

## <sup>7</sup>B

McGrath et al. reported for the first time an unbound state of <sup>7</sup>B in “Unbound Nuclide <sup>7</sup>B” in 1967 ([1967Mc14](#)). A carbon-backed <sup>10</sup>B target was bombarded with a 50 MeV <sup>3</sup>He beam from the Berkeley 88-in. cyclotron. Charged particles from the reaction <sup>10</sup>B(<sup>3</sup>He,<sup>6</sup>He)<sup>7</sup>B were measured in two four-counter semiconductor telescopes. “...the broad peak at about 29.8 MeV is attributed to the unbound ground state of <sup>7</sup>B... The mass excess [<sup>12</sup>C=0] of <sup>7</sup>B was found to be 27.94±0.10 MeV.”

In 1965, Detraz, Cerny, and Pehl had deduced <sup>7</sup>B to be unbound from the measurement of the T = 3/2 level in <sup>7</sup>Be ([1965De08](#)).

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