

APPENDIX D

Streaming Potential Error Analysis

$$\sigma_{\delta}^2 = \sigma_{V_s^p}^2 \left(\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial V_s^p} \right)^2 + \sigma_{V_s^o}^2 \left(\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial V_s^o} \right)^2$$

σ_i = standard deviation of i

V_s^p = voltage due to the polymer solution, mV

V_s^o = voltage due to the buffer solution, mV

δ = hydrodynamic layer thickness, nm

κ^{-1} = Debye length, nm⁻¹

$$\delta = \kappa^{-1} \ln \frac{V_s^p}{V_s^o}$$

Assuming $\sigma_{V_s^o} = \sigma_{V_s^p}$, and knowing $\sigma_{V_s^o} = 1 \text{ mV}$

$$\sigma_{\delta} = \kappa^{-1} \left[\left(\frac{1}{V_s^o} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{V_s^p} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$