

## **epi-phase**

The less dense phase in a distribution system. The term is often used when two non-aqueous phases are present or when the solvent is an aqueous solution.

**See also:** hypo-phase

**Source:**

PAC, 1993, 65, 2373 (*Nomenclature for liquid-liquid distribution (solvent extraction)* (IUPAC Recommendations 1993)) on page 2380