

**Itaconic Acid as a Platform Chemical for Bio-Based Polymers:
From Green Polymerization Strategies to Structure-Driven Applications**

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Table S1 Calculation of the E-factor for the representative polymerization process.

Entry	Input Material	Input Weight (g)	Temperature Reaction Time	Output Material	Output Weight (g)	Conv. (%) / Yield (%)	E-factor	Ref.
1	Di- <i>n</i> -butyl itaconate (DBI)	0.40	Polymerization of DBI segment 20 °C, 160 h	PhII- <i>b</i> -DBI- <i>b</i> -PhII	0.32	Polymerization of DBI segment Conv.=58%	2.15	1
	<i>N</i> -phenylitaconimide (PhII)	0.148						
	V-70	0.001						
	RAFT agent	0.0097	Polymerization of PhII segment 50 °C, 19 h			Polymerization of PhII segment Conv.=58%		
	AIBN	0.0005						
	1,4-Dioxane	0.45						
2	Di- <i>n</i> -methyl itaconate	42.3	20 °C, 20-60 h	Poly(di- <i>n</i> -alkyl itaconate- <i>co</i> -isoprene)	59.16	Yield=85%	4.83	2
	Di- <i>n</i> -ethyl itaconate	49.8						
	Di- <i>n</i> -propyl itaconate	57.3						
	Di- <i>n</i> -butyl itaconate	64.7						
	Di- <i>n</i> -pentyl itaconate	72.2						
	Di- <i>n</i> -hexyl itaconate	79.7						
	Di- <i>n</i> -heptyl itaconate	87.2						
	Di- <i>n</i> -octyl itaconate	94.7						
	Di- <i>n</i> -nonyl itaconate	102.2						
	Di- <i>n</i> -decyl itaconate	109.7						
	Isoprene	27.3						
	Deionized water	214.4						
SDS/SDBS	46.0							

	K ₃ PO ₃	2.0						
	KCl	5.0						
	SHS	2.0						
	Fe-EDTA	4.0						
	TBH	0.5						
	Hydroxylamine	0.4						
	Styrene	0.558						
	Butadiene	0.58						
	Titanium complex	0.008						
3	MAO	0.72	50 °C, 4 h	Poly(styrene- <i>ran</i> -butadiene)	0.82	Yield=71%	27.8	3
	Toluene	9.9						
	Ethanol	11.8						
	Antioxidant	0.06						
4	β -myrcene (MY)	33.2	70 °C, 20 h	Poly(MY-co-DBI)	93	Yield=93%	2.81	4
	Di- <i>n</i> -butyl itaconate	66.8						

	Deionized water	250						
	SDS	2.5						
	APS	0.35						
	NaHCO ₃	1.5						
	Di- <i>n</i> -butyl itaconate	240						
	Butadiene	160						
	Glycidyl methacrylate	12						
	Deionized water	785						
5	Total emulsifier	14.4	6 °C, 5 h	Poly(dibutyl itaconate-co-butadiene-co-glycidyl methacrylate)	391.4	Yield=95%	2.11	5
	Total activator	0.76						
	Potassium chloride	2.80						
	<i>Tert</i> -dodecyl mercaptan	0.48						
	Sodium hydrosulfite	0.25						
	Diisopropyl benzene	0.36						
6	Di- <i>n</i> -butyl itaconate	50	78 °C, 3.5 h	Poly(dibutyl itaconate-co-butyl acrylate-	97.48	Yield=96.3%	1.42	6

	Butyl acrylate (BA)	45		co-acrylic acid- co-glycidyl methacrylate)			
	Acrylic acid (AA)	2					
	Glycidyl methacrylate (GMA)	0.5					
	Ammonium persulfate	0.5					
	Deionized water	134					
	Ammonium allyloxynonylphenol polyoxyethylene (10) ether sulfate	2.25					
	Sodium dodecyl benzene sulfonate	0.75					
	Potassium chloride	0.3					
	Sodium bicarbonate	0.2					
	Aqueous ammonia	0.1					
7	Itaconic anhydride	0.560			Solution Polymerization 1.05	Solution polymerization Conv.=>99%	Solution polymerization 0.84
	Cyclohexene oxide	0.491	100 °C, 1 h	Poly(itaconate- co- cyclohexene oxide)			
	Toluene	0.862			Bulk polymerization 1.01	Bulk polymerization Conv.=96%	Bulk polymerization 0.02
	Cr catalyst	0.0125					

	PPNCl	0.0115						
8	Di(10-undecenyl) itaconate (DUI)	0.8693						
	Grubbs catalyst (Ru-G1)	0.0082	40 °C, 10 h	Poly(DUI)	0.748	Yield=86%	1.06	8
	CH ₂ Cl ₂	0.665						
9	DMI-derived bis(pyrrolidone) diesters	2.72	1) 85 °C, 6 h 1 bar	PE128	3.528	Yield=98%	0.12	9
	1,8-Octanediol	0.88	2) 85 °C, 18 h 15 mbar					
	CALB	0.36						
10	Diethyl adipate	1.12		PBAI-25	2.778	Yield=86%	2.02	10
	Dimethyl itaconate	1.11	1) 80 °C, 2 h 760 mmHg					
	1,4-Butanediol	1.00	2) 80 °C, 94 h 2 mmHg					
	Diphenyl ether	4.845						
	CALB	0.323						
11	Di- <i>n</i> -butyl itaconate	1.00	1) 160 °C, 12 h 760 mmHg	Poly(dodecyl itaconate)	1.41	Yield=77%	0.34	11
	1,12-Dodecanediol	0.83	2) 165 °C, 3 h <1 Torr					
	Dibutyltin dilaurate	0.052						

	Quinol	0.00114						
12	Itaconic acid	200	100 °C, 1 h	Poly(itaconic acid)	120	Yield=60%	1.98	12
	Deionized water	151.1						
	NaOH	2.40						
	<i>Tert</i> -butyl hydroperoxide	3.5						
13	Itaconic acid	0.392	1) 160 °C, 12 h 760 mmHg 2) 165 °C, 3 h <1 Torr	Poly(itaconic acid-co-PEGDA600)	2.222	Yield>99%	3.98	13
	PEGDA600	1.83						
	BPO	0.022						
	N,N-dimethylaniline	0.011						
	DMSO	8.80						
14	Itaconic anhydride	2.0	70 °C, 24 h	Poly(itaconic anhydride)	1.73	Yield=87%	1.16	14
	Toluene	1.73						
	AIBN	0.0145						
15	Itaconic anhydride	0.50	70 °C, 24 h	P(IAH- <i>ran</i> -BMA)	2.1	Yield=87%	2.61	14
	<i>n</i> -Butyl methacrylate (BMA)	1.9						

	1,4-Dioxane	5.15						
	AIBN	0.03						
16	P(IAH- <i>ran</i> -BMA)	1.0	90 °C, 24 h	P(IAH- <i>ran</i> -BMA)- <i>g</i> -PLA	0.73	Yield=40%	8.93	14
	PLA	2.41						
	Sn(Oct) ₂	0.03						
	1,4-Dioxane	3.81						
	PLA	1						
17	Itaconic anhydride	0.005	190 °C, 6 min	PLA- <i>g</i> -IAH	1.004	Yield>99%	0.02	15
	L101	0.02						
18	IABDO-diol	7.00	1) 70 °C, 40 min 2) 80 °C, 70 min	ICH-PU	14	Yield=100%	3.93	16
	HMDI	4.31						
	N,N-Dimethylformamide	55						
	DBTDL	0.08						
	CCTG	2.69						
19	Itaconic acid	130.1	1) 25 °C, 30 min 2) 230 °C, 7 h	IA-derived polyamide	220.4	Yield=89.5%	1.91	17

	Hexamethylenediamine	116.2						
	EtOH	394.5						
	NaH ₂ PO ₄	0.23						
20	Itaconic acid	5.84						
	Epoxidized vegetable oil	16	1) 150 °C, 1 h 2) 180 °C, 2 h	EP thermoset	21.84	Yield>99%	0.72	18
	Ethanol	15.78						
	DCHU	0.00224						
21	PPNCI	0.0057	100 °C, 18 h	EP thermoset	2.17	Yield=61%	0.62	19
	Itaconic anhydride	1.12						
	Epoxidized vegetable oil	2.39						
22	Itaconic acid	50						
	Epichlorohydrin	355.5	1) 105 °C, 0.5 h 2) 50 °C, 3 h	EIA	64.4	Yield=15.9%	6.56	20
	Tetrabutylammonium bromide	1.5						
	50 wt% Sodium hydroxide solution	80						

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