



# THERMAL DEGRADATION STUDIES OF COPOLYMER RESIN-III DERIVED FROM 8-HYDROXYQUINOLINE 5-SULPHONIC ACID-THIOSEMICARBAZIDE-FORMALDEHYDE

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## Abstract

The Copolymer (p-HBSF) was synthesized by condensation of p-hydroxybenzoic acid and semicarbazide with formaldehyde in the presence of 2M HCL as a catalyst at  $126 \pm 2^\circ\text{C}$  for 5 hrs. with molar proportion of reactants. The synthesized copolymer resin has been characterized by different physico-chemical techniques. Thermogravimetric analysis of all copolymer resins in present study have been carried out by non-isothermal thermogravimetric analysis technique in which sample is subjected to condition of continuous increase in temperature at linear rate. Thermal study of the resins was carried out to determine their mode of decomposition and relative thermal stabilities. The copolymer (p-HBSF) was characterized by FT-IR, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectroscopy. The thermal decomposition behavior of copolymer was studied by using TGA in static nitrogen atmosphere at a heating rate of  $10^\circ\text{C}/\text{min}$ . The advantage of Freeman-Carroll method is to calculate both the order of reaction (n) and energy of activation in one single stage by keeping heating rate constant. Thermal activation energy (Ea) calculated with above two mentioned methods are in close agreement. Freeman Carroll and Sharp-Wentworth methods were used to calculate the thermal activation energy (Ea), the order of reaction (n), entropy Change ( $\Delta S$ ), free energy change ( $\Delta F$ ), apparent entropy change ( $\Delta S$ ), and frequency factor (Z). The thermal activation energy determined with

the help of these method was in good agreement with each other.

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## INTRODUCTION

Thermogravimetric analysis has been widely used to investigate the decomposition characteristics of polymeric matter. Copolymers, very special classes of polymers, are known for their versatile uses and are found to be amorphous, crystalline or resinous in nature. Phenolic resins have been the workhorse as matrix resins in composites for structural and thermal applications in aerospace because of their ease of processability, thermal stability, versatile characteristics and cost effectiveness. W. Tang and coworkers studied the thermal decomposition kinetics of thermotropic copolyesters made from trans-p-hydrocinnamic acid and p-hydrobenzoic acid<sup>1,2</sup>. Copolymers occupy an intermediate position between organic and inorganic compounds and it is hoped that the study of copolymers will lead to the production of polymer, which are both thermally stable and useful as fabricating materials. P. E. P. Michael *et al.* studied synthesis, characterization and thermal degradation of 8-hydroxyquinoline guanidine-formaldehyde copolymer<sup>3</sup>. Rahangdale and coworkers studied thermal degradation of copolymers derived from 2, 4-dihydroxyacetophenone, dithioamide and formaldehyde<sup>4</sup>. Copolymers can be used as high energy material, ion-exchanger, semiconductors, antioxidants, fire proofing agent, optical storage data, binders, molding