^{84}Y

^{84}Y was discovered by Maxia et al. in the 1962 paper "The Neutron-Deficient Yttrium Isotopes ^{82}Y, ^{83}Y and ^{84}Y" (1962Ma44). A beam of approximately 120 MeV ^{12}C from the Berkeley Heavy-Ion Linear Accelerator was used to bombard powdered arsenic metal targets. The isotopes were produced in the fusion evaporation reactions ^{75}As(^{12}C,3n)^{84}Y. Half-lives were determined by measuring β-particles with an end-window, flowing methane-proportional counter. "Yttrium-84: When the yttrium fraction obtained from the bombardment of arsenic with C^{12} ions was chemically repurified approximately 2 hr after the irradiation, the gamma-ray spectrum decayed with 39$\pm$2 min." A previously reported half-life of 3.7(1) h (1952Ca29) for ^{84}Y was incorrect.

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