

## SOLVENTS FOR COMMON POLYMERS

### Abbreviations:

HC: hydrocarbons  
MEK: methyl ethyl ketone

THF: tetrahydrofuran  
DMF: dimethylformamide  
DMSO: dimethylsulfoxide

Polyethylene (HDPE)	HC and halogenated HC
Polypropylene (atactic)	HC and halogenated HC
Polybutadiene	HC, THF, ketones
Polystyrene	ethylbenzene, $\text{CHCl}_3$ , $\text{CCl}_4$ , THF, MEK
Polyacrylates	aromatic HC, chlorinated HC, THF, esters, ketones
Polymethacrylates	aromatic HC, chlorinated HC, THF, esters, MEK
Polyacrylamide	water
Poly(vinyl ethers)	halogenated HC, MEK, butanol
Poly(vinyl alcohol)	glycols (hot), DMF
Poly(vinyl acetate)	aromatic HC, chlorinated HC, THF, esters, DMF
Poly(vinyl chloride)	THF, DMF, DMSO
Poly(vinylidene chloride)	THF (hot), dioxane, DMF
Poly(vinyl fluoride)	DMF, DMSO (hot)
Polyacrylonitrile	DMF, DMSO
Poly(oxyethylene)	aromatic HC, $\text{CHCl}_3$ , alcohols, esters, DMF
Poly(2,6-dimethylphenylene oxide)	aromatic HC, halogenated HC
Poly(ethylene terephthalate)	phenol, DMSO (hot)
Polyurethanes (linear)	aromatic HC, THF, DMF
Polyureas	phenol, formic acid
Polysiloxanes	HC, THF, DMF
Poly[bis(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy)-phosphazene]	THF, ketones, ethyl acetate