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AB Resonant ion-pair formation from collisions of electrons with, electronic and vibronic ground-state diatomic molecular ions has been, studied in the present work for HD⁺ and OH⁺. The cross section for HD⁺ has a magnitude of the order of 3×10^{-19} cm² and is characterized by an energy threshold and 14 resolved peaks in the energy range up to 16 eV. A theoretical study confirms that the structures derive primarily from quantum interference of the multiple dissociation pathways. Measurements for OH⁺ reveal that the cross section for H⁺ and O⁻ formation is lower than 10^{-21} cm² at energies of 6 and 12 eV.

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