^{118}Tc

The discovery of ^{118}Tc was reported in the 2010 article "Identification of 45 New Neutron-Rich Isotopes Produced by In-Flight Fission of a ^{238}U Beam at 345 MeV/nucleon," by Ohnishi et al. (2010Oh02). The experiment was performed at the RI Beam Factory at RIKEN, where the new isotopes were created by in-flight fission of a 345 MeV/nucleon ^{238}U beam on a beryllium target. The isotopes were separated and identified with the BigRIPS superconducting in-flight separator. The results for the new isotopes discovered in this study were summarized in a table. Clear evidence for the existence of ^{118}Tc is shown in the A-Q spectra. The paper does not specifically claim the discovery of the isotope because of a previous publication (1995CzZZ). However, this reference was only a conference proceeding and the apparent discovery of ^{118}Tc was not included in the subsequent refereed publication (1997Be70).

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