

^{252}Cf SF decay [2010Si03,1997Hw02](#)

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Parent: ^{252}Cf : $E=0.0$; $J^\pi=0^+$; $T_{1/2}=2.645$ y 8; %SF decay=?

Includes prompt γ study in $^{239}\text{Pu}(n,\text{F}\gamma)$ reaction ([2010Si03](#)).

Data set based on the XUNDL compilations of [2010Si03](#) done by B. Singh (McMaster) and K.Zuber (IFJ-PAN,Krakow,Poland), and of [2008Hw02](#) done by S. Geraedts and B. Singh (McMaster).

[2010Si03](#): mass 153 fission fragments were observed using the Lohengrin mass spectrometer at the high-flux reactor of the Institute Laue-Langevin, Grenoble. ^{153}Nd were produced by thermal-neutron induced fission of a $0.87\text{ mg/cm}^2, 7\times 0.5\text{ cm}^2$ ^{239}Pu target and mass spectrometer selecting recoiling fragments. Measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$, $\gamma\gamma(t)$ using two Clover Ge detectors as well as conversion electrons detected by two Si(Li) detectors. The second experiment measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$ -delayed γ ray coincidences, using the Gammasphere array at ANL with 101 Compton-suppressed HPGe detectors. The ^{252}Cf source (α -decay) intensity was $\approx 100\text{ }\mu\text{Ci}$, and was placed at the center of the spectrometers. Transitions assigned to Nd nuclei were based on coincidence with known γ rays from the complementary Sr fragments. Most data are from SF decay.

[2008Hw02](#): measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$ coin using GAMMASPHERE array of 101 HPGe detectors with Compton-suppression.

Transitions assigned to Nd nuclei based on coincidence with known γ rays from the partner Sr fragments.

[1997Hw02](#), superseding [1996Ba34](#): measured $\gamma\gamma\gamma$ coincidences using GAMMASPHERE array of 72 HPGe detectors with Compton-suppression. Distinction between ^{151}Nd and ^{153}Nd based on yields.

[2008Hw02](#), [1997Hw02](#), and [1996Ba34](#) are published by the same group.

There is a general good agreement in between [2010Si03](#), [2008Hw02](#), and [1997Hw02](#). Level scheme is from [2010Si03](#) who gave the most extensive data (including the level schemes of [2008Hw02](#) and [1997Hw02](#)).

 ^{153}Nd Levels

E(level) [†]	J^π [‡]	$T_{1/2}$	Comments
0.0 [@]	(3/2 ⁻)		
49.94 [#] 19	(5/2 ⁻)		
120.19 [@] 16	(7/2 ⁻)		
191.71 ^a 16	(5/2 ⁺)	1.17 μs 7	$T_{1/2}$: from fitting an exponential function to the time spectra sum of $E_\gamma=191.7+141.8$ (2010Si03). J^π : assignment changed from (5/2 ⁻) (1996Ya12 , β^- decay) to (5/2 ⁺) by 2010Si03 based on measured multipolarity of 141.8 γ and 191.7 γ .
208.42 [#] 20	(9/2 ⁻)		
252.24 ^{&} 23	(7/2 ⁺)		
317.89 [@] 21	(11/2 ⁻)		
330.08 ^a 23	(9/2 ⁺)		
427.9 ^{&} 3	(11/2 ⁺)		
441.24 [#] 23	(13/2 ⁻)		
539.0 ^a 3	(13/2 ⁺)		
588.33 [@] 25	(15/2 ⁻)		
677.3 ^{&} 3	(15/2 ⁺)		
743.6 [#] 3	(17/2 ⁻)		
817.4 ^a 3	(17/2 ⁺)		
928.0 [@] 3	(19/2 ⁻)		
1001.5 ^{&} 3	(19/2 ⁺)		
1111.3 [#] 3	(21/2 ⁻)		
1164.7 ^a 3	(21/2 ⁺)		
1331.5 [@] 3	(23/2 ⁻)		
1399.9 ^{&} 3	(23/2 ⁺)		
1539.7 [#] 4	(25/2 ⁻)		

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<u>E(level)[†]</u>	<u>J^π[‡]</u>	<u>E(level)[†]</u>	<u>J^π[‡]</u>	<u>E(level)[†]</u>	<u>J^π[‡]</u>	<u>E(level)[†]</u>	<u>J^π[‡]</u>
1578.9 ^a 4	(25/2 ⁺)	2025.2 [#] 4	(29/2 ⁻)	2407.4 ^{&} 4	(31/2 ⁺)	3009.4 ^{&} 4	(35/2 ⁺)
1794.8 [@] 4	(27/2 ⁻)	2057.0 ^a 4	(29/2 ⁺)	2564.2 [#] 5	(33/2 ⁻)	3190.0 ^a 5	(37/2 ⁺)
1869.4 ^{&} 4	(27/2 ⁺)	2314.8 [@] 4	(31/2 ⁻)	2595.2 ^a 4	(33/2 ⁺)		

[†] From least-squares fit to $E\gamma$'s.[‡] Tentative values from 2010Si03. For negative parity bands (A and a), lower J^π values established initially by 1997Hw02 based on systematics of N=90 isotones. For positive parity bands (B and b), bandhead of band b established by E1 transitions to negative parity bands. Higher J^π values, based on rotational band assignments.[#] Band(A): $\nu 5/2[642]$, $\alpha=+1/2$. Dominant configuration from QPRM calculations (2010Si03).[@] Band(a): $\nu 5/2[642]$, $\alpha=-1/2$.[&] Band(B): $\nu 3/2[521]$, $\alpha=-1/2$. Dominant configurations from QPRM calculations (2010Si03).^a Band(b): $\nu 3/2[521]$, $\alpha=+1/2$. $\gamma(^{153}\text{Nd})$

I(K x-rays)=128 18 measured by 2010Si03.

<u>$E_i(\text{level})$</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_γ[†]</u>	<u>I_γ[‡]</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>	<u>Mult.[#]</u>	<u>α[@]</u>	<u>Comments</u>
49.94	(5/2 ⁻)	50.0		0.0	(3/2 ⁻)	[M1]	10.49	$I_\gamma=8\ 3$, $I_\gamma+\text{ce}=93\ 36$ in $^{239}\text{Pu}(\text{n},\text{F}\gamma)$, prompt γ .
120.19	(7/2 ⁻)	70.2 2	200 64	49.94	(5/2 ⁻)	[M1]	3.92 7	$I_\gamma=6\ 1$, $I_\gamma+\text{ce}=29\ 5$ in $^{239}\text{Pu}(\text{n},\text{F}\gamma)$, prompt γ .
191.71	(5/2 ⁺)	120.2 2	100	0.0	(3/2 ⁻)			
		71.5 2	19 2	120.19	(7/2 ⁻)	[E1]	0.645 11	$I_\gamma=18\ 2$, $I_\gamma+\text{ce}=29\ 4$ in $^{239}\text{Pu}(\text{n},\text{F}\gamma)$, prompt γ .
		141.8 2	59 7	49.94	(5/2 ⁻)	E1	0.0997	$\alpha(\text{K})_{\text{exp}}=0.08\ 10$ (2010Si03) $\alpha(\text{K})=0.085\ 3$ $I_\gamma=57\ 4$, $I_\gamma+\text{ce}=63\ 5$ in $^{239}\text{Pu}(\text{n},\text{F}\gamma)$, prompt γ .
		191.7 2	100	0.0	(3/2 ⁻)	E1	0.0440	$\alpha(\text{K})_{\text{exp}}=0.07\ 3$ (2010Si03) $\alpha(\text{K})=0.0377\ 12$ $I_\gamma=96\ 6$, $I_\gamma+\text{ce}=100\ 6$ in $^{239}\text{Pu}(\text{n},\text{F}\gamma)$, prompt γ .
208.42	(9/2 ⁻)	88.3 2	58 10	120.19	(7/2 ⁻)			
		158.5 2	100	49.94	(5/2 ⁻)			
252.24	(7/2 ⁺)	60.7 2		191.71	(5/2 ⁺)			
317.89	(11/2 ⁻)	109.5 2	71 14	208.42	(9/2 ⁻)			
		197.6 2	100	120.19	(7/2 ⁻)			
330.08	(9/2 ⁺)	78.0 2	50 16	252.24	(7/2 ⁺)			
		138.2 2	100	191.71	(5/2 ⁺)			
427.9	(11/2 ⁺)	97.9 2	76 11	330.08	(9/2 ⁺)			
		175.8	100	252.24	(7/2 ⁺)			
441.24	(13/2 ⁻)	123.3 2	60 8	317.89	(11/2 ⁻)			
		232.9 2	100	208.42	(9/2 ⁻)			
539.0	(13/2 ⁺)	111.1 2	86 10	427.9	(11/2 ⁺)			
		208.8 2	100	330.08	(9/2 ⁺)			
588.33	(15/2 ⁻)	147.1 2	45 6	441.24	(13/2 ⁻)			
		270.4 2	100	317.89	(11/2 ⁻)			
677.3	(15/2 ⁺)	138.3 2	63 8	539.0	(13/2 ⁺)			

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$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^\ddagger$	E_f	J_f^π	Comments
677.3	(15/2 ⁺)	249.4 2	100	427.9	(11/2 ⁺)	
743.6	(17/2 ⁻)	155.3 2	16 6	588.33	(15/2 ⁻)	
		302.4 2	100	441.24	(13/2 ⁻)	
817.4	(17/2 ⁺)	140.1 2	43 6	677.3	(15/2 ⁺)	
		278.4 2	100	539.0	(13/2 ⁺)	
928.0	(19/2 ⁻)	184.4 2	36 7	743.6	(17/2 ⁻)	
		339.6 2	100	588.33	(15/2 ⁻)	
1001.5	(19/2 ⁺)	184.1 2	54 8	817.4	(17/2 ⁺)	E_γ : from level-scheme figure 13 of 2010Si03, 184.4 in authors' table IV.
		324.2 2	100	677.3	(15/2 ⁺)	
1111.3	(21/2 ⁻)	183.2 2	25 8	928.0	(19/2 ⁻)	
		367.7 2	100	743.6	(17/2 ⁻)	
1164.7	(21/2 ⁺)	163.2 2	25 5	1001.5	(19/2 ⁺)	
		347.3 2	100	817.4	(17/2 ⁺)	
1331.5	(23/2 ⁻)	220.2 2	20 6	1111.3	(21/2 ⁻)	
		403.6 2	100	928.0	(19/2 ⁻)	
1399.9	(23/2 ⁺)	235.1 2	37 7	1164.7	(21/2 ⁺)	
		398.5 2	100	1001.5	(19/2 ⁺)	
1539.7	(25/2 ⁻)	208 ^{&}	10 3	1331.5	(23/2 ⁻)	
		428.4 2	100	1111.3	(21/2 ⁻)	
1578.9	(25/2 ⁺)	179.0 2	10 3	1399.9	(23/2 ⁺)	
		414.2 2	100	1164.7	(21/2 ⁺)	
1794.8	(27/2 ⁻)	463.3 2		1331.5	(23/2 ⁻)	
1869.4	(27/2 ⁺)	290.5 2	20 5	1578.9	(25/2 ⁺)	
		469.6 2	100	1399.9	(23/2 ⁺)	
2025.2	(29/2 ⁻)	485.5 2		1539.7	(25/2 ⁻)	
2057.0	(29/2 ⁺)	187.5 ^{&} 2	5 3	1869.4	(27/2 ⁺)	
		478.1 2	100	1578.9	(25/2 ⁺)	
2314.8	(31/2 ⁻)	520.0 2		1794.8	(27/2 ⁻)	
2407.4	(31/2 ⁺)	350.3 2	10 3	2057.0	(29/2 ⁺)	
		538.0 2	100	1869.4	(27/2 ⁺)	
2564.2	(33/2 ⁻)	539.0 2		2025.2	(29/2 ⁻)	
2595.2	(33/2 ⁺)	188 ^{&}		2407.4	(31/2 ⁺)	
		538.2 2		2057.0	(29/2 ⁺)	
3009.4	(35/2 ⁺)	602.0 2		2407.4	(31/2 ⁺)	
3190.0	(37/2 ⁺)	594.8 2		2595.2	(33/2 ⁺)	

[†] From 2010Si03. Typical uncertainty is stated by 2010Si03 as 0.2 keV.

[‡] Branching ratios measured by 2010Si03, ^{252}Cf decay; relative intensities (to 191.7 γ) from $^{239}\text{Pu}(\text{n},\text{F}\gamma)$ study are given in comments.

[#] From $\alpha(\text{K})\text{exp}$ (2010Si03).

[@] 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.

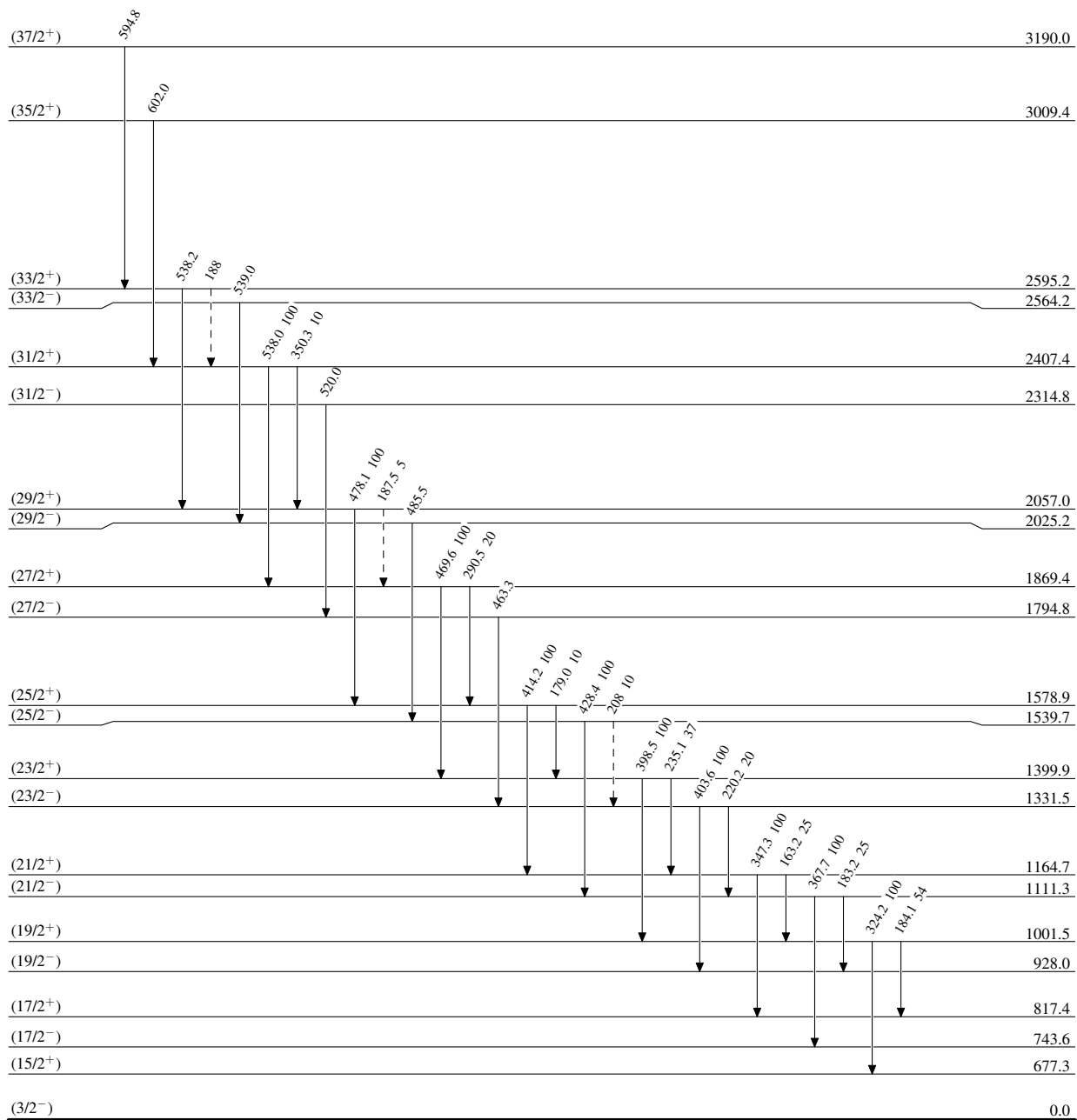
[&] Placement of transition in the level scheme is uncertain.

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Legend

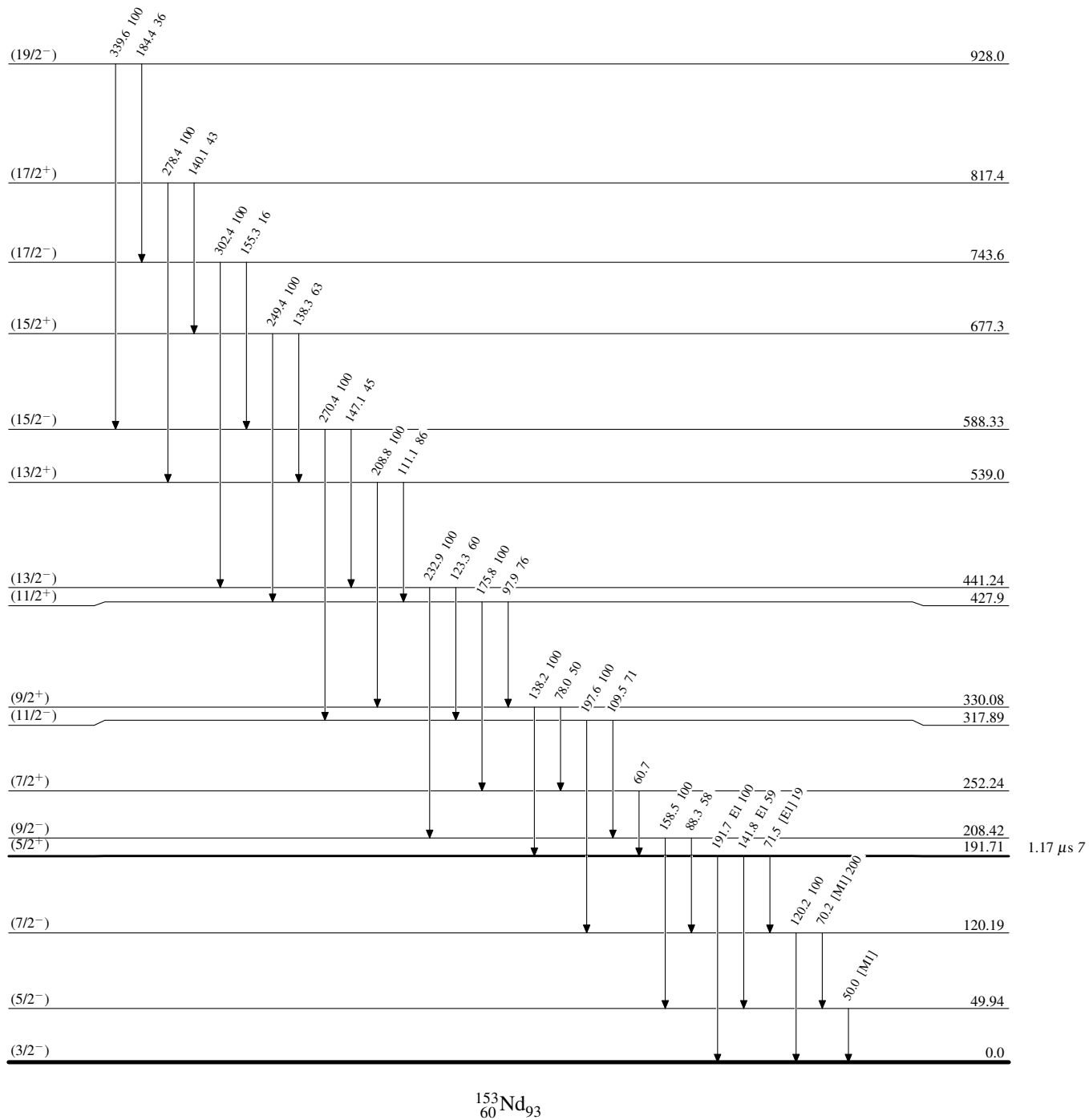
Level Scheme

Intensities: Relative photon branching from each level

-----► γ Decay (Uncertain) $^{153}_{60}\text{Nd}_{93}$

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Intensities: Relative photon branching from each level



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