

## **alkylenes**

1. An old term, which is not recommended, for *alkenes*, especially those of low molecular weight.
2. An old term for alkanediyl groups commonly but not necessarily having the free valencies on adjacent carbon atoms, e.g.  $-\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_2-$  propylene (systematically called propane-1,2-diyl).  
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