

¹⁷⁰Lu

In “Radioactive isotopes of lutetium and hafnium” Wilkinson and Hicks described the identification of ¹⁷⁰Lu in 1951 ([1951Wi08](#)). Targets of rare earth elements were irradiated with various light particles produced with the Berkeley 60-in. cyclotron and the linear accelerator. ¹⁷⁰Lu was primarily produced by bombarding thulium targets with 15–38 MeV α particles. Decay curves, absorption curves, and electron spectra were measured following chemical separation. “ 1.7 ± 0.1 -day Lu¹⁷⁰ — This activity was observed in bombardments of thulium with alpha-particles of energy greater than about 30 Mev. It was also found in the decay of a short-lived hafnium parent (112-min Hf¹⁷⁰). Allocation to mass 170 thus seems fairly certain.”

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

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