

diastereoisomerism

Stereoisomerism other than *enantiomerism*. Diastereoisomers (or diastereomers) are stereoisomers not related as mirror images. Diastereoisomers are characterized by differences in physical properties, and by some differences in chemical behaviour towards achiral as well as chiral reagents.

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