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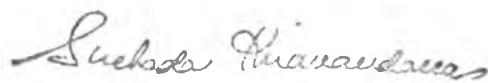
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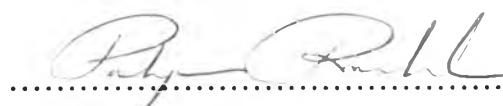
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Syntheses of styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer beads were carried out by suspension copolymerization. The reactions were performed in the presence of benzoyl peroxide and poly(vinyl alcohol) as the initiator and suspending agent, respectively. The effects of reaction parameters, namely, monomer phase weight fraction, agitation rate, reaction temperature, reaction time, initiator concentration, crosslinking agent concentration, concentration of suspending agent, diluent composition, and the third comonomer, *n*-butyl acrylate or 2-ethyl hexyl acrylate, on the average particle size, size distribution, crosslinking density, and swelling properties of the resulting copolymers were thoroughly investigated. The average particle size and size distribution was measured by sieve analysis, the swelling properties by gravimetric measurement, thermal properties by DSC, the functional groups by FT-IR, kinetics of absorption and desorption by optical microscopy, surface morphology by SEM, density by the liquid displacement technique, pore properties by a mercury porosimeter and solubility parameters by swelling experiments. The absorption of the solvent mixture on the water surface was also investigated.

The optimum conditions for the polymerization were found to be as follows: 0.5% w/w BPO; 0.1% w/w PVA; 0.1 of the monomer phase weight fraction; 6% w/w DVB; the Tol/Hep ratio (w/w) was 60/40; the agitation rate was 270 rpm; the reaction temperature and time were 70°C and 10 hrs, respectively. After various characterizations, the resulting synthesized copolymers were spherical beads and had the following properties: average particle sizes were in the range of 0.82 – 1.49 mm; average pore diameter  $(1.33 - 2.12) \times 10^{-2} \mu\text{m}$ ; surface area  $17.466 - 44.057 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ ; pore volume  $5.81 \times 10^{-2} - 2.34 \times 10^{-1} \text{ cm}^3/\text{g}$ ; density  $0.9375 - 1.0581 \text{ g/cm}^3$ ; swelling ratios in the range of 4.2 – 12.3 times in toluene; solubility parameter  $18.2 - 19.0 (\text{MPa})^{1/2}$ ; the glass transition temperature ( $T_g$ ) in the range of 42 – 107°C; the diffusion coefficient in the range of  $6.40 \times 10^{-6} - 1.52 \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^2/\text{sec}$ . The advantage of these synthetic copolymer beads is that they are capable of sorption and desorption of several industrial solvents with solubility parameters in the range of  $18.2 - 19.0 (\text{MPa})^{1/2}$  which are beneficial for the removal of spilled solvents and oil on the surface of water in our environment. The lifespan of the beads is longer than 3 repeated uses while still retaining their spherical shape.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

PS	: polystyrene
P-BuA	: poly( <i>n</i> -butyl acrylate)
P-2-EHA	: poly(2-ethyl hexyl acrylate)
Sty-DVB	: styrene-divinylbenzene copolymer
Sty/DVB/ <i>n</i> -BA	: styrene-divinylbenzene- <i>n</i> -butyl acrylate terpolymer
Sty/DVB/2-EHA	: styrene-divinylbenzene-2-ethyl hexyl acrylate terpolymer
Sty	: styrene
DVB	: divinylbenzene
<i>n</i> -BA	: <i>n</i> -butyl acrylate
2-EHA	: 2-ethyl hexyl acrylate
Tol	: toluene
Hep	: heptane
BPO	: benzoyl peroxide
PVA	: poly(vinyl alcohol)
EtAc	: ethyl acetate
DIBP	: diisobutyl phthalate
Deacl	: decaline
BuAc	: butyl acetate
MIBK	: methyl-isobutyl ketone
DEP	: diethyl phthalate
<i>i</i> -AmA	: isoamyl alcohol

## ABBREVIATIONS (continued)

DOP	: dioctyl phthalate
<i>i</i> -AmAc	: isoamyl acetate
ACP	: acetophenone
$\delta_i$	: solubility parameters
CED	: cohesive energy density
$R_{ij}$	: diluent-polymer distances
$\bar{M}_c$	: number average molecular weight of polymer between crosslinks
$M_o$	: molecular weight of polymer repeat unit
$\rho_p$	: density of polymer
$\rho_s$	: density of solvent
$q$	: crosslinking density
$\phi_p$	: volume fraction of polymer in the swollen gel
$\chi_{12}$	: Flory-Huggins interaction parameter between polymer and solvent
$D$	: diffusion coefficient
$U$	: shear of polymer network alone
$K$	: bulk modulus of polymer network alone
$f$	: frictional coefficient between the network and fluid medium
$\tau$	: characteristic swelling time
$a$	: the final radius of the fully swollen gel

## ABBREVIATIONS (continued)

$\Delta a_t$	: the difference between the size at time t and that at saturation swelling
$\Delta a_0$	: the total change in radius throughout the entire swelling process
$I$	: the depth of penetration
$r$	: the radius of the cylindrical capillaries
$t$	: time of penetration
$\eta$	: the viscosity of the liquid
$\gamma$	: the surface tension of the liquid
$\theta$	: the contact angle of the liquid on the capillary walls
HPMC	: hydroxypropyl methyl cellulose
HEC	: hydroxyethyl cellulose
b.p.	: boiling point
f.p.	: freezing point
m.p.	: melting point
ppm	: part per million
M	: molecular weight
mol%	: percent by mole
wt%	: percent by weight
SEM	: Scanning Electron Microscope
DSC	: Differential Scanning Calorimeter
FT-IR	: Fourier Transform Infrared Spectrometer

## ABBREVIATIONS (continued)

KBr	: potassium bromide
mm	: millimeter
°C	: degree Celsius
rpm	: revolution per minute
cm <sup>3</sup>	: cubic centimeter
mm <sup>3</sup>	: cubic millimeter
hrs	: hours
<i>S</i>	: swelling ratio
<i>W<sub>s</sub></i>	: the weight of the copolymer at equilibrium
<i>W<sub>p</sub></i>	: the weight of the dry copolymer
<i>V<sub>s</sub></i>	: molar volume of solvent
<i>V<sub>p</sub></i>	: molar volume of polymer
Tg	: glass transition temperature
%conv.	: percent conversion
Std. Dev.	: standard deviation
1st	: the first
2nd	: the second
3rd	: the third
Dia.	: diameter
Vol.	: volume
const.	: constant

**ABBREVIATIONS (continued)**

min	: minute
sec	: second
$R_p$	: the polymerization rate
$R_d$	: the rate constant for the initiator decomposition
$R_p$	: the rate constant for the propagation step
$R_t$	: the rate constant for the termination step
Ave.	: average
ASTM	: American Standard of Testing Material
MPa	: megapascal
pp.	: page