

## **morphology**

Shape, optical appearance, or form of phase domains in substances, such as high polymers, polymer blends, composites, and crystals.

Note:

For a polymer blend or composite, the morphology describes the structures and shapes observed, often by microscopy or scattering techniques, of the different phase domains present within the mixture.

**Source:**

PAC, 2004, 76, 1985 (*Definition of terms related to polymer blends, composites, and multiphase polymeric materials (IUPAC Recommendations 2004)*) on page 2001