

## <sup>204</sup>Ac

In 2022, M. H. Huang et al. discovered <sup>204</sup>Ac in “ $\alpha$ -decay of the new isotope <sup>204</sup>Ac” (2022Hu12). The China Accelerator Facility for superheavy Elements (CAFE2) produced a 200 MeV <sup>40</sup>Ca beam which was focused on a rotating target wheel of twenty 450  $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$  <sup>169</sup>Tm targets. Evaporation residues from the reaction <sup>169</sup>Tm(<sup>40</sup>Ca,5n)<sup>204</sup>Ac were detected and identified with the gas-filled recoil separator SHANS2 (Spectrometer for Heavy Atoms and Nuclear Structure-2). The deposited ions and their subsequent  $\alpha$ -decay were measured with silicon strip detectors. “Nineteen ER -  $\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 - \alpha_3$  decay chains which include eleven chains observed at SHANS2 were assigned to <sup>204</sup>Ac.

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