

Question: Hexanol is less soluble in water than butanol. GIVE REASON

Answer: For example when Methanol (CH₃OH) is added to Water, the dominant intermolecular force acting between the molecules is H-Bonding. By the general rule of Like-Dissolves-Like, these two compounds will dissolve in each other as each is capable of H-Bonding. However, as the number of Carbon atoms in the molecule increases, the dominant intermolecular force between the Alcohol and Water molecules becomes an LDF interaction.

Alcohol solubility chart

Name	Formula	Solubility
Methanol	CH ₃ OH	miscible
Ethanol	C ₂ H ₅ OH	miscible
Propanol	C ₃ H ₇ OH	miscible
Butanol	C ₄ H ₉ OH	0.11
Pentanol	C ₅ H ₁₁ OH	0.030
Hexanol	C ₆ H ₁₃ OH	0.0058
Heptanol	C ₇ H ₁₅ OH	0.0008

Decreasing from methanol to heptanol.

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