

## <sup>144</sup>Er

In the 2003 paper “Fine structure in proton emission from <sup>145</sup>Tm discovered with digital signal processing”, first evidence of <sup>144</sup>Er was reported by Karny et al. (2003Ka04). A 315 MeV <sup>58</sup>Ni beam bombarded a <sup>92</sup>Mo target forming <sup>145</sup>Tm which populated <sup>144</sup>Er by proton emission. Recoil products were separated with the Oak Ridge Recoil Mass Separator RMS and implanted in a double-sided silicon strip detector which also recorded the proton decays. “Since the daughter activity is an even-even nucleus, <sup>144</sup>Er, the interpretation of the 1.73 and 1.40 MeV lines as transitions to the  $I^\pi = 0^+$  ground state and to the previously unknown  $I^\pi = 2^+$  excited state at 0.33(1) MeV is obvious.” An earlier report of the observation of <sup>144</sup>Er was only published in a conference proceeding (2000So11).

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