

^{123}Ce

In the 1984 article “Beta-Delayed Proton Emission Observed in New Lanthanide Isotopes” Nitschke et al. reported the first observation of ^{123}Ce ([1984Ni03](#)). It was produced in the fusion-evaporation reaction $^{92}\text{Mo}(^{36}\text{Ar},\alpha n)$ with a 196 MeV ^{36}Ar beam from the SuperHILAC at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. Beta-delayed protons and characteristic X-rays were measured in coincidence at the on-line isotope separator OASIS. “The energies of the two-x-ray lines are in excellent agreement with the literature values for La K_{α} - and K_{β} -radiation, which uniquely identifies the new isotope as ^{123}Ce .” The extracted half-life was 3.8(2) s.

Adapted from reference ([2009Gi07](#))

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