

¹⁰⁶Mo

Hastings et al. discovered ¹⁰⁶Mo as reported in the 1969 paper “Fractional cumulative yields of ¹⁰³Mo, ¹⁰⁵Mo and ¹⁰⁶Mo from thermal-neutron induced fission of ²³⁵U” (1969Ha59). Enriched ²³⁵U was irradiated with thermal neutrons in the pneumatic tube facility of the Oak Ridge Research Reactor. The resulting activities were measured with a sodium iodide scintillation crystal and a Geiger-Müller detector following chemical separation. “Since no half-life has been reported for ¹⁰⁶Mo, results were obtained from a least-squares analysis in which both intercept and half-life were allowed to vary. A value of 9.5 ± 0.5 sec was obtained for the half-life of ¹⁰⁶Mo.” In an earlier measurement, only an upper limit of 10 s was determined (1965Vo06).

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