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segregation

The process that differentiates the composition at an interface or surface from the average or bulk composition.
Note:
The composition of the segregated phases need not be uniform, for example, when concentration gradients are established in the phases.

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