



## **Marinos Pitsikalis**

Associate Professor of Industrial Chemistry

### **Education**

B. Sc. in Chemistry, University of Athens (1989)  
Ph. D. in Chemistry, University of Athens (1994)  
Post Doctoral Studies University of Alabama at Birmingham, USA (1994-1996)

### **Research Field of Interest**

Synthesis and characterization of model polymers with complex macromolecular architectures.

Synthesis and characterization of well-defined polymers by coordination polymerization techniques.

Micellization properties of linear and non-linear copolymers in selective solvents.

Association behavior of end-functionalized polymers in solution and in bulk.

### **Teaching**

**Undergraduate:**  
528-Industrial Chemistry  
628-Polymer Science  
7221-Special Topics in Polymer Science

**Graduate:**

Polymer Synthesis I and II, Polymer Characterization, Spectroscopy of Polymers, Catalytic Reactions for the Synthesis and Modification of Polymers

### **Book Authorship**

#### **Papers 2008-2009**

Touris, K. Kostakis, S. Mourmouris, V. Kotzabasakis, M. Pitsikalis, N. Hadjichristidis "Complex macromolecular architectures based on n-hexyl isocyanate and ε-caprolactone using titanium-mediated coordination polymerization" *Macromolecules* **41** 2426 (2008)

G. Floros, N. Saragas, P. Paraskevopoulou, I. Choinopoulos, S. Koinis, N. Psaroudakis, M. Pitsikalis, K. Mertis "Catalytic polymerization of alkynes with quadruply bonded octachloroditungsten  $[W_2Cl_8]^{4-}$  anion" *J. Molecular Catal. A* **289** 76 (2008)

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short polystyrene end-blocks" *Eur. Polym. J.* **44** 2687 (2008)

LaRue, M. Adam, E. B. Zhulina, M. Rubinstein, M. Pitsikalis, N. Hadjichristidis, D. A. Ivanov, R. I. Gearba, D. V. Anokhin, S. S. Sheiko "Effect of soluble block size on spherical diblock copolymer micelles" *Macromolecules* **41** 6555 (2008)

S. Y. Yu-Su, D. R. Thomas, J. A. Alford, I. LaRue, M. Pitsikalis, N. Hadjichristidis, J. De Simone, A. V. Dobrynin, S. S. Sheiko "Molding block copolymer micelles: A framework for molding of discrete objects on surfaces" *Langmuir* **24** 12671 (2008)

V. Kotzabasakis, N. Petzetakis, M. Pitsikalis, N. Hadjichristidis, D. J. Lohse "Copolymerization of tetradecene-1 and octane-1 with silyl-protected 10-Undencen-1-ol using a C-symmetry hafnium metallocene catalyst. A route to functionalized poly (alpha-olefins)" *J. Poly. Sci. Part A: Poly. Chem.* **47** 876 (2009)

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G. C. Vougioukalakis, I. Stamatopoulos, N. Petzetakis, C. P. Raptopoulou, V. Psycharis, A. Terzis, P. Kyritsis, M. Pitsikalis, N. Hadjichristidis "Controlled Vinyl-Type Polymerization of Norbornene with a Nickel(II) Diphosphinoamine/Methylaluminoxane Catalytic System" *J. Poly. Sci. Part A: Poly. Chem.* **47** 5241 (2009)

T. Lorenzo, A. J. Muller, M. C. Lin, H .L Chen, U. S. Jeng, D. Priftis, M. Pitsikalis, N. Hadjichristidis "Influence Of Macromolecular Architecture on the Crystallization of (PCL<sub>2</sub>)-*b*-(PS<sub>2</sub>) 4-Miktoarm Star Block Copolymers in Comparison to Linear PCL-*b*-PS Diblock Copolymer Analogues" *Macromolecules* **42** 8353 (2009)

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