

²⁵²Cf, ²⁴⁸Cm SF decay [1998Zh12](#), [1995Zh39](#), [1994Sm07](#)

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Parent: ²⁵²Cf: E=0; J^π=0⁺; T_{1/2}=2.645 y 8; %SF decay=8.39 16

Parent: ²⁴⁸Cm: E=0; J^π=0⁺; T_{1/2}=3.48×10⁵ y 6; %SF decay=3.092 8

The level scheme is that proposed by [1998Zh12](#). It is in essential agreement with, but considerably more extensive than, the studies of [1995Zh39](#) and [1994Sm07](#), who report only the gs (yrast) band up through the 16⁺ level. [1998Ga12](#) add another level.

All studies involve the spontaneous fission of ²⁵²Cf, except that of [1994Sm07](#) which is from the spontaneous fission of ¹⁴⁸Cm.

[1998Zh12](#): experimental details are not given, but are presumably similar to those of [1995Zh39](#).

[1998Ga12](#): γ's measured in Eurogam II array with 54 Compton-suppressed Ge detectors. Authors report two delayed γ's (T_{1/2} > 1 μs).

[1995Zh39](#): γγ and γγγ coincidences were measured using an array of 20 Compton-suppressed Ge detectors in an early version of Gammasphere having 36 Ge detectors and one LEPS detector.

[1994Sm07](#): study the γ rays produced in the spontaneous fission of ²⁴⁸Cm. The Eurogam phase 1 array of Compton-suppressed Ge detectors was used. Measured level lifetimes by a modified DSAM technique (the Doppler profile method).

[1974JaYY](#): Measured γ(t). See also [1974JaZN](#), by the same authors.

[1973TaZG](#): Measured Eγ and γ(t).

[1972Ho08](#): Measured Eγ.

[1972CIZN](#): Measured Eγ. See also [1974CIZX](#), by the same authors.

[1971Ch44](#): measured Eγ and γ(t). Also [1970ChYJ](#), [1970ChZH](#), [1970ChZM](#), and [1970Wi16](#) from the same authors.

[1970Jo20](#): Measured Eγ and γ(t), but Z not unique.

¹⁵⁴Nd Levels

E(level) [†]	J ^π [‡]	T _{1/2} [#]	Comments
0.0@	0 ⁺	25.9 s 2	T _{1/2} : Adopted value; other: 40 s 10 (1974Bu09).
70.8@ 1	2 ⁺	7.7 ns 20	T _{1/2} : From 1974JaYY ; other: > 2 ns (1970Wi16).
233.2@ 1	4 ⁺		
481.8@	6 ⁺		
810.0@	8 ⁺		
1002.5&	(2 ⁻)		
1128.2&	(4 ⁻)		
1210.7@	10 ⁺		
1297.97 22	(4 ⁻)	3.0 μs 3	E(level), J ^π , T _{1/2} : Adopted values. E(level): 1974CIZX in (²⁵² Cf SF decay) report two isomeric decays, 162.6 2 (T _{1/2} =1.300 μs 41) in ¹⁵⁴ Nd that primarily decays to the 4 ⁺ level and very little to the 6 ⁺ level, and a 169.9 2 (T _{1/2} =1.003 μs 37) assigned to mass 154. Similarly, 1970Jo20 also in (²⁵² Cf SF decay) report two isomeric decays, 162.5 (T _{1/2} =2.1 μs) and 169.9 (T _{1/2} =1.7 μs) both in mass 154. In (n,Fγ) a 169.8 3 γ ray was identified at this (4 ⁻) isomer, but no 162 γ ray. Overall, despite the missing evidence, the evaluator would tentatively place the 162 transitions also to this isomer.
1325.7&	(6 ⁻)		
1349	(5 ⁻)	>1 μs	E(level): Level reported by 1998Ga12 only. J ^π , T _{1/2} : From 1998Ga12 .
1594.2&	(8 ⁻)		
1677.2@	12 ⁺	1.9 ps	
1932.5&	(10 ⁻)		
2202.3@	14 ⁺	1.0 ps	
2338.3&	(12 ⁻)		
2778.9@	16 ⁺	0.69 ps	

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²⁵²Cf, ²⁴⁸Cm SF decay **1998Zh12,1995Zh39,1994Sm07 (continued)**

¹⁵⁴Nd Levels (continued)

E(level) [†]	J ^π [‡]
2808.3 ^{&}	(14 ⁻)
3339.0 ^{&}	(16 ⁻)
3399.3 ^{?@}	(18 ⁺)

[†] Unless otherwise noted, the values are from a least-squares fit to the listed γ energies. Where no uncertainty is given, the calculational procedure assumes an uncertainty of 1 keV for the E_γ value.

[‡] From ¹⁵⁴Nd Adopted Levels.

Unless noted otherwise, the values are from [1994Sm07](#).

@ Band(A): $K^\pi=0^+$ yrast band.

& Band(B): Side band. Probable octupole vibration. Configuration assignment is that suggested by [1998Zh12](#) and mentioned by [1999HaZV](#), from the same group as [1998Zh12](#).

		$\gamma(^{154}\text{Nd})$							
E_γ [†]	I_γ [‡]	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Mult.	$\alpha^\#$	Comments	
70.8 <i>I</i>		70.8	2 ⁺	0.0	0 ⁺	[E2]	7.79	$\alpha(\text{K})=2.96$ 5; $\alpha(\text{L})=3.76$ 6; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.861$ 14 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.186$ 3; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.0235$ 4; $\alpha(\text{P})=0.0001258$ 18 E_γ : From 1988Ka16 , ¹⁵⁴ Pr β^- decay; values from SF: 70.7 (1994Sm07), 72.8 (1995Zh39), and 71.1 (1998Zh12).	
125.8 162.4 <i>I</i>	100	1128.2 233.2	(4 ⁻) 4 ⁺	1002.5 (2 ⁻) 70.8 2 ⁺		[E2]	0.398	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.279$ 4; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.0931$ 14; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.0209$ 3 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.00454$ 7; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.000607$ 9; $\alpha(\text{P})=1.353 \times 10^{-5}$ 19 E_γ : From 1988Ka16 , ¹⁵⁴ Pr β^- decay; values from SF: 162.4 (1994Sm07), 162.1 (1995Zh39), and 162.8 (1998Zh12).	
197.5 248.6	12 80	1325.7 481.8	(6 ⁻) 6 ⁺	1128.2 (4 ⁻) 233.2 4 ⁺		[E2]	0.0954	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.0736$ 11; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.01713$ 24; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.00378$ 6 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.000828$ 12; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.0001146$ 16; $\alpha(\text{P})=3.91 \times 10^{-6}$ 6 E_γ : Others: 247.7 (1995Zh39); 248.5 (1994Sm07).	
268.5 328.2	12 52	1594.2 810.0	(8 ⁻) 8 ⁺	1325.7 (6 ⁻) 481.8 6 ⁺		[E2]	0.0397	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.0317$ 5; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.00624$ 9; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.001362$ 19 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.000300$ 5; $\alpha(\text{O})=4.25 \times 10^{-5}$ 6; $\alpha(\text{P})=1.767 \times 10^{-6}$ 25 E_γ : Others: 327.9 (1995Zh39); 328.2 (1994Sm07).	
338.3 400.7	10 26	1932.5 1210.7	(10 ⁻) 10 ⁺	1594.2 (8 ⁻) 810.0 8 ⁺		[E2]	0.0219	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.01782$ 25; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.00318$ 5; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000690$ 10 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.0001524$ 22; $\alpha(\text{O})=2.19 \times 10^{-5}$ 3; $\alpha(\text{P})=1.020 \times 10^{-6}$ 15 E_γ : Others: 400.6 (1995Zh39); 400.8 (1994Sm07).	
405.8 466.5	5.5 13	2338.3 1677.2	(12 ⁻) 12 ⁺	1932.5 (10 ⁻) 1210.7 10 ⁺		[E2]	0.01422	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.01172$ 17; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.00197$ 3; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000424$ 6 $\alpha(\text{N})=9.40 \times 10^{-5}$ 14; $\alpha(\text{O})=1.365 \times 10^{-5}$ 20; $\alpha(\text{P})=6.83 \times 10^{-7}$ 10 E_γ : Others: 466.1 (1995Zh39); 466.6 (1994Sm07).	
470.0 525.1	3.2 5.6	2808.3 2202.3	(14 ⁻) 14 ⁺	2338.3 (12 ⁻) 1677.2 12 ⁺		[E2]	0.01033	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.00858$ 12; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.001379$ 20; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000297$ 5 $\alpha(\text{N})=6.58 \times 10^{-5}$ 10; $\alpha(\text{O})=9.62 \times 10^{-6}$ 14;	

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$^{252}\text{Cf}, ^{248}\text{Cm}$ SF decay [1998Zh12](#), [1995Zh39](#), [1994Sm07](#) (continued) $\gamma(^{154}\text{Nd})$ (continued)

E_γ [†]	I_γ [‡]	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Mult.	$\alpha^\#$	Comments
								$\alpha(\text{P})=5.05\times 10^{-7}$ 7 E γ : Others: 524.7 (1995Zh39); 525.3 (1994Sm07).
530.7	1.2	3339.0	(16 ⁻)	2808.3	(14 ⁻)			
576.6	1.7	2778.9	16 ⁺	2202.3	14 ⁺	[E2]	0.00809	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.00676$ 10; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.001054$ 15; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000226$ 4 $\alpha(\text{N})=5.02\times 10^{-5}$ 7; $\alpha(\text{O})=7.38\times 10^{-6}$ 11; $\alpha(\text{P})=4.00\times 10^{-7}$ 6 E γ : Others: 576.4 (1995Zh39); 576.9 (1994Sm07).
620.4 [@]		3399.3?	(18 ⁺)	2778.9	16 ⁺			
784.8 [@]		1594.2	(8 ⁻)	810.0	8 ⁺			
843.8	6.8	1325.7	(6 ⁻)	481.8	6 ⁺			
870		1349	(5 ⁻)	481.8	6 ⁺			E γ : From 1998Ga12 . I γ : See 1113 γ .
895.0	13	1128.2	(4 ⁻)	233.2	4 ⁺			
931.8		1002.5	(2 ⁻)	70.8	2 ⁺			
1113		1349	(5 ⁻)	233.2	4 ⁺			E γ : From 1998Ga12 ; energy fit is poor. I γ : I γ (870)/I γ (1113) \approx 7 (1998Ga12).

[†] From [1998Zh12](#), unless noted otherwise. These values, with one exception, lie between those reported by [1995Zh39](#) and [1994Sm07](#). No uncertainties are given for the E γ values in these spontaneous fission studies, but some have been included from ^{154}Pr β^- decay ([1988Ka16](#)).

[‡] Values are from [1998Zh12](#).

[#] Total theoretical internal conversion coefficients, calculated using the BrIcc code ([2008Ki07](#)) with "Frozen Orbitals" approximation based on γ -ray energies, assigned multiplicities, and mixing ratios, unless otherwise specified.

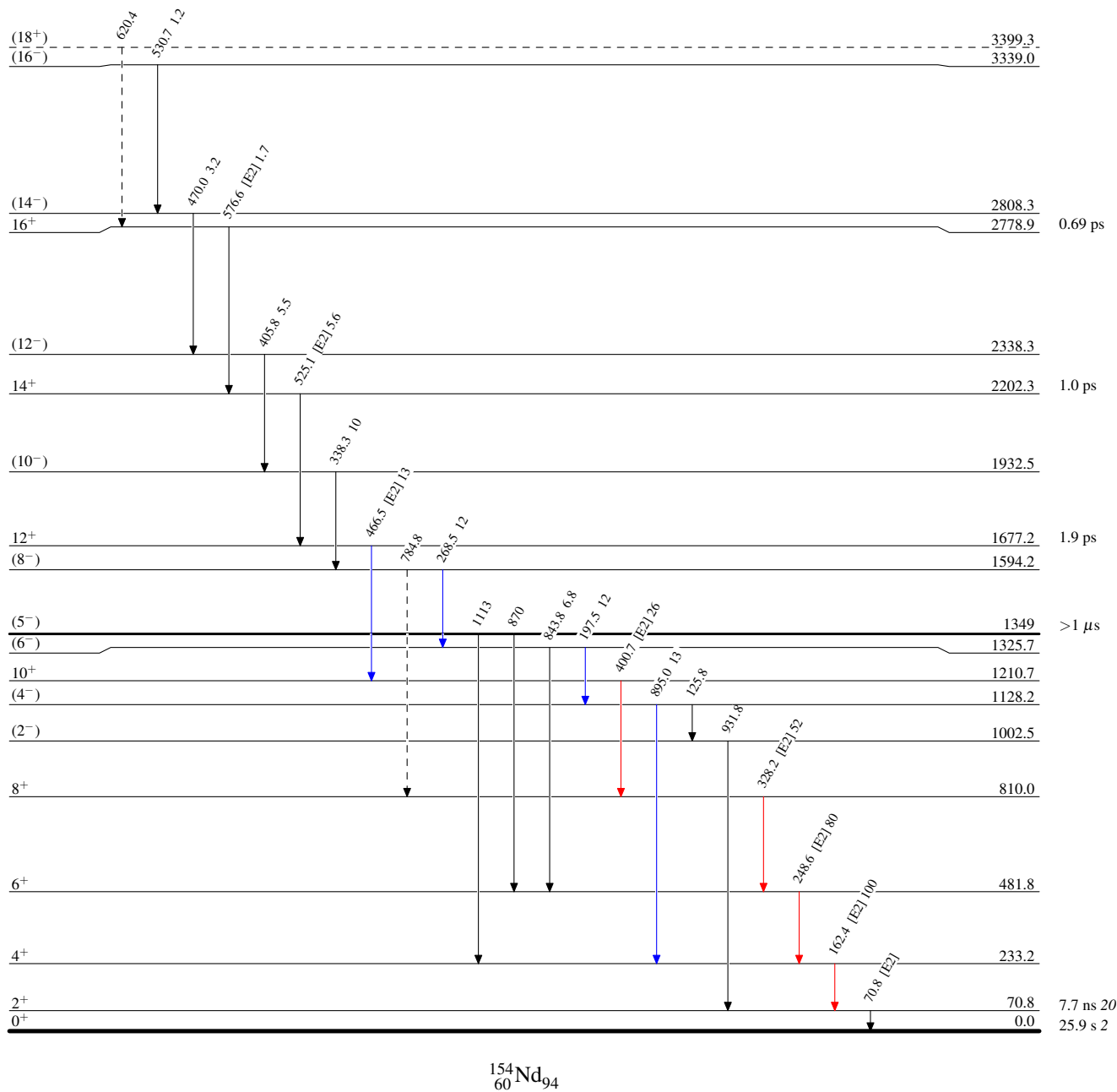
[@] Placement of transition in the level scheme is uncertain.

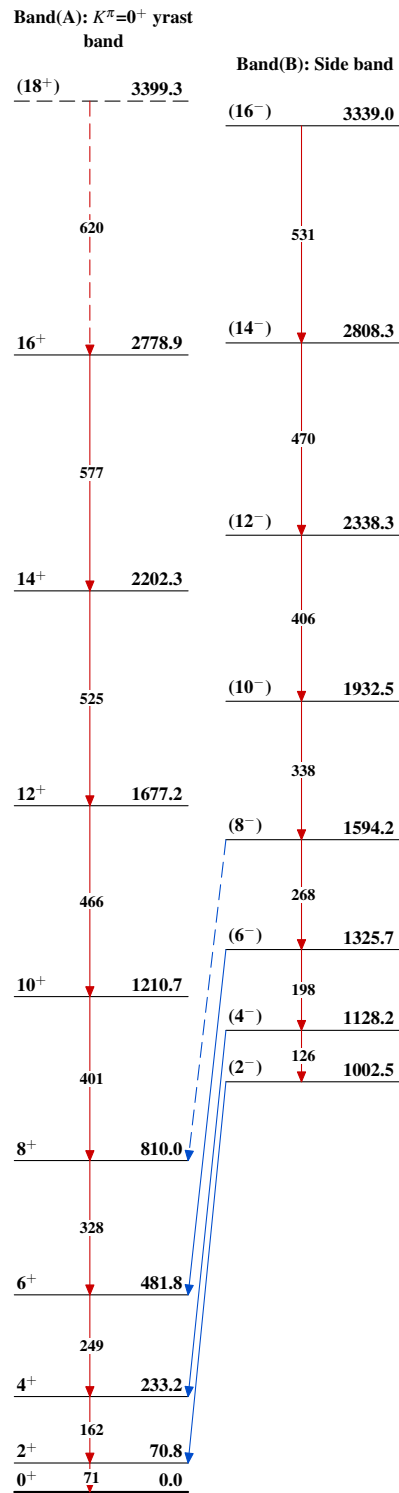
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Legend

Level Scheme
Intensities: Relative I_γ

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



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