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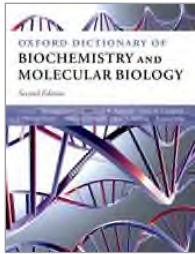
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adsorbate

a substance that is adsorbed to the surface of another substance from either a gas or a liquid phase.

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vehicle

1 any inert medium with which a biologically active substance (e.g. a drug) is mixed or in which it is dissolved, suspended, or emulsified in order to increase its bulk and/or to facilitate its absorption after administration.

2 any agent (animate or inanimate) of transmission, especially of infection; see also VECTOR (def. 2).

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