

## quasi-molecular ion

*in mass spectrometry*

A protonated molecule or an ion formed from a molecular ion by loss of a hydrogen atom. The use of the term 'pseudo-molecular ion' is not recommended.

**Source:**

PAC, 1991, 63, 1541 (*Recommendations for nomenclature and symbolism for mass spectroscopy (including an appendix of terms used in vacuum technology).* (*Recommendations 1991*)) on page 1550