

¹⁹⁷Tl

The discovery of ¹⁹⁶Tl was announced in 1955 by Andersson et al. in “Neutron deficient isotopes of Pb and Tl-III: mass numbers below 200” ([1955An01](#)). A thallium target was bombarded with protons from the Uppsala synchrocyclotron. Activities were measured in a two-directional focusing β -spectrometer. “¹⁹⁷Tl.—The 134 keV γ -ray found in the decay of ¹⁹⁷Tl is undoubtedly identical with the γ -ray of the same energy emitted in the decay of ^{197m}Hg.” The reported half-life of 2.8(4) h corresponds to the ground state of ¹⁹⁷Tl. An earlier observation of a 0.54(1) s isomeric state was only reported in a conference abstract ([1953He57](#)).

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