

## <sup>97</sup>Rb

In 1969, the article “Delayed neutron emission probabilities of Rb and Cs precursors. The half-life of <sup>97</sup>Rb” by Amarel et al. described the first observation of <sup>97</sup>Rb ([1969Am01](#)). Protons accelerated to 150 MeV by the Orsay synchrocyclotron bombarded <sup>238</sup>U targets. <sup>97</sup>Rb was identified with an on-line mass spectrometer and <sup>10</sup>BF<sub>3</sub> neutron counters. “The rubidium isotope of mass 97 has been identified as a precursor and its period (0.135 sec) determined through observation of the delayed neutrons.”

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