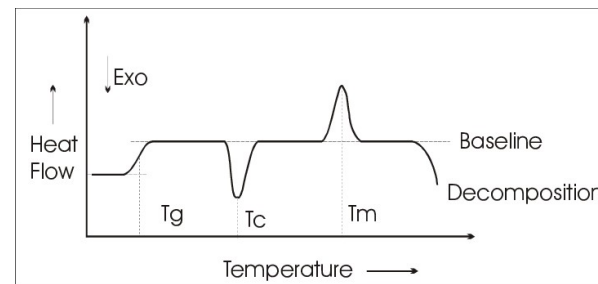
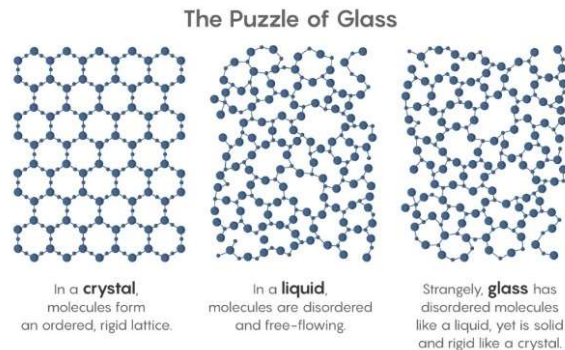


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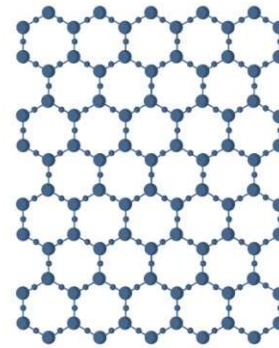
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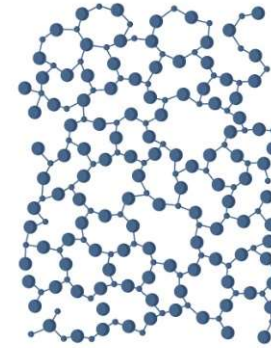
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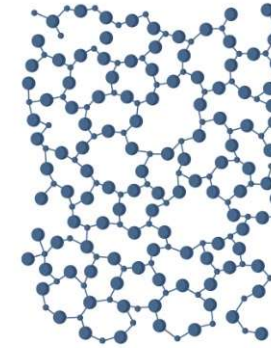
The Puzzle of Glass



In a **crystal**, molecules form an ordered, rigid lattice.

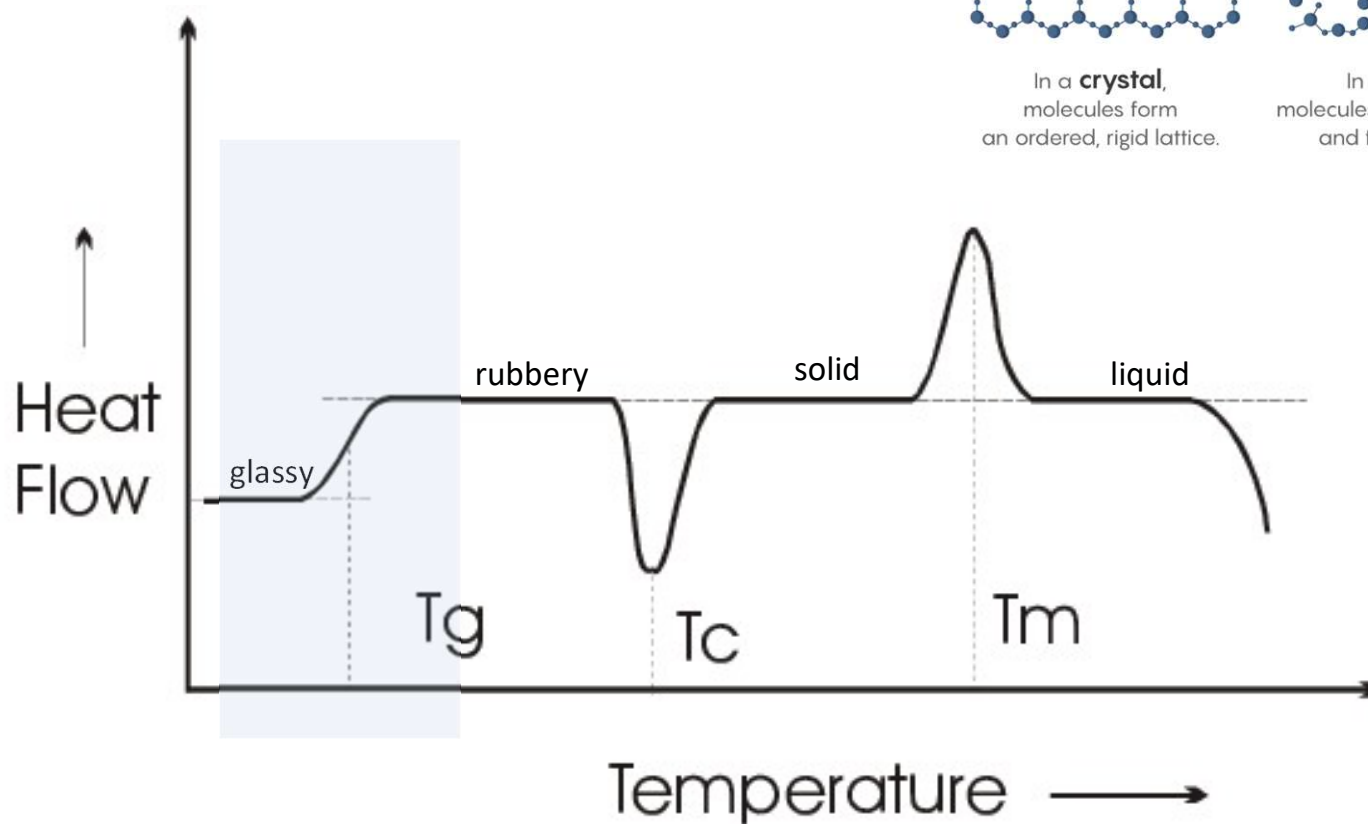


In a **liquid**, molecules are disordered and free-flowing.



Strangely, **glass** has disordered molecules like a liquid, yet is solid and rigid like a crystal.

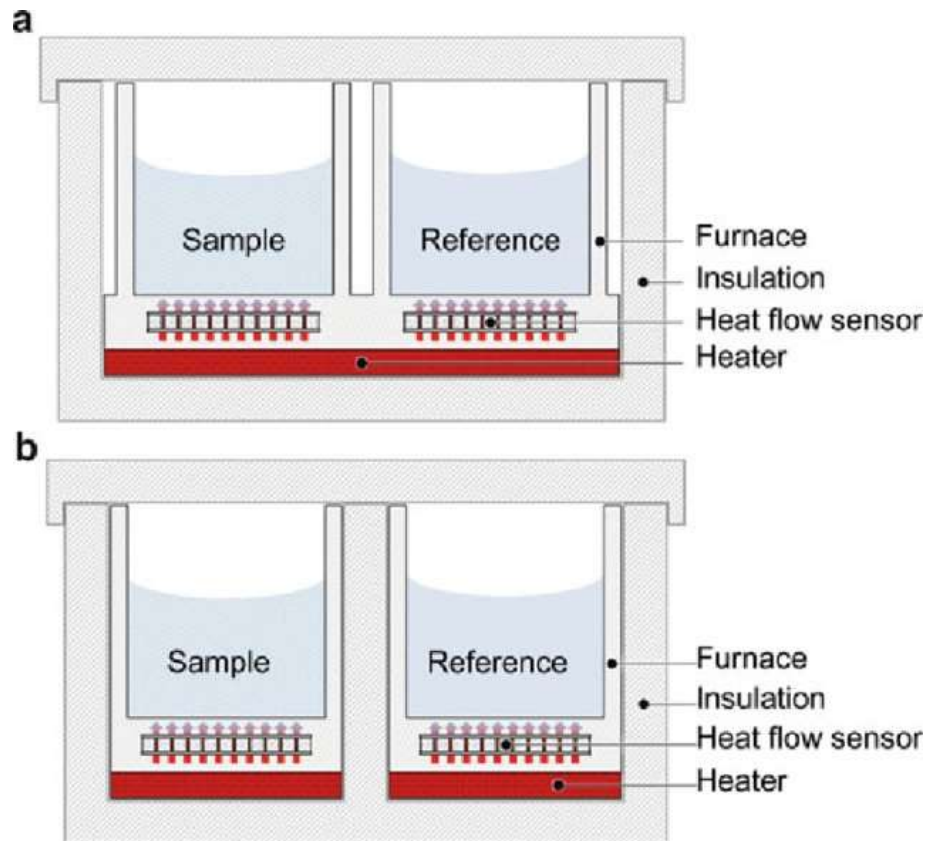
Typical DSC curve for a glass.



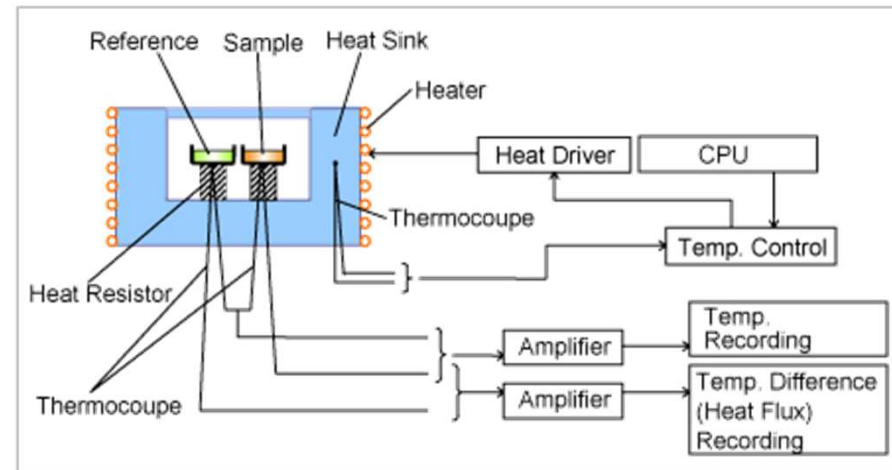
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Types of DSC calorimeters

(a) heat-flux calorimeter; (b) power compensation calorimeter.

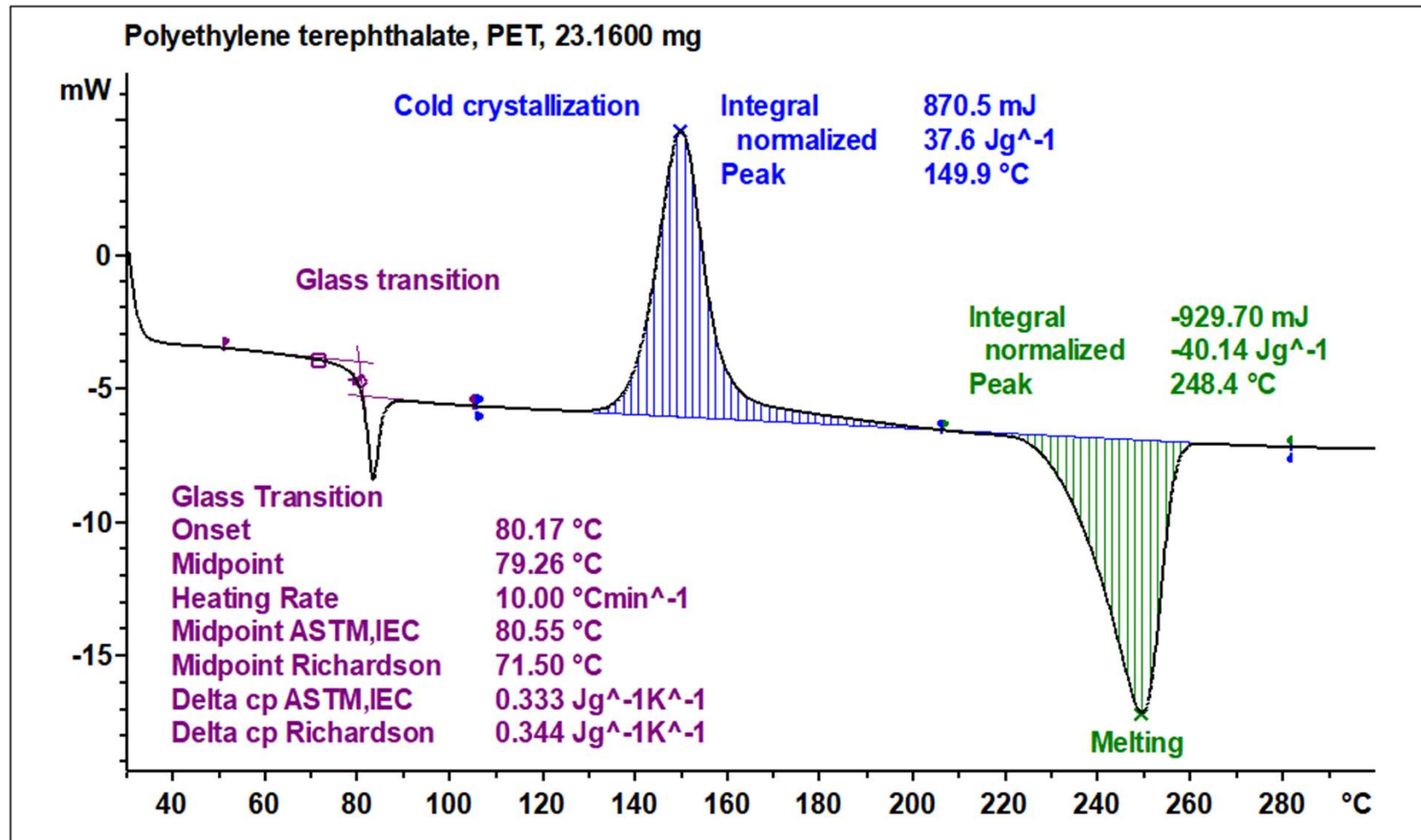
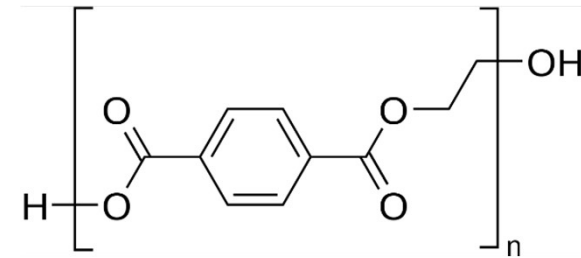


Description of DSC

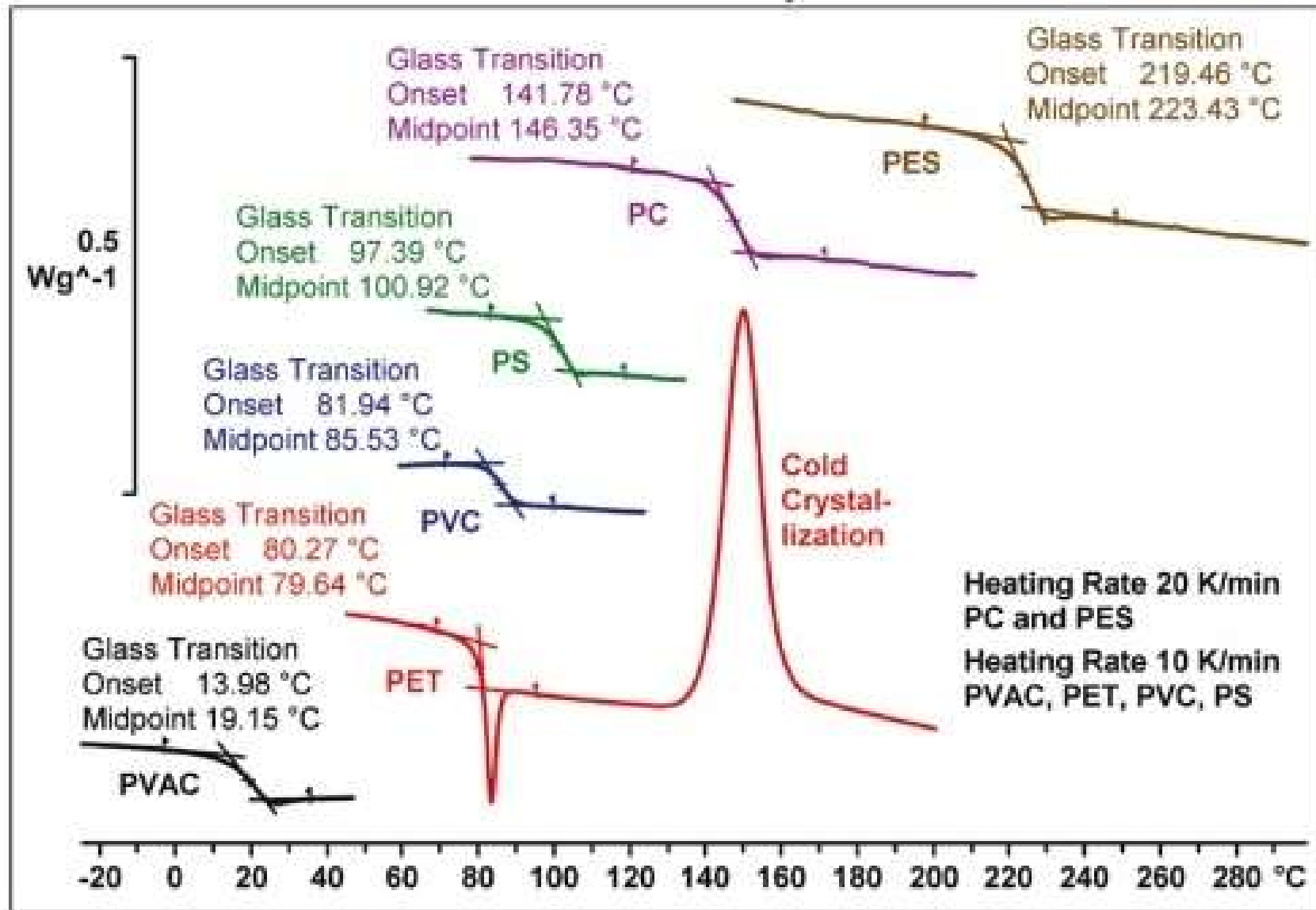


Polymers: DSC thermograms

Polyethylene terephthalate (or poly(ethylene terephthalate)), **PET** or **PETE**, is the most common thermoplastic polymer resin of the polyester family!

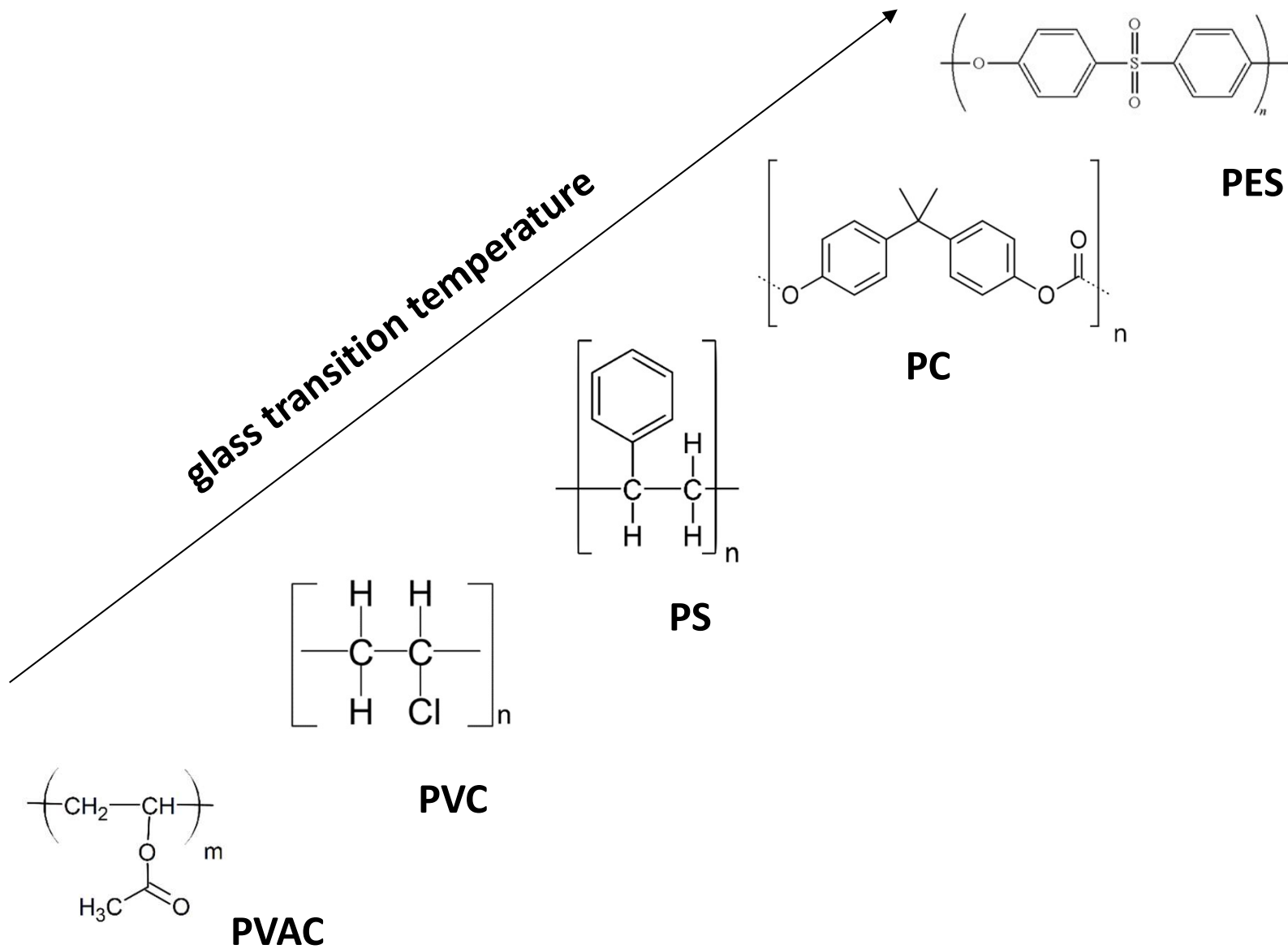


Polymers: glass transition

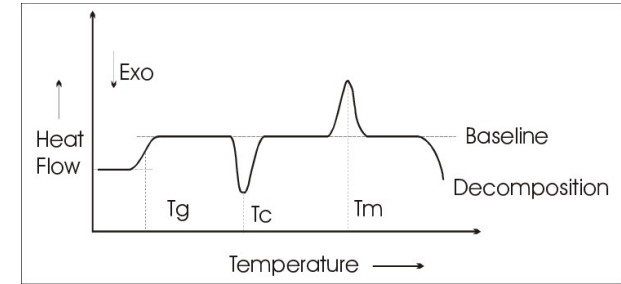


Glass Transition Temp. Measurements of Different Polymers Using DSC
(Source: Mettler-Toledo Analytical)

Polymers: glass transition



Polymers: glass transition



Polymer	T_g (°C)	T_m (°C)	ΔH_m (J/g)
PET	70 to 80	250 to 260	140
LDPE	<-100	100 to 110	140
PVC	80 to 84	-	-
PP	-30 to -20	160 to 165	207 to 209
PS	90 to 105	-	-
HDPE	<-100	125 to 135	293
ABS	-63 to 127	-	-
PC	145	-	-
PMMA	100 to 115	-	-
PA6	50 to 80	225 to 235	190 to 230
PA66	70 to 90	225 to 265	185
PA610	50 to 80	210 to 230	117 to 227
POM	-85 to -75	175 to 190	316 to 335
PBT	45 to 60	220 to 230	142

PET: $T_g/T_m = 0.66$

PA6: $T_g/T_m = 0.65$

PA66: $T_g/T_m = 0.69$

PA610: $T_g/T_m = 0.67$

PBT: $T_g/T_m = 0.65$

$T_g/T_m \cong 2/3$

T values in Kelvin

Case study: melting & glass transition

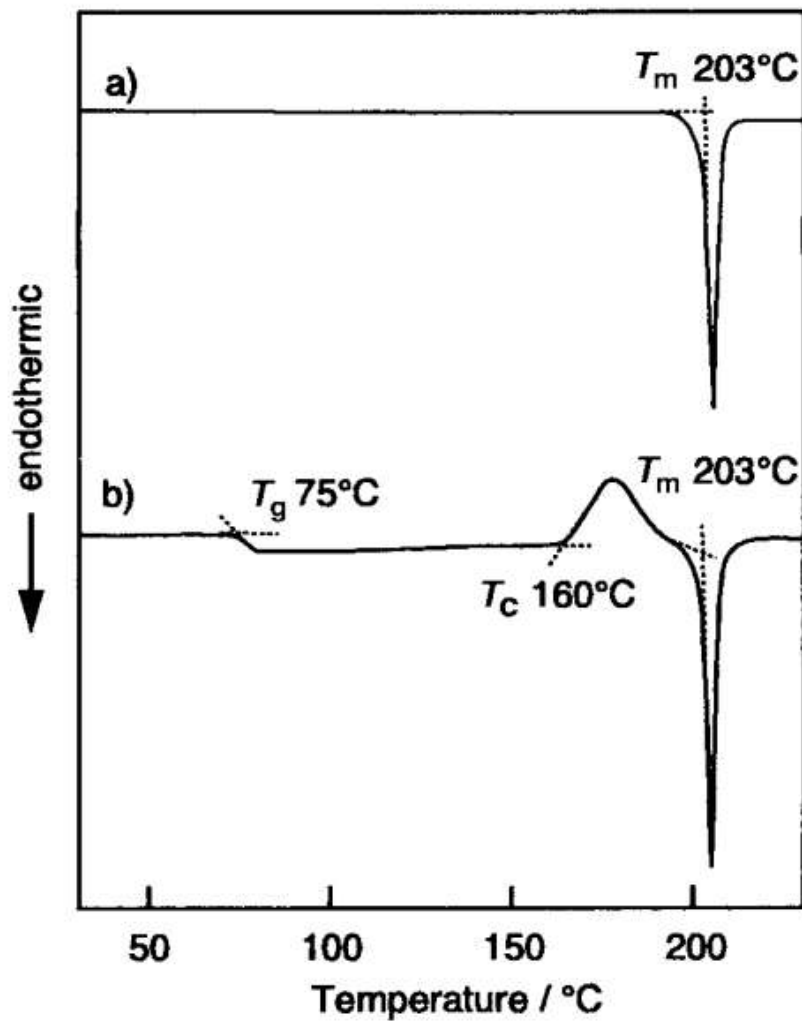


Fig. 1 DSC curves of *m*-MTDATA.

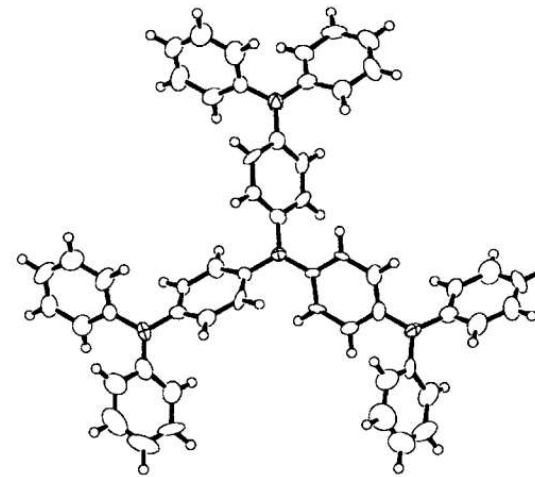
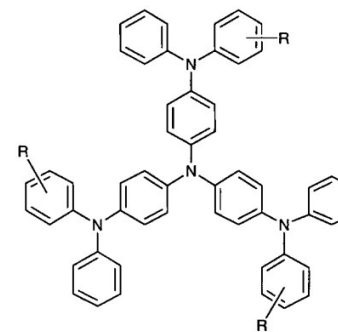


Fig. 2 Molecular structure of TDATA.



- TDATA : R = H
- o*-MTDATA : R = *o*-Me
- m*-MTDATA : R = *m*-Me
- p*-MTDATA : R = *p*-Me

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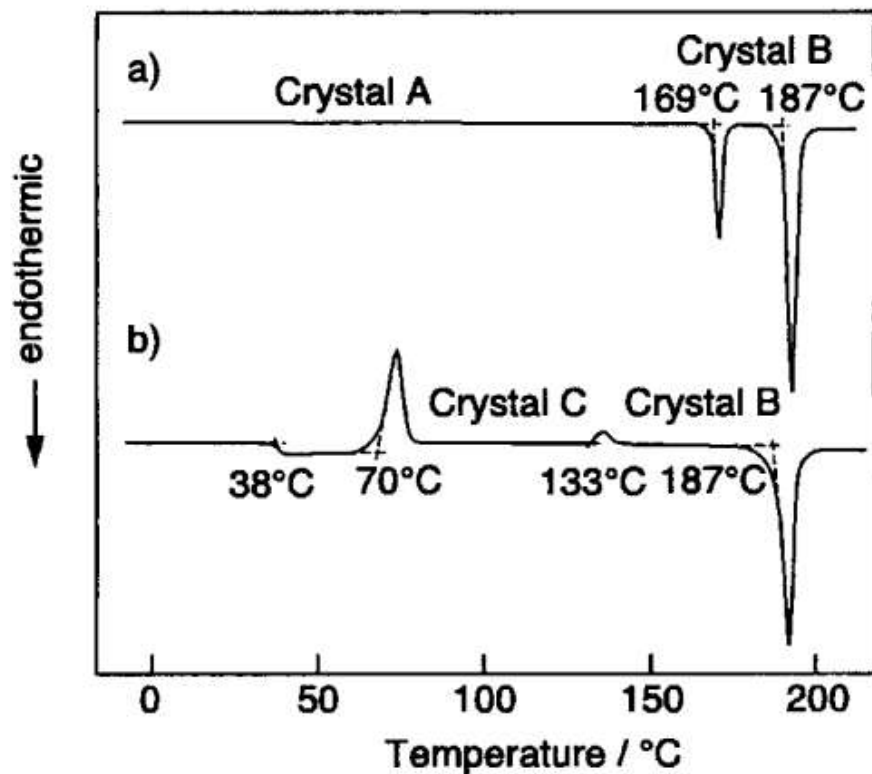
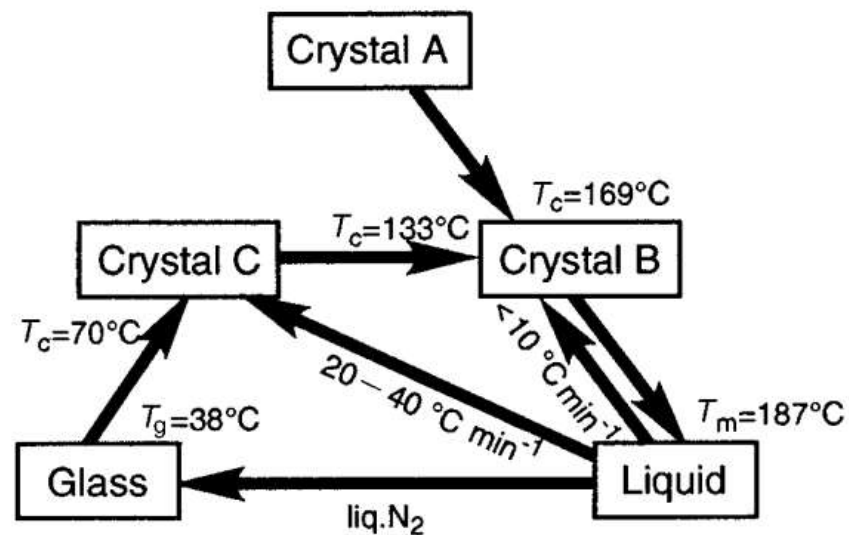
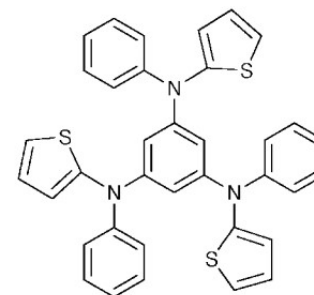


Fig. 4 DSC curves of α -TPTAB.



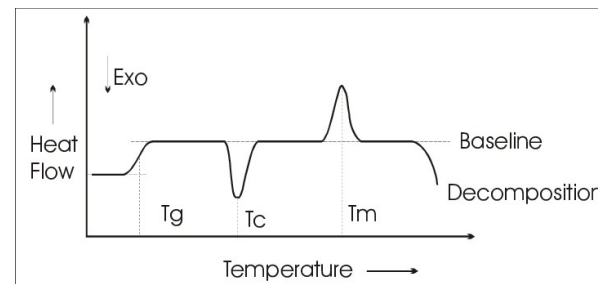
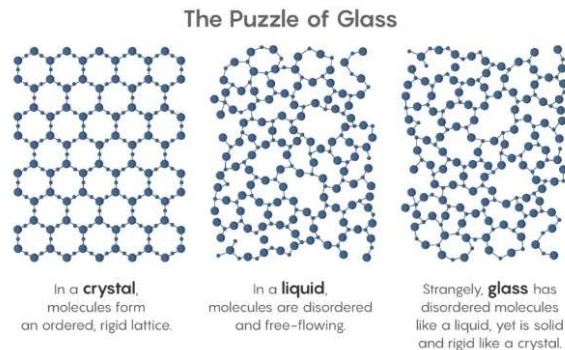
Scheme 1 Morphological changes of α -TPTAB.



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