

^{277}Mt

Oganessian et al. reported the discovery of ^{277}Mt in the 2013 paper “Experimental studies of the $^{249}\text{Bk} + ^{48}\text{Ca}$ reaction including decay properties and excitation function for isotopes of element 117, and discovery of the new isotope ^{277}Mt ” (2013Og04). The Dubna U400 cyclotron was used to bombard ^{249}Bk targets produced in the Oak Ridge High Flux Isotope Reactor (HFIR) with ^{48}Ca beams to form $^{293}117$ in (4n) fusion evaporation reactions. ^{277}Mt was populated by subsequent α -decays. The residues were separated with a gas-filled recoil separator and implanted in a semiconductor detector array. Alpha particle decay and spontaneous fission events were recorded in this array and in six detectors placed around two implantation detectors. “An α -decay branch of ^{281}Rg leading to the new SF nucleus, ^{277}Mt , was observed for the first time.”

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