

methyl,1,4-pentadiene (2,4-DMP), which indicated propylene monomer, and 2,4-diethyl,1,4-pentadiene (2,4-DEP), indicative of butene monomer. The ratio of the peak areas of these two pyrolysis fragments were found to be directly related to the original monomer composition.

Figure 2 shows the calibration curve obtained from pyrolyzing copolymer samples with 1-butene concentrations ranging from 11.5% to 46.5%. The area ratios of 2,4-DMP and 2,4-DEP were calculated and plotted versus 1-butene concentration. This gave a very linear calibration curve even without the presence of an internal standard.

EQUIPMENT:

PYROLYSIS

CDS Analytical model 1000 Pyroprobe

CHROMATOGRAPHY

Hewlett-Packard 5890 Gas chromatograph equipped with a flame ionization detector.

Column: 30m. X 0.53mm. SE-54 Capillary column with a 0.5um. film.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS APPLICATION, WE RECOMMEND THE FOLLOWING READING:

Analytical Pyrolysis of Complex Multi-component Samples.

J. W. Washall and T. P. Wampler, J. Chromatogr. Sci., 27, 144-148, (1989).

Reproducibility in Pyrolysis - Recent Developments

T.P. Wampler and E. J. Levy, J. Anal. Appl. Pyrol., 12, 75-82, (1987).

Additional literature on this topic may be obtained by contacting your local CDS Analytical representative, or directly from CDS at the address below.

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