

¹⁶¹Eu

¹⁶¹Eu was discovered in 1986 by Mach et al. with the results published in their paper titled “Identification of four new neutron rare-earth isotopes” ([1986Ma12](#)). ¹⁶¹Eu was produced in thermal neutron fission of ²³⁵U at Brookhaven National Laboratory. X-rays and γ -rays were measured at the on-line mass separator TRISTAN. “Five transitions of energy 71.9 ± 0.2 , 91.9 ± 0.2 , 163.7 ± 0.2 , 293.9 ± 0.3 , and 314.3 ± 0.3 keV were assigned to the decay of ¹⁶¹Eu on the basis of γ - γ and x- γ coincidences and the measured half-lives. Four of them fit immediately into the level scheme of ¹⁶¹Gd as revealed in the ¹⁶⁰Gd(d,p) reaction. The $T_{1/2}$ value is the average of the measurements for the 71.9-, 91.9-, and 163.7-keV transitions.”

Adapted from reference ([2013Ma01](#))

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