

¹⁴⁹Ce β⁻ decay (5.12 s) [1996YaZV](#),[1977Pf01](#),[2014Ko27](#)

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Parent: ¹⁴⁹Ce: E=0.0; J^π=(3/2⁻); T_{1/2}=5.12 s 25; Q(β⁻)=4369 14; %β⁻ decay=100.0

¹⁴⁹Ce-J^π,T_{1/2}: From ¹⁴⁹Ce Adopted Levels.

¹⁴⁹Ce-Q(β⁻): From [2021Wa16](#).

[1996YaZV](#): ¹⁴⁹Ce was produced at KUR-ISOL (Kyoto University Reactor, Isotope Separator On-Line) in the thermal-neutron induced fission of ²³⁵U, followed by mass-separation using KUR-ISOL. Measured E_γ, I_γ, γγ-coin, half-life of decay of ¹⁴⁹Ce by decay curve for 58-keV γ, and level half-lives by βγ(t). Deduced levels, and decay scheme.

[1977Pf01](#): measured E_γ, I_γ, T_{1/2}. ¹⁴⁹Ce obtained as recoil fragments from fission and analyzed according to mass and ionic charge at Lohengrin.

The decay scheme is considered incomplete due to a large Q(β⁻) value of 4369 14 and the highest populated level at 951 keV.

[2014Ko27](#): measured level half-lives by γγ(t) using LaBr₃ and HPGe detectors at KUR-ISOL, and decay curves analyzed by slope method.

[1980KeZQ](#) (also [1986Gr11](#)): βγ-coin and Q(β⁻) value. Q(β⁻)=4190 75 ([1986Gr11](#) reanalyzed their earlier ([1980KeZQ](#)) data).

Others:

[1995Ik03](#): measured Q(β⁻) from βγ.

[1993RuZW](#): T_{1/2}.

[1987Ka20](#): yield in ²³⁵U(n,F).

[1979En02](#): T_{1/2} and yield in ²³⁵U(n,F).

[1977ArZS](#): γ, T_{1/2}.

[1974Ar17](#): T_{1/2}.

[1973SeYX](#): γ, T_{1/2}.

The decay scheme is from [1996YaZV](#). It is considered by the evaluators as incomplete.

¹⁴⁹Pr Levels

E(level) [†]	J ^π [‡]	T _{1/2} ^{‡#}	Comments
0.0	(5/2 ⁺)	2.26 min 8	
58.11 6	(7/2 ⁻)	7.4 ns 7	T _{1/2} : from weighted average of 7.2 ns 6 (2014Ko27 , average of 7.2 ns 8 from (105γ)(58γ)(t) and 7.2 ns 10 from (173γ)(58γ)(t)); and 9.7 ns 21 (1996YaZV , βγ(t)). Note that the value in the Adopted Levels is 23.4 ns 18 from SF decays (2010Rz02 , 1974ClZX). Reason for the discrepancy is not clear, if the same 58.2-keV transition is involved in SF decays and β ⁻ decay.
86.40 6	(7/2 ⁺)	4.2 ns 5	T _{1/2} : from 2014Ko27 ; average of 4.0 ns 8 from (76γ)(86γ)(t) and 4.3 ns 7 from (129γ)(86γ)(t).
106.86 7			
125.55 7		1.0 ns 2	T _{1/2} : from (323γ)(67γ)(t) (2014Ko27).
162.97 7			
215.46 8			
230.98 8			
311.90 12			
380.27 7			
397.70 12			
448.33 7			
546.16 13			
575.28 13			
951.11 9			

[†] From a least-squares fit to γ-ray energies.

[‡] From the Adopted Levels.

[#] From γγ(t) and slope method ([2014Ko27](#)), unless otherwise noted. The same values are recommended in the Adopted Levels.

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β⁻ radiations

E(decay) [†]	E(level)	Comments
(3418 14)	951.11	E(decay): 3530 250, 3400 180 (1980KeZQ).
(3989 14)	380.27	E(decay): 3770 150 (1980KeZQ), 4040 230 (βγ,1995Ik03).
(4283 14)	86.40	E(decay): 3990 150 (1980KeZQ), 4210 300 (βγ,1995Ik03).
(4311 14)	58.11	E(decay): 4120 180 (1980KeZQ), 4370 230 (βγ,1995Ik03).
(4369 14)	0.0	E(decay): 4330 24 (1995Ik03).

[†] Measured values from βγ (1980KeZQ) are given under comments. 1980KeZQ analyzed their βγ data using level energies from a preliminary report (priv. comm. to 1980KeZQ).

γ(¹⁴⁹Pr)

I_γ normalization: The γ-normalization factor (I_γ/100 decays of the parent) cannot be determined, since the decay scheme of ¹⁴⁹Pr is considered incomplete, and multipolarities of low-energy transitions are unknown.

E _γ [†]	I _γ [†]	E _i (level)	J _i ^π	E _f	J _f ^π	Mult. [‡]	α [@]	Comments
28.4 1	>4.2	86.40	(7/2 ⁺)	58.11	(7/2 ⁻)	[E1]	1.347 23	α(L)=1.066 18; α(M)=0.225 4 α(N)=0.0483 8; α(O)=0.00685 12; α(P)=0.000281 5
48.8 1	7.2 4	106.86		58.11	(7/2 ⁻)			
52.6 1	0.27 2	215.46		162.97				
56.2 1	0.39 3	162.97		106.86				
58.2 1	100 5	58.11	(7/2 ⁻)	0.0	(5/2 ⁺)	E1	1.089 16	α(K)=0.912 13; α(L)=0.1401 21; α(M)=0.0294 4 α(N)=0.00642 10; α(O)=0.000964 14; α(P)=5.02×10 ⁻⁵ 7 E _γ =57.7 3, I _γ =100 (1977Pf01).
67.4 1	3.7 2	125.55		58.11	(7/2 ⁻)			
^x 72.4 1	0.12 2							
76.5 1	1.43 7	162.97		86.40	(7/2 ⁺)			
86.5 1	15.3 8	86.40	(7/2 ⁺)	0.0	(5/2 ⁺)	M1	1.963 28	α(K)=1.671 24; α(L)=0.2310 33; α(M)=0.0487 7 α(N)=0.01089 16; α(O)=0.001751 25; α(P)=0.0001284 18 E _γ =86.4 3, I _γ =20.2 (1977Pf01). E _γ =104.5 3, I _γ =2.2 (1977Pf01).
104.9 1	1.25 6	162.97		58.11	(7/2 ⁻)			
106.9 1	0.52 3	106.86		0.0	(5/2 ⁺)			
125.6 1	0.03 1	125.55		0.0	(5/2 ⁺)			
128.9 1	2.1 1	215.46		86.40	(7/2 ⁺)			E _γ =129.2 3, I _γ =1.8 (1977Pf01).
144.9 1	2.6 1	230.98		86.40	(7/2 ⁺)			E _γ : level-energy difference=144.6. E _γ =144.7 3, I _γ =2.7 (1977Pf01).
157.5 1	0.13 2	215.46		58.11	(7/2 ⁻)			
172.6 1	1.72 9	230.98		58.11	(7/2 ⁻)			E _γ =172.5 3, I _γ =2.8 (1977Pf01).
^x 211.4 [#] 3	2.0							
217.4 1	0.21 2	448.33		230.98				
225.5 1	0.43 3	311.90		86.40	(7/2 ⁺)			E _γ =225.7 3, I _γ =1.3 (1977Pf01).
233.0 1	1.31 7	448.33		215.46				E _γ =232.8 3, I _γ =1.8 (1977Pf01).
^x 258.5 [#] 3	1.5							
285.3 1	1.53 8	448.33		162.97				E _γ =284.9 3, I _γ =1.5 (1977Pf01).
294.1 1	5.8 3	380.27		86.40	(7/2 ⁺)			E _γ =294.0 3, I _γ =6.3 (1977Pf01).
311.3 1	0.89 5	397.70		86.40	(7/2 ⁺)			E _γ =311.0 3, I _γ =1.3 (1977Pf01).
322.2 1	4.6 2	380.27		58.11	(7/2 ⁻)			E _γ =322.4 3, I _γ =7.2 (1977Pf01).

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E_γ^\dagger	I_γ^\dagger	$E_i(\text{level})$	E_f	J_f^π	Comments
322.8 1	3.1 2	448.33	125.55		
330.7 1	0.58 4	546.16	215.46		
344.3 1	0.32 4	575.28	230.98		
361.8 1	1.40 8	448.33	86.40	(7/2 ⁺)	
380.0 1	27 1	380.27	0.0	(5/2 ⁺)	$E_\gamma=380.0$ 3, $I_\gamma=33.7$ (1977Pf01).
390.2 1	1.9 1	448.33	58.11	(7/2 ⁻)	$E_\gamma=390.0$ 3, $I_\gamma=2.3$ (1977Pf01).
^x 417.3 [#] 3	1.8				
^x 438.5 1	0.53 4				
^x 460.0 [#] 3	2.0				
^x 702.5 1	0.55 6				$E_\gamma=702.8$ 3, $I_\gamma=2.5$ (1977Pf01).
^x 831.2 1	0.33 6				
864.7 1	6.5 3	951.11	86.40	(7/2 ⁺)	$E_\gamma=864.5$ 3, $I_\gamma=7.8$ (1977Pf01).
893.0 1	7.3 4	951.11	58.11	(7/2 ⁻)	$E_\gamma=892.7$ 3, $I_\gamma=8.0$ (1977Pf01).

[†] From [1996YaZV](#), unless otherwise stated.

[‡] From the Adopted Gammas.

[#] From [1977Pf01](#). This γ is not reported by [1996YaZV](#). Evaluators consider this γ uncertain, as with the intensity reported by [1977Pf01](#), this γ should have been detected by [1996YaZV](#).

[@] 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.

^x γ ray not placed in level scheme.

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Decay Scheme

Intensities: Relative I_γ

Legend

- I_γ < 2% × I_γ^{max}
- I_γ < 10% × I_γ^{max}
- I_γ > 10% × I_γ^{max}
- Coincidence

