sensitization

in colloid chemistry

Addition of small amounts of a hydrophilic colloid to a hydrophobic sol to possibly make the latter more sensitive to flocculation by electrolyte.

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 610