

atmospheric pressure ionization [obsolete]

in mass spectrometry

An ambiguous term; in essence, it is used to describe chemical ionization at atmospheric pressure. It is recommended that use of the term be discontinued.

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 1547