

## <sup>87</sup>Br

In 1943, Born and Seelmann-Eggebert were the first to identify <sup>87</sup>Br in their paper “Über die Identifizierung einiger Uranspaltprodukte mit entsprechenden durch ( $n\alpha$ )- und (np)-Prozesse erhaltenen Isotopen” (1943Bo01). Rubidium and strontium salts were irradiated with neutrons from the high-voltage facility of the Kaiser Wilhelm Institut für Physik in Berlin, Germany and decay curves following chemical separation were measured. “Das 30-Min.-Brom aus Uran ist identisch mit einem aus Rubidium durch ( $n\alpha$ )-Prozeß erhaltenem Brom. Auf Grund dieser Ergebnisse können folgende Reihen aufgestellt werden: <sup>84</sup>Br (30 Min.) →<sup>84</sup>Kr stab., <sup>85</sup>Br (3 Min.) →<sup>85</sup>Kr (4,6 Std.) →<sup>85</sup>Rb stab., <sup>87</sup>Br (50 Sek.) →<sup>87</sup>Kr (75 Min.) →<sup>87</sup>Rb ( $6,3 \cdot 10^{10}$  Jahre) →<sup>87</sup>Sr stab.” [The 30 min. bromine from uranium fission is identical to the bromine produced by the ( $n,\alpha$ ) process from rubidium. Based on these results we can determine the following decay sequences: <sup>84</sup>Br (30 min.) →<sup>84</sup>Kr stable, <sup>85</sup>Br (3 min.) →<sup>85</sup>Kr (4,6 h) →<sup>85</sup>Rb stable, <sup>87</sup>Br (50 s) →<sup>87</sup>Kr (75 min.) →<sup>87</sup>Rb ( $6.3 \cdot 10^{10}$  y) →<sup>87</sup>Sr stable.] The half-life 50(10) s (1940St03) had been previously reported without a unique mass assignment.

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