An aliphatic ether is an ether in the molecule of which there are no aryl groups on the ether group.

eg:

$$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{O}--\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$$

An ether molecule may contain aryl groups, nevertheless, be an aliphatic ether.

eg:

$$\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{O}--\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}--\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$$

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