

$^{139}\text{I}\beta^-$ decay (2.280 s) 1987RoZW,1985Ro13,1985WaZQ

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Parent: ^{139}I : $E=0.0$; $J^\pi=(7/2^+)$; $T_{1/2}=2.280$ s 11; $Q(\beta^-)=7186$ 29; $\% \beta^-$ decay=100.0

^{139}I - $J^\pi, T_{1/2}$: From ^{139}I Adopted Levels.

^{139}I - $Q(\beta^-)$: From 2012Wa38.

Tentative Decay Scheme due to many transitions unplaced and lack of information about accurate multipolarities of low-energy transitions.

1987RoZW, 1985Ro13, 1985WaZQ: TRISTAN. Measured E_γ , I_γ .

Out of a total 110 γ rays reported, 41 remain unplaced. $I_\gamma(\text{unplaced})/I_\gamma(\text{placed})\approx 0.16$. The decay scheme (from 1985Ro13), constructed on the basis of energy sums, is therefore treated as tentative, by evaluators.

Others: 1982Al01, 1975Kr17, 1971Kr22.

Additional information 1.

1992Gr06: measured $\beta\gamma$ -coin; deduced $Q(\beta^-)$ value; plastic scintillation detector telescope.

1975Al11: measured total absorption γ -spectrum and deduced β -strength function.

Delayed neutron measurements (1974Ru07,1974Kr21,1975As04,1976Lu02, 1981Ho07):

1974Ru07: measured neutron spectra up to at least 1600 keV.

1981Ho07: OSIRIS. measured E_γ for seven transitions, I_γ/In (^3He detectors in paraffin shielded by boron-paraffin and cadmium); $I_\gamma/\text{In}=6.81$ 6.

Beta spectra: 1973Ad04, 1974Gr29, 1975As04.

Beta-strength function: 1972Pa11, 1974JoZT.

1980KeZQ: LOHENGRIN, OSTIS. Measured $\beta\gamma$ -coin; scin or Ge, Ge(Li).

 ^{139}Xe Levels

E(level) [†]	J^π [‡]	$T_{1/2}$ [‡]	Comments
0.0	$3/2^-$	39.68 s 14	$T_{1/2}$: from Adopted Levels.
22.73 8	$(7/2^-)$		
31.703 20	$(5/2^-)$		
559.40 10	$(9/2^-)$		
593.99 10	$(11/2^-)$		
624.26 10	$(5/2^-)$		
670.02 12	$(3/2^-, 5/2, 7/2^-)$ [#]		
678.79 9	$(9/2^-)$		
1008.27 10	$(5/2, 7/2, 9/2)$		
1059.02 15	$(3/2^-, 5/2, 7/2)$ [#]		
1193.33 11	$(3/2^-, 5/2, 7/2)$ [#]		
1312.70 17			
1399.46 10	$(3/2^-, 5/2, 7/2)$ [#]		
1444.15 13	$(7/2, 9/2)$		
1448.53 11	$(7/2, 9/2)$		
1493.35 17			
1684.03 9	$(5/2, 7/2, 9/2)$		
1771.43 9			
1894.43 15			
2307.94 13			
2740.18 14			
2898.45 12			
3744+x			

Additional information 2.

E(level): set of neutron decaying levels above $S(n)(^{139})\text{Xe}=3744$ 4, where $x < 3442$.

[†] From least-squares fit to E_γ data. Reduced χ^2 of 2.5 is somewhat larger than critical $\chi^2=1.6$. The 849.5 and 969.4 γ rays

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deviate by about three times the quoted uncertainty.

\ddagger From the Adopted Levels. Additional arguments for J^π assignments from this dataset are given as footnotes.

$\#$ $\neq 3/2^+$ from $\log ft$.

 β^- radiations

$\langle E_\beta \rangle \geq 2.01$ MeV 29 (1982A101,Si(Li)) compared to 2.786 MeV 11 from the decay scheme.

1980KeZQ suggested that there is no direct feeding of the g.s. based on agreement of E_β from singles and from β -528 γ . This seems to be confirmed by $\langle E_\beta \rangle$ and would be consistent with $J^\pi(^{139}\text{I g.s.})=(7/2^+)$ from systematics and $J^\pi(^{139}\text{Xe g.s.})=3/2^-$. 9.9% 8 feeding to unbound levels above 3.64 MeV. (1983ReZX,1984Ma39).

The $\beta\gamma$ -coin data are from 1985Ro13 and 1992Gr06.

<u>E(decay)</u>	<u>E(level)</u>	<u>$I\beta^- \ddagger$</u>	<u>Log ft</u>	<u>Comments</u>
($1.7 \times 10^3 \ddagger$ 17)	3744+x	10.0 3		$I\beta^-$: from Adopted Levels of ^{139}I , $\% \beta^- n=10.0$ 3 which represents total β feeding to neutron decaying levels above the neutron separation energy of ^{139}Xe .
(4.29×10^3 3)	2898.45	0.36 3	6.9	av $E_\beta=1839$ 14
(4.45×10^3 3)	2740.18	1.52 4	6.3	av $E_\beta=1913$ 14
(4.88×10^3 3)	2307.94	0.85 3	6.7	av $E_\beta=2117$ 14
(5.29×10^3 3)	1894.43	0.32 2	7.3	av $E_\beta=2311$ 14
(5.41×10^3 3)	1771.43	0.11 2	7.8	av $E_\beta=2369$ 14
(5.50×10^3 3)	1684.03	2.52 10	6.5	av $E_\beta=2411$ 14
(5.69×10^3 3)	1493.35	0.44 2	7.3	av $E_\beta=2500$ 14
(5.74×10^3 3)	1448.53	6.2 2	6.2	av $E_\beta=2522$ 14 E(decay): 5520 150 from $\beta\gamma$ -coincidences (1985Ro13). E(decay): 5352 44 from $\beta(1426\gamma)$ coin (1992Gr06); 5520 150 from $\beta\gamma$ -coincidences (1985Ro13).
(5.74×10^3 3)	1444.15	1.65 5	6.8	av $E_\beta=2524$ 14 E(decay): 5520 150 from $\beta\gamma$ -coincidences (1985Ro13).
(5.79×10^3 3)	1399.46	1.48 5	6.8	av $E_\beta=2545$ 14
(5.87×10^3 3)	1312.70	0.33 2	7.5	av $E_\beta=2586$ 14
(5.99×10^3 3)	1193.33	0.71 4	7.2	av $E_\beta=2642$ 14
(6.13×10^3 3)	1059.02	2.0 1	6.8	av $E_\beta=2705$ 14
(6.18×10^3 3)	1008.27	5.5 2	6.4	av $E_\beta=2729$ 14
(6.51×10^3 3)	678.79	3.6 3	6.7	av $E_\beta=2884$ 14
(6.52×10^3 3)	670.02	0.29 3	7.8	av $E_\beta=2888$ 14 $I\beta^-$: it should be noted that tentative placement of 389 γ from 1059 level leads to negative β feeding of -0.34% . It is possible this γ is either multiply placed, or only from the 1448 level.
(6.56×10^3 3)	624.26	3.2 2	6.7	av $E_\beta=2910$ 14
(6.59×10^3 3)	593.99	2.6 4	8.9 ^{1u}	av $E_\beta=2905$ 14
(6.63×10^3 3)	559.40	12.3 4	6.2	av $E_\beta=2940$ 14 E(decay): 6340 120 from $\beta(528\gamma)$ coin; 6210 150 from singles (1985Ro13).
(7.15×10^3 3)	31.703	≈ 22	≈ 6.1	av $E_\beta=3188$ 14 $I\beta^-$: see comment for β feeding of 22.85 level. Other: $<30\%$ from $\log ft > 5.9$ for first-forbidden transition.
(7.16×10^3 3)	22.73	≈ 21	≈ 6.1	av $E_\beta=3193$ 14 $I\beta^-$: total β feeding to 22.85 and 31.86 levels is 43% 2 from the present decay scheme with I_γ normalization=0.0826 70 and $\% \beta^- n=10.0$ 3. This feeding is assumed (by evaluators) as equally divided between the two levels. Other: $<30\%$ from $\log ft > 5.9$ for first-forbidden transition.

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β^- radiations (continued)

† Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

‡ Estimated for a range of levels.

γ(¹³⁹Xe)

I_γ normalization, I(γ+ce) normalization: From I_γ(571γ)/I_n=0.81 6 (1981Ho07) and %β⁻n=10.0 3 (from Adopted Levels of ¹³⁹I).

E _γ [†]	I _γ ^{†@}	E _i (level)	J _i ^π	E _f	J _f ^π	Mult. [‡]	δ	α&	I _(γ+ce) [@]	Comments
22.8 2	≈0.85	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	0.0	3/2 ⁻	[E2]		6.9×10 ² 4	≈590	ce(L)/(γ+ce)=0.792 24; ce(M)/(γ+ce)=0.171 11; ce(N)/(γ+ce)=0.0332 22; ce(O)/(γ+ce)=0.00311 21; Particle normalization/T _{1/2} =0.0363 24 I _(γ+ce) : deduced by the evaluators from β feeding of ≈21% and total γ feeding. Other: I(γ+ce)<292 from I _γ <0.4 deduced from estimate by 1985Ro13 and mult=E2 is low since γ feeding from higher levels gives I(γ+ce)=332 5. In addition, from systematics of neighboring nuclides, strong β feeding is expected to this level.
31.70 2	8.0 3	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	0.0	3/2 ⁻	M1+E2	≈0.9	≈62.5		α(L)≈49.5; α(M)≈10.69; α(N)≈2.09; α(O)≈0.199 α(exp): >27 from intensity balance at 31.86 level, if no β feeding. I _(γ+ce) : 226 4 from intensity balancing at the 32 level, if no direct β feeding to this level. With 22% β feeding, I(γ+ce)≈500. Mult.,δ: from γ intensity balance at 31.9 level, using β feeding of ≈22% and I _γ =8.0 3. Assumption of no β feeding to 31.86 level rules out E1 and implies δ(E2/M1)>0.48.
84.80 2	2.0 1	678.79	(9/2 ⁻)	593.99	(11/2 ⁻)	[M1,E2]		2.3 10		α(K)=1.6 5; α(L)=0.6 5; α(M)=0.12 10; α(N)=0.024 19; α(O)=0.0025 18
87.40 2	1.0 1	1771.43		1684.03	(5/2,7/2,9/2)					
^x 165.8 2										
^x 249.5 2	0.6 1									
329.6 2	1.1 1	1008.27	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	678.79	(9/2 ⁻)					
384.0 2	0.9 1	1008.27	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	624.26	(5/2 ⁻)					
389.1 ^{#b} 2	7.6 2	1059.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	670.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2 ⁻)					
^x 427.2 2										
440.0 2	0.6 1	1448.53	(7/2,9/2)	1008.27	(5/2,7/2,9/2)					
448.9 2	1.2 1	1008.27	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	559.40	(9/2 ⁻)					
^x 467.0 2	1.3 1									
^x 473.0 2	3.0 1									
^x 512.9 2	3.6 1									

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γ(¹³⁹Xe) (continued)

E _γ [†]	I _γ ^{†@}	E _i (level)	J _i ^π	E _f	J _f ^π	Comments
527.7 2	100 3	559.40	(9/2 ⁻)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	
536.6 2	67 2	559.40	(9/2 ⁻)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	
571.2 3	98 3	593.99	(11/2 ⁻)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	
592.6 2	29 1	624.26	(5/2 ⁻)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	
601.5 2	22 1	624.26	(5/2 ⁻)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	
624.3 2	1.8 1	624.26	(5/2 ⁻)	0.0	3/2 ⁻	
634.0 ^{#b} 2	1.6 1	1312.70		678.79	(9/2 ⁻)	
638.5 2	6.4 2	670.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2 ⁻)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	
647.1 ^{ab} 2	^a	670.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2 ⁻)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	
647.1 ^a 2	14.2 ^a 5	678.79	(9/2 ⁻)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	I _γ : total intensity for doublet=14.2 5. Based on I _γ (647)/I _γ (656)=0.38 15 from SF decay (2002Ur04), almost all the intensity of 647.1γ belongs with the decay of 678 level, and almost none from the decay of 670 level.
656.0 2	58 2	678.79	(9/2 ⁻)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	
670.4 2	3.0 1	670.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2 ⁻)	0.0	3/2 ⁻	
675.7 2	0.8 1	1684.03	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	1008.27	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	
719.1 2	2.6 1	1312.70		593.99	(11/2 ⁻)	
730.0 2	5.8 2	1399.46	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	670.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2 ⁻)	
752.9 2	1.5 1	1312.70		559.40	(9/2 ⁻)	
763.3 2	2.0 1	1771.43		1008.27	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	
769.8 2	13.0 4	1448.53	(7/2,9/2)	678.79	(9/2 ⁻)	
774.1 ^{#b} 2	6.8 2	1399.46	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	624.26	(5/2 ⁻)	
^x 781.9 2	2.2 1					
^x 808.4 2	0.8 1					
^x 822.8 2	4.0 1					
824.8 2	3.0 1	1448.53	(7/2,9/2)	624.26	(5/2 ⁻)	
^x 837.4 2	0.9 1					
849.5 2	3.2 1	1444.15	(7/2,9/2)	593.99	(11/2 ⁻)	E _γ : poor fit, level-energy difference=850.2.
854.4 2	50 2	1448.53	(7/2,9/2)	593.99	(11/2 ⁻)	
859.4 2	3.8 1	2307.94		1448.53	(7/2,9/2)	
^x 869.7 2	2.4 1					
^x 894.4 9	9.2 3					
899.4 2	1.3 1	1493.35		593.99	(11/2 ⁻)	
933.9 2	4.2 1	1493.35		559.40	(9/2 ⁻)	
^x 942.5 1	0.7 1					
969.4 2	4.4 1	2740.18		1771.43		E _γ : poor fit, level-energy difference=968.8.
976.4 2	50 2	1008.27	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	
985.4 2	18 1	1008.27	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	
^x 1001.1 3	2.8 1					
1005.6 2	5.2 2	1684.03	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	678.79	(9/2 ⁻)	
1027.3 2	3.0 1	1059.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	
1036.3 2	22 1	1059.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	
1059.4 ^{#b} 2	1.7 1	1059.02	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	0.0	3/2 ⁻	

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γ(¹³⁹Xe) (continued)

<u>E_γ[†]</u>	<u>I_γ^{†@}</u>	<u>E_i(level)</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>	<u>E_γ[†]</u>	<u>I_γ^{†@}</u>	<u>E_i(level)</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>
^x 1077.0 2	2.0 1					^x 1468.1 2	2.6 1				
1124.5 2	1.8 1	1684.03	(5/2 ⁻ ,7/2,9/2)	559.40	(9/2 ⁻)	^x 1486.5 2	0.7 1				
^x 1129.9 2	1.8 1					1499.5 2	≤1	2898.45		1399.46	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)
^x 1137.2 2	0.8 1					1546.4 2	7.6 2	2740.18		1193.33	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)
1146.9 2	1.8 1	1771.43		624.26	(5/2 ⁻)	^x 1577.2 2	1.7 1				
^x 1149.8 2	5.6 2					1628.7 2	≤1.0	2307.94		678.79	(9/2 ⁻)
1161.4 2	9.2 3	1193.33	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	1652.5 2	4.4 2	1684.03	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)
1170.4 2	3.4 1	1193.33	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	1661.5 2	20 1	1684.03	(5/2,7/2,9/2)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)
^x 1181.7 1	0.8 1					1714.1 2	1.8 1	2307.94		593.99	(11/2 ⁻)
1193.3 2	3.8 1	1193.33	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	0.0	3/2 ⁻	1748.8 2	4.4 1	2307.94		559.40	(9/2 ⁻)
1212.2 2	0.9 1	1771.43		559.40	(9/2 ⁻)	^x 1755.9 2	1.8 1				
^x 1268.8 2	1.2 1					^x 1786.1 2	1.6 1				
^x 1272.2 2	2.0 1					^x 1800.5 2	5.4 2				
^x 1280.9 2	1.2 1					^x 1823.5 2	2.4 1				
^x 1282.9 2	2.0 1					^x 1829.1 2	3.0 1				
^x 1293.2 2	0.9 1					1862.8 2	3.6 1	1894.43		31.703	(5/2 ⁻)
^x 1304.7 2	6.8 2					1871.6 2	0.4 1	1894.43		22.73	(7/2 ⁻)
^x 1351.2 2	1.5 1					^x 1947.0 2	1.9 1				
1367.4 2	5.4 2	1399.46	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	^x 2023.4 2	3.2 1				
1376.9 2	4.6 2	1399.46	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	2115.7 2	6.8 2	2740.18		624.26	(5/2 ⁻)
1399.6 2	3.0 1	1399.46	(3/2 ⁻ ,5/2,7/2)	0.0	3/2 ⁻	^x 2151.4 2	1.8 1				
^x 1403.7 3	2.6 1					^x 2261.6 2	3.2 1				
1412.6 2	13.0 4	1444.15	(7/2,9/2)	31.703	(5/2 ⁻)	^x 2429.9 2	2.2 1				
1421.9 2	4.2 2	1444.15	(7/2,9/2)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	^x 2735.5 2	1.4 1				
1425.6 2	14.0 4	1448.53	(7/2,9/2)	22.73	(7/2 ⁻)	2866.5 2	2.0 1	2898.45		31.703	(5/2 ⁻)
^x 1431.5 2	5.8 2					2898.1 2	2.0 1	2898.45		0.0	3/2 ⁻
^x 1441.5 2	1.7 1					^x 3285.8 2	4.0 1				
^x 1458.2 2	0.8 1										

[†] From [1987RoZW](#). Uncertainties in energy are stated as 0.02 keV for E_γ>100 keV and 0.2 keV for E_γ<100 keV, which to the evaluators seems a reverse statement. Evaluators assign 0.02 keV for E_γ<100 keV and 0.2 keV for E_γ>100 keV. Intensity uncertainty is stated as 10% for I_γ<1 and 3% for I_γ>1.

Evaluators round off the intensity uncertainties as suggested by the significant figures to which the intensities are listed in [1987RoZW](#).

[‡] From Adopted Gammas.

From the least-squares analysis, alternative placements are possible for some of the γ rays: 389.1γ could deexcite the 1448 level; 1059.4γ, the 1684 level; 634.0γ, the 1193.3 level; and 774.1γ, the 1444.3 level.

@ For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.0826 70.

& 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.

^a Multiply placed with intensity suitably divided.

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$\gamma(^{139}\text{Xe})$ (continued)

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

^x γ ray not placed in level scheme.

$^{139}\text{Xe}_{85}^{-7}$
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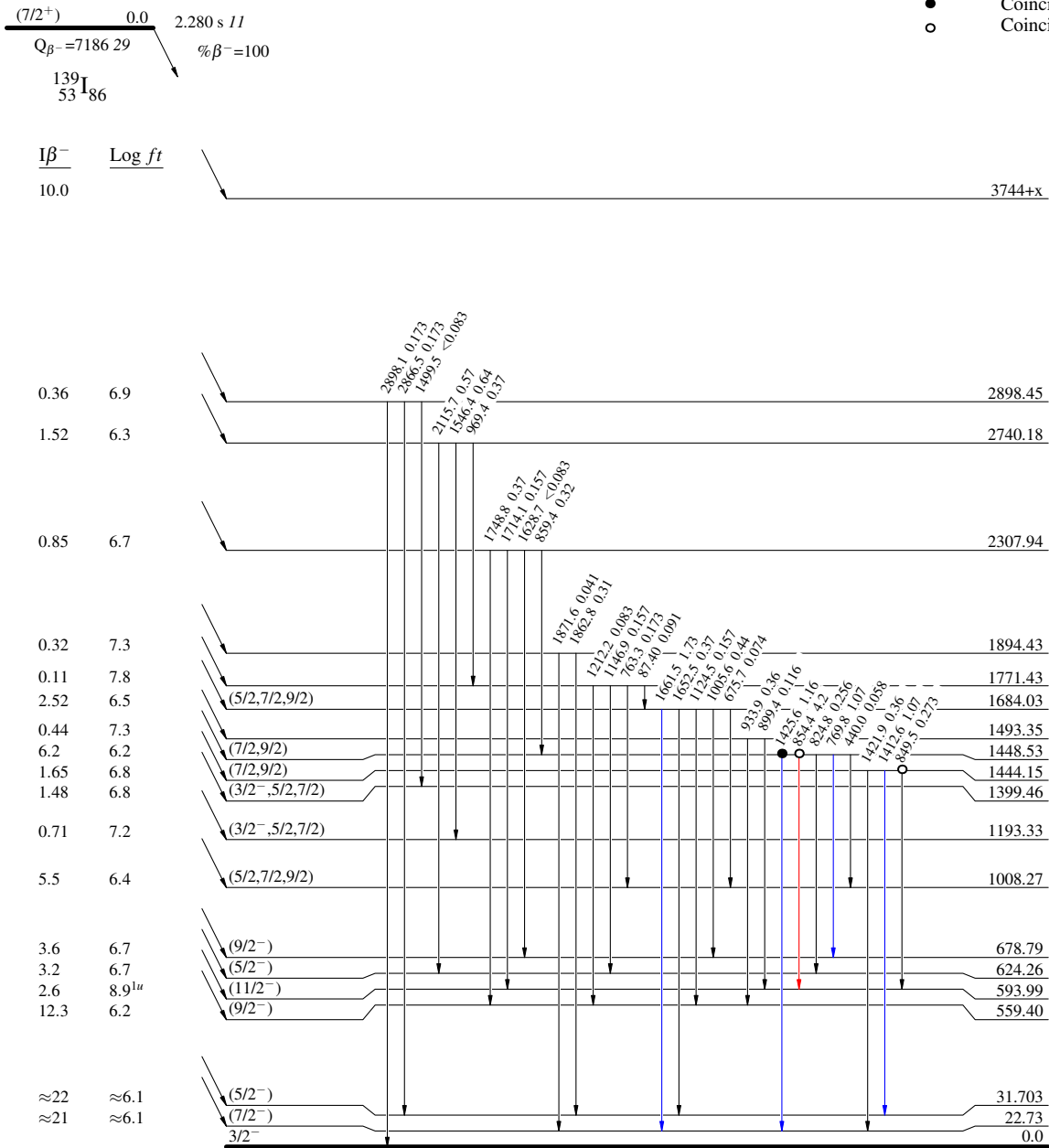
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Decay Scheme

Legend

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

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



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Decay Scheme (continued)

Intensities: $I_{(\gamma+ce)}$ per 100 parent decays
 @ Multiply placed: intensity suitably divided

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)
- Coincidence

