

²⁶Mg

In 1920, Dempster discovered ²⁶Mg at the Ryerson Physical Laboratory of the University of Chicago as reported in “Positive ray analysis of magnesium” ([1920De01](#)). In an adaptation of the positive ray method magnesium was analyzed. “Using the apparatus for positive ray analysis described in The Physical Review for April, 1918, I have recently succeeded in analyzing the element magnesium (atomic weight 24.36) into three isotopes of atomic weights 24, 25 and 26.”

Adapted from reference ([2012Th10](#))

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