^{176}Re

Nadjakov et al. described the discovery of ^{176}Re in the 1967 paper "New isotopes ^{176}Re and ^{175}Re" (1967Na17). Holmium and terbium targets were bombarded with beams of ^{16}O and ^{22}Ne from the Dubna U-300 heavy-ion accelerator, and ^{175}Re and ^{176}Re were produced in 6n and 5n evaporation reactions, respectively. Gamma-ray spectra were measured with a germanium spectrometer following chemical separation. Targets of ^{175}Ho and ^{159}Tb were used to synthesize ^{176}Re. "By varying the ion energy and target thickness, ^{177}Re could be eliminated so that sources of almost pure ^{176}Re plus ^{175}Re could be obtained. The existence of the ^{176}Re and ^{175}Re isotopes in our rhenium samples was thus proved." A half-life of 5(1) min was measured.

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