interparticle porosity, $\varepsilon$

_in chromatography_

The interparticle volume of a packed column per unit column volume:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{V_0}{V_c}$$

It is also called the interstitial fraction of the column.

**Source:**
PAC, 1993, 65, 819 (Nomenclature for chromatography (IUPAC Recommendations 1993)) on page 832