

¹⁶⁹Lu

Nervik and Seaborg reported the discovery of ¹⁶⁹Lu in 1955 in “Tantalum spallation and fission induced by 340-MeV protons” ([1955Ne01](#)). Tantalum metal was bombarded with 340-MeV protons from the Berkeley 184-inch cyclotron. Decay curves were measured with a Geiger-Müller counter following chemical separation. “It seems more probable that 32-day Yb¹⁶⁹ is growing into the lutetium fraction as a daughter activity of Lu¹⁶⁹. From the relative magnitude of the 32-day and 1.7-day activities, the 1.7-day activity could be the Lu¹⁶⁹ parent.”

Adapted from reference ([2012Gr19](#))

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