

$^{138}\text{Nd } \varepsilon \text{ decay}$ **1981AbZV**

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Parent: ^{138}Nd : E=0.0; $J^\pi=0^+$; $T_{1/2}=5.04$ h 9; $Q(\varepsilon)=1116$ 16; % $\varepsilon+\beta^+$ decay=100.0 $^{138}\text{Nd-T}_{1/2}$: From Adopted Levels of ^{138}Nd . $^{138}\text{Nd-Q}(\varepsilon)$: From [2017Wa10](#).

1981AbZV: Source of ^{138}Nd was produced by bombarding a 2 g metallic Gd target with a E=660 MeV proton beam from the Synchro-cyclotron at JINR. Ions were separated and selected with an electromagnetic separator and implanted into aluminum substrate or mylar foil. γ rays were detected with Ge(Li) detectors (FWHM=0.6 keV for ^{57}Co line, 2.2 keV for ^{60}Co line); conversion electrons were detected with Si(Li) detectors (FWHM=2.2 keV at 500 keV). Measured $E\varepsilon$, $I\varepsilon$, $E(\text{ce})$, $I(\text{ce})$, $\beta\varepsilon$ -coin. Deduced levels, J , π , γ and β branching ratios, conversion coefficients, γ -ray multipolarities. See also [1971Af05](#), [1974Bu03](#), [1974BaZU](#), [1987BaZC](#) from the same group at JINR.

Others: [1966Gr15](#), [1970Ho28](#), [1971JuZU](#), [1980ZhZZ](#).Decay scheme is from **1981AbZV**.

The total average radiation energy released by $^{138}\text{Nd } \varepsilon$ decay is 1111 keV 19 (calculated by evaluator using the computer program RADLST). This value agrees well with $Q(\varepsilon)=1116$ keV 16 ([2017Wa10](#)) and shows the completeness of the decay scheme.

 $^{138}\text{Pr Levels}$

E(level) [†]	$J^\pi\ddagger$	$T_{1/2}\ddagger$	E(level) [†]	$J^\pi\ddagger$	E(level) [†]	$J^\pi\ddagger$
0.0	1^+	1.45 min 5	326.96 6	$0^+, 1^+, 2^+$	623.6 11	$(1)^+$
194.22 5	$0^+, 1^+, 2^+$		389.6 4	$(0, 1, 2)^+$	673.9 7	$(1)^+$
199.52 4	$0^+, 1^+, 2^+$		505.9 4	$(1)^+$	718.0? 7	$(0^-, 1^-, 2^-)$
325.73 4	1^+		541.11 5	$0^+, 1^+$		

[†] From a least-squares fit to γ -ray energies.[‡] From Adopted Levels. ε, β^+ radiations $\beta^+ \leq 2.5\%$, $\varepsilon/\beta^+ \geq 40$, $Q(\varepsilon) < 1750$ keV ([1974BaZU](#)).

E(decay)	E(level)	$I\varepsilon\ddagger\ddagger$	Log ft	Comments
(398# 16)	718.0?	0.030 12	7.7 2	$\varepsilon K=0.8240$ 15; $\varepsilon L=0.1364$ 11; $\varepsilon M+=0.0396$ 4
(442 16)	673.9	0.060 18	7.5 2	$\varepsilon K=0.8270$ 12; $\varepsilon L=0.1342$ 9; $\varepsilon M+=0.0388$ 3
(492# 16)	623.6	0.024 9	8.0 2	$\varepsilon K=0.8297$ 9; $\varepsilon L=0.1322$ 7; $\varepsilon M+=0.03813$ 23
(575 16)	541.11	0.85 16	6.6 1	$\varepsilon K=0.8330$ 7; $\varepsilon L=0.1297$ 5; $\varepsilon M+=0.03730$ 16
(610# 16)	505.9	0.14 3	7.4 1	$\varepsilon K=0.8341$ 6; $\varepsilon L=0.1289$ 5; $\varepsilon M+=0.03702$ 14
(726 16)	389.6	<0.04	>8.1	$\varepsilon K=0.8370$ 4; $\varepsilon L=0.1267$ 3; $\varepsilon M+=0.03630$ 10 I ε : sum of I ε to levels 389.5 and 326.96.
(789 16)	326.96	<0.1	>7.8	$\varepsilon K=0.8381$ 4; $\varepsilon L=0.12585$ 24; $\varepsilon M+=0.03601$ 8
(790 16)	325.73	2.9 5	6.3 1	$\varepsilon K=0.8382$ 4; $\varepsilon L=0.12584$ 24; $\varepsilon M+=0.03601$ 8
(916 16)	199.52	<0.09	>8.0	$\varepsilon K=0.8400$ 3; $\varepsilon L=0.12447$ 17; $\varepsilon M+=0.03555$ 6
(922 16)	194.22	<0.07	>8.1	$\varepsilon K=0.8400$ 3; $\varepsilon L=0.12442$ 17; $\varepsilon M+=0.03553$ 6
(1116 16)	0.0	95.9 7	5.12 2	$\varepsilon K=0.8420$ 2; $\varepsilon L=0.1230$ 2; $\varepsilon M+=0.03505$ 4

[†] From γ -ray intensity balance at each level.[‡] Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

Existence of this branch is questionable.

^{138}Nd ε decay 1981AbZV (continued) $\gamma(^{138}\text{Pr})$

I γ normalization: From the adopted I(789γ)=2.4 4 per 100 decays of 1.45-min ^{138}Pr and I(γ)/I(789γ) in Nd-Pr source in equilibrium.

E γ , I γ , $\alpha(K)\exp$, $\alpha(L)\exp$ from 1981AbZV, unless otherwise noted.

I($K\alpha_1$ x ray+ $K\alpha_2$ x ray Pr)=2350 250; I($K\beta_1'$ x ray Pr)=380 40; I($K\beta_2'$ x ray Pr)=80 15, normalized to 100 for the 789γ in 1.45-min ^{138}Pr decay (Nd-Pr source in equilibrium) (1981AbZV).

E γ	I γ @c	E i (level)	J $^\pi_i$	E f	J $^\pi_f$	Mult. &	$\delta^{\pm b}$	α^\dagger	Comments
62.6 4	1.2 4	389.6	(0,1,2) ⁺	326.96	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	M1+E2	0.37 9	5.8 4	$\alpha(K)=4.22$ 10; $\alpha(L)=1.3$ 3; $\alpha(M)=0.28$ 7 $\alpha(N)=0.061$ 15; $\alpha(O)=0.0089$ 21; $\alpha(P)=0.000313$ 10 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=4.0$ 18, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.64$ 29 (1981AbZV).
116.3 2	3.6 4	505.9	(1) ⁺	389.6	(0,1,2) ⁺	M1+E2	0.22 3	0.861 14	$\alpha(K)=0.720$ 11; $\alpha(L)=0.111$ 4; $\alpha(M)=0.0236$ 9 $\alpha(N)=0.00525$ 19; $\alpha(O)=0.00083$ 3; $\alpha(P)=5.45\times10^{-5}$ 9 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.82$ 17, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.084$ 22 (1981AbZV).
126.14 5	4.6 6	325.73	1 ⁺	199.52	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	M1+E2	0.87 10	0.782 19	$\alpha(K)=0.585$ 9; $\alpha(L)=0.154$ 11; $\alpha(M)=0.0339$ 24 $\alpha(N)=0.0074$ 6; $\alpha(O)=0.00109$ 7; $\alpha(P)=3.92\times10^{-5}$ 9 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.65$ 15, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.078$ 20 (1981AbZV).
127.33#d		326.96	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	199.52	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	M1+E2 ^a		0.78 13	Additional information 3. $\alpha(K)=0.572$ 18; $\alpha(L)=0.16$ 9; $\alpha(M)=0.035$ 20 $\alpha(N)=0.008$ 5; $\alpha(O)=0.0011$ 6; $\alpha(P)=3.7\times10^{-5}$ 6
131.59#d		325.73	1 ⁺	194.22	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺				$\alpha(K)=0.496$ 7; $\alpha(L)=0.081$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.0174$ 13 $\alpha(N)=0.0039$ 3; $\alpha(O)=0.00060$ 4; $\alpha(P)=3.70\times10^{-5}$ 7 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.50$ 11, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.084$ 21 (1981AbZV).
132.73 5	7.3 9	326.96	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	194.22	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	M1+E2	0.33 7	0.600 12	Additional information 5. $\alpha(K)=0.496$ 7; $\alpha(L)=0.081$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.0174$ 13 $\alpha(N)=0.0039$ 3; $\alpha(O)=0.00060$ 4; $\alpha(P)=3.70\times10^{-5}$ 7 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.50$ 11, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.084$ 21 (1981AbZV).
151.77#d		541.11	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺	389.6	(0,1,2) ⁺				$\alpha(K)=0.252$ 8; $\alpha(L)=0.055$ 21; $\alpha(M)=0.012$ 5 $\alpha(N)=0.0026$ 10; $\alpha(O)=0.00040$ 13; $\alpha(P)=1.7\times10^{-5}$ 3
168 1	0.6 2	673.9	(1) ⁺	505.9	(1) ⁺	M1+E2 ^a		0.322 23	
178.5 10	1.2 4	718.0?	(0 ⁻ ,1 ⁻ ,2 ⁻)	541.11	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺	(E1)		0.0513 11	$\alpha(K)=0.0439$ 10;

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^{138}Nd ε decay 1981AbZV (continued) **$\gamma(^{138}\text{Pr})$ (continued)**

E_γ	I_γ ^{@c}	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Mult.&	$\delta^{\pm b}$	α^\dagger	Comments
190.3 ^{#d}		389.6	(0,1,2) ⁺	199.52	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺				$\alpha(L)=0.00592$ 13; $\alpha(M)=0.00124$ 3 $\alpha(N)=0.000275$ 6; $\alpha(O)=4.31\times10^{-5}$ 9; $\alpha(P)=2.80\times10^{-6}$ 6 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.06$ 3 (1981AbZV).
194.21 5	10.6 6	194.22	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	0.0	1 ⁺	M1		0.202	$\alpha(K)=0.1721$ 25; $\alpha(L)=0.0235$ 4; $\alpha(M)=0.00494$ 7 $\alpha(N)=0.001105$ 16; $\alpha(O)=0.0001780$ 25; $\alpha(P)=1.316\times10^{-5}$ 19 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.154$ 22, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.021$ 4 (1981AbZV). Additional information 1.
195.8 ^{#d}		389.6	(0,1,2) ⁺	194.22	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	M1+E2	0.29	0.188	$\alpha(K)=0.1586$ 24; $\alpha(L)=0.0230$ 8; $\alpha(M)=0.00487$ 18 $\alpha(N)=0.00109$ 4; $\alpha(O)=0.000173$ 5; $\alpha(P)=1.195\times10^{-5}$ 23 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.125$ 20, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.021$ 5 (1981AbZV). Additional information 2.
214.13 6	3.0 8	541.11	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺	326.96	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺ ,2 ⁺	M1(+E2)		0.153 3	$\alpha(K)=0.123$ 9; $\alpha(L)=0.023$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.0050$ 13 $\alpha(N)=0.0011$ 3; $\alpha(O)=0.00017$ 4; $\alpha(P)=8.6\times10^{-6}$ 16 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.21$ 9 (1981AbZV). Additional information 6.
215.31 6	12.0 13	541.11	0 ⁺ ,1 ⁺	325.73	1 ⁺	M1+E2	0.47 13	0.1516	$\alpha(K)=0.1269$ 23; $\alpha(L)=0.0195$ 9; $\alpha(M)=0.00416$ 21 $\alpha(N)=0.00092$ 5; $\alpha(O)=0.000145$ 6; $\alpha(P)=9.4\times10^{-6}$ 3 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.096$ 22 (1981AbZV). Additional information 7.
^x 233.0 [#]		623.6	(1) ⁺	389.6	(0,1,2) ⁺	M1+E2 ^a		0.117 5	$\alpha(K)=0.095$ 9; $\alpha(L)=0.017$ 3; $\alpha(M)=0.0037$ 8 $\alpha(N)=0.00082$ 16; $\alpha(O)=0.000125$ 19; $\alpha(P)=6.7\times10^{-6}$ 13
284.3 7	1.6 5	673.9	(1) ⁺	389.6	(0,1,2) ⁺	M1+E2		0.066 7	$\alpha(K)=0.055$ 8; $\alpha(L)=0.0090$ 8; $\alpha(M)=0.00194$ 19 $\alpha(N)=0.00043$ 4;

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$^{138}\text{Nd } \varepsilon$ decay 1981AbZV (continued) $\gamma(^{138}\text{Pr})$ (continued)

E_γ	I_γ ^{@c}	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Mult.	$\delta^{\ddagger b}$	α^{\dagger}	Comments
325.76 5	122 3	325.73	1 ⁺	0.0	1 ⁺	M1+E2	0.44 11	0.0487 11	$\alpha(O)=6.7\times10^{-5}$ 4; $\alpha(P)=3.9\times10^{-6}$ 9 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.056$ 28 (1981AbZV).
326.9 6	1.0 3	326.96	0 ^{+,1⁺,2⁺}	0.0	1 ⁺				$\alpha(K)=0.0413$ 10; $\alpha(L)=0.00584$ 9; $\alpha(M)=0.001233$ 19 $\alpha(N)=0.000275$ 4; $\alpha(O)=4.39\times10^{-5}$ 7; $\alpha(P)=3.09\times10^{-6}$ 10 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.039$ 4, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.0054$ 9 (1981AbZV).
341.65 5	17.2 17	541.11	0 ^{+,1⁺}	199.52	0 ^{+,1^{+,2⁺}}	M1+E2		0.039 6	$\alpha(K)=0.033$ 6; $\alpha(L)=0.00511$ 8; $\alpha(M)=0.001089$ 21 $\alpha(N)=0.000242$ 4; $\alpha(O)=3.79\times10^{-5}$ 11; $\alpha(P)=2.4\times10^{-6}$ 6 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.034$ 8, $\alpha(L)\exp=0.0072$ 20 (1981AbZV).
389.5 ^{#d}		718.0?	(0 ^{-,1^{-,2⁻}}	326.96	0 ^{+,1^{+,2⁺}}	M1		0.01385	$\alpha(K)=0.01187$ 17; $\alpha(L)=0.001566$ 22; $\alpha(M)=0.000329$ 5 $\alpha(N)=7.35\times10^{-5}$ 11; $\alpha(O)=1.188\times10^{-5}$ 17; $\alpha(P)=8.93\times10^{-7}$ 13 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.024$ 12 (1981AbZV).
541.0 3	1.7 5	541.11	0 ^{+,1⁺}	0.0	1 ⁺				Additional information 8.

[†] Additional information 9.[‡] If No value given it was assumed $\delta=1.00$ for E2/M1, $\delta=1.00$ for E3/M2 and $\delta=0.10$ for the other multipolarities.[#] New transitions from 1987BaZC. Placed in level scheme by evaluator based on energy differences.@ From 1981AbZV, normalized to 100 for the 789 γ in 1.45-min ^{138}Pr decay (Nd-Pr source in equilibrium).

& From 1981AbZV based on ce data, unless otherwise noted. The same assignments were adopted in Adopted Gammas.

^a From 1987BaZC. I(ce) are normalized to $\alpha(K)\exp(789\gamma$ in Pr decay)=0.00297 (E2, theory). The same assignments were adopted in Adopted Gammas.^b From 1987BaZC, based on L-subshell ratios. The same values are adopted in Adopted Gammas.^c For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.024 4.^d Placement of transition in the level scheme is uncertain.^x γ ray not placed in level scheme.

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Legend

Decay Scheme

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