

³²Si

Lindner identified ³²Si in the 1953 paper “New nuclides produced in chlorine spallation” ([1953Li21](#)). A 340 MeV proton beam from the Berkeley 184-in. cyclotron bombarded sodium chloride targets. Beta absorption and decay curves were measured following chemical separation. “The radiation properties of the beta-emitting nuclides Si³² and Mg²⁸ are described. Si³² was found to have a maximum probable half-life of 710 years, emitting beta-particles of $E_{max} \sim 100$ kev... These data, therefore, establish the existence of the long-lived Si³², which emits beta particles of about 100 kev and apparently no gamma radiation... It is unlikely that the half-life is as low as 100 years.” A previous search for ³²Si was unsuccessful ([1953Li31](#)) while Turkevich and Tompkins set an upper limit for the abundance of ³²Si in natural silicon ([1953Tu25](#)).

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