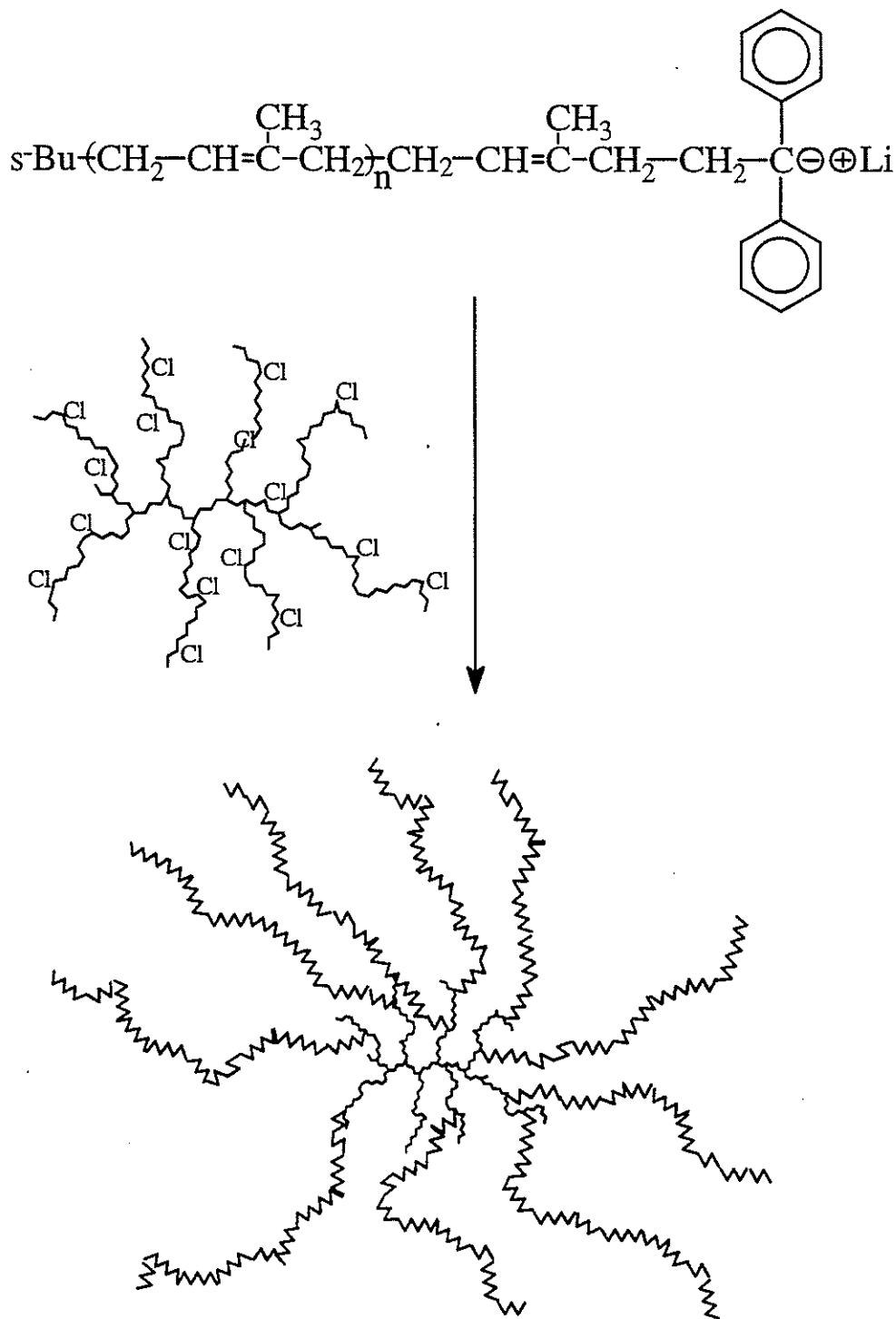
## COPOLYMERS WITH A MAJOR COMONOMER COMPONENT



- High branching functionalities
- 80% to over 95% comonomer by weight

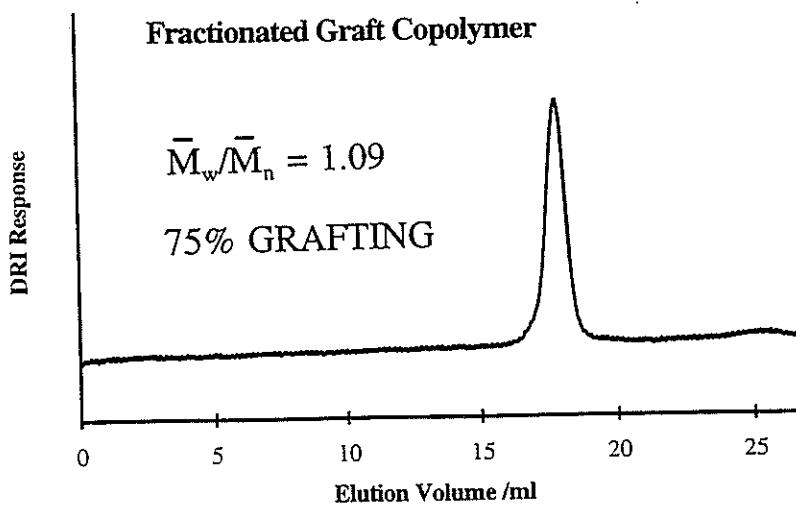
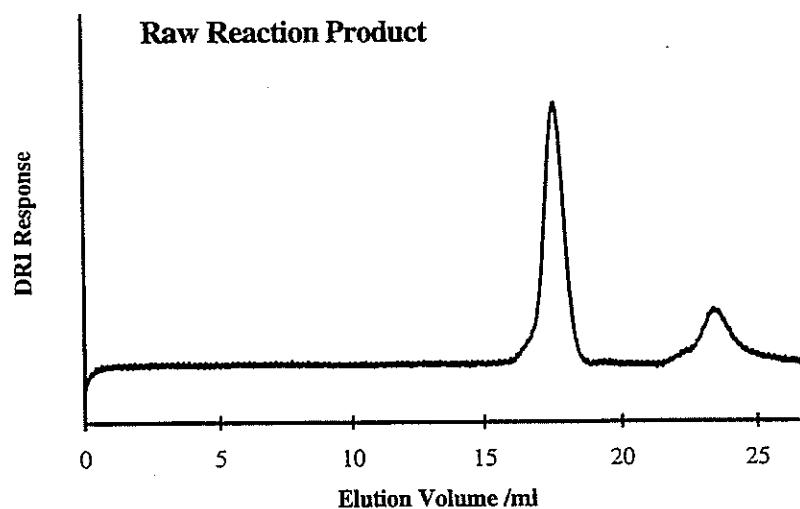
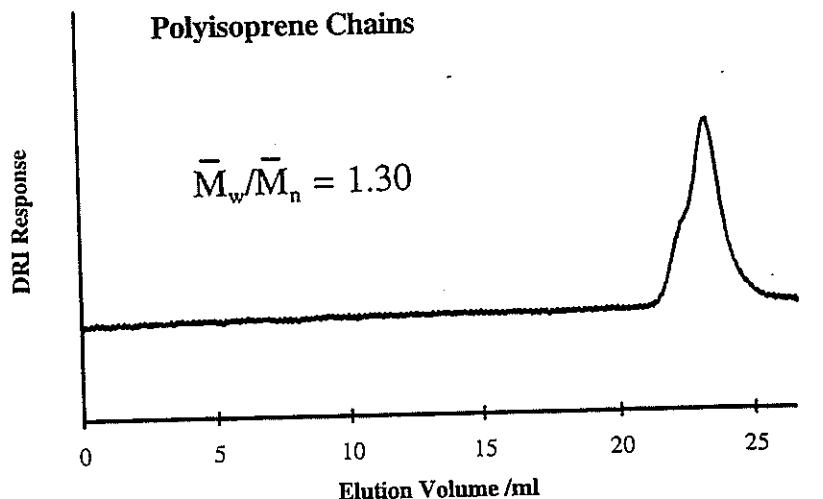
# PREPARATION OF POLYISOPRENE COPOLYMER

Kee, R.A.; Gauthier, M. *Polym. Prepr.* **1995**, *36*(2).

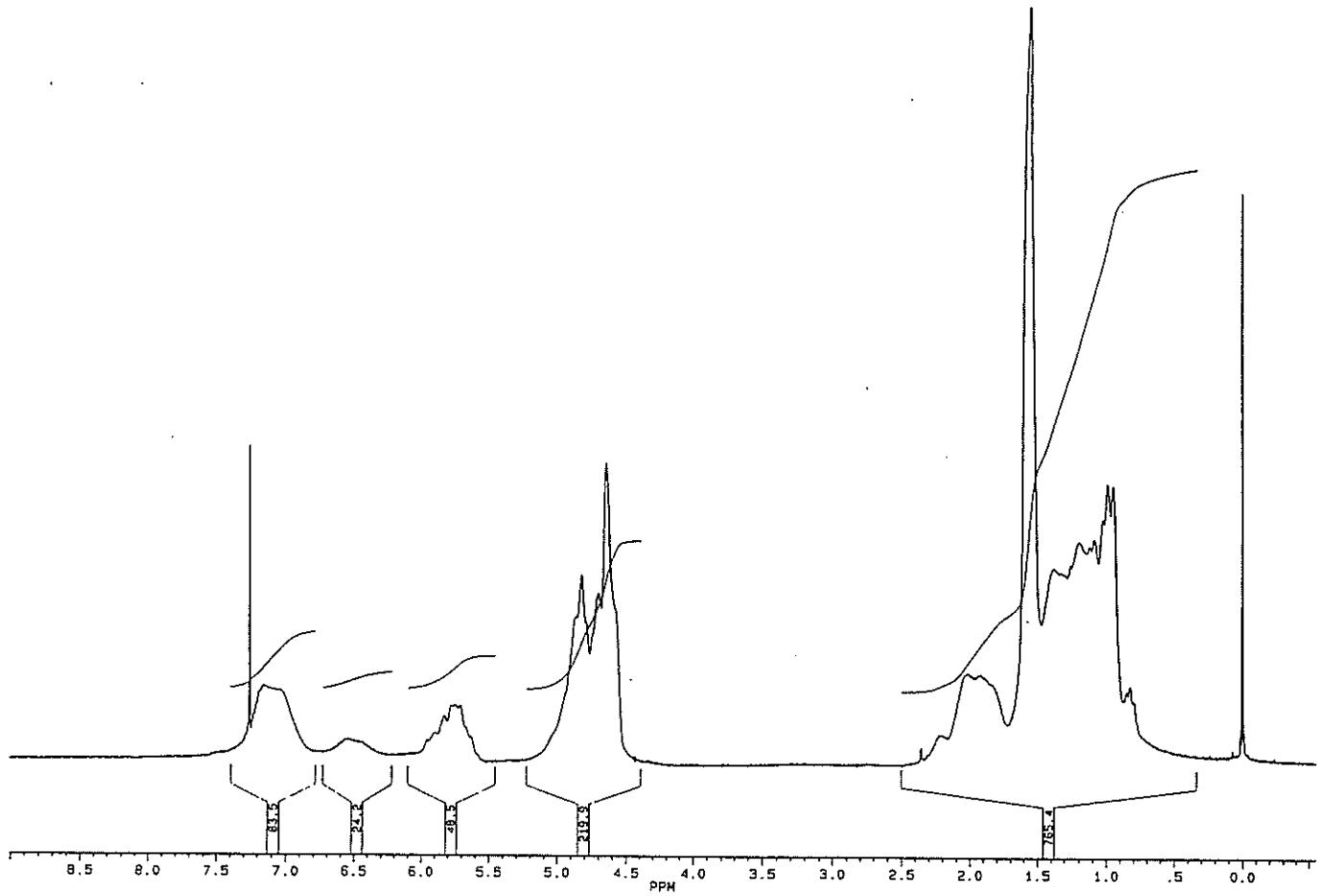


# CHARACTERIZATION OF COPOLYMER

- GPC



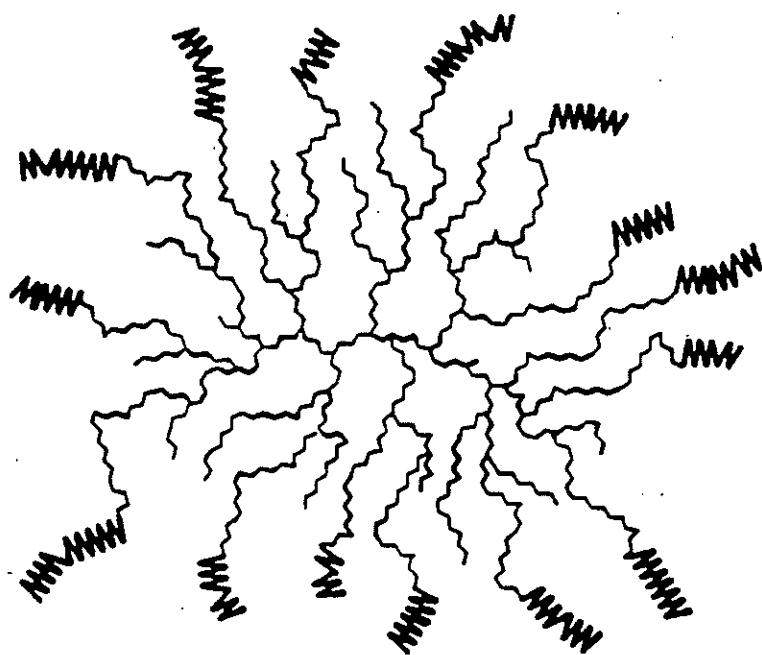
- NMR



- 80% PIP by weight
- Mixed microstructure (polymerization in THF)

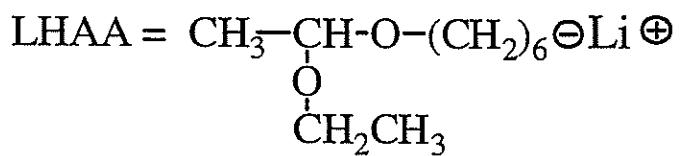
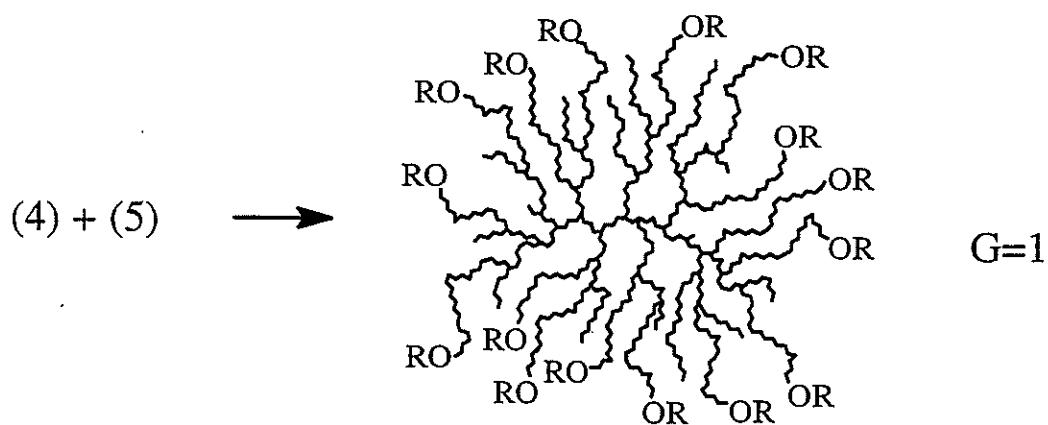
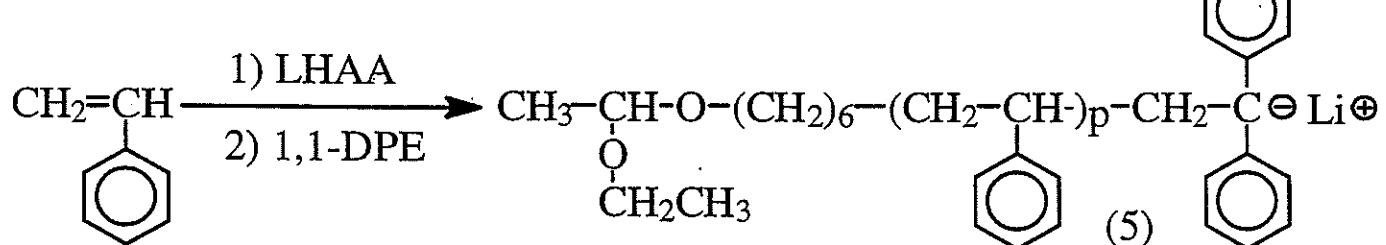
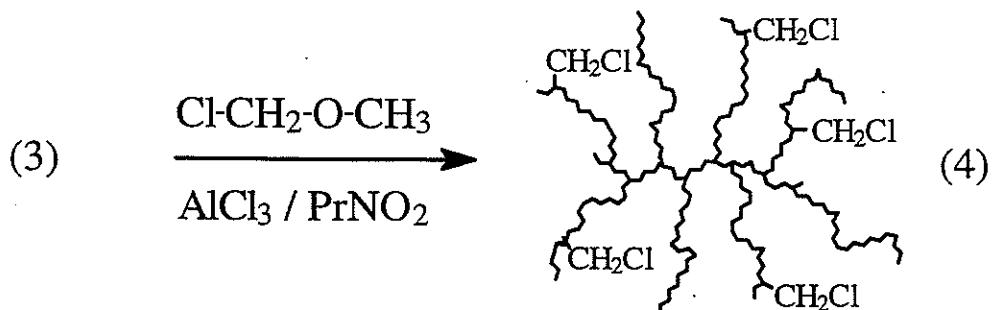
# COPOLYMERS WITH A CORE-SHELL MORPHOLOGY

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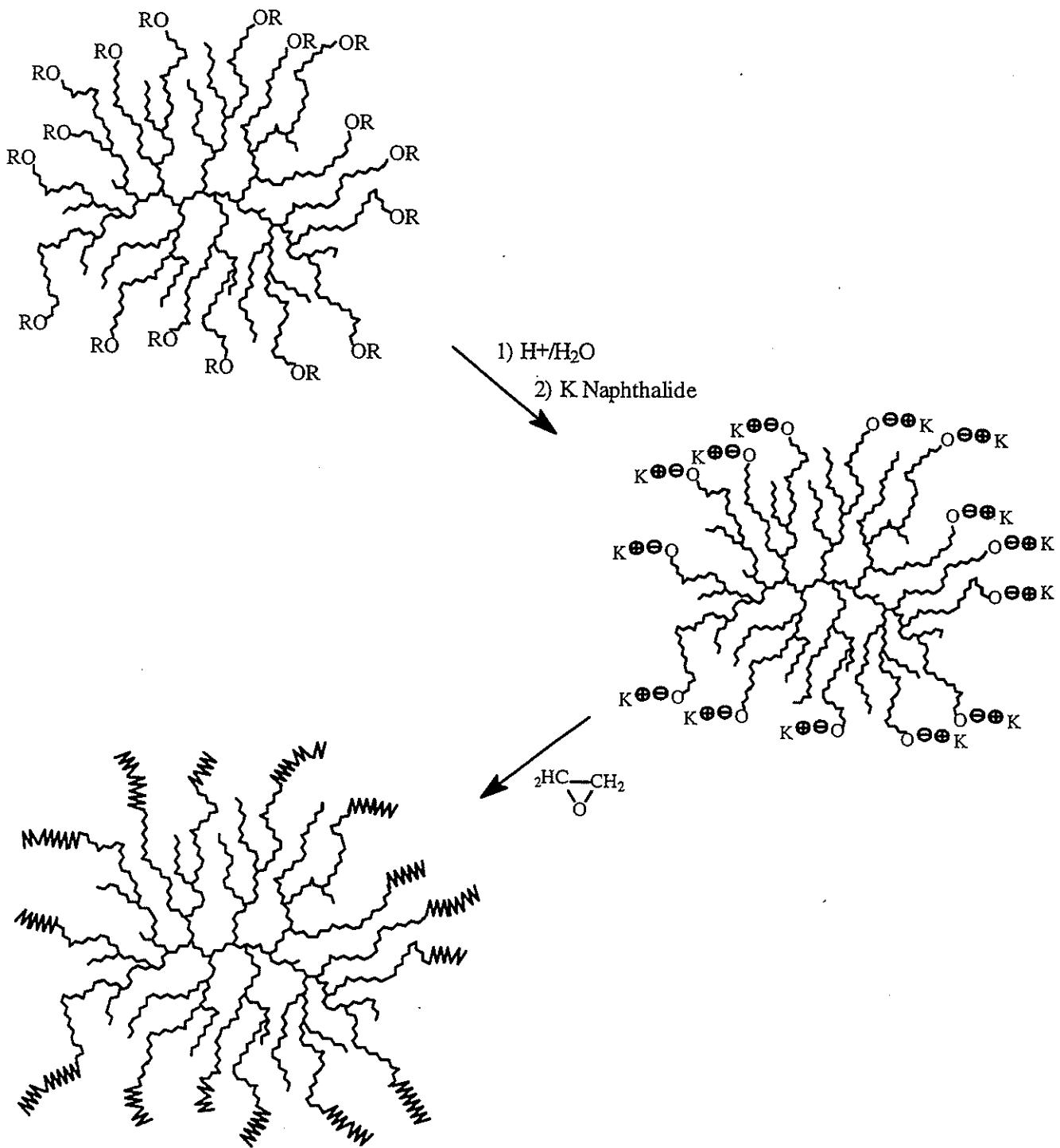


- Polystyrene core / poly(ethylene oxide) shell
- Monomolecular micelles

## PREPARATION OF FUNCTIONALIZED CORE



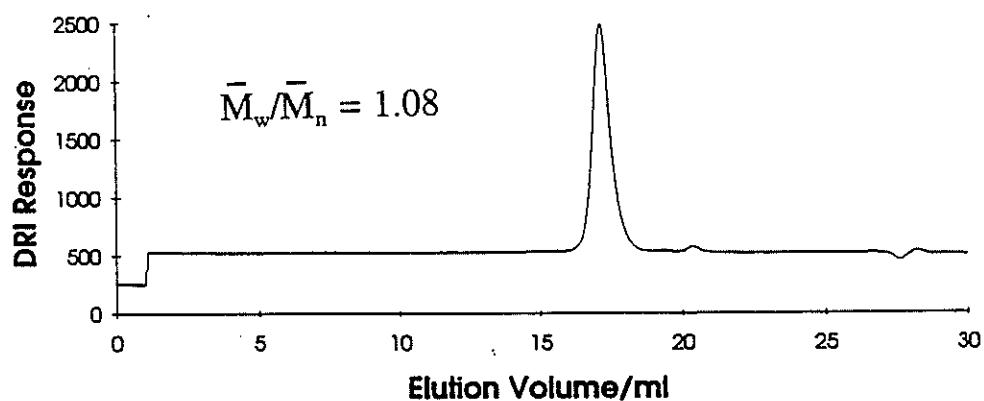
## ADDITION OF POLY(ETHYLENE OXIDE) SHELL



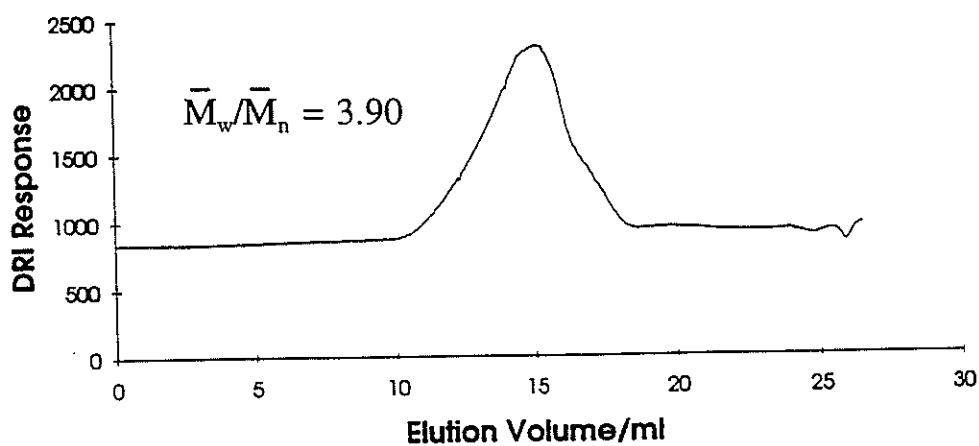
## REACTION ON A G=1 CORE

- GPC

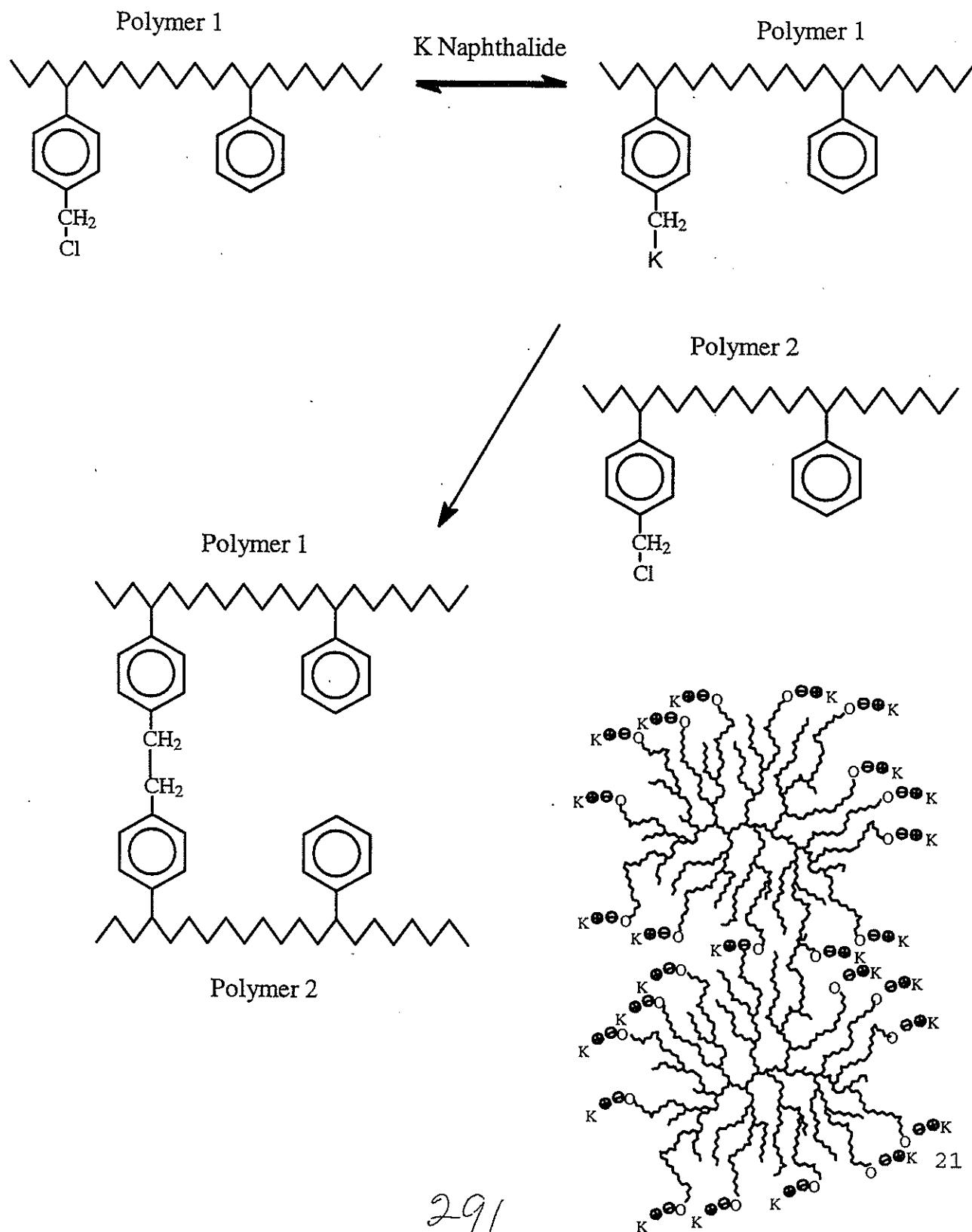
Hydroxyl-functionalized core



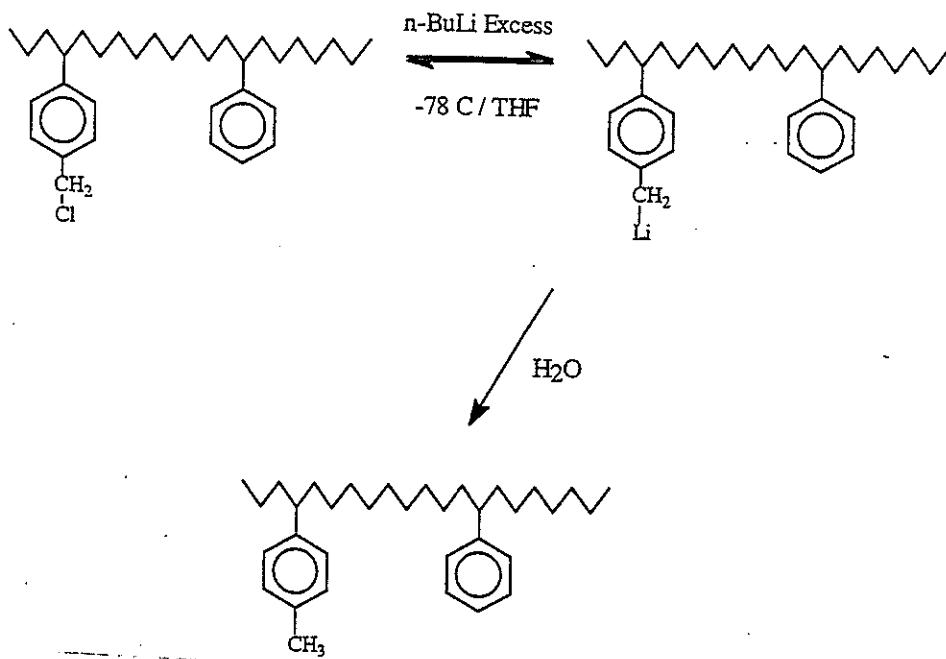
Core-shell polymer



## CROSS-LINKING SIDE REACTION

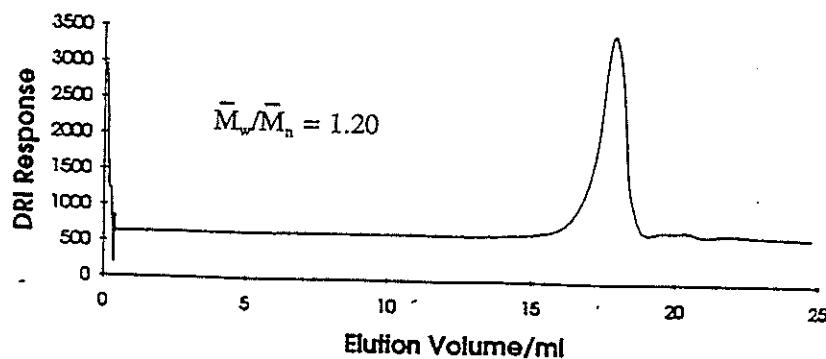


# ELIMINATION OF RESIDUAL CHLOROMETHYL GROUPS: METAL-HALOGEN EXCHANGE



## ADDITION OF SHELL ON TREATED CORE

- GPC

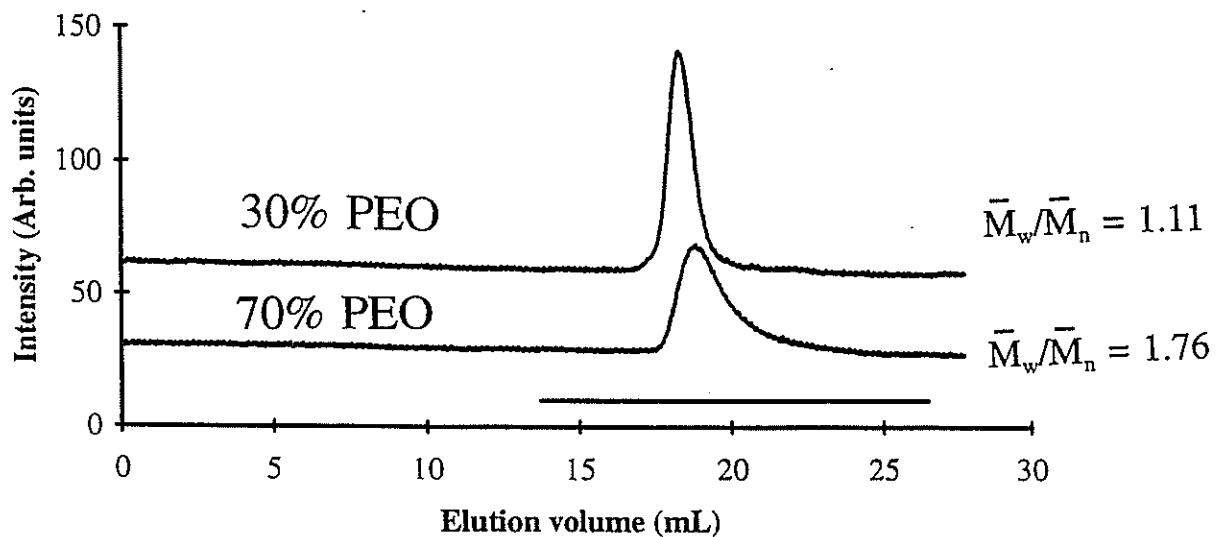


- Pure THF as eluent
- Shoulder at low elution volume - association?

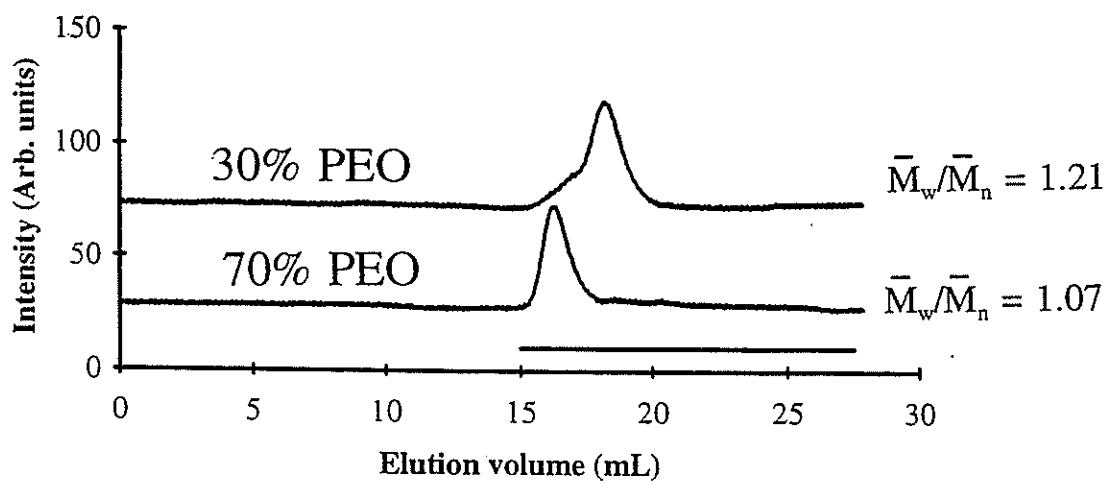
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## GPC ANALYSIS OF CORE-SHELL POLYMERS

- THF + 4% Acetic acid



- N,N-Dimethylformamide



## CHARACTERIZATION OF CORE-SHELL COPOLYMERS

- GPC: low apparent polydispersity index
- FT-IR: can vary PEO content (30%, 70% by weight)
- Solubility behavior
  - Turbid solution when redispersed from solid state
  - Desolubilization easy, clear solution obtained
  - Consistent with core-shell morphology, PEO-rich shell
- Dynamic light scattering:  $R_h$

Sample	$R_h$ (nm)
G=1 core	12. <sub>9</sub>
G=1 core-shell, 30% PEO	16. <sub>8</sub>
G=1 core-shell, 70% PEO	23. <sub>3</sub>
G=4 core	63. <sub>7</sub>
G=4 core-shell, 30% PEO	66. <sub>0</sub>

# CONCLUSIONS

## SYNTHESIS

- Highly branched homopolymers and copolymers can be prepared by successive grafting reactions.
- The polymers have well-defined side chains randomly distributed on the polymer backbone.
- The size of the grafted chains and the branching density can be controlled for each generation.
- A wide range of molecular weights and branching functionalities are accessible.
- Core-shell polymers and surface-functionalized polymers can be prepared by a variation of the basic technique.
- Shell thickness can be accurately controlled in these systems.

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## PROPERTIES

- Molecular weights increasing geometrically for successive generations, apparent polydispersity  $(\bar{M}_w/\bar{M}_n)_{app} = 1.1-1.2$ .
- Dilute solution properties corresponding to hard-sphere behavior.
- Some interpenetration is possible in the semi-dilute range.
- Intrinsic viscosity independent of molecular weight, dominated by molecular weight of side chains.
- Core-shell polymers have micelle-like character.

## FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

- Perfection of grafting reaction using acetyl sites
- Generalization to other monomers (methacrylates, siloxanes)
- Morphological and physical properties investigations of core-shell polymers
- Solubilization / extraction of hydrophobic molecules
- Multilayered core-shell structures
- Highly branched polyelectrolytes

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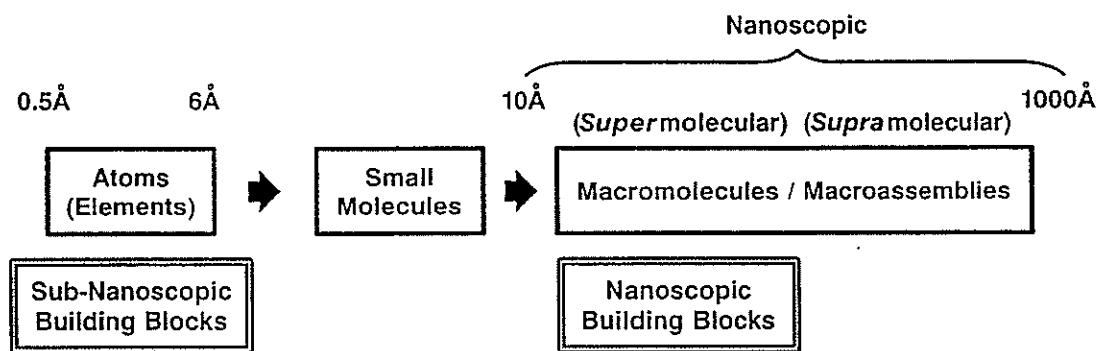
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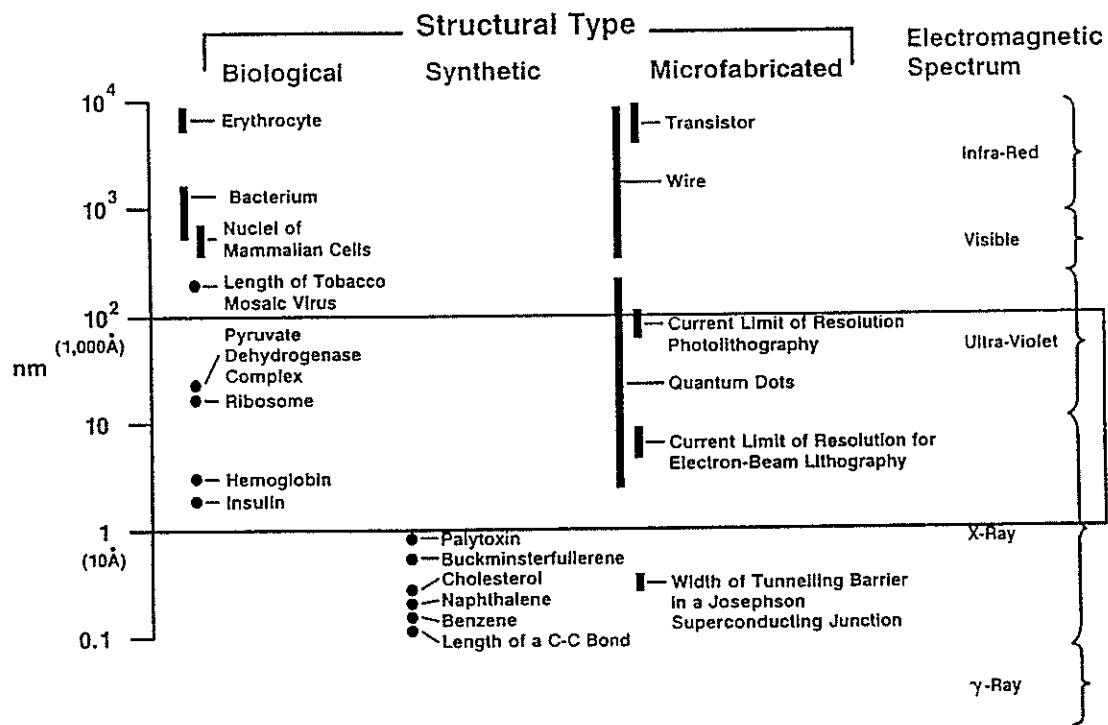
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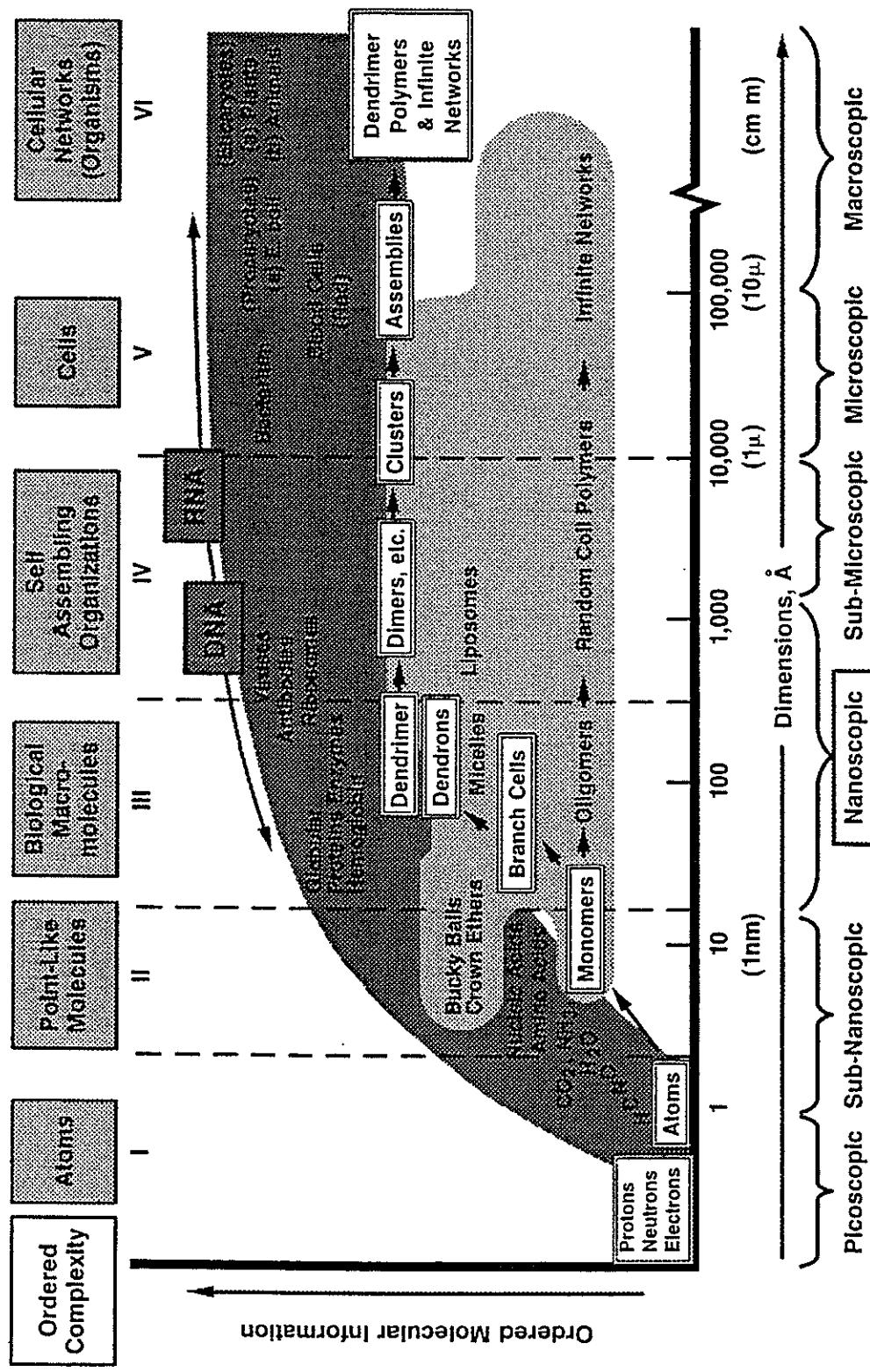


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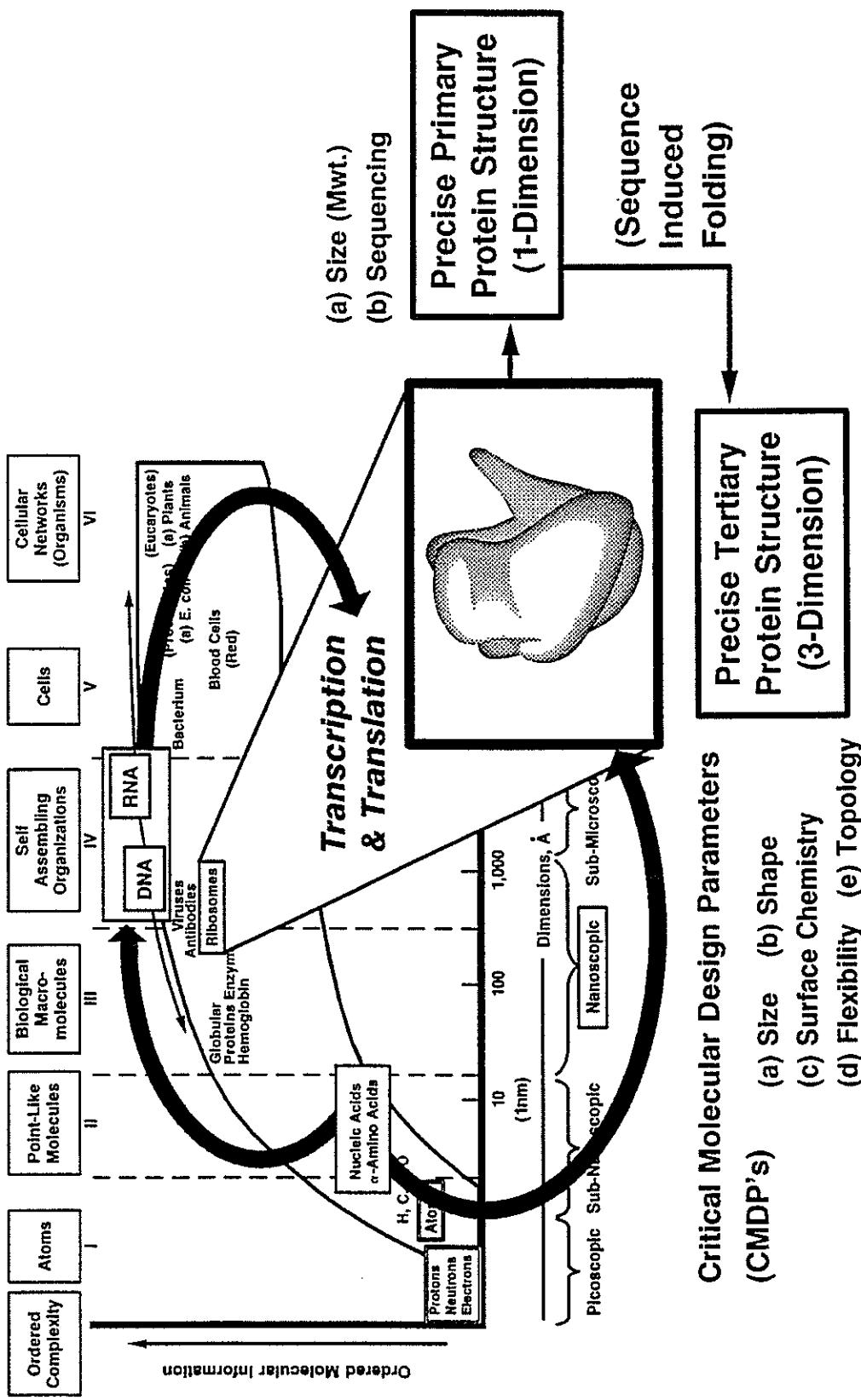


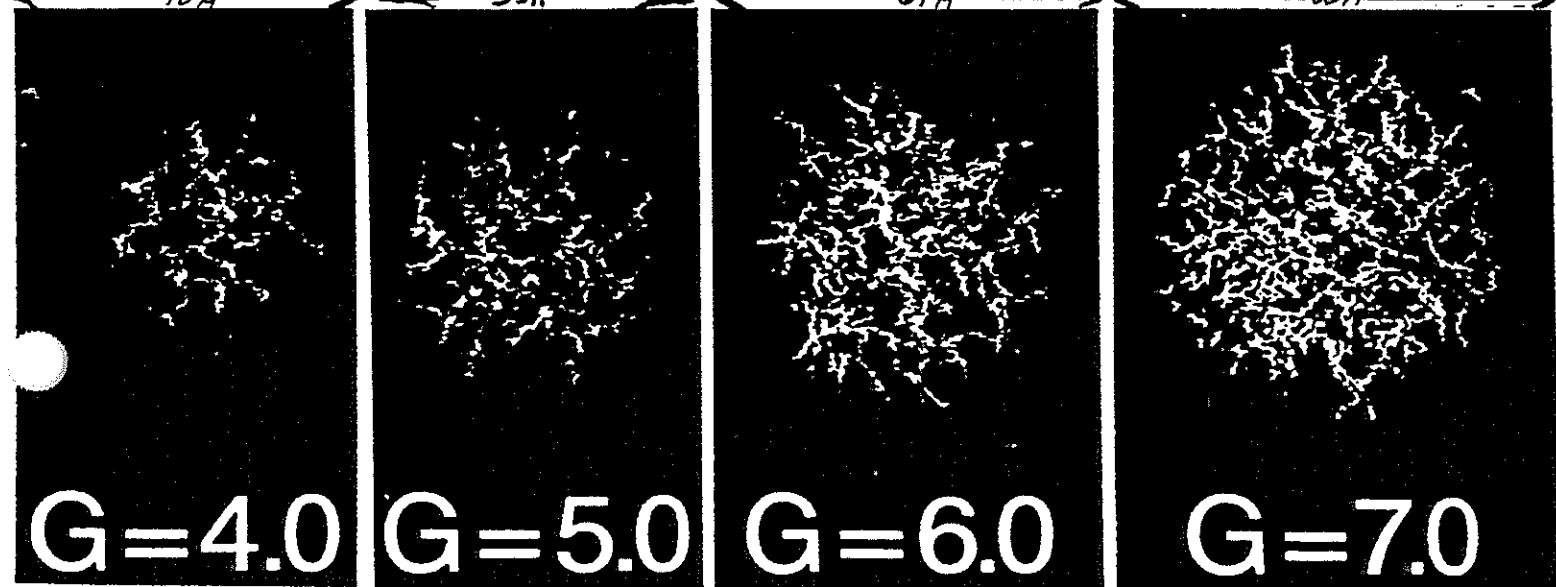
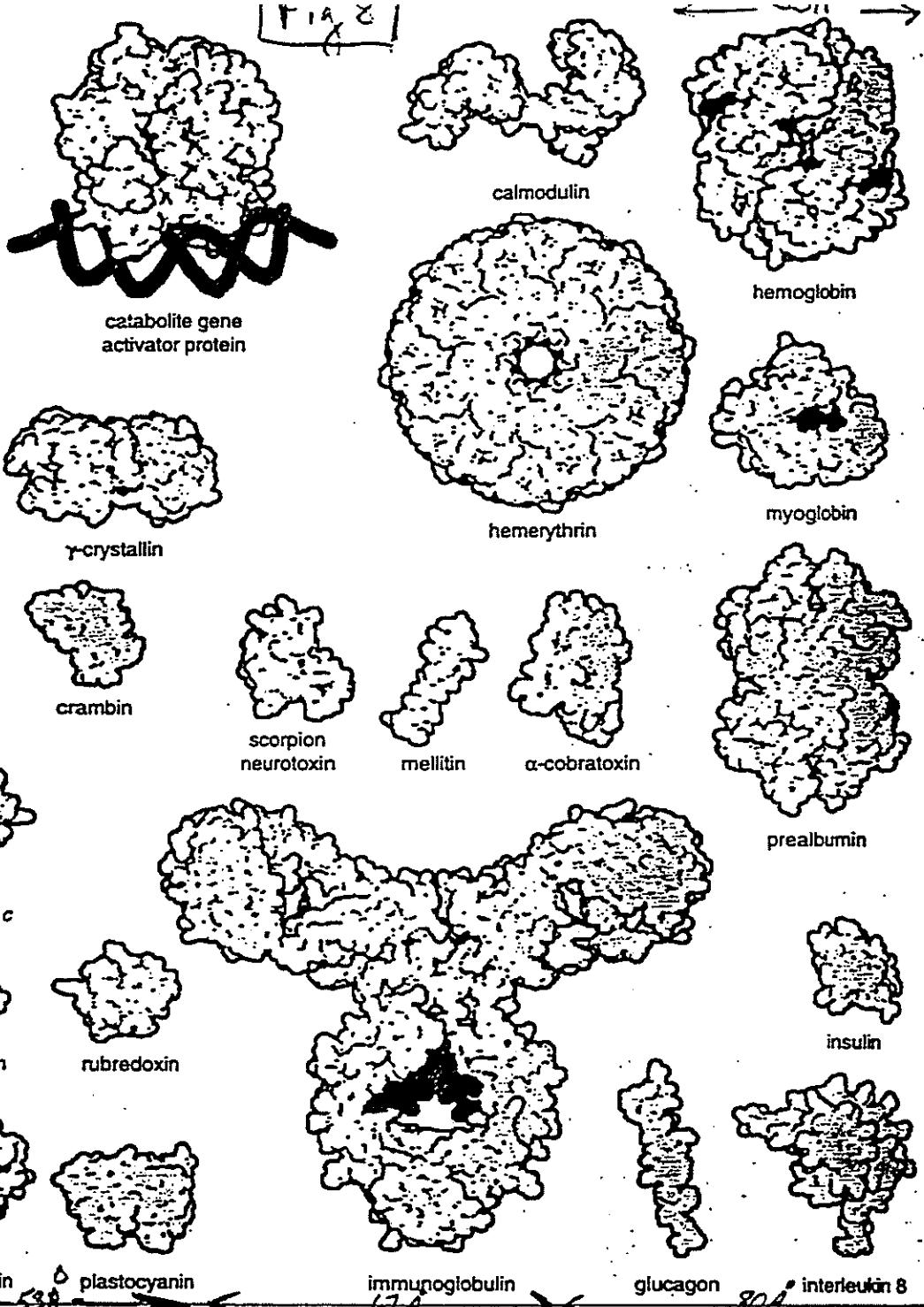
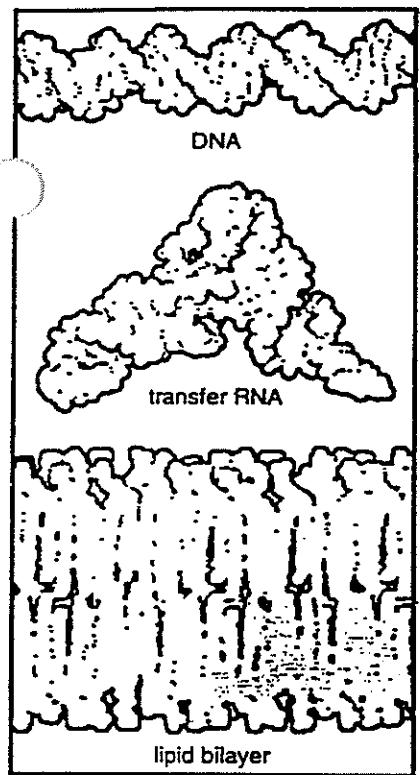
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## DIMENSIONAL HIERARCHY OF ORGANIC MATTER (MOLECULAR EVOLUTION)

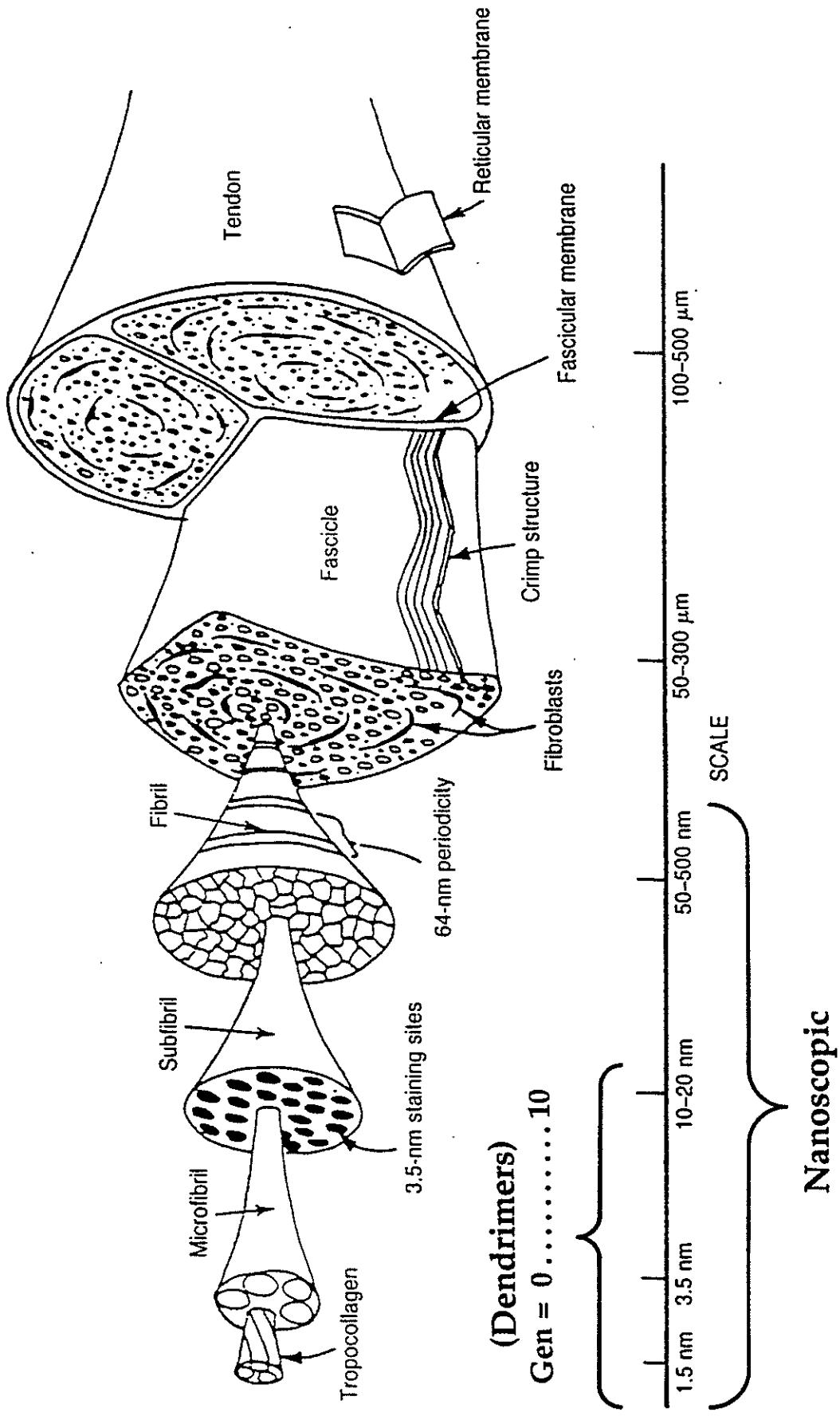


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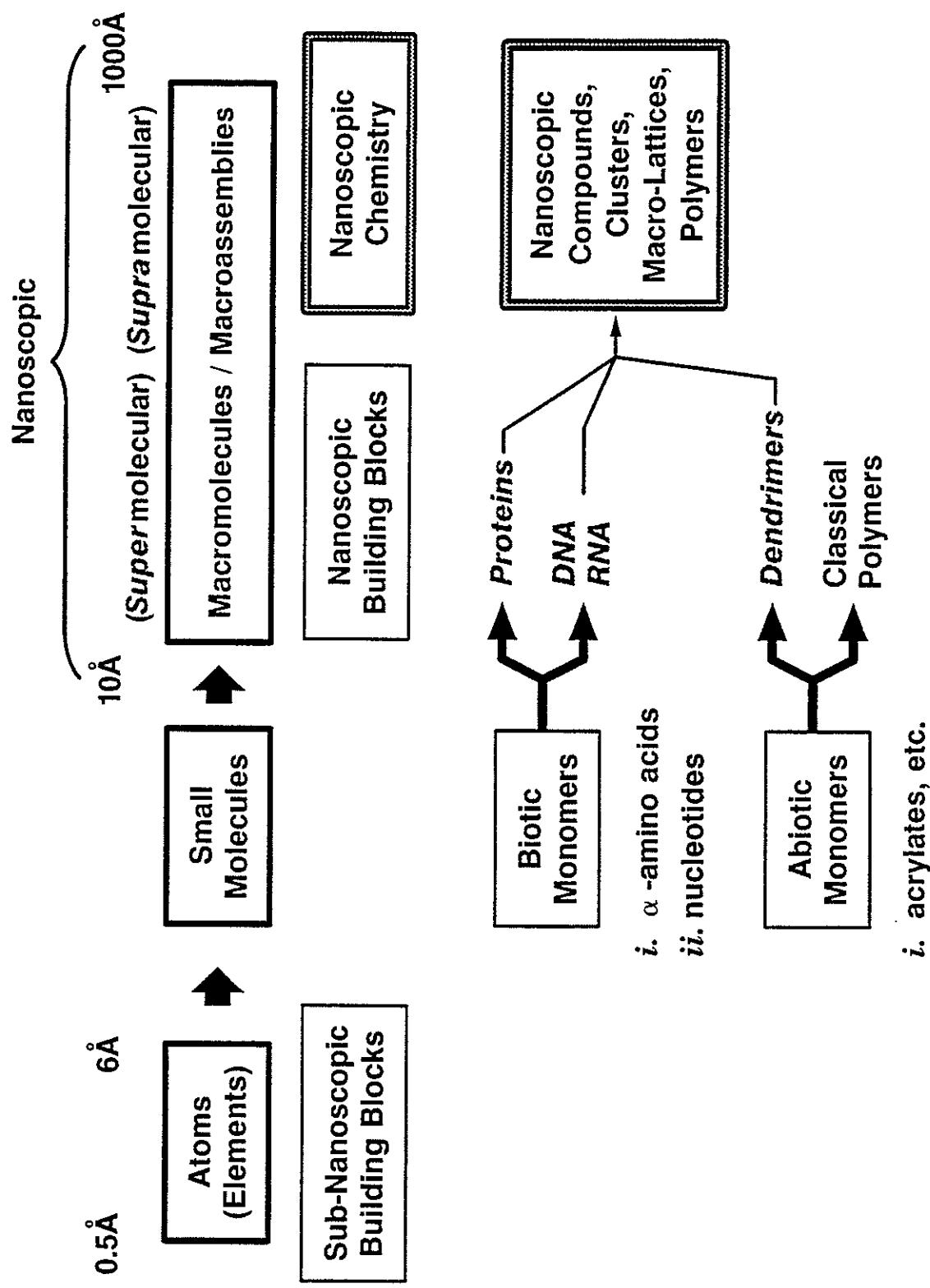
# BIOLOGICAL HIERARCHY



Hierarchical organization of tendon has six levels from the molecular to the macroscopic scales.  
Eric Baer, et al.

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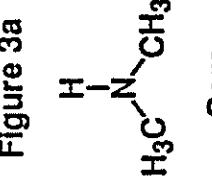
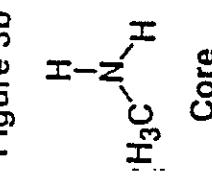
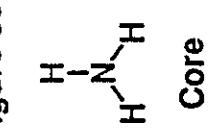
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# MAJOR MACROMOLECULAR ARCHITECTURES

Linear	Cross-Linked	Branched	Dendritic
 Flexible Coil	 Lightly Cross-Linked	 Random Short Branches	 (a) Random Hyperbranched
 Rigid Rod	 Densely Cross-Linked	 Random Long Branches	 (b) Controlled Hyperbranched (Comb-burst™)
 Cyclic (Closed Linear)	 Interpenetrating Networks	 Regular Comb-Branched	 (c) Regular Star-Branched
			 Dendrimers (Starburst®)

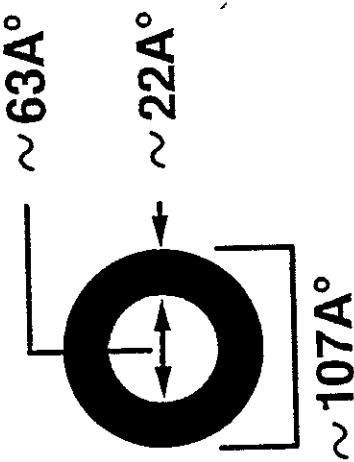


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**Generation:** 9.0 (PAMAM)  
**Surface:**  $\text{NH}_3^{+\ominus}\text{CO}_2$  - Polystyrene  
**Stain:**  $\text{RuO}_4$  (vapor); 40 min  
**Magnification:** 150,000X (1mm  $\equiv$  71 $\text{\AA}$ )



## Dendron Synthesis

## Dendrimer Synthesis

### Convergent Core Anchoring

Anchor Cores

Initiator Cores

### Divergent Core Proliferation

Dendrimers

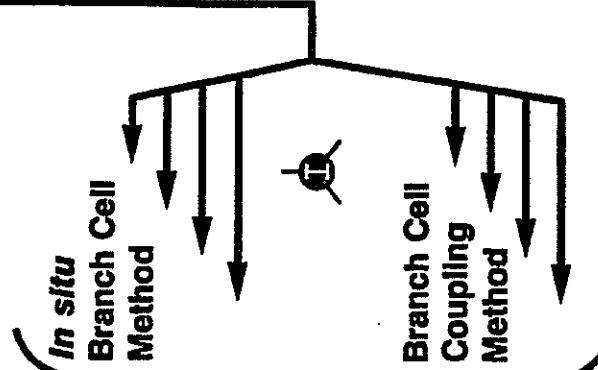
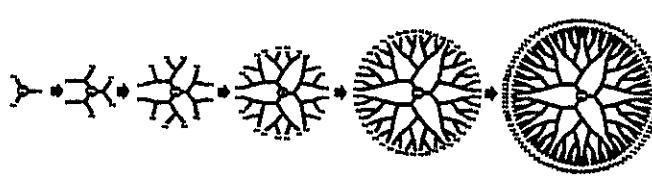
Generations

Divergent Method

Convergent Method

0      1      2      3      4      5

3x + T



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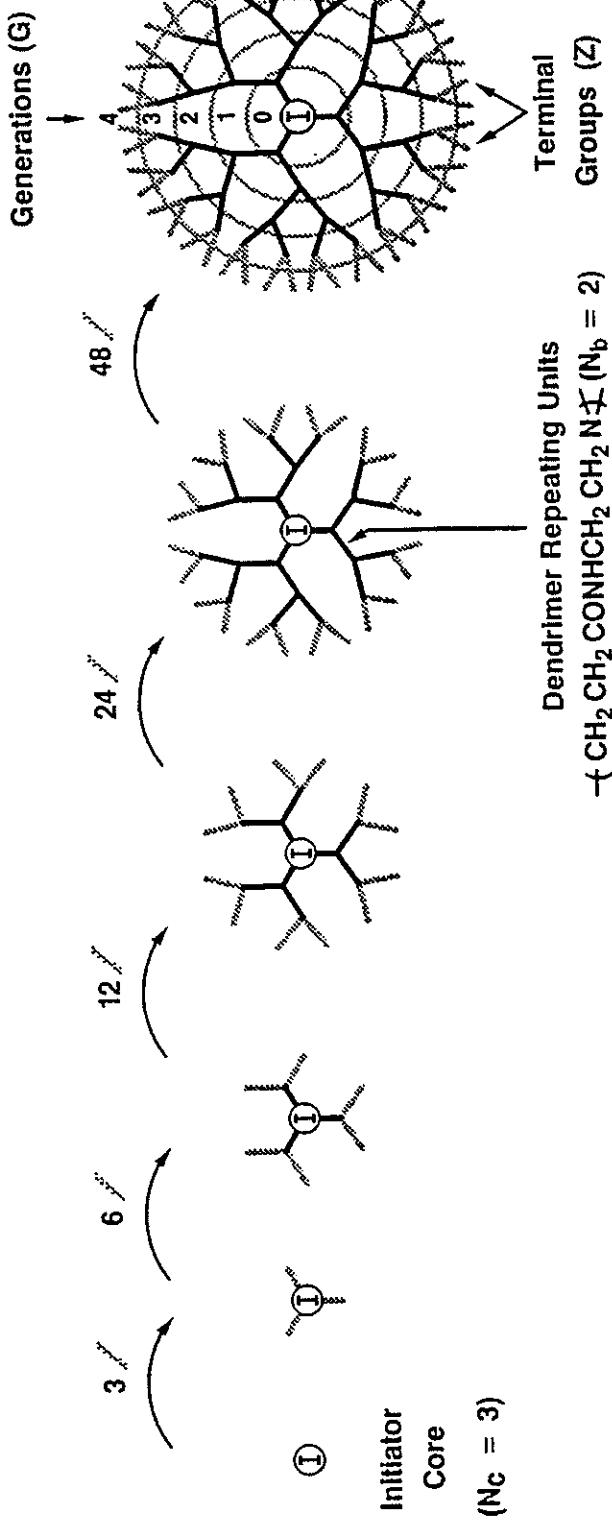
TIME SEQUENCED MONOMER SELF ORGANIZATION AROUND ①  
TO GIVE A DENDRIMER; GEN. = 4.0, N<sub>c</sub> = 3, N<sub>b</sub> = 2

- DP =  $N_{RU} = N_c \left[ \frac{N_b^{G+1}-1}{N_b-1} \right]$

- MW = M<sub>c</sub> + N<sub>c</sub>  $\left[ M_{RU} \left( \frac{N_b^{G+1}-1}{N_b-1} \right) + M_c N_b^{G+1} \right]$

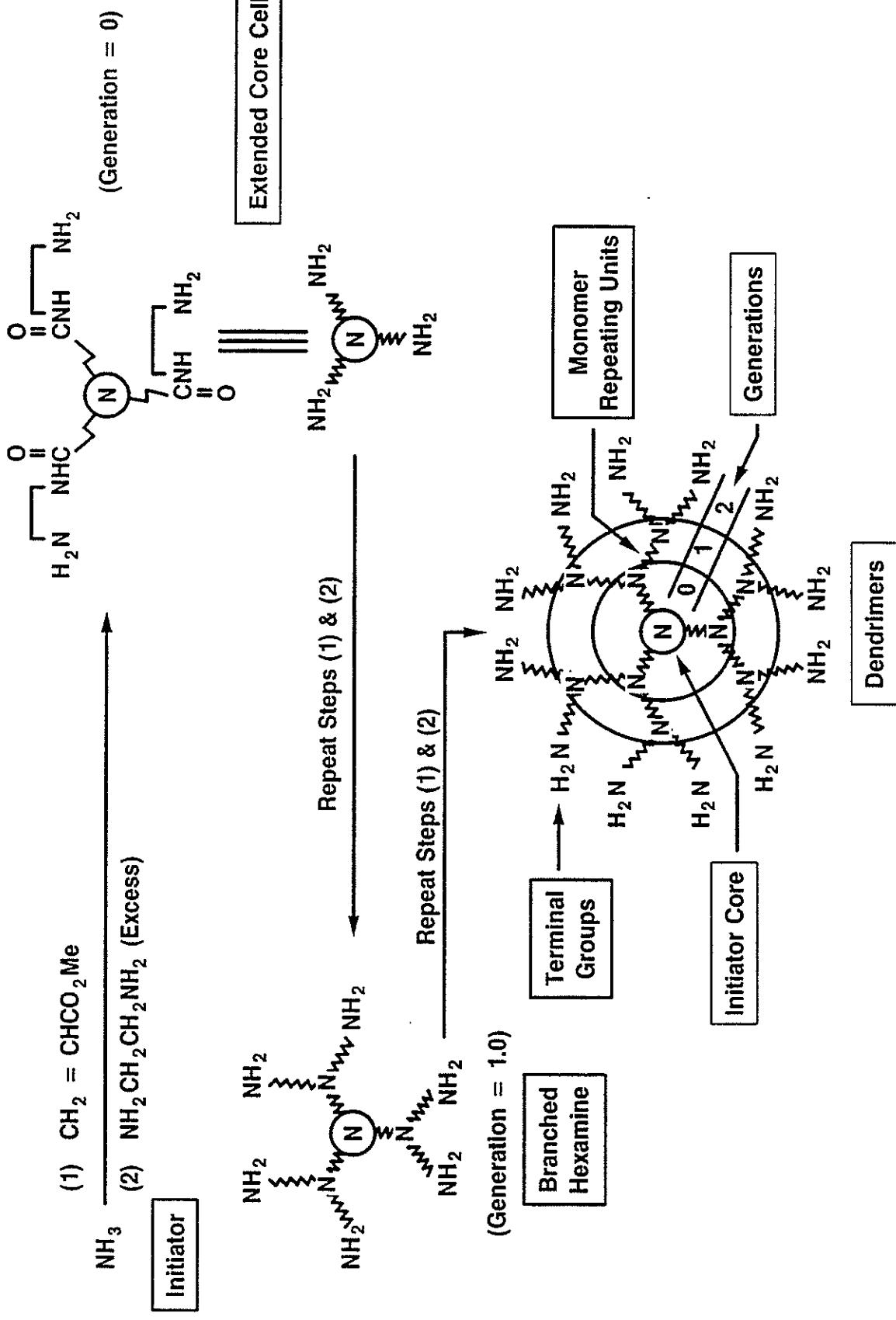
- • • Valency (Z) = N<sub>c</sub> N<sub>b</sub><sup>G</sup>

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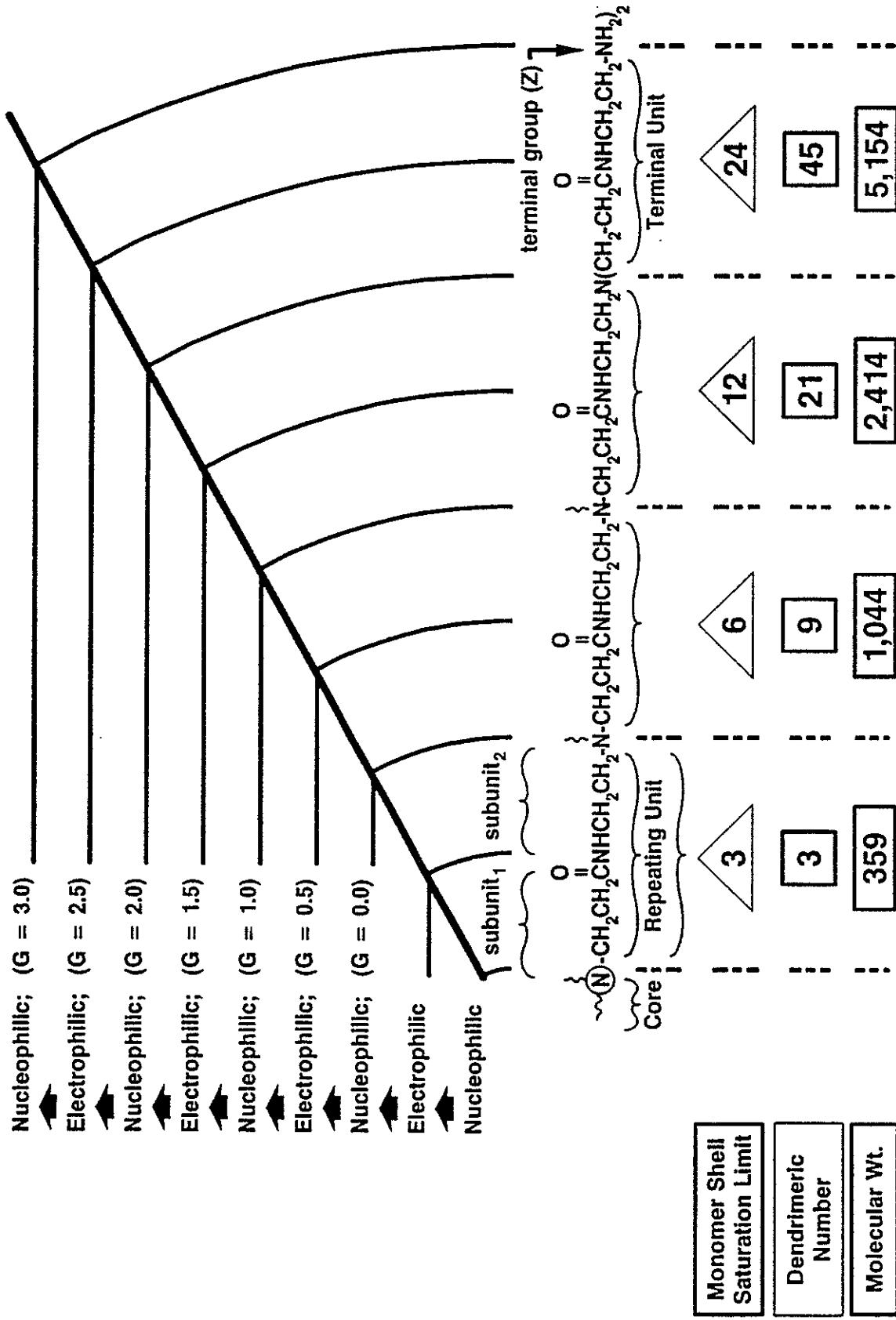
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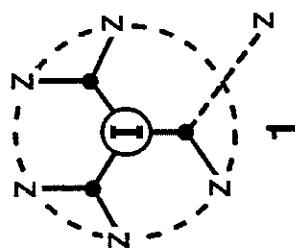
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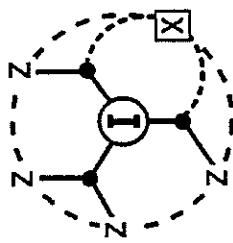
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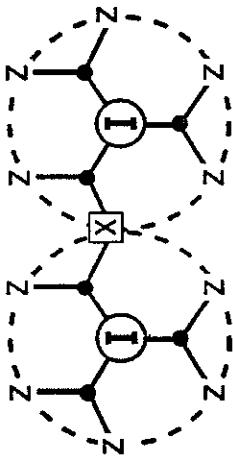
Branch Defective Dendrimer

MWt. - 114 amu  
(ideal)



Intra - Dendrimer Looped

MWt. - 60 amu  
(ideal)



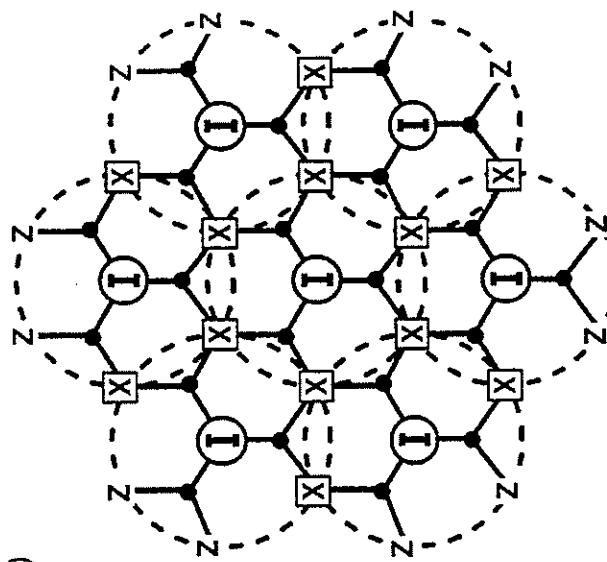
Inter - Dendrimer Bridged

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MWt. - 60 amu  
(ideal)

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Inter - Dendrimer Looped

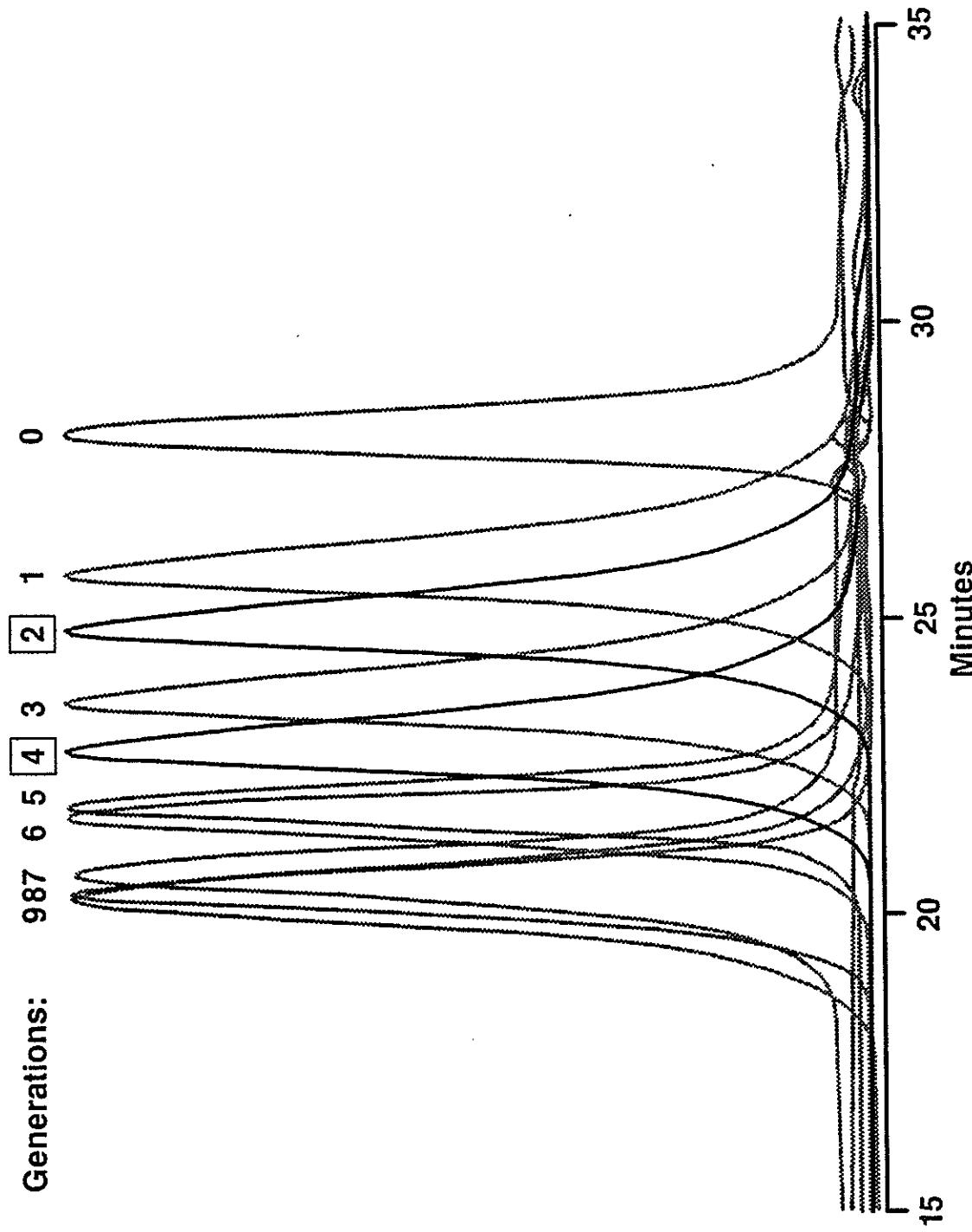
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Dendrimer Cluster (Bridged / Looped)

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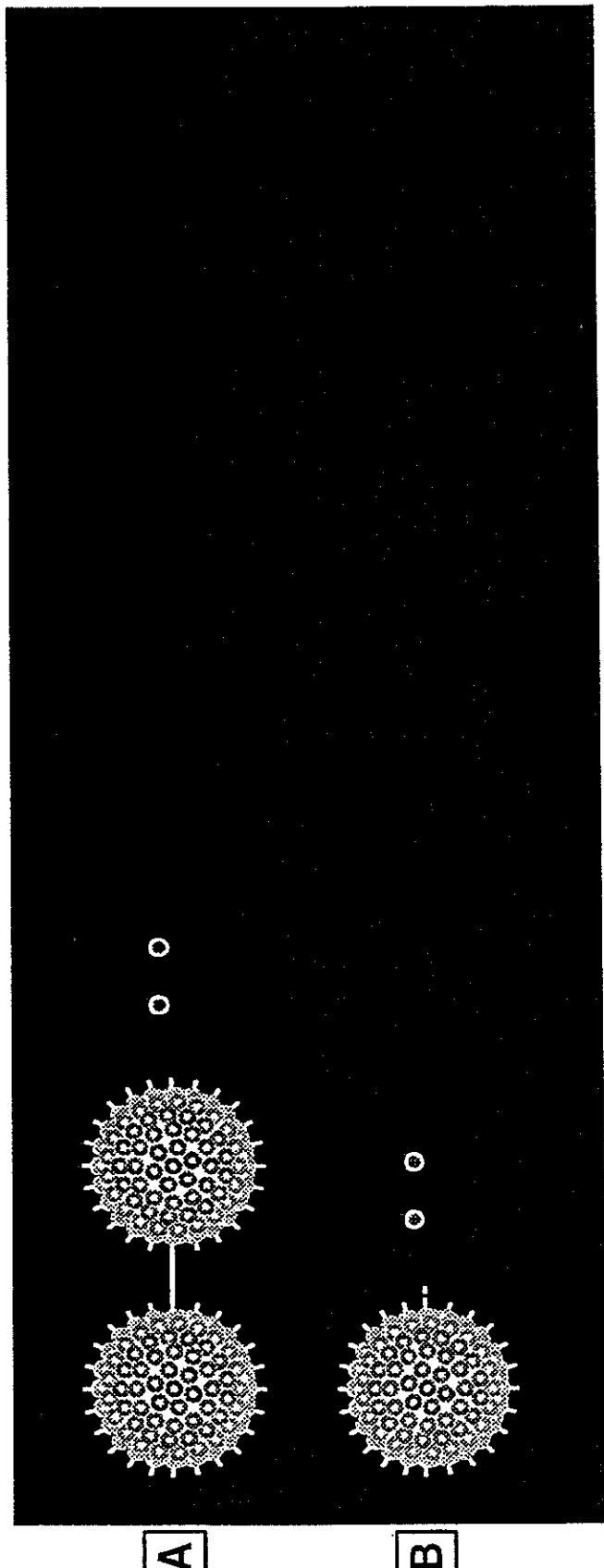
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# GEL ELECTROPHORESIS

## Starburst (PAMAM) - Half Generations



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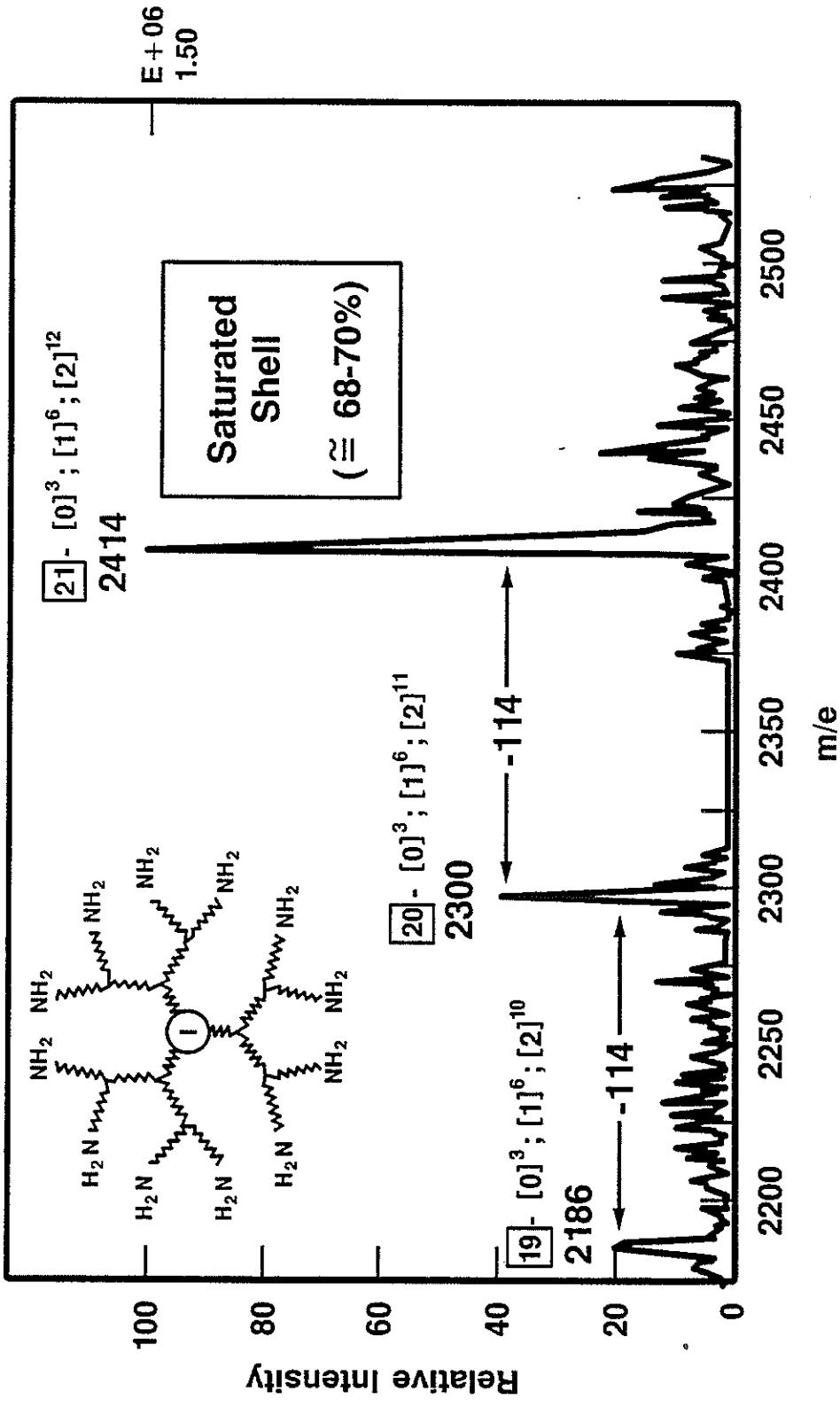
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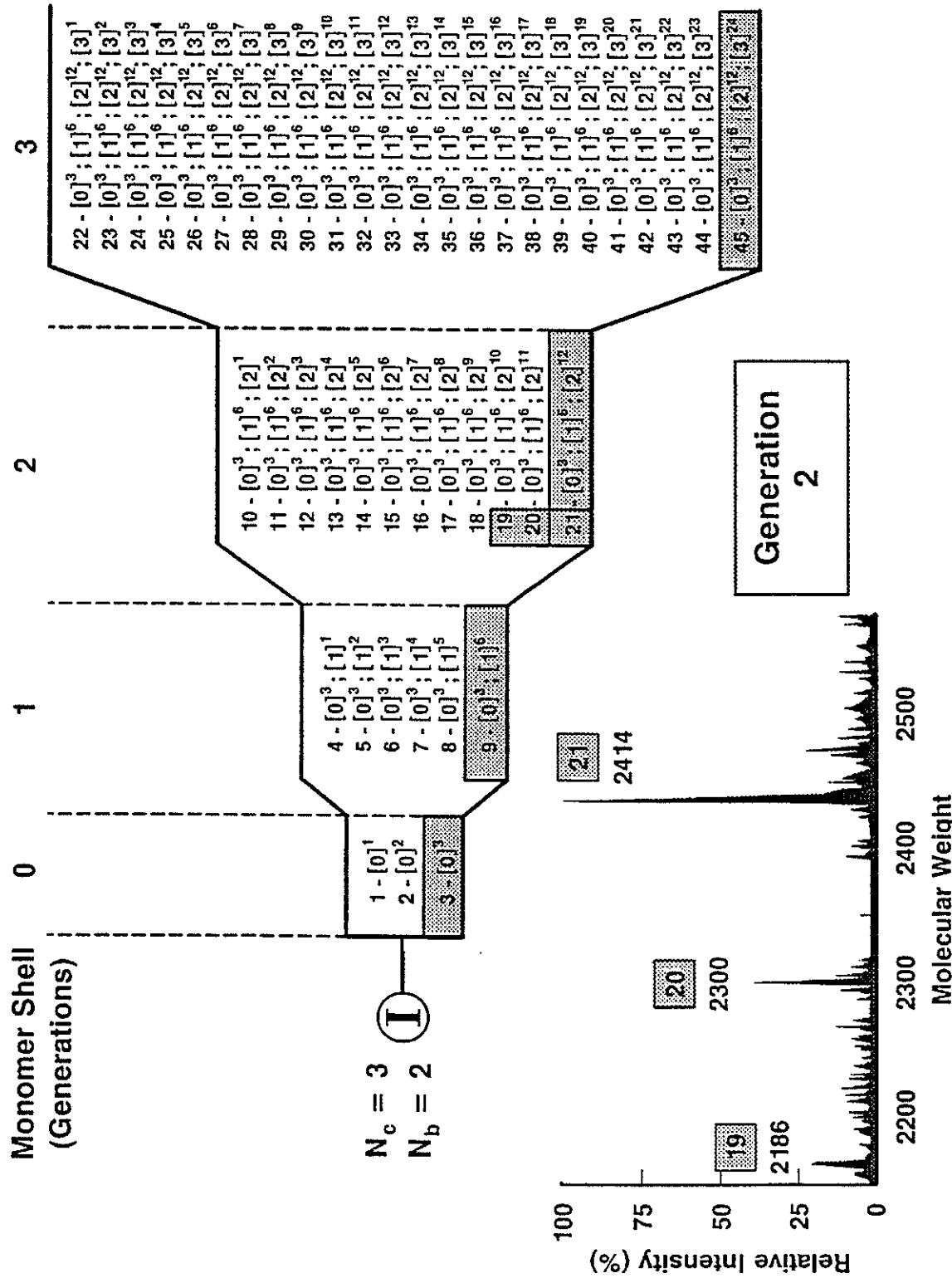
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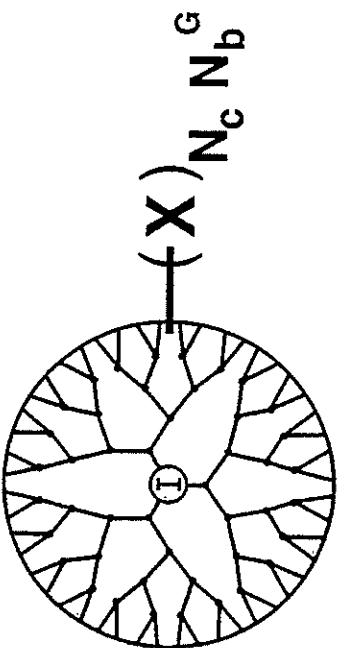
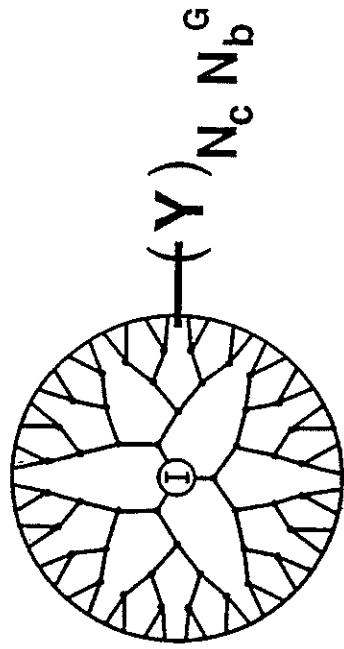


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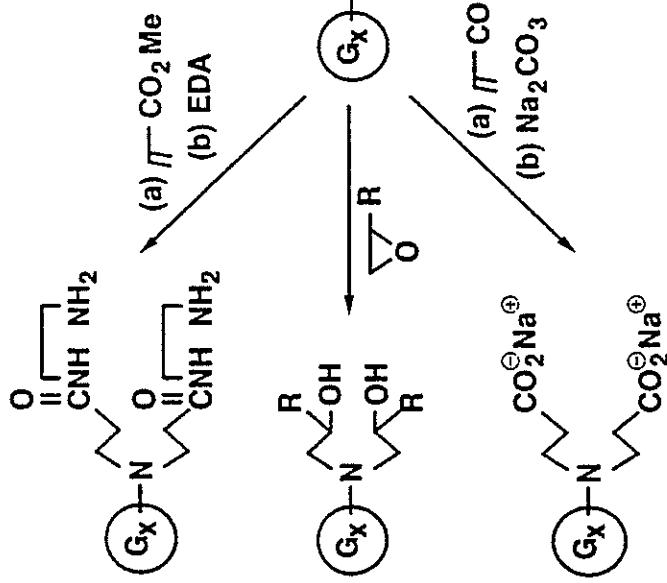
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				3	9	21	45	93	189	381	765
				3	6	12	24	48	96	192	384

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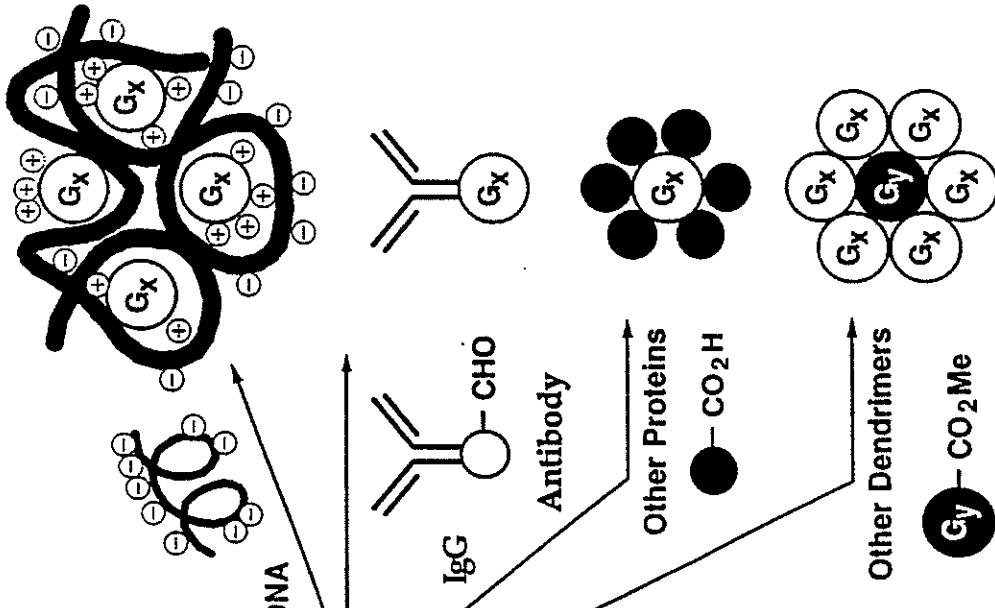
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**Classical (Sub-nanoscopic) Chemistry**

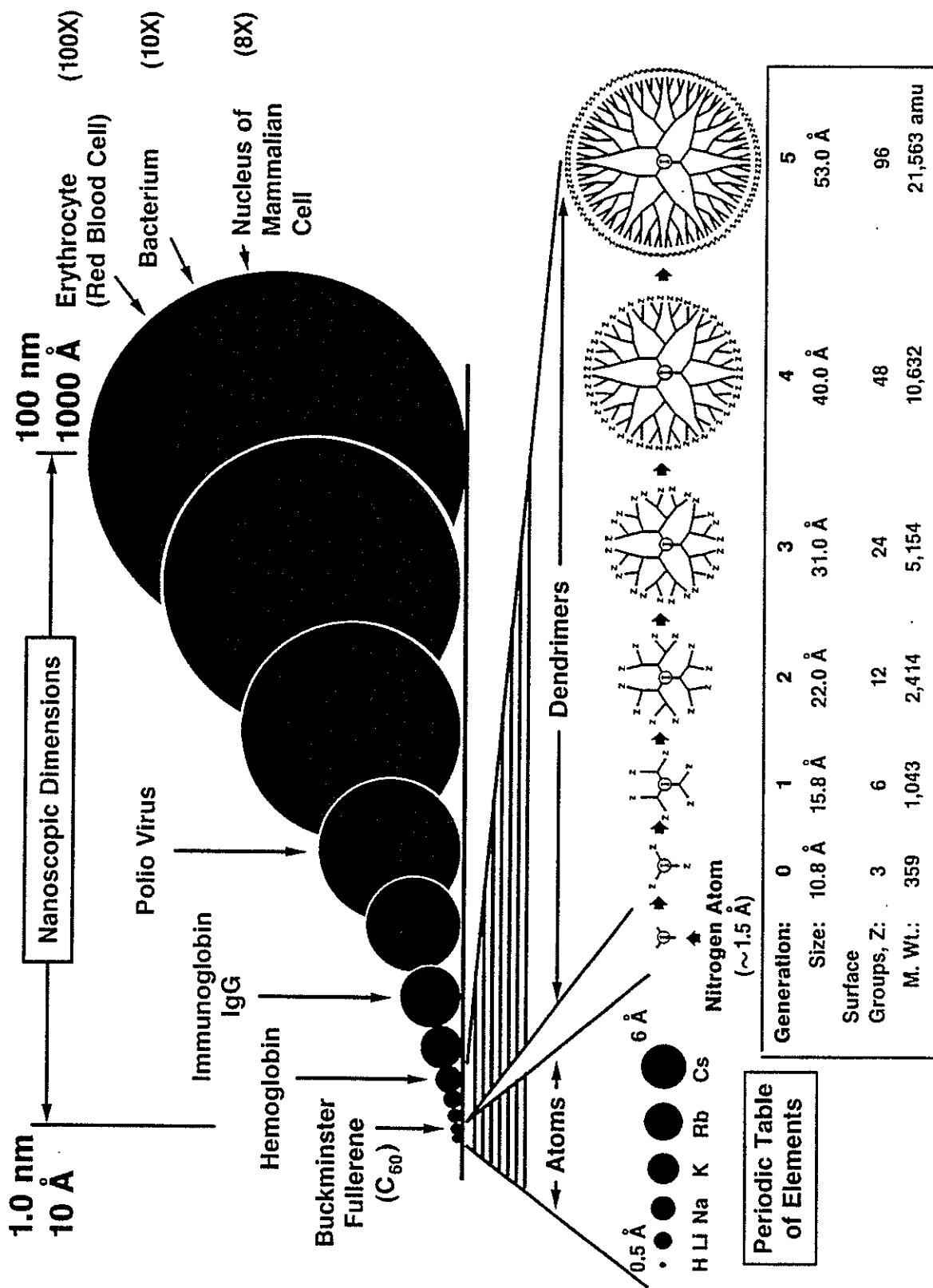


**Nanoscopic Chemistry**



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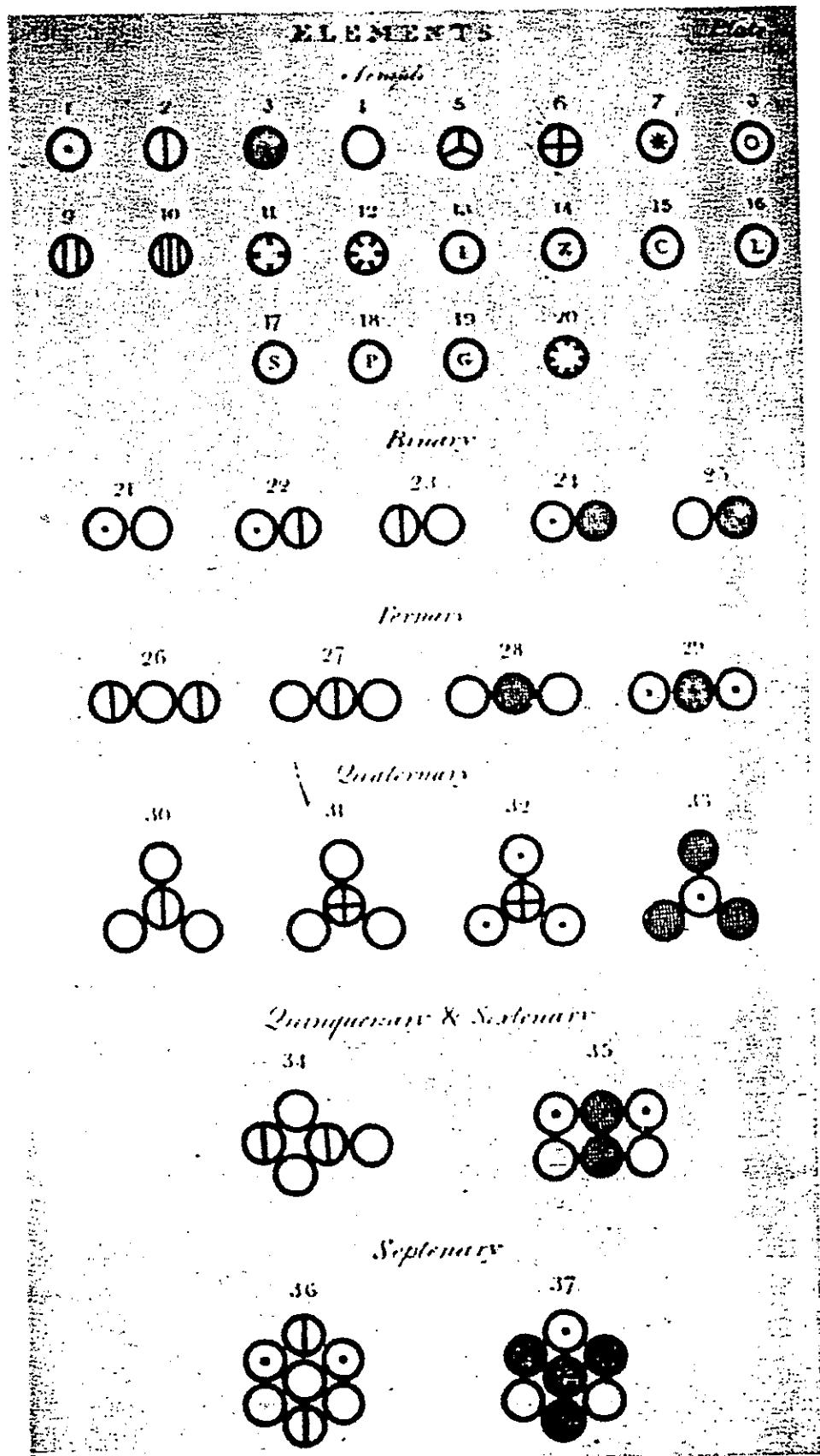


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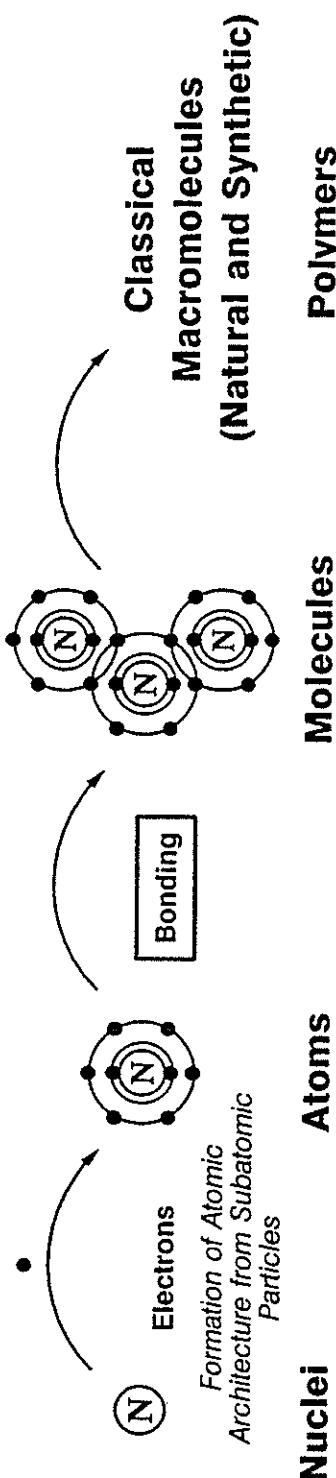
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	Magnesia		Silver	190
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	Potash		Mercury	167

The elements, their symbols and weights  
according to Dalton<sup>6</sup>.

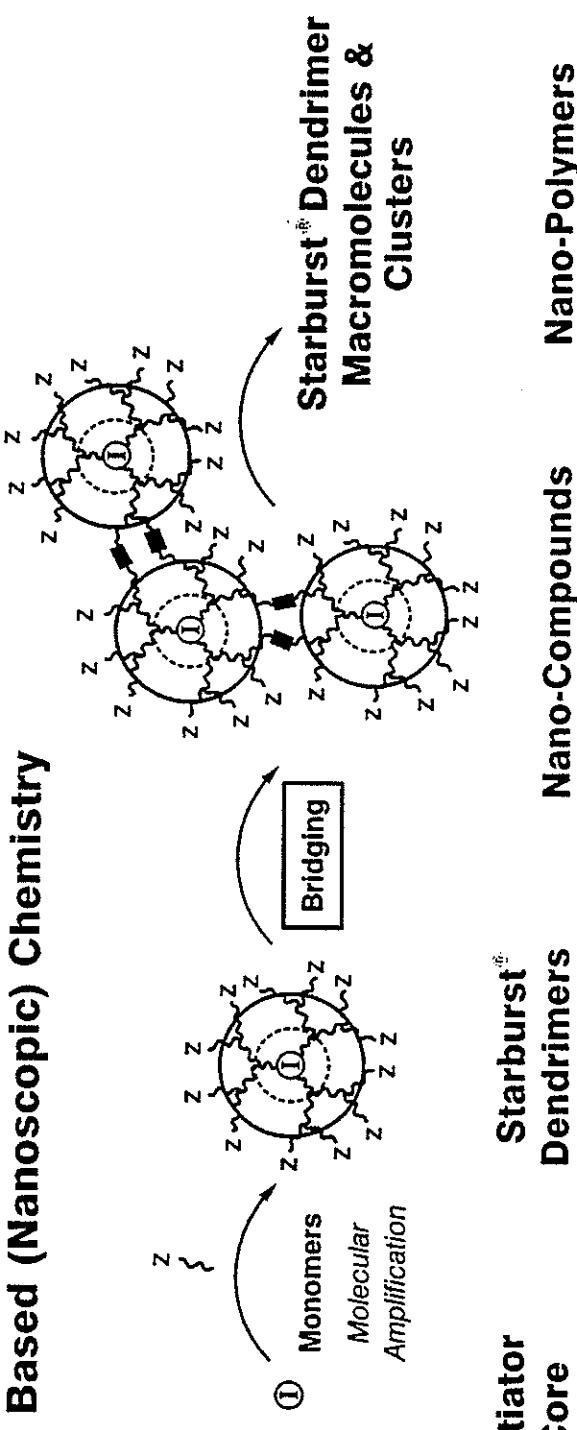


'Compound atoms', according to Dalton<sup>6</sup>.

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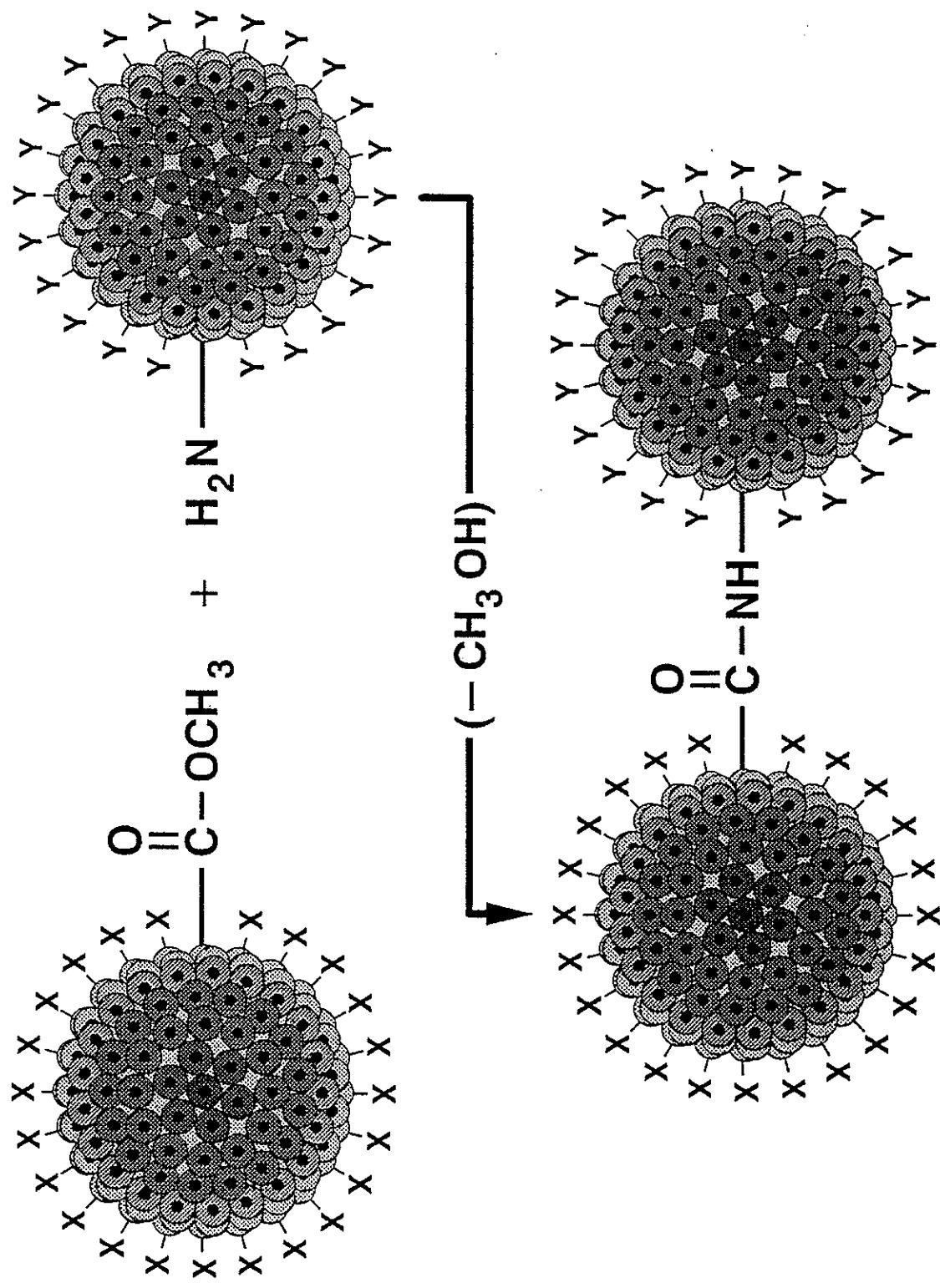


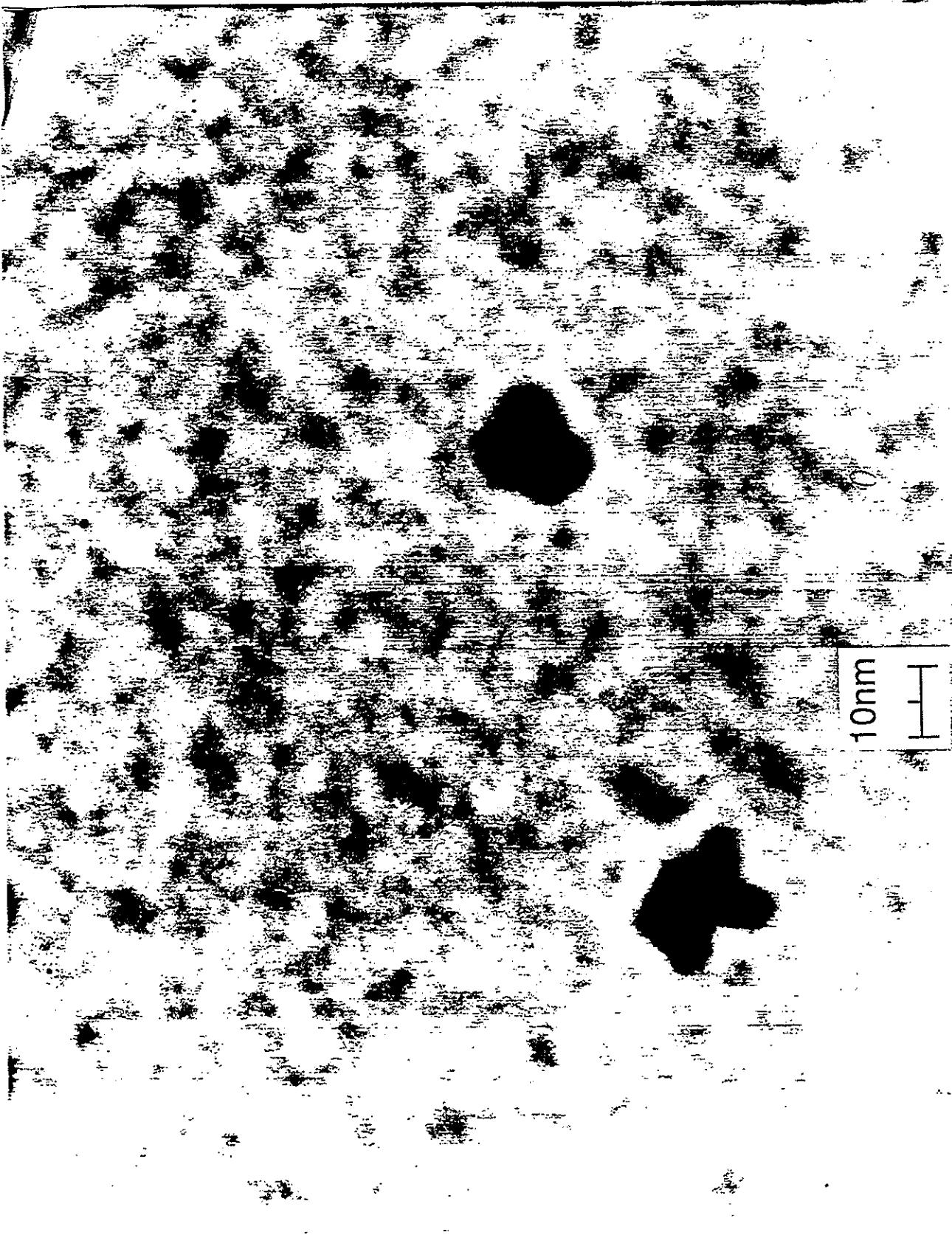
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STARBURST POLYMERS  
(Bridged Dendrimers)

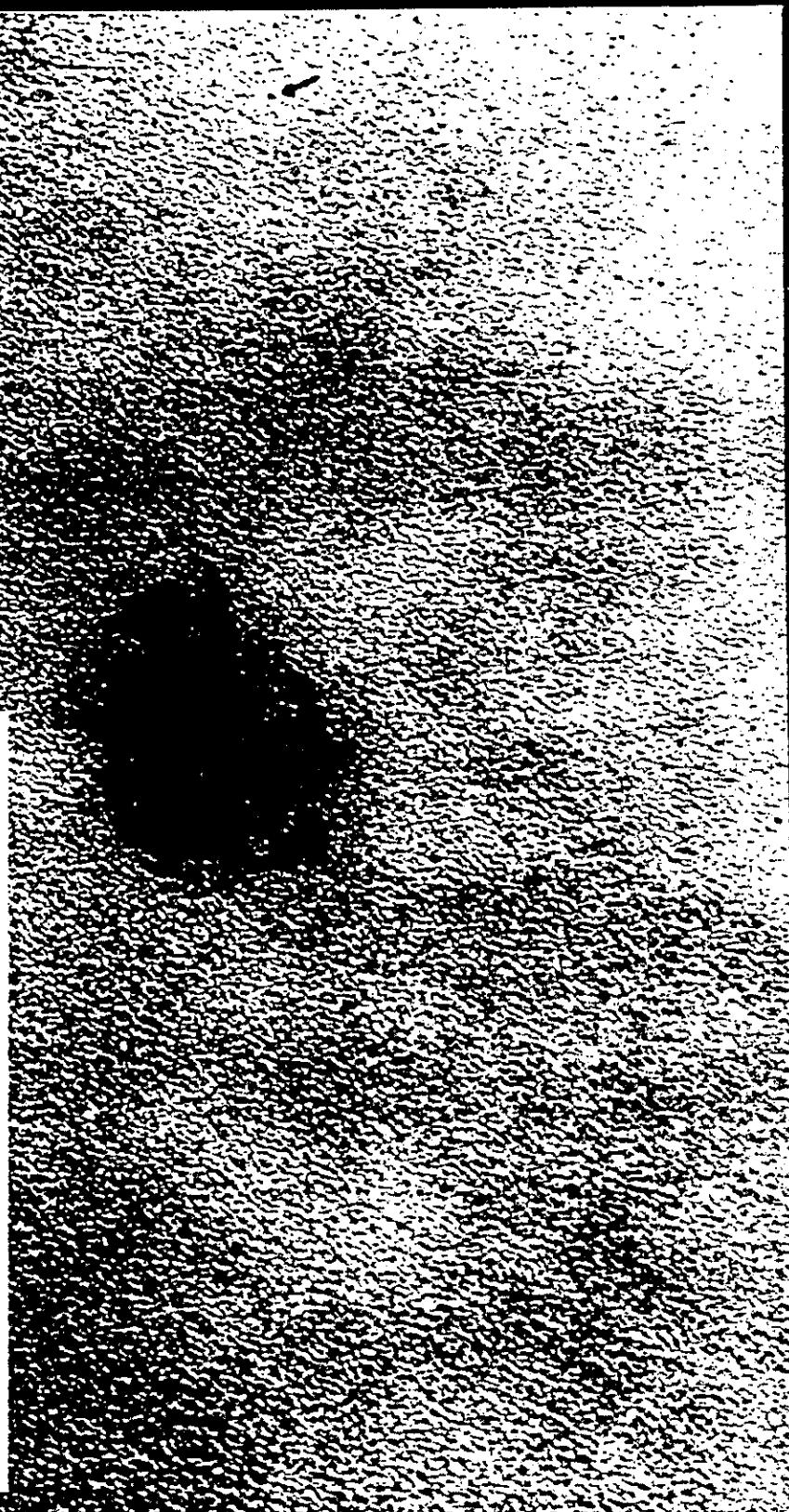
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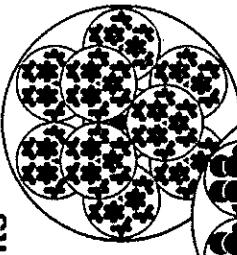


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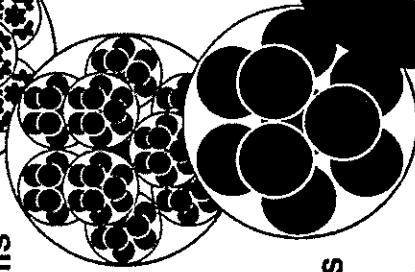
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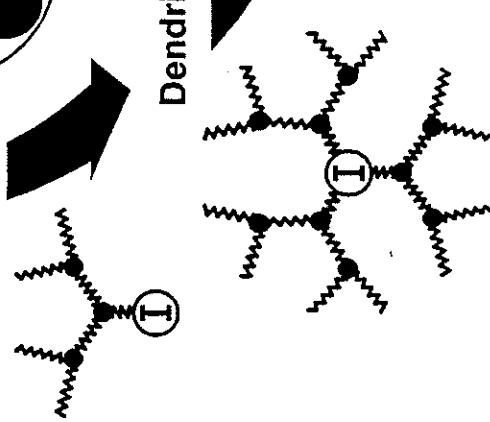
Repeat Units



Branch Cells



Dendrons



Dendrimers

Dendrimer Clusters  
Dendrimer Macro-Lattices  
(Infinite Networks)

Nanosopic Compounds

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## Technology

STARBURST® dendrimer technology includes all chemical compositions that fall within the STARBURST dendrimer architecture. While polyamidoamine (PAMAM) compositions currently under development are the most widely investigated systems, there are many other demonstrated examples. Polyethyleneimines, polyethers, polyphosphoniums, polysiloxanes, polyamides and polyaryls are among those identified. Copolymeric dendrimers possessing stratified infrastructures have also been demonstrated.

This variety of compositions gives, in addition to the precise size and topology implied by the STARBURST dendrimer architecture, a wide range of stability and reactivity that allows the choice of the most appropriate chemistry for a given application. Thus, very inert systems may be designed for long lifetime materials. Conversely, thermal, photo, or biodegradability may be built into the dendrimers for short term applications. Inquiries for custom materials to fit specific applications are encouraged.

## Process

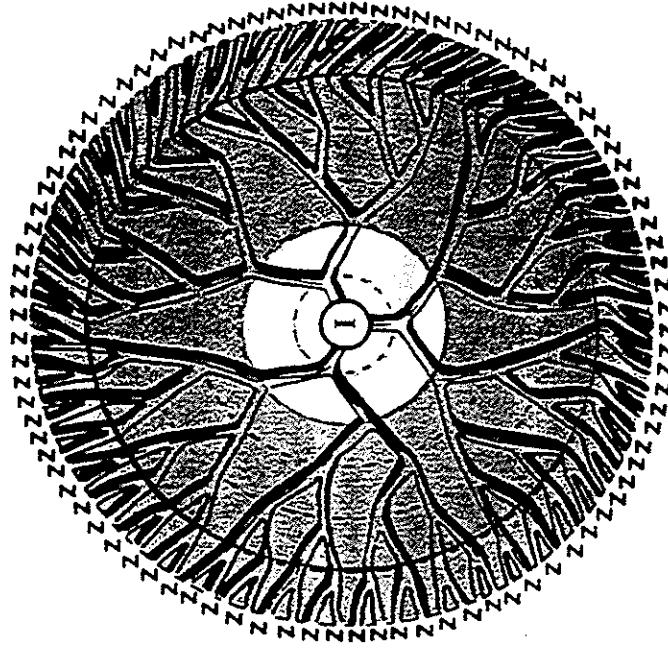
W 28 Kilogram quantities of PAMAM STARBURST dendrimers are now being produced. A production facility with thousands of pounds per year is in the planning and engineering stages, due on stream in mid-'94.

## Patents

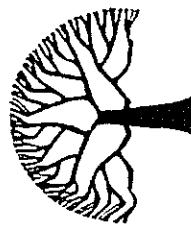
The STARBURST dendrimer technology is covered by over twenty U.S. and foreign patents that include the basic compositions and several application areas. Other patents are in prosecution. Licensing and partnership opportunities are available for those who wish to become a part of this emerging field of technology. Please address inquiries, on company letterhead, to:



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A NEW SYNTHESIS OF POLYMERIC KETONES

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## POLY(ARYLENE ETHER KETONE)S

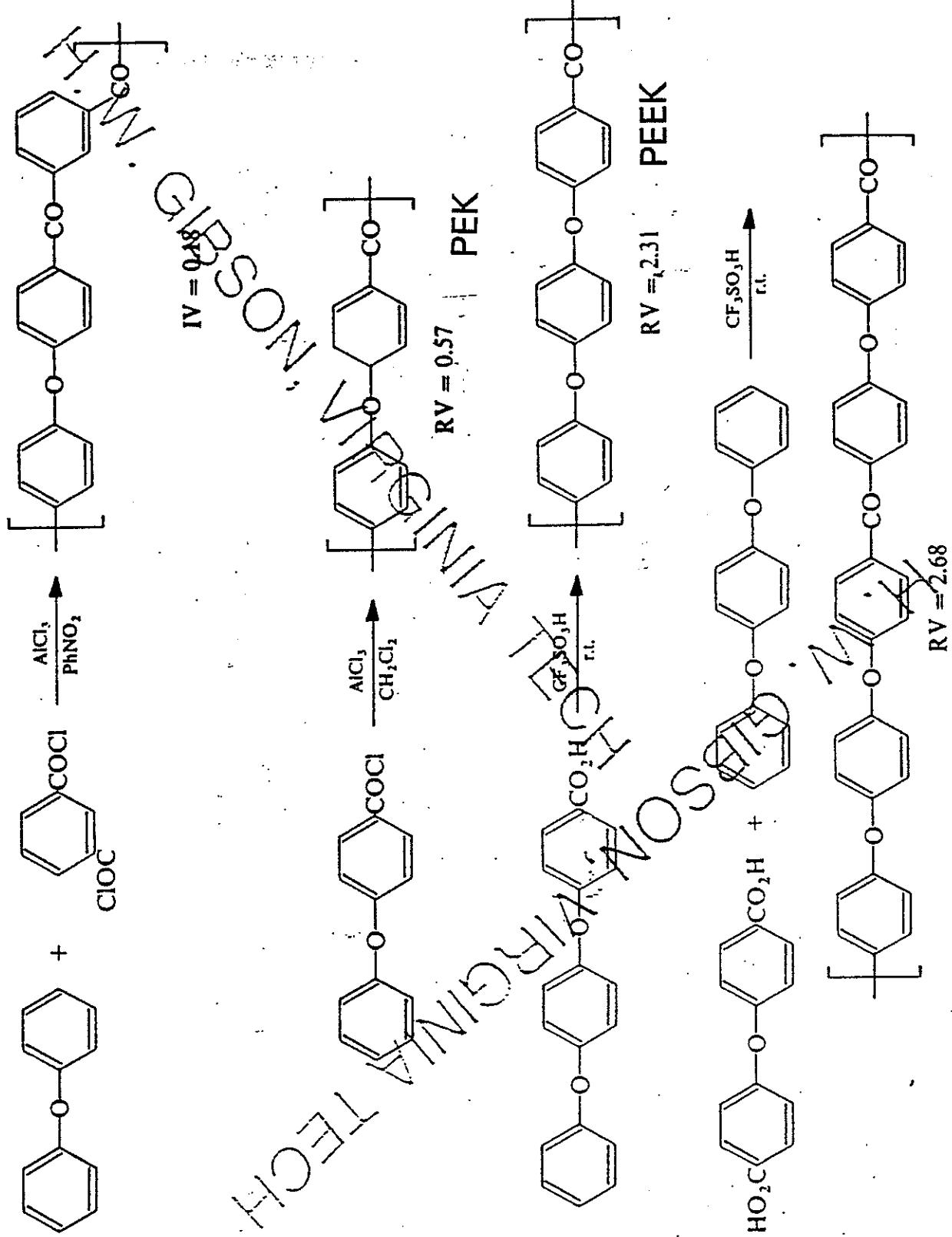
\* A CLASS OF HIGH PERFORMANCE THERMOPLASTICS:

• CRYSTALLINITY DUE TO CARBONYL MOIETY;

• EXCELLENT THERMAL STABILITY & CHEMICAL RESISTIVITY;

• GOOD MECHANICAL PROPERTIES, ETC.

## ELECTROPHILIC ROUTE (FRIEDEL-CRAFTS)

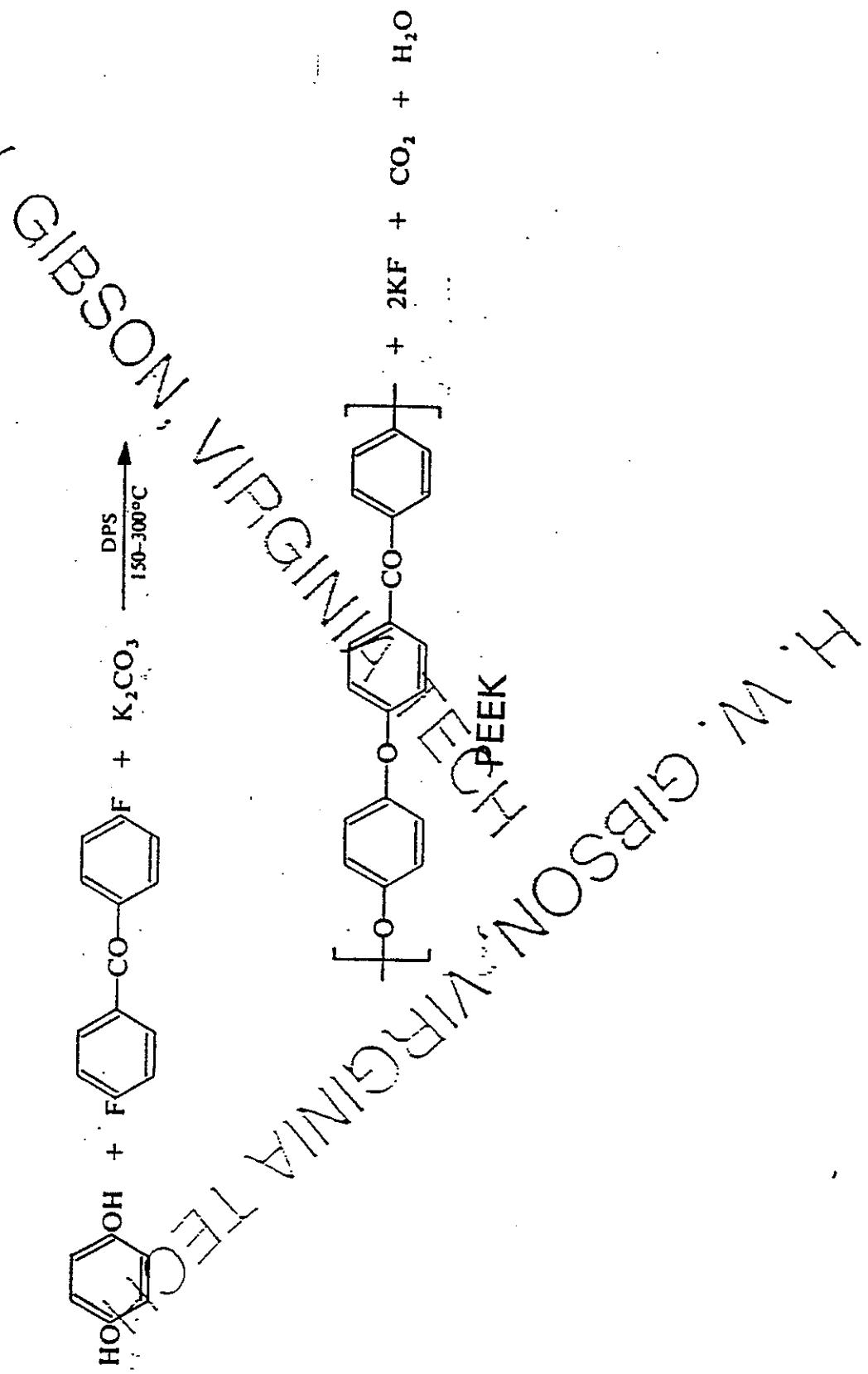


## ELECTROPHILIC ROUTE (FRIEDEL-CRAFTS)

### PROBLEMS:

1. INSOLUBILITY OF PRODUCTS  
REQUIRES USE OF LARGE  
AMOUNTS OF LEWIS ACID  
CATALYSTS TO ACHIEVE  
SOLUBILIZATION AND HIGH MW
2. LARGE AMOUNTS OF CATALYSTS  
FOR DISPOSAL
3. LIMITED NUMBER OF  
POLYKETONES CAN BE MADE

NUCLEOPHILIC ROUTE (ETHERS OR THIOETHERS)

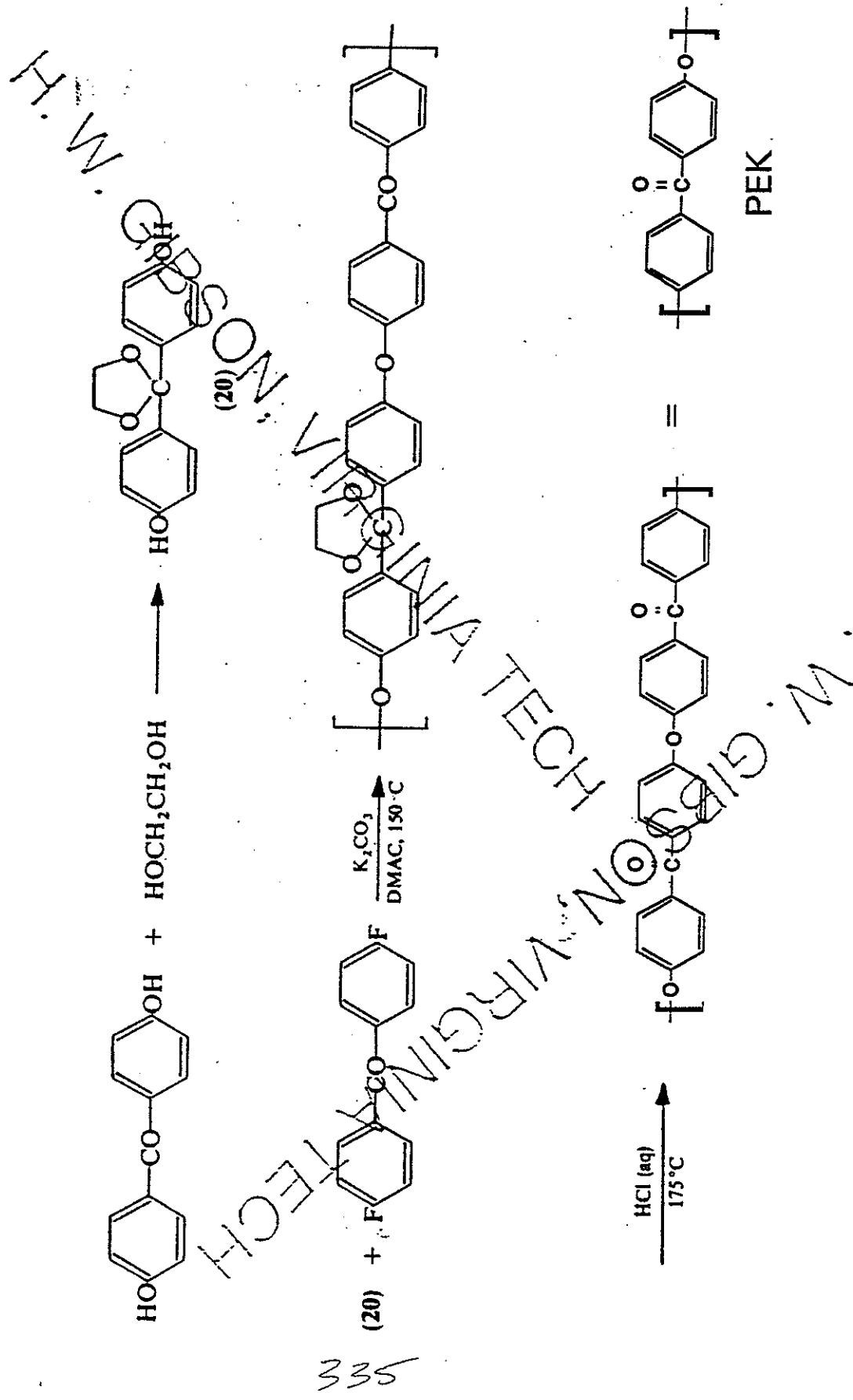


## NUCLEOPHILIC ROUTE (ETHERS OR THIOETHERS)

### PROBLEMS

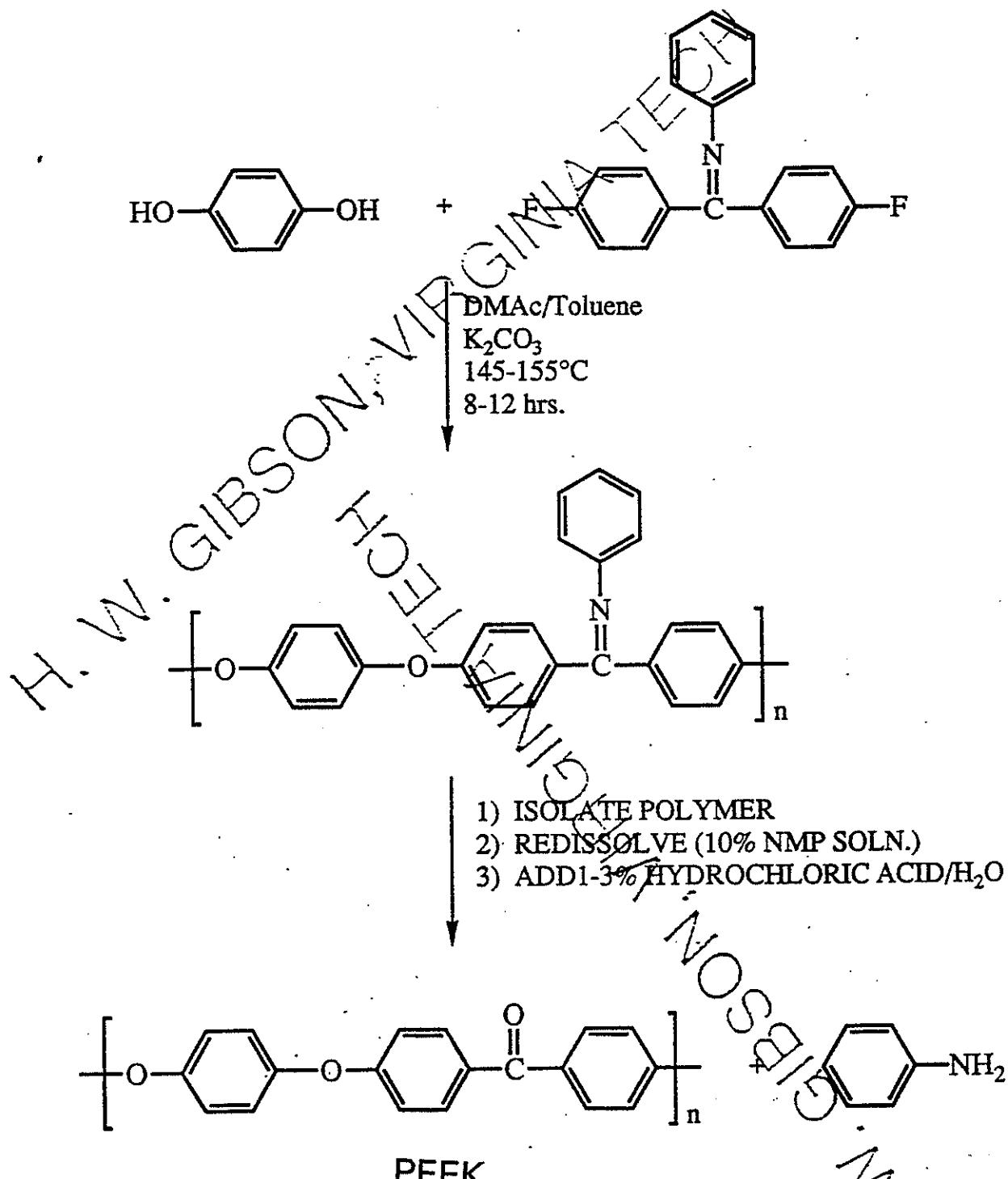
1. CRYSTALLINITY OF PRODUCT  
REQUIRES USE OF HIGH  
TEMPERATURES IN SYNTHESIS
2. CRYSTALLINITY & HIGH  $T_m$  MAKE  
PROCESSING DIFFICULT
3. CANNOT~~NOT~~ SYNTHESIZE  
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## ALTERNATIVE NUCLEOPHILIC APPROACHES (contd)



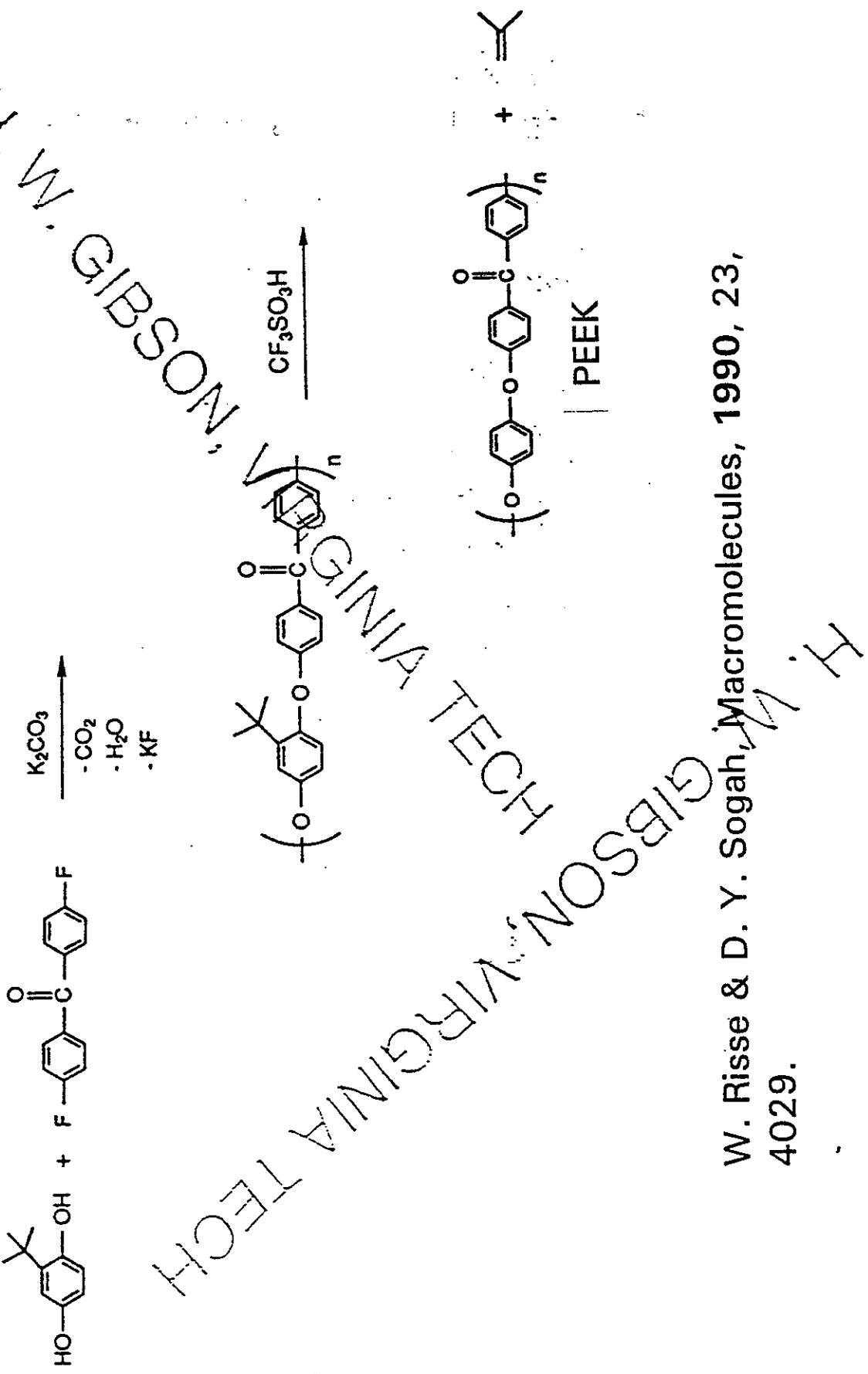
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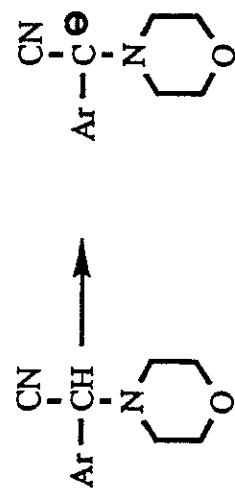


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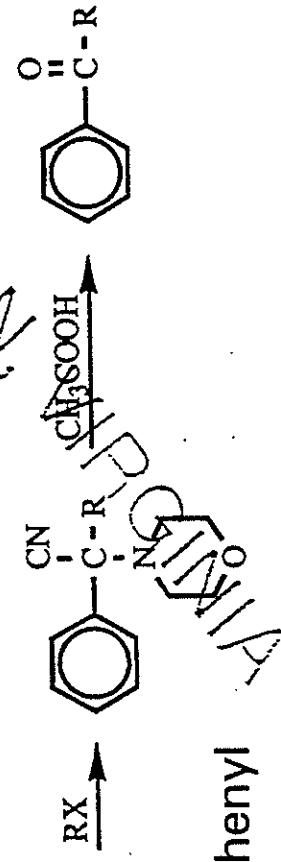
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LITERATURE PRECEDENT:  
MONOFUNCTIONAL AMINONITRILES



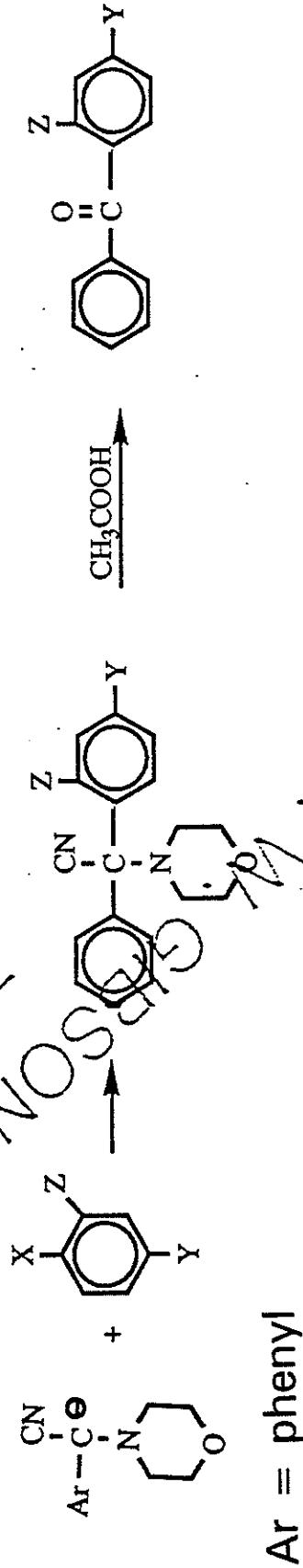
REACTIONS OF AMINONITRILE ANIONS WITH  
ACTIVATED AROMATICS



Ar = phenyl

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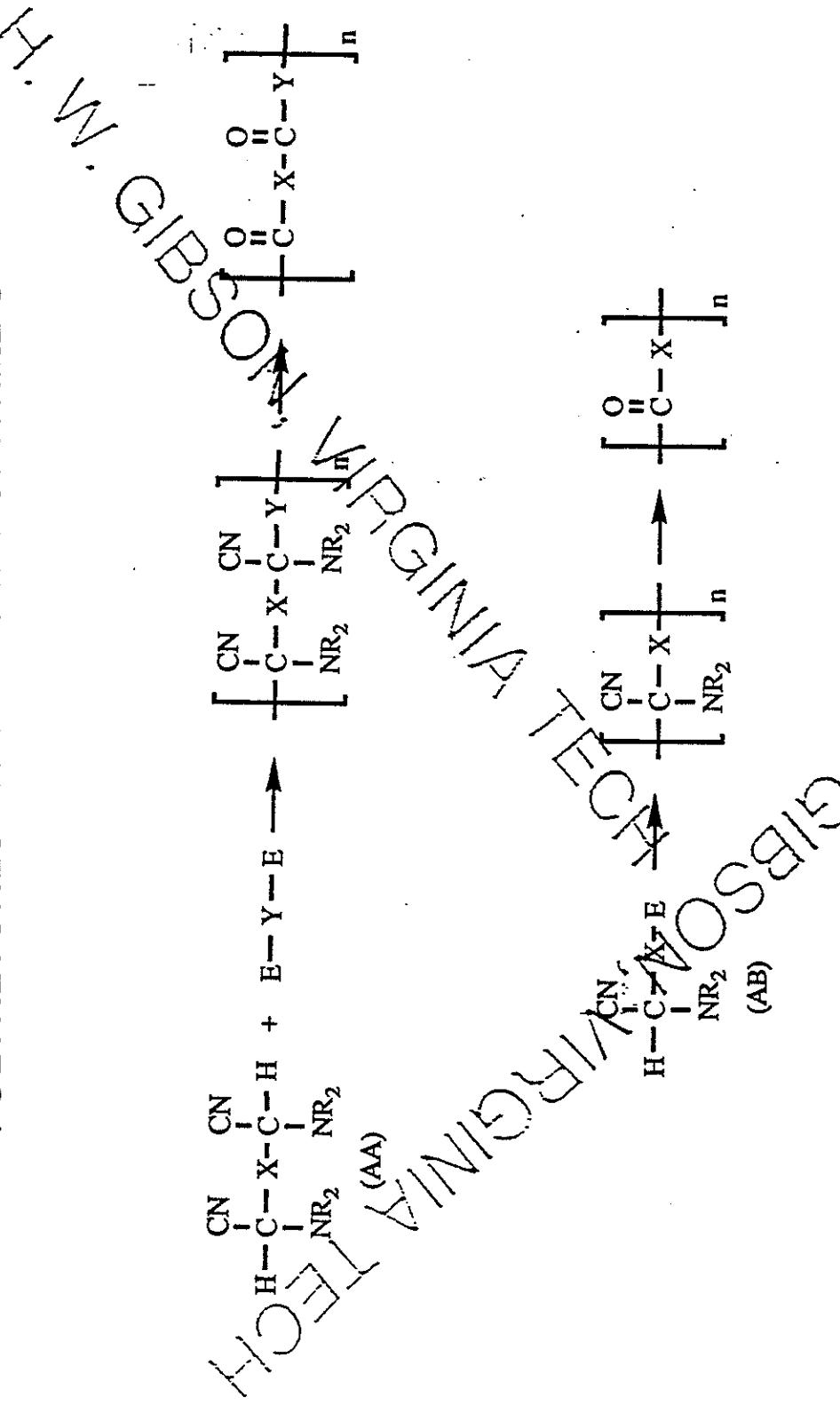
REACTIONS OF AMINONITRILE ANIONS WITH  
ALKYL HALIDES



(F. J. McEvoy & J. D. Albright, J. Org. Chem., 1979, 44, 4597; H. Albrecht, W. Raab & C. Vonderheid, Synthesis, 1979, 127)

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GENERAL SCHEME FOR SYNTHESIS OF  
POLYKETONES VIA AMINONITRILES



Polyaminonitriles have 1 or 2 stereogenic centers per repeat unit, thus atactic, amorphous, soluble.

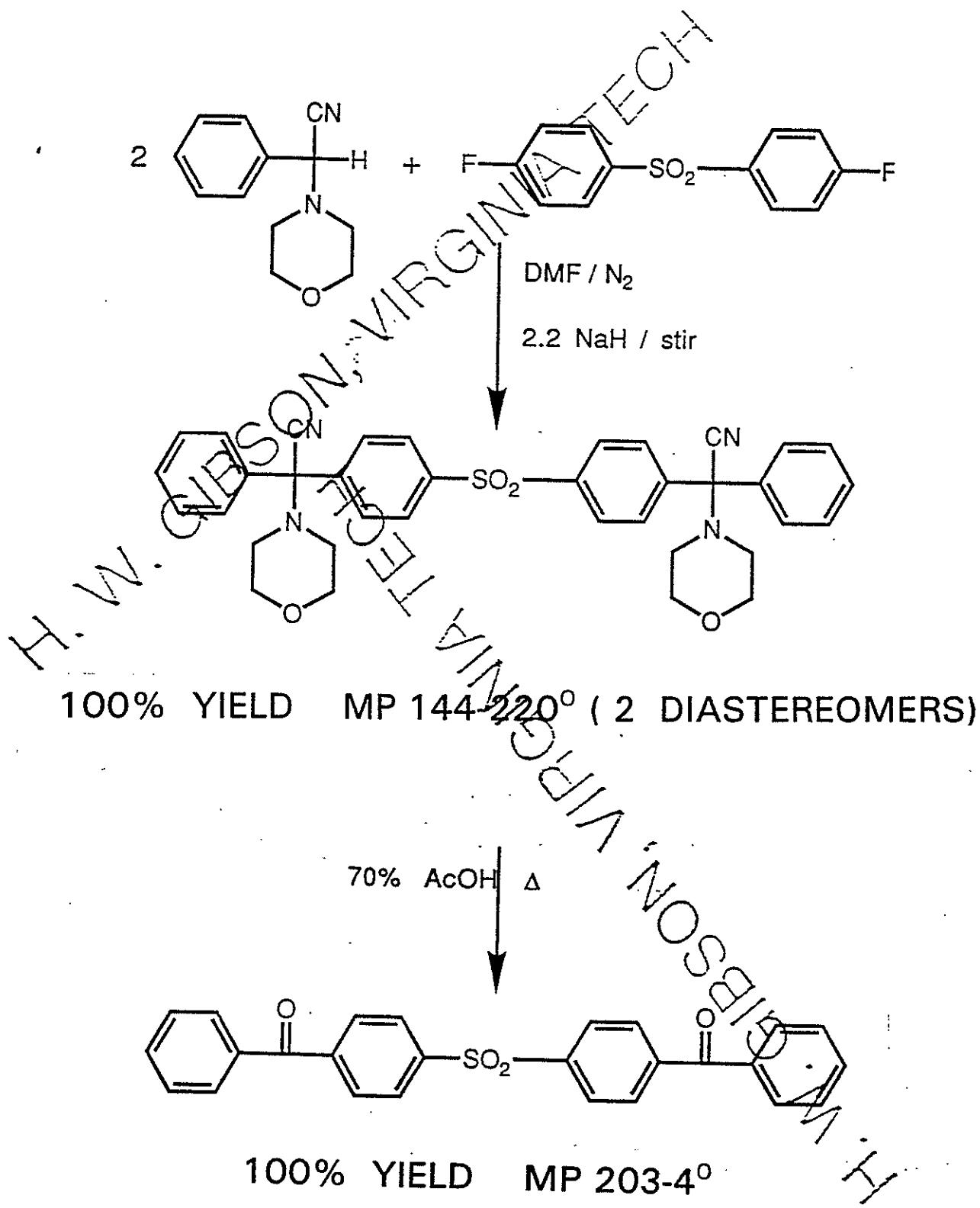
## OBJECTIVES

1. To synthesize wholly aromatic or mixed aliphatic/aromatic soluble poly(bis- $\alpha$ -aminonitrile)s
2. Hydrolyze these poly(bis- $\alpha$ -aminonitrile)s with aqueous acid to produce high-performance semicrystalline polyketones

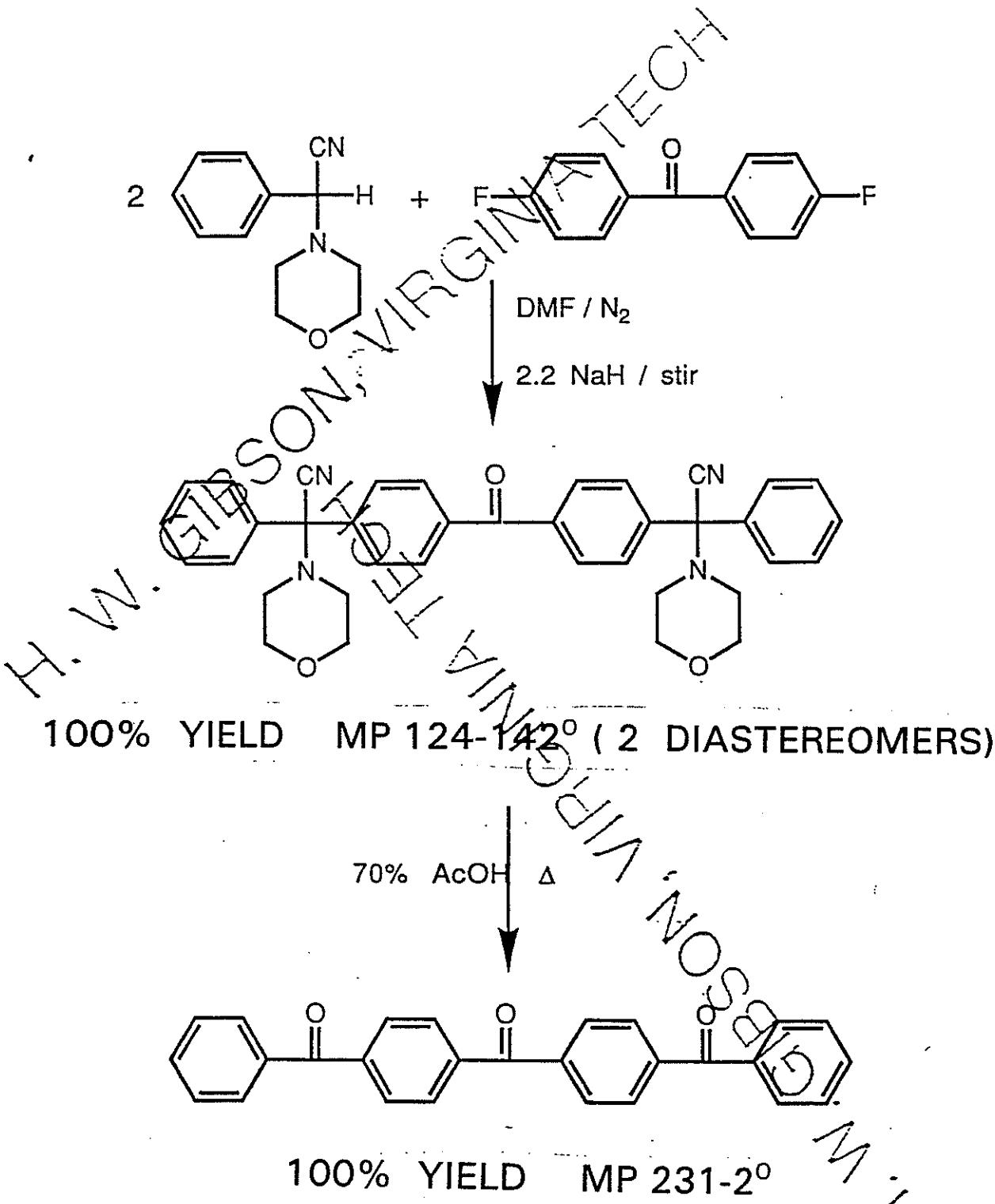
## WHY?

- \* PRODUCTION OF ENTIRELY NEW CLASSES OF CRYSTALLINE, HIGH PERFORMANCE POLYKETONES AND POLY(KETONE SULFONE)S WITHOUT ETHER OR THIOETHER LINKAGES
- \* ENTIRELY NEW ROUTE TO ALIPHATIC POLYKETONES WITH INDEPENDENT CONTROL OF TWO DIFFERENT ALKYLENE GROUPS. CRYSTALLINE, BIODEGRADABLE IN SOME CASES.
- \* AFFORDS MIXED AROMATIC/ALIPHATIC SYSTEMS. CRYSTALLINE, BIODEGRADABLE IN SOME CASES.
- \* KNOWN POLY(ETHER KETONE)S ALSO ACCESSIBLE BY THIS CHEMISTRY
- \* POTENTIAL TO MAKE POWDERS FOR PREPREGS VIA SAME OVERALL PROCESS NOW APPLIED TO OTHER PROTECTED POLY(ETHER KETONES), I.E., ACID HYDROLYSIS

## MODEL REACTIONS

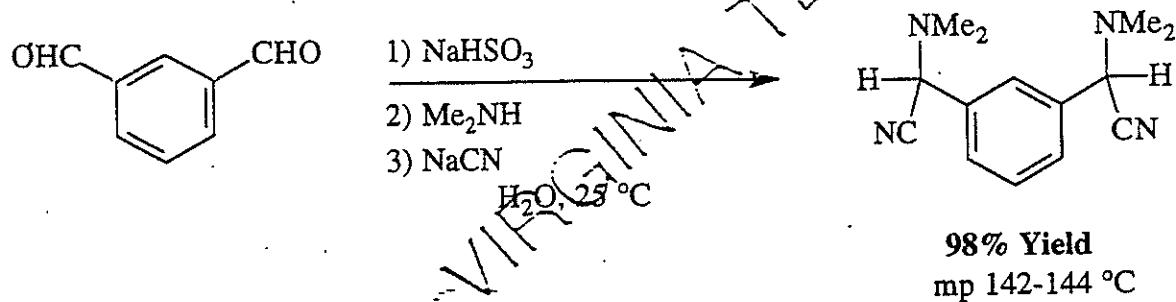


## MODEL REACTIONS (CONTD)



## Synthesis of bis- $\alpha$ -aminonitrile

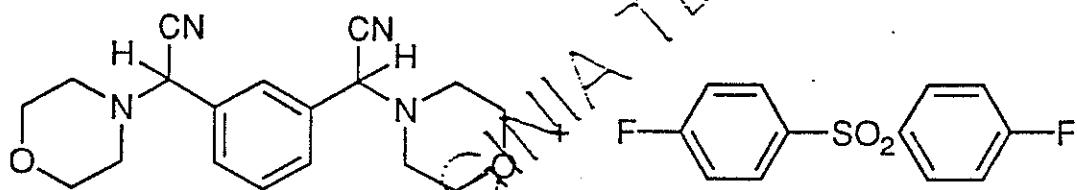
### Strecker Synthesis



### Characteristics of Strecker- $\alpha$ -aminonitriles

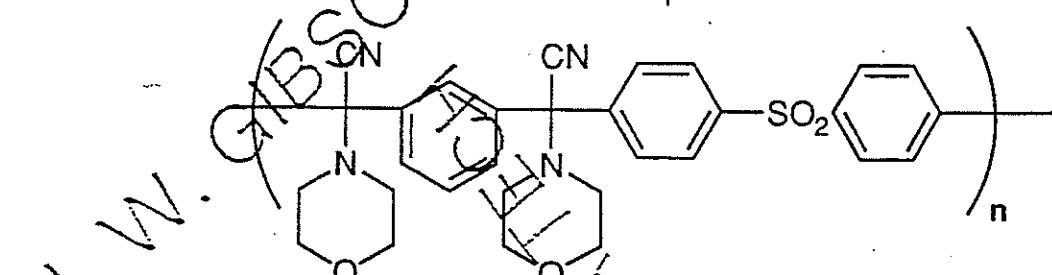
- 1)  $\alpha$ -protons are acidic and can be removed easily with NaH
- 2) resulting carbanions are excellent nucleophiles
- 3) amine group can be varied to invoke different solubilities in polymers
- 4) aliphatic aminonitriles can also be prepared this way

EVIDENCE OF THE VALIDITY OF THE CONCEPT  
FORMATION OF HIGH POLYMER



DMF / N<sub>2</sub>

2.2 NaH

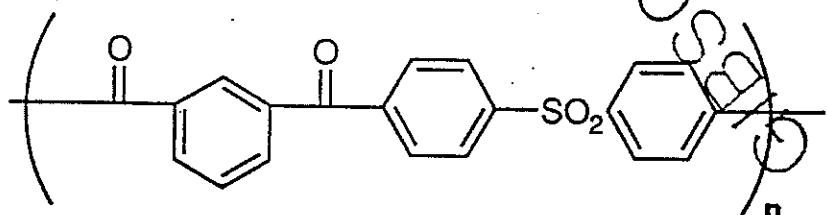


$M_n = 32.3 \times 10^3$ ,  $M_w = 44.0 \times 10^3$  (abs., NMP, 60°)

TGA (10%): 298° SOLUBLE CHCl<sub>3</sub>, THF, ETC.

70% AcOH

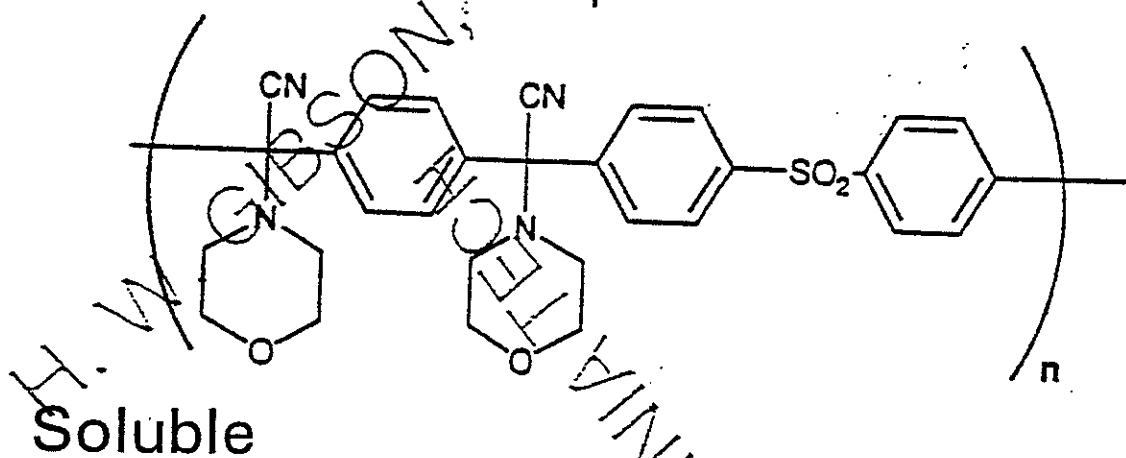
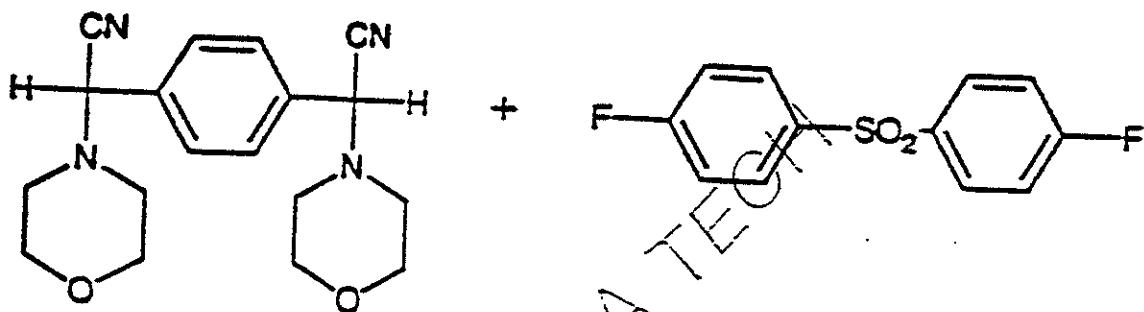
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$M_n = 16.4 \times 10^3$ ,  $M_w = 30.6 \times 10^3$  (abs., NMP, 60°)

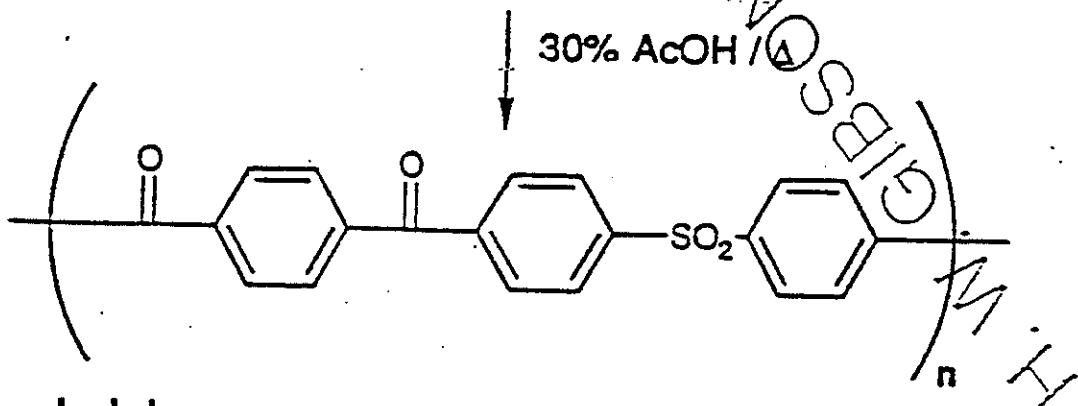
TGA (10%): 530°,  $T_g = 208^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_m = 458^\circ\text{C}$



$M_n = 8.6 \text{ K}$ ,  $M_w = 17.2 \text{ K}$

(abs. GPC, NMP, 0.5% LiCl, 60°C)

DSC: no transitions, TGA: 252°C.

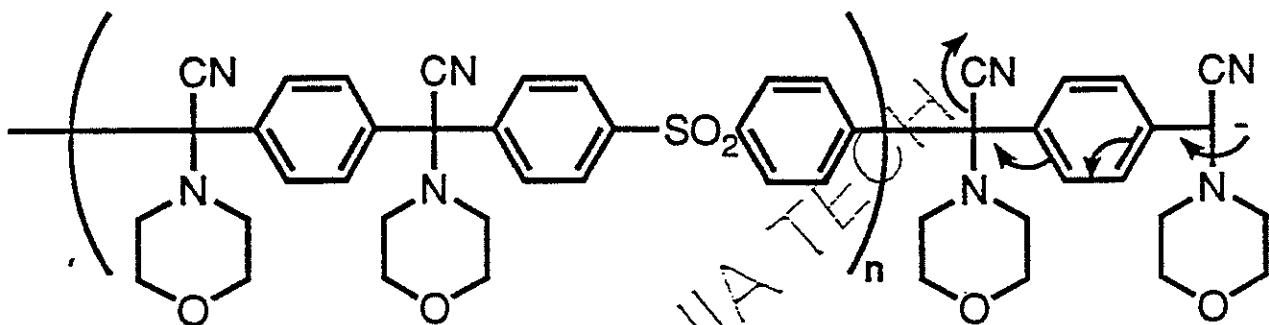


Insoluble

$T_g = 228^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_m = 414^\circ\text{C}$  (WAXS)

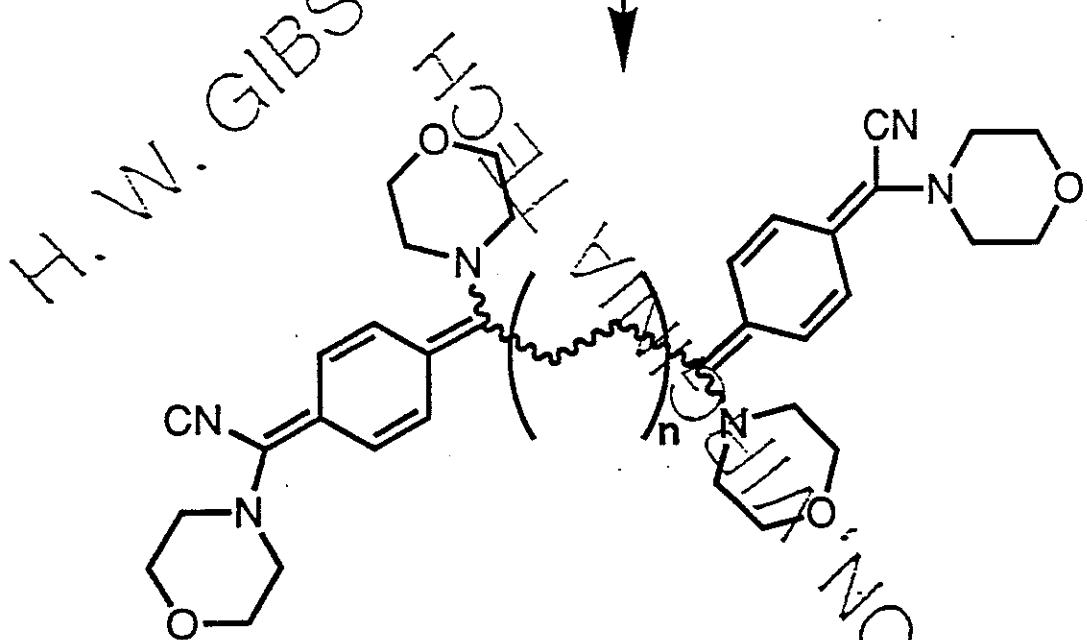
TGA: 493°C (10%)

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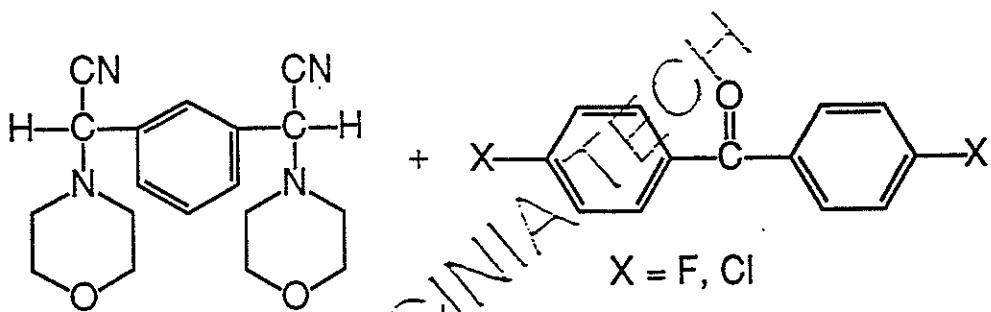
intramolecular

decyanation

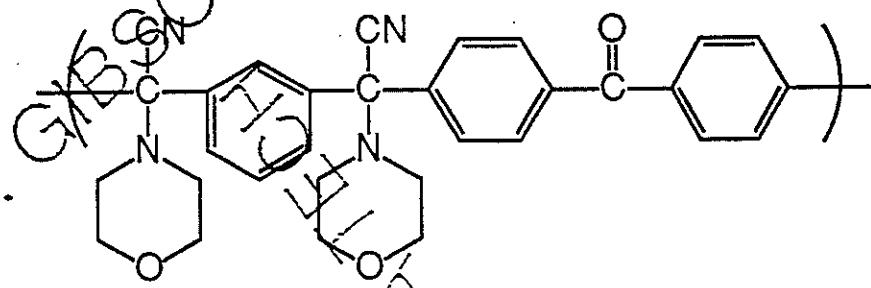


Proposed intramolecular decyanation side reaction  
leading to low molecular weights.

## SYNTHESIS OF NOVEL POLYKETONE

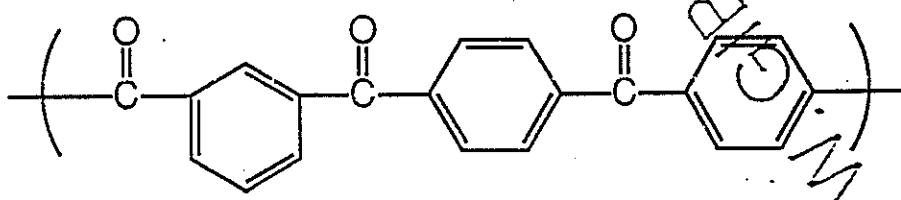


$\downarrow$   
 NaH, r.t.  
 DMF,  $N_2$



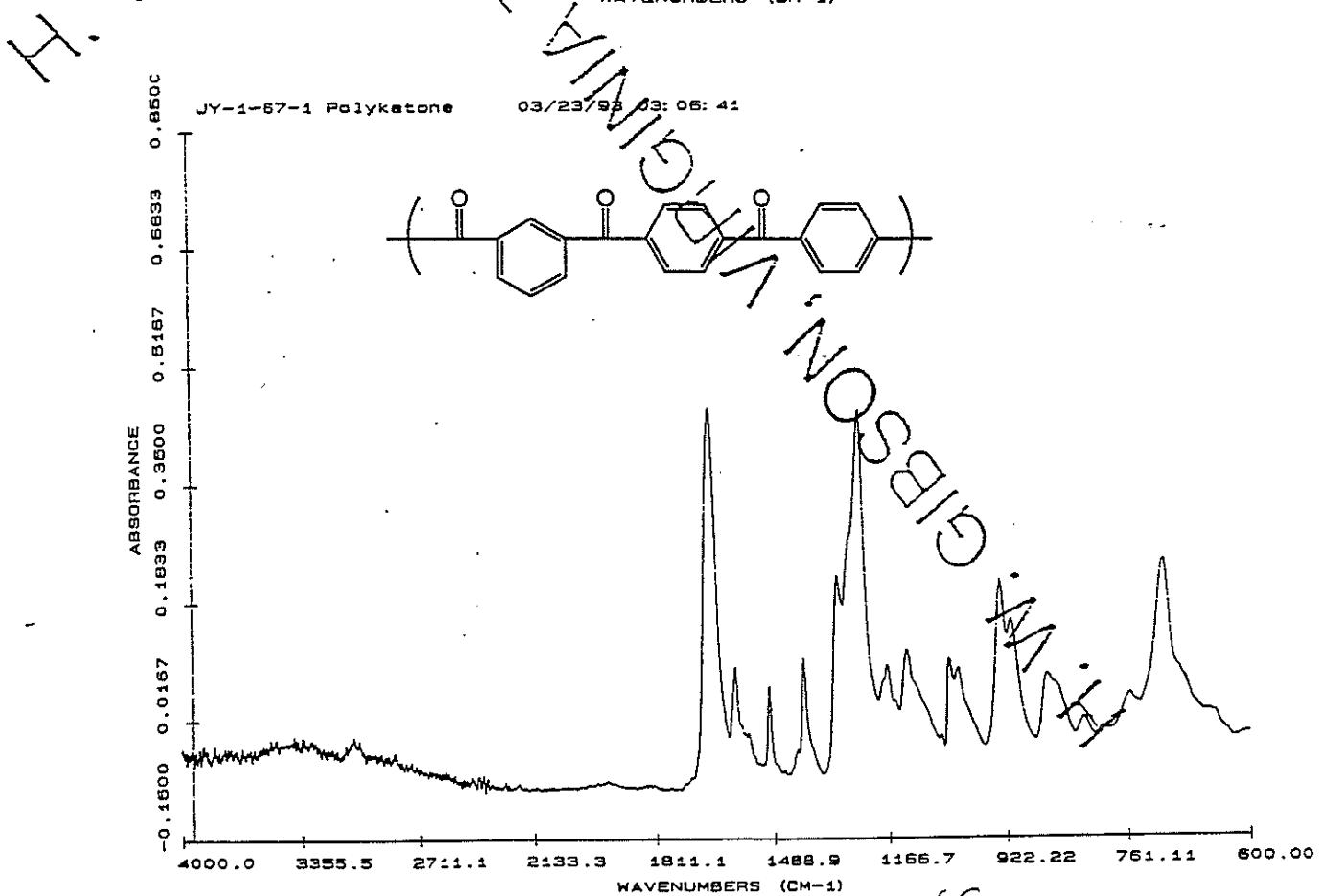
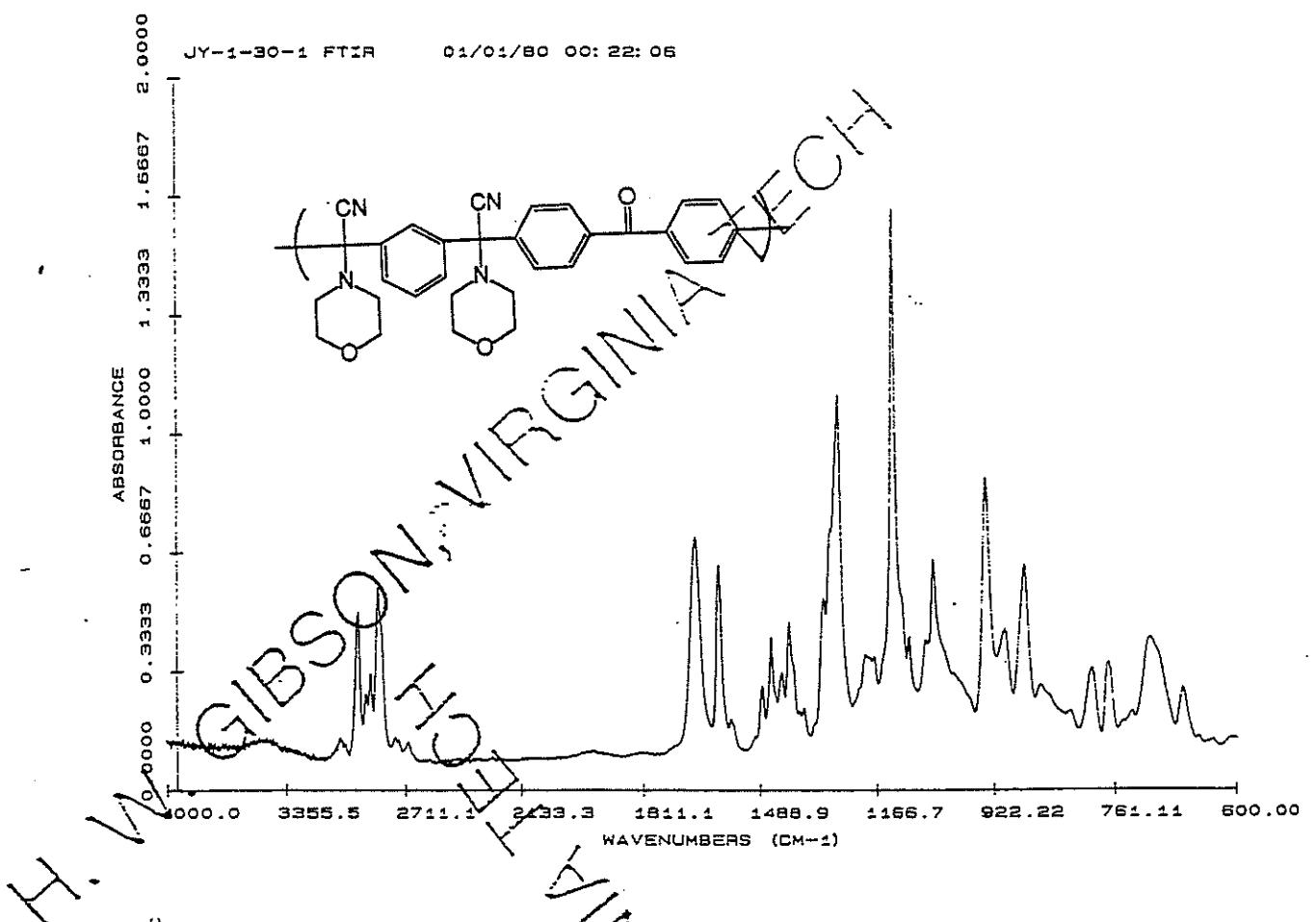
$M_n=36K, M_w=75K$  (abs. MW, NMP, 60°C);  
 soluble in THF,  $CHCl_3$ , etc.;  
 DSC:  $T_g=69$  °C; no  $T_m$   
 TGA: 5% weight loss at 263 °C (air)

$\downarrow$   
 HCl  
 HOAc



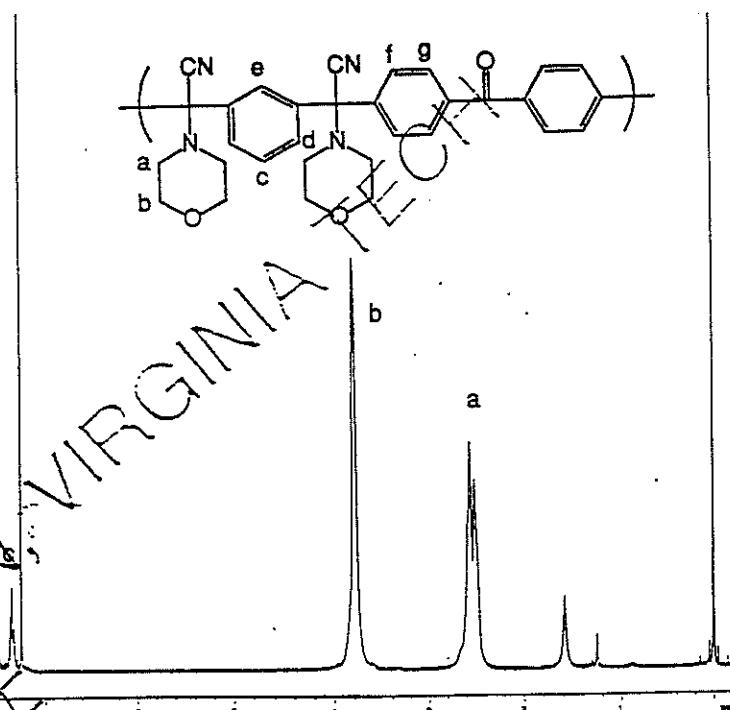
Only soluble in very strong acid, such as conc.  $H_2SO_4$ ;  
 DSC:  $T_g=217$  °C,  $T_m>525$  °C;  
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# THE FTIR SPECTRA (KBr)

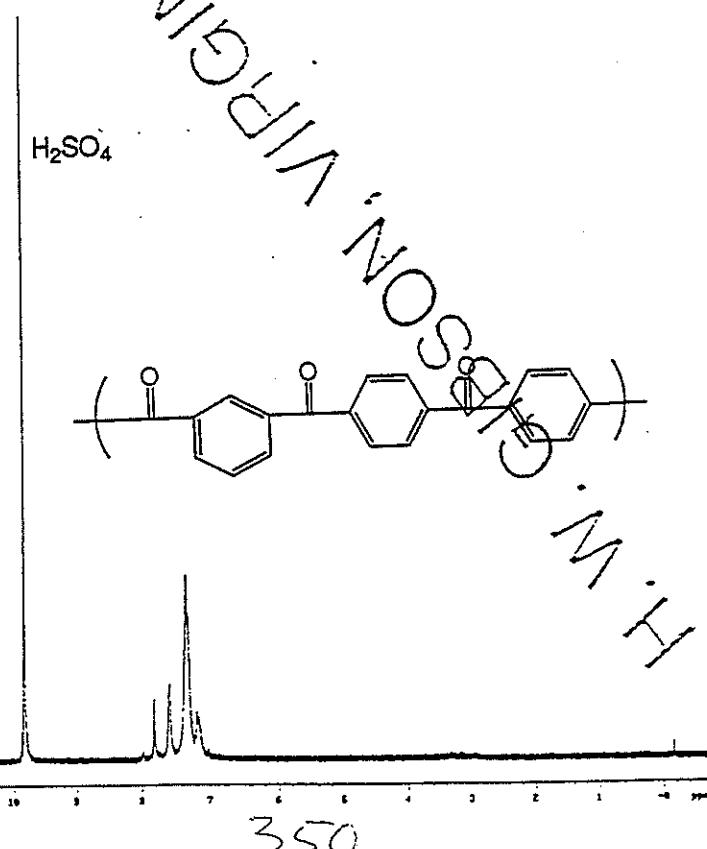


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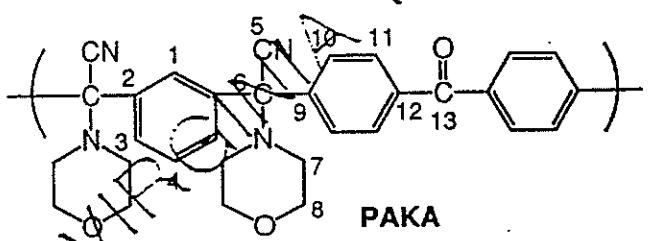
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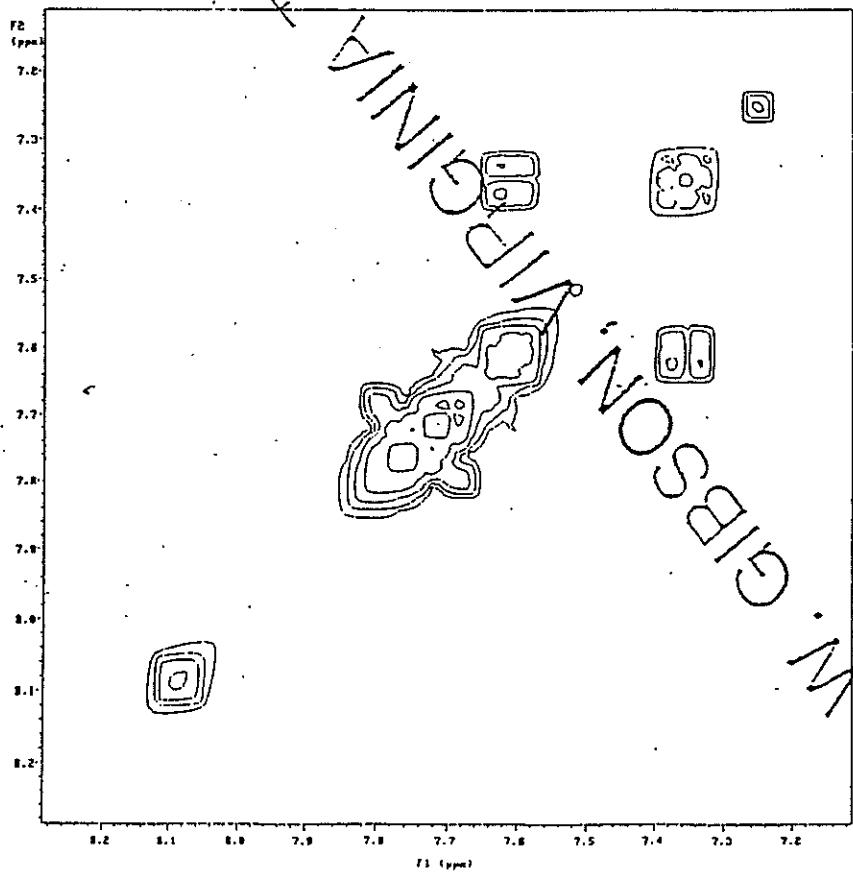
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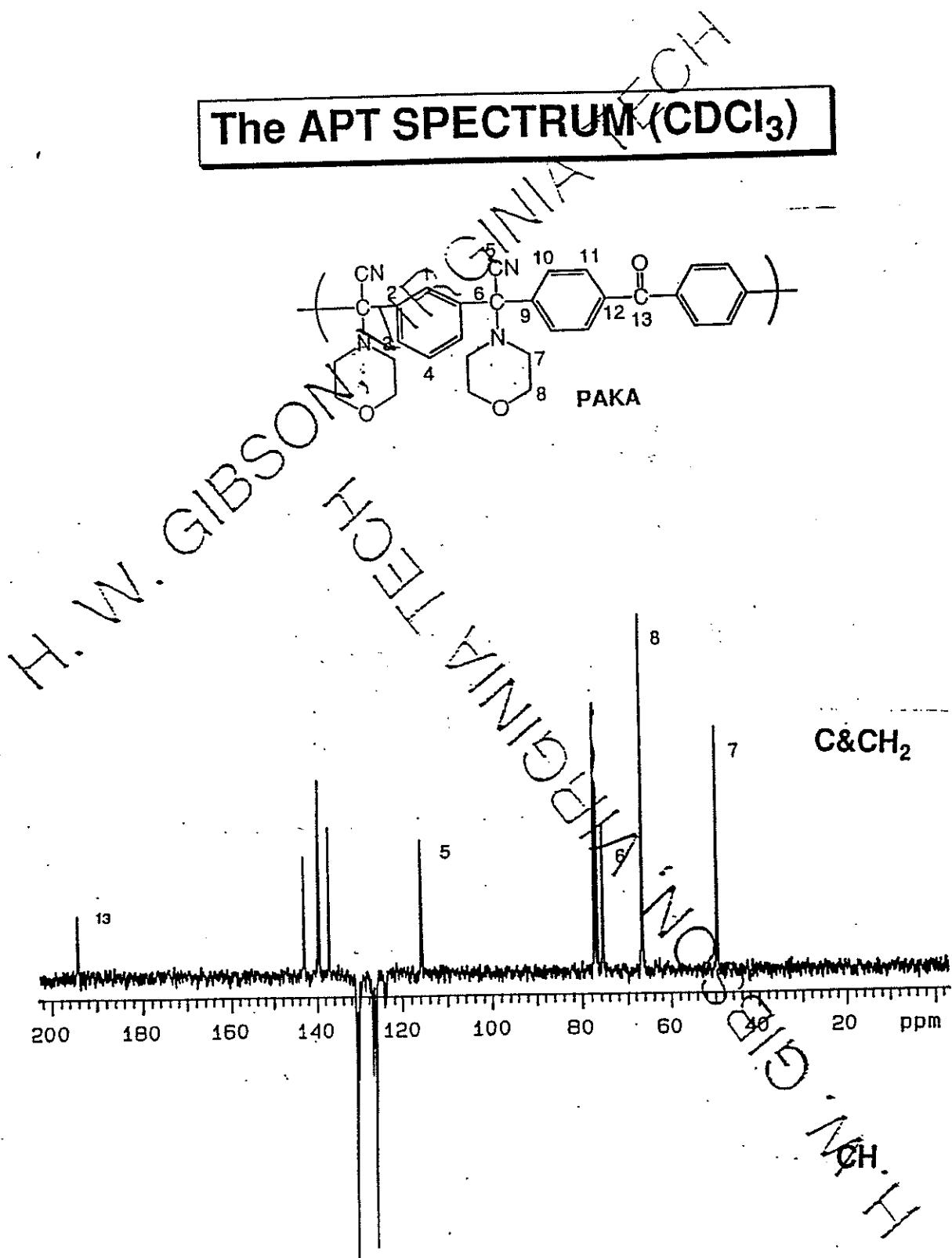
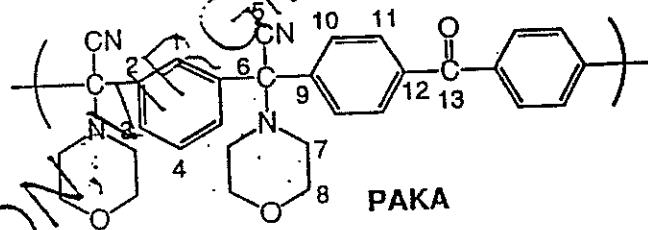
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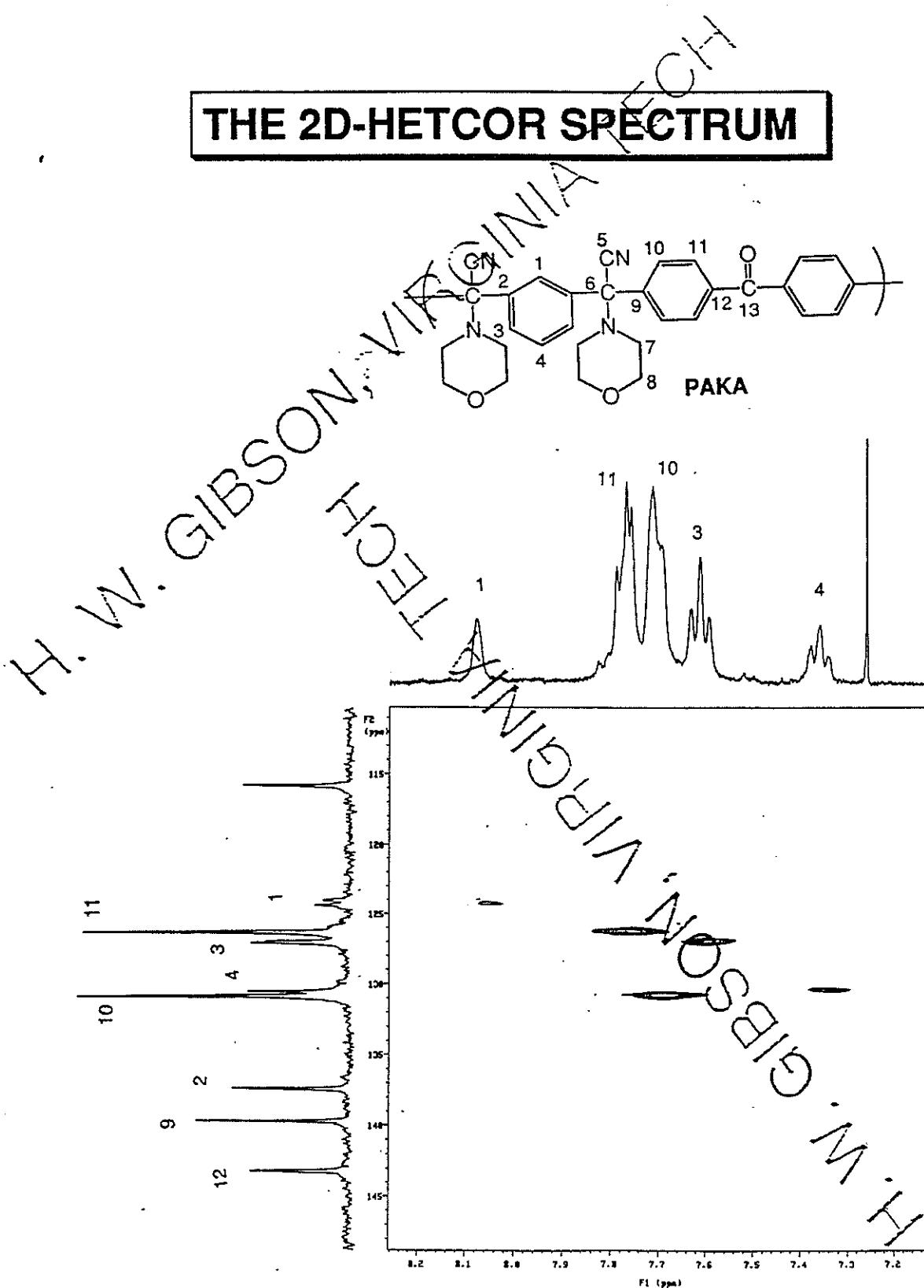


## The APT SPECTRUM ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )

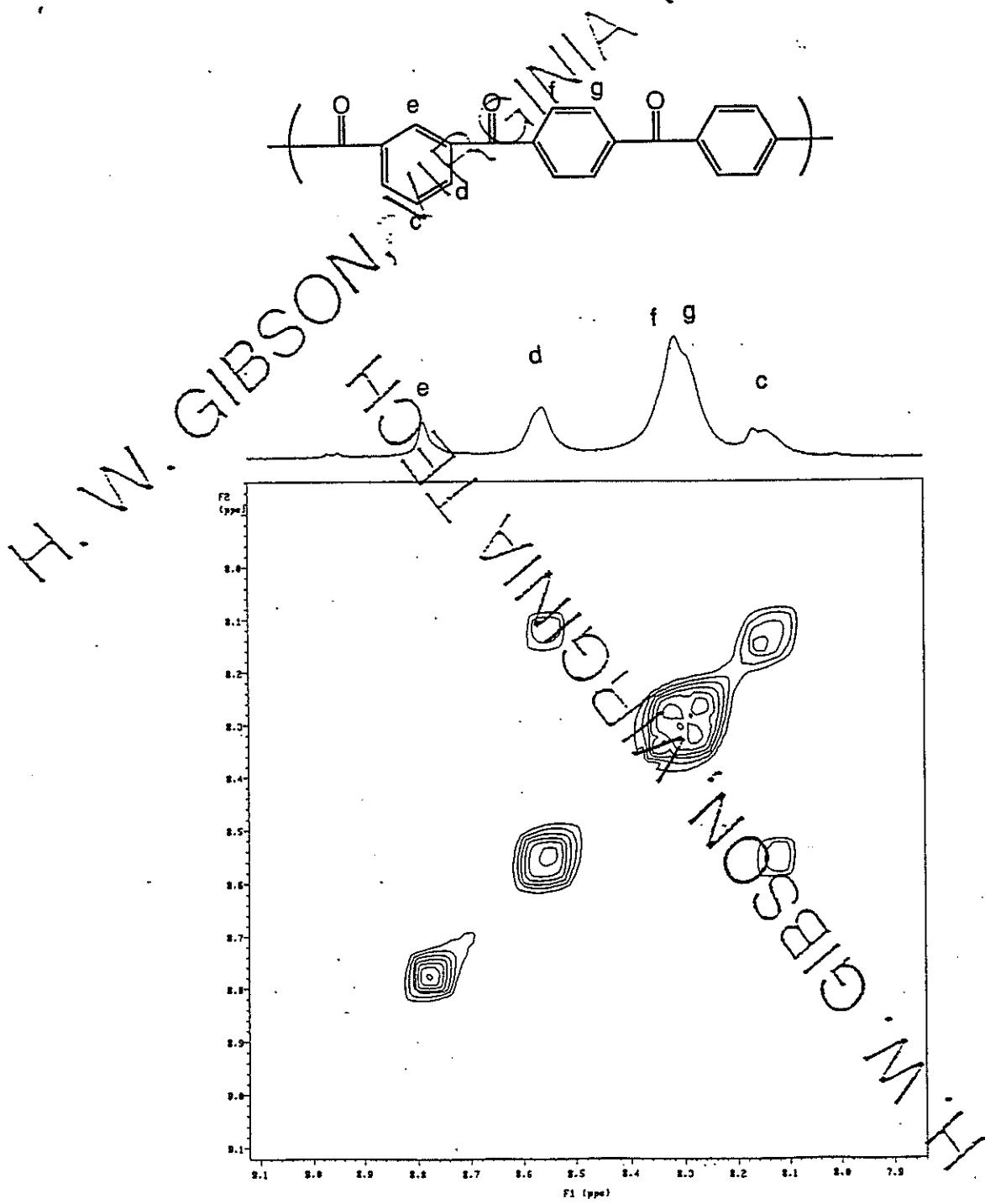


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## THE 2D-HETCOR SPECTRUM



## THE 2D-COSY SPECTRUM



# THE WIDE-ANGLE X-RAY PATTERN

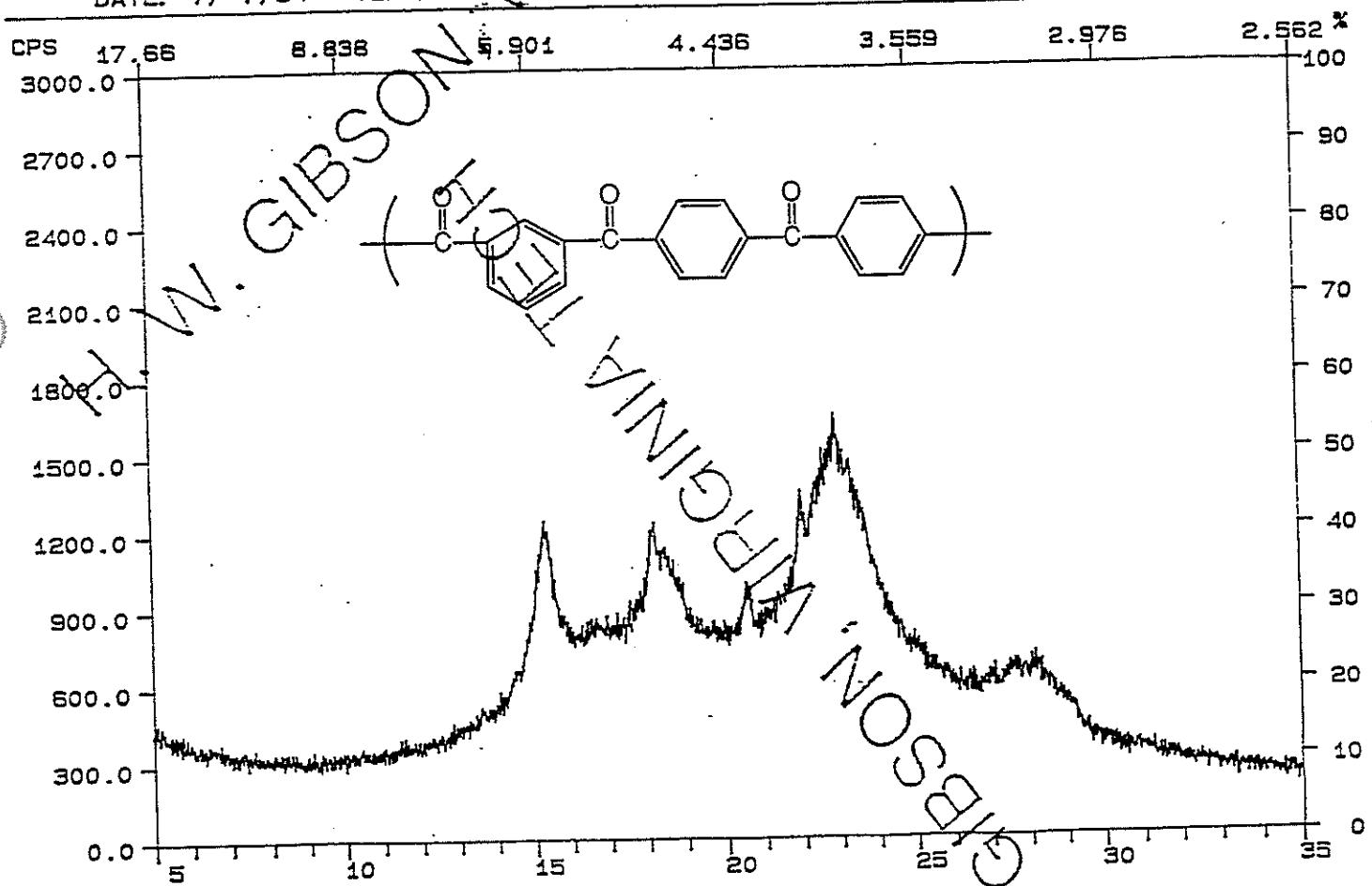
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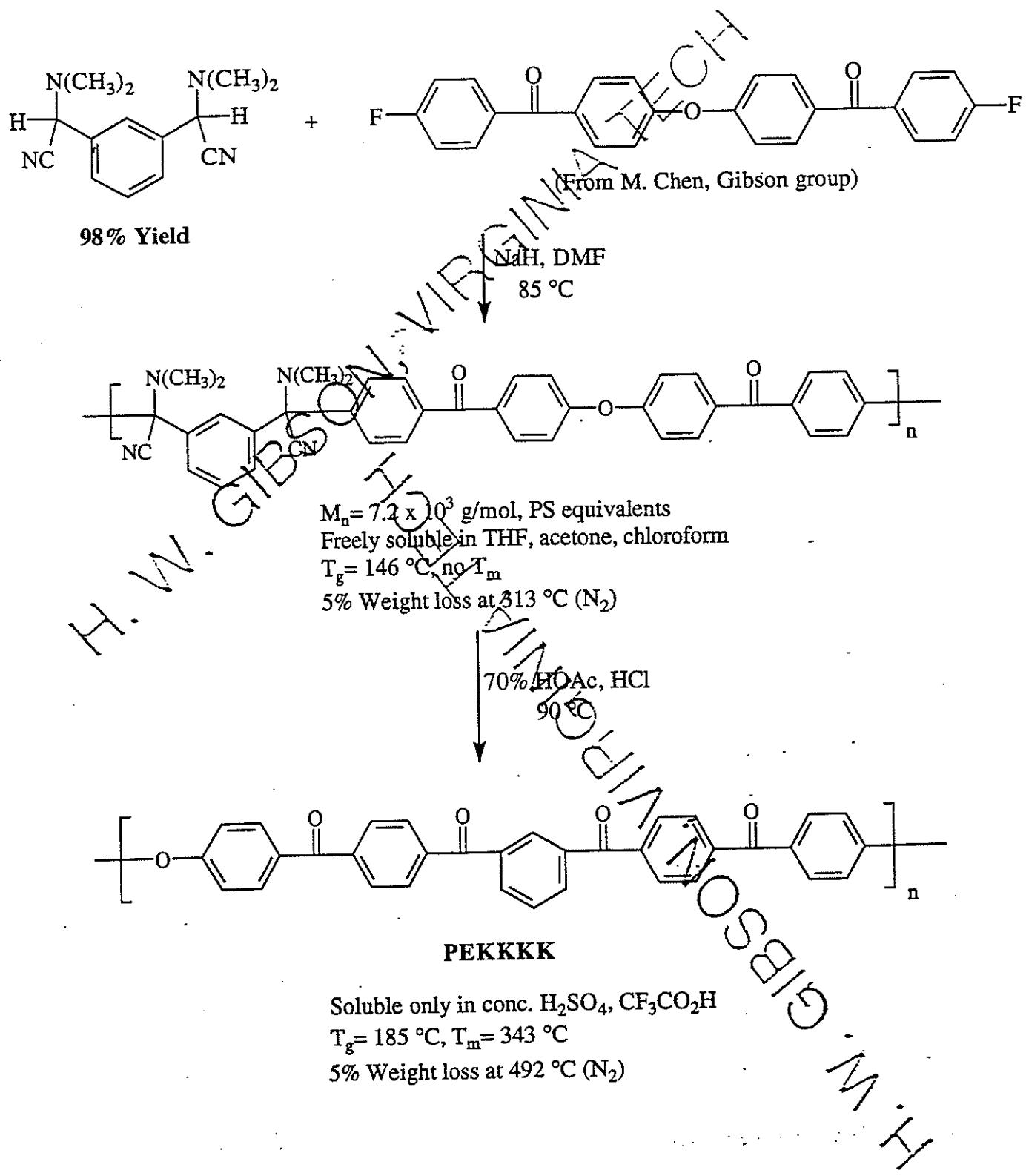
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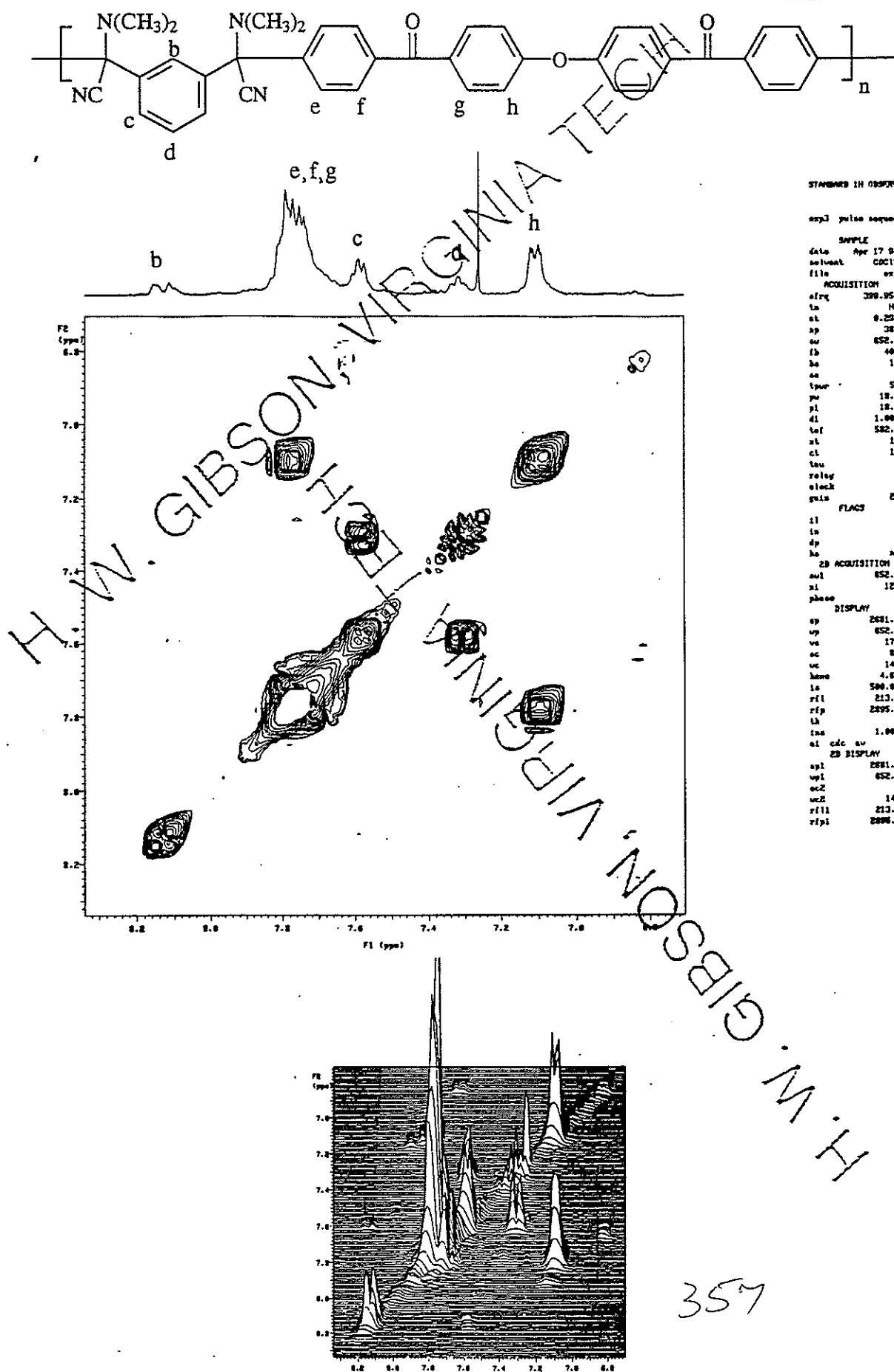
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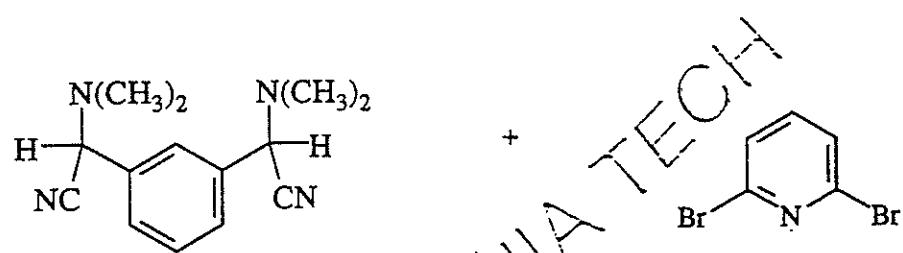
# Synthesis of Novel Poly(ether ketone ketone ketone) PEKKKK



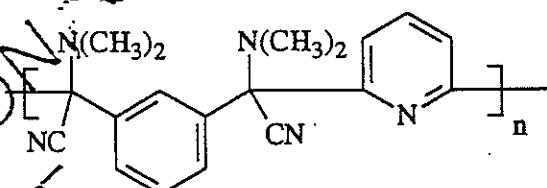
# The 2D-COSY NMR Spectrum in $\text{CDCl}_3$



# Synthesis of a Water Soluble Wholly Aromatic Polyketone



$\xrightarrow[\text{NaH, DMF}]{85^\circ\text{C}}$

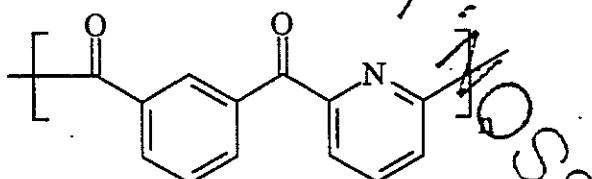


$M_n = 13 \times 10^3$  g/mol (PS equivalents)

Freely soluble in MeOH, acetone, THF, chloroform

$T_g = 94^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $n < T_m$

5% Weight loss at  $206^\circ\text{C}$  ( $N_2$ )



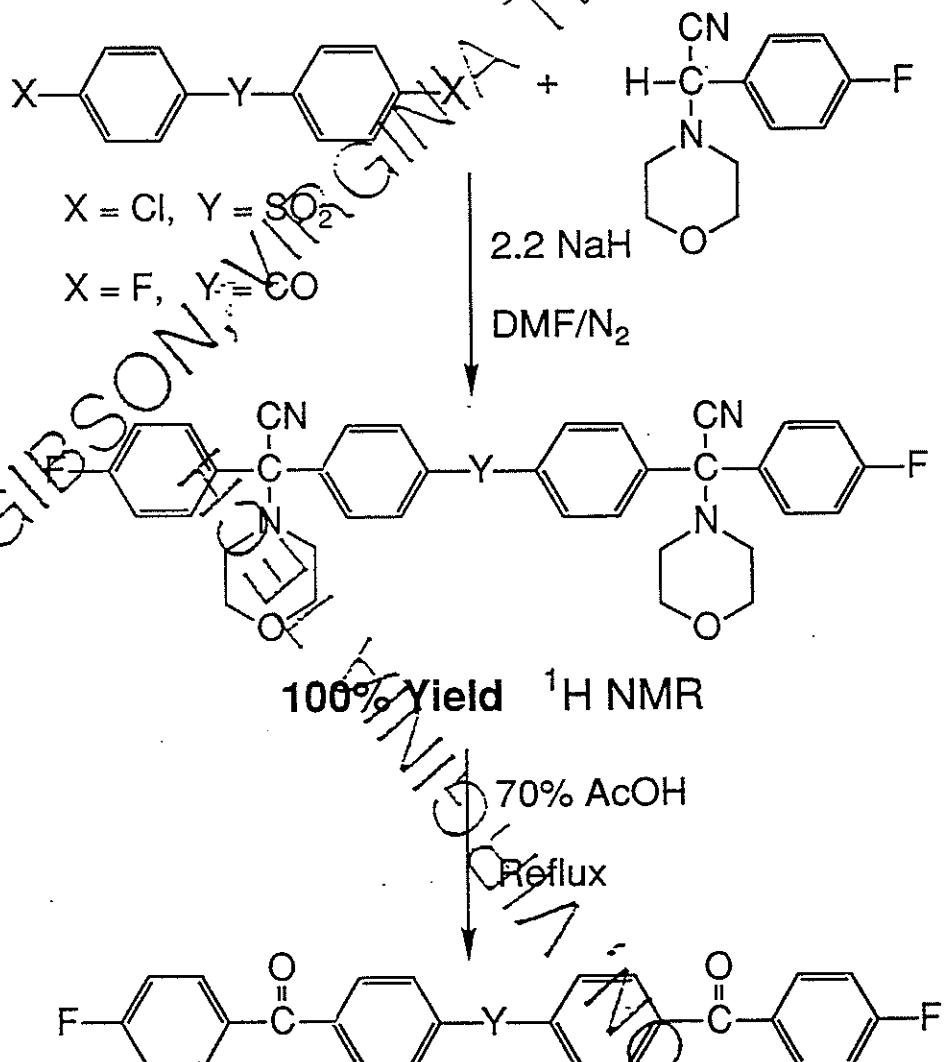
Soluble in hot DMSO, aqueous acetic acid ( $\text{pH} < 6.0$ )

Insoluble in acetone, chloroform, THF

$T_g = 129^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_m > 170^\circ\text{C}$

5% Weight loss at  $242^\circ\text{C}$  ( $N_2$ )

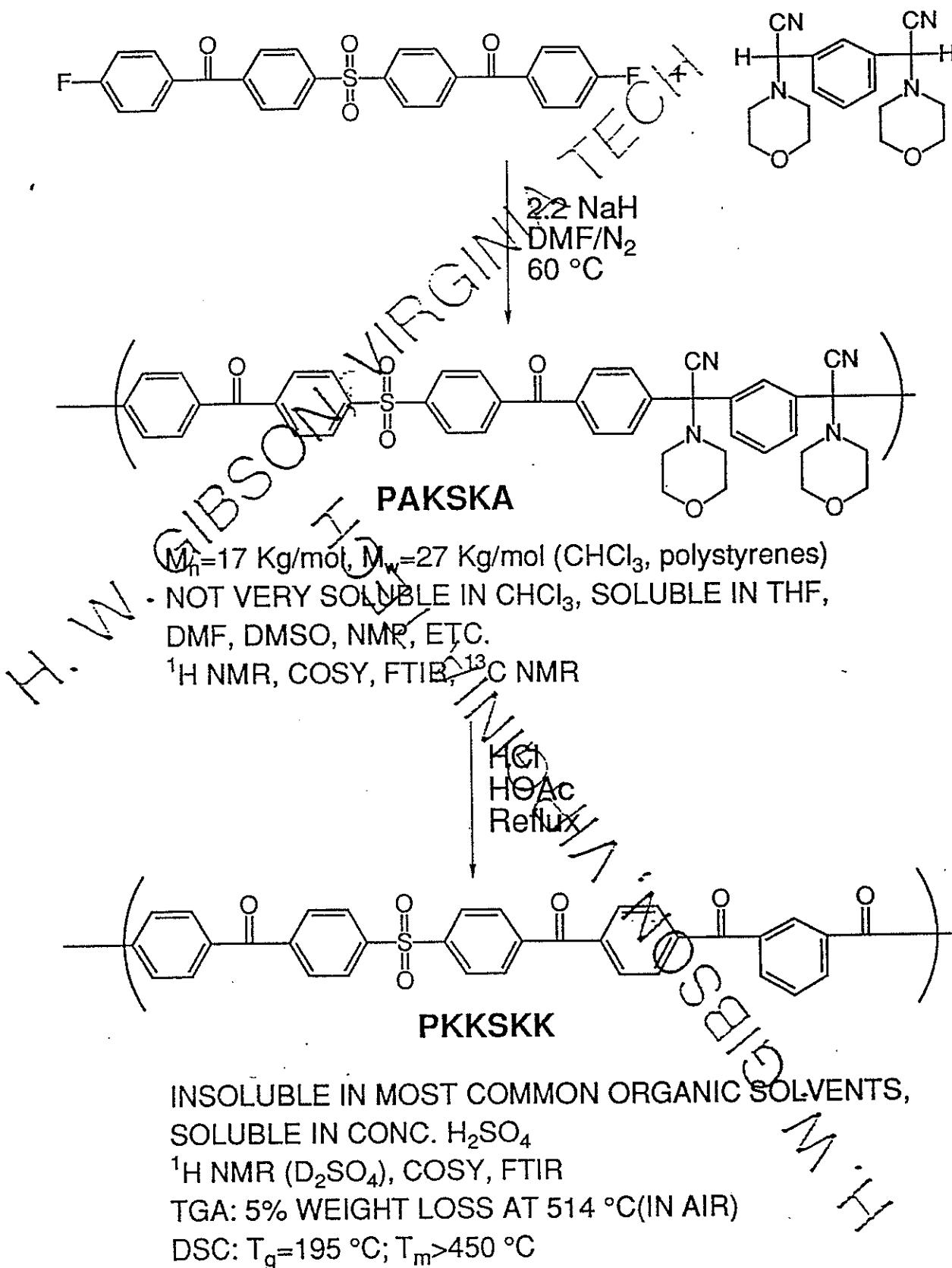
## SYNTHESIS OF BISFLUORO KETO MONOMERS FROM AMINONITRILES



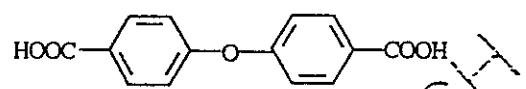
100% Yield <sup>1</sup>H NMR, FTIR  
 mp 183-4 °C (Y=SO<sub>2</sub>, rep. 177-8 °C)  
 mp 294-5 °C (Y=CO, rep. 282-3 °C)

EXTENSIONS ARE POSSIBLE.

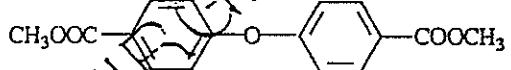
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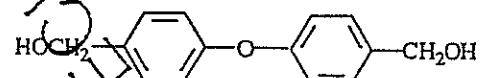
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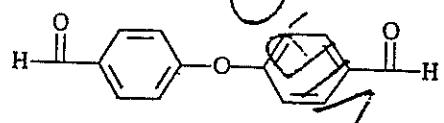
CH<sub>3</sub>OH, H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>



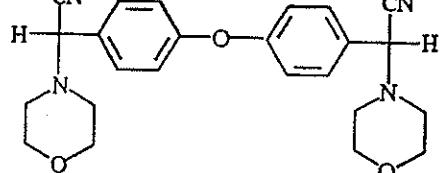
LAH, THF

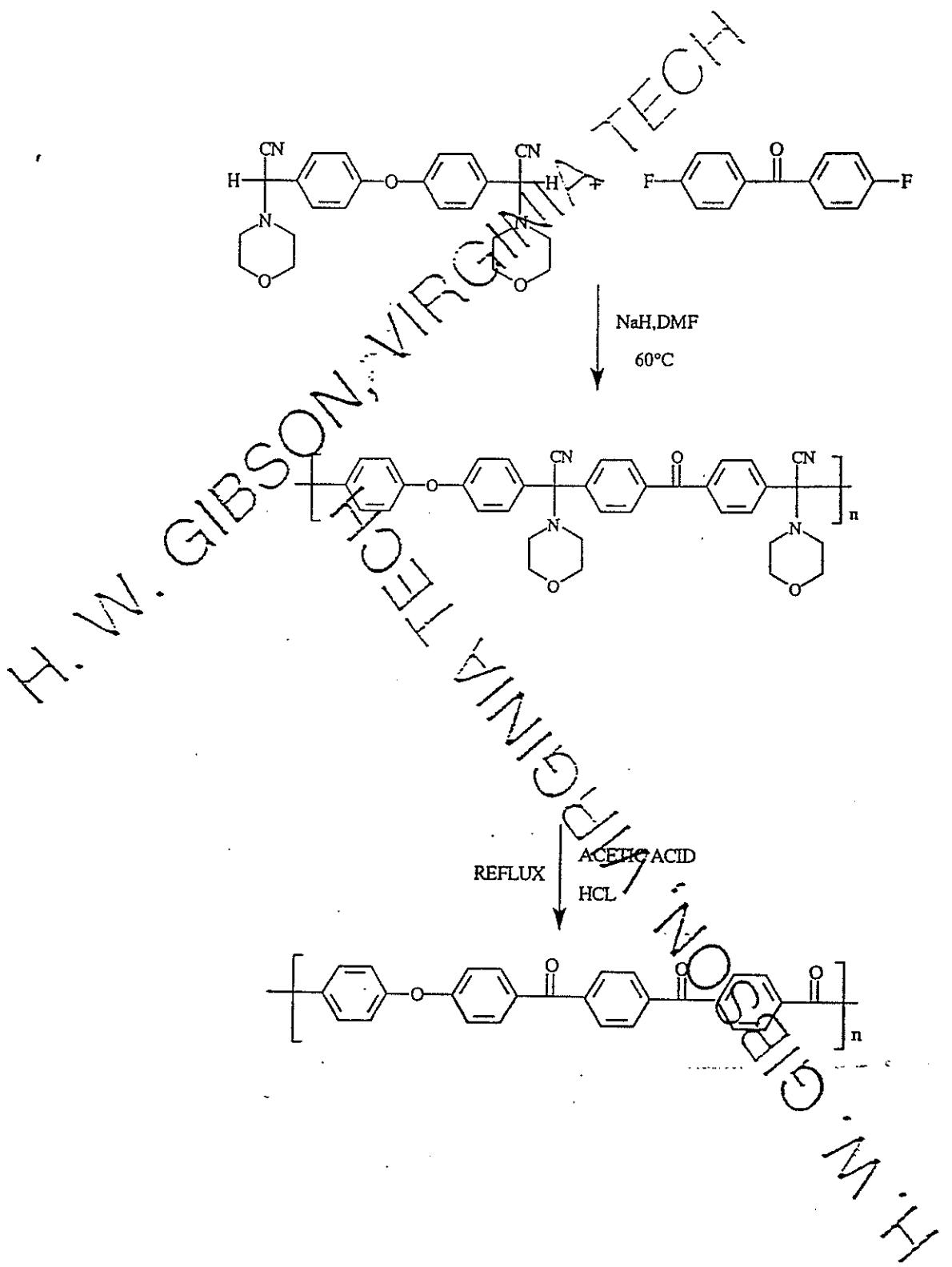


CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, PCC

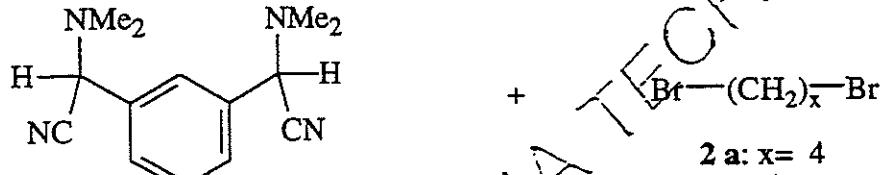


CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>  
TMSiCN  
MORPHOLINE



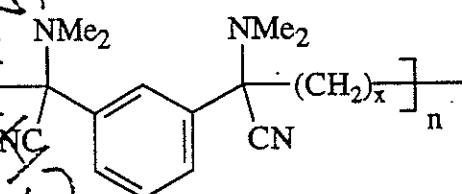


# Mixed Aliphatic/Aromatic Polyketones From Soluble Poly(bis- $\alpha$ -aminonitrile)s

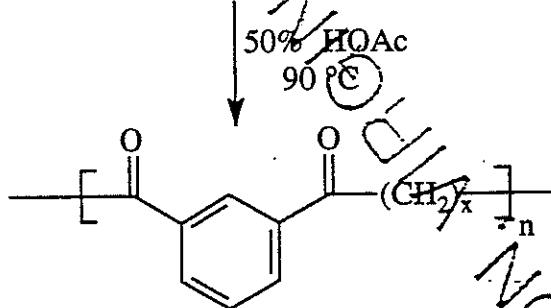


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98% Yield

$\downarrow$   
 $\text{NaH, DMF}$   
 $70^\circ\text{C}$



Freely soluble in THF, acetone, chloroform  
 3a:  $T_g = 54^\circ\text{C}$ , no  $T_m$ ; 5% weight loss at  $148^\circ\text{C}$  ( $\text{N}_2$ )  
 3b:  $T_g < 25^\circ\text{C}$



4a,b

4a:  $T_g = 105^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_m = 207^\circ\text{C}$ ; 5% weight loss at  $212^\circ\text{C}$  ( $\text{N}_2$ ), insoluble in organics  
 4b:  $T_g = 88^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_m = 144^\circ\text{C}$ ; 5% weight loss at  $332^\circ\text{C}$  ( $\text{N}_2$ ), soluble in hot DMSO

High molecular weights achieved (polymer 3a:  $M_n = 42 \times 10^3$  g/mol,  
 polymer 3b:  $M_n = 32 \times 10^3$  g/mol, PS equivalents)

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## CONCLUSIONS

- ◆ The use of aminonitrile monomers allows efficient syntheses of polyketones via soluble precursors, reducing synthesis and processing problems associated with classical methods.
- ◆ The method is applicable to the production of aliphatic or aromatic or aliphatic/aromatic polyketones.
- ◆ New types of aromatic polyketones without ether linkages can be prepared in this way, possibly leading to higher performance materials.
- ◆ These materials appear to have potential as high performance adhesives and composite components.

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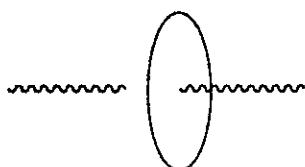
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# Chemistry for Rings and Pegs

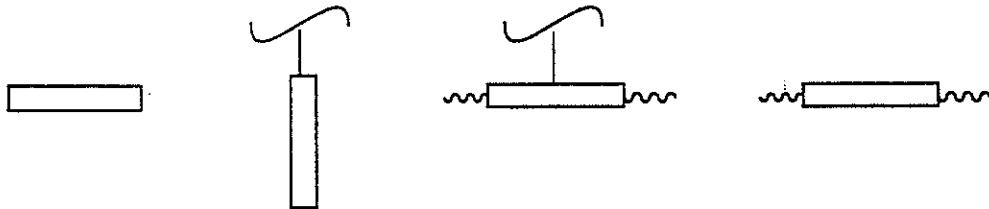
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## Rings



- 1) How to thread rings with chains which lack an enthalpic driving force.

## Pegs

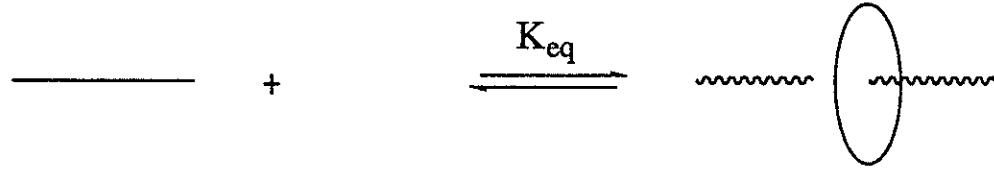


- 2) Prediction of mesophases formed / predetermined mesophases.

Backbone  
Spacer  
Mesogen  
Molecular Weight  
Polydispersity  
Tacticity

- 3) Transformation / regulation of mesophases

Specific Interactions  
Immiscible Components



$$\Delta G = -RT \ln K_{eq}$$

$$\ln K_{eq} = \frac{\Delta S}{R} - \frac{\Delta H}{RT}$$

## Threading Methods

### 1) Statistical Threading

strong attractive interactions absent

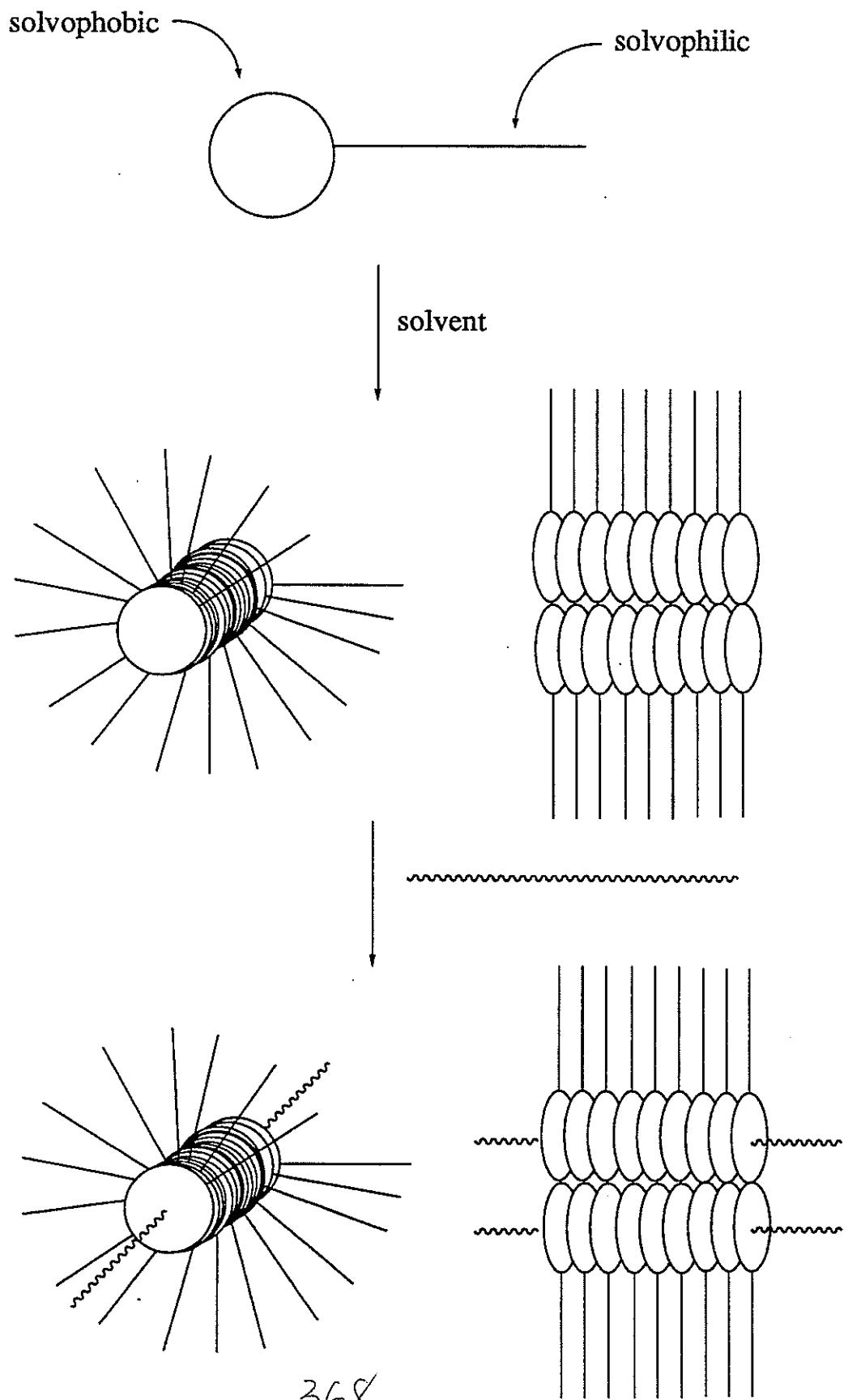
$\Delta S$  determines equilibrium

### 2) Directed / Template Threading

strong attractive interactions between cyclic & linear components

$\Delta H$  determines equilibrium

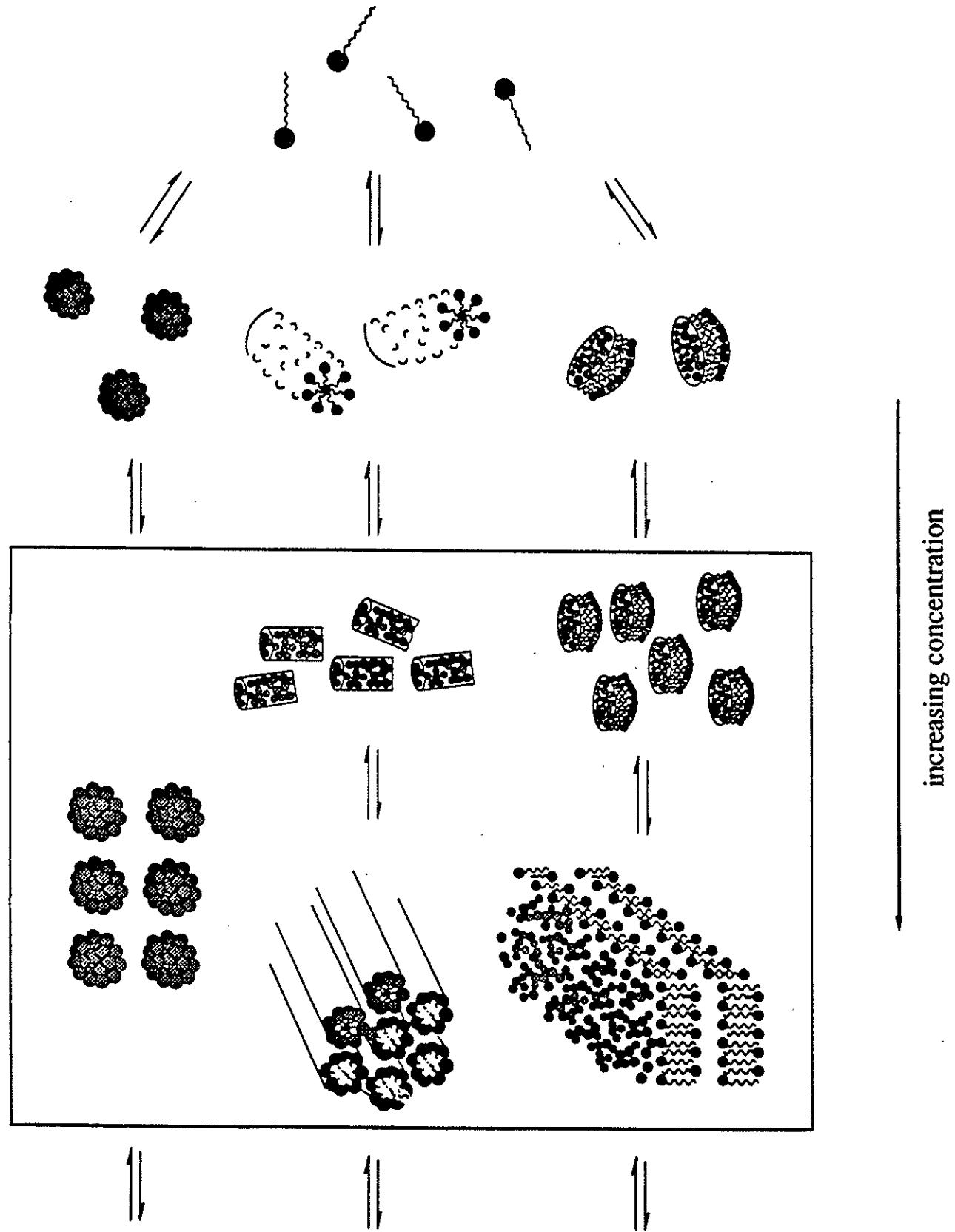
## AMPHIPHILIC APPROACH

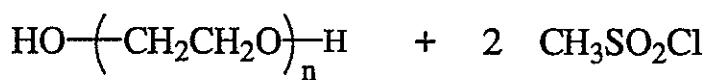


Crystal

Lyotropic Solutions

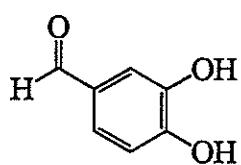
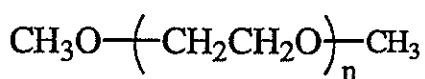
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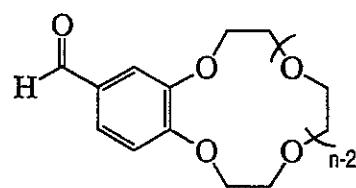


PEG-600

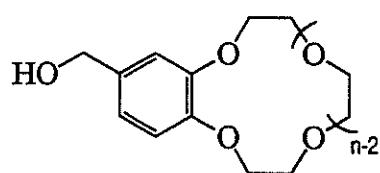
NEt<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>  
0-25 °C, 24 h  
82-90% yield



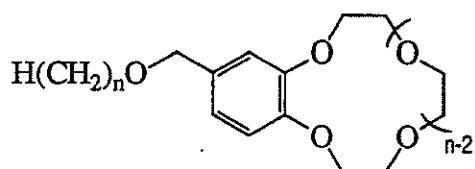
3 eq. K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, DMF  
70-125 °C, 72 h  
56-72% yield



NaBH<sub>4</sub>, EtOH  
0-25 °C, 18 h  
53-87% yield



Br(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>H, KI, KOH, DMSO  
60 °C, 24 h  
n=12: 92% yield



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# Chemistry for Pegs

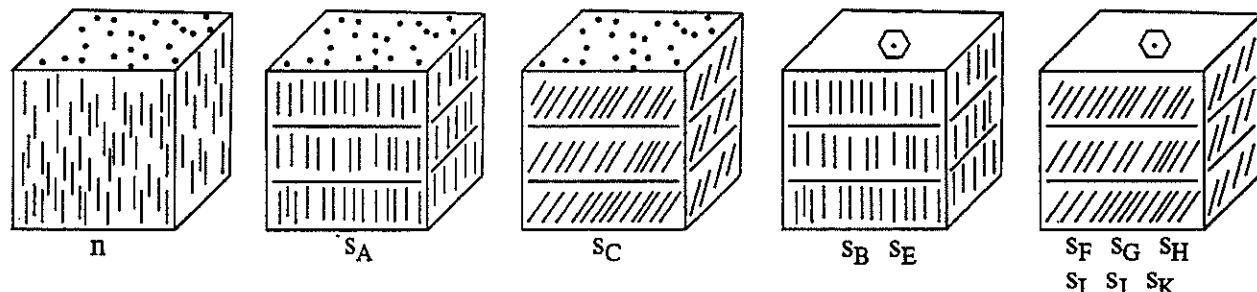
## I. Prediction of Mesophases - Structural Variables in SCLCPs

Backbone	More thermally stable mesophases from flexible backbones. More ordered mesophases from flexible backbones.
Spacer	Doesn't completely decouple motions of mesogen and backbone. Better decoupling with increasing spacer length. Side chain crystallization at $n \geq 9-11$ . Length determines nature of highest temperature mesophase.
Mesogen	
Molecular Weight	Phase transitions independent of molecular weight after 10-50 repeat units.
Polydispersity	
Tacticity	

## II. Regulating / Transforming Mesophases

### Specific Interactions

#### Immiscible Components

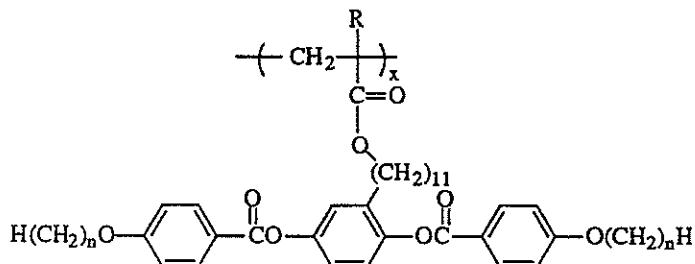


# Polymer Backbone

## General:

More ordered mesophases possible with more flexible backbones.

## Exceptions:



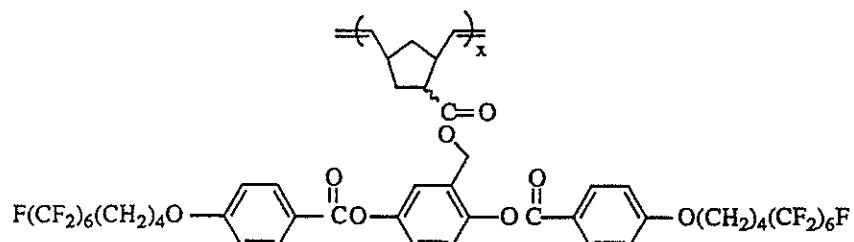
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2	(g 12 n 74) k 91 i	(g 31 n 79) k 92 i	(g 32 n 82) k 92 i
3	g 11 n 58 i		g 26 n 58 i
4	g 4 n 67 i	g 20 n 66 i	g 19 n 67 i
5			g 10 n 51 i
6	g -9 n 59 i		g 5 n 60 i
7			g 1 n 48 i
8	g -13 k 33 n 61 i	g 0 n 60 i	g -2 n 61 i

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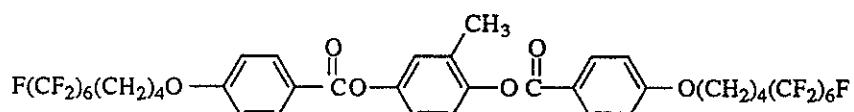
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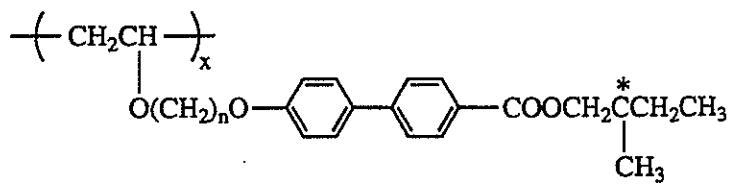
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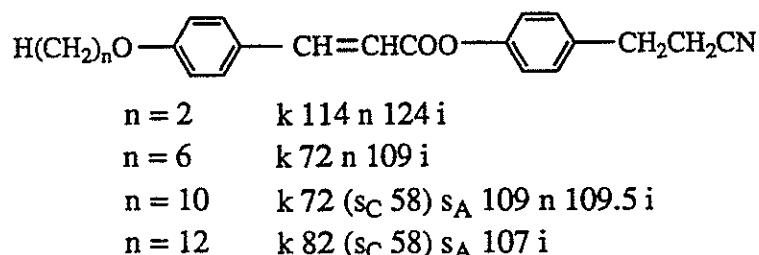
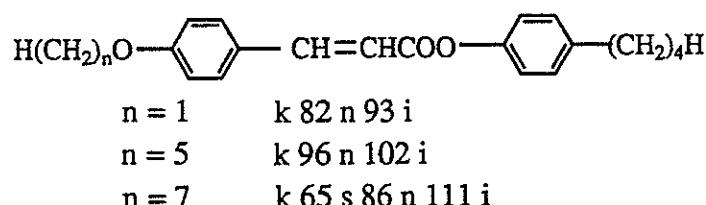
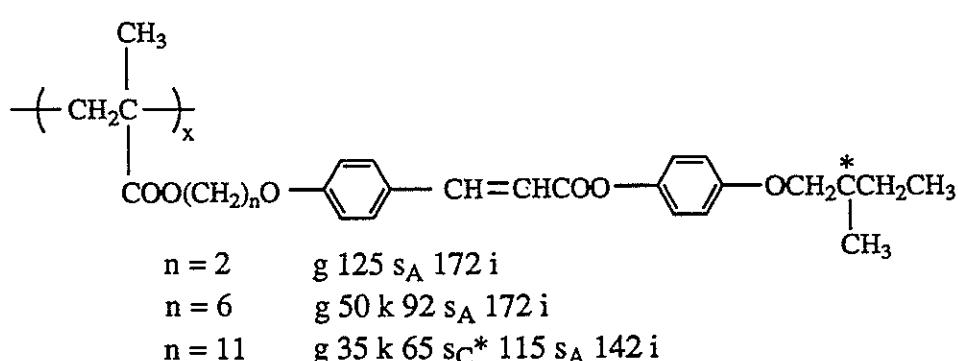
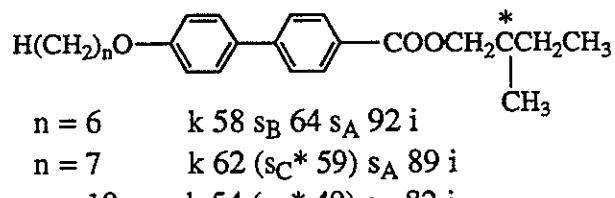
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## Nature of the Mesogen



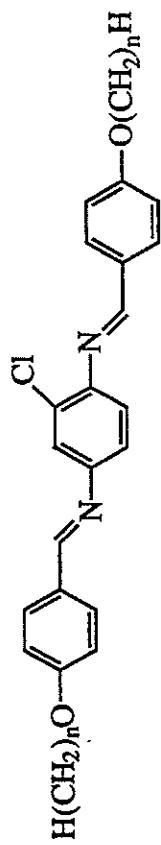
$n = 6$       g 30 s 58 s<sub>A</sub> 110 i  
 $n = 11$       g 11 k 62 (s 26 s<sub>C</sub>\* 53) s<sub>A</sub> 123 i



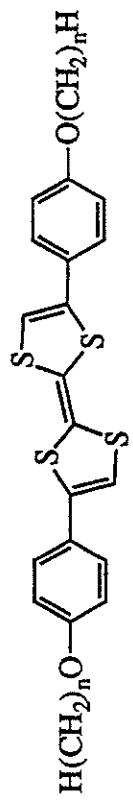
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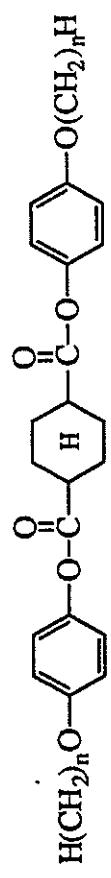
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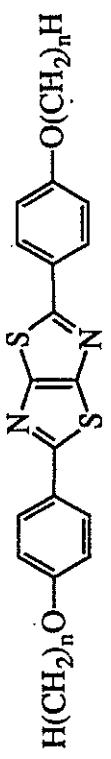


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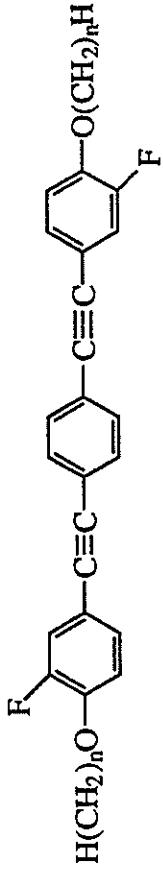


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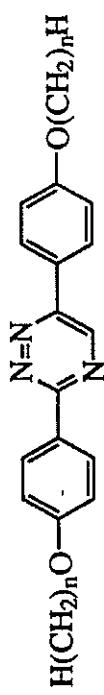


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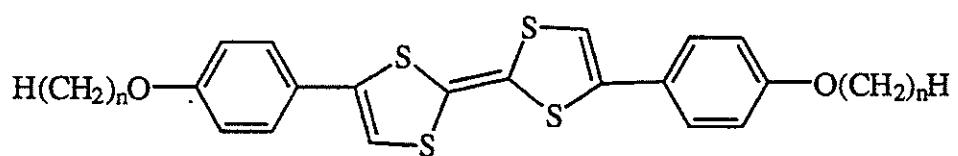
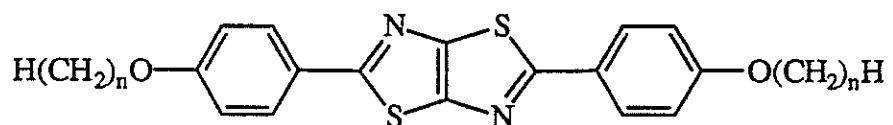
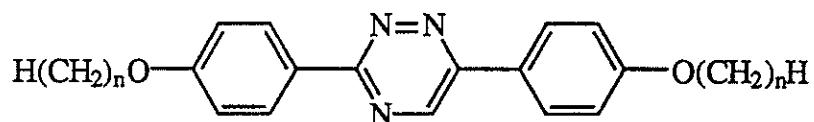
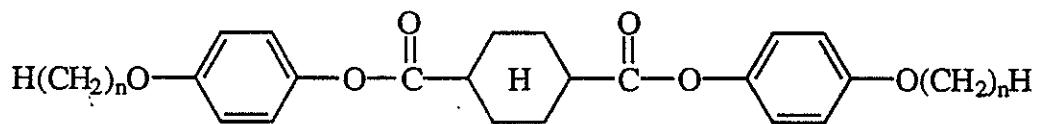
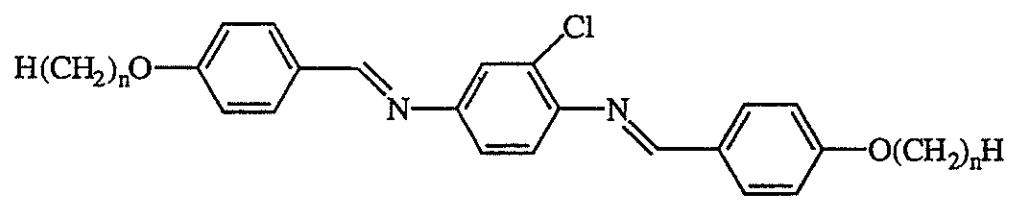
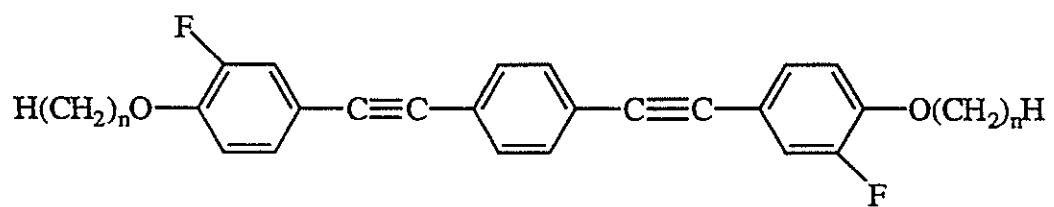
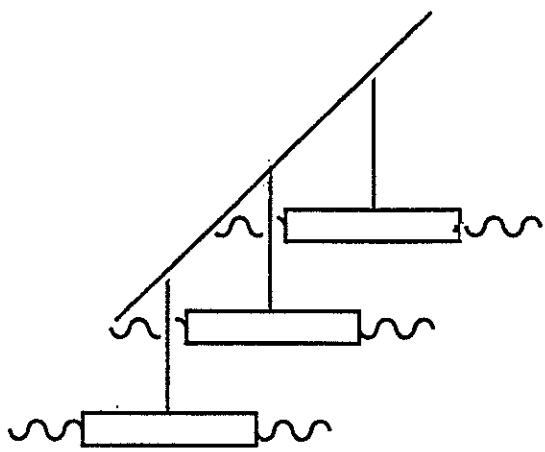


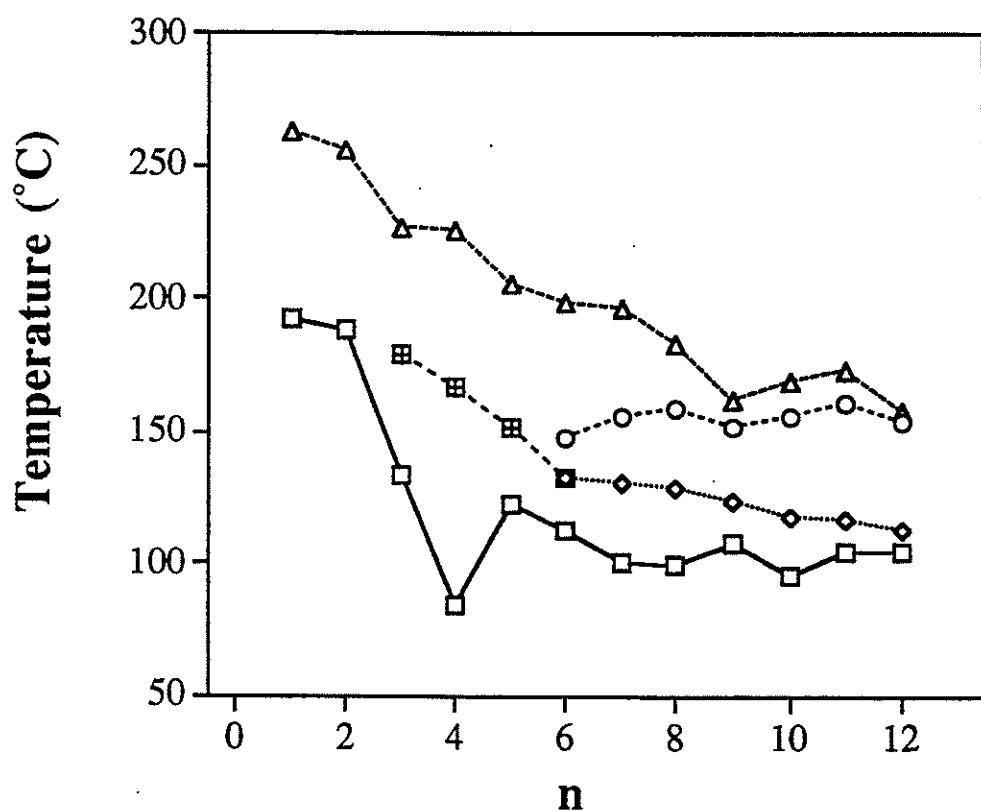
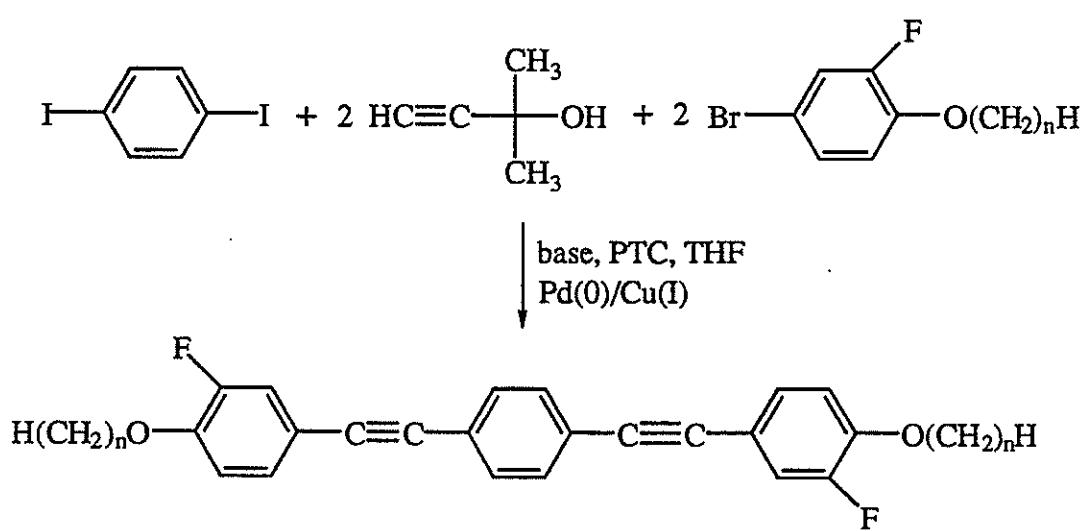
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11	k 86	k 104	se 116	sc 161	n 173	i
12	k 70	k 104	se 112	sc 154	n 158	i

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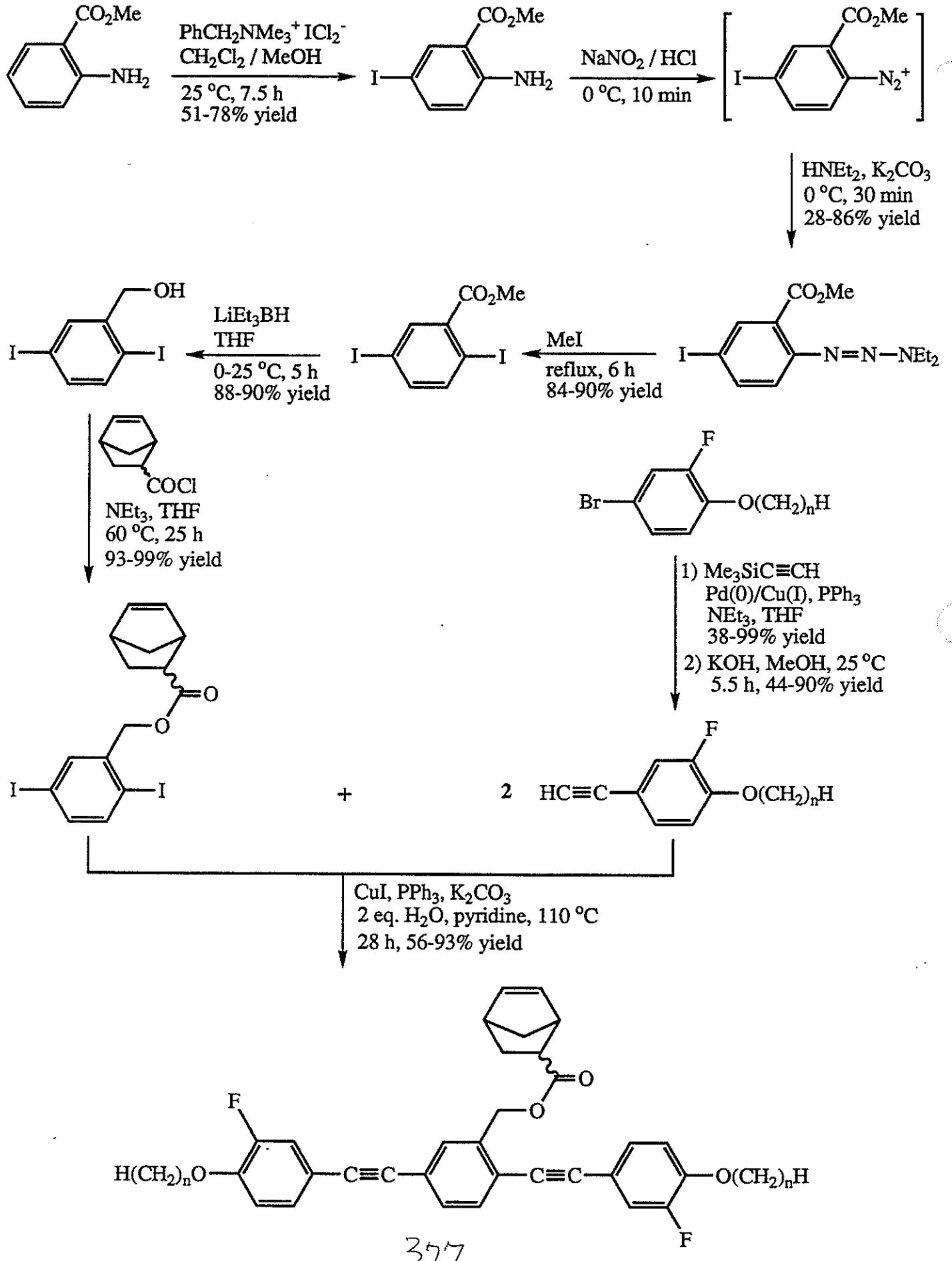


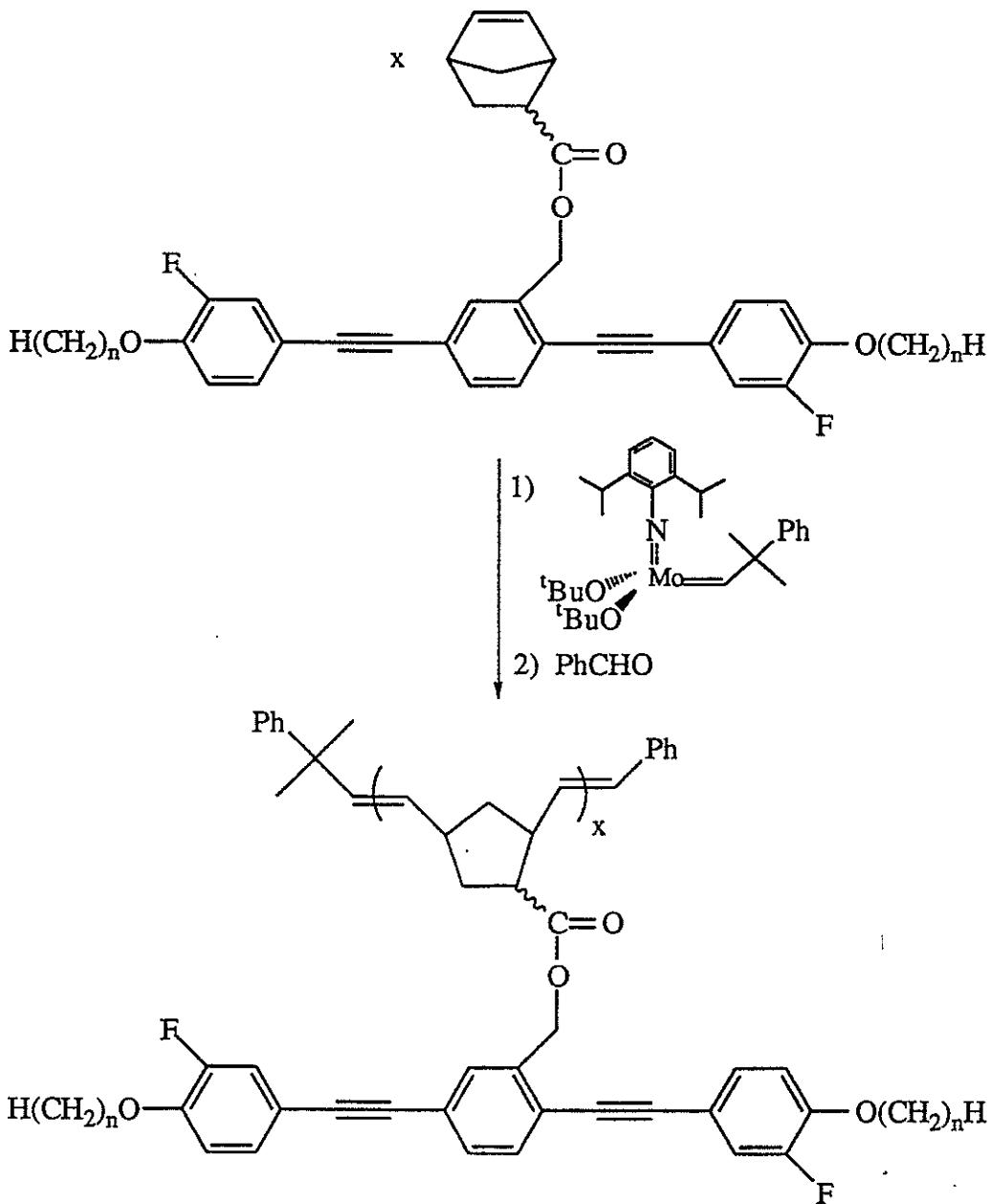
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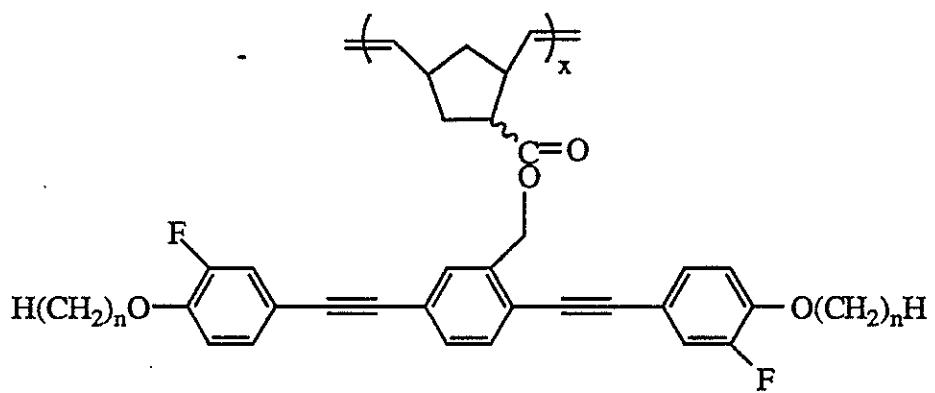


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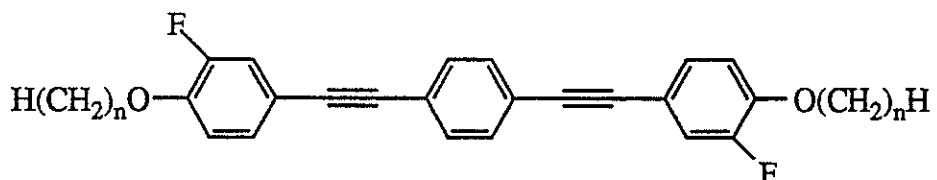




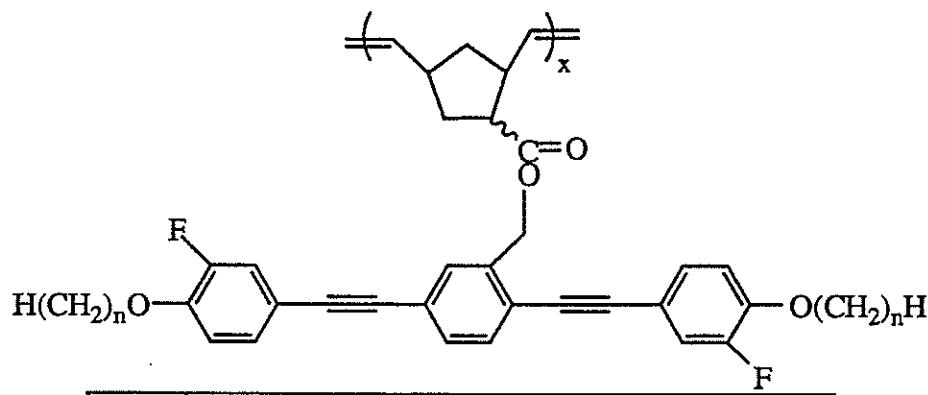
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1	44	2.3	2.7	1.12	5.6	1.18
2	51	2.8			4.0	1.17
3	50	2.9			5.2	1.35
4	50	3.0	3.6	1.12	6.6	1.04
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6	50	3.3	2.9	1.16	4.6	1.18
11	50	4.0			4.9	1.19



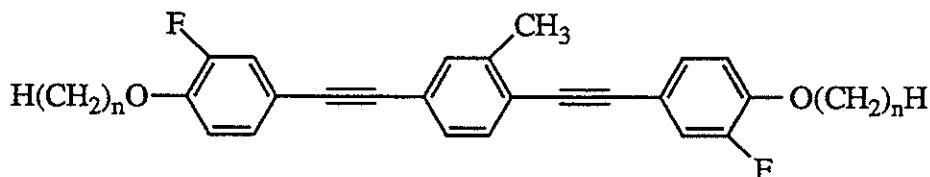
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2	g 82	n 134 (1.81)	i
3	g 71	n 113 (1.45)	i
4	g 64	n 115 (1.54)	i
5	g 56	n 106 (1.46)	i
6	g 55	n 107 (1.39)	i
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9			
10			
11	g 40	s <sub>C</sub> ? 98 (2.50)	i
12			



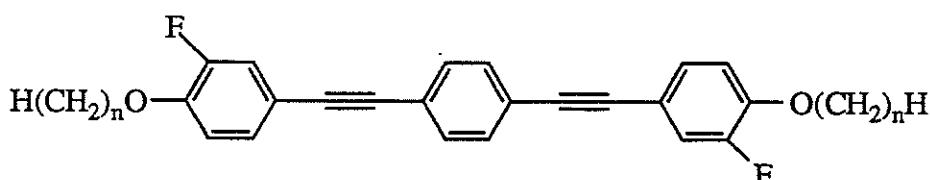
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4	k 84	s <sub>E</sub> 167		n 225 i
5	k 122	s <sub>E</sub> 152		n 205 i
6	k 112	s <sub>E</sub> 132	s <sub>C</sub> 148	n 198 i
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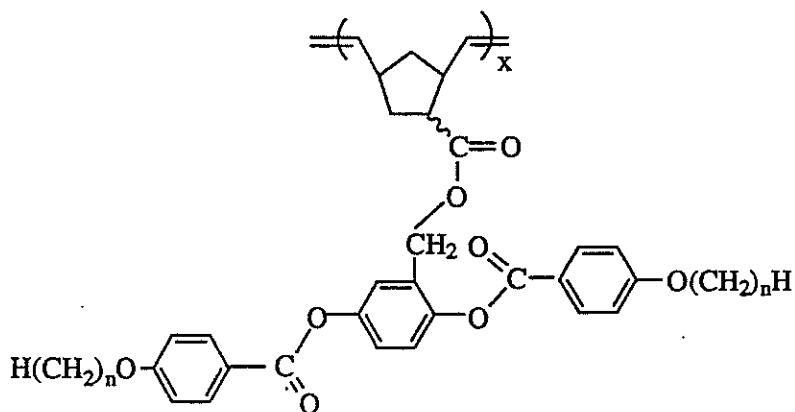
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5	g	56	n 106 (1.46)	i
7				
10				
11	g	40	s <sub>C</sub> ? 98 (2.50)	i



n	Phase Transitions (°C)				
4	k	101		n 177	i
5	k	88		n 201	i
7	k				i
10	k				i
11	k				i

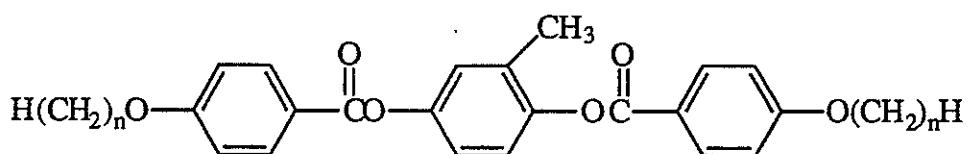


n	Phase Transitions (°C)				
4	k	84	s <sub>E</sub> 167	n 225	i
5	k	122	s <sub>E</sub> 152	n 205	i
7	k	100	s <sub>E</sub> 130	s <sub>C</sub> 156	n 196 i
10	k	95	s <sub>E</sub> 117	s <sub>C</sub> 156	n 169 i
11	k	104	s <sub>E</sub> 116	s <sub>C</sub> 161	n 173 i



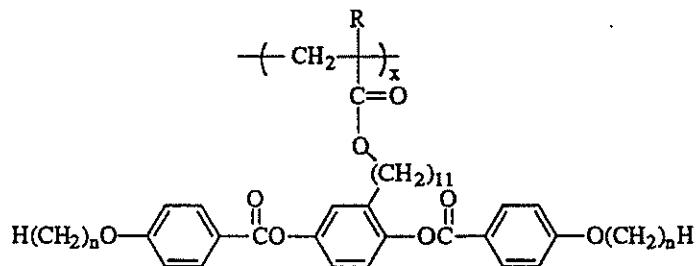
n	Phase Transitions (°C)
1	g 97 n 162 i
2	g 92 n 172 i
3	g 83 n 140 i
4	g 73 n 138 i
5	g 60 n 123 i
6	g 56 n 126 i

C. Pugh & R.R. Schrock, *Macromolecules*, 25, 6593 (1992).



n	Phase Transitions (°C)	Ref.
1	k 166 n 252 i	1
2	k 187 n 248 i	1
3	k 138 n 209 i	1
4	k 115 n 206 i	1
5	k 90 n 178 i	1
6	k 88 n 173 i	1
7	k 86 n 161 i	2
8	k 40 n 157 i	2
9	k 79 n 148 i	2
10	k 83 n 139 i	2
11	k 81 (sc 80) n 140 i	2
12	k 81 sc 88 n 140 i	2

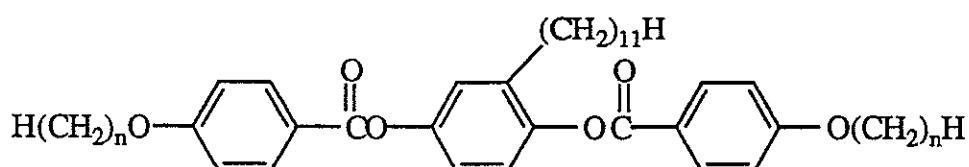
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n	R = H	R = Cl	R = CH <sub>3</sub>
1	g 14 n 44 i	g 36 n 59 i	g 38 n 62 i
2	(g 12 n 74) k 91 i	(g 31 n 79) k 92 i	(g 32 n 82) k 92 i
3	g 11 n 58 i		g 26 n 58 i
4	g 4 n 67 i	g 20 n 66 i	g 19 n 67 i
5			g 10 n 51 i
6	g -9 n 59 i		g 5 n 60 i
7			g 1 n 48 i
8	g -13 k 33 n 61 i	g 0 n 60 i	g -2 n 61 i

F. Hessel & H. Finkelmann, *Makromol. Chem.*, **189**, 2275 (1988).

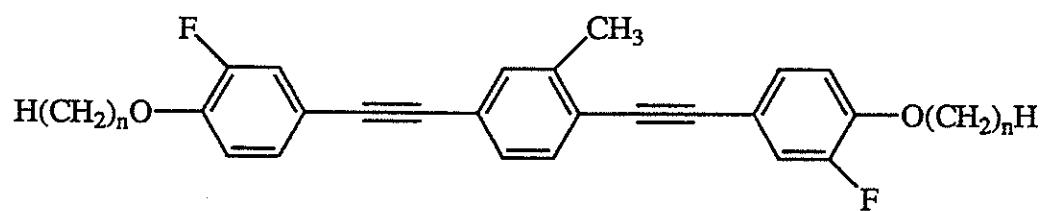
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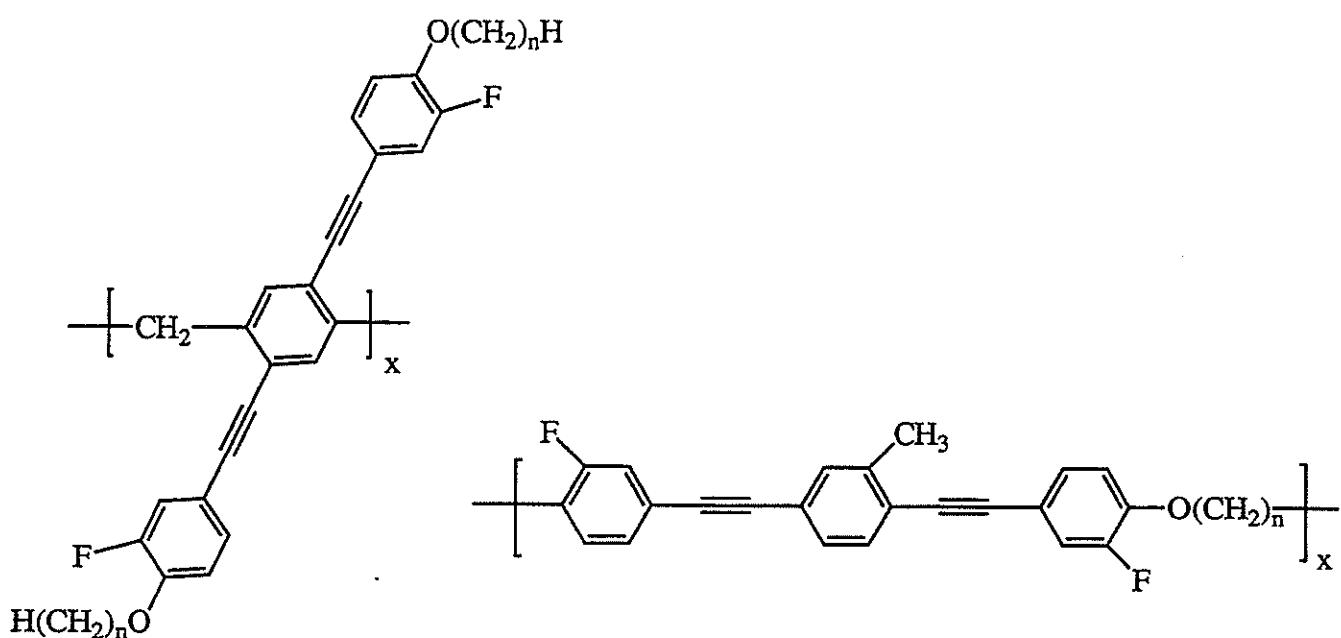
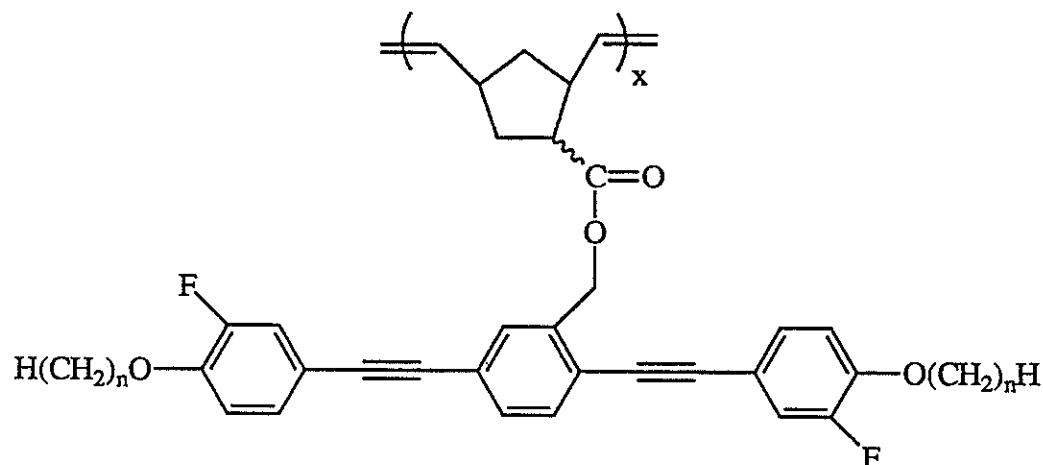
n	Phase Transitions (°C)		
1	k 82	(n 58)	i
2	k 121	(n 81)	i
3	k 89	(n 56)	i
4	k 74	(n 71)	i
5	k 76	(n 62)	i
6	k 71	(n 69)	i
7	k 68	n 68	i
8	k 52	n 72	i

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## Low Molar Mass Model Compounds

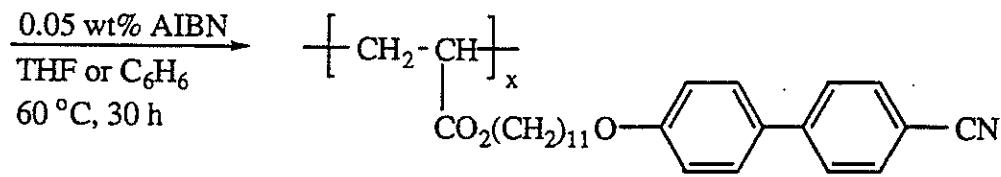


Most Appropriate for?



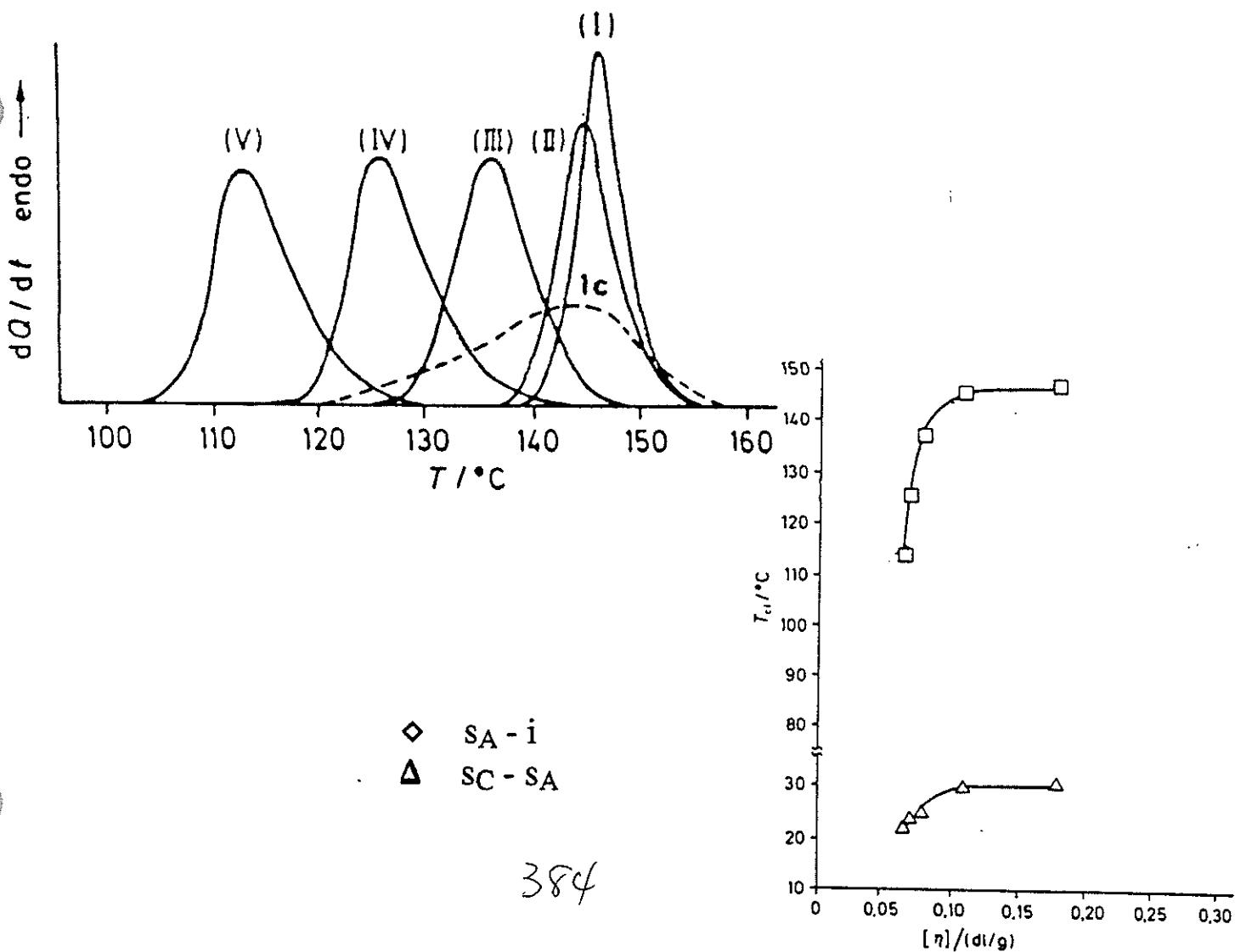
## Polydispersity

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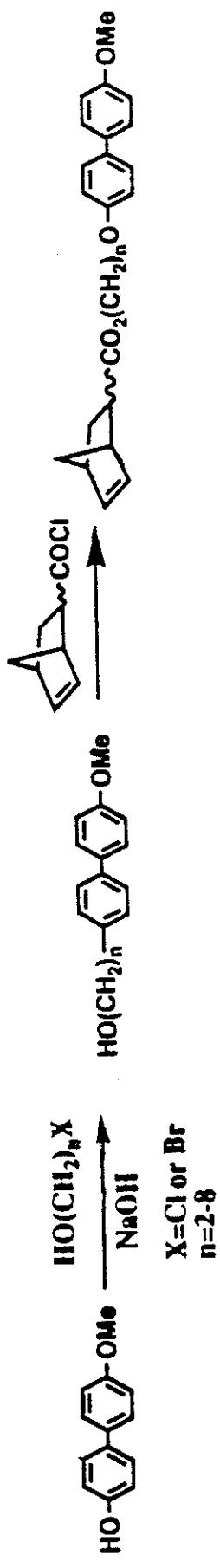


**1c** - original polymer separated into fractions (fractional precipitation of 1,2-dichloroethane with ethanol):

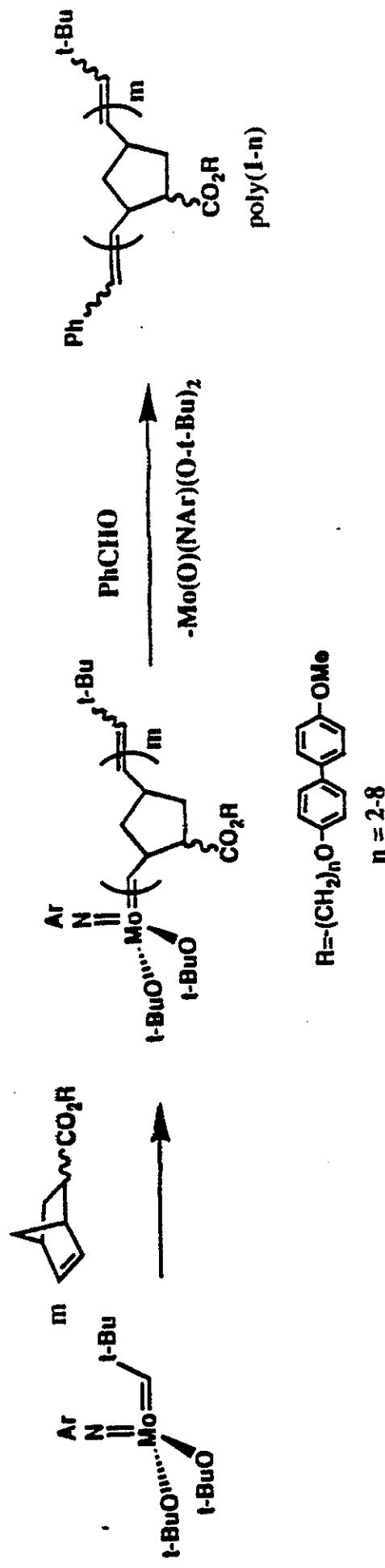
I	$[\eta] = 0.18 \text{ dl/g}$	$30^\circ\text{C}$ in 1,2-dichloroethane
II	$[\eta] = 0.11$	
III	$[\eta] = 0.08$	
IV	$[\eta] = 0.065$	

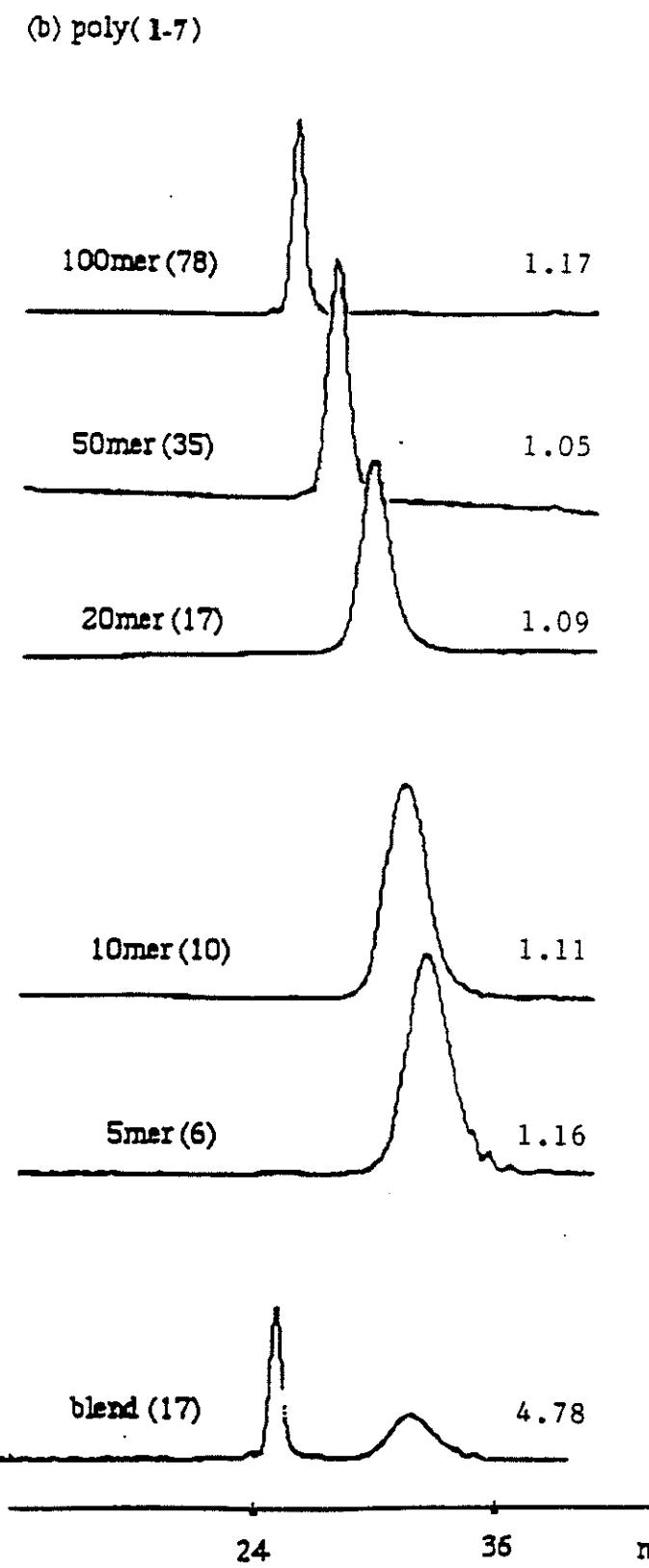
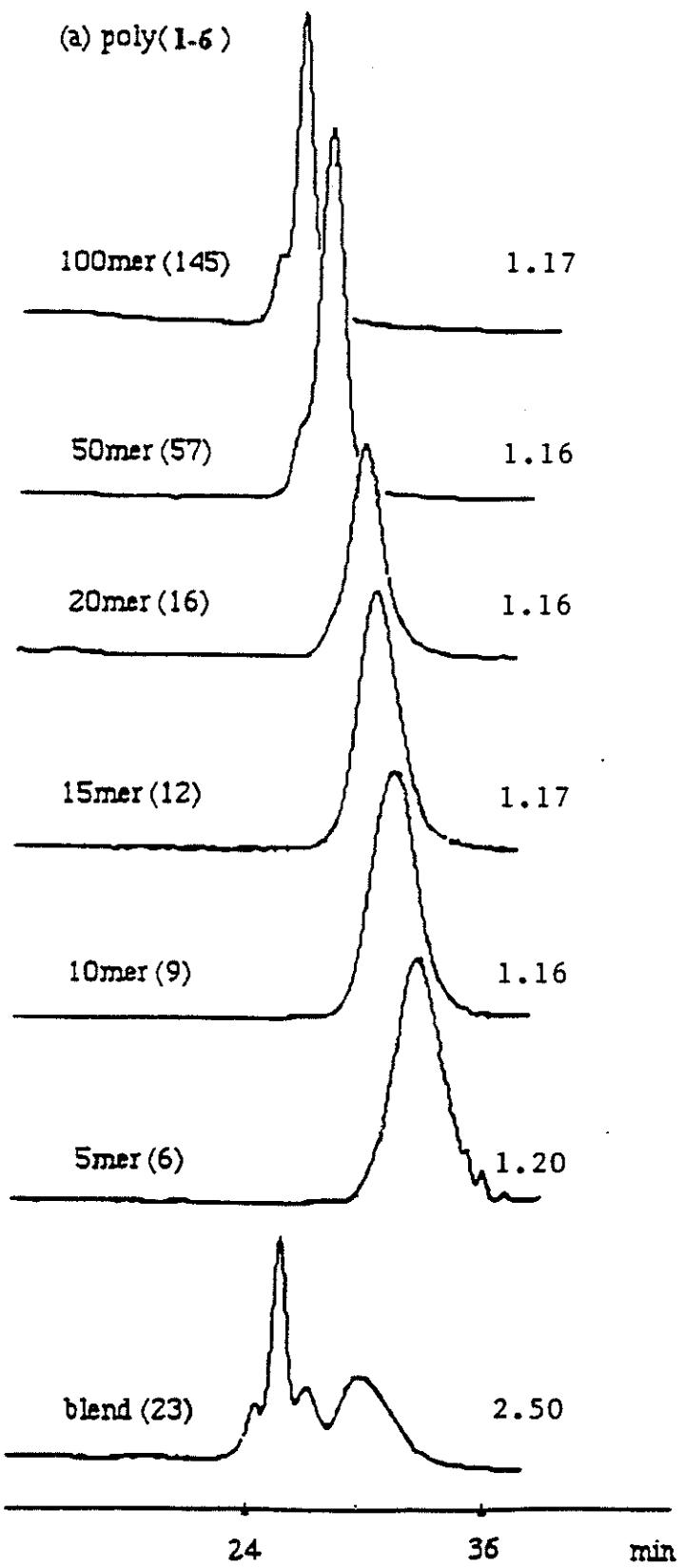


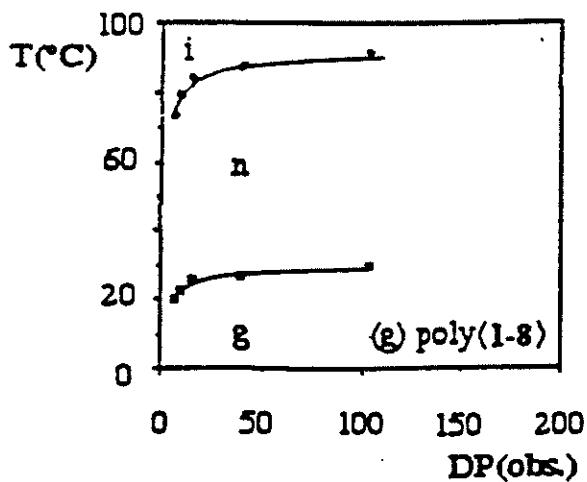
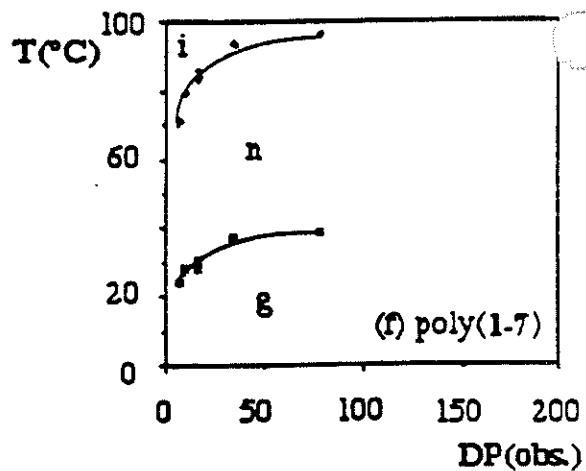
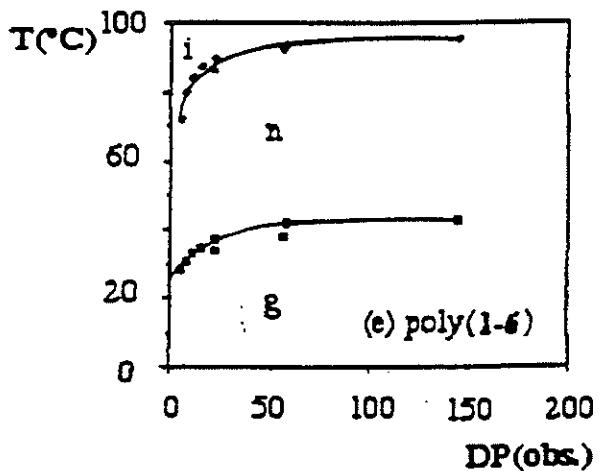
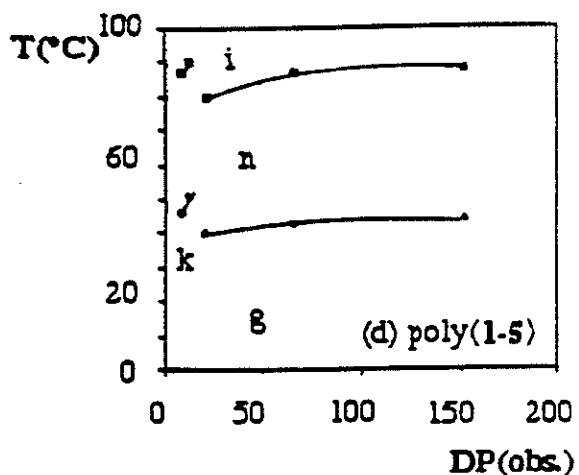
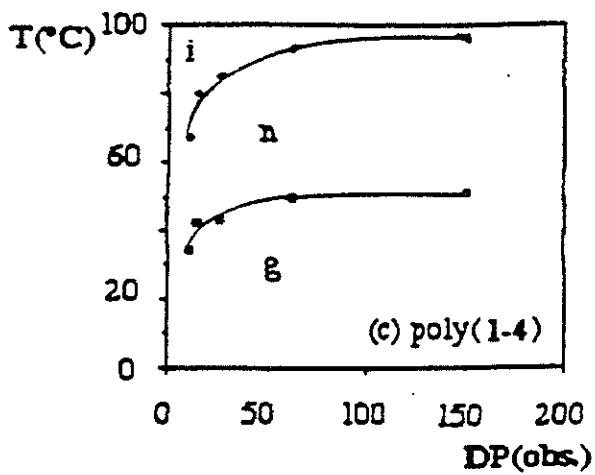
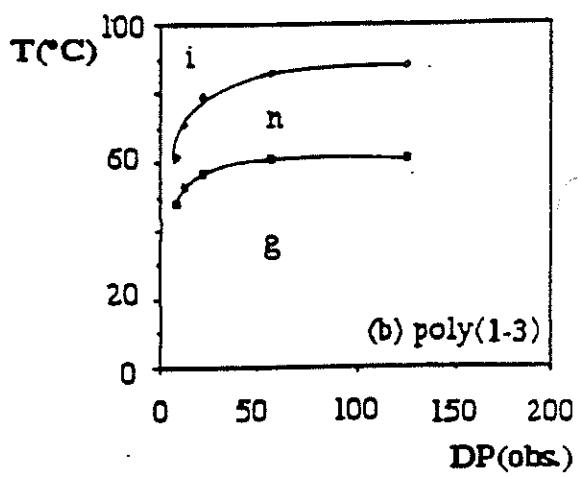
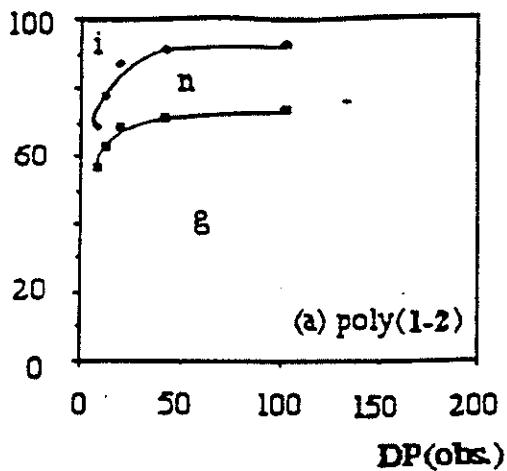
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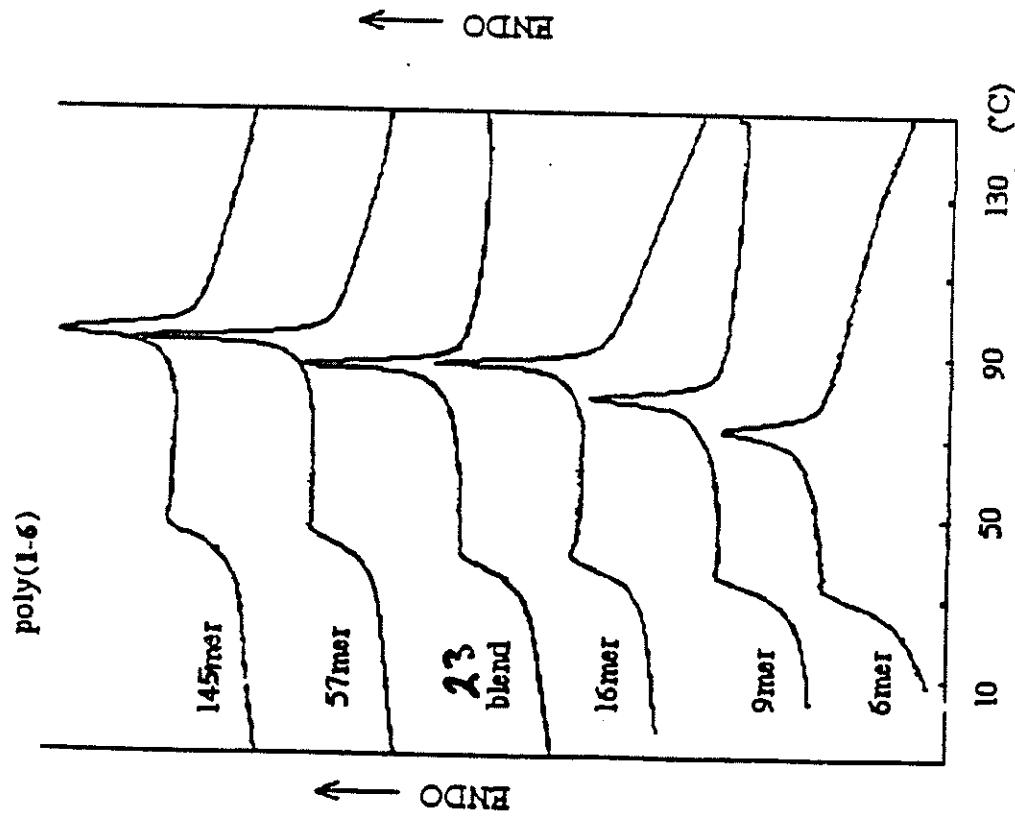
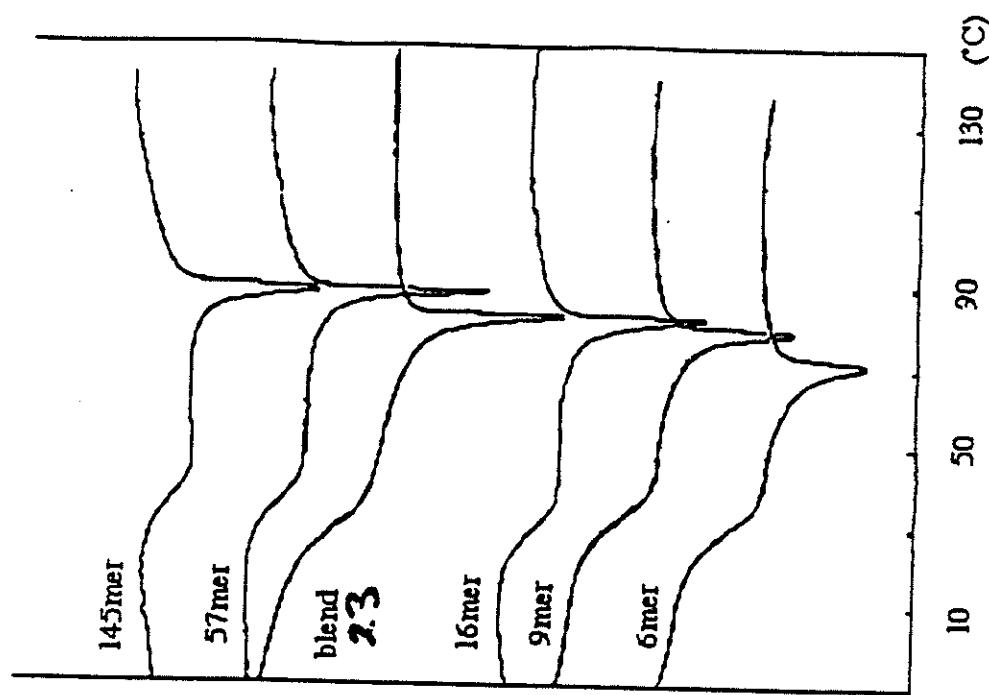


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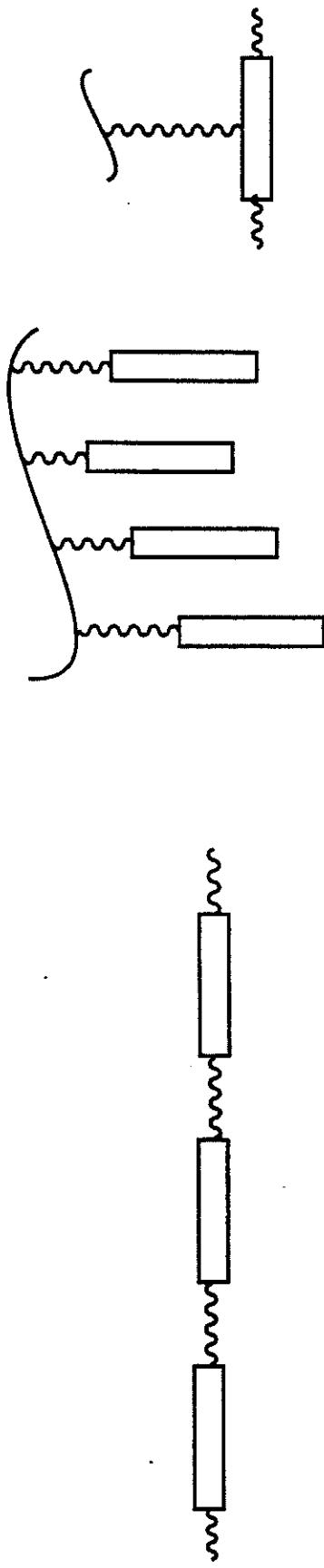
## Polydispersity in Polystyrene

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1.0	Living polymerization. Anionic: Na/naphthalene, in benzene, 25 °C
1.5	Free radical polymerization under conditions which avoid autoacceleration; incomplete conversion. (Termination by coupling.) AIBN, in benzene, 60 °C, 70% conversion.
2.0	Free radical polymerization under conditions which prevent termination by coupling of 2 chains (chain transfer agent); incomplete conversion. AIBN, <i>n</i> -BuSH, in benzene, 60 °C, 70% conversion.
5	Bulk radical polymerization at lower temperature to promote autoacceleration without chain transfer to polymer. AIBN/hv or redox ( <i>t</i> -BuO-OH/Fe <sup>2+</sup> ), bulk, 25 °C, complete conversion.
>10	Free radical polymerization under conditions which promote chain transfer to polymer. AIBN, bulk, 60 °C, complete conversion.

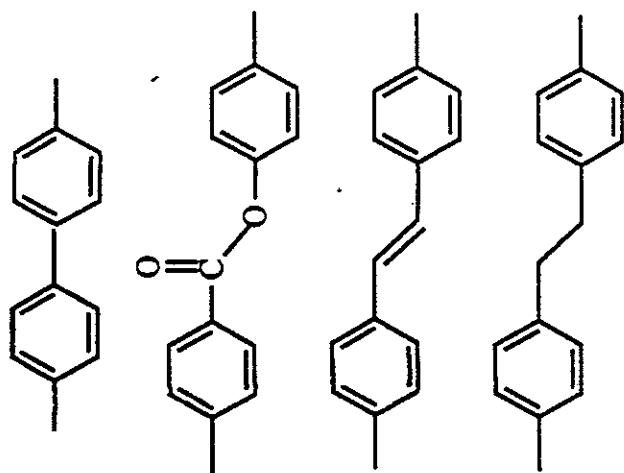
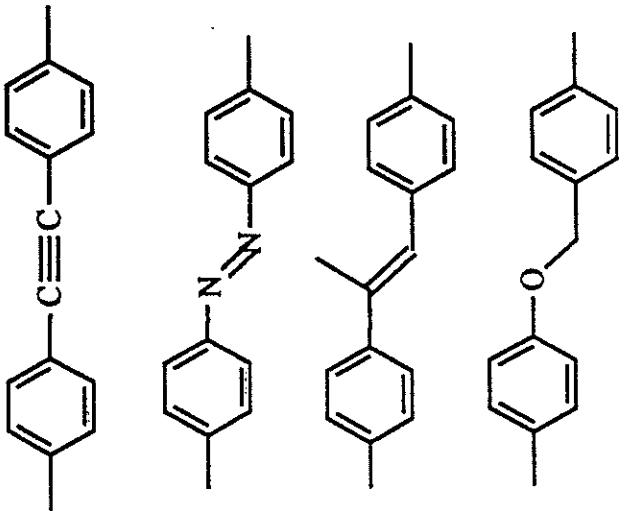
## Rod-Like Mesogens

### MAIN CHAIN LCPs

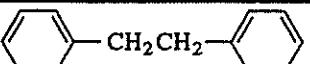
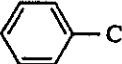
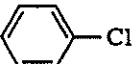
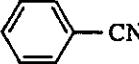
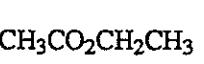
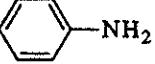
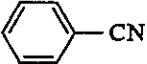
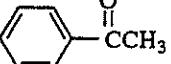
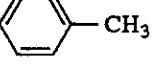
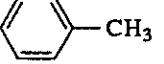
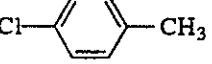
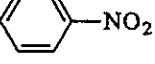
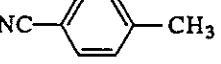
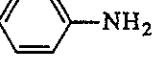
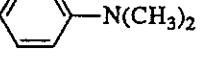
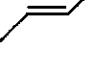
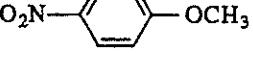
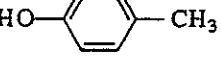
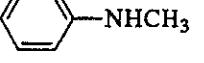
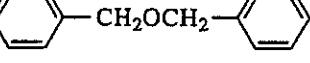
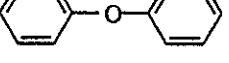
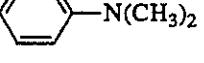
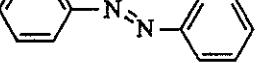
### SIDE CHAIN LCPs



Polar Substituents: -OCH<sub>3</sub>, -CN, -F, -Cl, -NO<sub>2</sub>



## Chain Transfer Constants ( $C_S = k_{tr}/k_p$ ) in Radical Polymerizations

Methyl Acrylate	$C_S \times 10^4$	T (°C)	Methyl Methacrylate	$C_S \times 10^4$	T (°C)
	0.45	80		0	50
	0.986	80		0.074	60
	< 1	50		0.13	60
	< 1	50		0.162	60
	< 2.5	50		0.176	70
	2.7	60		0.2	60
	26.7	50		0.49	60
	46.4	50		0.73	60
	48.6	50		4.2	60
	60	50		5.2	50
	72.7	50		6.0	50
				7.0	60
				8.0	60
				9.13	60
				11.3	60
				100	50

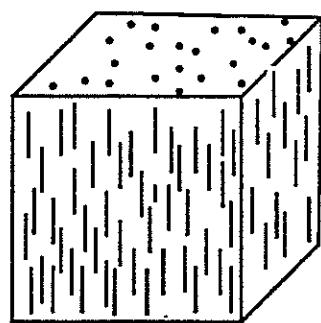
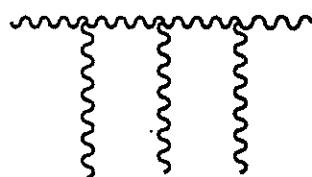
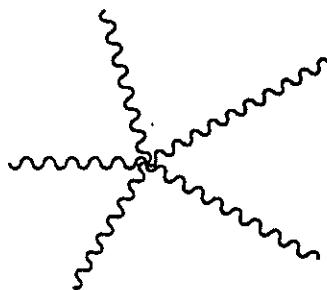
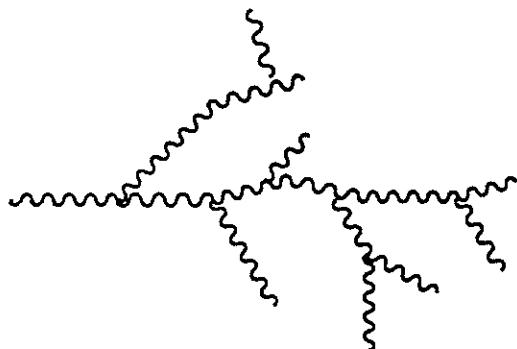
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$VAc\cdot > AN\cdot > MA\cdot > MMA\cdot > St\cdot$

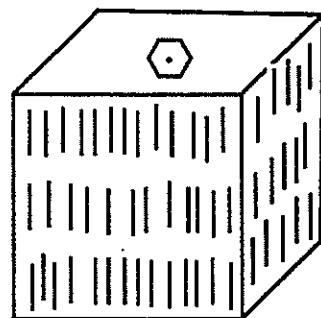
## Polydispersity

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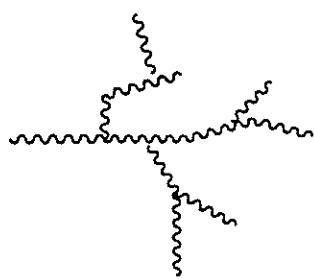
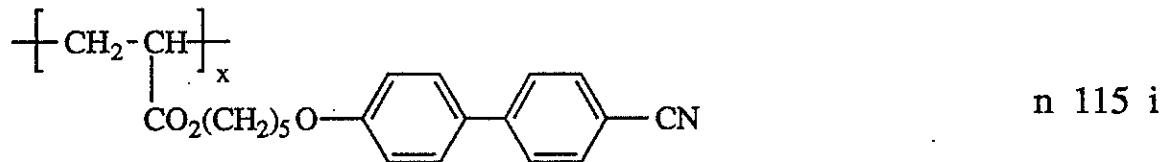
- non-uniform mixture of linear chains
- chain branching / non-uniform mixture of molecular architectures



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$s_E$



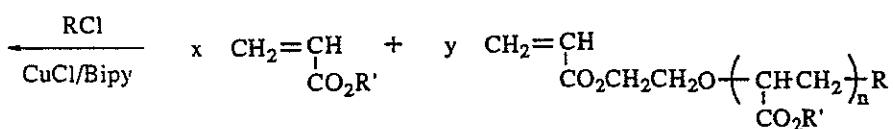
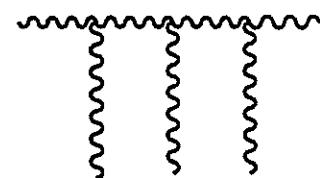
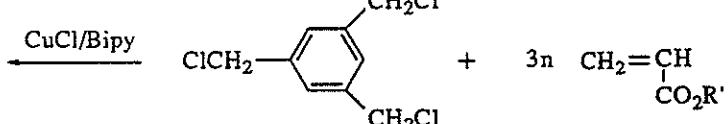
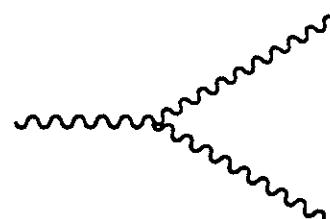
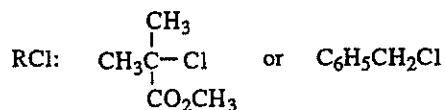
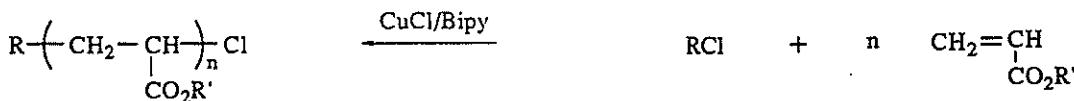
Literature and/or conventional free radical polymerization.

AIBN, in benzene, 60 °C, high conversion

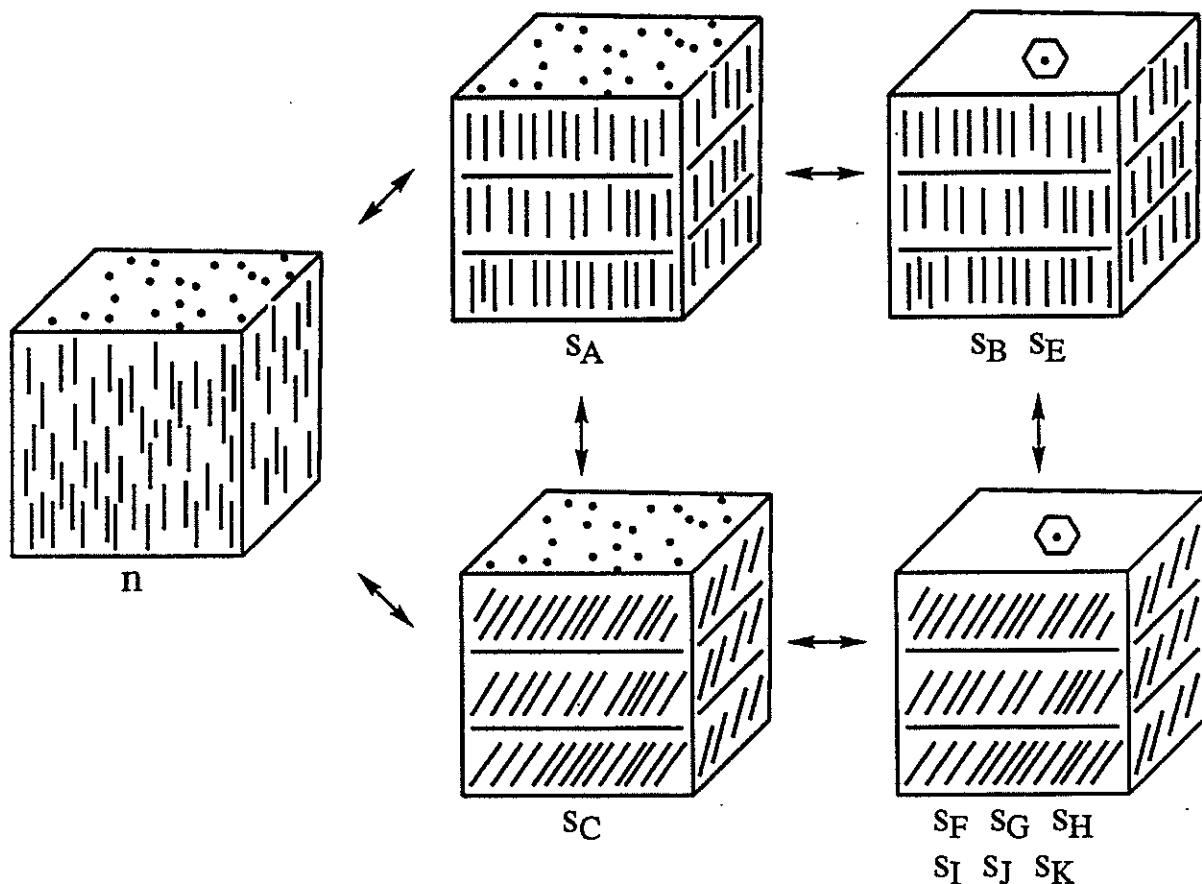
(*t*BuO)<sub>2</sub>, bulk, 120 °C, high conversion



Atom transfer radical polymerization.



## Regulating / Transforming Mesophases



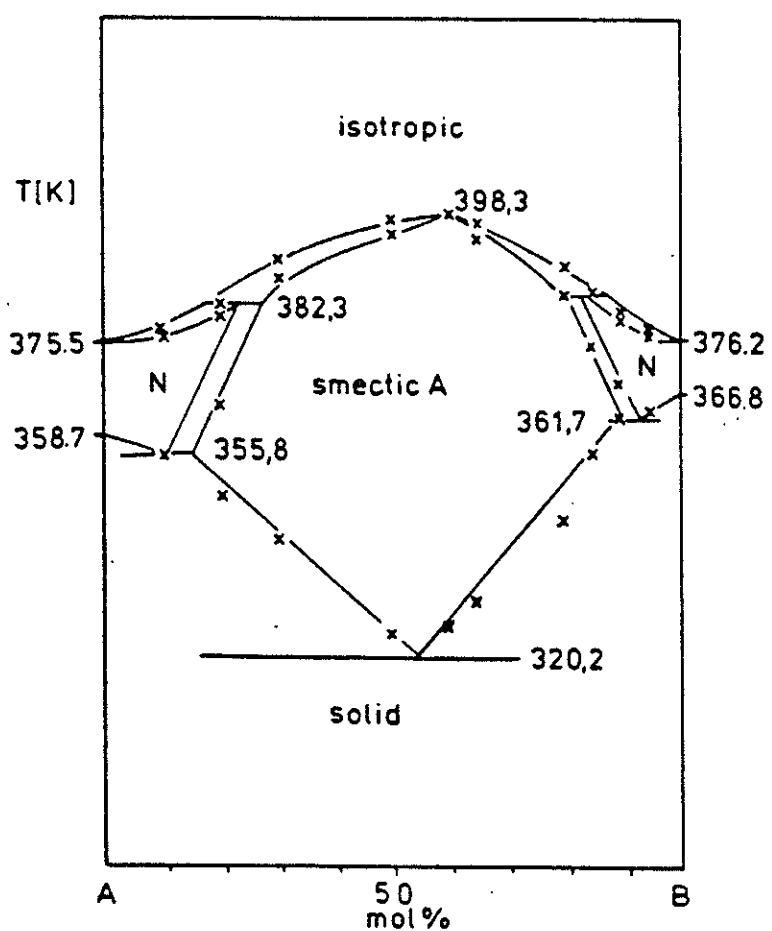
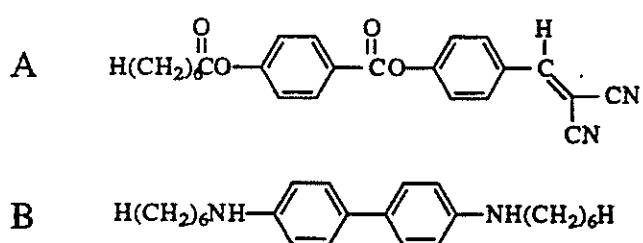
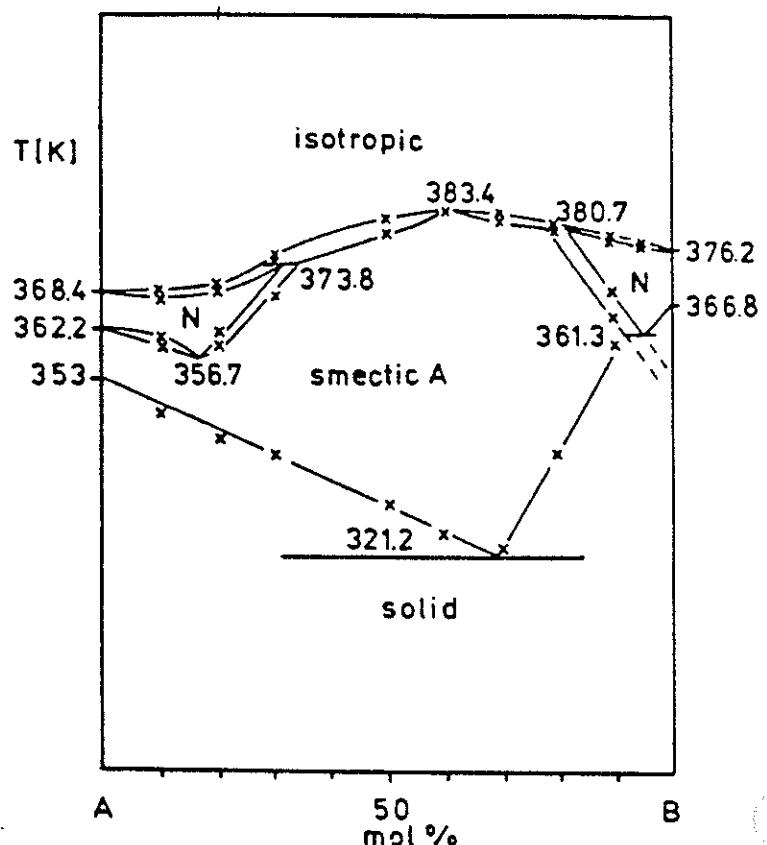
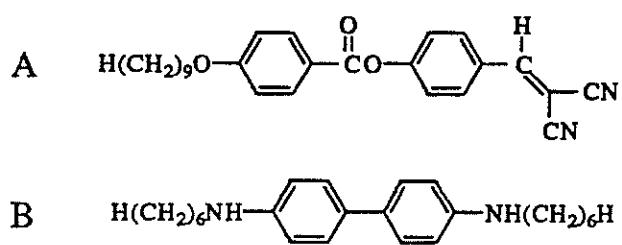
Eg. Nematic → Smectic

### A. Specific Interactions

Electron - Donor Acceptor Interactions

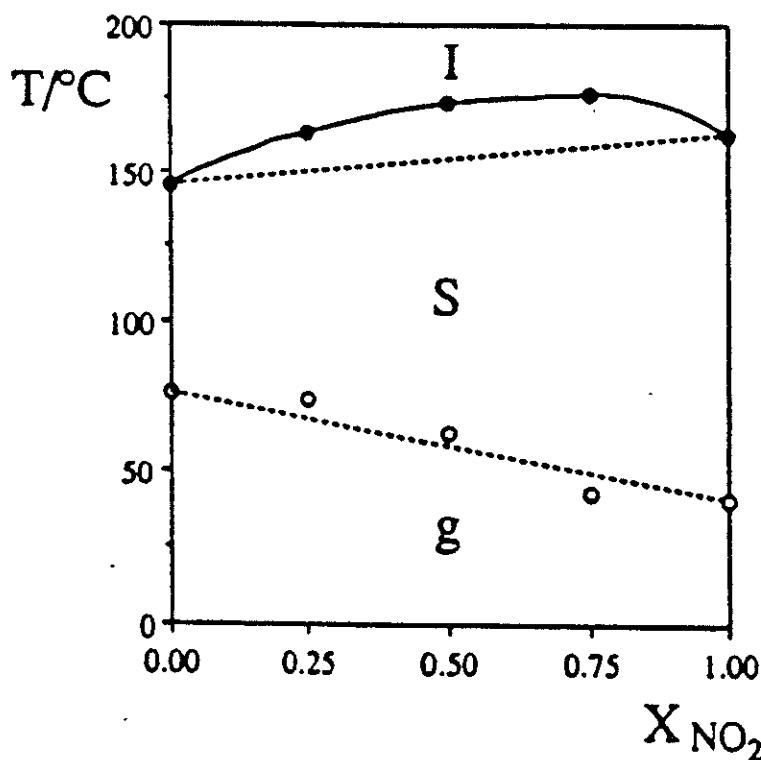
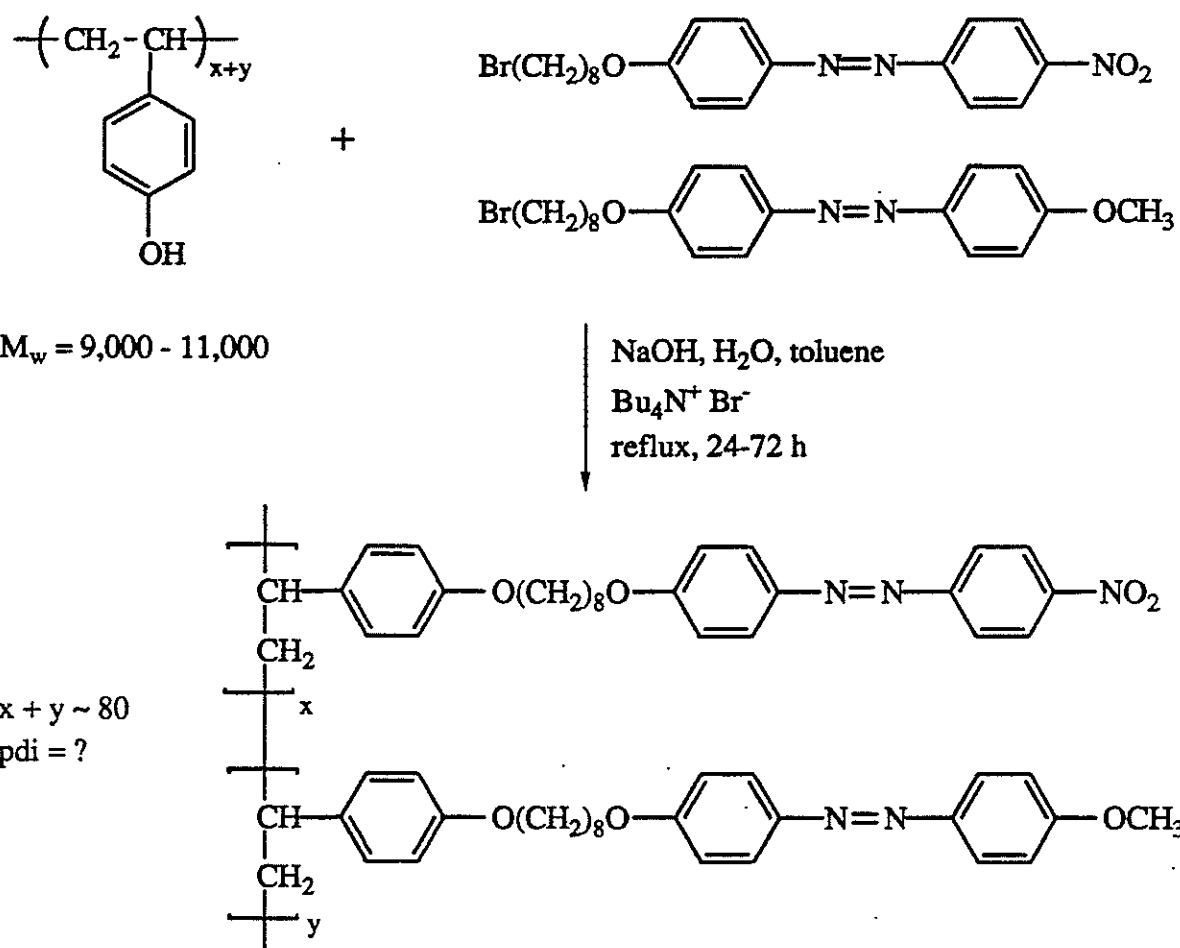
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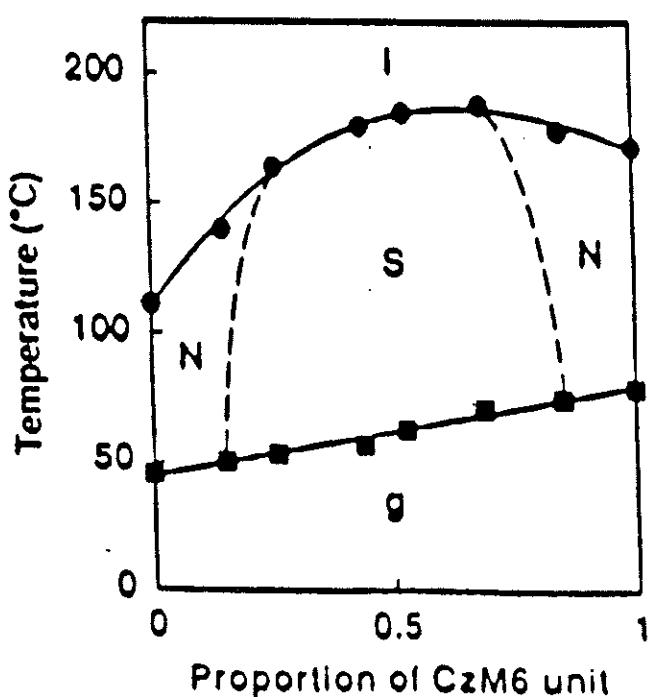
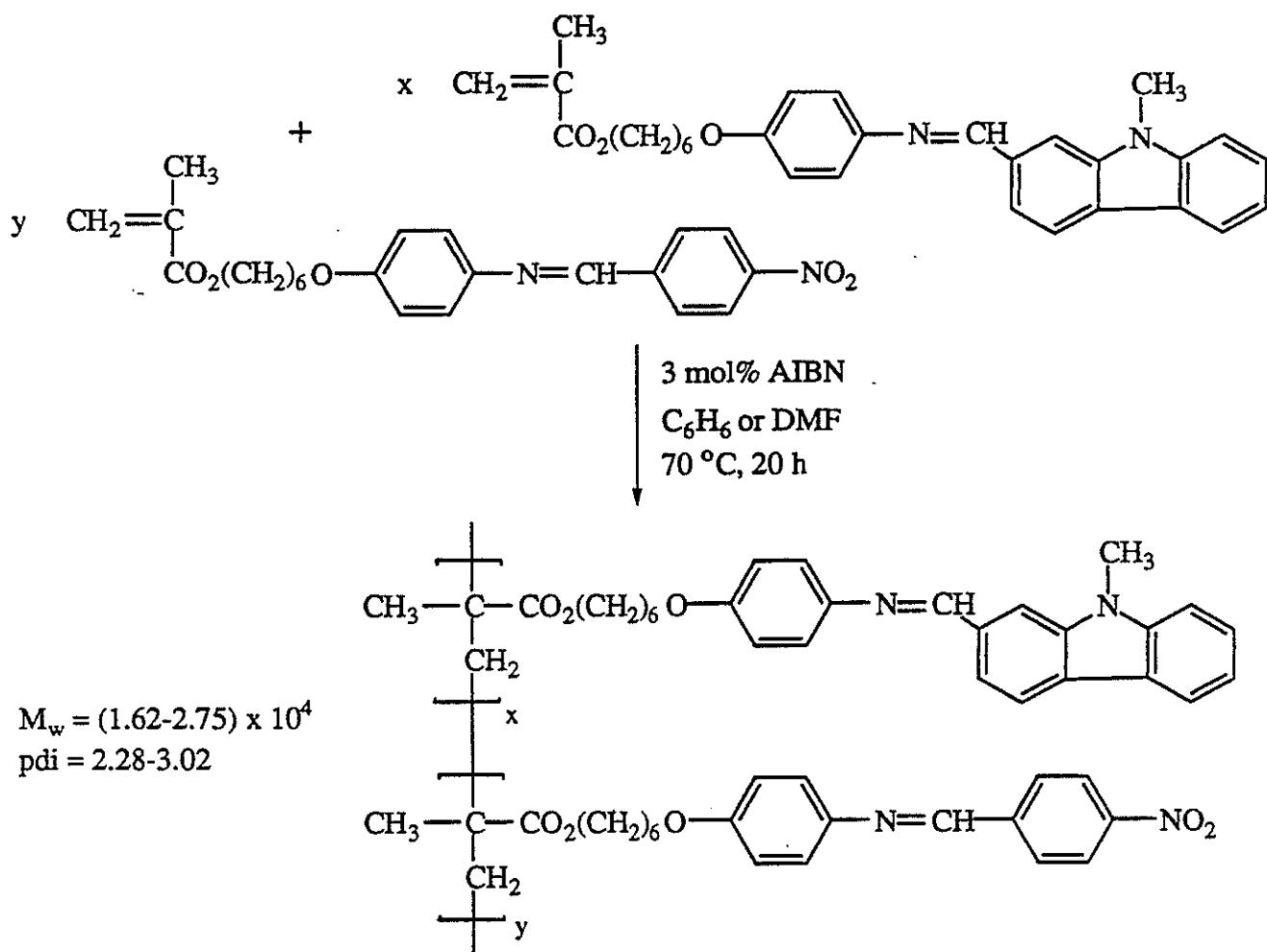
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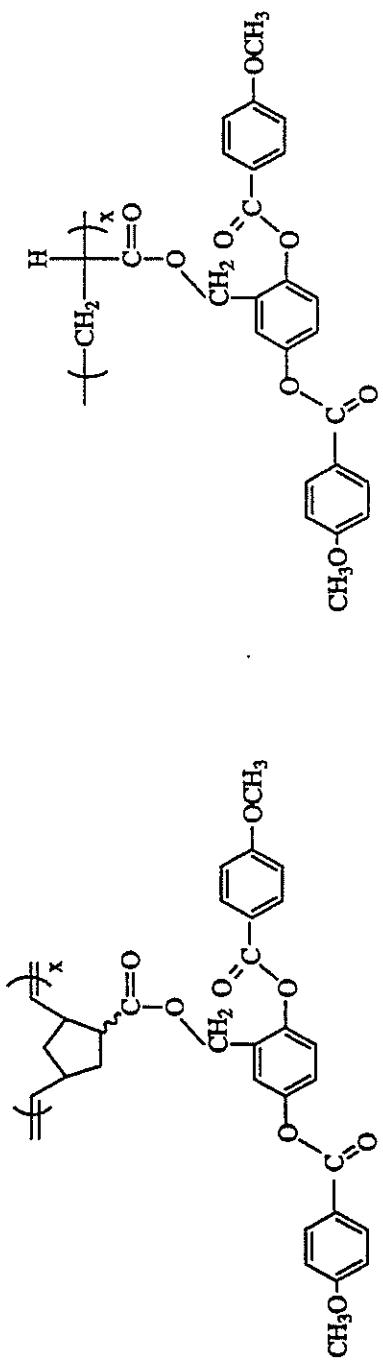
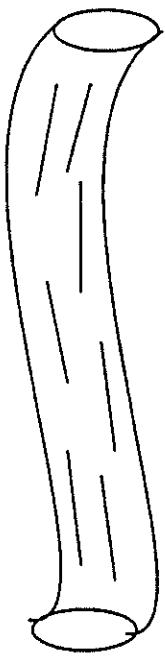


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g 97 n 163 i<sup>1</sup>

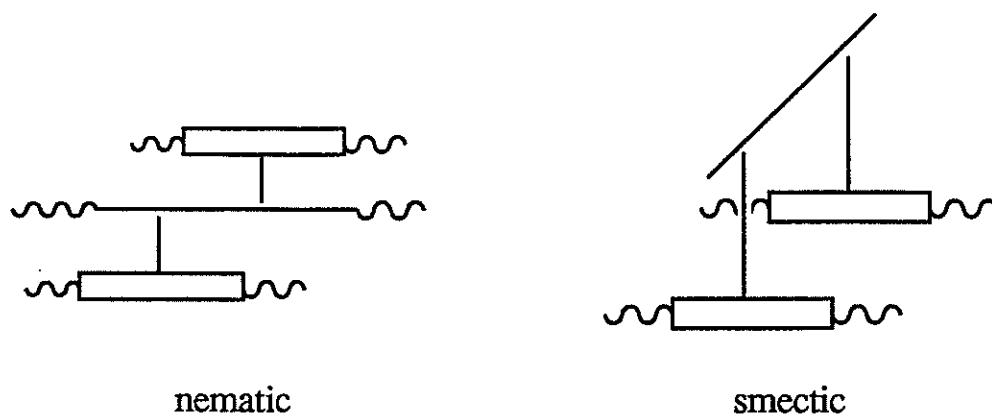
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Poly(norbornene) T<sub>g</sub> = 40 °C

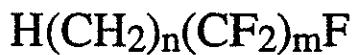
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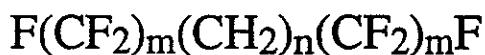
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$n \geq 4\text{-}6, m > 6$



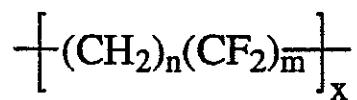
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6		k 43 s 84 i
8		k 56 s 88 i
10		k 69 s 92 i
12		k 79 s 91 i
14		k 90 s 93 i
16		k 90 i



$n = 8$	$m = 10$	$k$ 114 i
$n = 10$	$m = 12$	k 98 s 129 i

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n	m	Phase Transitions (°C)				
7	4	k	112	s <sub>B</sub>	152	i
8		k	118	s <sub>B</sub>	155	i
9		k	133	s <sub>B</sub>	148	i
10		k	124	s <sub>B</sub>	144	i
11		k	125	s <sub>B</sub>	135	i
12		k	119	s <sub>B</sub>	131	i
13		k	112	s <sub>B</sub>	128	i
14		k	121	s <sub>B</sub>	129	i
6	6	k	147	s <sub>B</sub>	183	i
7		k	137	s <sub>B</sub>	155	i
8		k	125	s <sub>B</sub>	165	i
9		k	110	s <sub>B</sub>	148	i
10		k	100	s <sub>B</sub>	151	i
11		k	105	s <sub>B</sub>	134	i
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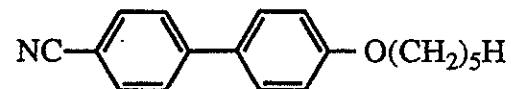
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# Molecular Phase Separation

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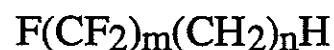
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structurally different



chemical anisotropy

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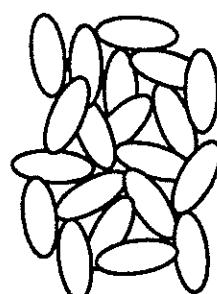
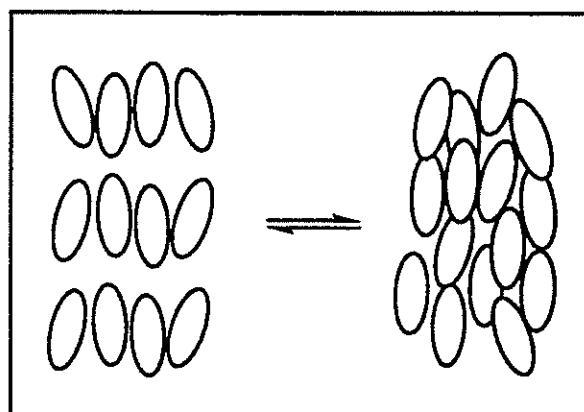
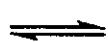
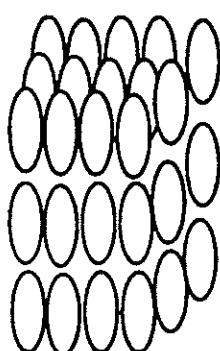
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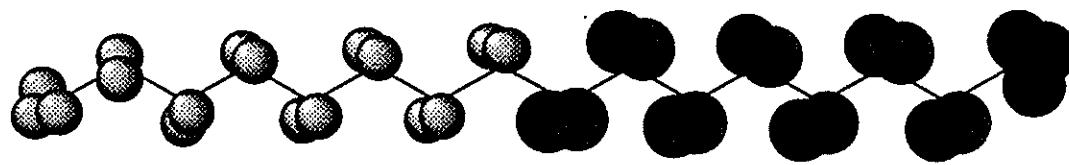
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increasing temperature

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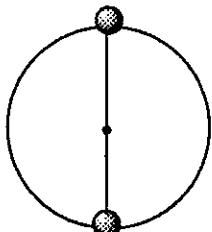
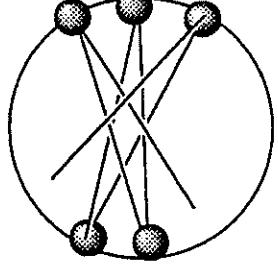


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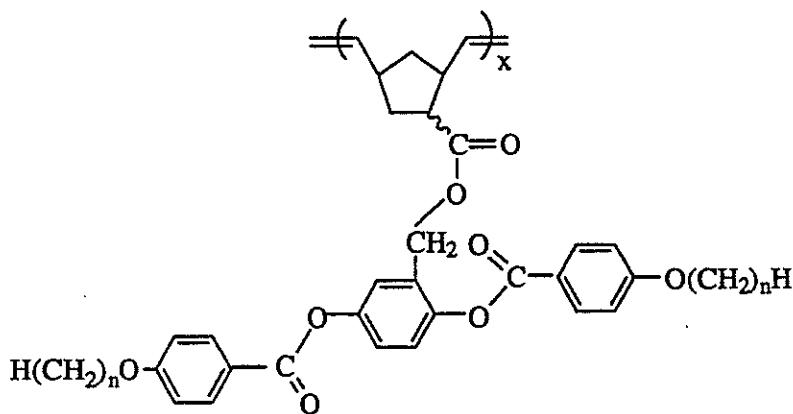
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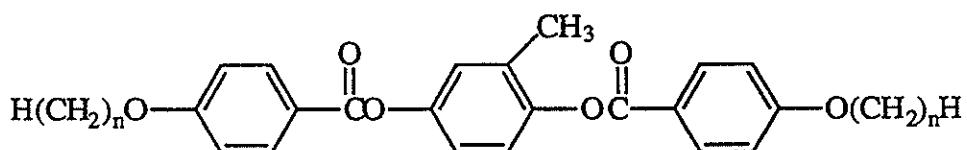
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Spatial Representation along the chain		
Distance between repeat units ( $\text{\AA}$ )	2.539	
Helix type	$1_1$ (planar zigzag)	$13_1$
Torsion angle	$0^\circ$	$16^\circ$
Cross-sectional area ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )	18.5	28.3

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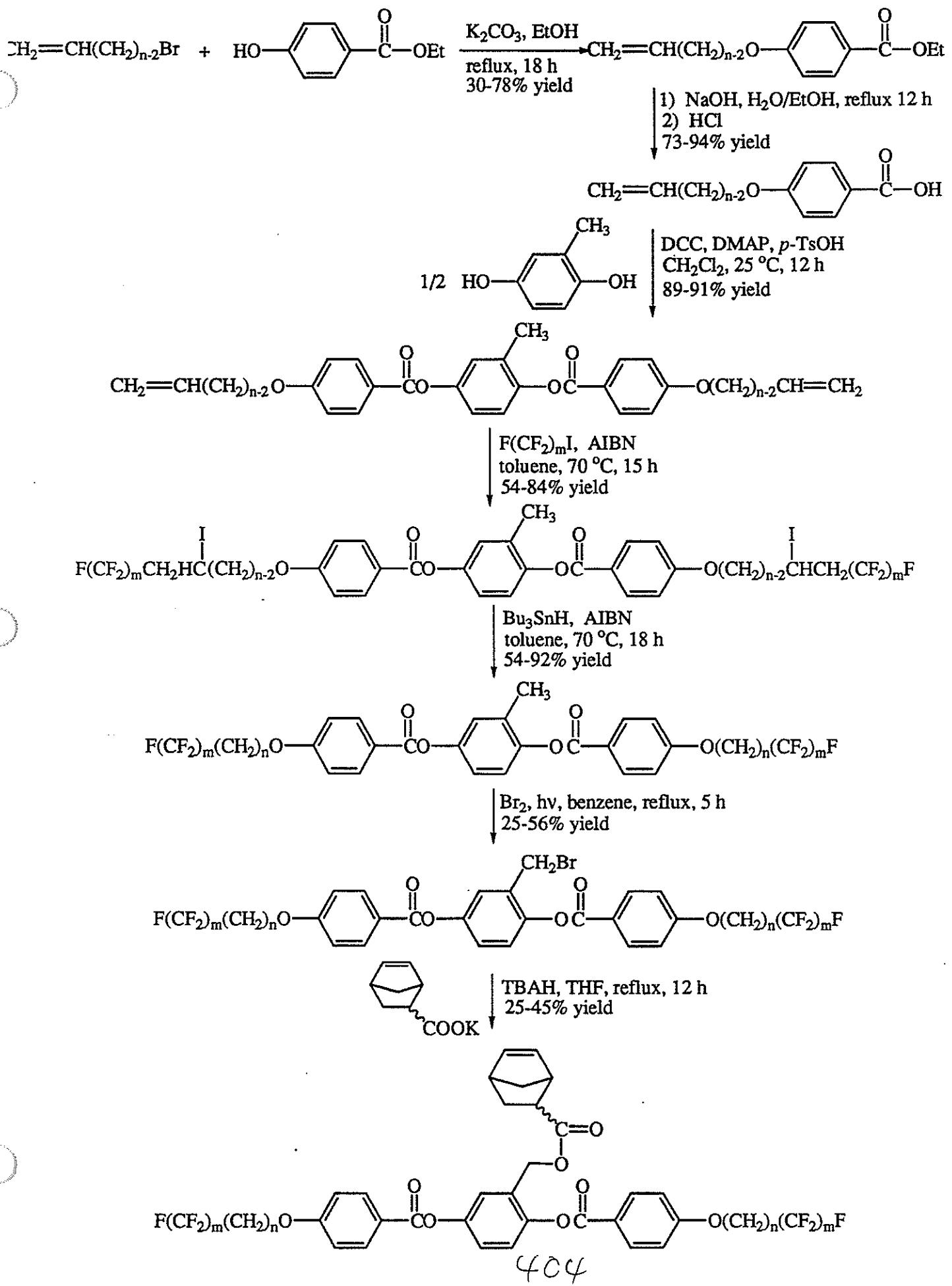
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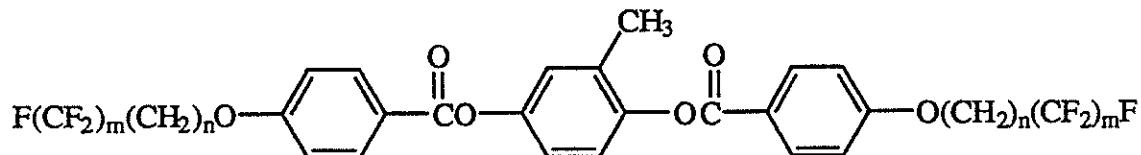
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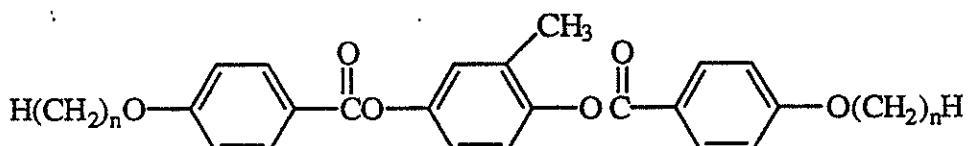
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4	k 115 n 206 i	1
5	k 90 n 178 i	1
6	k 88 n 173 i	1
7	k 86 n 161 i	2
8	k 40 n 157 i	2
9	k 79 n 148 i	2
10	k 83 n 139 i	2
11	k 81 (sc 80) n 140 i	2
12	k 81 sc 88 n 140 i	2

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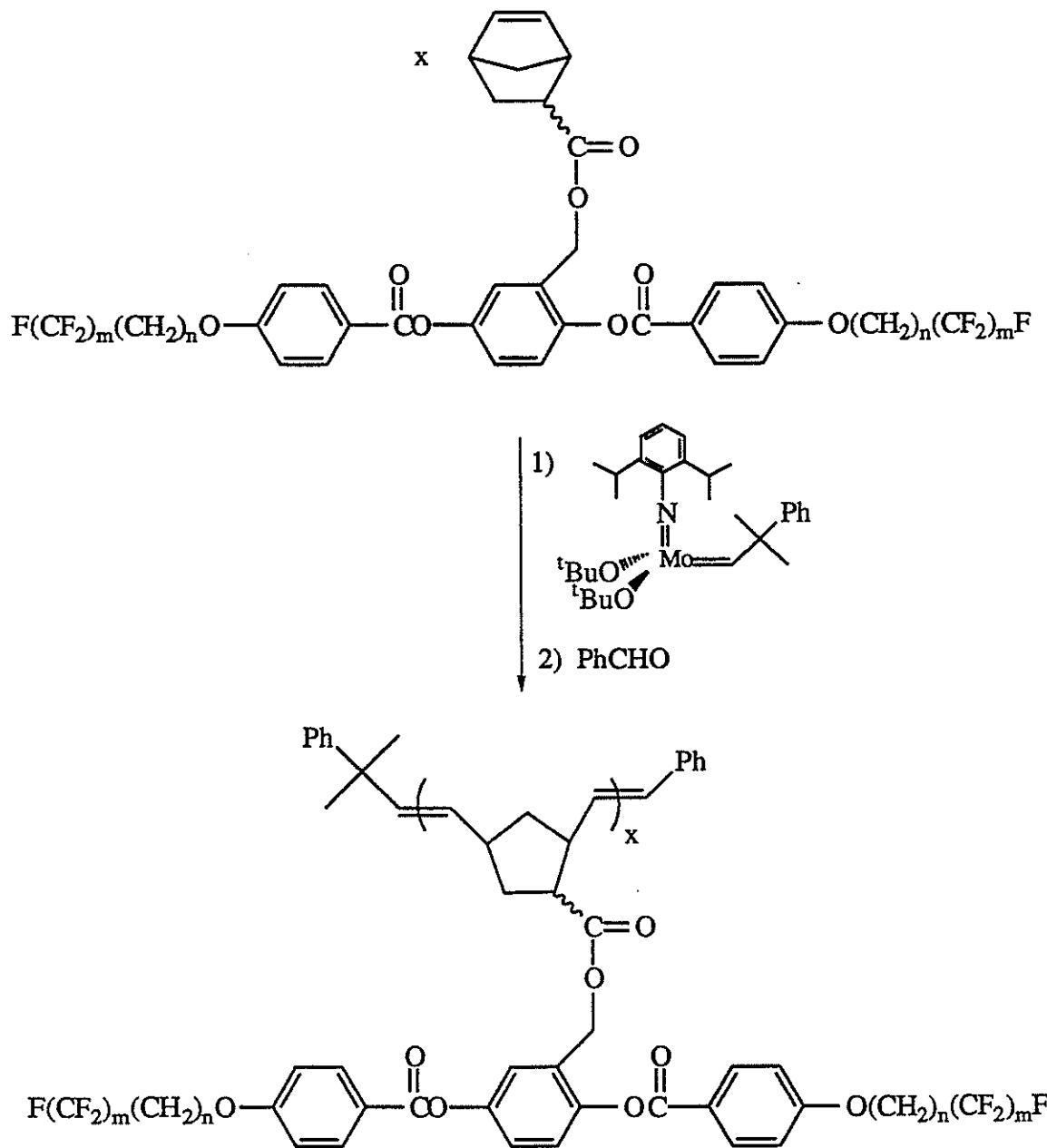


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8	3	k 107	s <sub>C</sub> 176*	s <sub>A</sub> 191	i		
4	4	k 99	s <sub>C</sub> 176*	s <sub>A</sub> 191	i		
5	4	k 92	s <sub>C</sub> 162*	s <sub>A</sub> 189	i		
6	4	k 113	s <sub>C</sub> 171*	s <sub>A</sub> 185	i		
8	4	k 95	s <sub>C</sub> 169*	s <sub>A</sub> 176	i		
4	6	k 106	s <sub>C</sub> 205	s <sub>A</sub> 214	i		
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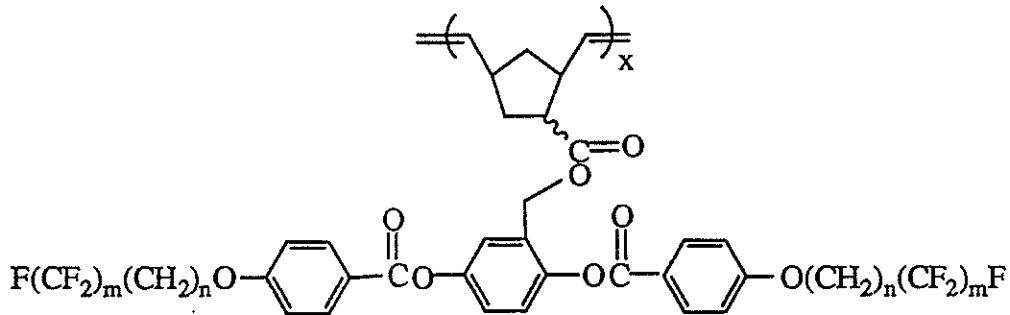
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8	k 40	n 157	i

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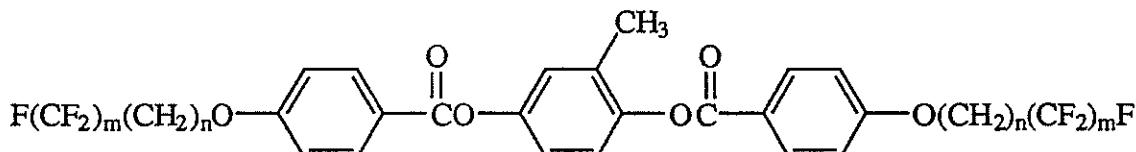


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							$M_n \times 10^{-4}$	pdi
6	8	THF	25	turbid	32	4.8	0.2	2.1
6	7	$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$	25	turbid	40	5.5	2.9	1.3
6	7	toluene	25	precipitates	40	5.5	2.9	1.3
4	6	$1,3-(\text{CF}_3)_2\text{Ph}$	40	homogeneous	50	6.2	5.8	1.5

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n	m	Phase Transitions ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )				
4	6	g	104	$s_C$	226	$s_A$ 234 i
5	6	g				i
6	6	g				i
8	6	g				i
4	7	g				i
5	7	g				i
6	7	g				i
8	7	g				i
4	8	g				i
5	8	g				i
6	8	g				i
8	8	g				i



n	m	Phase Transitions ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )				
4	6	k	106	$s_C$	205	$s_A$ 214 i
5	6	k	101	$s_C$	197	$s_A$ 208 i
6	6	k	99	$s_C$	197	$s_A$ 204 i
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# Synthesis of Conjugated Macromolecules for Electronic Applications

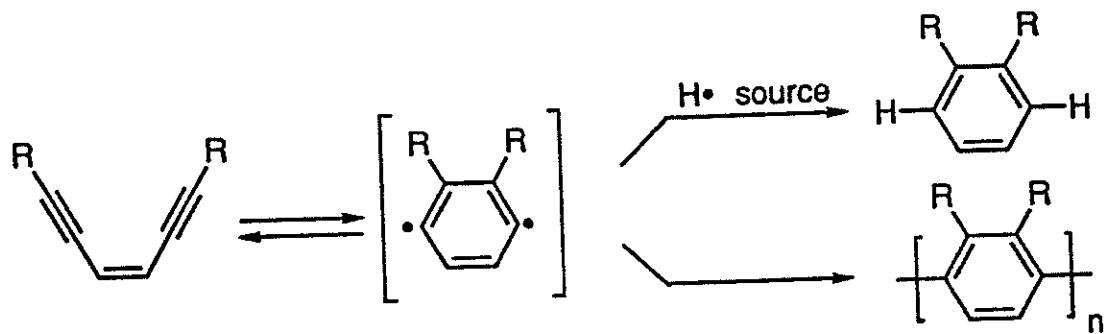
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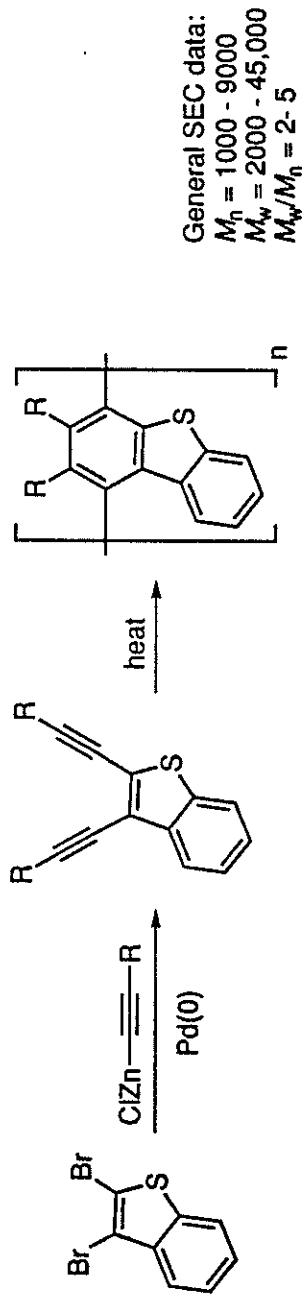
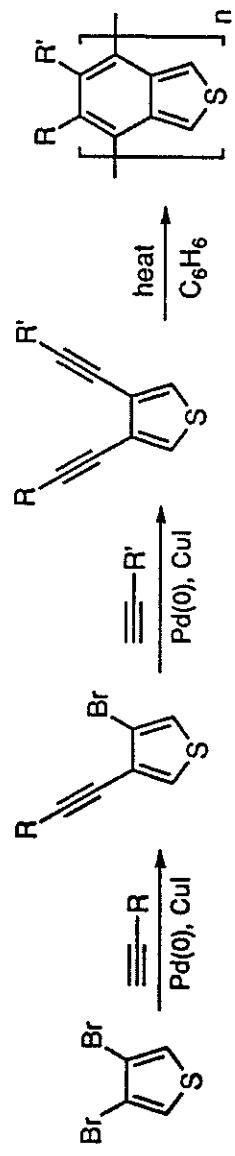
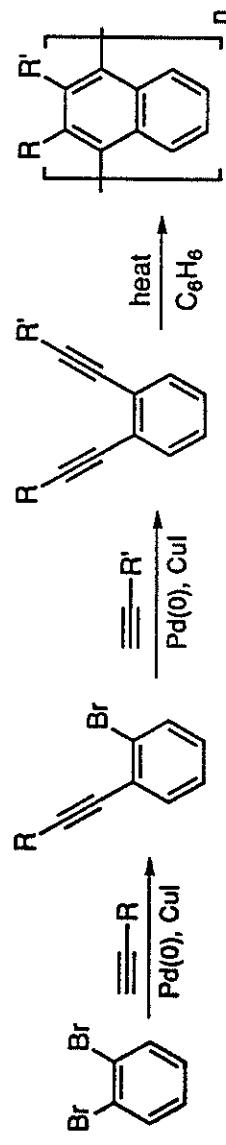
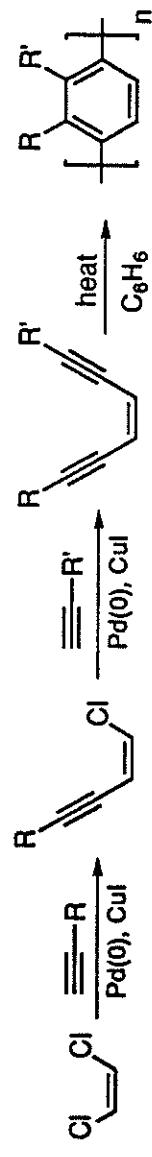
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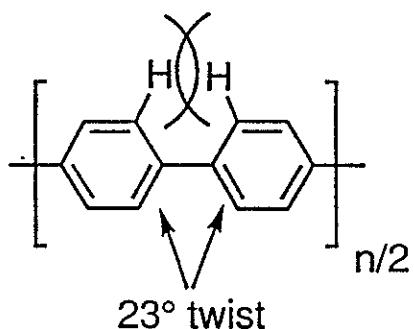
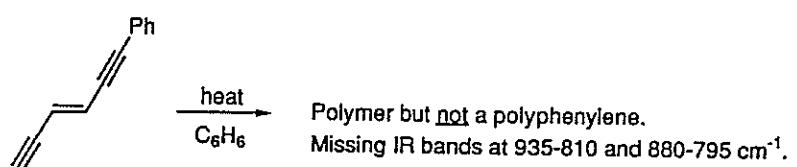
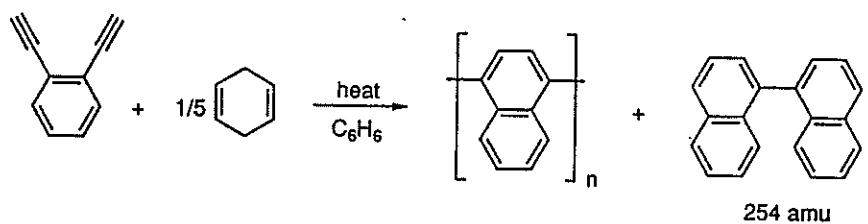
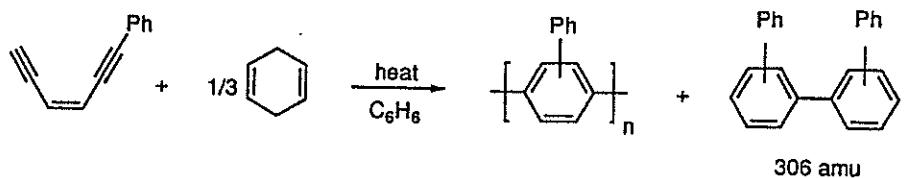
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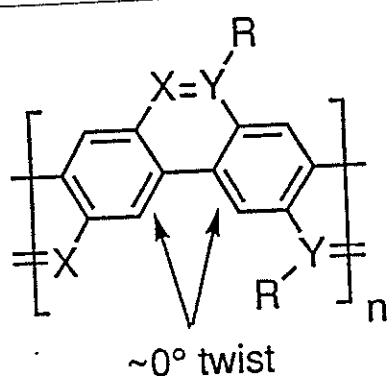




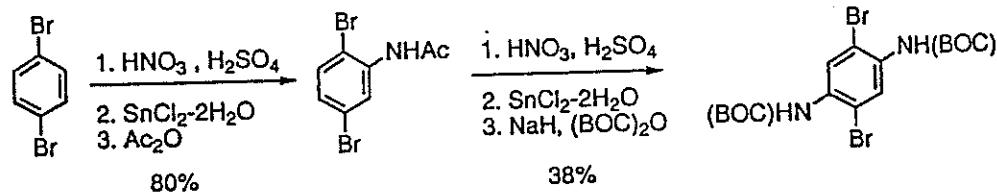
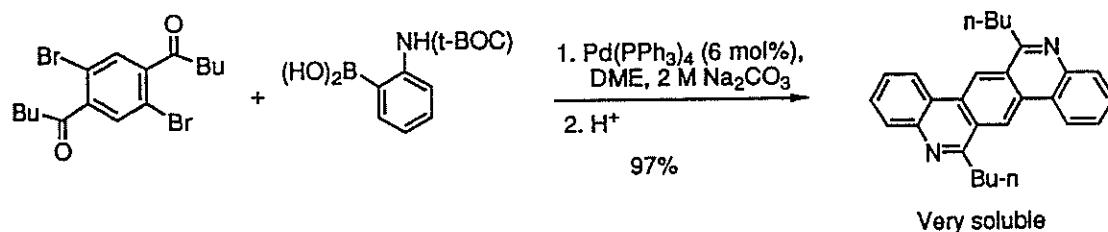
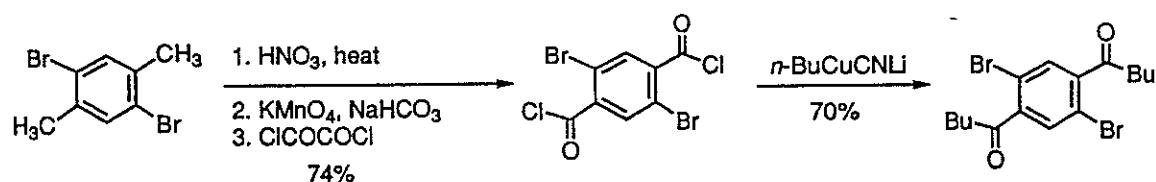
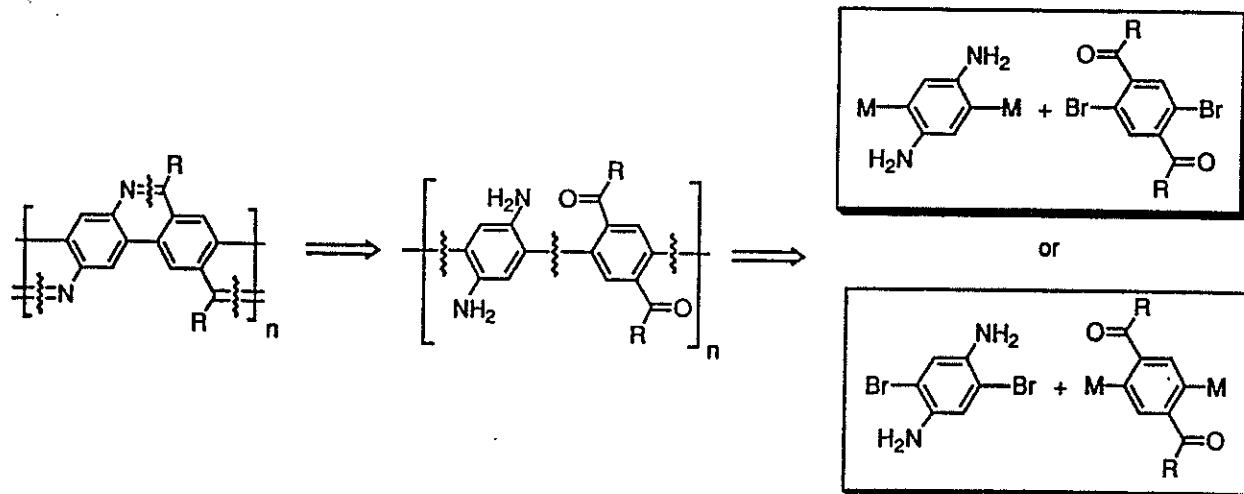
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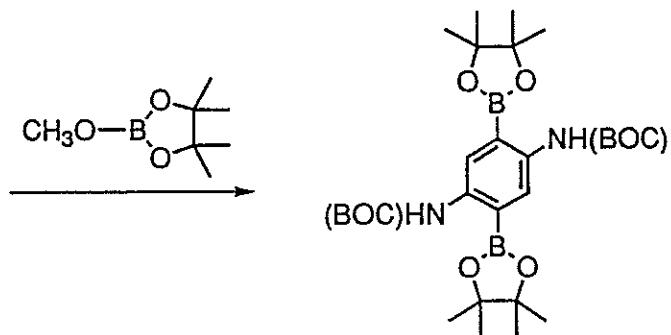
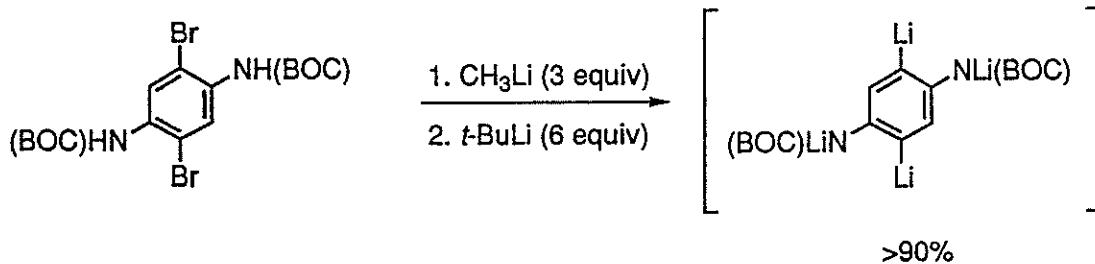
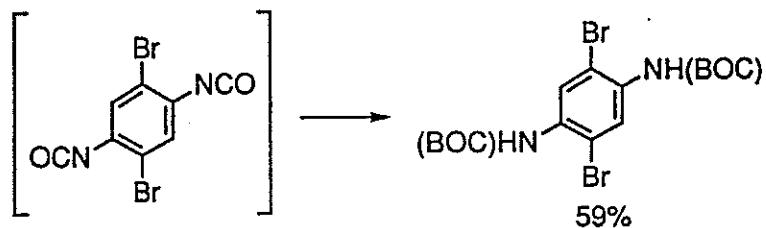
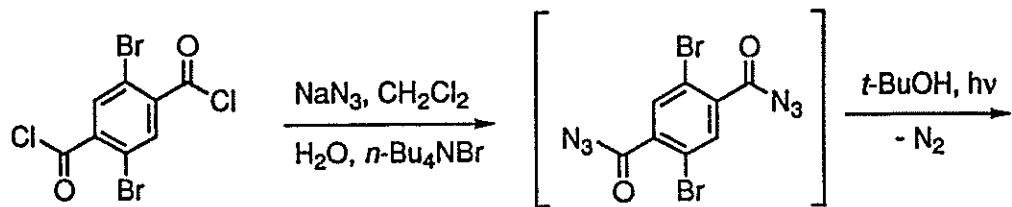
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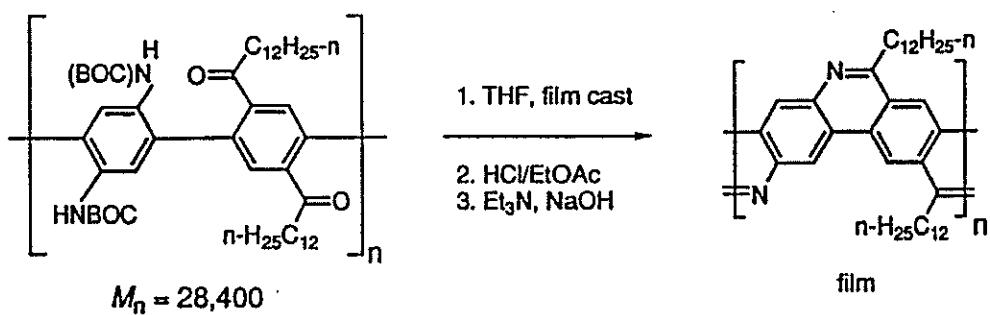
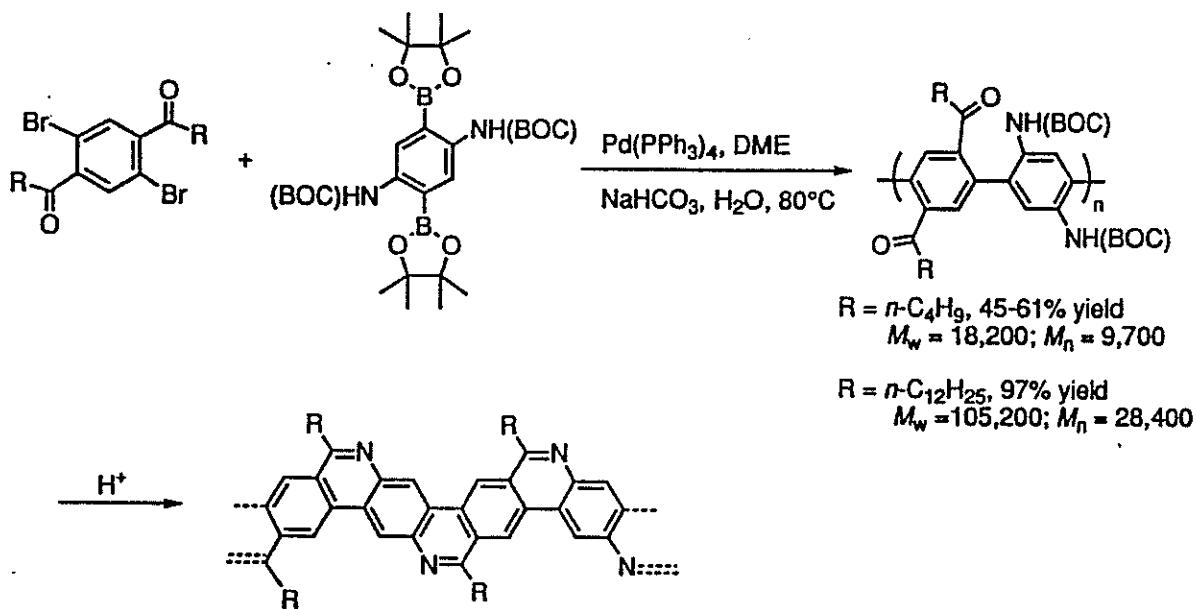
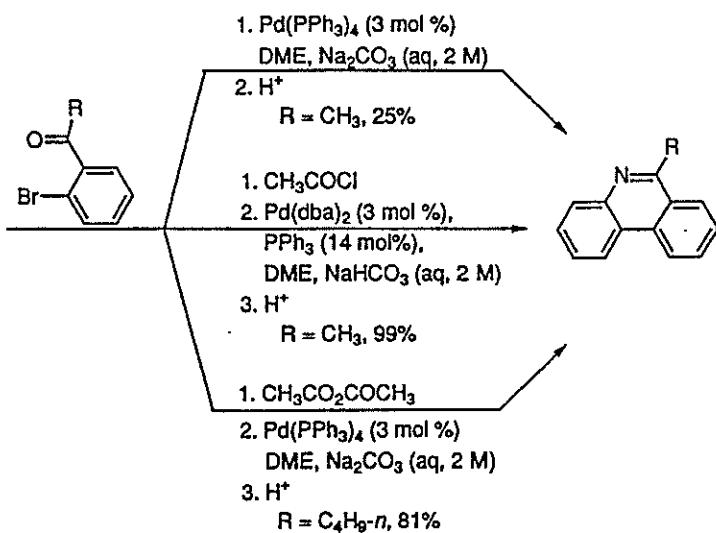
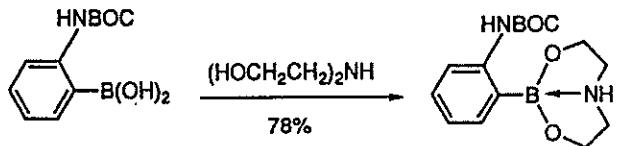


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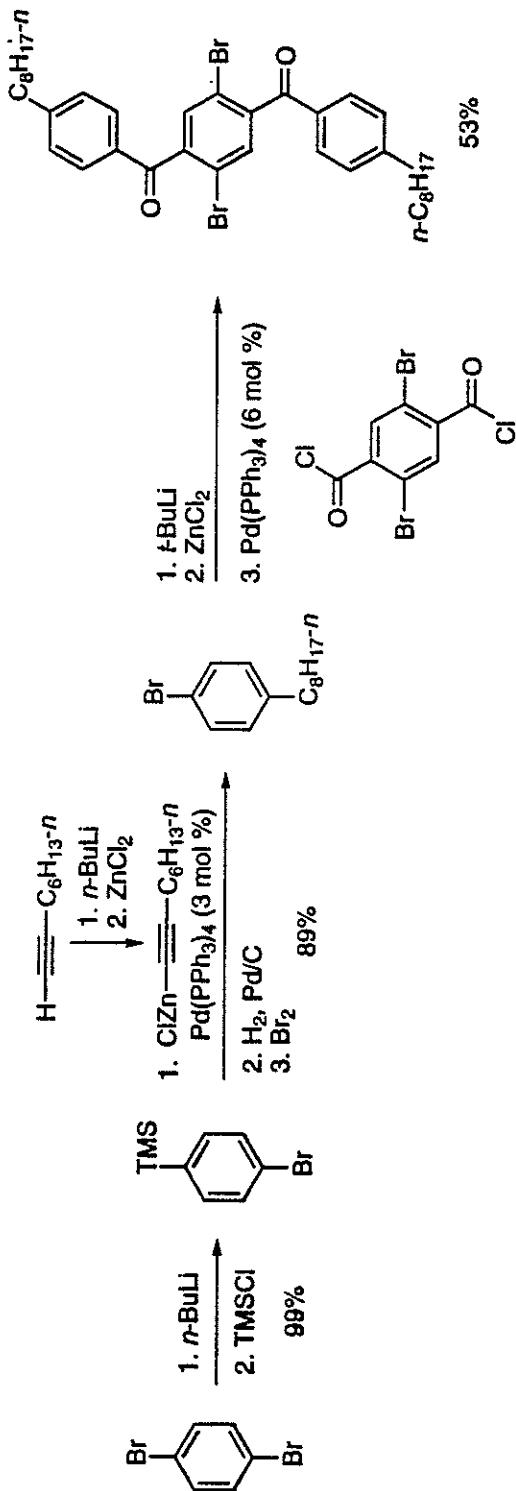
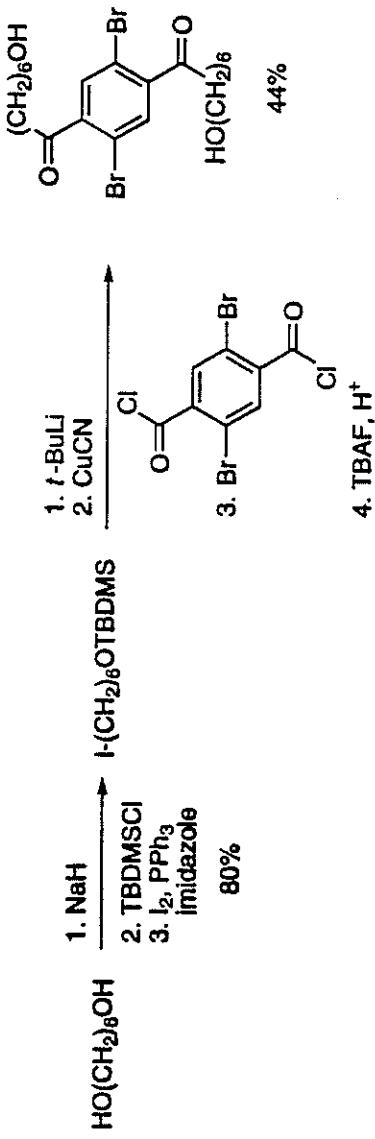
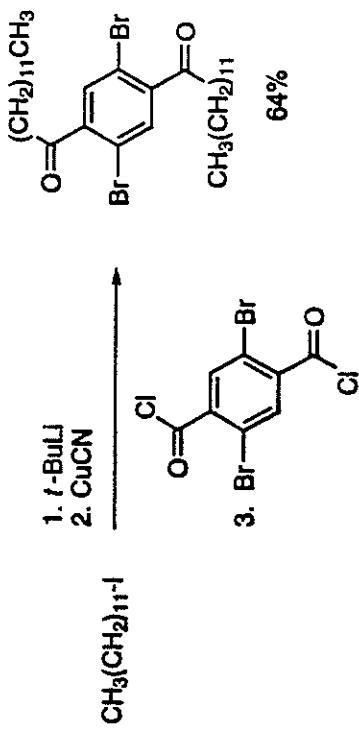


Bisboronic ester can be purified by chromatography on charcoal then crystallization (57% yield).

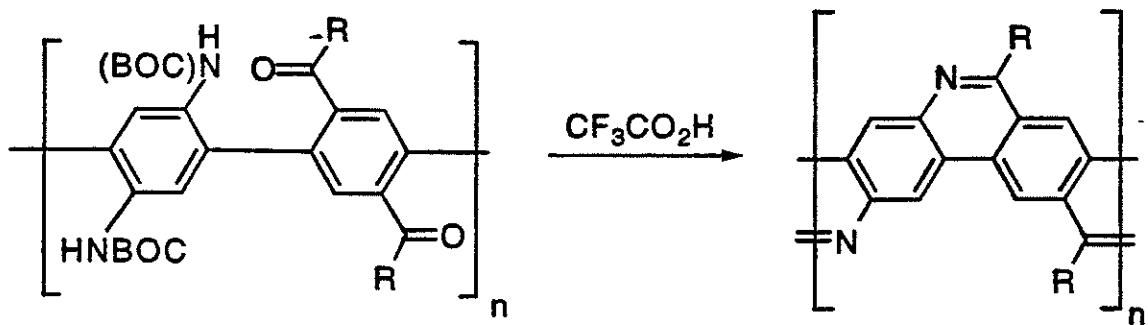
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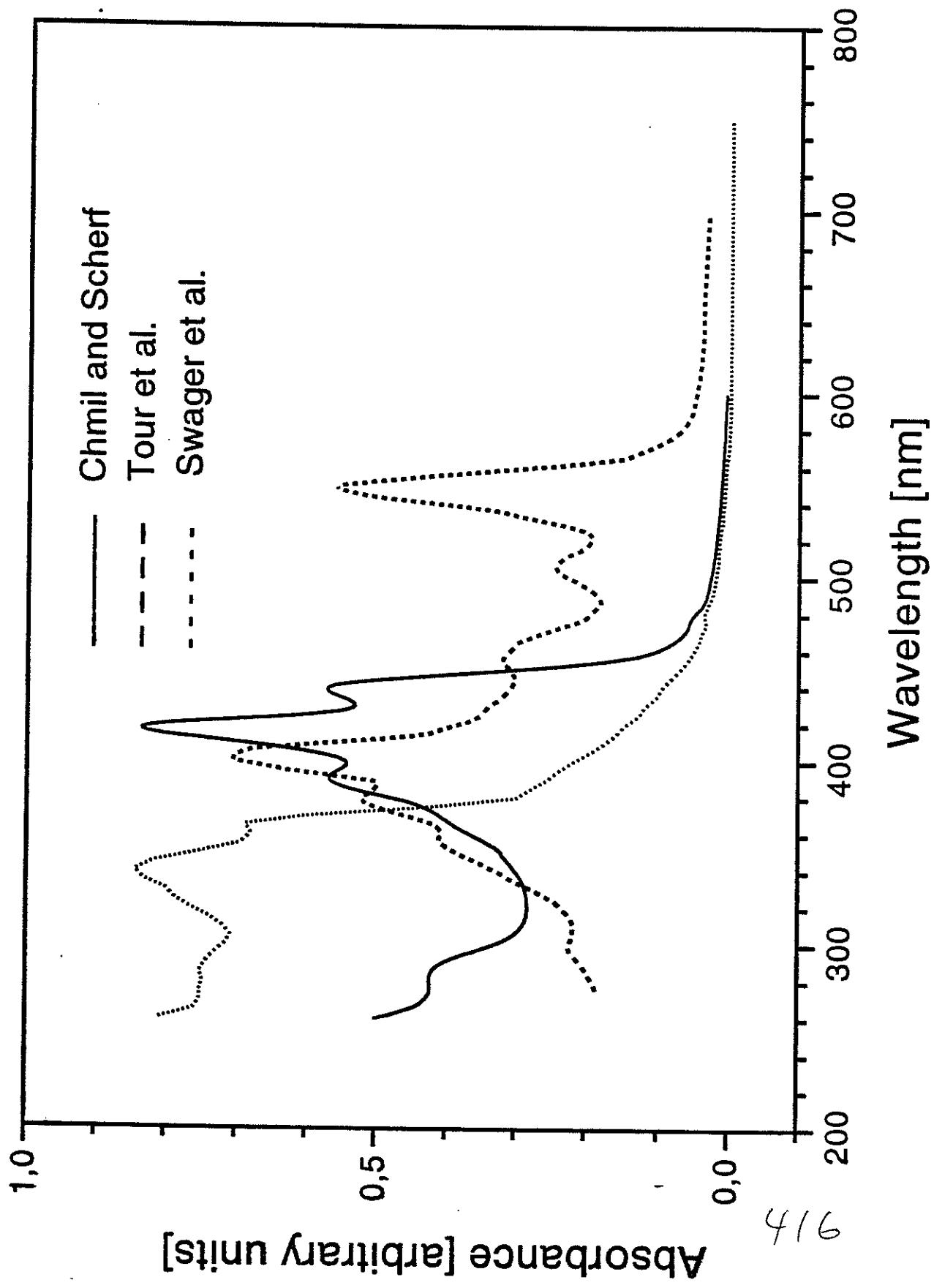
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 2, R =  $n\text{-C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}$ , 97%,  
 $M_n = 28,400, M_w/M_n = 3.70$   
 3, R =  $(\text{CH}_2)_6\text{OH}$ , 82%,  
 insoluble  
 4, R =  $p\text{-(C}_6\text{H}_4\text{)-C}_8\text{H}_{17-n}$ , 80%  
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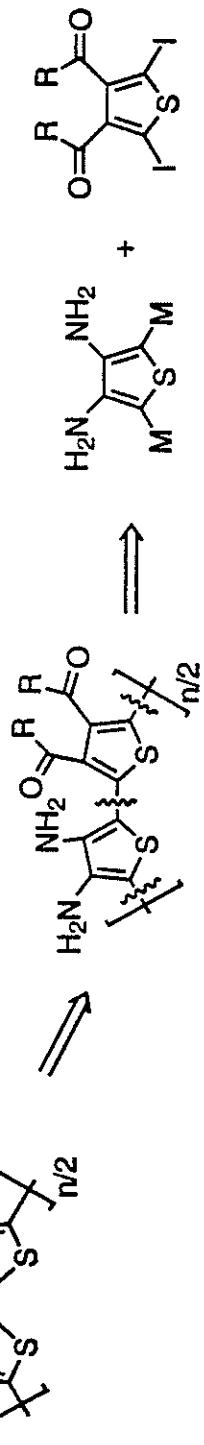
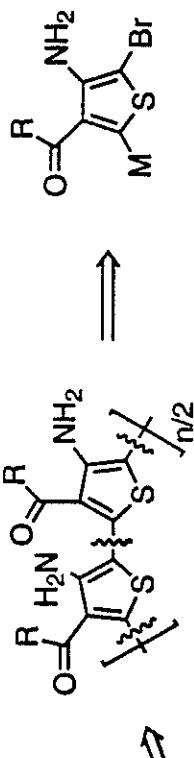
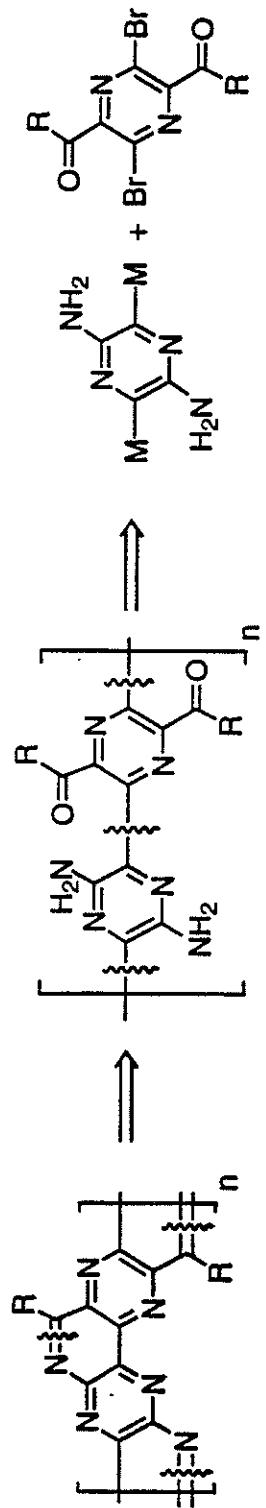
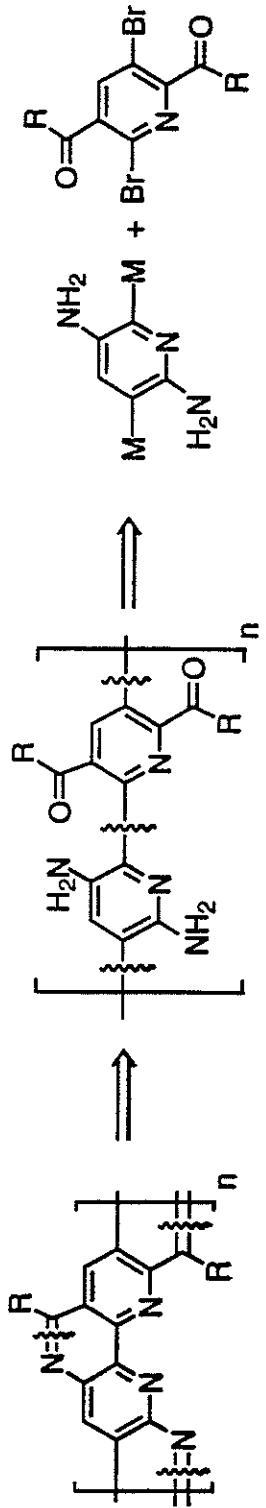
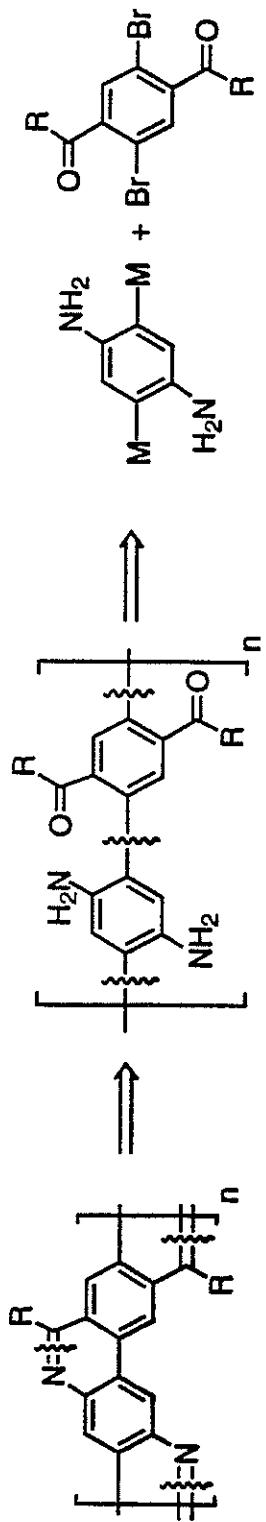
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 6, R =  $n\text{-C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}$ , 97%,  
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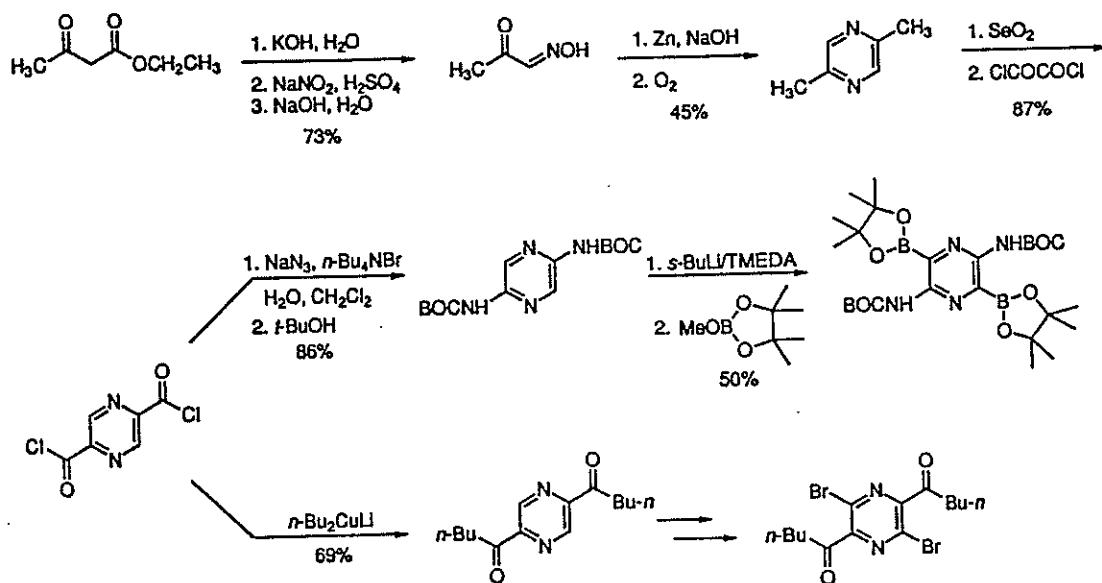
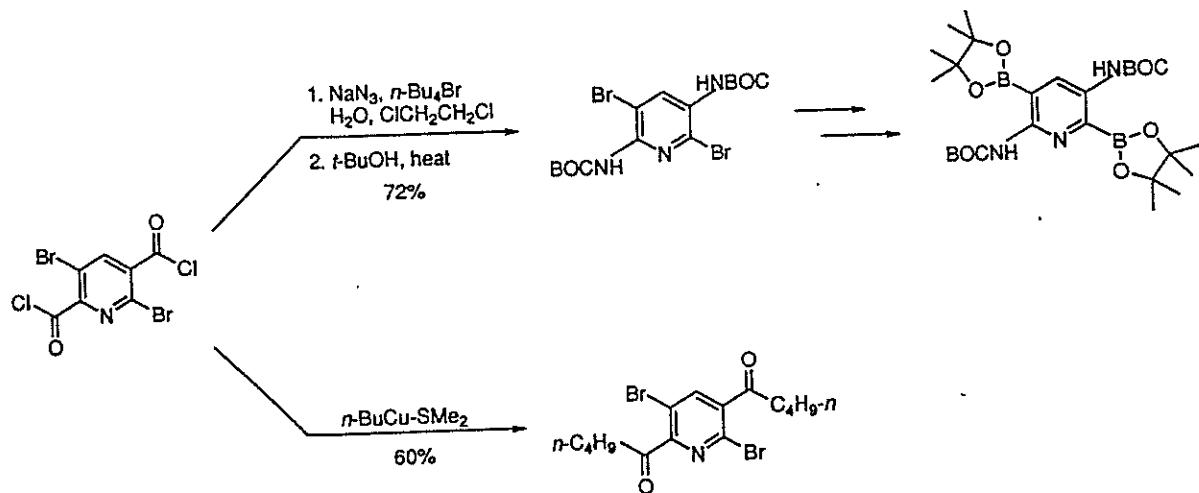
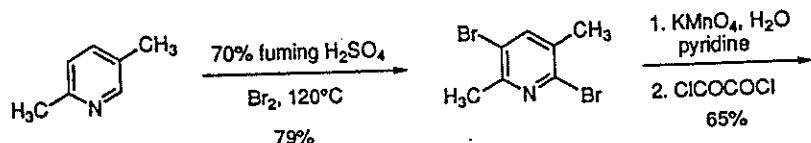
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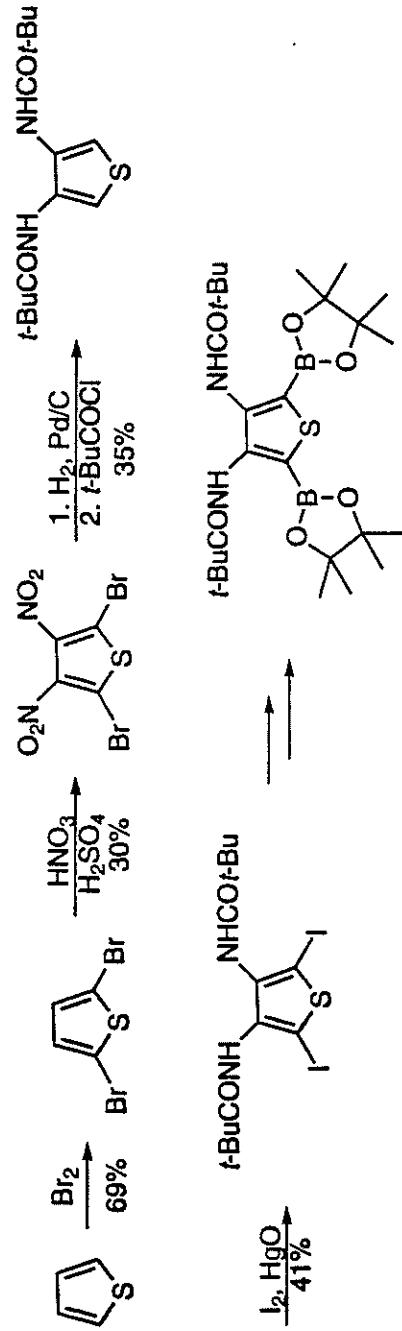
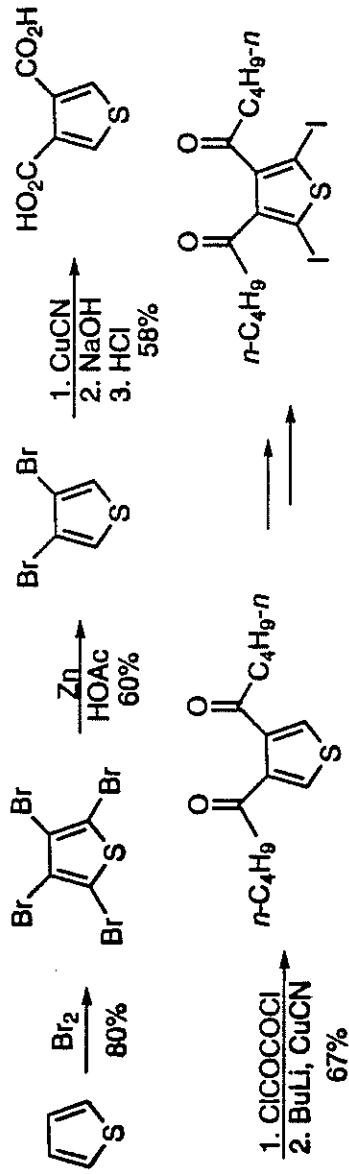
Compound	$\lambda$ in solution (nm)	$\lambda$ of solid (nm)
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2	$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ : <u>250</u> , 388	<u>250</u> , 398
4	$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ : <u>254</u>	<u>254</u>
5	$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{TFA}$ : 374, <u>396</u> , 426 (sh), 514, 520 (ed)	---
6	$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{TFA}$ : 376, <u>400</u> , 428, 478, 516, 530 (ed)	<u>463-490</u>
7	$\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{TFA}$ : 356, 376, <u>402</u> , 458, 506, 549, 580 (ed)	<u>482</u>
p-sexiphenylene	$\text{CHCl}_3$ : <u>318</u>	---
PPP (calcd infinite $M_n$ )	<u>344</u>	---

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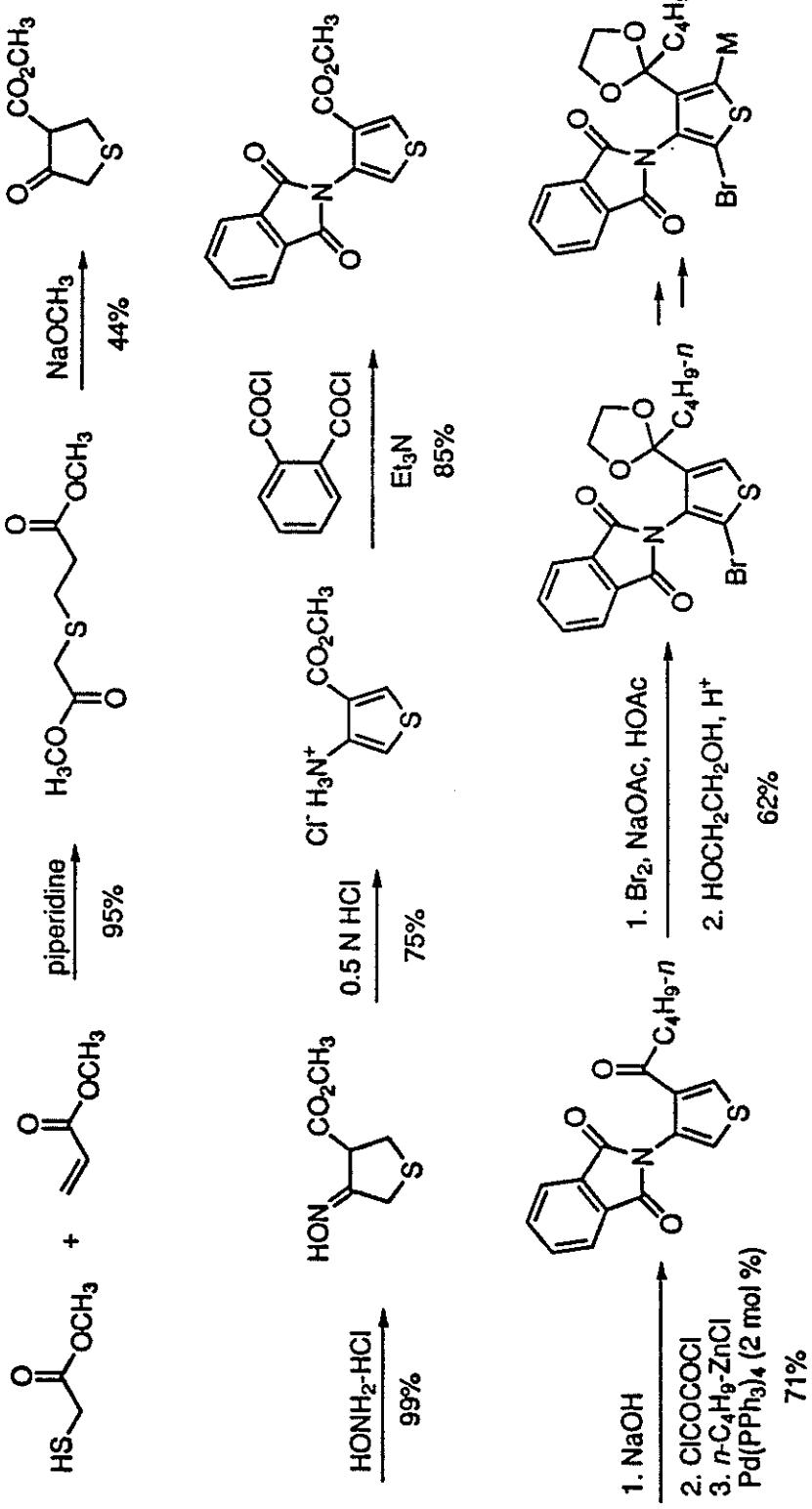


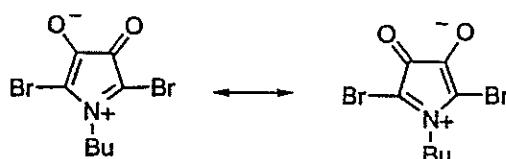
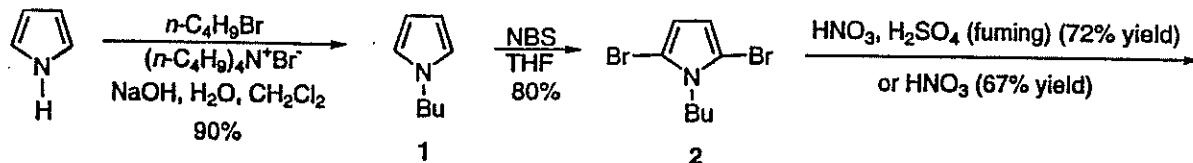






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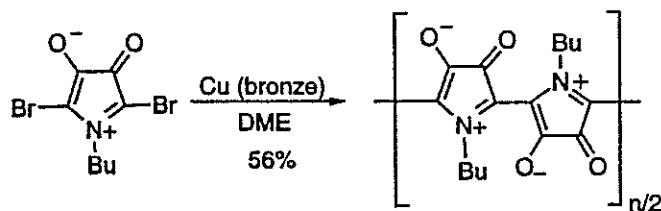
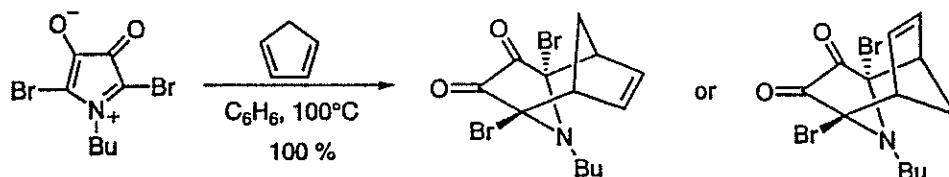
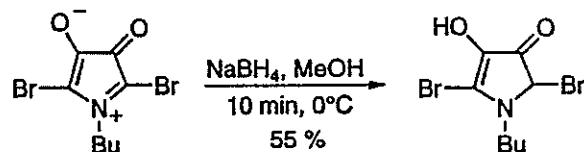


IR: 1718 cm<sup>-1</sup>

MS: Calc'd: 311. Found: 311.

Elemental Analysis:

	Calc'd	Found
C <sub>8</sub>	30.89	30.90
H <sub>9</sub>	2.92	2.92
Br <sub>2</sub>	51.39	51.25
N	4.50	4.48
O <sub>2</sub>	10.29	10.45



IR: 1697 cm<sup>-1</sup>

SEC:  $M_n = 5,000$

$M_w = 6,250$

$M_w/M_n = 1.25$

Elemental Analysis:

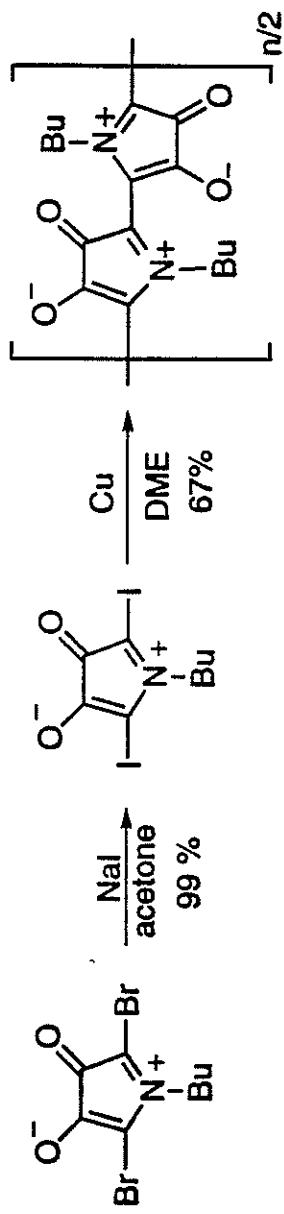
	Calc'd	Found
C <sub>8</sub>	63.57	63.40
H <sub>9</sub>	6.00	6.71
N	9.26	8.06
O <sub>2</sub>	21.17	21.83
Br	0.0	0.0

4-Point Probe Conductivity:

Intrinsic:  $1.4 \times 10^{-5} \Omega^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$

I<sub>2</sub> doped:  $4.2 \times 10^{-4} \Omega^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$

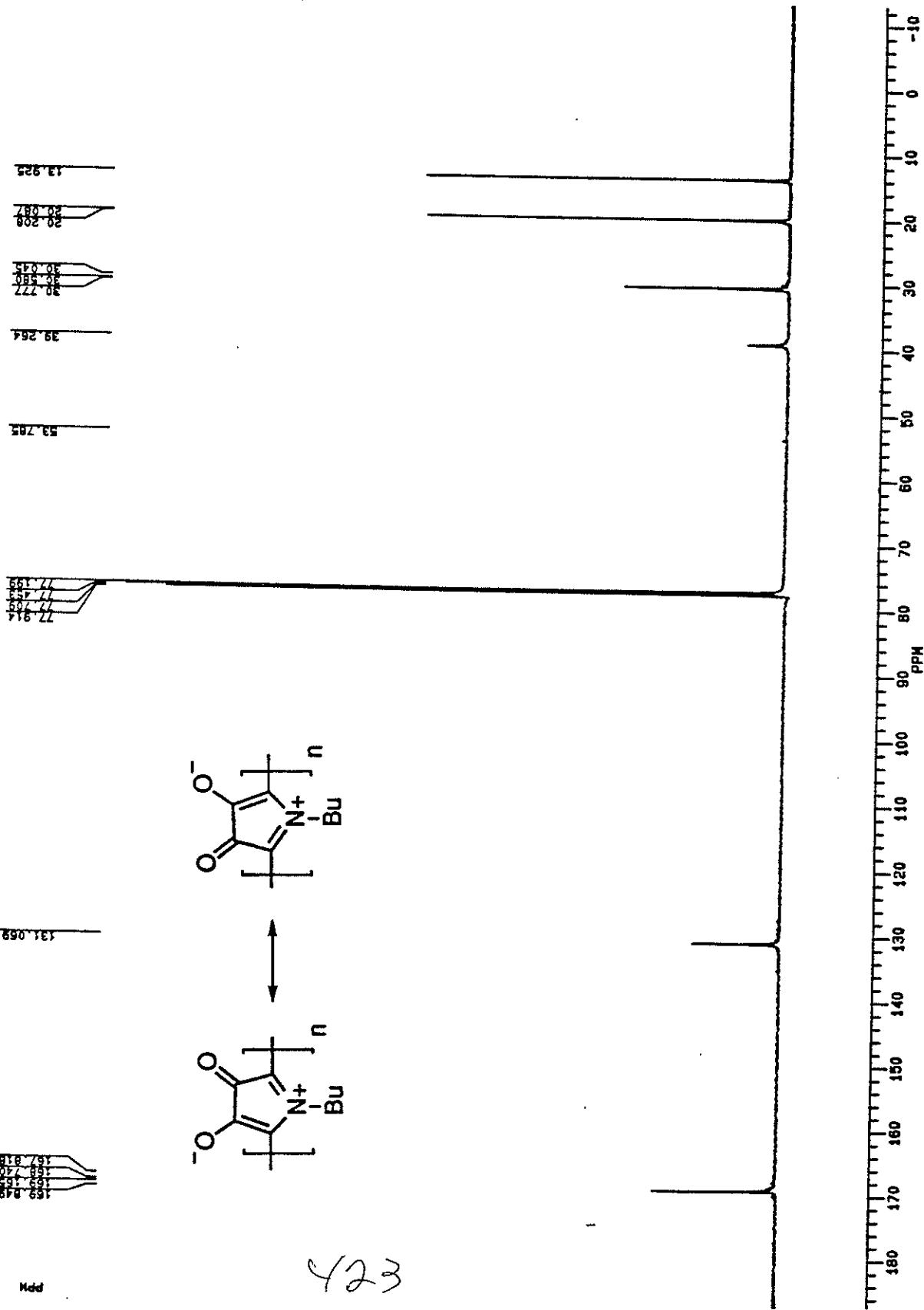
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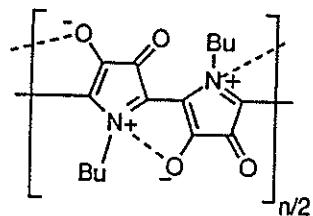
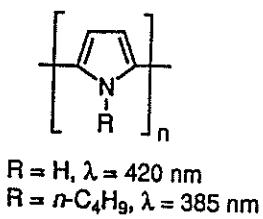


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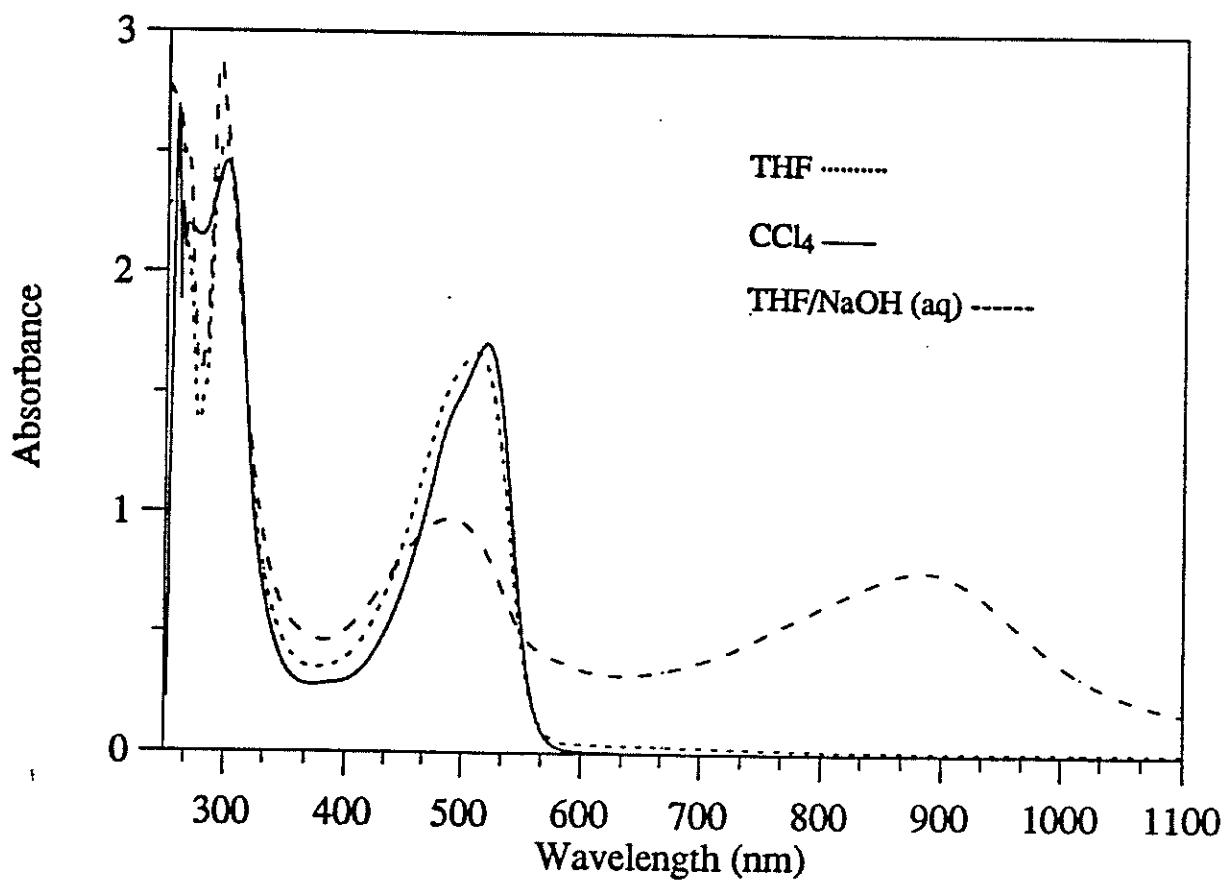
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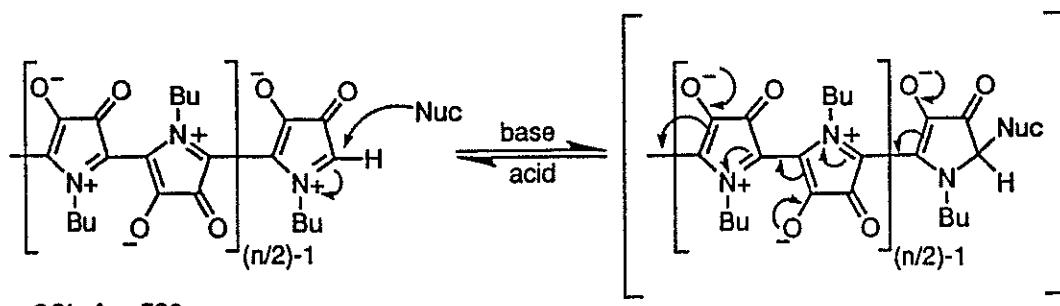


$\text{CCl}_4, \lambda = 520 \text{ nm}$   
 $\text{THF}, \lambda = 512 \text{ nm}$   
 $\text{EtOH/THF (1:1)}, \lambda = 503 \text{ nm}$   
 $\text{acetone}, \lambda = 482 \text{ nm}$

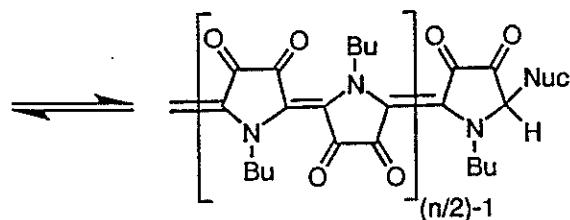
Stabilization of the polar ground state  
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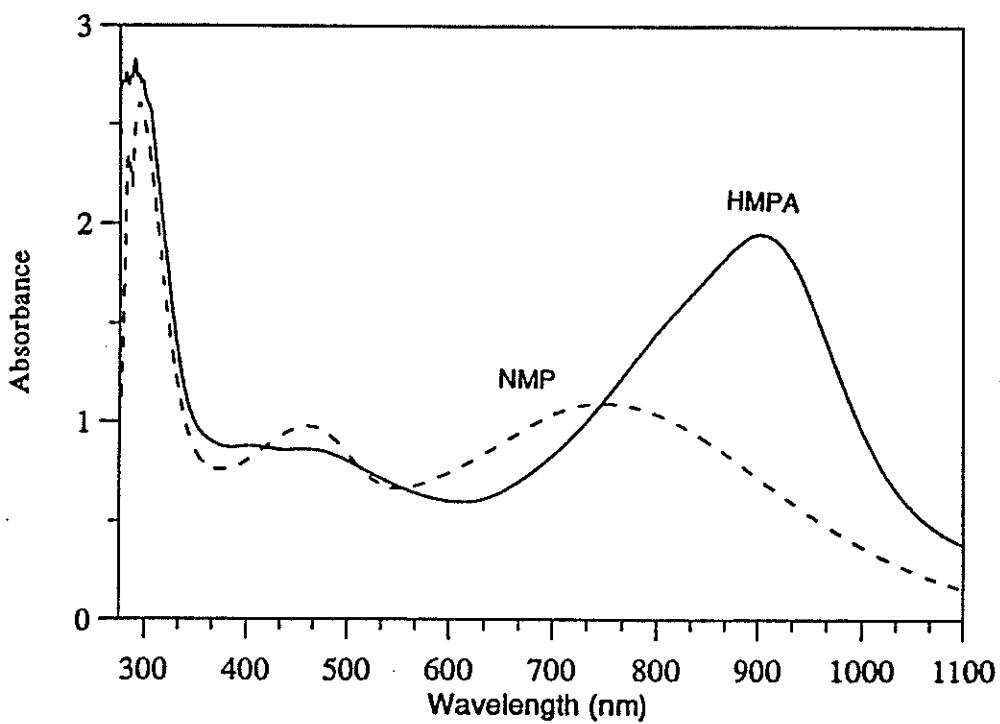
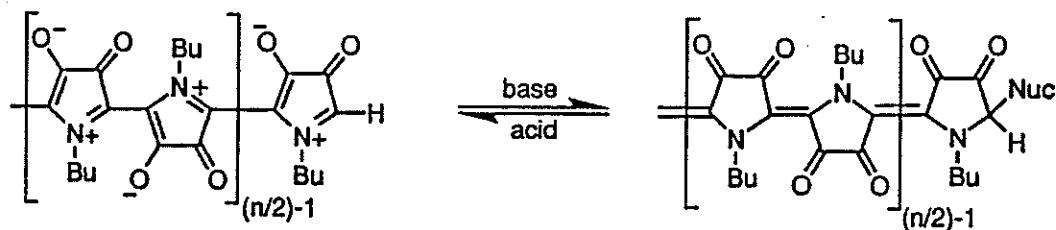
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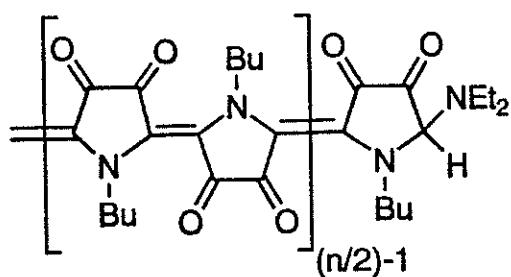
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 acetone,  $\lambda = 482 \text{ nm}$



$\text{THF/NaOH (aq)}, \lambda = 881 \text{ nm}$   
 $\text{HMPA}, \lambda = 901 \text{ nm}$   
 $\text{NMP}, \lambda = 746 \text{ nm}$



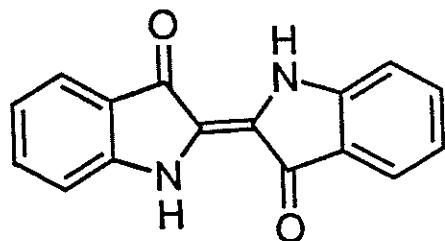
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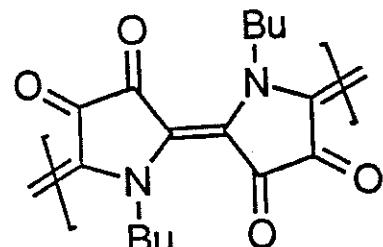
$\lambda_{\text{max}} = 783 \text{ nm}$

Intrinsic conductivity:  $6.9 \times 10^{-5} \Omega^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1}$

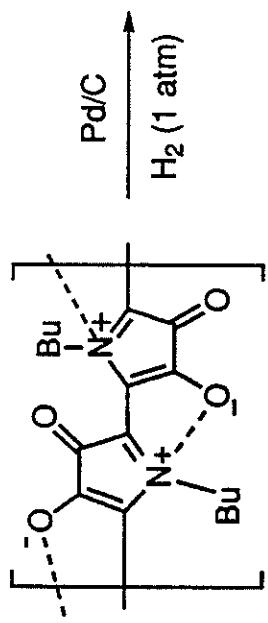
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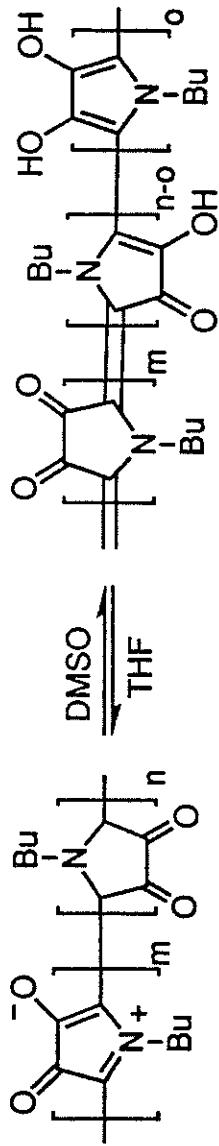
Indigo  $\lambda_{\text{max}} = 602 \text{ nm}$



Indigo-like

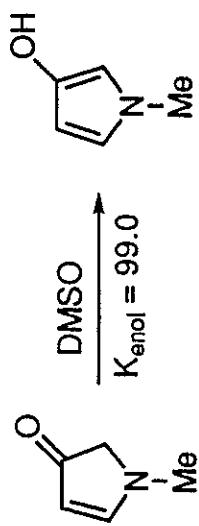


THF,  $\lambda = 512 \text{ nm}$   
DMSO insoluble

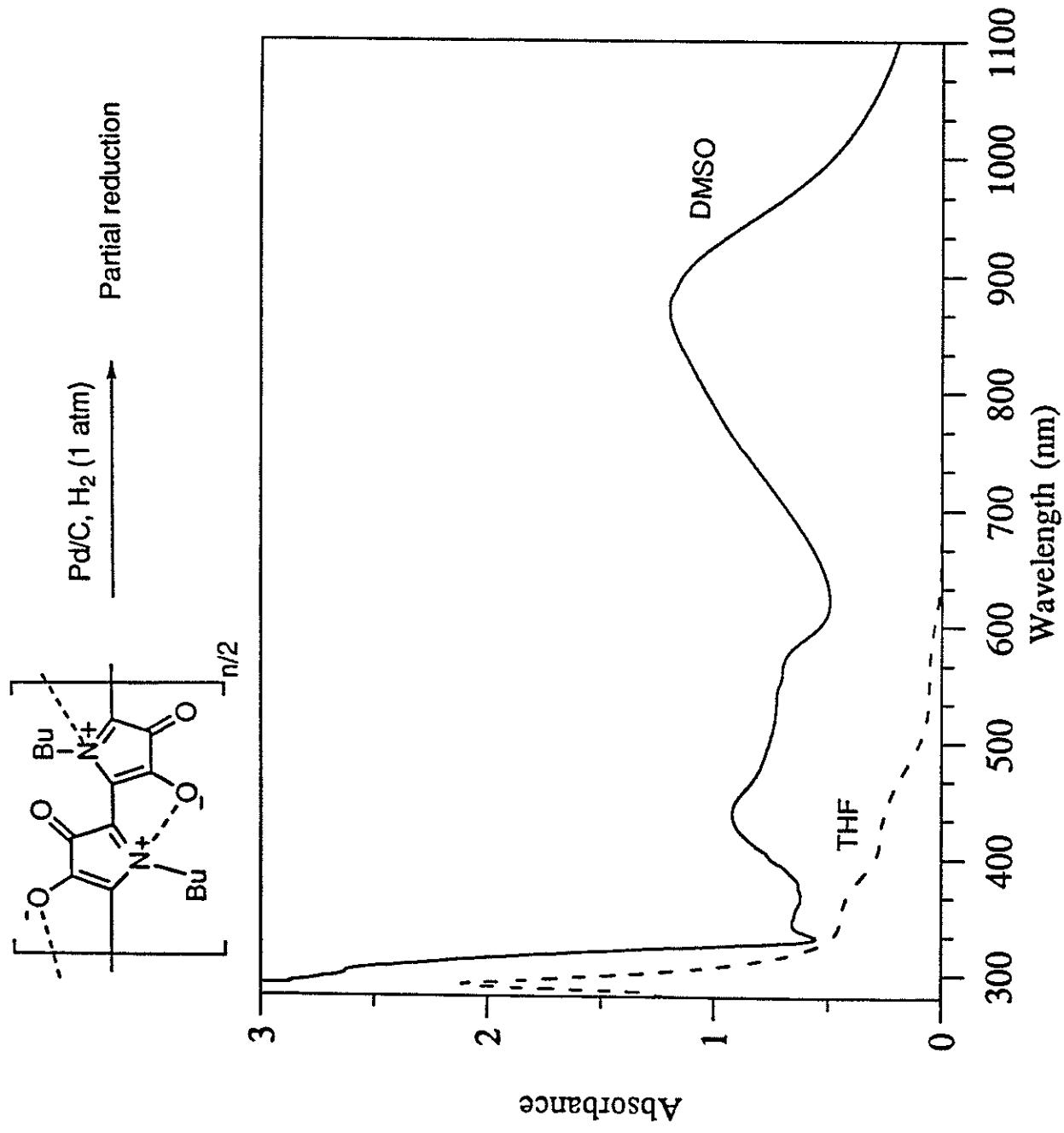


THF,  $\lambda < 290 \text{ nm}$

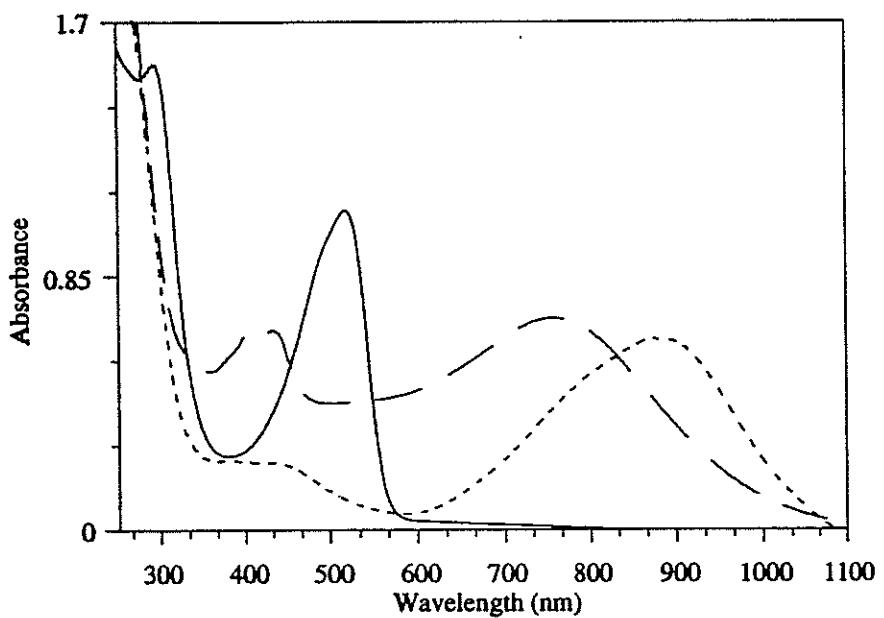
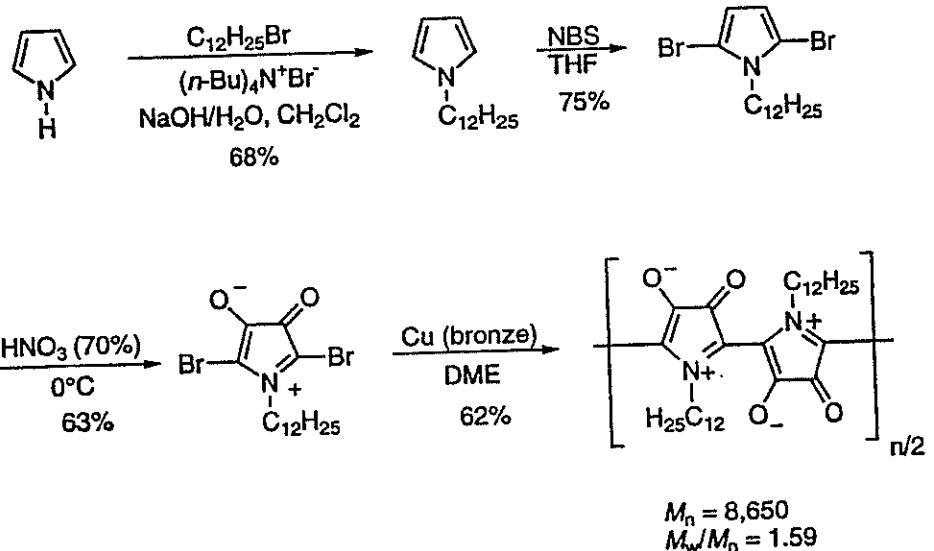
THF/NaOH (aq),  $\lambda = 618$   
DMSO,  $\lambda = 886$



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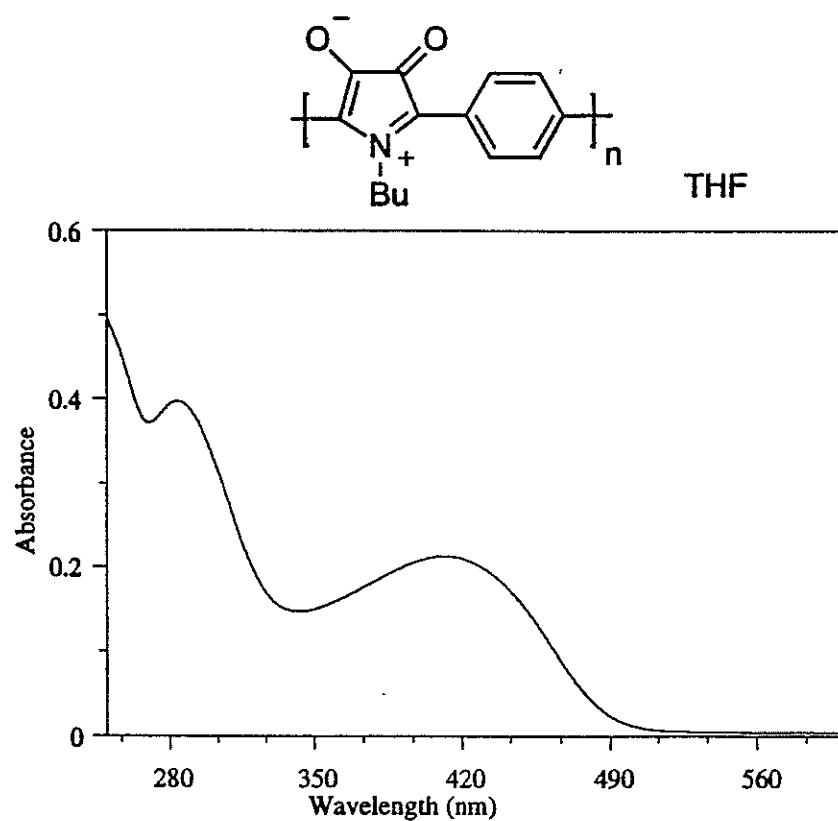
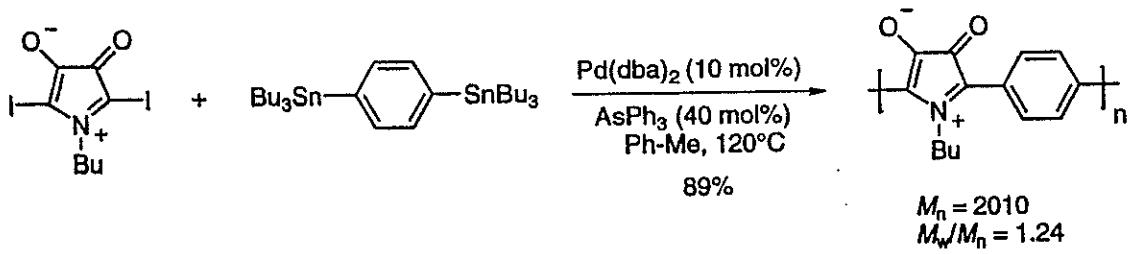


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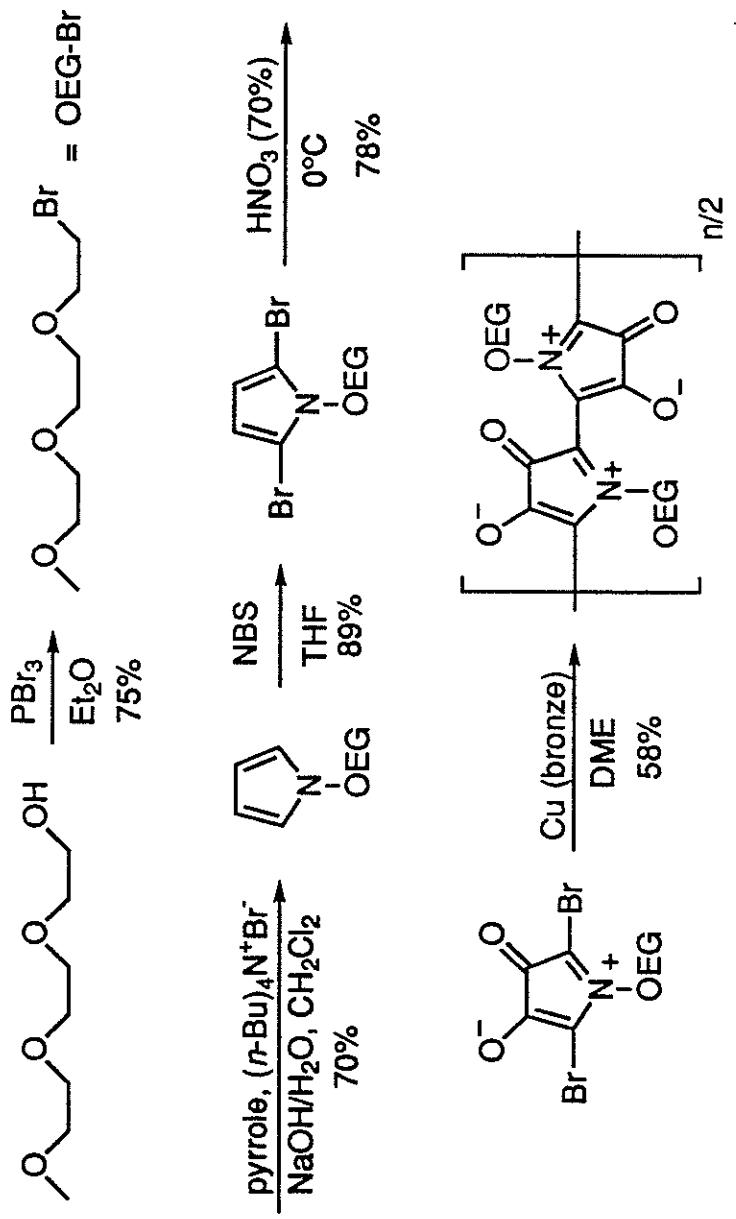


Spectrum of dodecyl-containing polymer in (a)  $\text{CCl}_4$  (—),  
(b)  $\text{THF}/\text{aqueous NaOH}$  (— —), and (c) HMPA (---).

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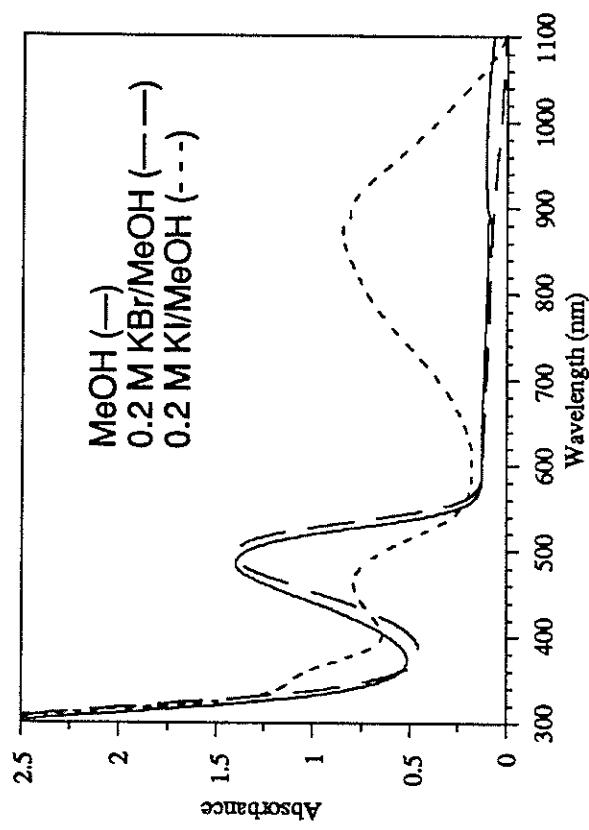
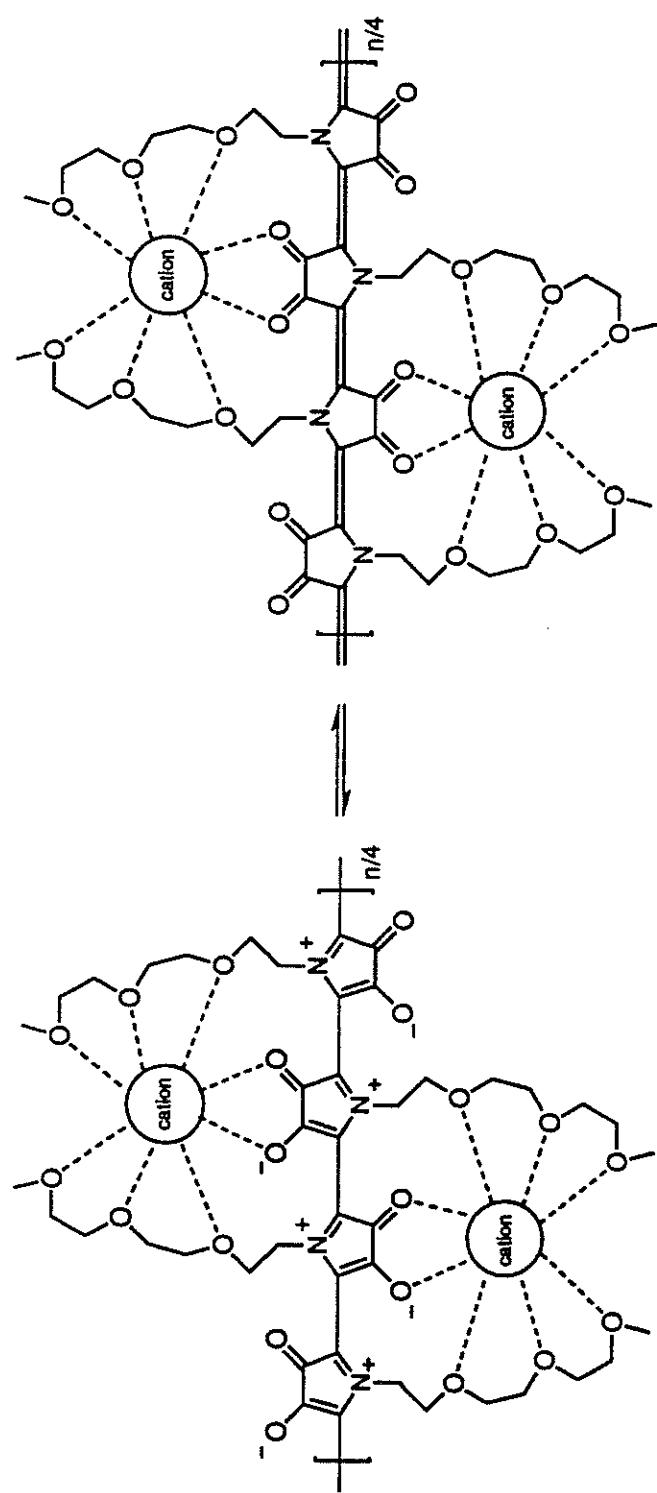


$M_n = 8,650$ .  $M_w/M_n = 1.59$ . Anal. calc'd for  $(\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_5)_n$ : C, 54.76; H, 6.26; N, 5.85.  
Found: C, 54.18; H, 6.25; Br<0.5; N, 5.81.

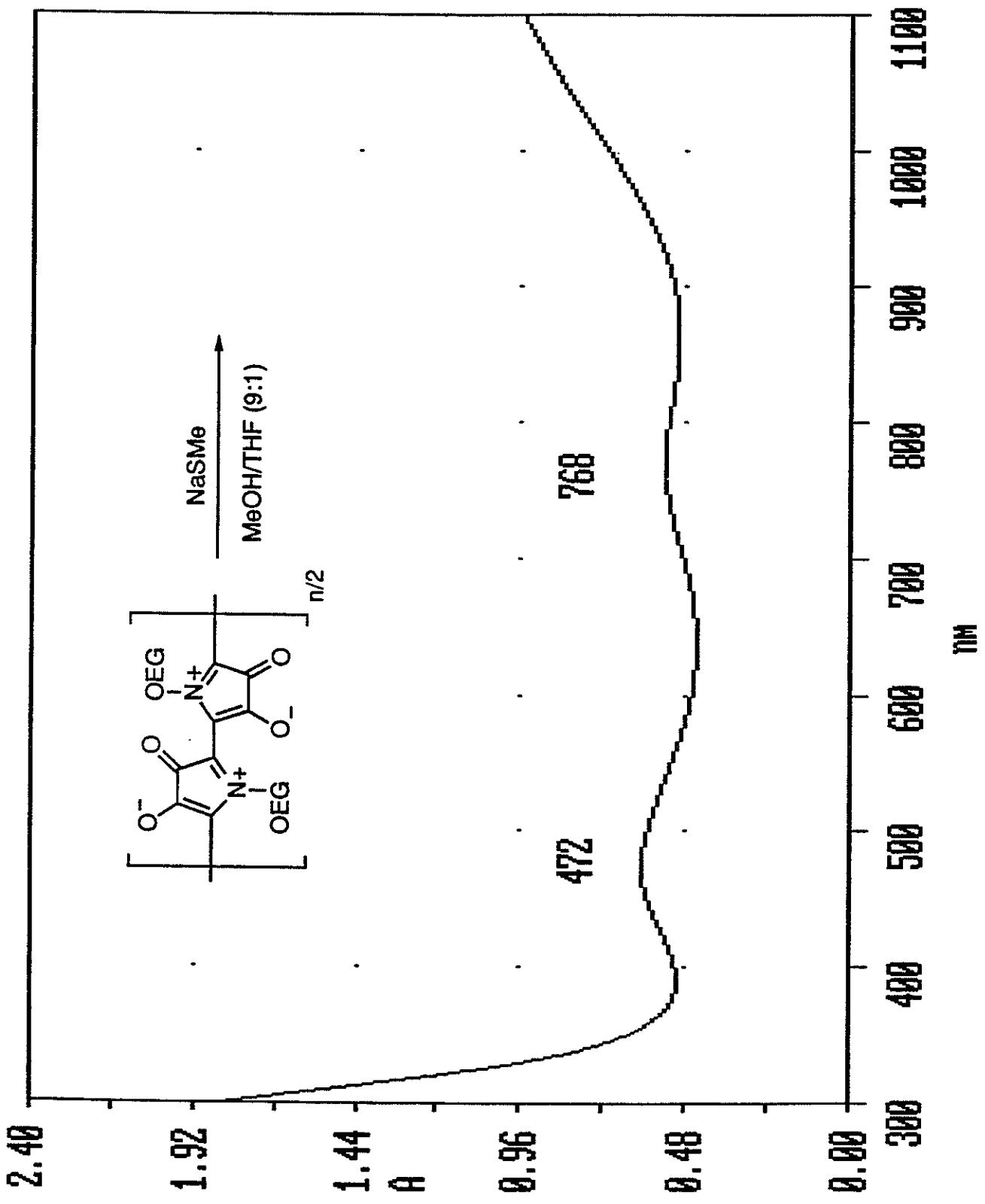
**Affect of Salts on the Optical Properties of Butyl- and OEG-Containing Polymers**

Entry	Polymer	Solvent	Salt (0.2 M)	$\lambda$ (nm)
1	OEG	MeOH	—	484
2	OEG	MeOH	LiClO <sub>4</sub>	492
3	OEG	MeOH	NaClO <sub>4</sub>	488
4	OEG	MeOH	KClO <sub>4</sub> <sup>a</sup>	488
5	OEG	MeOH	LiF <sup>a</sup>	487
6	OEG	MeOH	LiCl	485
7	OEG	MeOH	LiBr	484
8	OEG	MeOH	NaF	486
9	OEG	MeOH	NaCl <sup>a</sup>	488
10	OEG	MeOH	NaBr	489
11	OEG	MeOH	KF	485
12	OEG	MeOH	KCl <sup>a</sup>	488
13	OEG	MeOH	KBr <sup>a</sup>	490
14	OEG	MeOH	LiI	480, 816
15	OEG	MeOH	NaI	459, 850
16	OEG	MeOH	KI	465, 876
17	OEG	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	—	518
18	OEG	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	TBAI <sup>b</sup>	518
19	OEG	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	TMABF <sub>4</sub> <sup>c</sup>	518
20	OEG	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	TBAPF <sub>6</sub>	517
21	OEG	MeOH/THF (9:1)	—	493
22	OEG	MeOH/THF (9:1)	LiI	476, 818
23	OEG	MeOH/THF (9:1)	NaI	474, 850
24	OEG	MeOH/THF (9:1)	KI	458, 863
25	Butyl	MeOH/THF (9:1)	—	480
26	Butyl	MeOH/THF (9:1)	LiI	477
27	Butyl	MeOH/THF (9:1)	NaI	479
28	Butyl	MeOH/THF (9:1)	KI	478
29	Butyl	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	—	518
30	Butyl	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	TBAI	516
31	Butyl	MeOH/THF (9:1)	NaI + 18-C-6	487
32	Butyl	MeOH/THF (9:1)	KI + 18-C-6	486

<sup>a</sup>This salt was only partially dissolved in MeOH. <sup>b</sup>TBA= tetrabutylammonium. <sup>c</sup>TMA = tetramethylammonium.



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# Molecular Electronics

Definition: A *single molecule* (not a film or crystal) functioning as a device (on/off).

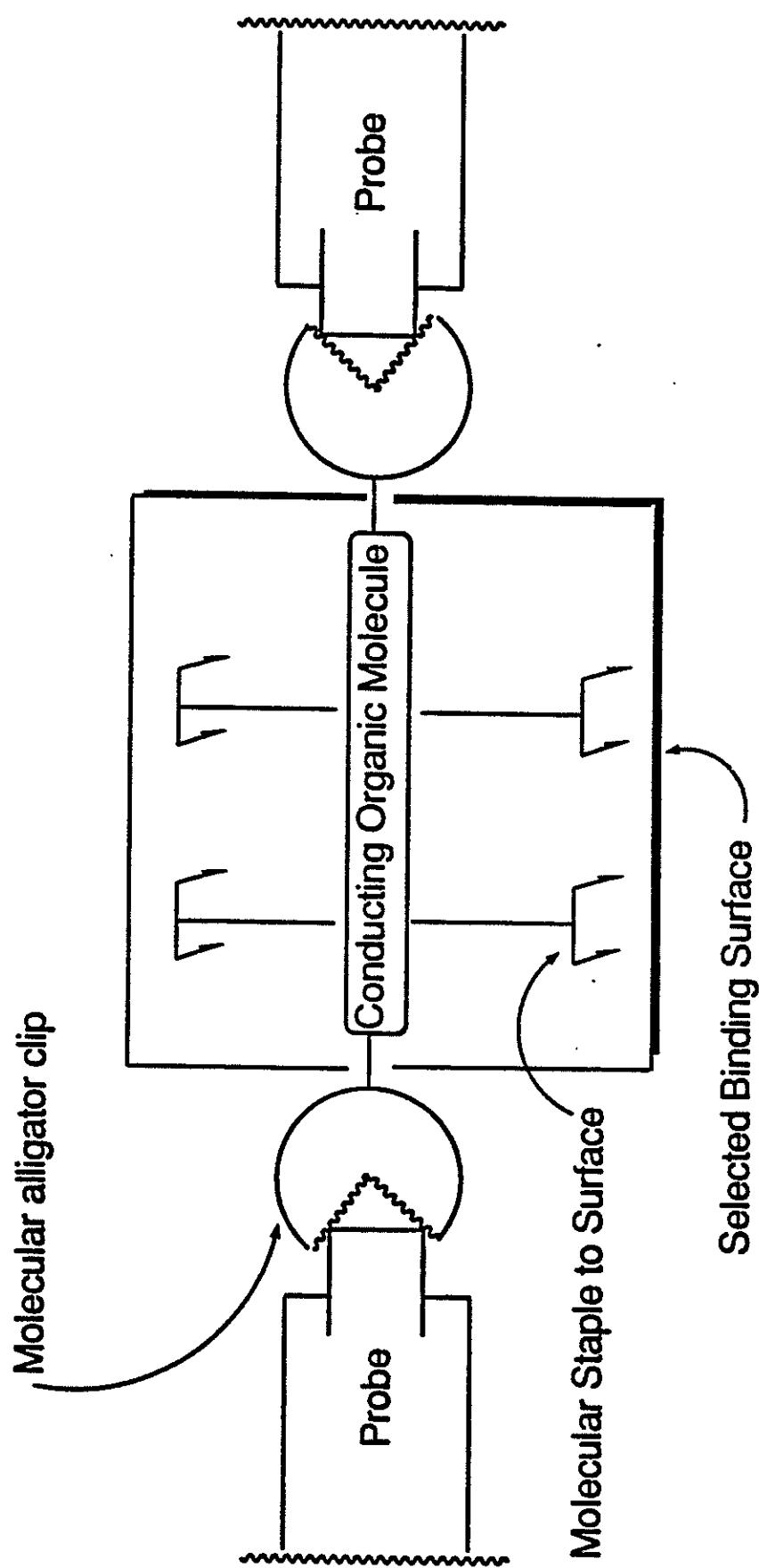
## Initial Obstacles:

- (1) We must overcome the presumed hype barrier. Is molecular electronics simply science fiction or can we experimentally determine its potential?
- (2) How do we address (attach to) a single molecule? Solution: nanoprobes.
- (3) Can nanoprobes be fabricated or can a large enough molecule be synthesized? Solution: Nanoprobes down to the sub 100 Å regime can be fabricated and conjugated oligomers with precisely controlled length and constitution can be synthesized to these dimensions.
- (4) How would we put the molecule in place between the probes? Solution: self-assembly or self-organization.
- (5) How would we hold the molecule between the probes? Solution: molecular staples, for example, hydroxyl moieties attaching to an oxide surface.
- (6) What would be the connecting units that would fasten the molecule to the probes? Solution: molecular-sized alligator clips, for example, thiol moieties binding to gold probes.

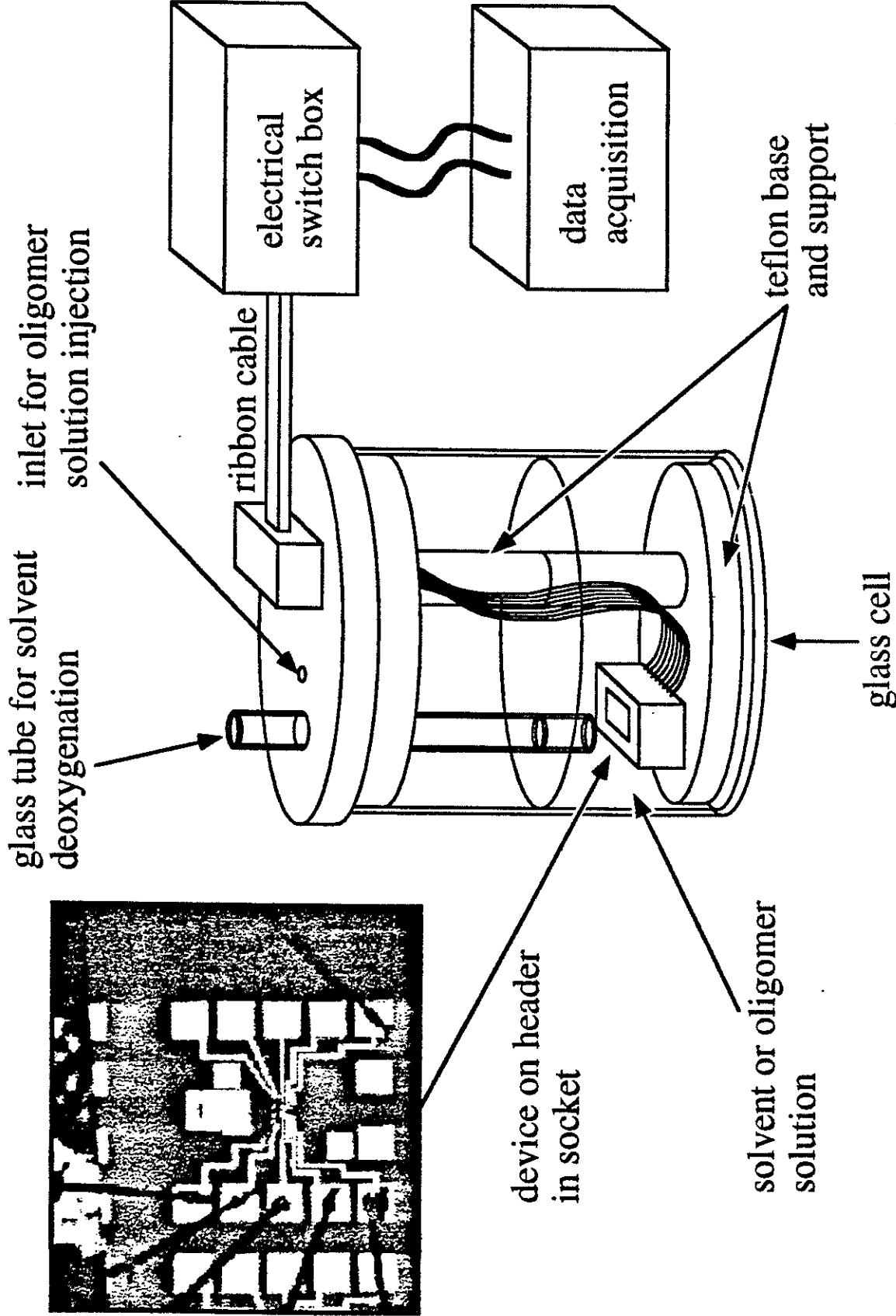
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## Plan of Attack:

- (1) Physics (Drs. Tony Redondo and Brosl Hasslacher, LANL).
- (2) Chemistry
- (3) Nanofabrication/electronics (Professor Mark Reed, Yale University, EE Dept.).

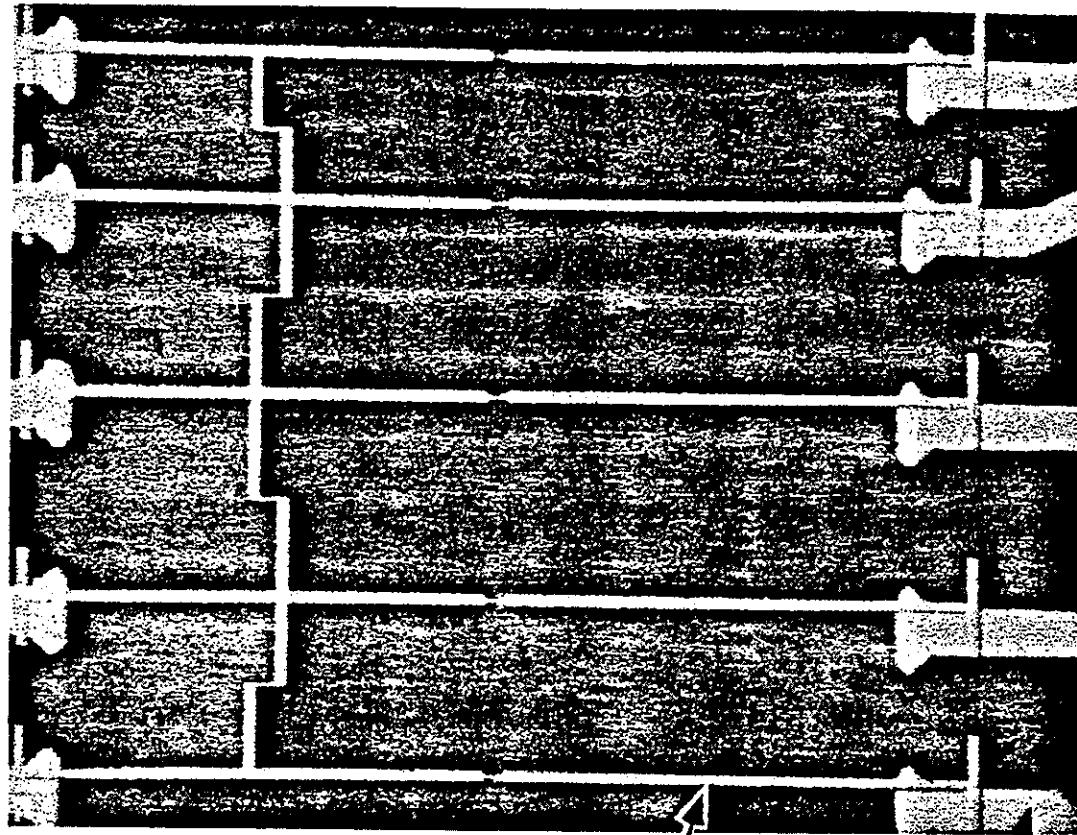


# Deposition Cell



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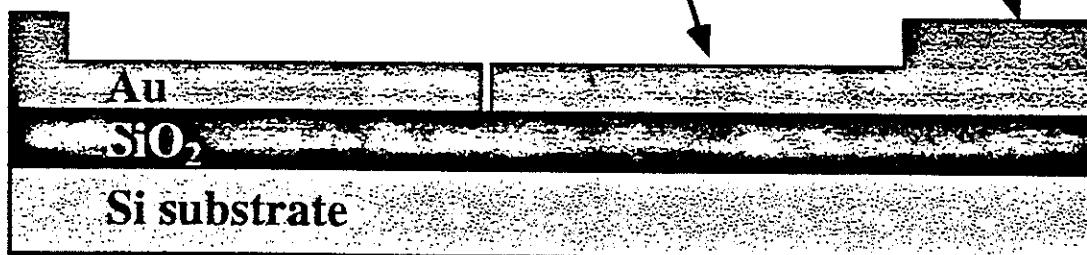
# Electron Beam Lithography



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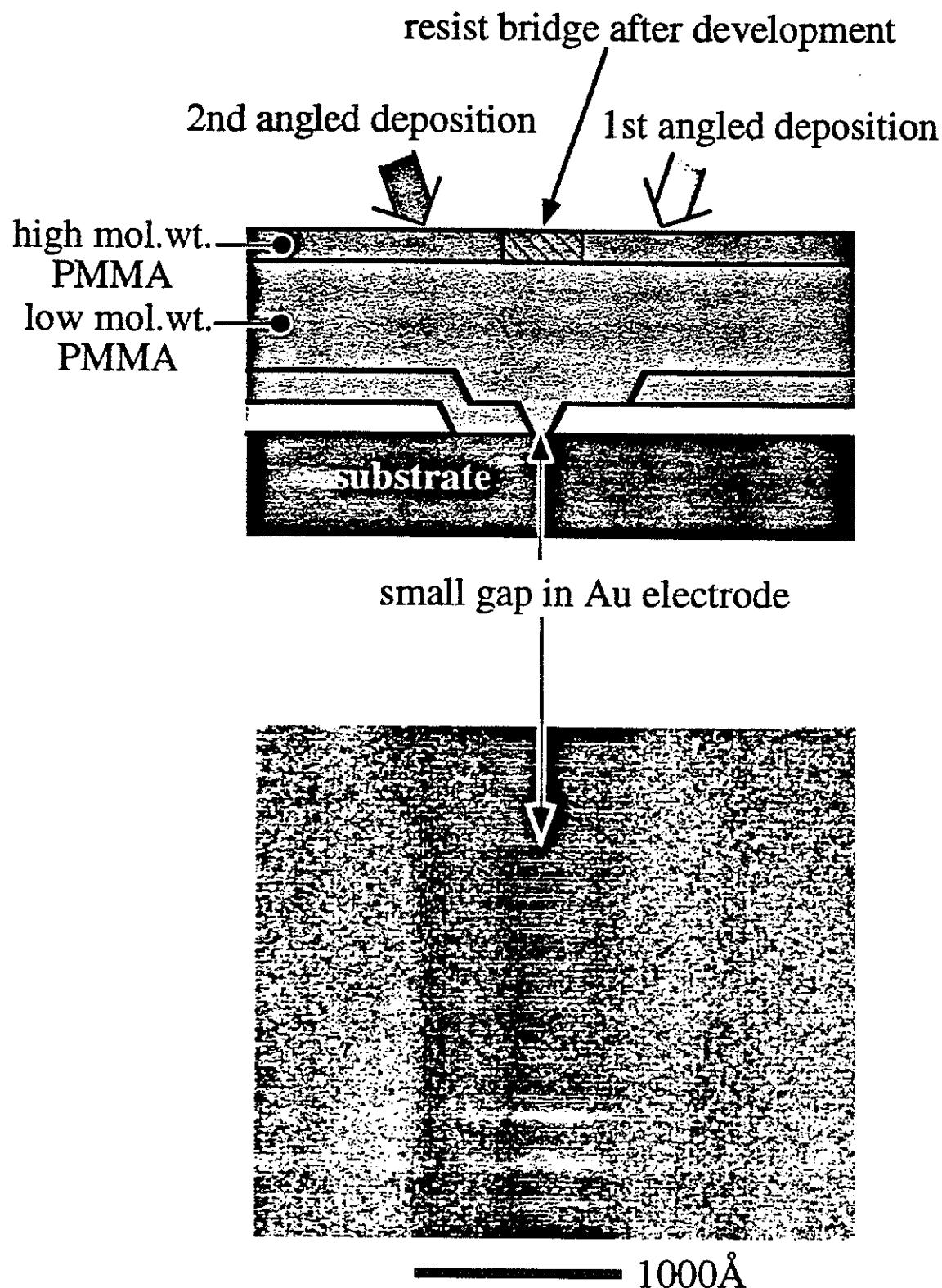
electron beam  
lithography

photolithography



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# Angled Evaporation

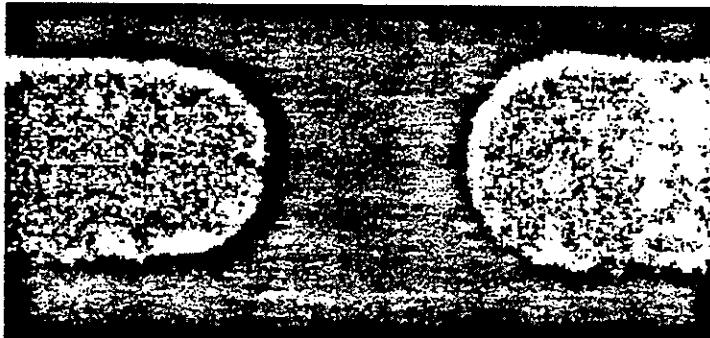


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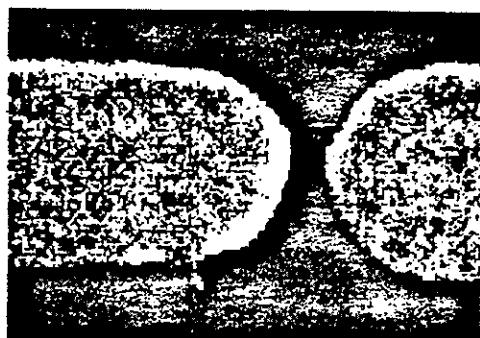
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# Small Gaps

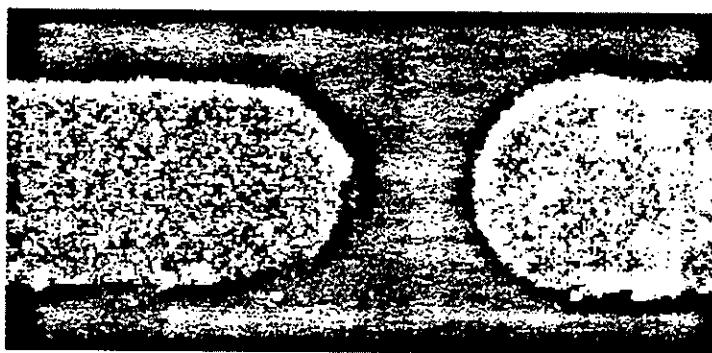
3000Å nominal gap



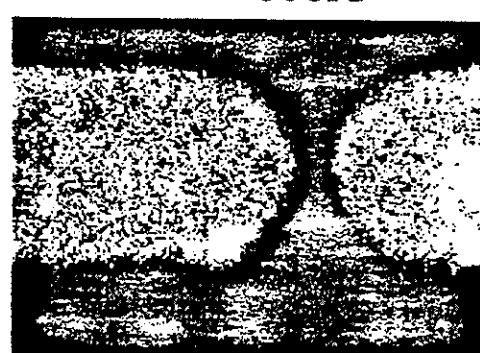
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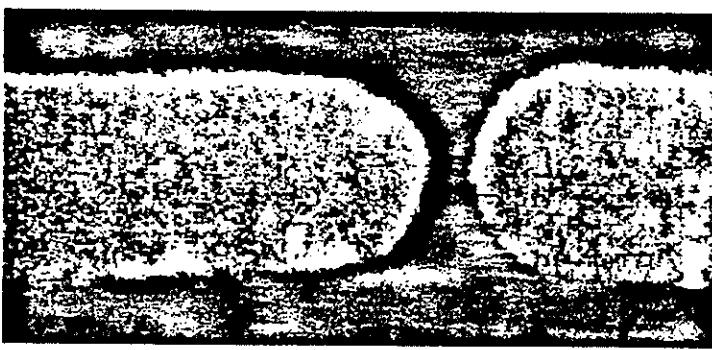
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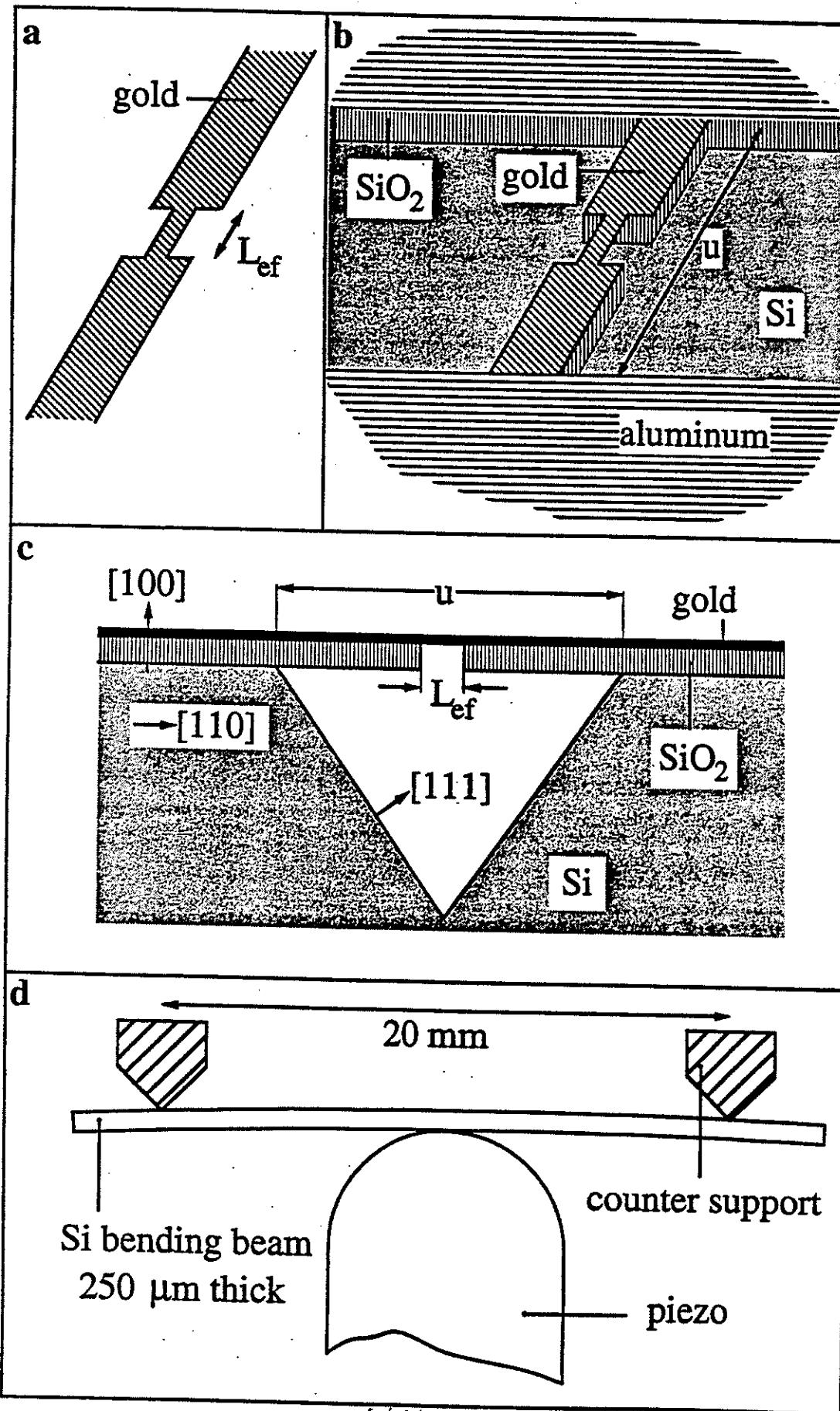
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200Å gap

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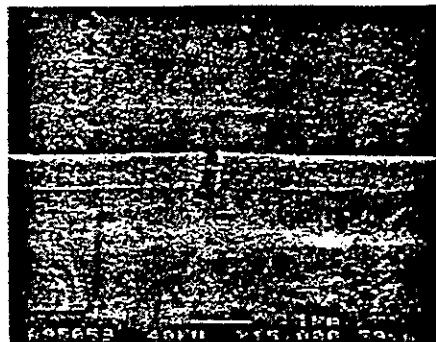


Figure 2a

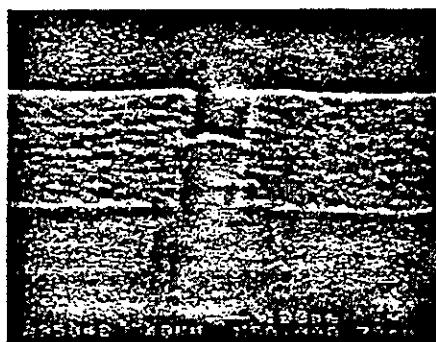


Figure 2b



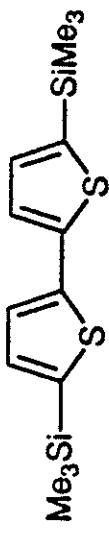
$\lambda_{\max} = 248$

$\epsilon_{\max} = 1.08 \times 10^4$

$g = 6 \times 10^{-36}$  esu by THG (L.-T. Cheng)

$g = 4.1 \times 10^{-36}$  esu by DFWM on

the unsubstituted system (Prasad)



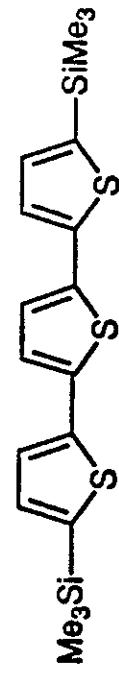
$\lambda_{\max} = 320$  (305)

$\epsilon_{\max} = 1.74 \times 10^4$

$g = 15 \times 10^{-36}$  esu by THG (L.-T. Cheng)

$g = 22 \times 10^{-36}$  esu by DFWM on

the unsubstituted system (Prasad)



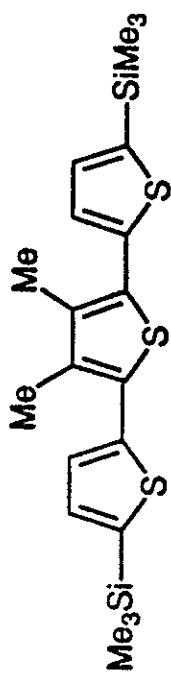
$\lambda_{\max} = 368$  (360)

$\epsilon_{\max} = 2.72 \times 10^4$

$g = 41 \times 10^{-36}$  esu by THG (L.-T. Cheng)

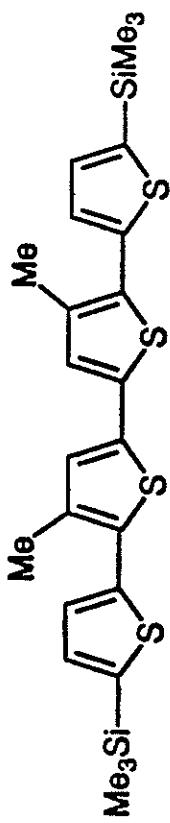
$g = 160 \times 10^{-36}$  esu by DFWM on

the unsubstituted system (Prasad)



$\lambda_{\max} = 350$

$\epsilon_{\max} = 1.94 \times 10^4$



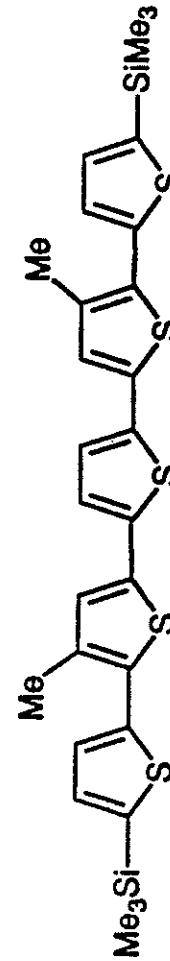
$\lambda_{\max} = 396$  (391)

$\epsilon_{\max} = 3.45 \times 10^4$

$g = 142 \times 10^{-36}$  esu by THG (L.-T. Cheng)

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the unsubstituted system (Prasad)



$\lambda_{\max} = 418$  (416)

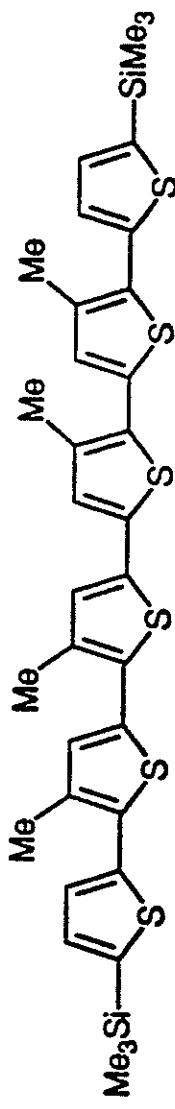
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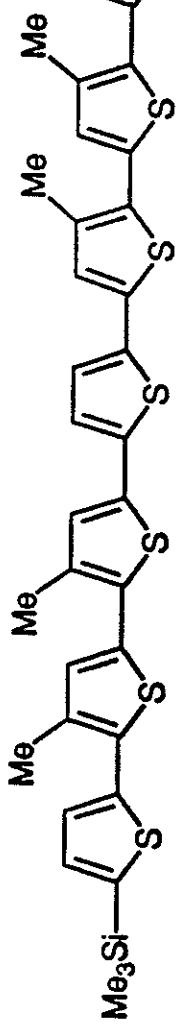
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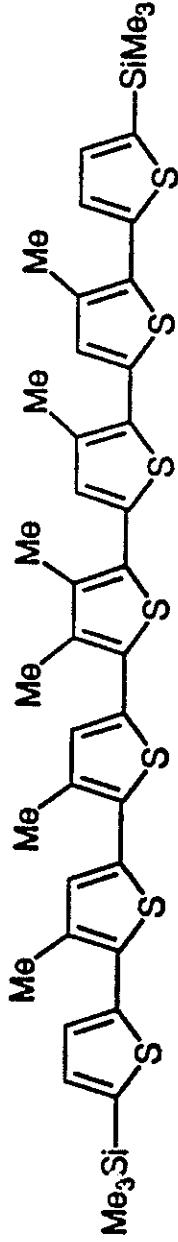
$\lambda_{\text{max}} = 430$  (438)  
 $\epsilon_{\text{max}} = 4.06 \times 10^4$   
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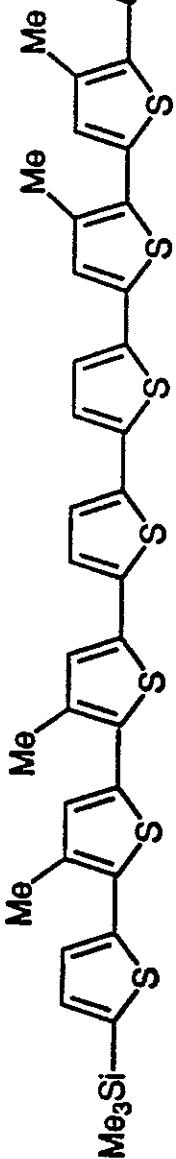
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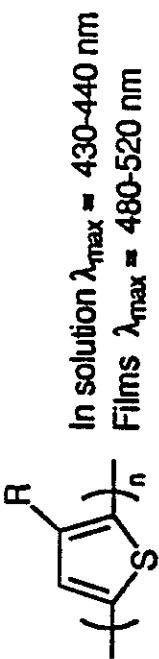
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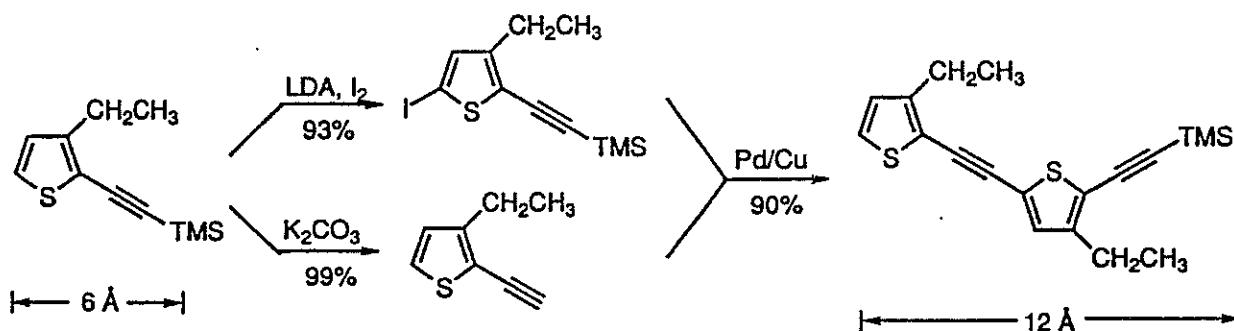
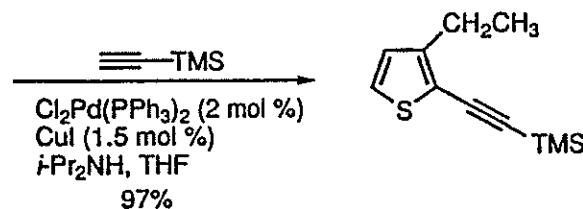
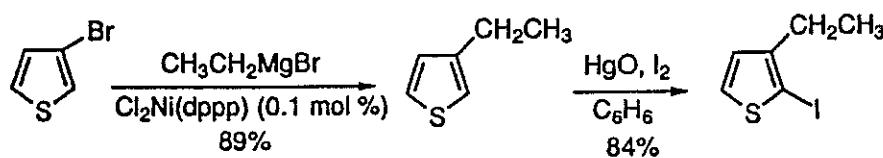
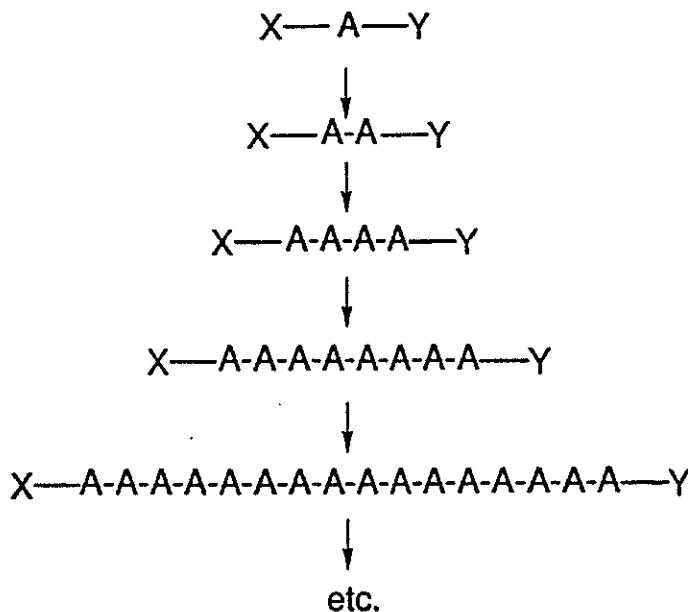
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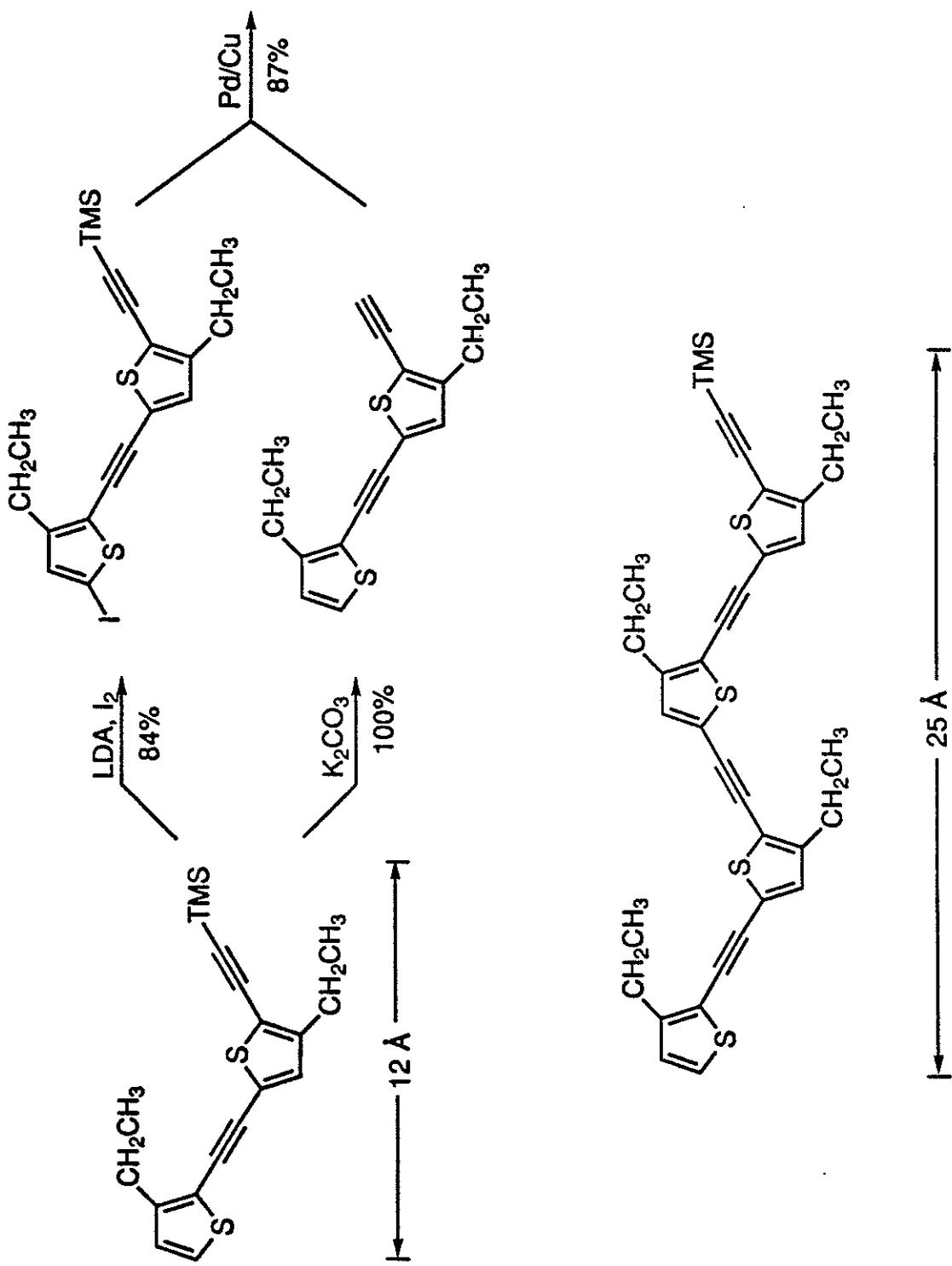
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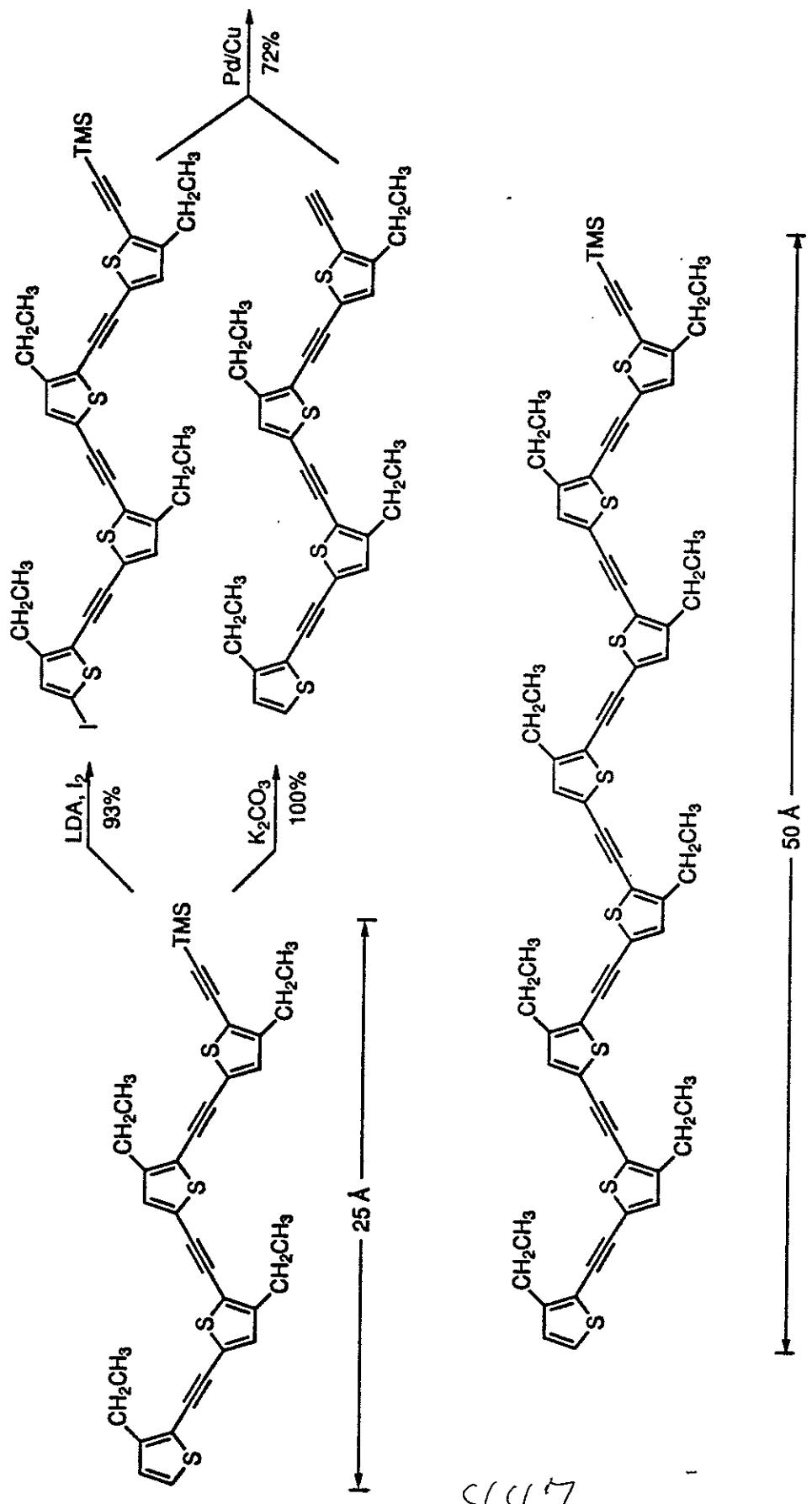


RAPID SYNTHESIS OF CONJUGATED ORGANIC OLIGOMERS  
SYNTHESIS OF "MOLECULAR WIRES" WITH END GROUP CONTROL

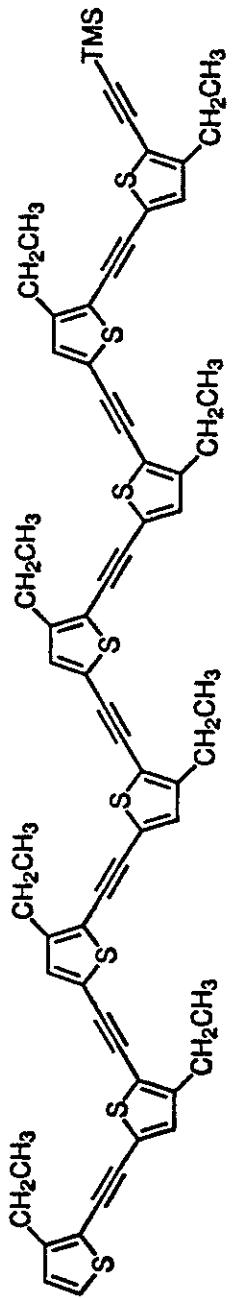


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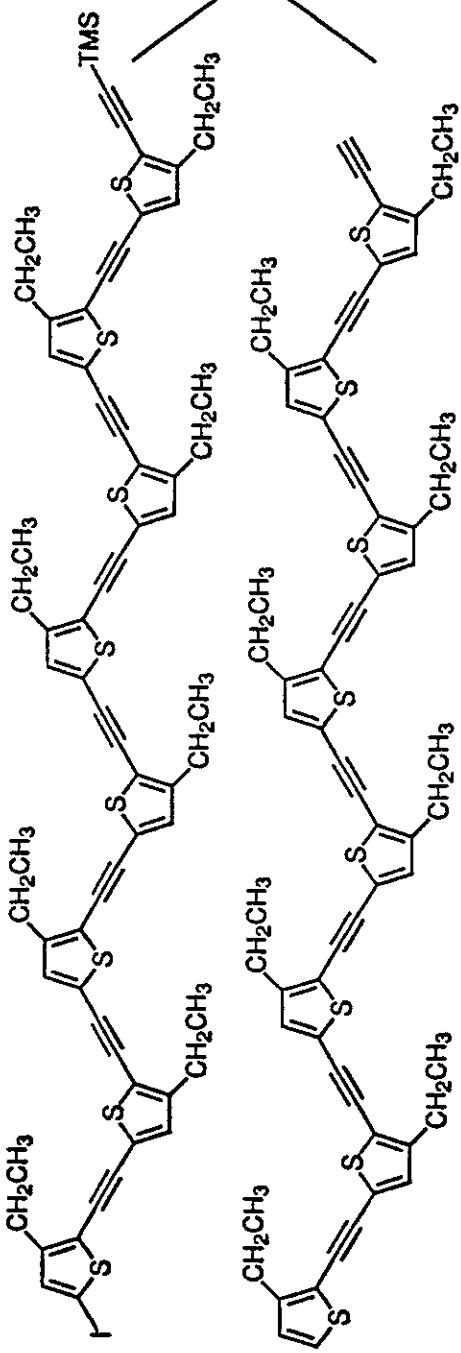




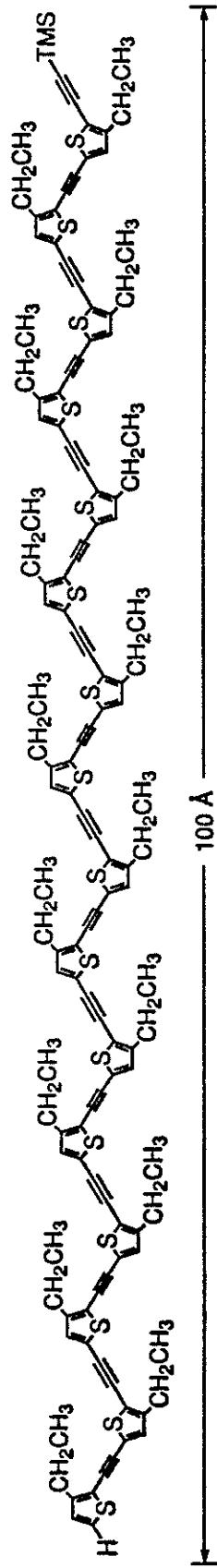
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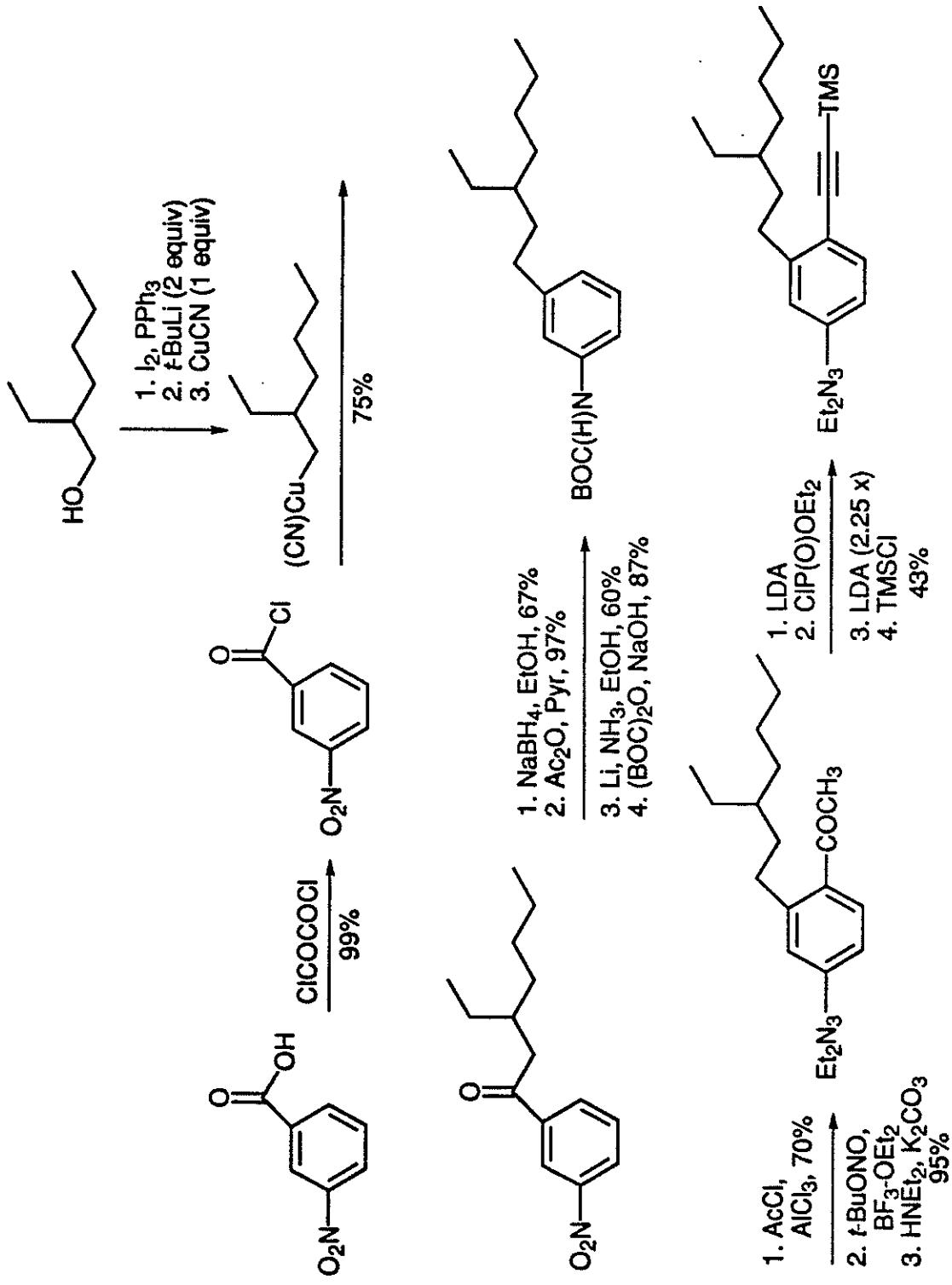
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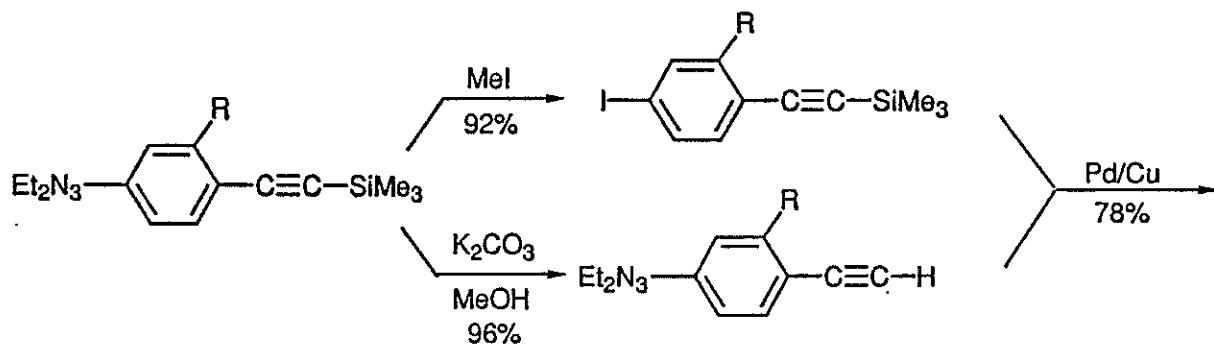
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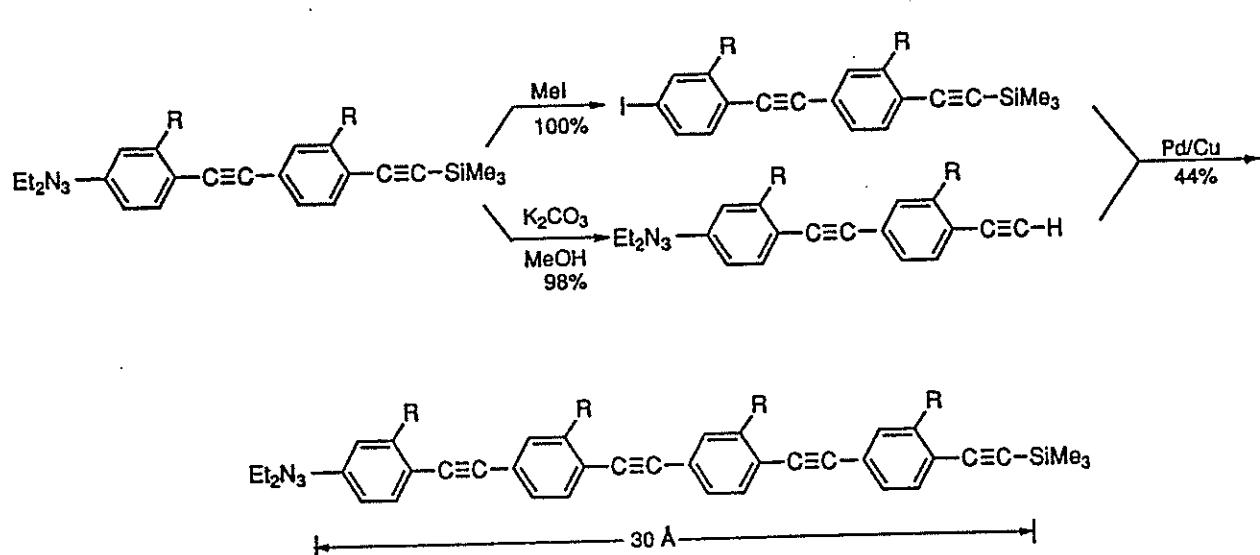
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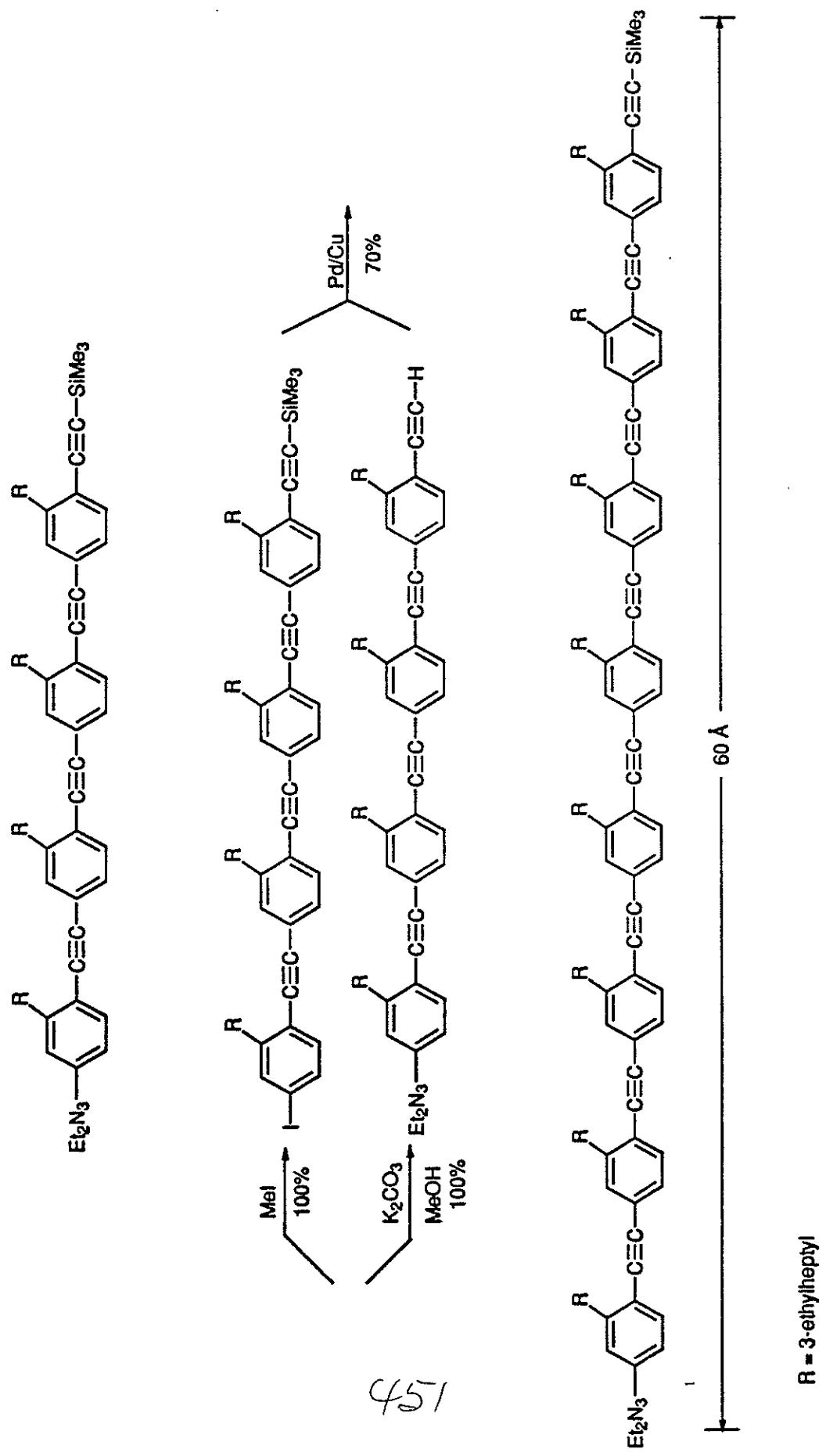
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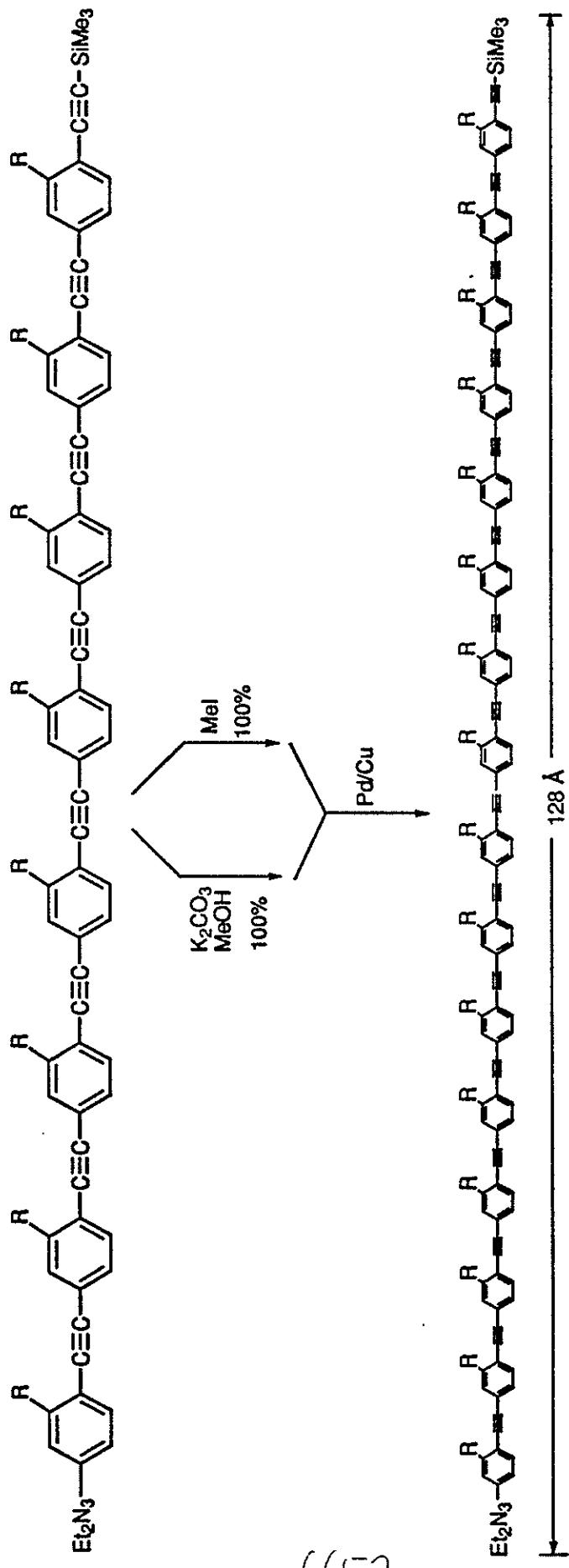


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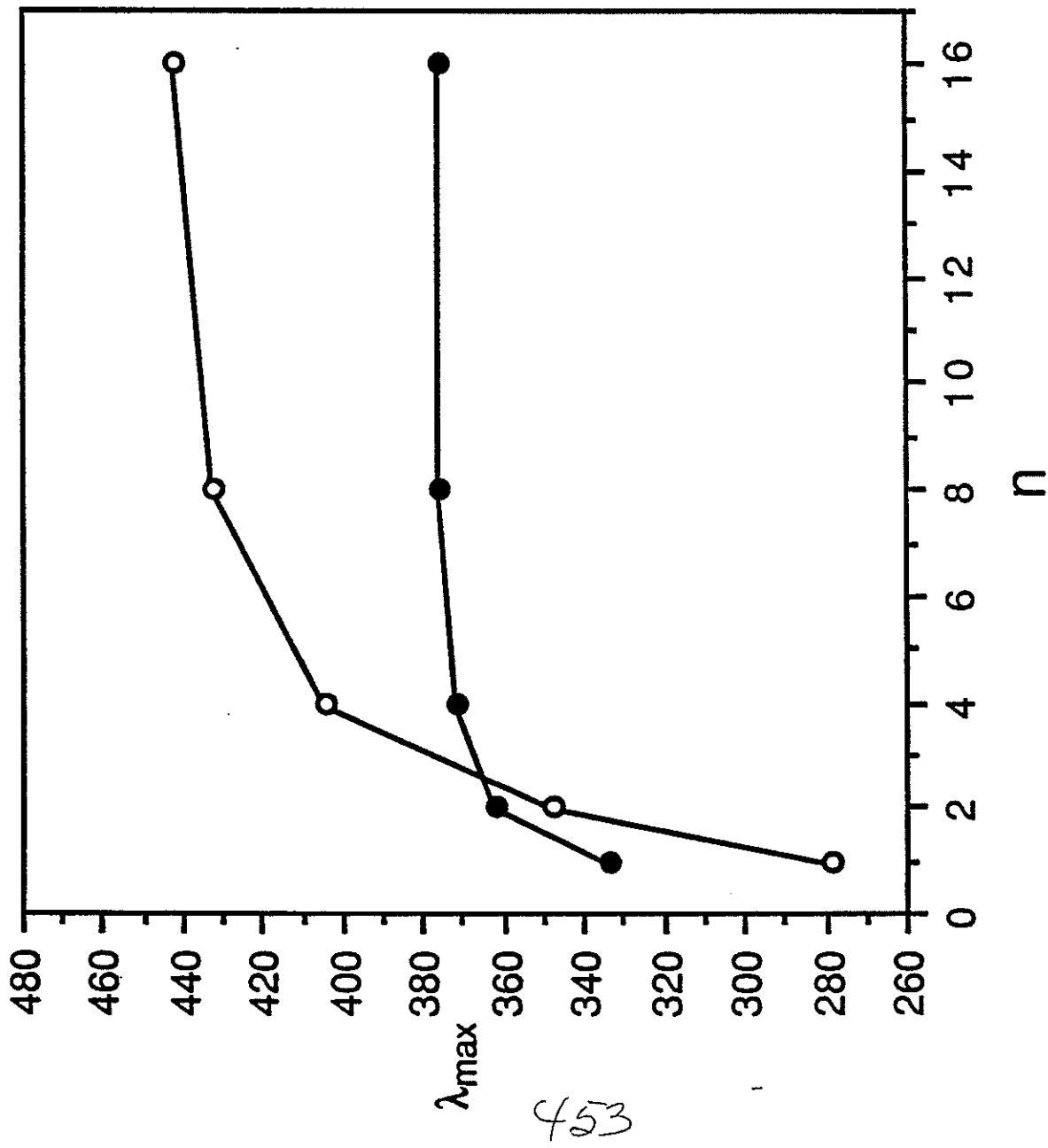
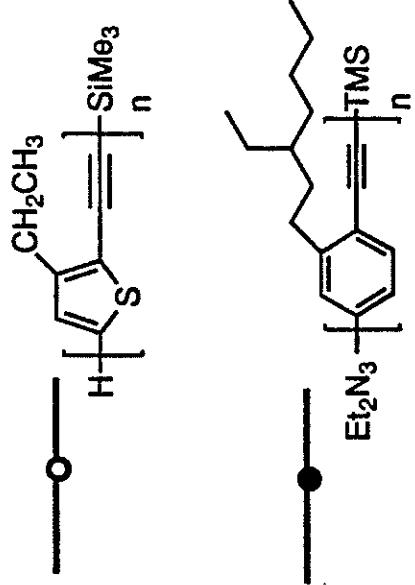
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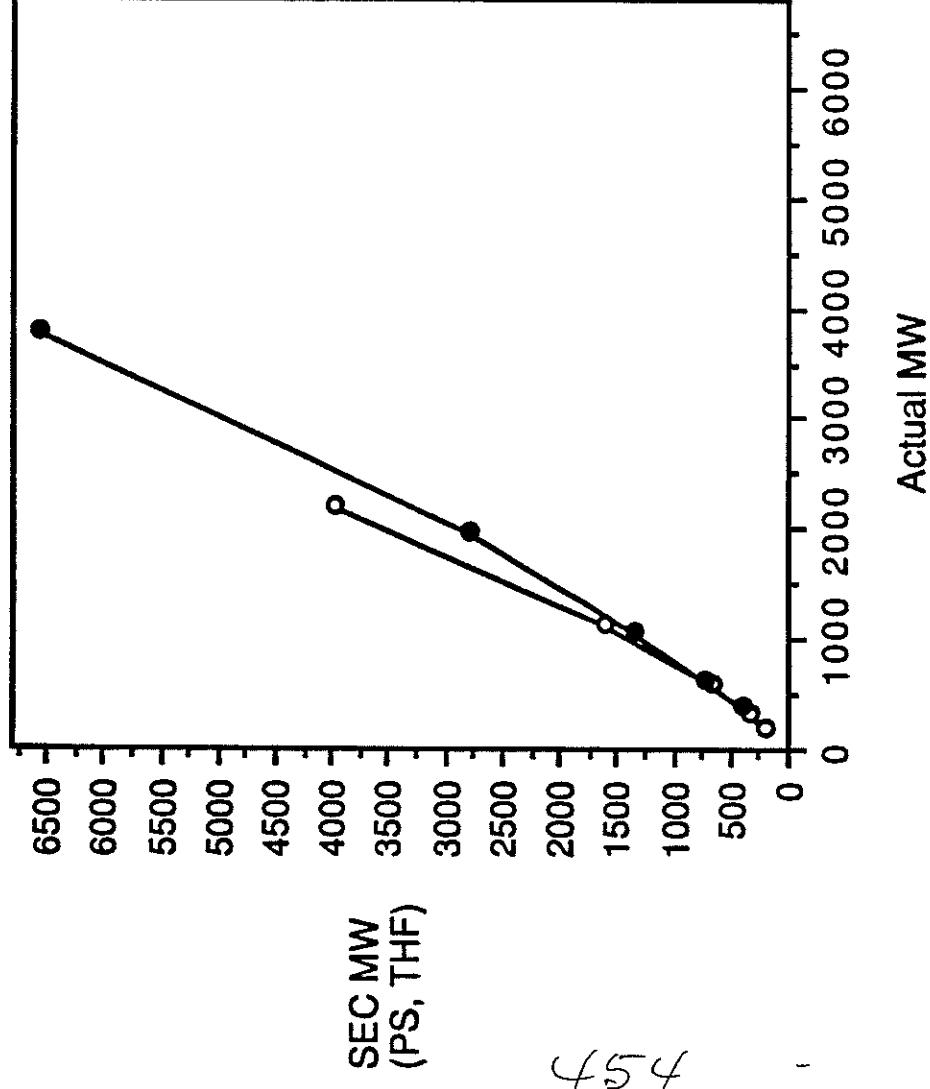
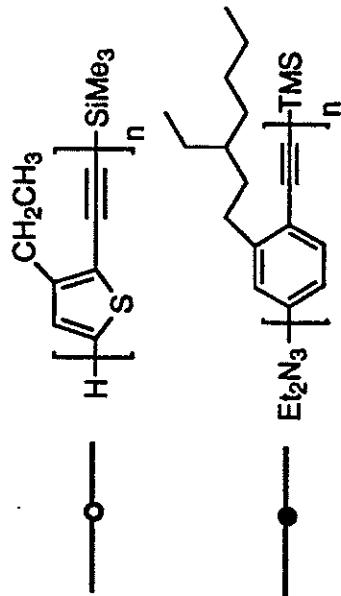


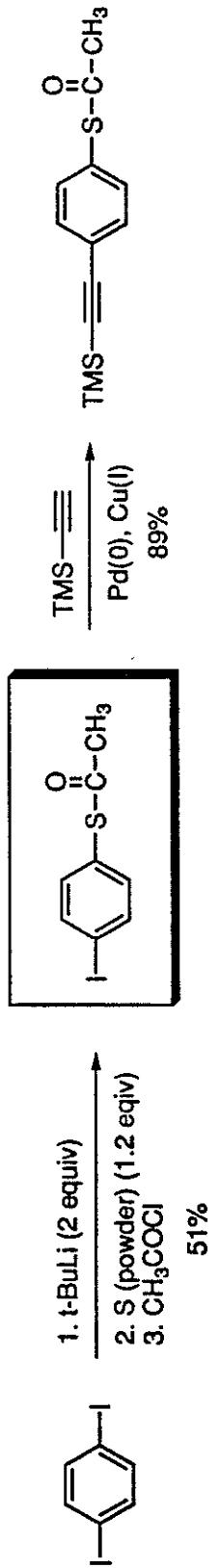
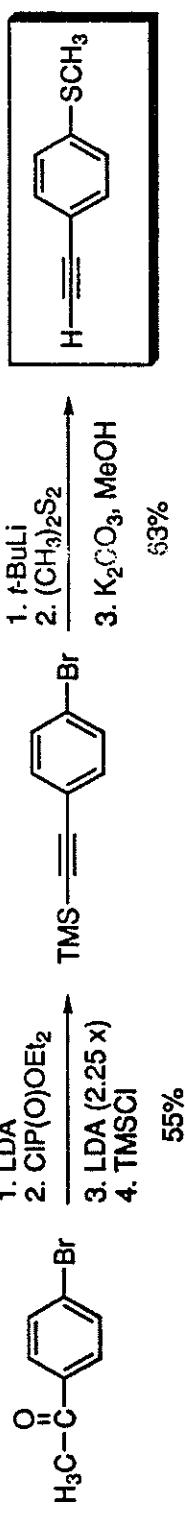
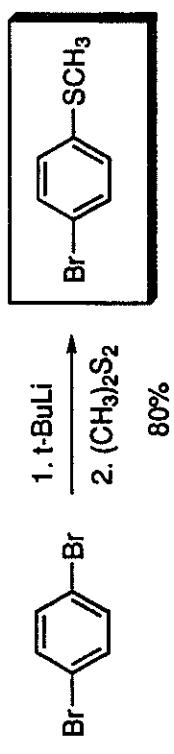


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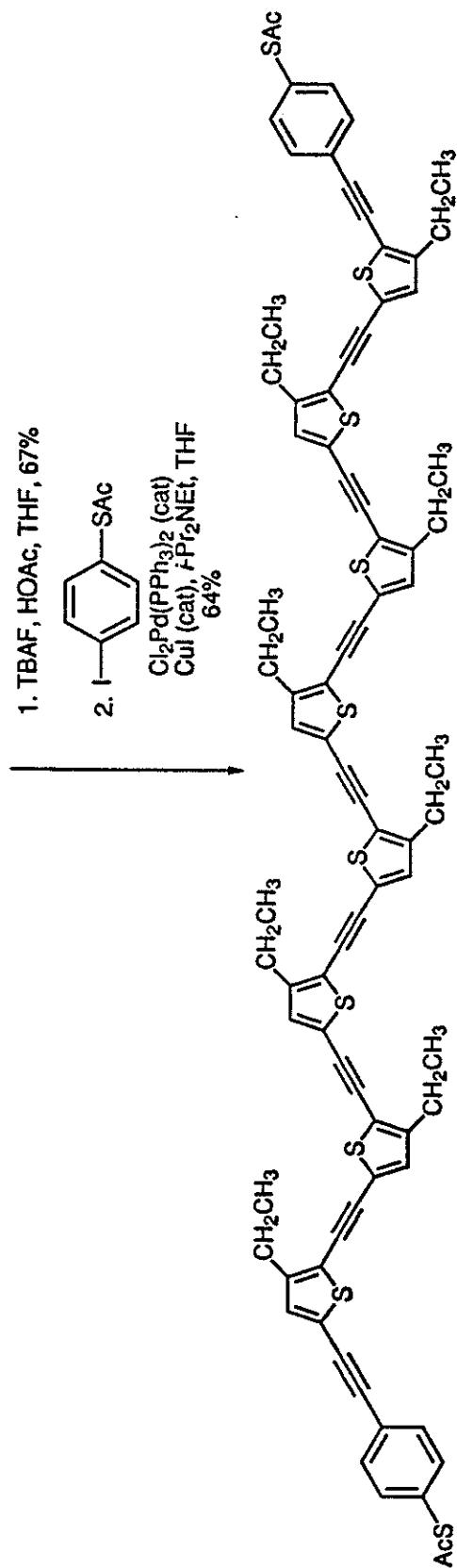
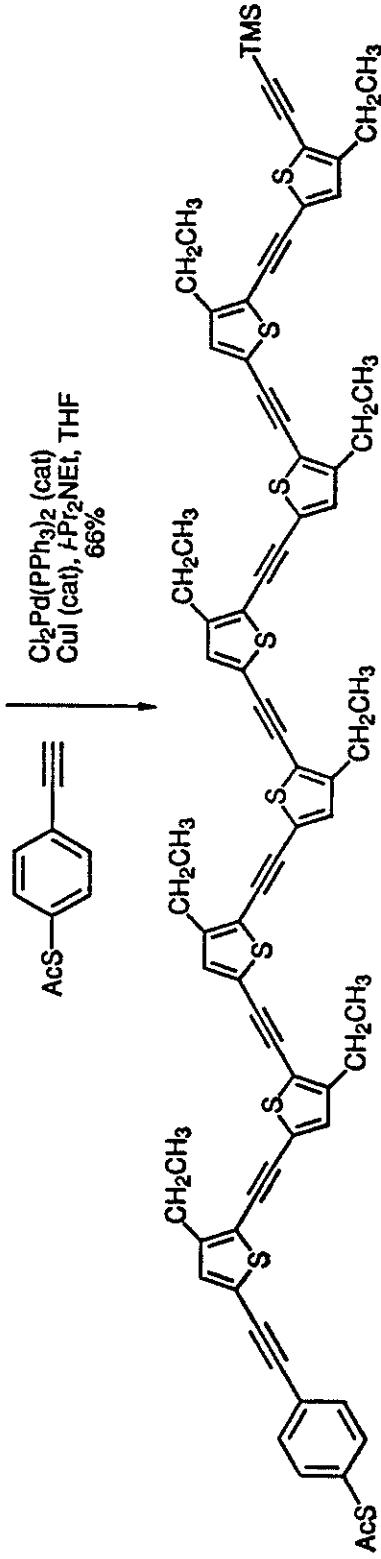
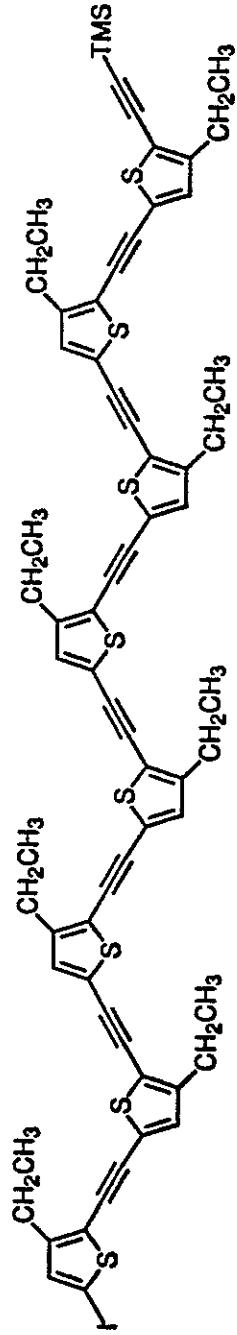
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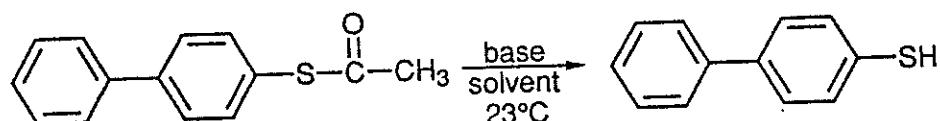


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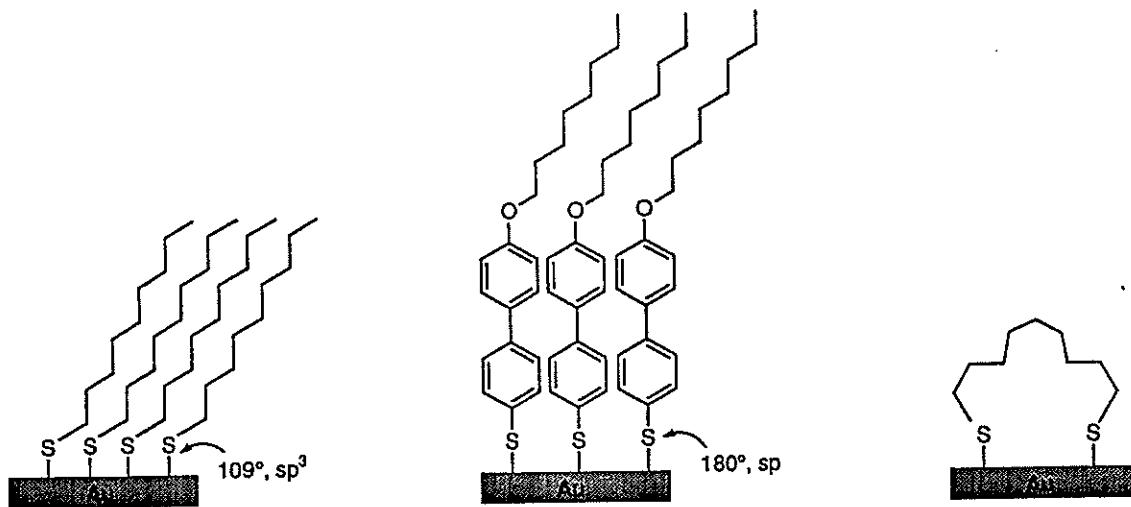
In situ deprotection of the thiols, during depositions,  
may solve the isolation and instability problems.

Model Studies:

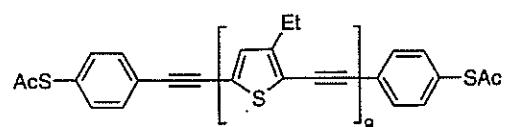
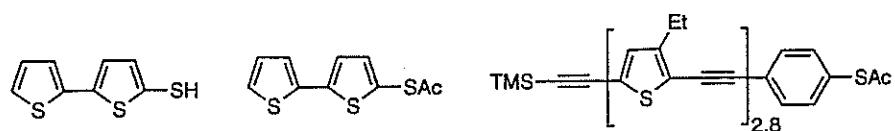
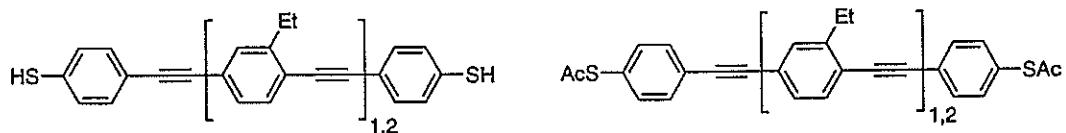
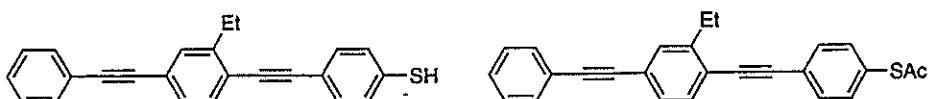
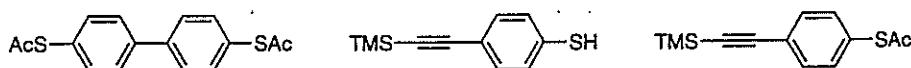
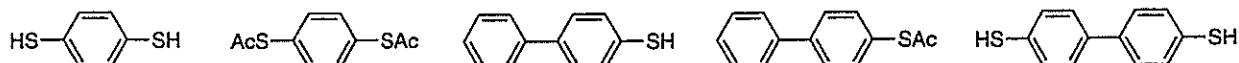
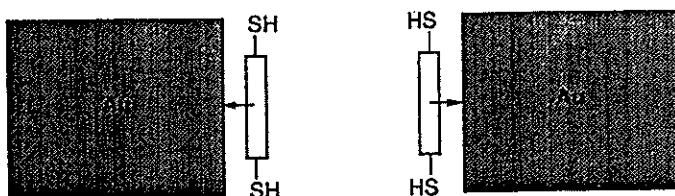
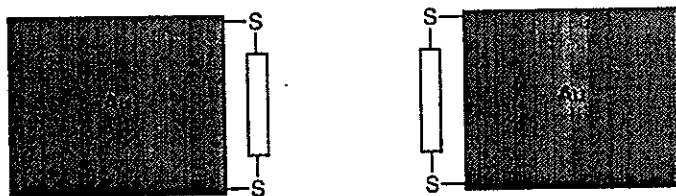
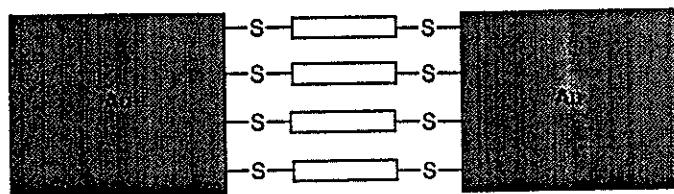


<u>Base</u>	<u>Solvent</u>	<u>Ratio of acetate to thiol after 18 h</u>
<i>n</i> -Pr <sub>2</sub> NH	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	1:5
<i>n</i> -Pr <sub>2</sub> NH	CDCl <sub>3</sub> , CH <sub>3</sub> OH	1:4
<i>n</i> -Pr <sub>2</sub> NH with AcOH	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	1:9
<i>n</i> -Pr <sub>2</sub> NH/DMAP (cat)	CDCl <sub>3</sub>	0:10
NH <sub>4</sub> OH	THF-d <sub>8</sub>	0:10 (10 min)

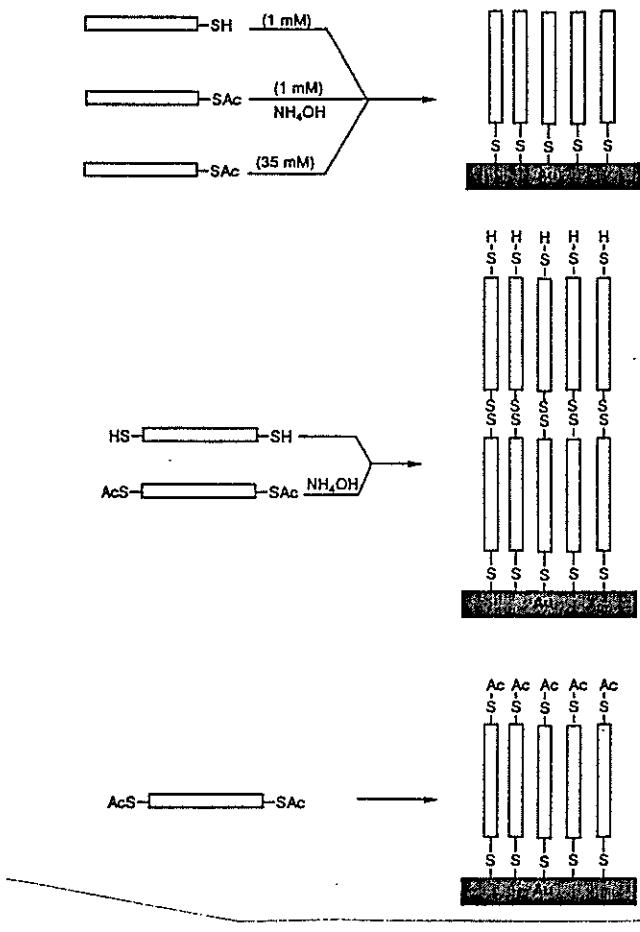
Known in Self-Assembly on Gold



How will rigid-rod aromatic  $\alpha,\omega$ -dithiols order between gold probes?



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## Molecular Electronics Success Status

- (1) Nanoprobes can be constructed. Mechanical break junctions provide a probe assembly for conductance testing of a single molecule.
- (2) Molecular frameworks can be rapidly synthesized to the required dimensions.
- (3) Self-assembly or self-organization appears to provide an approach to the required molecular placements.
- (4) The molecules can be "stapled" into position with the proper functional groups.
- (5) "Molecular alligator clips" can be constructed by proper functional group selection for the ends of the "molecular wires".
- (6) Molecules with potential device-type properties can be synthesized.

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# Controlling PS Architecture During Free Radical Polym.

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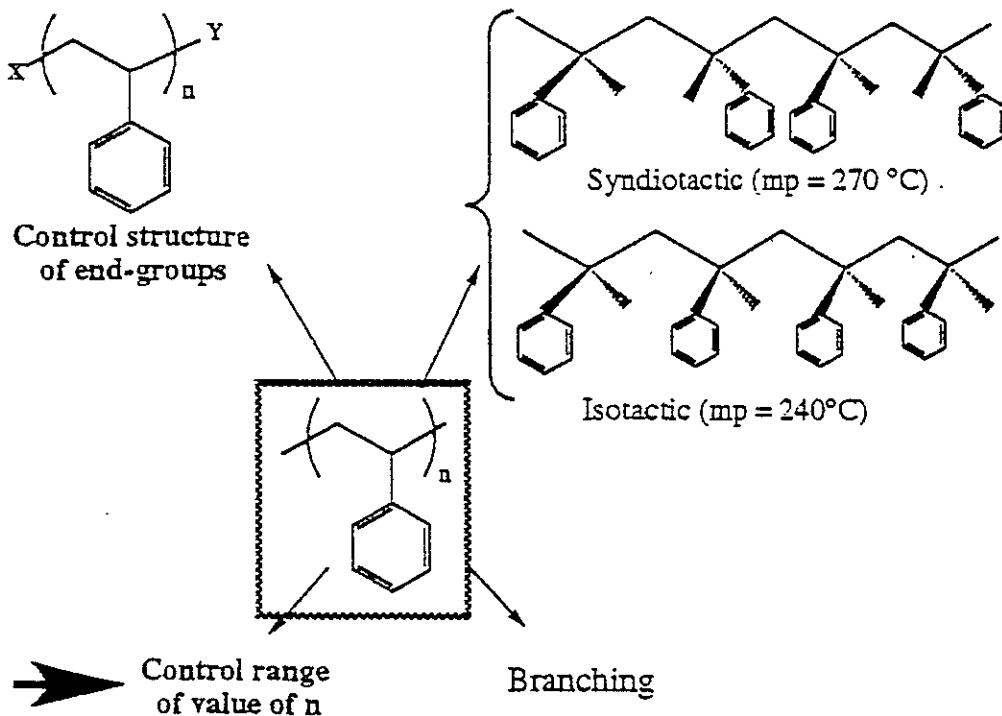
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## Outline

- Design of PS Architecture - Four Options
- Review Four Basic Styrene Polymerization Chemistries
- Review Free Radical Polymerization Chemistry
  - Effect of acid
- Broadening Dispersity by Design
- Narrowing Dispersity - Nitroxyl Mediated Styrene Polymerization

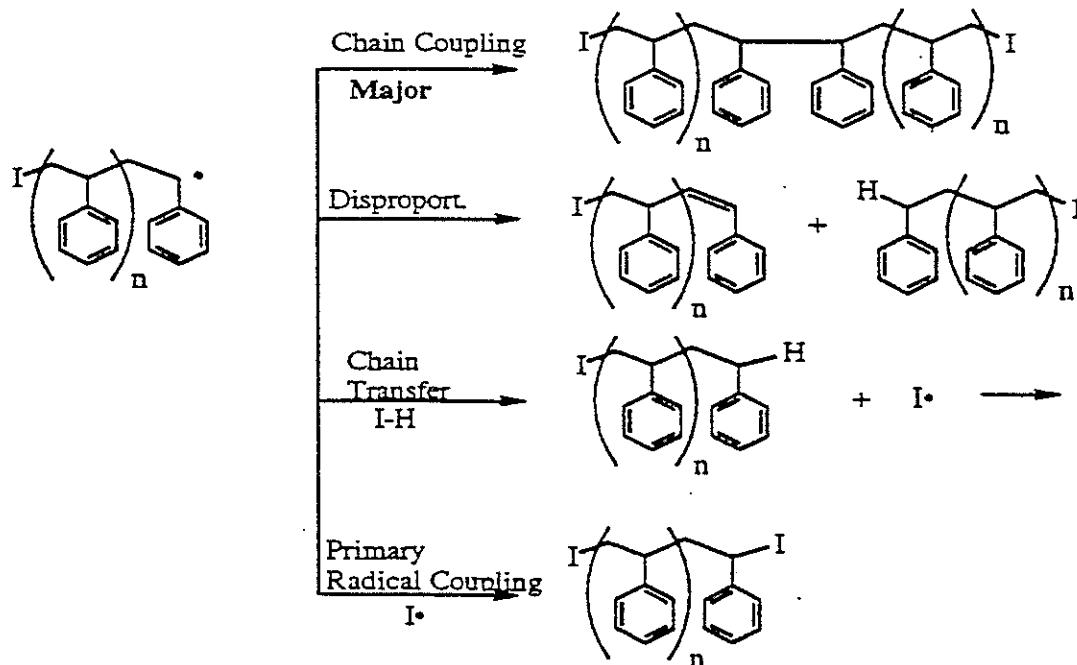
# Architectural Control of PS



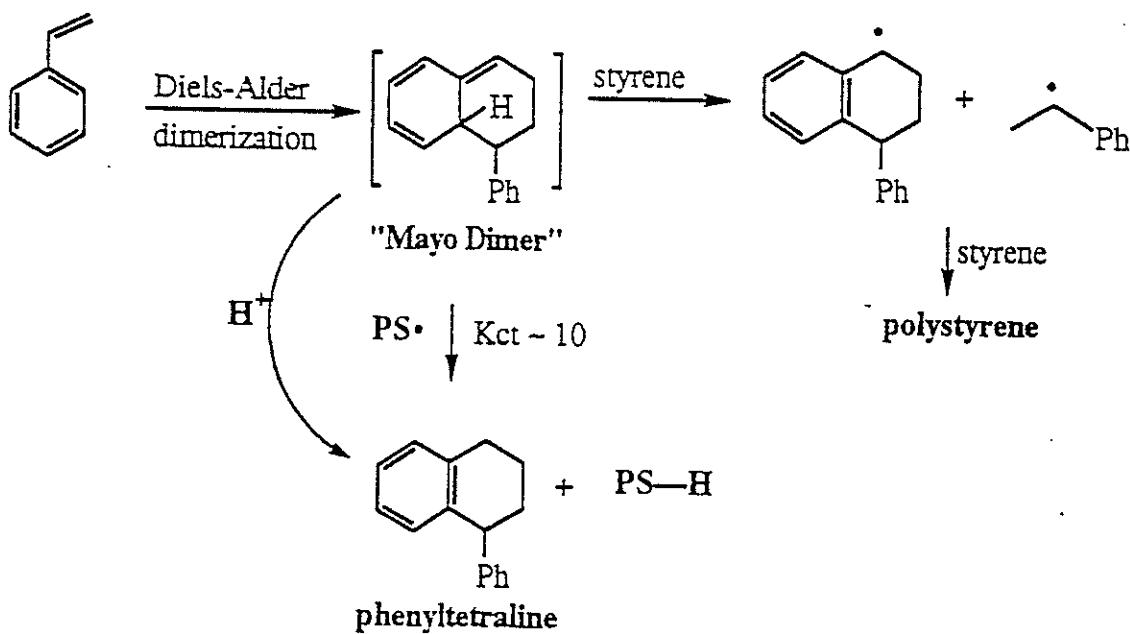
## Comparison of Styrene Polym. Mechanisms

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|----------------|---|
| Anionic        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- initiation, propagation, &amp; termination steps are sequential</li> <li>- narrow polydispersity (<math>M_w/M_n &lt; 1.1</math>)</li> <li>- termination step controlled → control of end-group structure</li> <li>- polymerization feed must be purified</li> <li>- not yet commercial for homoPS</li> </ul> |
| Cationic       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Used commercially to make very low MW PS</li> <li>- polymerization feed must be purified</li> </ul>  |
| Ziegler        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Metal complexes - stereospecific polymerization</li> <li>- polymerization feed must be purified</li> <li>- being commercialized by Dow &amp; IPC</li> </ul>  |
| ► Free Radical | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- initiation, propagation, &amp; termination simultaneous</li> <li>- broad polydispersity (<math>M_w/M_n &gt; 2</math>)</li> <li>- multiple termination paths lead to a variety of end-groups</li> <li>- polymerization feed <u>need not be purified</u></li> </ul>  |

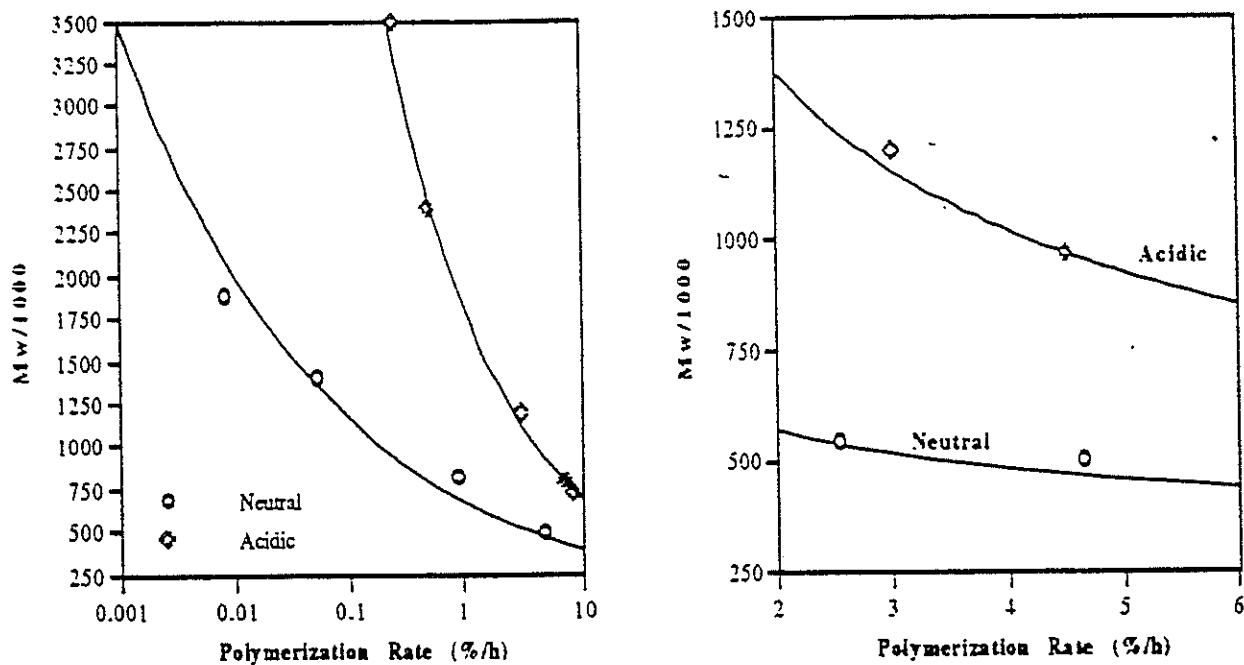
# Free Radical Termination Mechanisms: Leads to Lack of Control of Architecture



## Styrene Spontaneous Polym.

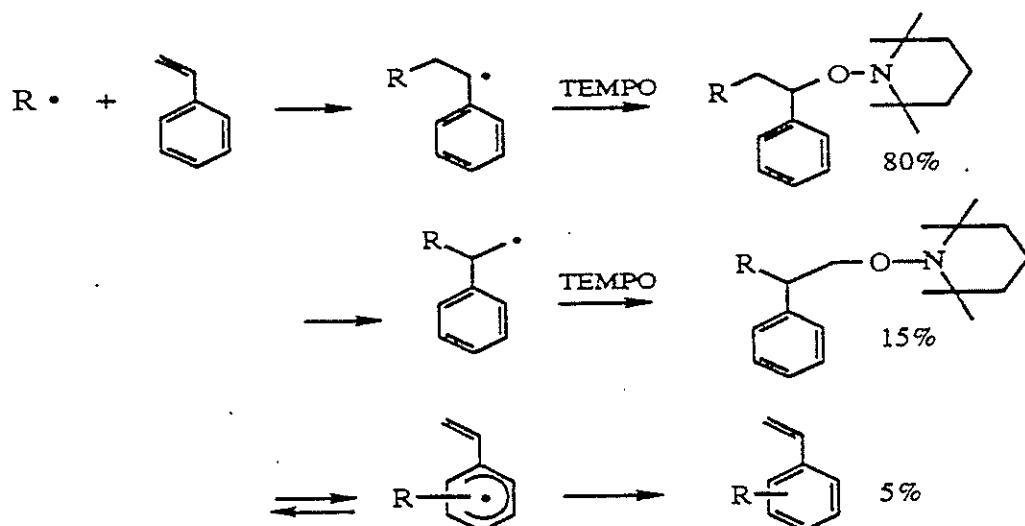


# Acid Catalyzed Styrene Polym.



# Nitroxyl Mediated Styrene Polym. (NMSP)

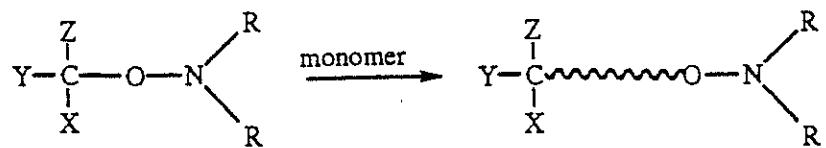
- Rizzardo & Solomon (Australia)



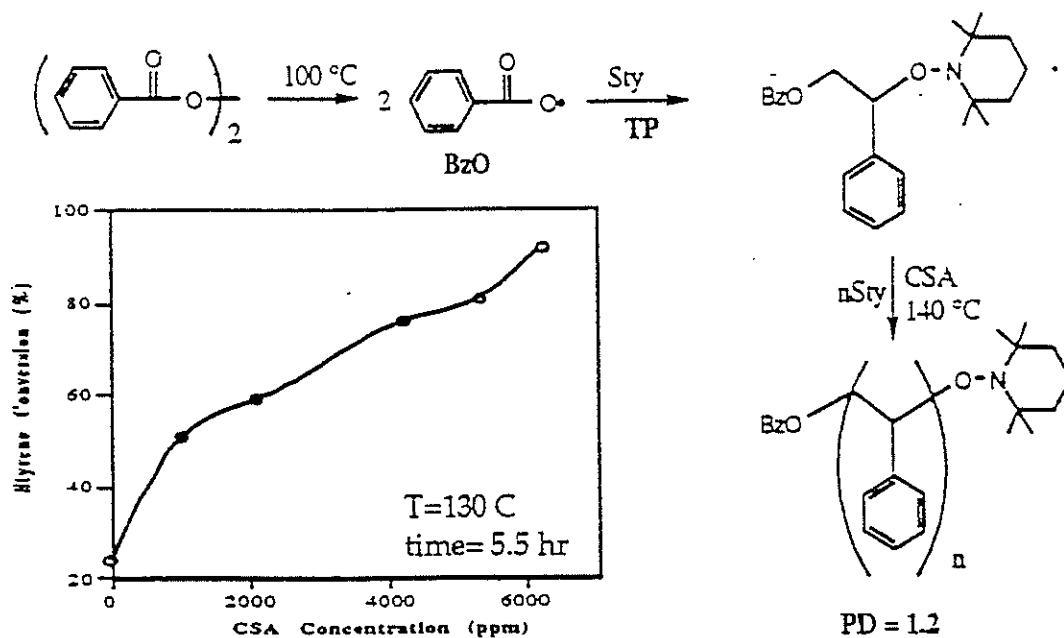
$R = (a) \text{Ph}-\text{O}-\text{O}^\cdot$ ; (b) Ph.

# Rizzardo & Solomon

- 1984 EP Patent Appl



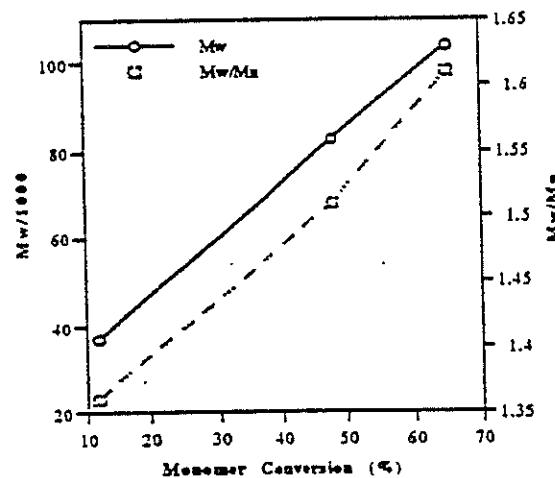
# Georges et al - Xerox



Acid increases polym. rate but also broadens PD!

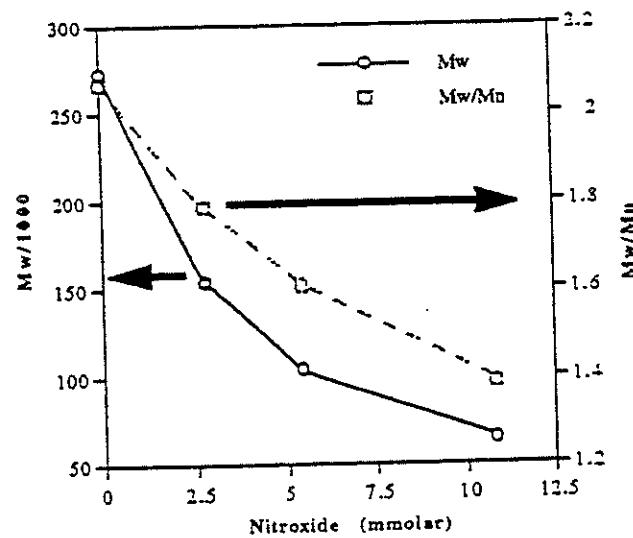
## Mw & PD Increase with Conv.

Spontaneous Styrene Polymerization at 140 °C  
in the Presence of 5 mmolar TEMPO



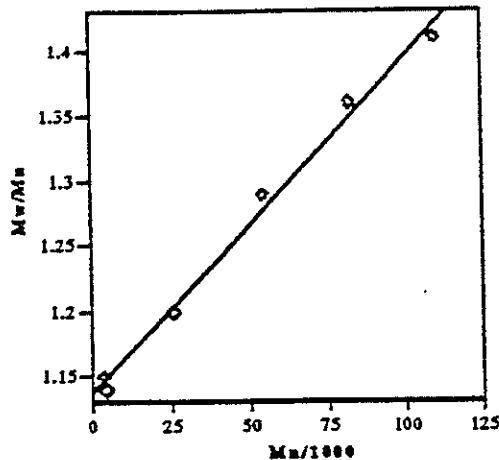
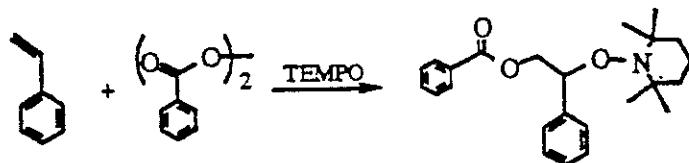
## Mw & PD Limitations

Spontaneous Initiation - 140 °C



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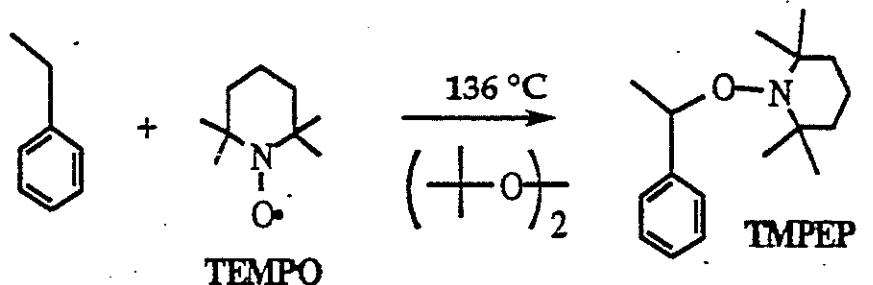
# Hawker - IBM



## Questions

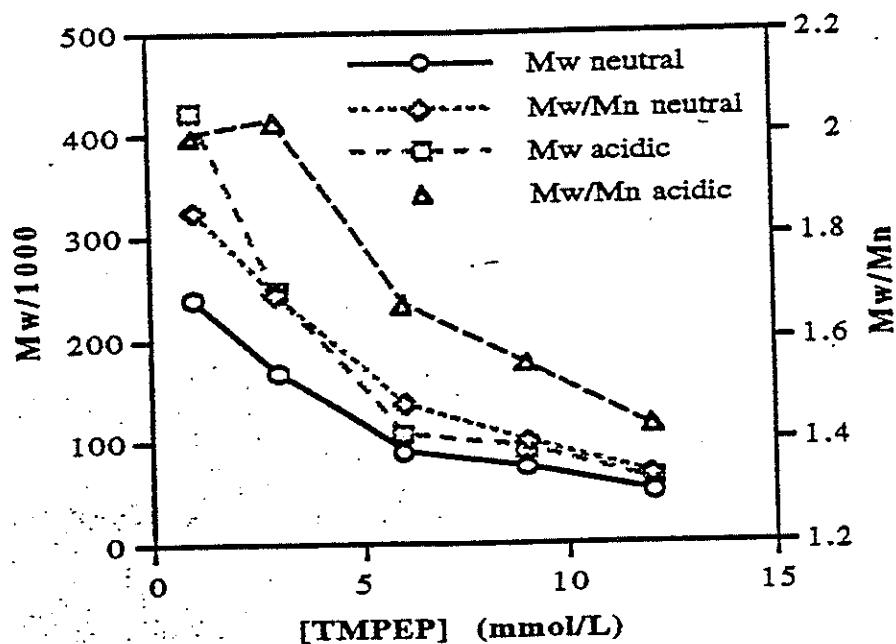
- Why does PD increase with conversion
- Why does PD increase when trying to make high MW
- Why does acid increase polym. rate
- Why does acid increase PD

# Back to the Basics

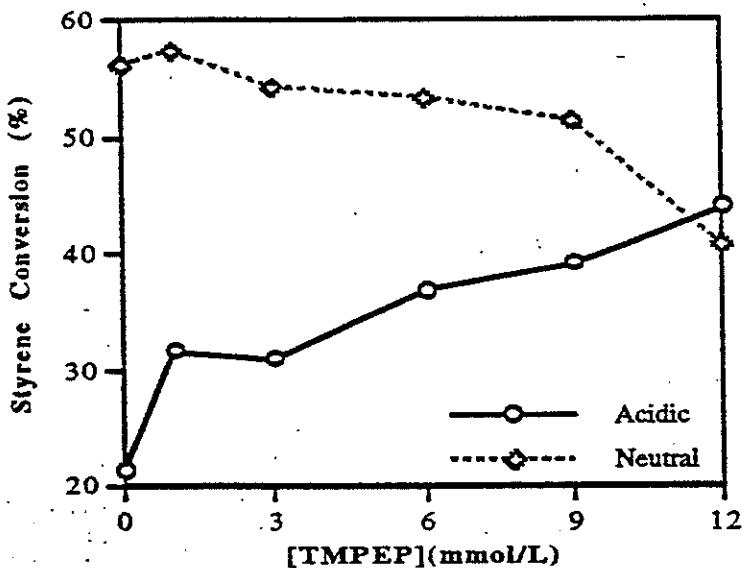


Chain-end Model  
for NMSP

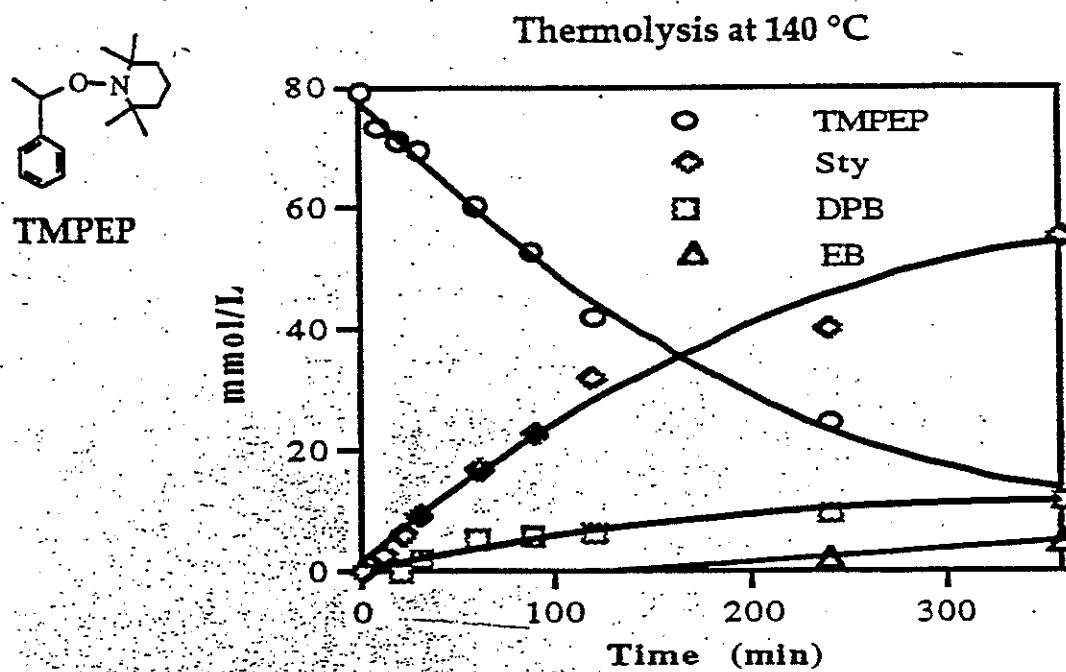
## TMPEP Initiation - Acid vs Neut.



## TMPEP Initiation - Acidic vs Neut.

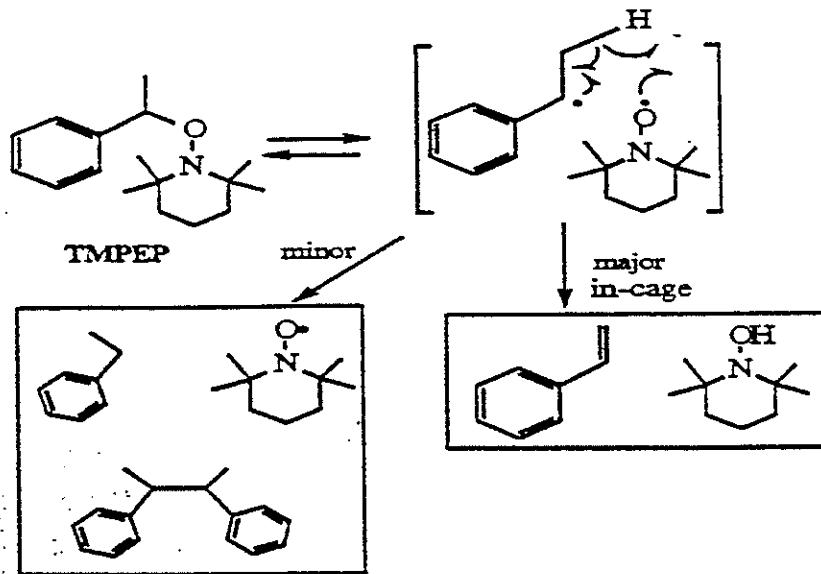


## How Thermally Stable is Chain-end?

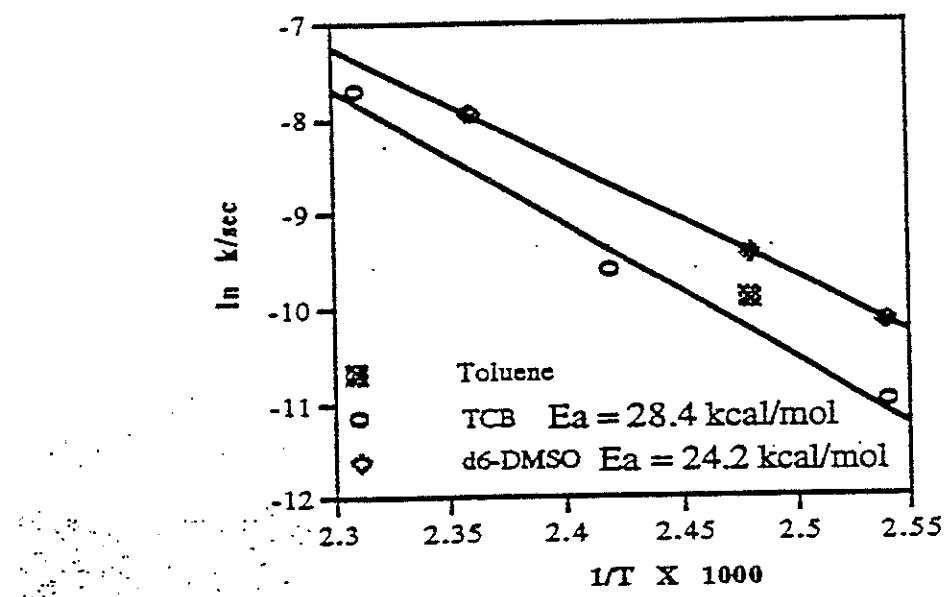


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# Decomposition Mechanism



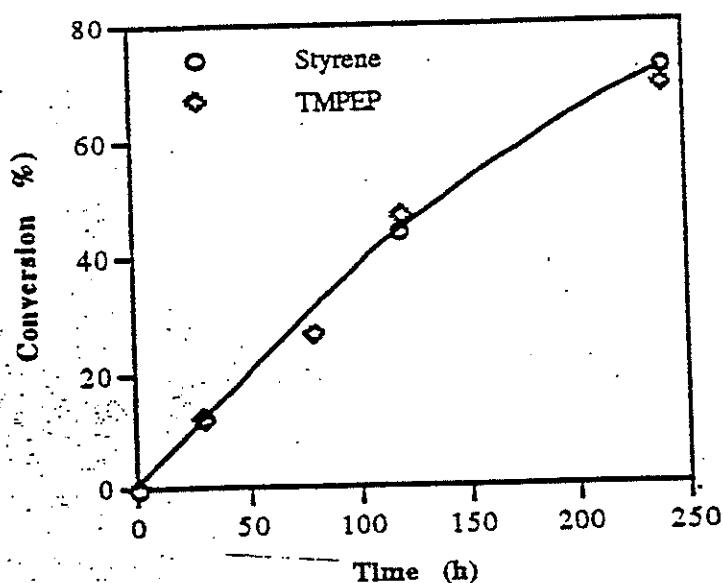
## Ea of Thermal Decomp.



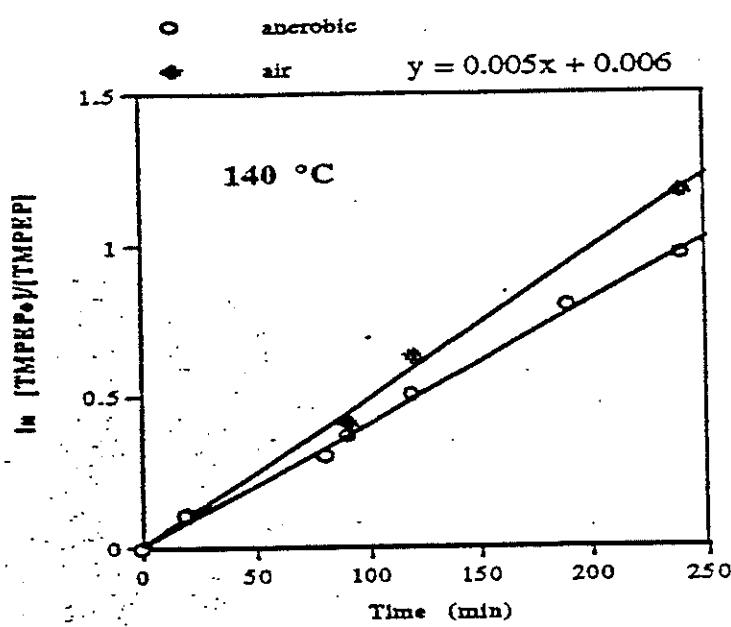
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## Is Chain-end Decomposition Significant?

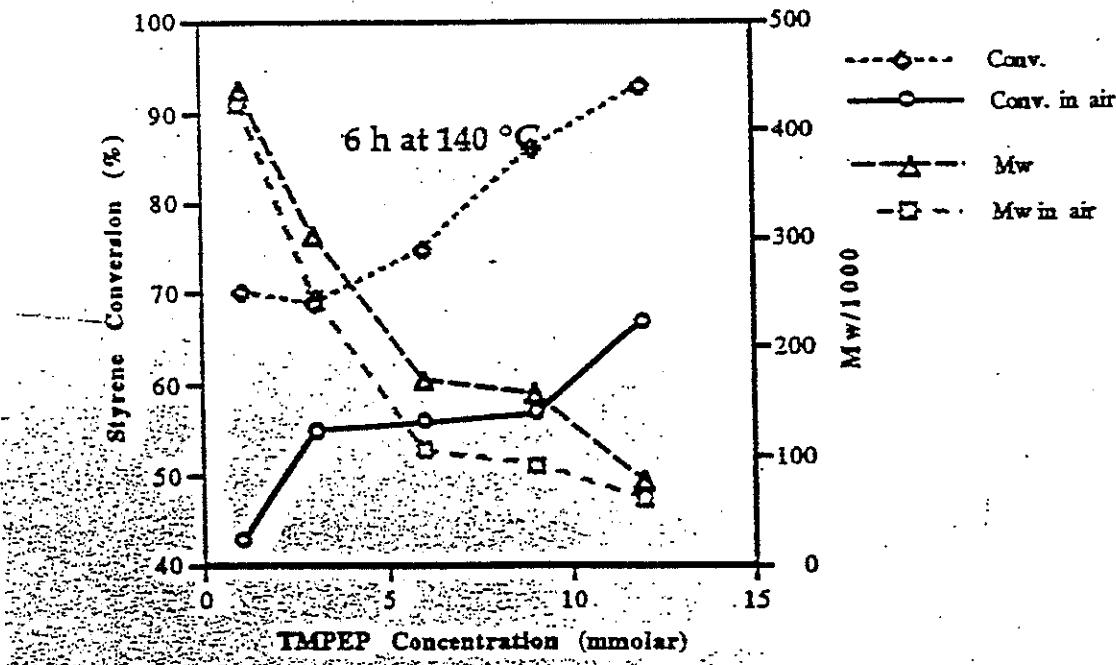
Overlay of TMPEP Decomp. & Styrene Polym.  
Kinetics Initiated using 12 mMolar TMPEP (140 °C)



## Effect of Air on TMPEP Decomp.



## Effect of Air on NMSP



## Conclusions & Challenges

### Conclusions:

- Chains are constantly dying during NMSP
- Air accelerates the dying process

### NMSP Research Challenges:

- How to make High  $M_w$  ( $>100K$ ) PS with truly narrow PD ( $<1.1$ )
- Figuring out why acid broadens PD

# RECENT ADVANCES IN FREE RADICAL COPOLYMERIZATION

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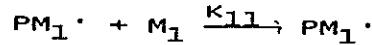
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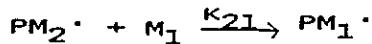
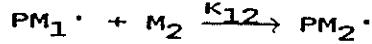
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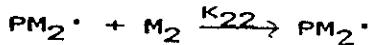
## THE TERMINAL MODEL



$$r_1 = k_{11}/k_{12}$$



$$r_2 = k_{11}/k_{21}$$



$$\frac{M_1}{M_2} = \frac{M_1}{M_2} \cdot \frac{r_1 M_1 + M_2}{M_1 + r_2 M_2}$$

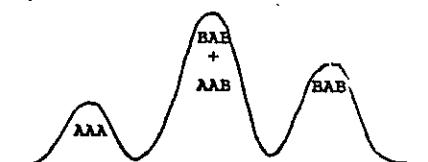
## n-Add Fraction

- written as  $f_{BAB}$ ,  $f_{AAAAA}$ , etc.

- fraction of monomer units of a given type  
that are centered in a particular n-add.

## NO SOLVENT EFFECT

$$P(B/A) = \frac{1}{1 + r_A \frac{A_f}{B_f}}$$



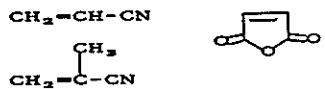
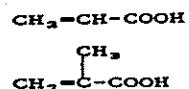
$$f_{BAB} = \frac{\text{BAB area}}{\text{Total area}}$$

## SOLVENT EFFECT

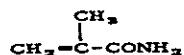
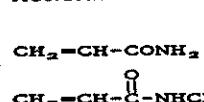
$$P(B/A) = \frac{1}{1 + r_A K \frac{A_f}{B_f}}$$

### SOLVENT EFFECTS IN COPOLYMERIZATION<sup>(1)</sup>

- IONIZABLE, CHARGED OR POLAR MONOMERS



- MONOMERS CAPABLE OF HYDROGEN BONDING



- DRAMATIC REACTIVITY RATIO VARIATIONS  
DEPENDING ON SOLVENT CHOICE OR pH

- ATTRIBUTED TO:

- ELECTROSTATIC REPULSION OF CHARGED MONOMERS.
- CHANGES IN MONOMER REACTIVITY ( $\alpha$ -values).
- PARTICIPATION OF MONOMER COMPLEXES.
- HYDROGEN-BONDING OF MONOMER WITH SOLVENT.
- SOLVENT DIELECTRIC EFFECTS.

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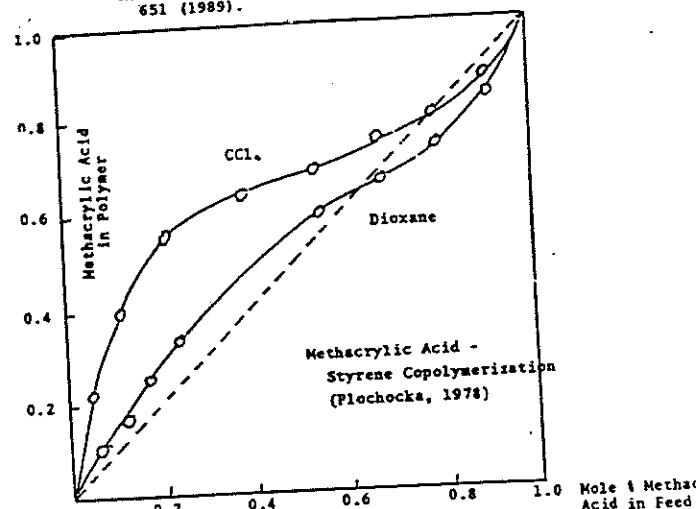
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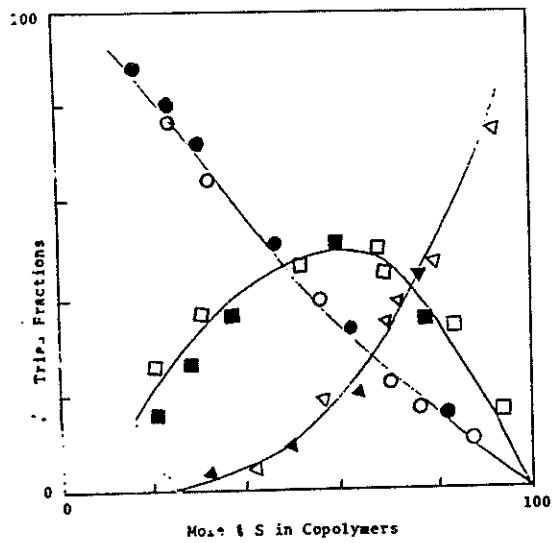
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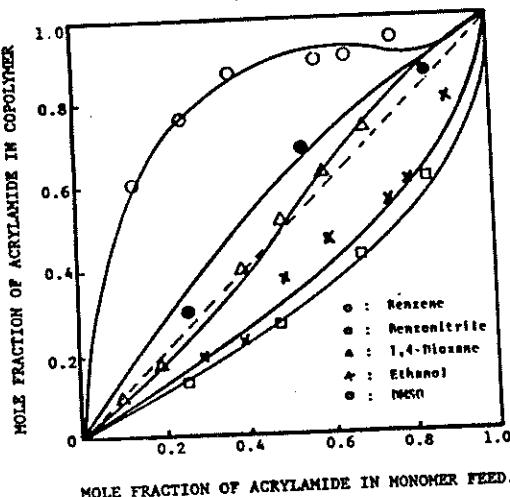
MAA-STYRENE



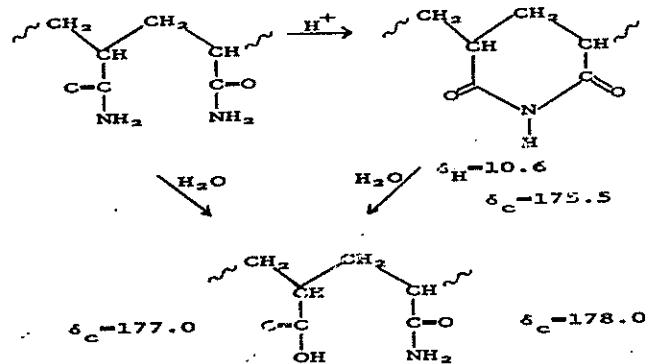
S-Centered Triad Fractions  
for S-NMA Copolymers in Dioxane (open  
points) and CCl<sub>4</sub> (solid points)

- , ● =  $f_{\text{NSN}}$
- △, ▲ =  $f_{\text{SSS}}$
- , ■ =  $f_{\text{MSS+SSH}}$

STYRENE-ACRYLAMIDE COPOLYMERIZATION  
Minsk, Kolarachik, Darlak 1973



INTRASEQUENCE CYCLIZATION OF POLYACRYLAMIDE

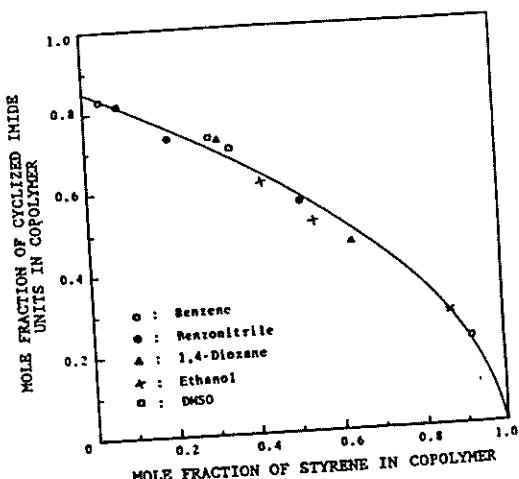


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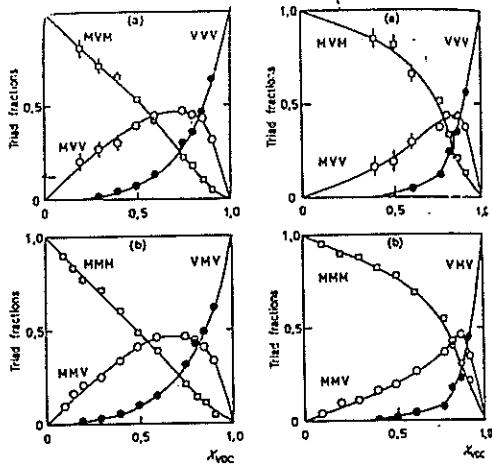
$$f_{\text{U}} \cdot e^{-2} = 0.1356$$

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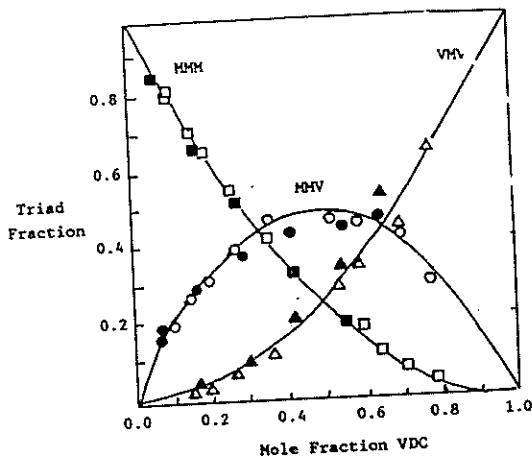
MOLE FRACTION OF CYCLIZED IMIDE UNITS IN COPOLYMERS TREATED WITH HCl GAS VERSUS STYRENE CONTENT.



TRIAD FRACTIONS FOR  $\text{VCl}_2\text{-MAN}$  COPOLYMERS PREPARED IN CYCLOHEANONE AND HEXANE



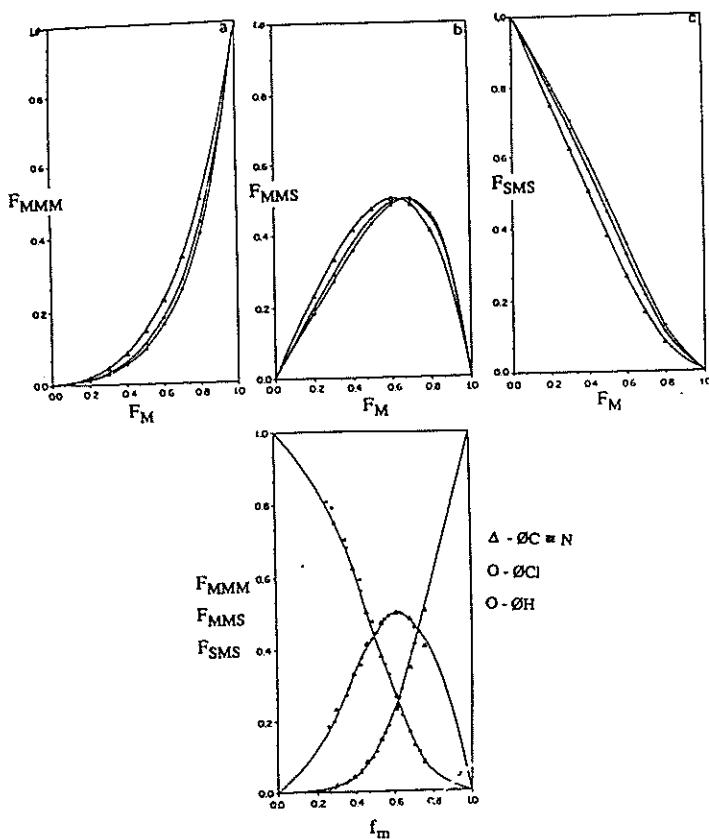
VINYLDENE CHLORIDE - MAN COPOLYMERS



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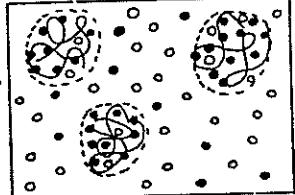
## SOLVENT EFFECTS IN STYRENE - MMA COPOLYMERIZATION

T.P. Davis, Polym. Commun., 3L, 442 (1990).



## THE "BOOTSTRAP MODEL" FOR COPOLYMERIZATION

- POLYMERIZATION AND COPOLYMERIZATION ARE POLYMER MODIFICATION REACTIONS
- THEY CAN BE INFLUENCED BY PARTITIONING OF REAGENT BETWEEN FREE SOLVENT, AND THE "DOMAINS OF POLYMER COILS"
- IN POLYMERIZATION AND COPOLYMERIZATION, THE DOMAIN IS THAT OF A GROWING POLYMER CHAIN AND THE MONOMER IS THE REAGENT.
- THUS A GROWING COPOLYMER CHAIN CAN CONTROL THE RELATIVE CONCENTRATION OF MONOMERS IN THE VICINITY OF ITS PROPAGATING END AND INFLUENCE ITS OWN FORMATION.



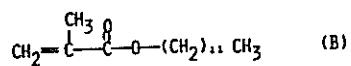
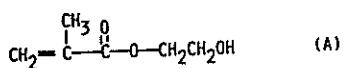
## FEATURES OF SYSTEMS INFLUENCED BY THE BOOTSTRAP EFFECT

### CONSEQUENCES OF THE "BOOTSTRAP EFFECT"

- NONPOLAR SOLVENTS WILL FAVOR THE INCORPORATION OF POLAR MONOMERS INTO COPOLYMERS. (THE GROWING COPOLYMER PROVIDES A BETTER ENVIRONMENT FOR THE POLAR MONOMER THAN DOES THE SOLVENT-MONOMER COMBINATION).
- ALL REACTIVITY RATIOS REPORTED FOR POLAR MONOMER COPOLYMERIZATIONS ARE PROBABLY IN ERROR.
- PREVIOUSLY REPORTED PENULTIMATE EFFECTS MAY BE MANIFESTATIONS OF THE BOOTSTRAP EFFECT.
- NEW METHODS NEED TO BE DEVELOPED FOR EVALUATING REACTIVITY RATIOS WHEN POLAR MONOMERS ARE INVOLVED. EQUILIBRIUM DIALYSIS IS A POSSIBLE APPROACH.

- Selectivities of initiating radicals should be independent of solvent choice, even though reactivity ratios appear to depend on solvent choice.
- Sequence distributions of copolymers prepared from a given pair of monomers should be identical for copolymers having the same composition irrespective of the solvent used for their preparation.
- Copolymers should have "tapered" structures. The compositions of copolymers prepared from a given copolymerization should be dependent on chain length.
- Chain transfer reactions should also be influenced by solvent and by the bootstrap effect.
- The absolute rates of propagation reactions should be dependent on polymer radical size and on solvent choice.

SOLVENT EFFECTS ON COPOLYMERIZATION WHEN  
IDEAL COPOLYMERIZATION BEHAVIOR IS EXPECTED



K. ITO, T. KITANI, E. YAMADA AND T. MATSUMOTO,  
POLYMER J., 17, 761 (1985)

HYDROXYETHYL METHACRYLATE /LAURYL  
METHACRYLATE COPOLYMERIZATION

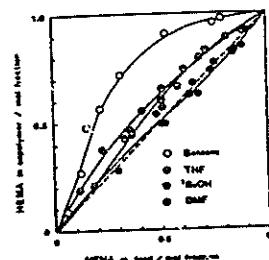
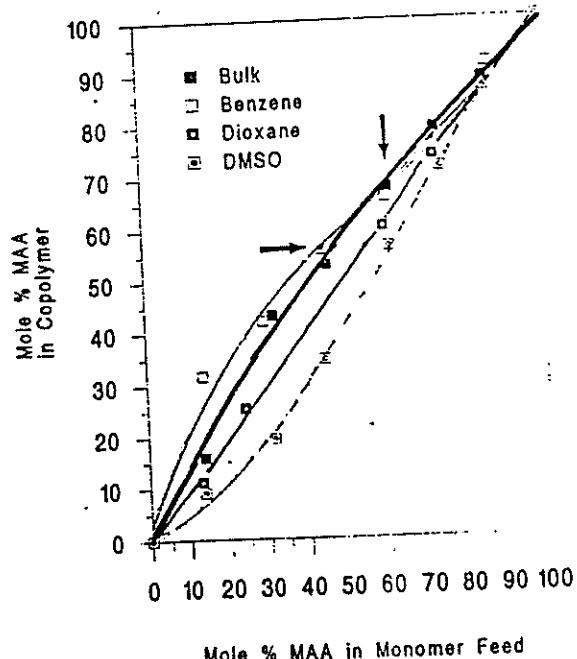
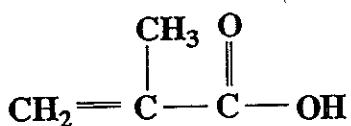
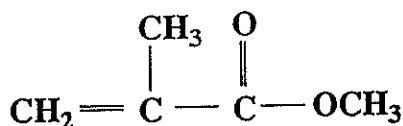
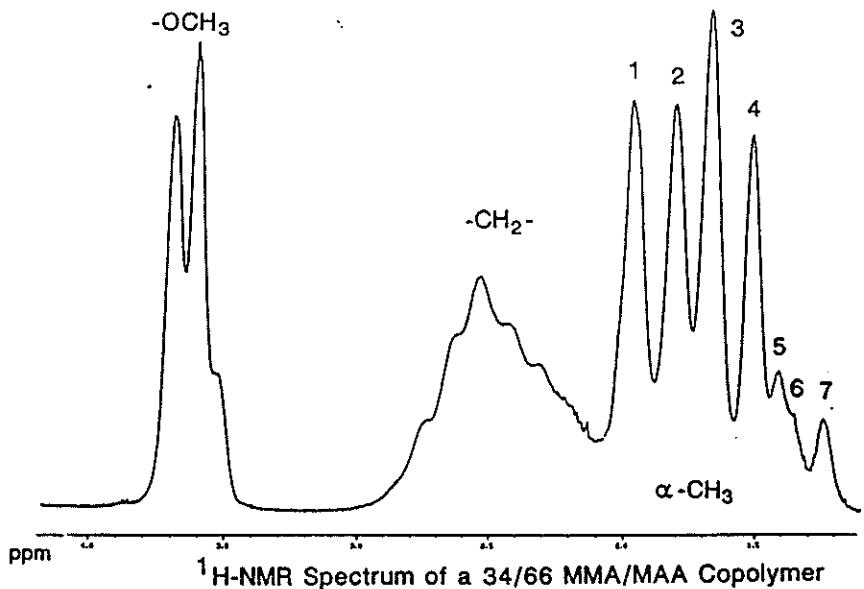


Figure 1. Copolymerization curves for copolymerization of HEMA and LMA in various solvents. Test monomer concentration = 0.5 mol/l<sup>1</sup>.

Methyl Methacrylate-Methacrylic Acid  
Copolymerization



Copolymer Composition -  
Monomer Feed Plot



<sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum of a 34/66 MMA/MAA Copolymer

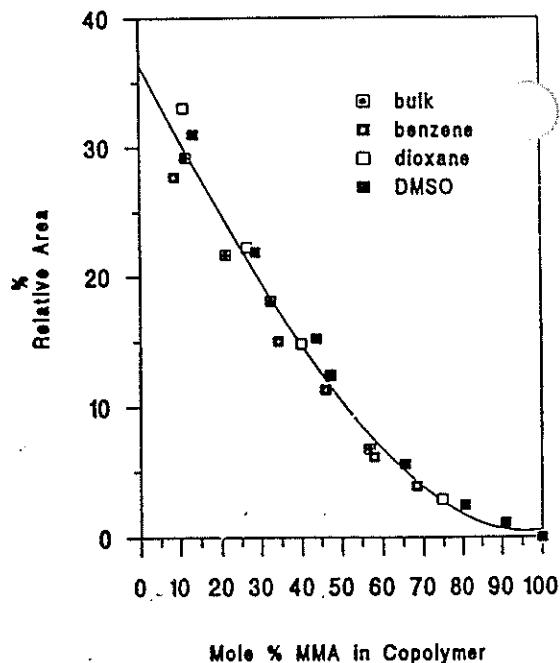


Fig. 12. Relative Resonance Area of Peak C3 as a Function of Copolymer Composition

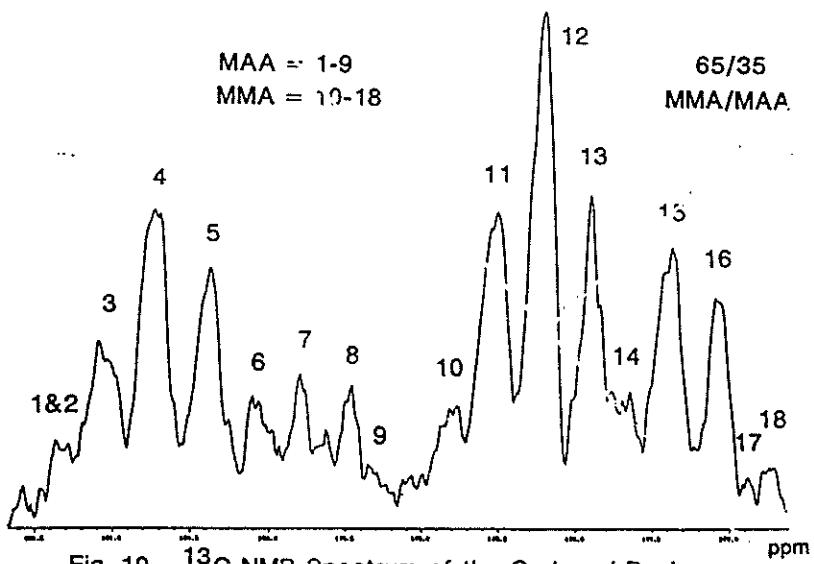


Fig. 10. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR Spectrum of the Carbonyl Region

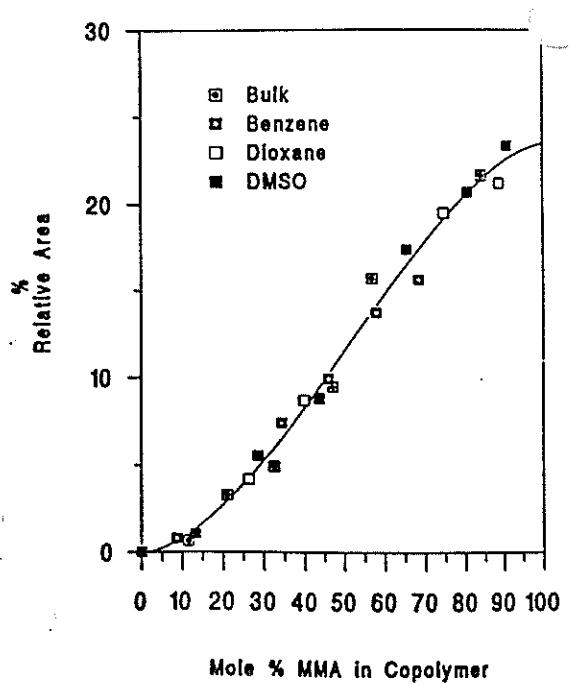


Fig. 17. Relative Resonance Area of Peak C12 as a Function of Copolymer Composition

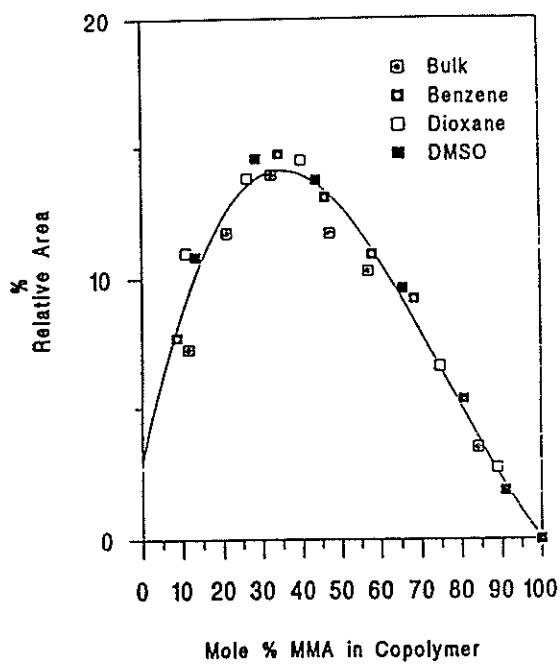


Fig. 13. Relative Resonance Area of Peak C4 as a Function of Copolymer Composition

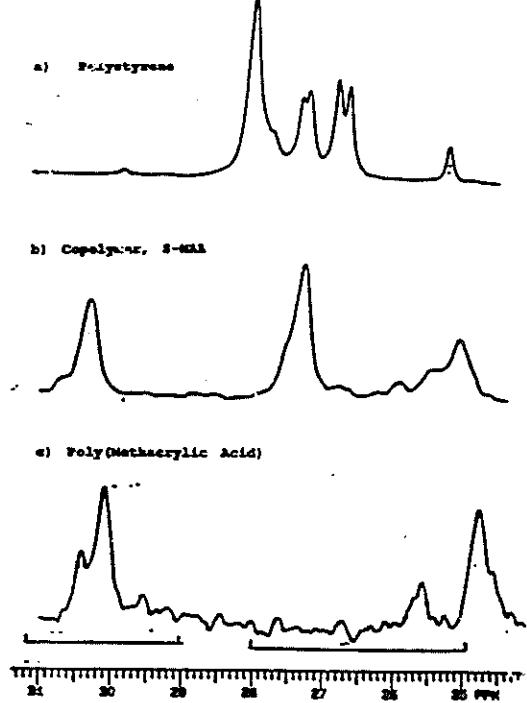


Figure 19: 200 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR Resonances of  $^{13}\text{C}$ -Enriched Initiator Fragments in a) Polystyrene, b) Copolymer S-MAA and c) Poly(Methacrylic Acid).

### Use of $^{13}\text{C}$ -Enriched AIBN to Investigate Effect of Solvent on The First Step in Copolymerization

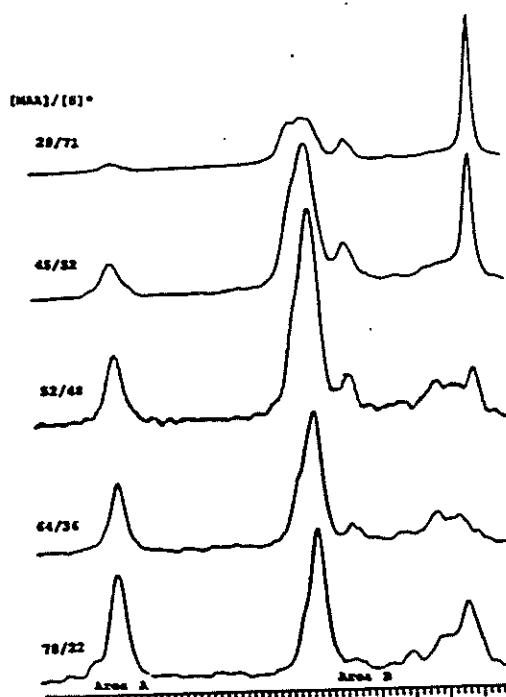
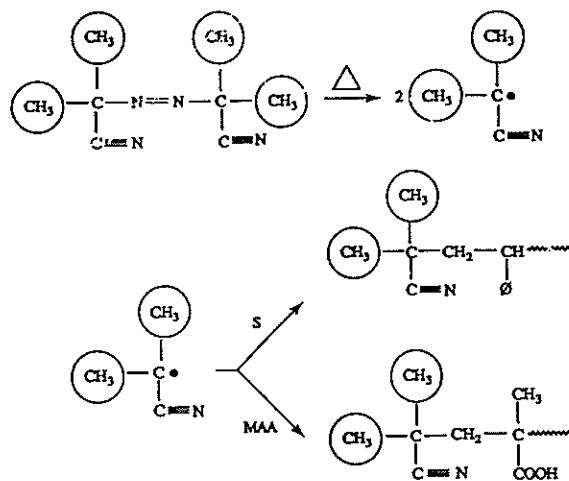


Figure 20: 200 MHz  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR Resonances of  $^{13}\text{C}$ -Enriched AIBN Initiator Fragments in Styrene-Methacrylic Acid Copolymers Prepared Using Methanol as a Solvent.

Molar Percentages of Styrene and Methacrylic Acid in the Monomer Mixtures Used to Prepare the Copolymers

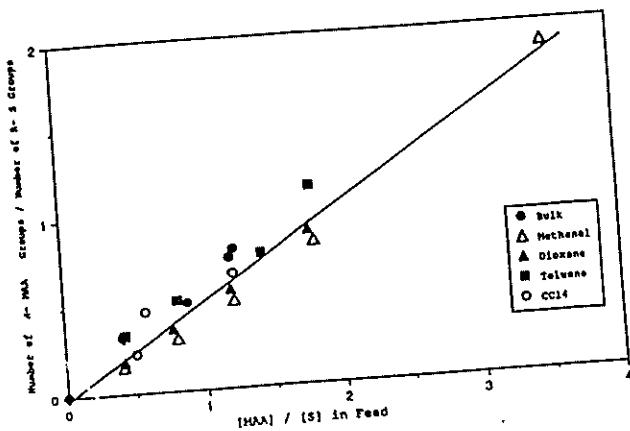


Figure 30 : Ratios of End Group Concentrations vs Monomer Feed Ratios for Copolymers Prepared in Various Solvents

RELATIVE REACTIVITIES OF INITIATOR RADICALS TOWARD MONOMERS IN VARIOUS SOLVENTS (30°C)

Radical	Solvent	$k_{MMA}/k_{VAC}$	$k_S/k_{MMA}$
$(CH_3)_2\dot{C}COOCH_3$	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	46 ± 3	
$(CH_3)_2\dot{C}COOCH_3$	EtOAc	48 ± 2	
$(CH_3)_2\dot{C}COOCH_3$	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	51 ± 1	
$(CH_3)_2\dot{C}CN$	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>	29 ± 2	1.8
$(CH_3)_2\dot{C}CN$	EtOAc	27 ± 3	1.8
$(CH_3)_2\dot{C}CN$	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	26 ± 1	2.1

J. Kristina, G. Moqdad and D.H. Solomon, Eur. Polym. J., 28, 275 (1992).

INFLUENCE OF POLYMER RADICAL SIZE ON BOOTSTRAP EFFECT

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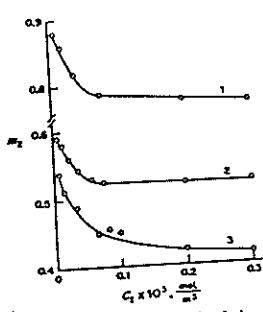


Fig. 1. The dependence of variation of chemical composition ( $m_1$ ) and ( $m_2$ ) of the copolymers (1) 2M5VP-VA, (2) St-MAA and (3) St-AN upon the concentration of initiator: (1) BP, (2) 2MSVP-VA, (3) AIBN;  $[I_2] = 333 \text{ K}$ ;  $M_1 = 0.5$ ;  $A_1 = 0.5$ ;  $A_2 = 0.75$ . Here and in Figs 1-4,  $M_1$  and  $m_1$  represent respectively the mole fractions of 2M5VP, MAA or AN respectively in the monomer mixture and the copolymer derived units in the monomer mixture by bulk polymerization to 5% conversion.

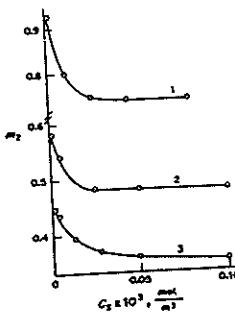


Fig. 2. The dependence of the composition ( $m_2$ ) of (1) 2MSVP-VA, (2) St-MAA and (3) St-AN copolymers prepared from equimolar monomer mixtures on the concentrations of chain transfer agent: (1) RSH, (2) Ph<sub>3</sub>GeH, (3) CBr<sub>4</sub> at 333 K.

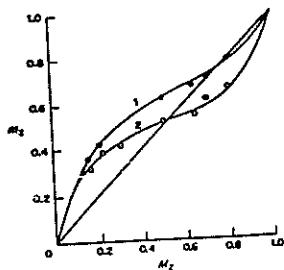


Fig. 3. The curves of composition of St-MAA copolymers prepared in the presence of [BP]: (1) 5 and (2) 200 mol/m<sup>3</sup>.

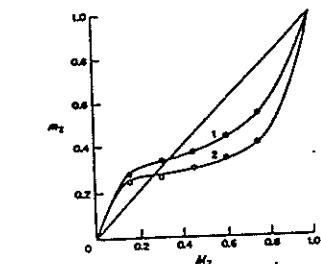


Fig. 4. The curves of the composition of (1,2)-St-AN copolymers prepared in the presence of (1) [DCC] = 5 and (2) 100 mol/m<sup>3</sup> at (1,2) 313 K.

DEPENDENCE OF S-MMA COMPOSITION ON MW

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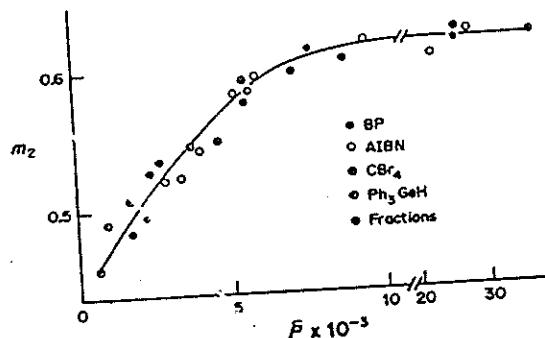


Fig. 5. The dependence of the composition ( $m_2$ ) of St-MAA copolymer ( $M_1 = 0.5$ ) upon the polymerization degree ( $P$ ), prepared at various concentrations of AIBN (○), BP (●) and chain transfer agents: CBr<sub>4</sub> (□), Ph<sub>3</sub>GeH (●) or obtained using fractional precipitation (◎). Synthesis conditions for copolymers prepared in the presence of the chain transfer agents and for fractionation — [AIBN] = 5 mol/m<sup>3</sup>, 333 K, 5% conversion.

THE BOOTSTRAP EFFECT IN HOMOPOLYMERIZATION

J. PAVLINEC, S. FLORIAN AND V. PALENIK,  
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POLYMERIZATION RATE - INFLUENCED BY  
VISCOSITY AND RATIO OF SOLVENT  
AND MONOMER IN THE "DOMAIN OF  
THE POLYMER COIL."

DEPENDENCE OF  $R_p$  ON [M] - FIRST POWER  
AFTER CORRECTION FOR CONCEN-  
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**INFLUENCE OF SOLVENT ON ABSOLUTE PROPAGATION RATES**

B.R. Morrison, M.C. Piton, M.A. Winnik, R.G. Gilbert and D.H. Napper,  
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- PULSED LASER POLYMERIZATION (OLAJ)  
 $D.P. = k_p (M) t$

- $k_p$  at 25°C

Monomer	Solvent	$k_p$
Styrene	Bulk	$84 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	25% EtOH	$76 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	50% EtOH	$80 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	75% EtOH	$101^* \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	25% MeOH	$70 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
MMA	Bulk	$306/327 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	25% EtOH	$300 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	50% EtOH	$292 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	75% EtOH	$414^* \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	$\text{OCl}$	$282/315 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$
	$\text{OCN}$	$343/374 \text{ L mole}^{-1} \text{ sec}^{-1}$

\*Precipitation

INFLUENCE OF SOLVENT ON  $k_p$   
FOR POLAR MONOMERS

V.F. Gromov and P.M. Khomikovskii, Russ. Chem. Rev.,  
48, 1040 (1979).

V.F. Gromov, et al, Eur. Polym. J., 16, 529 (1980).

Solvent	$k_p$
Acrylamide (30°C)	
Water (PH 7)	7.9
Water (PH 13)	5.8
Formamide	1.2
DMSO	0.37
Acrylic Acid (30°C)	
Water	31,900
Formamide	5,700
DMSO	760
Methacrylic Acid (40°C)	
Water	6,500
DMSO	310
Fluoracrylic Acid (20°C)	
Water	2,600
Formamide	2,200
DMSO	1,100

## PROPAGATION RATES IN COPOLYMERIZATION

T. Fukuda, K. Kubo, Y-D Ma and H. Inagaki, Polym. J., 19, 523 (1987); Macromolecules, 18, 17, 26 (1985).

### S-MMA Copolymerization

- Terminal Model Reactivity Ratios Adequate to Describe Copolymer Composites and Microstructure
- Termination Rates  $\propto$  Linear Function of Composition
- Propagation Rates are Not Consistent with Terminal Model -- Penultimate Model Proposed



Figure 5. Plot of  $k_p$  vs  $f_1$  for the ST-MMA/TOL at 40°C system (open circles); the filled circles are for the bulk system,<sup>1</sup> and the curves were calculated with the penultimate model with the indicated values of  $z = z_1 = z_2$ ; clearly, the curve with  $z = 1$  corresponds to the terminal model.

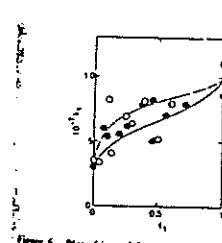


Figure 6. Plot of  $k_p$  vs  $f_1$  for the ST/MMA/TOL at 40°C system (open circles); the filled circles are for the bulk system,<sup>1</sup> and the solid and the broken curves represent the North model<sup>10</sup> and the chemical model with  $z = 1.0$ , respectively.

## PROPAGATION RATES IN COPOLYMERIZATION

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### S-MMA Copolymerization

- Triad Sequence Distribution Data Consistent with Terminal Model Reactivity Ratios
- Adjustment of Monomer Ratios Using a Single Bootstrap Parameter Enables Terminal Model to Accommodate Variations of Propagation Constants with Monomer Feed Composition

$$\frac{(M)}{(S)} = K \frac{(M_f)}{(S_f)}$$

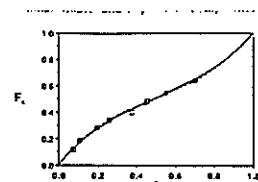


Figure 7. Fraction of styrene in copolymer versus fraction of styrene in feed. Experimental results (open squares);<sup>10</sup> ref. 5. Solid line is the fit of the simple bootstrap terminal model (SBTM) with  $r_1 = 2.41$ ,  $r_2 = 0.11$ , and  $K = 0.22$ . Dashed line is the fit of the complex bootstrap terminal model (CBTM) with  $r_1 = 2.32$ ,  $r_2 = 0.05$ ,  $K = 0.15$ , and  $z = 1.17$ .

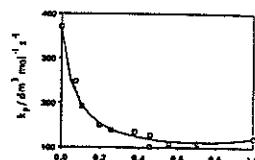


Figure 8. Plot of  $k_p$  versus  $f_1$  for styrene-MMA copolymerization at 40°C. Experimental results (open squares);<sup>10</sup> ref. 5. Solid line is the fit of the simple bootstrap terminal model (SBTM) with  $r_1 = 2.41$ ,  $r_2 = 0.11$ , and  $K = 0.22$ . Dashed line is the fit of the complex bootstrap terminal model (CBTM) with  $r_1 = 2.32$ ,  $r_2 = 0.05$ ,  $K = 0.15$ , and  $z = 1.17$ .

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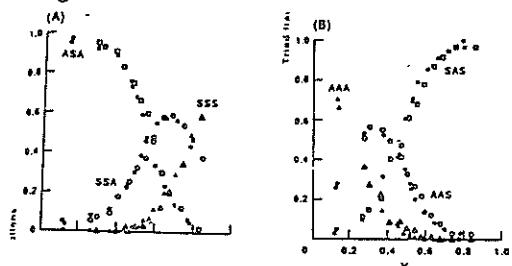


Figure 9. Comparison between the triad fractions for the copolymerization of styrene and acrylonitrile in toluene and acetonitrile at 60°C. The styrene-centered and acrylonitrile-centered triad fractions are plotted against the copolymer composition,  $Y_1$ . (A) Styrene-centered triad fractions; (B) acrylonitrile-centered triad fractions.  $\Delta$   $\square$   $\diamond$  Triad fractions for the copolymerization in toluene;  $\triangle$   $\circ$   $\square$   $\diamond$  Triad fractions for the copolymerization in acetonitrile.

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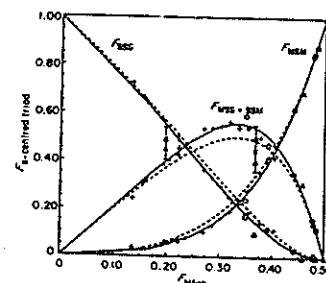


Figure 10. Mole fraction of SBY centered triads versus mole fraction of MAB in the SBY/MAB copolymer: (+) butane, 110°C; (—) bulk, 60°C; (---) toluene, 60°C. Solid curves are the Mayo-Lewis model predictions with  $r_1r_2 = 0$ . Dashed curves are the penultimate unit model predictions with  $r_1/r_2 = 0.4$ .