

immersional wetting

A process in which a solid or liquid, β , is covered with a liquid, α , both of which were initially in contact with a gas or liquid, δ , without changing the area of the $\alpha\delta$ -interface.

Source:

PAC, 1972, 31, 577 (*Manual of Symbols and Terminology for Physicochemical Quantities and Units, Appendix II: Definitions, Terminology and Symbols in Colloid and Surface Chemistry*) on page 598