

$^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma):\text{E}=\text{thermal}$

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- 1953Ba18:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured thermal neutron capture radiation from carbon, in addition to the 4948 keV 8 ground state γ ray previously reported, $E_\gamma=3.68$ MeV 5 was also found.
- 1958Gr01:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured thermal neutron capture radiation $E_\gamma=4950$ keV 15, 3680 keV 20 and 1260 keV 15; deduced I_γ .
- 1958Hu18:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured thermal capture cross sections as 3.3 mb 2.
- 1961Ja19:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured thermal neutron capture radiation E_γ ; deduced I_γ .
- 1964St25:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured thermal capture cross sections as 3.4 mb 3.
- 1965Ja09:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; the neutron separation energy for the reaction was determined by measuring the γ -ray transitions: $E_\gamma=4946$ keV 1 implies $S_n=4947.0$ keV 10.
- 1967Pr10:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; deduced $S_n=4946.28$ keV 17 from analysis of $E_{\gamma 0}=4945.46$ keV 17, $E_{\gamma 1}=1261.92$ keV 6 and $E_\gamma(3864\rightarrow 0)=3683.94$ keV 17. Ge(Li) detector.
- 1967Ra24:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; measured E_γ ; deduced Q. Natural targets.
- 1967Th05:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured thermal neutron capture radiation E_γ ; deduced $I_\gamma(4945)=66$ 3 per 100 decays; $I_\gamma(3685)=34$ 2 and $I_\gamma(1262)=34$ 2.
- 1968Sp01:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; measured $E_\gamma=1261.76$ keV 7, $I_\gamma=32$ 1 per 100 decays; $E_\gamma=3684.28$ keV 14, $I_\gamma=32$ 1; $E_\gamma=4945.8$ keV 6, $I_\gamma=68$ 1; Q=4946.03. keV 15.
- 1972Op01:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; measured E_γ , I_γ , used as calibration line. Ge(Li), NaI detectors.
- 1973Mu14:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured thermal capture cross section as 3.4 mb 3.
- 1974Sp04:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured E_γ ; deduced Q=4946.2 keV 4.
- 1975Sm02:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; deduced Q from rf spectrometer mass measurement.
- 1978Ha14:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; deduced Q from double focusing mass spectrometer measurement; result implies $S_n=4946.320$ keV 50.
- 1981MuZQ:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; measured $\sigma(\text{capture})$, ratio.
- 1981Pr04:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; measured thermal capture cross section on ^{nat}C as $\sigma=3.50$ mb 16.
- 1982Ju01:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; measured E_γ , I_γ , at LANL Omega West reactor. Reported the thermal capture cross section as $\sigma=3.53$ mb 7. Deduced $I_\gamma(4946)=68.6$ 9 per 100 decays and $I_\gamma(3684)=31.0$ 4; implies $I_\gamma(1261)\approx 31.4$ 9. Additionally, they observed a ground state decay from $^{13}\text{C}^*$ (3089) with $I_\gamma(3089)/I_\gamma(4946)\approx 0.006$.
- 1982Mu14:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; measured E_γ , I_γ using a 55 cm³ Ge-Li detector at Chalk River. For six transitions they deduced $I_\gamma(4945.32)=67.47$ 92 per 100 decays; $I_\gamma(1856.6$ keV 4)=0.16 1; $I_\gamma(1261.6$ keV 1)=32.36 44; $I_\gamma(3684.0$ keV 2)=32.14 64; $I_\gamma(595.5$ keV 2)=0.24 1 and $I_\gamma(3089.5$ keV 4)=0.43 2. Notably, $I_\gamma(3089)/I_\gamma(4946)\approx 0.00597$ in agreement with (1982Ju01). Analyzed capture mechanism.
- 1982Va13:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; measured γ rays from $^1\text{H}(\text{n},\gamma):\text{E}=\text{thermal}$. Using this value, the Q-values for various reactions, such as $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ were evaluated and associated γ -ray energies were calculated.
- 1983Co09:** $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$; deduced Q from analysis of atomic mass data.
- In (1986Aj01) the E_γ values 4946.397 keV 31, 1261.854 keV 6 and 3684.516 keV 30 are credited to van der Leun, et al., Neutron-Capture Gamma-Ray Spectroscopy and Related Topics 1981, London, No. 62 (1981) 548.
- 2008FiZZ** and unpublished EGAF (Evaluated Gamma-ray Activation File) data: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n}_{\text{th}},\gamma)$ E=thermal; measured $\sigma(E_\gamma)$, deduced I_γ .
- The authors measured thermal neutron capture reactions on several natural and enriched isotopic targets at the 10-MW Budapest Reactor. Yields were normalized to a limited set of standard targets, with the aim of improving absolute capture cross sections and transition probabilities. The capture γ rays from a graphite powder target were measured using a single Compton suppressed 27% HPGe detector. The relative γ intensities were normalized primarily to the $^1\text{H}(\text{n},\gamma)$ ($\sigma_\gamma=332.5\pm 0.7$ mb) cross section. The transition probabilities and cross sections were deduced by balancing the intensity feeding and deexciting each state. The neutron separation energy $S_n=4946.32$ keV 6 is deduced along with $\sigma=3.87$ mb 3.
- For six transitions the unpublished Budapest data used for EGAF gives: $I_\gamma(4945.30$ keV 7)=68.6 20 per 100 decays; $I_\gamma(1856.98$ keV 22)=0.193 40; $I_\gamma(1261.71$ keV 6)=31.2 8; $I_\gamma(3684.02$ keV 7)=29.7 10; $I_\gamma(595.16$ keV 9)=0.274 25 and $I_\gamma(3088.80$ keV 21)=0.373 56.
- 2016Fi06:** XUNDL dataset compiled by TUNL, 2016.
- The authors combined their EGAF data with other literature results to obtain a set of recommended values. Because the (2016Fi06) data are folded with other results, they are a resource for comparison. The present evaluation develops a different set of recommended reaction parameters based solely on reported $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n}_{\text{th}},\gamma)$ data.

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For six transitions they deduced $I_\gamma(4945.30 \text{ keV } 7)=67.8 \text{ 4}$ per 100 decays; $I_\gamma(1856.98 \text{ keV } 22)=0.0162 \text{ 9}$; $I_\gamma(1261.71 \text{ keV } 6)=32.1 \text{ 4}$; $I_\gamma(3684.02 \text{ keV } 7)=32.0 \text{ 4}$; $I_\gamma(595.16 \text{ keV } 9)=0.0248 \text{ 9}$ and $I_\gamma(3088.80 \text{ keV } 21)=0.041 \text{ 12}$. Notably, $I_\gamma(3089)/I_\gamma(4946)\approx 0.00060$ is in disagreement with (1982Ju01) and (1982Mu14); the three weak transitions are reported with intensities that are 10 times lower than (1982Mu14). Comparison with (2008FiZZ) suggests the discrepancy is a typo, but the collection of associated works contains many inconsistencies.

Theory:

1980Gr02: Analyzed S_n .

1981MuZQ: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; $Z=1-60$; compiled, evaluated thermal neutron induced σ , resonance parameter data.

1983Ho17: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; calculated radiative capture σ ; deduced potential, resonance scattering interference effects.

1987Ly01: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; calculated capture σ . Optical model, Lane-Lynn-Raman method.

1999ZhZM: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; compiled, evaluated prompt γ -ray data.

2000ZhZP: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; compiled, analyzed prompt E_γ , I_γ .

2002Re13: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; compiled, analyzed prompt E_γ , I_γ .

2003MoZU: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; compiled, analyzed k_0 factors and capture σ , neutron binding energies.

2003MuZZ: compiled, analyzed thermal neutron capture σ .

2004Ma76: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; analyzed data; deduced k_0 factors, γ -emission probabilities.

2011SI01: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal; compiled, evaluated σ , $\sigma(E_\gamma)$, γ decay schemes, levels, J , π using ENDF, DICEBOX.

2021Si17: $^{12}\text{C}(\text{n},\gamma)$ E=thermal-0.86 MeV; calculated σ , reaction rates using TALYS nuclear model code.

 ^{13}C Levels

$E(\text{level})^\dagger$	J^π	Comments
0	$1/2^-$	J^π : See (1953Ba18,1967Pr10,1967Th05,1968Sp01,1982Mu14,2016Fi06). $Q_0=4946.32 \text{ keV } 6$ (2016Fi06), $4946.336 \text{ keV } 14$ (1983Co09), $4946.337 \text{ keV } 20$ (1982Va13); for earlier values see (1965Ja09, 1967Th05, 1968Sp01, 1974Sp04, 1975Sm02, 1978Ha14, 1980Wa24).
3089.30 8	$1/2^+$	J^π : See (1982Mu14,2016Fi06).
3684.52 5	$3/2^-$	J^π : See (1967Pr10, 1967Th05, 1968Sp01, 1982Mu14, 2016Fi06); see also (1953Ba18: ($1/2^-$, $3/2^-$)).
4946.33 5	$1/2^+$	E(level): see (1953Ba18, 1958Gr01, 1961Ja19, 1965Ja09, 1967Pr10, 1967Th05, 1968Sp01, 1972Op01, 1980Wa24, 1982Ju01, 1982Mu14, 1982Va13, 1986Ke14). J^π : See (1967Th05,1968Sp01,1982Mu14,2016Fi06).

† From least squares fit to E_γ .

 $\gamma(^{13}\text{C})$

$E_\gamma^\ddagger$	$I_\gamma^{\ddagger\#}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Comments
595.22 8	0.24 1	3684.52	$3/2^-$	3089.30	$1/2^+$	E_γ, I_γ : See $I_\gamma(*595.5 \text{ keV } 2)=0.24 \text{ 1}$ (1982Mu14) and $I_\gamma(*595.16 \text{ keV } 9)=0.274 \text{ 25}$ (2008FiZZ); $I_\gamma<0.6$ (1967Th05).
1261.74 4	32.36 44	4946.33	$1/2^+$	3684.52	$3/2^-$	E_γ, I_γ : See $I_\gamma(*1261.6 \text{ keV } 1)=32.36 \text{ 44}$ (1982Mu14), $E_\gamma=*1261.92 \text{ 6}$ (1967Pr10), $E_\gamma=*1261.7 \text{ 4}$ (1972Op01: from 1261.9 4 , the E_γ recoil corrected value given in the text), $E_\gamma=1261.847 \text{ 33}$ (1980Wa24: deduced), $E_\gamma=1261.765 \text{ 28}$ (1983Ra04: listed as a calibration line) $I_\gamma(*1261.71 \text{ 6})=31.2 \text{ 8}$ (2008FiZZ), $I_\gamma(1260 \text{ 15})=25$ (1958Gr01), $I_\gamma(1270)=30$ (1961Ja19), $I_\gamma(1262)=34 \text{ 2}$ (1967Th05), $I_\gamma(*1261.61 \text{ 7})=32 \text{ 1}$ (1968Sp01: from 1261.76 7 , the E_γ recoil corrected value given in the text), $\sigma(\gamma)=1.14 \text{ mb } 2$, S-factor(dp)=0.1 with $R=2.91 \text{ fm}$ (1982Mu14).
1856.89 19	0.16 1	4946.33	$1/2^+$	3089.30	$1/2^+$	E_γ, I_γ : See $I_\gamma(*1856.6 \text{ keV } 4)=0.16 \text{ 1}$ (1982Mu14) and $I_\gamma(*1856.98 \text{ keV } 22)=0.193 \text{ 40}$ (2008FiZZ).
3088.95 19	0.43 2	3089.30	$1/2^+$	0	$1/2^-$	E_γ, I_γ : See $I_\gamma(*3089.5 \text{ keV } 4)=0.43 \text{ 2}$ (1982Mu14) and $I_\gamma(*3088.80 \text{ keV } 21)=0.373 \text{ 56}$ (2008FiZZ). If 3.1 MeV γ -ray occurs, its intensity is $\leq 0.10 \text{ } \gamma/\text{capture}$ (1953Ba18).

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$E_\gamma^\ddagger$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\#}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Comments
3683.96 6	32.14 64	3684.52	3/2 ⁻	0	1/2 ⁻	E_γ, I_γ : See $I_\gamma(*3684.0\ 2)=32.14\ 64$ (1982Mu14), $E_\gamma(*3683.94\ 17)$ (1967Pr10), $E_\gamma=3683.915\ 15$ (1990Wa22: deduced value). $I_\gamma(*3684.02\ 7)=29.7\ 10$ (2008FiZZ), $I_\gamma(3680\ 50)=30$ (1953Ba18), $I_\gamma(3680\ 20)=25$ (1958Gr01), $I_\gamma(3680)=31$ (1961Ja19), $I_\gamma(3684)=34\ 2$ (1967Th05), $I_\gamma(3684)=31.0\ 4$ (1982Ju01), $I_\gamma(*3683.72\ 14)=32\ 1$ (1968Sp01: from 3684.28 14, the E_γ recoil corrected value given in the text). If 3.9 MeV γ -ray occurs (transition 3850 $\rightarrow$ 0), its intensity is <0.06 γ /capture (1953Ba18).
4945.32 6	67.47 92	4946.33	1/2 ⁺	0	1/2 ⁻	E_γ, I_γ : See $I_\gamma(4945.32)=67.47\ 92$ (1982Mu14), $E_\gamma=4946\ 1$ (1965Ja09), $E_\gamma=*4945.46\ 17$ (1967Pr10), $E_\gamma=4945.328\ 20$ (1982Va13: deduced from Q_0), $I_\gamma(*4945.30\ 7)=68.6\ 20$ (2008FiZZ), $I_\gamma(4948\ 8)=70$ (1953Ba18), $I_\gamma(4950\ 15)=75$ (1958Gr01), $I_\gamma(4946)=69$ (1961Ja19), $I_\gamma(4945)=66\ 3$ (1967Th05: $I_\gamma<0.2$ for capture state $\rightarrow$ 3848 transition), $I_\gamma(*4944.8\ 6)=68\ 1$ (1968Sp01: from 4945.8 6, the E_γ recoil corrected value given in the text), $I_\gamma(4946)=68.6\ 9$ (1982Ju01), $I_\gamma(4945)=68.4\ 5$ (1986Ke14). $\sigma(\gamma)=2.38\ \text{mb}\ 5$, S-factor(dp)=1.1 with $R=2.91\ \text{fm}$ (1982Mu14).

[†] From (1982Mu14).[‡] From average of values listed with *.

Intensity per 100 neutron captures.

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Level Scheme
Intensities: I_γ per 100 neutron captures

Legend

- $\longrightarrow$ $I_\gamma < 2\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
- $\longrightarrow$ $I_\gamma < 10\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$
- $\longrightarrow$ $I_\gamma > 10\% \times I_\gamma^{max}$

