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 **$^{157}\text{Yb}$   $\varepsilon$  decay    1994Xu07,1996Xu03,2008VaZV**

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Parent:  $^{157}\text{Yb}$ : E=0.0;  $J^\pi=7/2^-$ ;  $T_{1/2}=38.6$  s *10*;  $Q(\varepsilon)=5311$  28; % $\varepsilon+\beta^+$  decay=99.5

The scheme is from 1994Xu07, who produced the  $^{157}\text{Yb}$  by an  $^{16}\text{O}$  beam on  $^{147}\text{Sm}$ , with some added data from 1996Xu03 (same authors).  $\gamma$  placements are from  $\gamma\gamma$  coincidence data.

With a Q value of 5300 keV, this decay scheme is clearly very incomplete since levels are only reported up to 834 keV.

I( $\varepsilon+\beta^+$ ) values are given by 1994Xu07, but for two reasons they are not given here. First, the values of 1994Xu07 depend critically on assumptions concerning the  $\gamma$ -ray multipolarities. Second, the scheme is very incomplete since levels are only reported to 834 keV compared to a Q value of 5300 keV. Also, the strongest  $\gamma$ , at 23 keV, is not placed in this scheme.

The ratio of the intensities of the K x-rays and the 511 photons suggests a major share of the decays are to levels above 834 keV and even above 2000 keV. The largest single component of the K x ray intensity from internal conversion will come from the 69  $\gamma$  and its maximum value will be  $\approx 250$  if it is an M1 transition. Therefore, the measured  $I(K_{ax}) = 1660$  *150*, from which one can calculate that  $I(K_x) \approx 2100$ , is primarily from  $\varepsilon$  decay. Since the  $I(511) = 821$  *13* should correspond to 2 times the  $\beta^+$  decays (this assumes all of the  $\beta^+$  were stopped near the source), the measured capture to positron ratio is  $\approx 5$ . For comparison, the theoretical capture to positron ratios are: to 0 keV level 0.35, to 835 level 0.65, to a 2000 level 2.0, and to a 3000 level 10. Therefore, most of the  $\varepsilon+\beta^+$  decays are to levels above 2000 keV, assuming that the  $I(K_{ax})$  and  $I(511)$  are correct.

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 **$^{157}\text{Tm}$  Levels**

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E(level) <sup>†</sup>	$J^\pi$ <sup>‡#</sup>	$T_{1/2}$	Comments
0.0 <sup>@</sup>	$1/2^+$		
35.23 <i>11</i>		1.6 s	According to 2008VaZV this level is not populated directly by $^{157}\text{Yb}$ $\varepsilon$ decay (presumably because of nuclear structure arguments). $J^\pi$ : $(7/2^-)$ from (E2) $\gamma$ from $(3/2^-)$ (2008VaZV).
69.51 9			$T_{1/2}$ : Quoted by 2008VaZV from a 1999 report (with no given evidence this value looks questionable and it is not adopted); other value: > 40 ns from lack of observed coincidences in $x\gamma(t)$ measurement (1996Xu03).
105.78 <sup>&amp;</sup> 8			$J^\pi$ : $(3/2+(3/2^+)$ (1994Xu07,1996Xu03); $\pi=-$ (2008VaZV).
115.20 20			
164.50 <sup>@</sup> 4			$J^\pi$ : $3/2^+$ (1994Xu07,1996Xu03); $\pi=-$ (2008VaZV).
206.78 22			
231.08 4			$J^\pi$ : $(3/2^+)$ from 2008VaZV.
317.5 3			
339.95 8			
347.86 <sup>&amp;</sup> 9			$J^\pi$ : $(5/2^+)$ (1994Xu07,1996Xu03); $\pi=+$ (2008VaZV).
353.86 <sup>@</sup> 6			$J^\pi$ : $5/2^+$ (1994Xu07,1996Xu03); $\pi=-$ (2008VaZV).
430.53 <i>11</i>			
458.28 8			
580.40 <sup>&amp;</sup> 12			$J^\pi$ : $(7/2^+)$ from 1994Xu07 and 1996Xu03.
639.81 <sup>@</sup> <i>11</i>			$J^\pi$ : $7/2^+$ from 1994Xu07 and 1996Xu03.
656.87 <i>11</i>			
787.74 <i>14</i>			
834.70 <i>21</i>			

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

<sup>‡</sup> From Adopted Levels, Gammas dataset.

<sup>#</sup> In comments: from 1994Xu07 and 1996Xu03 and based on the suggestion that these levels form bands. Same J values are retrieved by 2008VaZV (mentioned as deduced from  $\gamma$ -ray multipolarities from measured ICC; however no evidence is shown) while parities are only partially in agreement with 1994Xu07 and 1996Xu03 (which makes their band assignments more

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hypothetical). As there is not enough evidence, neither the  $J^\pi$  values nor the band assignments have been adopted.

@ Band(A): Possibly  $K^\pi=1/2^+$  band.

& Band(B): Possibly  $K^\pi=3/2^+$  band.

 **$\gamma(^{157}\text{Tm})$** 

$I_\gamma$  normalization: with the scheme and internal-conversion coefficients given by 1994Xu07, the  $I_\gamma$  normalization is  $\approx 0.17$ . For a more complete scheme, this factor could be much smaller.

Unplaced  $\gamma$ 's are from 1994StZZ.

$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\ddagger a}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Comments
$x23.39 @\& 16$	253 13				
$x26.05 @\& 17$	60 6				
35.2 <sup>#</sup> 2	6 2	35.23	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	
$x44.02 @\& 25$	51 11				
69.52 9	33 2	69.51	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	
101.0 <sup>#</sup> 2	16 3	206.78	105.78		
105.7 1	38 5	105.78	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	$I_\gamma$ : Values disagree; 35 2 (1994StZZ) and 41 2 (1994Xu07).
115.2 <sup>#\&amp;</sup> 2	50 20	115.20	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	
116.78 14	3.2 10	347.86	231.08		
129.26 12	28.5 14	164.50	35.23		Mult.: According to 2008VaZV this is an E2 transitions (presumably based on ICC measurement).
$x133.02 @ 16$	7 2				
$x156.82 @ 10$	6 1				
164.49 4	62.7 17	164.50	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	Mult.: According to 2008VaZV this is an E1 transitions (presumably based on ICC measurement).
189.33 6	29 3	353.86	164.50		$I_\gamma$ : Values disagree; 30 2 (1994StZZ) and 23 4 (1994Xu07).
$x196.47 @ 10$	4 2				
202.3 <sup>#\&amp;</sup> 2	23 5	317.5	115.20		
$x206.23 @ 16$	4 2				
227.31 10	16 2	458.28	231.08		
231.10 4	100 3	231.08	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	
$x239.10 @ 27$	7 2				
242.05 5	102 4	347.86	105.78		
$x248.07 @ 12$	8 2				
$x249.91 @ 11$	12 2				
$x258.32 @ 7$	20 2				
$x273.1 @ 1$	9 2				
$x280.7 @ 1$	47 3				
285.93 10	12.4 9	639.81	353.86		
339.95 8	62 10	339.95	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	$I_\gamma$ : Values disagree; 33 6 (1994StZZ) and 65 2 (1994Xu07).
$x341.86 @ 11$	50 4				
348.36 25	24 4	347.86	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	$E_\gamma$ : Values disagree; 338.47 9 (1994StZZ) and 347.8 2 (1994Xu07).
353.90 9	44 7	353.86	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	$I_\gamma$ : Values disagree; 55 3 (1994StZZ) and 39 2 (1994Xu07).
$x357.70 @ 10$	39 4				
361.02 8	45 11	430.53	69.51		$I_\gamma$ : Values disagree; 67 4 (1994StZZ) and 40 2 (1994Xu07).
$x385.93 @ 10$	11 5				
$x388.10 @ 16$	7 4				

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$E_\gamma^{\dagger}$	$I_\gamma^{\ddagger \pm a}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Comments
$^{x}395.25^{\text{@}} 16$	14 2				
$^{x}405.84^{\text{@}} 18$	10 3				
430.5 <sup>#</sup> 2	8 4	430.53	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	
447.79 11	16 3	787.74	339.95		
458.15 11	14 4	458.28	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	$I_\gamma$ : Values disagree; 18 2 ( <a href="#">1994StZZ</a> ) and 10 2 ( <a href="#">1994Xu07</a> ).
474.62 9	19 4	580.40	105.78		$I_\gamma$ : Values disagree; 17 3 ( <a href="#">1994StZZ</a> ) and 26 5 ( <a href="#">1994Xu07</a> ).
475.4 <sup>#</sup> 2	10 2	639.81	164.50		
$^{x}480.98^{\text{@}} 17$	10 2				
492.37 10	16.4 18	656.87	164.50		
$^{x}525.13^{\text{@}} 13$	12 3				
$^{x}535.13^{\text{@}} 13$	17 3				
670.2 <sup>#</sup> 2	21 2	834.70	164.50		

<sup>†</sup> Weighted average of values of [1994Xu07](#) and [1994StZZ](#); significant discrepancies are noted; other: [1991StZZ](#). Somewhat different values are given in [1996Xu03](#) (same authors as [1994Xu07](#)), but the origin of values is not given.

<sup>‡</sup>  $I(X_{K\alpha})=1660$  150 and  $I(511)=821$  13 ([1994StZZ](#)).

<sup>#</sup>  $\gamma$  reported only by [1994Xu07](#).

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<sup>&</sup>  $\gamma$  not confirmed by [2008VaZV](#).

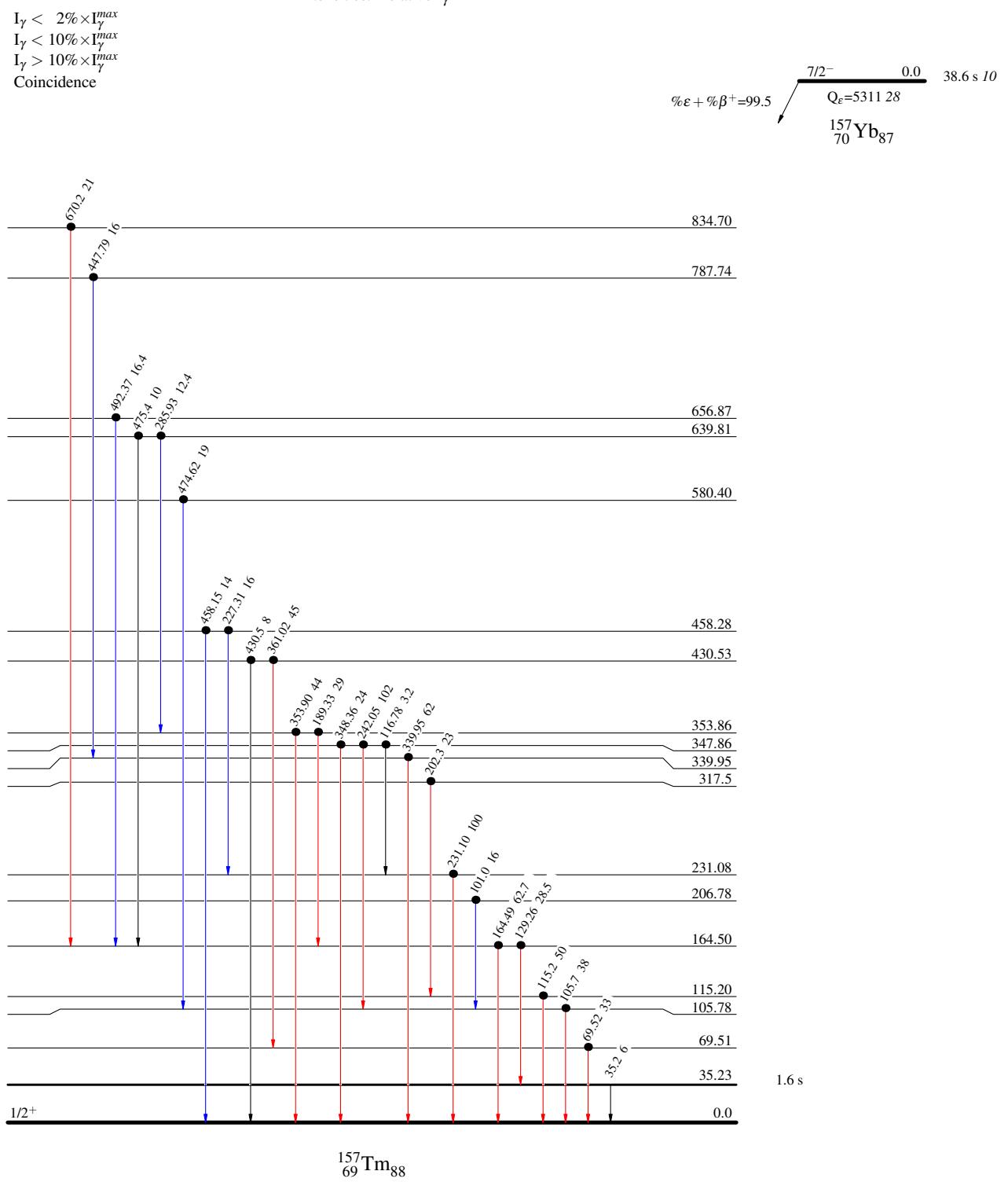
<sup>a</sup> For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.09 8.

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

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## Legend

## Decay Scheme

Intensities: Relative  $I_\gamma$ 

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