grit

*in atmospheric chemistry*

Airborne solid particles in the atmosphere which are of natural or manmade origin and which remain in suspension for some time; in the United Kingdom the size of the grit particles is defined as greater than 75 μm in diameter (retained on a 200 mesh British Standard sieve).

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PAC, 1990, 62, 2167 (*Glossary of atmospheric chemistry terms (Recommendations 1990)*) on page 2193