

^{252}Cf SF decay [2015Wa28](#)

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Parent: ^{252}Cf : $E=0.0$; $J^\pi=0^+$; $T_{1/2}=2.647 \text{ y}$ 3; %SF decay=?

^{252}Cf - $T_{1/2}$: [2021Ma19](#).

[2015Wa28](#) compiled for XUNDL database by B. Singh (McMaster).

Includes prompt γ -ray study from $^9\text{Be}(^{238}\text{U}, \text{F}\gamma)$ reaction.

Data from two experiments have been combined by [2015Wa28](#):

- ^{252}Cf SF decay: measured E_γ and $\gamma\gamma$ using GAMMASPHERE array comprised of 101 Compton-suppressed Ge detectors at LBNL facility.
- $^9\text{Be}(^{238}\text{U}, \text{F}\gamma)$, $E=6.2 \text{ MeV/nucleon}$, measured E_γ , I_γ , Z- and A- gated $\gamma\gamma$ coincidences with isotopically identified fission fragments using VAMOS++ and EXOGAM array at GANIL facility.

Deduced high-spin levels.

 ^{148}Pr Levels

E(level) [†]	Comments
0.0+x	E(level): according to 2015Wa28 , 0.0+x level can be the 2.01 min, 76.8 keV isomer.
137.6+x 5	
357.5+x [‡] 7	$T_{1/2} \approx 100 \text{ ns}$ isomeric halflife for this level is proposed by 2015Wa28 based on nonobservation of 219.9 γ in prompt coin with 290.5 γ .
489.6+x [‡] 9	
780.1+x [‡] 10	
1215.3+x [‡] 12	
1761.7+x [‡] 13	

[†] From E_γ data.

[‡] Seq.(A): Sequence based on 357.5+x level.

 $\gamma(^{148}\text{Pr})$

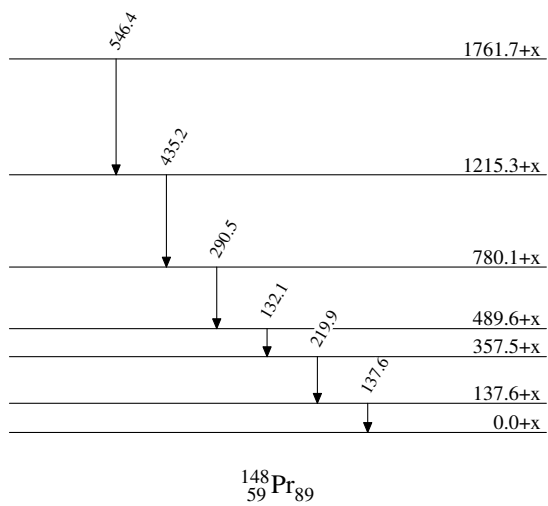
[2015Wa28](#) state that relative γ intensities could not be extracted due to very strong 219.9-keV γ ray.

E_γ [†]	$E_i(\text{level})$	E_f
132.1 5	489.6+x	357.5+x
137.6 5	137.6+x	0.0+x
219.9 5	357.5+x	137.6+x
290.5 5	780.1+x	489.6+x
435.2 5	1215.3+x	780.1+x
546.4 5	1761.7+x	1215.3+x

[†] Uncertainty is stated as 0.5 keV for strong transitions and as much as 1 keV in prompt γ -spectra, whereas from ^{252}Cf SF decay, uncertainty is stated as 0.1 keV for strong γ rays and 0.5 for weaker lines. Evaluator assigns 0.5 keV uncertainty for each γ ray since no intensity data are available in [2015Wa28](#) and all transitions are newly identified.

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Level Scheme



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