

⁷Be

Roberts et al. from the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism of the Carnegie Institution of Washington reported the discovery of ⁷Be in the 1938 paper “Radioactivity of ⁷Be” (1938Ro01). Deuterons accelerated to 1 MeV bombarded a LiF target and ⁷B was produced in the reaction ${}^6\text{Li} + {}^2\text{H} \rightarrow {}^7\text{Be} + \text{n}$. The decay curve was measured following a one-month long irradiation. “The activity was followed for a month and showed a half-life of 43 ± 6 days.”

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