

# **Epicurus' Rejection of "Reductionist Atomism" (And The Related Issues of Skepticism and Determinism)**

**Post by "Cassius" of April 13, 2023 at 8:52 AM**

This topic is discussed in the threads for podcast 168 and 169, especially 168:

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There is a great deal of good information, which leads to explanation of why Epicurus disagreed with Democritus on a number of key things, in this article:

<https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/democritus/>

The article points out that there is a lot of controversy about what Democritus was really saying, but to the extent that he was interpreted to be saying that things which we perceive at the macroscopic level are "unreal," it is easy to see why Epicurus would object to that. Sedley's summary that...



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