

intrinsic barrier

The Gibbs energy of activation ($\Delta^{\ddagger}G$) in the limiting case where $\Delta G^\circ = 0$, i.e. when the effect of thermodynamic driving force is eliminated. According to the Marcus equation, the intrinsic barrier is related to the reorganization energy, λ , of the reaction by the equation:

$$\Delta^{\ddagger}G = \frac{\lambda}{4}$$

Source:

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