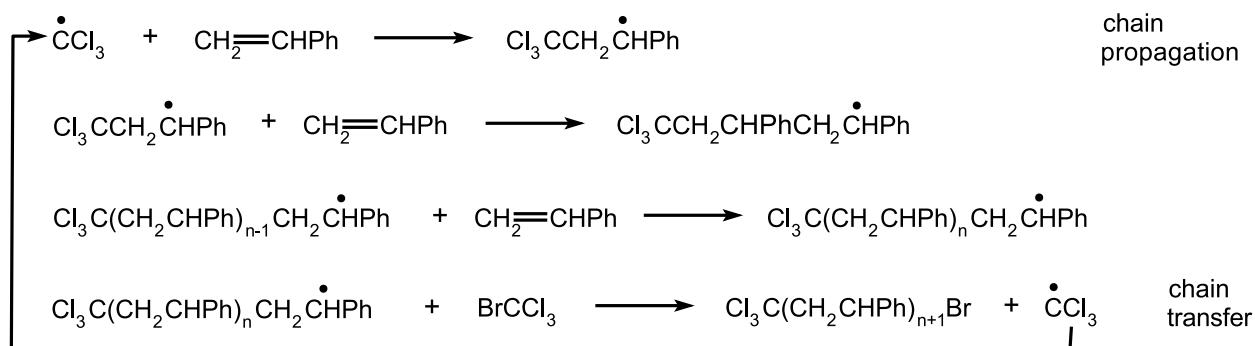


## telomerization

The formation of an addition oligomer, having uniform end groups X' ... X'', by a chain reaction in which a chain transfer limits the length of the polymer ('telomer') produced. An example is the polymerization of styrene in bromotrichloromethane solution ( $X' = \text{CCl}_3$ ,  $X'' = \text{Br}$ ), where  $\text{Cl}_3\text{C}^\cdot$  radicals are formed in the initiation step to produce  $\text{Cl}_3\text{C}[\text{CH}_2\text{CHPh}]_n\text{Br}$ , with  $n$  greater than 1 and often less than ca. 10:



*See also:* oligomerization

**Source:**

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