

²⁰⁷Po

Howland et al. observed ²⁰⁷Po for the first time in 1947 in “Artificial radioactive isotopes of polonium, bismuth and lead” (1947Ho06). Enriched ²⁰⁶Pb was bombarded with a 40 MeV ⁴He beam from the Berkeley 60-inch cyclotron populating ²⁰⁷Po in ($\alpha,3n$). Products were chemically separated and electrons and electromagnetic radiation were measured with Geiger tubes as described in a longer follow-up paper (1947Te01). “The 5.7-hour Po²⁰⁷ cannot be Po²⁰⁸ because it was not made by bombardment of Bi²⁰⁹ with 20-Mev deuterons, for which a high (d,3n) cross section is expected.”

The assignment was changed from the original compilation (2013Fr04) which credited the later paper by the group (1947Te01) with the discovery of ²⁰⁷Po.

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