

^{126}I ε decay [1977Ja04](#),[1998Fo05](#)

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Parent: ^{126}I : $E=0.0$; $J^\pi=2^-$; $T_{1/2}=12.93$ d 5; $Q(\varepsilon)=2154$ 4; $\% \varepsilon + \% \beta^+$ decay=52.7 5

^{126}I - $\% \varepsilon + \% \beta^+$ decay: from X γ coin and $4\pi\beta\gamma$ ([1998Fo05](#)). Other: $I(\beta^+)/I(\beta^-)=0.028$ 1; $I(406\beta^+)/I(1110\beta^+)=0.21$ ([1955Ko14](#)).

[1977Ja04](#): $^{127}\text{I}(n,2n)$, Compton suppression spectrometer, semi γ .

[1998Fo05](#): $^{127}\text{I}(n,2n)$; HPGe, scin, gas counter γ , β , K x ray; $4\pi\beta\gamma$, X γ coin.

Others: semi γ : [1970Ga32](#), [1970Si05](#), [1971Mi20](#), [1971Zh01](#), [1972Ka20](#), [1975Ok04](#), [1976Gr04](#); magnetic spectrometer: [1970Ga32](#), [1971Zh01](#); $\gamma\gamma(\theta)$: [1959Sa05](#), [1971Gr14](#), [1971Ta04](#).

The decay scheme is that proposed by [1977Ja04](#). Evaluators note that the 1396(0⁺), 1685(0⁺), 2601(0⁺) and 2051 states in ^{126}Te in the decay proposed by [1971Zh01](#) have not been confirmed by [1975Ok04](#), [1976Gr04](#) or [1977Ja04](#).

See also ^{126}I β^- decay.

 ^{126}Te Levels

E(level)	J^π^\dagger
0.0	0 ⁺
666.338 12	2 ⁺
1361.3 3	4 ⁺
1420.166 16	2 ⁺
1873.1 3	0 ⁺
2045.11 5	2 ⁺

[†] Spin and parity values are those given under Adopted Levels.

 ε, β^+ radiations

E(decay)	E(level)	$I\beta^+$ ^{†#}	$I\varepsilon$ ^{†#}	Log ft	$I(\varepsilon + \beta^+)$ ^{†#}	Comments
(109 4)	2045.11		0.0070 4	8.55 5	0.0070 4	$\varepsilon K=0.768$ 6; $\varepsilon L=0.180$ 4; $\varepsilon M+=0.0511$ 13
(281 4)	1873.1		0.00046 14	10.13 ^{1u} 14	0.00046 14	$\varepsilon K=0.7679$ 22; $\varepsilon L=0.1806$ 16; $\varepsilon M+=0.0515$ 6
(734 4)	1420.166		4.46 10	7.625 13	4.46 10	$\varepsilon K=0.8503$; $\varepsilon L=0.11828$ 5; $\varepsilon M+=0.03145$ 2
(793 4)	1361.3		≤ 0.0002	≥ 12.4 ^{1u}	≤ 0.0002	$\varepsilon K=0.8382$ 2; $\varepsilon L=0.1275$ 1; $\varepsilon M+=0.03434$ 4
(1488 4)	666.338	0.196 8	28.7 7	7.448 13	28.9 7	av $E\beta=216.0$ 18; $\varepsilon K=0.8494$ 2; $\varepsilon L=0.11370$ 4; $\varepsilon M+=0.03007$ 1 $I\beta^+$: from β^+ (666 level)/ β^+ (g.s.)=0.29 1 (1955Ko14).
(2154 4)	0.0	0.80 3	18.6 7	9.201 ^{1u} 18	19.4 [‡] 7	av $E\beta=529.3$ 18; $\varepsilon K=0.8179$ 5; $\varepsilon L=0.11137$ 8; $\varepsilon M+=0.02953$ 2

[†] From intensity balance at each level except where noted otherwise.

[‡] From $\Sigma I(\gamma+ce)(to\ gs)=33.3\%$ 4 and $\%(\varepsilon+\beta^+)=52.7\%$ 5.

Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

γ(¹²⁶Te)

I(γ[±])/I(666γ)=0.0587 7 ([1977Ja04](#)).

γγ(θ) data

1971Ta04		
cascade	A ₂	A ₄
754-666	+0.102 10	+0.34 3

E _γ [†]	I _γ ^{‡&}	E _i (level)	J _i ^π	E _f	J _f ^π	Mult. [@]	δ [@]	α ^a	Comments
666.331 12	0.329 4	666.338	2 ⁺	0.0	0 ⁺	E2		0.00378 5	α(K)=0.00324 5; α(L)=0.000430 6; α(M)=8.59×10 ⁻⁵ 12
695.0 ^b	≈2.3×10 ⁻⁶ [#]	1361.3	4 ⁺	666.338	2 ⁺	E2		0.00340 5	α(K)=0.00292 4; α(L)=0.000384 6; α(M)=7.67×10 ⁻⁵ 11
753.819 13	0.0415 5	1420.166	2 ⁺	666.338	2 ⁺	M1+E2	-4.25 +15-10	0.00282 4	α(K)=0.00243 4; α(L)=0.000314 5; α(M)=6.27×10 ⁻⁵ 9
1206.8 3	4.6×10 ⁻⁶ [#] 13	1873.1	0 ⁺	666.338	2 ⁺	E2			
1378.76	2.37×10 ⁻⁶ [#] 18	2045.11	2 ⁺	666.338	2 ⁺	M1+(E2)			
1420.19 3	0.00304 8	1420.166	2 ⁺	0.0	0 ⁺	E2			
2045.09 5	4.6×10 ⁻⁵ [#] 4	2045.11	2 ⁺	0.0	0 ⁺	E2			I _γ : other: 0.891 19 (1977Ja04).

[†] From [1977Ja04](#). The evaluators have added 10 eV in quadrature to the uncertainties of [1977Ja04](#) to account for the uncertainty in calibration.

[‡] The absolute values from [1998Fo05](#), unless otherwise noted.

[#] I_γ from [1977Ja04](#) is normalized to the value of [1998Fo05](#) at the strong 666γ.

[@] From Adopted Levels, gammas.

[&] For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.527 5.

^a Total theoretical internal conversion coefficients, calculated using the BrIcc code ([2008Ki07](#)) with Frozen orbital approximation based on γ-ray energies, assigned multiplicities, and mixing ratios, unless otherwise specified.

^b Placement of transition in the level scheme is uncertain.

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Decay Scheme

Intensities: $I_{(\gamma+ce)}$ per 100 parent decays

- Legend
- $I_\gamma < 2\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
 - $I_\gamma < 10\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
 - $I_\gamma > 10\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
 - - - - - γ Decay (Uncertain)

