

## **laser ionization**

*in mass spectrometry*

Occurs when a sample is irradiated with a laser beam. In the irradiation of gaseous samples, ionization occurs *via* a single- or multi-photon process. In the case of solid samples, ionization occurs *via* a thermal process.

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