

$^{153}\text{Gd } \varepsilon$  decay

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Parent:  $^{153}\text{Gd}$ : E=0.0;  $J^\pi=3/2^-$ ;  $T_{1/2}=240.4$  d 10;  $Q(\varepsilon)=484.7$  7;  $\% \varepsilon$  decay=100.0

$^{153}\text{Gd-Q}(\varepsilon)$ : Earlier a series of measurements of the K-capture probability to the 172-keV level of  $^{153}\text{Eu}$  ([1960Le06](#), [1962Bi11](#), [1964Cr08](#), [1967Bo11](#), [1980Se01](#), [1985Si03](#)) indicated a decay energy of 235 to 280 keV. The problem with these measurements, or the interpretation thereof, has not been resolved.

The decay scheme and useful Iy data are given by [1964Al09](#), [1964Ew04](#), [1974Se08](#), [1981Gr19](#), [1985Si03](#), [1988Ve05](#), [1988Su13](#), [1992Ch16](#), [1992Ch44](#), [1993Eg05](#), and [1995Ku34](#). Level  $T_{1/2}$  are given by: [1965Me08](#), [1968Ma15](#), [1975Si07](#), [1978AnZP](#), and [1986Sa34](#). Other measurements include: [1996La21](#), [1994Co02](#), [1994MiZZ](#), [1992EgZY](#) (see [1993Eg05](#)), [1990GeZZ](#), [1989Po21](#), [1986Va16](#), [1980Se01](#), [1980BeYK](#), [1976Gu02](#), [1975Ba69](#), [1974Ma27](#), [1972De67](#), [1971Kr19](#), [1970Me26](#), [1967Bo11](#), [1964Cr08](#), [1962Bi11](#), [1962Bh01](#), [1961Gr39](#), [1960Su08](#), [1960Le06](#), [1958An34](#), [1954Mc10](#), [1949Ke01](#).

## Additional information 1.

The magnitude of possible combined electron-nuclear radiation (CENR) is discussed in [1994Al45](#) and [1995Sa56](#).

 $^{153}\text{Eu}$  Levels

| E(level) <sup>†</sup> | $J^\pi$ <sup>‡</sup> | $T_{1/2}$ <sup>#</sup> | Comments  |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|---|
| 0.0                   | 5/2 <sup>+</sup>     | stable                 |   |
| 83.36720 13           | 7/2 <sup>+</sup>     | 0.77 ns 5              | $T_{1/2}$ : From <a href="#">1986Sa34</a> .   |
| 97.43103 15           | 5/2 <sup>-</sup>     | 0.180 ns 20            | $T_{1/2}$ : From <a href="#">1968Ma15</a> ; other: < 0.35 ns ( <a href="#">1965Me08</a> ).  |
| 103.18016 12          | 3/2 <sup>+</sup>     | 3.87 ns 5              | $T_{1/2}$ : Adopted value. 3.88 ns 4 is the weighted average of the values measured in $^{153}\text{Gd}$ $\varepsilon$ decay only, 3.87 ns 10 ( <a href="#">1986Sa34</a> ), 3.8 ns 1 ( <a href="#">1978AnZP</a> ), 3.89 ns 10, and 3.92 ns 7 (evaluator's average of 4 values in <a href="#">1965Me08</a> ).                    |
| 151.6246? 12          | 7/2 <sup>-</sup>     |                        | E(level): This level is known to exist from $^{153}\text{Sm}$ $\beta^-$ decay and $^{152}\text{Eu}(n,\gamma)$ and it is generally reported in this decay. The $\varepsilon$ branch is 2nd forbidden, so the logft is expected to be $\geq 11$ ( <a href="#">1973Ra10</a> ) which corresponds to $I(\varepsilon) \leq 0.015\%$ . |
| 172.85318 13          | 5/2 <sup>+</sup>     |                        |   |

<sup>†</sup> From least-squares fit to measured E $\gamma$ .

<sup>‡</sup> From  $^{153}\text{Eu}$  Adopted Levels.

<sup>#</sup> Values are from  $^{153}\text{Gd}$  decay only; see  $^{153}\text{Eu}$  Adopted Levels for values from other production modes.

 $\varepsilon$  radiations

| E(decay)  | E(level)  | $I\varepsilon$ <sup>†</sup> | Log ft | Comments  |
|-----------|-----------|-----------------------------|--------|---|
| (311.8 7) | 172.85318 | 16.0 5                      | 7.89 1 | $\varepsilon K=0.8028$ 2; $\varepsilon L=0.15169$ 9; $\varepsilon M+=0.04553$ 3 |
| (381.5 7) | 103.18016 | 44.2 10                     | 7.65 1 | $\varepsilon K=0.8118$ ; $\varepsilon L=0.14496$ 6; $\varepsilon M+=0.04319$ 2  |
| (387.3 7) | 97.43103  | 39.2 5                      | 7.72 1 | $\varepsilon K=0.8124$ ; $\varepsilon L=0.14453$ 6; $\varepsilon M+=0.04304$ 2  |
| (484.7 7) | 0.0       | <1                          | >9.5   | $\varepsilon K=0.8199$ ; $\varepsilon L=0.13899$ 3; $\varepsilon M+=0.04111$ 1  |

$I\varepsilon$ : Computed from  $\gamma$  intensity balance with the given Iy normalization factor.

<sup>†</sup> Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

<sup>153</sup>Gd ε decay (continued) $\gamma(^{153}\text{Eu})$ 

I<sub>γ</sub> normalization: Weighted average of: 0.3015 20 ([2017ShZX](#), by digital coincidence counting), 0.290 8 (measurement of Geidelman as quoted in [1992Ch16](#)), 0.302 6 (from I<sub>KX</sub> intensity analysis by [1981Gr19](#)), 0.276 10 ([1997Ka47](#)).

The internal conversion electron intensities are normalized to give α<sub>K</sub>(exp)(97.43)=0.258 (E1 theory).

I<sub>Kα</sub>=327 6 and I<sub>Kβ</sub>=82.6 14. The reduced-χ<sup>2</sup> values for these averages are 4.8 and 6.3, respectively. See [1992Ch16](#), [1993Eg05](#), and [1995Ku34](#) for values for components of these two groups. The corresponding values calculated from the decay scheme are 333 8 and 84.8 24, respectively.

| E <sub>γ</sub> <sup>†</sup> | I <sub>γ</sub> <sup>#b</sup> | E <sub>i</sub> (level) | J <sub>i</sub> <sup>π</sup> | E <sub>f</sub>   | J <sub>f</sub> <sup>π</sup> | Mult. | α&                   | I <sub>(γ+ce)</sub> <sup>b</sup> | Comments  |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|-------|----------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 14.06383 20                 | 0.061 9                      | 97.43103               | 5/2 <sup>-</sup>            | 83.36720         | 7/2 <sup>+</sup>            | E1    | 10.89                |                                  | α(L)=8.54 12; α(M)=1.90 3<br>α(N)=0.405 6; α(O)=0.0479 7; α(P)=0.00189 3<br>E <sub>γ</sub> : From level energies.<br>I <sub>γ</sub> : Values range from 0.051 5 to 0.146 15 and<br>reduced-χ <sup>2</sup> =4.3.<br>ce(L)/(γ+ce)=0.775 8; ce(M)/(γ+ce)=0.180 4<br>ce(N)/(γ+ce)=0.0395 8; ce(O)/(γ+ce)=0.00520 11;<br>ce(P)/(γ+ce)=2.11×10 <sup>-6</sup> 5<br>α(L)=2.49×10 <sup>3</sup> 4; α(M)=578 8<br>α(N)=127.1 18; α(O)=16.73 24; α(P)=0.00678 10<br>E <sub>γ</sub> : From level energies.<br>I <sub>γ</sub> : From I <sub>ce</sub> (LM)=1.17 ( <a href="#">1963Gr09</a> ) I(γ+ce)+1.3 and<br>then from α=3290, I <sub>γ</sub> =0.0004. The measured values<br>are very different; they include 0.005 1 ( <a href="#">1974Se08</a> ),<br>0.089 9 ( <a href="#">1985Si03</a> ), 0.072 11 ( <a href="#">1988Su13</a> ), 0.006 1<br>( <a href="#">1988Ve05</a> ), and 0.019 3 ( <a href="#">1995Ku34</a> ).<br>I <sub>(γ+ce)</sub> : From intensity balance at 83-keV level. Other:<br>1.3 from I <sub>ce</sub> (LM)=1.17 ( <a href="#">1963Gr09</a> ) and α's.<br>I <sub>γ</sub> : From <a href="#">1988Su13</a> and <a href="#">1995Ku34</a> ; other: < 0.03<br>( <a href="#">1993Eg05</a> ). |
| 19.81296 19                 | 103.18016                    | 3/2 <sup>+</sup>       | 83.36720                    | 7/2 <sup>+</sup> | E2                          |       | 3.22×10 <sup>3</sup> | 0.7 4                            |   |
| x21.2                       | 0.075 12                     |                        |                             |                  |                             |       |                      |                                  |   |
| 54.1934 @ <sup>c</sup> 4    | 151.6246?                    | 7/2 <sup>-</sup>       | 97.43103                    | 5/2 <sup>-</sup> | M1(+E2)                     |       | 18.4 76              |                                  | α(K)=6.3 28; α(L)=9.3 80; α(M)=2.2 19<br>α(N)=0.48 42; α(O)=0.065 55; α(P)=6.8×10 <sup>-4</sup> 35<br>I <sub>γ</sub> : From limit of I(ε,151) ≤ 0.015%, if the 54 is the<br>only γ from this level, I <sub>γ</sub> (54) < 0.0026 for α=18.4. In<br>contrast, the reported values include 0.058 8<br>( <a href="#">1988Su13</a> ) and 0.027 2 ( <a href="#">1995Ku34</a> ). Therefore, there<br>is a problem with this γ placement.  |
| 68.2557 @ <sup>c</sup> 5    | 151.6246?                    | 7/2 <sup>-</sup>       | 83.36720                    | 7/2 <sup>+</sup> | E1                          |       | 0.790                |                                  | α(K)=0.657 10; α(L)=0.1042 15; α(M)=0.0225 4<br>α(N)=0.00503 7; α(O)=0.000739 11; α(P)=5.20×10 <sup>-5</sup> 8<br>I <sub>γ</sub> : The five reported values are reasonably consistent<br>(reduced-χ <sup>2</sup> =2.2) and an average of 0.056. However,<br>if the ε feeding to this level is ≤0.015% with no γ<br>feeding, even if this is the only γ from this level its I <sub>γ</sub><br>is < 0.026 and if other γ depopulate this level. In the  |

<sup>153</sup>Gd  $\varepsilon$  decay (continued) $\gamma^{(153)\text{Eu}}$  (continued)

| $E_\gamma^{\dagger}$ | $I_\gamma^{\ddagger b}$ | $E_i(\text{level})$ | $J_i^\pi$        | $E_f$     | $J_f^\pi$        | Mult. | $\delta^{\#a}$ | $\alpha^{\&}$ | Comments   |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-------|----------------|---------------|--|
| 69.67300 13          | 8.18 21                 | 172.85318           | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | 103.18016 | 3/2 <sup>+</sup> | M1+E2 | 0.136 4        | 5.31          | <sup>153</sup> Sm $\beta^-$ decay and <sup>152</sup> Eu(n, $\gamma$ ), the $I\gamma(151)/I\gamma(68)$ ratio is between 5 and 9, so the limit may be much lower. Therefore, this $\gamma$ may be misplaced.<br>$\alpha(K)=4.39$ 7; $\alpha(L)=0.719$ 12; $\alpha(M)=0.1572$ 25<br>$\alpha(N)=0.0358$ 6; $\alpha(O)=0.00555$ 9; $\alpha(P)=0.000485$ 7<br>$\alpha(K)=0.62$ 5; $\alpha(L)=0.112$ 13; $\alpha(M)=0.025$ 3<br>$\alpha(N)=0.0056$ 7; $\alpha(O)=0.00083$ 11; $\alpha(P)=6.3\times 10^{-5}$ 9<br>$\alpha(K)=2.33$ 4; $\alpha(L)=1.11$ 5; $\alpha(M)=0.257$ 12<br>$\alpha(N)=0.0573$ 25; $\alpha(O)=0.0080$ 4; $\alpha(P)=0.000230$ 5<br>K:L1:L2:L3:M:N+=1.78:0.210:0.339:0.377:0.165:0.057. |
| 75.42213 23          | 0.270 8                 | 172.85318           | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | 97.43103  | 5/2 <sup>-</sup> | E1+M2 | 0.055 10       | 0.76 7        | $\alpha(K)=0.233$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.0382$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.00823$ 12<br>$\alpha(N)=0.00185$ 3; $\alpha(O)=0.000278$ 4; $\alpha(P)=2.13\times 10^{-5}$ 3<br>$\alpha(K)=1.422$ 20; $\alpha(L)=0.213$ 3; $\alpha(M)=0.0462$ 7<br>$\alpha(N)=0.01057$ 15; $\alpha(O)=0.001662$ 24; $\alpha(P)=0.0001568$ 22<br><a href="#">Additional information 2</a> .   |
| 83.36717 21          | 0.676 14                | 83.36720            | 7/2 <sup>+</sup> | 0.0       | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | M1+E2 | 0.81 4         | 3.76 7        | $\alpha(K)=2.11$ 5; $\alpha(L)=0.38$ 7; $\alpha(M)=0.085$ 16<br>$\alpha(N)=0.019$ 4; $\alpha(O)=0.0029$ 5; $\alpha(P)=0.000230$ 7  |
| 89.48595 22          | 0.27 4                  | 172.85318           | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | 83.36720  | 7/2 <sup>+</sup> | M1+E2 | 0.25 10        | 2.60 7        | $\alpha(K)=0.256$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.0382$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.00823$ 12<br>$\alpha(N)=0.00185$ 3; $\alpha(O)=0.000278$ 4; $\alpha(P)=2.13\times 10^{-5}$ 3<br>$\alpha(K)=1.422$ 20; $\alpha(L)=0.213$ 3; $\alpha(M)=0.0462$ 7<br>$\alpha(N)=0.01057$ 15; $\alpha(O)=0.001662$ 24; $\alpha(P)=0.0001568$ 22<br><a href="#">Additional information 2</a> .   |
| 97.43100 21          | 100                     | 97.43103            | 5/2 <sup>-</sup> | 0.0       | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | E1    |                | 0.305         | $\delta$ : Computed with penetration parameter $\lambda=5.3$ 8.<br>$\alpha(K)=0.0779$ 11; $\alpha(L)=0.01112$ 16; $\alpha(M)=0.00239$ 4<br>$\alpha(N)=0.000541$ 8; $\alpha(O)=8.26\times 10^{-5}$ 12; $\alpha(P)=6.88\times 10^{-6}$ 10<br>$I_\gamma$ : The reported values are inconsistent, namely, < 0.01 ( <a href="#">1992Ch44</a> ), 0.060 15 ( <a href="#">1988Su13</a> ), 0.02 1 ( <a href="#">1988Ve05</a> ), and 0.021 1 ( <a href="#">1995Ku34</a> ), 0.00163 20 ( <a href="#">2017ShZX</a> ).  |
| 103.18012 17         | 73.5 6                  | 103.18016           | 3/2 <sup>+</sup> | 0.0       | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | M1+E2 | 0.119 3        | 1.694         | $\alpha(K)=0.296$ 7; $\alpha(L)=0.0637$ 22; $\alpha(M)=0.0142$ 6<br>$\alpha(N)=0.00321$ 12; $\alpha(O)=0.000477$ 15; $\alpha(P)=3.00\times 10^{-5}$ 10   |
| 151.6245 @c 12       |                         | 151.6246?           | 7/2 <sup>-</sup> | 0.0       | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | E1    |                | 0.0920        |  |
| 172.85307 21         | 0.1304 24               | 172.85318           | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | 0.0       | 5/2 <sup>+</sup> | M1+E2 | 0.81 8         | 0.377         |  |

<sup>†</sup> From [2000He14](#) E $\gamma$  evaluation with additions of values from <sup>152</sup>Eu(n, $\gamma$ ); all are on the energy scale for which the strong <sup>198</sup>Au line is 411.80205 17 keV.

<sup>‡</sup> From weighted average of values from [1974Se08](#), [1985Si03](#) (values for photons below 60 keV omitted), [1988Su13](#), [1988Ve05](#), [1992Ch16](#), [1992Ch44](#), [1993Eg05](#), [1995Ku34](#), [2017ShZX](#). Significant discrepancies between these values are noted. Others: [1964Al09](#), [1964Ew04](#), [1967Bo11](#), [1981Gr19](#), [1990GeZZ](#), and [1996La21](#).

<sup>#</sup> From <sup>153</sup>Eu Adopted Gammas.

<sup>@</sup> From <sup>152</sup>Eu(n, $\gamma$ ).

<sup>&</sup> [Additional information 3](#).

<sup>a</sup> 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.

<sup>b</sup> For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.300 3.

<sup>c</sup> Placement of transition in the level scheme is uncertain.

<sup>x</sup>  $\gamma$  ray not placed in level scheme.

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## Decay Scheme

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

