

# Epicurus Was Not an Atomist (...sort of)

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Another idea in support of this argument is that atomic space (*i.e., an indivisible magnitude of space*) is just as important as atomic matter (*i.e., an indivisible magnitude of matter*).

*"Therefore it is pleasing to those around Epicurus that all [primary particles] be moved with an equal speed through the partless [distances] - otherwise their atomic [distances], if divided, would not be atomic."*

[Simplicius of Cilicia (fl. 520 CE), Commentary on Aristotle's Physics, 6.2]