

Supplementary Material

Water Structure Change-Induced Expansion and Collapse of Zwitterionic Polymers Surface-Grafted onto Carbon Black

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calculation of surface grafting density using the results of the chemical analysis

Data

| Sample | C [w/w%] | N [w/w%] | S [w/w%] | Br [w/w%] |
|------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Bare CB | 45.14 | 0.44 | — | — |
| CB-Br | 48.46 | 9.24 | — | 20.8 |
| CB-PMPDSAH | 40.29 | 5.18 | 0.97 | 3.32 |

compositions

| | MW | C | N | S | Br | |
|---------------|-------|---|----|---|----|---|
| initiator | 236.9 | | 7 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| initiator -Br | 157 | | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| monomer | 292 | | 12 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

deduced mole ratios and masses (100g of sample)

| | mol initiator from Br | mol initiator from N | mass initiator from Br | mole initiator - Br | mass initiator-Br | total initiator mass | mol C in initiator from N | mass C in initiator from N | | |
|------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| CB-Br | 0.260325 | 0.66 | 61.67109 | 0.399675 | 62.74891 | 124.42 | 4.62 | 55.44 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | should be <100 |
| | mol monomer from S | mol N | mol polymer and unreacted initiator from Br | mol N in monomer from S | mol N as unreacted initiator | mol C as unreacted initiator | mol C in monomer from S | total mass C in polymer and initiator | mass of carbon as CB | |
| CB-PMPDSAH | 0.03 | 0.37 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.31 | 2.17 | 0.36 | 30.35 | 9.94 | |

polymer yield

| mass of initiator-loaded C | added mass | total mass if all reacted | %S if all reacted | yield of polymer (from S) |
|----------------------------|------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 0.20 | 1.25 | 1.45 | 10.96 | 8.9% |

Carbon nanopowder particle specification

assay ≥99% trace metals basis
form nanopowder
particle size <50 nm (TEM)
spec. surface area >100 m²/g (BET)
amorphous carbon

density of amorphous carbon
1.8-2.1g/cm³

Deduced polymer coverage on carbon surface

| assumed radius | assumed MW of polymer | mole particle/100g CB-PMPDSAH | monomer/particle from S | polymer / particle |
|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 20nm | 10000 (34 units) | 2.5E-07 | 1.2E+05 | 12.3 |
| 10nm | 10000 (34 units) | 2.0E-06 | 1.5E+04 | 1.5 |