

**<sup>169</sup>Er β<sup>-</sup> decay (9.39 d)    [1968Ca06,1970Sh09,2021Ta24](#)**

Type	Author	History	Citation	Literature Cutoff Date
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Parent: <sup>169</sup>Er: E=0.0; J<sup>π</sup>=1/2<sup>-</sup>; T<sub>1/2</sub>=9.39 d 2; Q(β<sup>-</sup>)=353.5 8; %β<sup>-</sup> decay=100

<sup>169</sup>Er-J<sup>π</sup>,T<sub>1/2</sub>: from <sup>169</sup>Er Adopted Levels.

<sup>169</sup>Er-Q(β<sup>-</sup>): from [2021Wa16](#).

[1968Ca06](#): <sup>169</sup>Er was produced by neutron irradiation of 95% enriched <sup>168</sup>Er in the Swedish reactor. Purified placing in the isotope separator. Measured electron spectrum with the iron-core 50 cm radius double-focusing spectrometer.

[1970Sh09](#): <sup>169</sup>Er produced by neutron irradiation of 95% enriched <sup>168</sup>Er at the DR3 reactor at Riso; measured E<sub>γ</sub>, I<sub>γ</sub>; deduced I<sub>β</sub>.

[2021Ta24](#): <sup>169</sup>Er was produced by neutron irradiation of enriched <sup>168</sup>Er<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> target material and was chemically separated from the dissolved target; activity of reference sample was determined by triple-to-double coincidence ratio using liquid scintillation counting; I<sub>γ</sub> measurements were carried out at Institute of Radiation Physics (IRA), Lausanne, Switzerland using one n-type high-purity germanium (HPGe) cylindrical detector, and at Paul Scherrer Institute (Ψ), Villigen-Ψ, Switzerland using one planar HPGe detector.

Others: [1948Ke11](#), [1951Ke44](#), [1956Bi30](#), [1956Ha72](#), [1959Ch31](#), [1963Mc13](#), [1965Du02](#), [1967Ma42](#), [1971MaXG](#).

Except for the ce and I<sub>β</sub> data reported here, transition data were obtained with <sup>169</sup>Yb sources (see <sup>169</sup>Yb ε decay (32.016 d) for details and additional data), except where otherwise noted.

For K-shell auto-ionization probability data, see [1968Er02](#), [1971Ca44](#), and [1974Ja31](#).

For internal bremsstrahlung data, see [1976Pr06](#).

Measured X-ray intensities ([2021Ta24](#))

Energy	Intensity (per 100 decay)
49.7	2.91×10 <sup>-3</sup> 6
50.7	5.39×10 <sup>-3</sup> 10
57.3	1.74×10 <sup>-3</sup> 3
59.0	4.85×10 <sup>-4</sup> 9

<sup>169</sup>Tm Levels

E(level) <sup>†</sup>	J <sup>π</sup> <sup>‡</sup>	T <sub>1/2</sub> <sup>‡</sup>	Comments
0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	stable	
8.41017 15	3/2 <sup>+</sup>	4.09 ns 6	T <sub>1/2</sub> : other: 4.36 ns 17 ( <a href="#">1963Mc13</a> – β <sup>-</sup> decay).
118.18945 11	5/2 <sup>+</sup>	62.4 ps 28	

<sup>†</sup> From recoil-corrected E<sub>γ</sub>.

<sup>‡</sup> From Adopted Levels.

β<sup>-</sup> radiations

β<sup>-</sup> feedings are from intensity imbalance at each level; g.s. feeding is from 100% less total I<sub>β</sub> to 8.4+118.2 levels.

[1965Du02](#) report E<sub>β</sub>=344 keV 3 for β group to the g.s. and 8.4 levels combined.

[Additional information 1](#).

E(decay)	E(level)	I <sub>β</sub> <sup>-†</sup>	Log ft	Comments
(235.3 13)	118.18945	0.00498 8	9.59 <sup>1u</sup> 1	av E <sub>β</sub> =74.00 26 I <sub>β</sub> <sup>-</sup> : other: 0.0048 10 ( <a href="#">1970Sh09</a> ).

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<u>E(decay)</u>	<u>E(level)</u>	<u><math>I\beta^-</math><sup>†</sup></u>	<u>Log ft</u>	<u>Comments</u>
(345.1 13)	8.41017	45 5	6.57 5	av E $\beta$ =98.01 25
(353.5 16)	0.0	55 5	6.52 4	av E $\beta$ =100.69 26

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

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γ(<sup>169</sup>Tm)

I<sub>γ</sub> normalization: from I(γ+ce)/ΣIβ measurements.

<u>E<sub>γ</sub><sup>†</sup></u>	<u>I<sub>γ</sub><sup>&amp;</sup></u>	<u>E<sub>i</sub>(level)</u>	<u>J<sub>i</sub><sup>π</sup></u>	<u>E<sub>f</sub></u>	<u>J<sub>f</sub><sup>π</sup></u>	<u>Mult.<sup>‡</sup></u>	<u>δ<sup>‡</sup></u>	<u>α<sup>@</sup></u>	<u>I<sub>(γ+ce)</sub><sup>&amp;</sup></u>	<u>Comments</u>
8.41017 15	0.172 20	8.41017	3/2 <sup>+</sup>	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	M1+E2	0.0323 10	260 7	45 <sup>#</sup> 5	ce(M)/(γ+ce)=0.789 13 ce(N)/(γ+ce)=0.182 6; ce(O)/(γ+ce)=0.0241 8; ce(P)/(γ+ce)=0.000909 27 α(M)=206 6 α(N)=47.6 12; α(O)=6.29 15; α(P)=0.2375 33 %I <sub>γ</sub> =0.172 20 I <sub>γ</sub> : Deduced from I(γ+ce) and α. Mult.,δ: from M1:M2:M3 in 1968Ca06. δ from subshell ratio data of 1968Ca06 and using the BrIccMixing code (v2.3b). M1:M2:M3:M4:M5:N1:N2:N3:(N4+N5):O1: (O2+O3)= 100:36.8 14:38.0 14:0.9 2:1.0 2:22.1 6:6.4 3:7.6 2:0.20 2: 3.7 1:2.08 6 (1968Ca06); M1:M2:M3:(M4+M5)=100:31 3:34 3: ≈1.2, N1:N2:N3=100:25 3:41 5, M/N=4.2 5, N/O=6.4 10 (1971MaXG). Other: (α(M)exp + α(N)exp)=106 6 (from βce coin (1959Ch31)); value is inconsistent with adopted multipolarity.
109.77924 4	0.00136 2	118.18945	5/2 <sup>+</sup>	8.41017	3/2 <sup>+</sup>	M1+E2	-0.153 11	2.369 33		%I <sub>γ</sub> =0.00136 2 α(K)=1.966 28; α(L)=0.314 5; α(M)=0.0704 11 α(N)=0.01645 26; α(O)=0.002336 35; α(P)=0.0001203 17 I <sub>γ</sub> : rounded value of 0.001362 18 (2021Ta24). %I <sub>γ</sub> =0.000151 2 α(K)=0.701 10; α(L)=0.721 10; α(M)=0.1759 25 α(N)=0.0400 6; α(O)=0.00469 7; α(P)=2.95×10 <sup>-5</sup> 4 I <sub>γ</sub> : rounded value of 0.0001511 24 (2021Ta24).
118.18940 14	0.000151 2	118.18945	5/2 <sup>+</sup>	0.0	1/2 <sup>+</sup>	E2		1.642 23		

<sup>†</sup> From Adopted Gammas.

<sup>‡</sup> From Adopted Gammas, except as noted.

<sup>#</sup> From Ice(8.4γ)/ΣIβ=45 5 (Ice≈I(γ+ce)) (1965Du02). Other value for this ratio: 42 1% (1959Ch31).

<sup>@</sup> Additional information 2.

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

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Decay Scheme

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

Legend

