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Abbreviations

AA Acrylic acid

ABS Acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene
Aerosol MA AMA, sodium di-hexyl sulfosuccinate

Aerosol OT AOT, sodium di(2-ethylhexyl)sulfosuccinate

AFM Atomic force microscopy
AIBN Azobisisobutyronitrile

ATRP Atom transfer radical polymerization

B Butadiene
BA n-Butyl acrylate
BPO Benzoyl peroxyde

Buna N Butadiene-acrylonitrile copolymer
Buna S Butadiene-styrene copolymer
CCA Colloidal crystalline array

CCD Chemical composition distribution

CDB Cumyl dithiobenzoate
CFM Chemical force microscopy
CFT Critical flocculation temperature
CMC Critical Micelle Concentration
CMMD Control molar mass distribution

CPVC Critical pigment volume concentration
CRP Controlled radical polymerization techniques

CTA Chain transfer agents
CVP Colloid vibration potential
Cyclam Tetrazacyclotetradecane

DLVO Derjaguin-Landau-Verwey-Overbeek

DMA Dynamic mechanical analysis

DNA Desoxy nucleic acid

DSC Differential scanning calorimetry
EDTA Ethylene diamino tetraacetic acid

EHMA 2-Ethylhexyl methacrylate

EPA Environmental Protection Agency ESA Electrokinetic sonic amplitude

ESEM Environmental scanning electron microscopy
FESEM Field emission scanning electron microscopy

FIB-SEM focused ion beam SEM

FFF Field-flow fractionation

FLGN Feeney, Lichti, Gilbert and Napper

HASE Hydrophobically modified alkali-swellable emulsions

HDPE High density polyethylene
HEC Hydroxy ethyl cellulose
HEMA 2-Hydroxyethyl methacrylate

HEUR Hydrophobically modified ethylene oxide urethanes

HIC Hydrophobic interaction chromatography
HPLC High performance liquid chromatography

HUFT Hansen, Ugelstad, Fitch, and Tsai

IR Infrared K Kelvin

LV-SEM low voltage SEM

LRP Living radical polymerisation

MA Methyl acrylate

MFFT Minimum film forming temperature

MMA Methyl methacrylate
MMD Molar Mass Distribution

MONAMS A5 1-(methoxycarbonyl)eth-1-yl initiating radical NMP Nitroxide-mediated living radical polymerisation

NMR Nuclear magnetic resonance

NR Natural rubber

OEM Original Equipment Manufacturer

OM Optical microscopy PCH Phenyl-cyclohexene

PCS Photon correlation spectroscopy

Polydispersity index PDI **PDMS** Poly(dimethylsiloxane) Poly(ethylene oxide) **PEO PGA** Poly(glycolic acid) Poly(hydroxystearic acid) PHS Poly(D, L-lactic acid) PLA Poly(glycolic-co-lactic acid) **PLGA** Poly(methylmethacrylate) **PMMA PNIPAM** Poly(N-isopropylacrylamide)

PPO Polypropylene oxide
PRE Persistent radical effect
PSA Pressure sensitive adhesives
PSD Particle size distribution
PTA Phosphotungstic acid
PTFE Poly tetrafluorethylene
PVAc Poly(vinyl acetate)

PVC Pigment volume concentration

QCM-D quartz crystal micro-balance with dissipation monitoring

RAFT Reversible addition fragmentation transfer

RCTA Reversible chain transfer agents

S Styrene

SAM Self-assembled monolayer
SANS Small angle neutron scattering
SAXS Small angle X-ray scattering

SB Styrene butadiene

SBLC Styrene butadiene latex council
SBR Styrene butadiene rubber
SDS Sodium dodecyl sulphate

Sed-FFF Sedimentation field-flow fractionation

SEM Scanning electron microscopy
SFM Scanning force microscopy
SPM Scanning probe microscopy

SRNI Simultaneous reverse and normal initiation SSIMS Static secondary ion mass spectrometry

STM Scanning tunneling microscopy
TEM Transmission electron microscopy
TEMPO 2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidine-l-oxyl

Texanol^{®c} 2,2,4-Trimethyl-1,3-pentanediol-diisobutyrat

UAc Uranyl acetate
UV Ultraviolet
Vac Vinyl acetate
VCH Vinyl-cyclohexene

VOC Volatile organic compound

W Watt

Wet-SEM wet scanning transmission electron microscopy

XPS X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy

XSB Carboxylated styrene-butadiene dispersions

List of Frequently Used Symbols

a_e	Specific surface area for a emulsifier molecule on a polymeric surface
A	Arrhenius constant of the initiation (A_i) , propagation (A_p) , termination (A_t) and transfer (A_{tr})
\bar{d}	average particle diameter d_n , number average diameter, d_s surface average diameter, d_w weight average diameter, d_v volume average diameter
d_w/d_n	particle diameter non-uniformity factor
E	energy of activation for initiation (E_i) , propagation (E_p) , termination (E_t) and transfer (E_{tr})
f	Initiator efficiency
f F	Efficiency factor for adsorption
ΔG	Partial molar free energy of droplets ΔG_d , ΔG_a of the aqueous phase and of the
	latex particles ΔG_1
H	enthalpy
ΔH	change in enthalpy
\dot{J} crit	Critical length of an oligomer at which precipitation from the aqueous phase
1.	occurs exit frequency
k k	exit frequency (k) propagation (k) termination (k) and transfer
K	rate constant of the initiation (k_i) , propagation (k_p) , termination (k_t) and transfer reaction (k_{tr})
[M]	concentration of monomer, $[M]_p$ concentration of monomer in the polymer particles. If this depends on quantities such as radius r , time t , etc., the recommended notation is $[M(r,t,\ldots)]_p$. $[M]_a$ for the monomer concentration in the aqueous phase, $[M]_{a,sat}$ for the saturation concentration in the aqueous phase.
M	average molar mass: number-average molar mass (M_n) . weight-average molar mass (M_w) ,
N	number of latex particles per unit volume of latex
N_n	Number of particles with n radicals per particle
$N_{\rm A}$	Avogadro constant
n	number of radicals in a latex particle
\bar{n}	average number of radicals per particle
$n_{ m m0}$	initially added number of moles of monomer per unit volume
\overline{P}_n	number average degree of polymerisation
R^{n}	gas constant
$r_{1,2}$	reactivity parameters in copolymerisation
$r_{ m p}$	rate of polymerisation per particle

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 τ_{g}

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r_{\rm e}
           rate of entry of radicals per particle
r_{\rm t}
           rate of termination per particle
           the radius of the unswollen micelles, vesicles and/or latex particles.
ro
R_{\rm p}
           Rate of polymerisation
S
           entropy
\Delta S
           change in Entropy
T
           temperature
T_{g}
           glass transition temperature
t
           time
V
           volume of monomer swollen latex particles
           molar volume of the monomer
V_{\rm m}
           volume fraction of polymer
v_{\rm p}
W
           stability ratio
w_{p}
           mass fraction of polymer in the particle phase
\boldsymbol{x}
           fraction conversion of monomer to polymer
x_{\rm n}
           number-average degree of polymerisation, xw weight-average degree of poly-
           merisation
z-mer
           The length of an oligomer in the aqueous phase at which surface activity occurs
\alpha
           fate parameter (fate of excited radicals)
X
           Flory-Huggins interaction parameter
δ
           solubility parameter or chemical shift
\varepsilon
           permittivity
Y
           interfacial tension
\eta
           viscosity
           intrinsic viscosity
[\eta]
V
           kinetic chain length
\pi
           osmotic pressure
P
           entry frequency
\rho_{\rm i}
           radical flux or rate of initiation (2 kd f [I])
\mu
           Volume growth factor
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time of growth of a polymer chain

Introduction to the Second Edition

The increasing need for environmentally benign production methods for polymers has resulted in a further development and implementation of the emulsion polymerisation technique. More and more companies switch from solvent based polymer production methods to emulsion polymerisation.

Since the introduction of the first edition in 2005 the experience gained with using this book in a teaching environment, led us to this second improved edition. Besides some of the new developments we added a new chapter on latex particle morphology development as especially in this area much progress has been made and a lot of research efforts, both in academia and in industry, has been devoted to this important area. Furthermore the chapter on the use of controlled radical polymerization in latex production has been substantially updated as most of the other chapters.

Powerpoint slides of figures in this book for teaching purposes can be downloaded from http://booksupport.wiley.com by entering the book title, author or isbn.

Introduction to the First Edition

New polymerisation mechanisms like controlled radical polymerisation are combined with the emulsion polymerisation technique, encountering specific problems but also leading to interesting new possibilities in achieving special nanoscale morphologies with special properties. In the past years many people have been trained in the use of the emulsion polymerisation technique. Many courses on the BSc, MSc and the PhD level as well as special trainings for people in industry are given all over the world. Despite this no recent book exists with the purpose of supporting courses in emulsion polymerisation.

This book is aiming at MSc students, PhD students and reasonably experienced chemists in university, government or industrial laboratories, but not necessarily experts in emulsion polymerisation or the properties and applications of emulsion polymers. For this audience, which is often struggling with the theory of emulsion polymerisation kinetics, this book will explain how theory came about from well-designed experiments, making equations plausible and intuitive. Another issue experienced, especially in industry, is that coupling theory and everyday practice in latex production is really hard. This is another aim of the book; showing how theory works out in real life.

The basis for the contents of this book can be found in the course emulsion polymerisation taught for many years at the Eindhoven University of Technology in the framework of the Foundation Emulsion Polymerisation. Many people have contributed to shaping the aforementioned course and therefore laying a basis for this book: Ian Maxwell, Jenci Kurja, Janet Eleveld, Joop Ammerdorffer, Annemieke Aerdts, Bert Klumperman, Jos van der Loos and last but not least Ton German. Most of the contributors to the chapters are member of the International Polymer Colloids Group, a group of experts around the world that meet on a regular basis and form a unique platform for sharing knowledge in the field.

The book is focussing on emulsion polymerisation in combination with both conventional and controlled radical polymerisation. Except for miniemulsion polymerisation, more exotic techniques like inverse emulsion polymerisation, microemulsion polymerisation and dispersion polymerisation are not covered.

The first chapter is giving a historic overview of the understanding of emulsion polymerisation, also focussing on the solution of the kinetic equations. In the second chapter an introduction is given in the radical (co)polymerisation mechanism, explaining kinetics and the development of molecular weight and chemical composition. In chapter three the basic element of emulsion polymerisation are explained, again focussing on rate of reaction and molecular mass distributions. In chapter four, emulsion copolymerisation, process strategies are explained. In chapter five the implementation of controlled radical polymerisation mechanisms in emulsion polymerisation is discussed. In Chapter 6 the

development of morphology in latex production is discussed. Colloidal aspects of emulsion polymerisation are discussed in chapter seven. In chapter eight an overview of the molecular characterization techniques of (emulsion) polymers is given whereas in chapter nine the characterization techniques available for particle size, shape and morphology are reviewed. In Chapter ten and eleven bulk and specialty applications are discussed. As much as possible the nomenclature for polymer dispersions according to IUPAC has been followed (Slomkowski, 2011).

We hope that this book will become a standard textbook in courses in emulsion polymerisation.

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