RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HYDRIDE AFFINITY AND ELECTRON AFFINITY OF SMALL MOLECULES. A ONE PARAMETER EQUATION APPROACH.

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Abstract.

We propose the vertical electron affinity of a hydrogenated species (QH) be taken as a measure of the intrinsic hydride affinity of their de-hydrogenated companion (Q), for a set of related compounds. The relationship between this one-parameter acidity scale for Q is further related to its potential intrinsic electrophilicity. The model is tested for a significant number of molecules presenting a wide variety in structure and bonding properties.