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... allows microstructure control in the synthesis of polymers made from vinyl chloride, the practical use of which is limited by their thermal stability, owing to microstructure defects from free-radical polymerization. In their Communication on page 3963 ff., S. Mecking and co-workers report that catalytic insertion copolymerization of ethylene and vinyl chloride is feasible and gives chlorinated polymers. Cover art: I. Göttker-Schnetmann, H. Leicht, and S. Mecking, based on a photograph by J. Holthof.



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