

⁴⁶Si

The neutron-rich isotope ⁴⁶Si was reported for the first time in 2024 by Yoshimoto et al. in “Discovery of Neutron-Rich Silicon Isotopes ^{45,46}Si” (2024Yo09). A ⁷⁰Zn beam was accelerated to 345 MeV/nucleon by the accelerator complex of the RI Beam Factory (RIBF) and bombarded a 10 mm thick Be target. Projectile fragments were separated with the large-acceptance two-stage separator BigRIPS and identified with the TOF– $\Delta E - B\rho$ method. “The A/q and Z values of a single ⁴⁶Si candidate was evaluated to determine whether it was a misidentification of ⁴³Al,... we conclude that six ⁴⁵Si particles and one ⁴⁶Si particle were observed in this experiment.” In 2021, Suzuki et al. reported the observation of ⁴⁶Si in an annual report (2021SuZZ).

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