

^{19}C β^- n decay 1995Oz02

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Parent: ^{19}C : $E=0$; $T_{1/2}=45.5$ ms 40; $Q(\beta^-n)=11.23\times 10^3$ 10; $\% \beta^-n$ decay=47 3

^{19}C - $T_{1/2}$: From (1995Oz02).

^{19}C - $Q(\beta^-n)$: From (2021Wa16).

1988Du09: A beam of ^{19}C ions, produced in the GANIL/LISE spectrometer was implanted into a 7 mm thick plastic scintillator that was surrounded by a 500 liter gadolinium doped 4π liquid scintillator neutron detector array. The lower-level threshold was essentially zero because of the $\text{Gd}(n,\gamma)$ sensitivity. Analysis of the data indicated $P_{0n}=(46\ 3)\%$, $P_{1n}=(47\ 3)\%$ and $P_{2n}=(7\ 3)\%$. See also (1988DuZT,1988DuZZ).

1995Oz02: A beam of ^{19}C ions was produced by fragmenting a ^{22}Ne beam on a ^9Be target at RIKEN. The beam was magnetically separated, degraded to lower energies, and finally stopped in a plastic scintillator that was sandwiched between four other scintillator detectors. A valid β -decay event required a coincidence between three adjacent detectors. Three neutron walls surrounded the implantation target and covered about 1.4 sr. The decay neutron energy was deduced by the time of flight between the implantation detector and the neutron wall detectors. The ToF was calibrated by studying the decay of ^{17}N which has three visible known neutron groups. A set of two NaI detectors also faced the target for use measuring γ -ray singles events and n - γ coincidence events.

The measured neutron spectrum shows several decay groups. A significant ^{17}B component was present in the beam, and its decay radiations presented a background that was analyzed and subtracted. The final analysis of the neutron energy spectrum revealed five neutron groups that are attributed to β delayed neutron decay of ^{19}C to $^{18}\text{N}^*$ states, or of its daughter ^{19}N to ^{18}O states.

Throughout the experiment, ions were implanted for a 100 ms period followed by a 200 ms counting period; analysis of the time dependence for the neutron groups permitted assignment of four groups to decay of ^{19}C ($T_{1/2}\approx 50$ ms) and one group to decay of ^{19}N ($T_{1/2}\approx 320$ ms).

Four neutron groups at $E_n=0.46$, 1.01, 1.50 and 2.08 are observed; poor statistics prohibited full analysis of the $E_n=2.08$ MeV group. Since n - γ correlations were used to characterize the decay paths, the results are presented by normalizing to $\% \beta^-1n=(47\ 3)\%$ from (1988Du09).

See also (1994OzZY,1995OzZY).

 ^{18}N Levels

<u>E(level)[†]</u>	<u>J^π</u>	<u>T_{1/2}[†]</u>
0.0	1 ⁻	619 ms 2
114.71 10	(2 ⁻)	0.40 ns 11
587.39 20	(2 ⁻)	

[†] From Adopted Levels.

 $\gamma(^{18}\text{N})$

<u>E_γ</u>	<u>I_γ[†]</u>	<u>E_i(level)</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>
114.7	47.	114.71	(2 ⁻)	0.0	1 ⁻
472.7	14.3	587.39	(2 ⁻)	114.71	(2 ⁻)

[†] Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

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$E(n)$	$E(^{18}\text{N})$	$I(n)^{\dagger\ddagger}$	$E(^{19}\text{N})$	Comments
460 10	587.39	14.3 20	6400	$E_n=460$ keV 10 implies $E_x(^{19}\text{N})=6400$ keV 27.
1010 10	114.71	20.0 16	6508	$E_n=1010$ keV 10 implies $E_x(^{19}\text{N})=6508$ keV 27.
1500 20	114.71	12.7 15	7025	$E_n=1500$ keV 20 implies $E_x(^{19}\text{N})=7025$ keV 33.

† Normalized to (47.3)%; see (1988Du09).

‡ Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

 ^{19}C β^- n decay 1995Oz02Decay Scheme

γ Intensities: I_γ per 100 parent decays
 $I(n)$ Intensities: $I(n)$ per 100 parent decays

