

## heterolytic bond-dissociation energy

The energy required to break a given bond of some specific compound by heterolysis. For the dissociation of a neutral molecule AB in the gas phase into A<sup>+</sup> and B<sup>-</sup> the heterolytic bond-dissociation energy D(A<sup>+</sup> B<sup>-</sup>) is the sum of the bond dissociation energy,  $D(A-B)$ , and the adiabatic ionization energy of the radical A· minus the electron affinity of the radical B·.

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