

1 ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A toner for developing an electrostatic image,  
comprises a binder resin and a colorant. Such binder  
resin contains a THF-insoluble matter in an amount of  
less than 10 wt.% based on the binder resin, and, in  
the molecular weight distribution measured by GPC (gel  
permeation chromatography) of a THF-soluble matter,  
has a weight average molecular weight/number average  
molecular weight ( $\bar{M}_w/\bar{M}_n$ ) of  $\geq 18$ , a molecular weight  
10 peak MA in the region of a molecular weight of from  
3,000 to 20,000, a molecular weight peak MB in the  
region of a molecular weight of from 380,000 to  
1,000,000, a molecular weight minimum Md in the region  
of a molecular weight of from 20,000 to 380,000,  
15 provided that MB/MA is in the range of from 30 to 150,  
and a molecular weight distribution curve area ratio  
SA:SB:Sd of 1 : 0.3 to 0.8 : 0.35 to 0.8.

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