

¹⁹⁶Hg

Aston discovered ¹⁹⁶Hg in 1927 in “The constitution of ordinary lead” ([1927As01](#)). A tetramethyl compound of lead was used in the Cavendish mass spectrometer. “The mercury lines in these experiments were more intense than any previously obtained, and indicate with certainty the presence of a seventh isotope Hg ¹⁹⁶.”

The assignment was changed from the original compilation ([2011Me01](#)) which credited a later paper by Aston ([1930As04](#)) with the discovery of ¹⁹⁶Hg.

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