^{234}U

Geiger and Nuttall described the observation of a new uranium isotopes, U_{II} (^{234}U) at the University of Manchester in the 1912 paper "The ranges of the α particles from uranium" (1912Ge01). The α-particle ranges from a uranium source were measured with a Bragg ionization chamber. "Uranium I. therefore, which has a period of 5×10^9 years, emits α particles of range 2.5 cm in air at atmospheric pressure and at 15° C., and is followed by another α-ray product, uranium II., which has a period of about 2×10^6 years and emits α particles of range 2.9 cm." Earlier, the existence of a second α emitting uranium isotope was suspected from the number of emitted α particles per uranium atom (1908Bo01, 1910Ge01).

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