

196Po α decay 1985Va03,1989De18

Type	Author	History	Literature Cutoff Date
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Parent: ^{196}Po : E=0.0; $J^\pi=0^+$; $T_{1/2}=5.60 \text{ s } 8$; $Q(\alpha)=6658.0 \text{ 24}$; % α decay=94 5

$^{196}\text{Po-T}_{1/2}$: 5.60 s 8 is weighted average of 5.5 s 5 ([1967Si09](#)), 5.8 s 2 ([1985Va03](#)), 5.8 s 2 ([1993Wa04](#)), 5.5 s 1 ([1997Pu01](#)).

Others: 5.1 s +31–14 ([2005Uu02](#)), 6.8 s 3 ([1996Ta18](#)). The datum from [1996Ta18](#) is a statistical outlier.

$^{196}\text{Po-}\% \alpha$ decay: $\% \alpha(^{196}\text{Po})=94$ 5 from [1993Wa04](#). This is a little larger than expected on the basis of the calculated partial β decay half-life of 39.5 s ([1997Mo25](#)); the latter implies $\%(\epsilon+\beta^+)=14$.

Others: [1967Si09](#), [1967Tr06](#), [1971Ho01](#), [1993Wa04](#), [1994Wa13](#), [1995De43](#), [1996Ta18](#), [1997Pu01](#), [2003Va16](#), [2005Uu02](#), [2005Uu03](#). [1985Va03](#): sources from ^{20}Ne bombardments of tungsten foil (natural), $E(^{20}\text{Ne})\leq 225$ MeV, on-line mass separation (LISOL); measured $E\alpha$, $I\alpha$ (silicon surface-barrier detectors), parent $T_{1/2}$.

[1989De18](#): sources from $^{182}\text{W}(^{20}\text{Ne},6n)$, $E(^{20}\text{Ne})<240$ MeV, mass separation; measured $E\alpha$, $(\alpha)(ce)(t)$; deduced mixing between $\pi(2p-2h)$ intruder state (767 level) and ground state.

[1993Wa04](#): mass separated product (LISOL separator) from ^{20}Ne ($E\leq 240$ MeV) bombardment of ^{182}W target; measured $E\alpha$, parent $T_{1/2}$. α branching determined from study of ^{200}Rn α decay to ^{196}Po .

[1996Ta18](#): ^{196}Po from ^{200}Rn α decay; measured $E\alpha$ (FWHM≈28 keV), $T_{1/2}(^{196}\text{Po})$.

[2009Ni11](#): calculated ^{196}Po α decay half-life using generalized density dependent cluster model with double folded Woods-Saxon potentials.

[2009Wa01](#): calculated α decay branching to g.s. and excited 0^+ states within the framework of the generalized liquid drop model.

 ^{192}Pb Levels

E(level)	J^π †	$T_{1/2}$ †	Comments
0.0	0^+	3.5 min 1	
767	0^+	0.75 ns 10	E(level): based on $E\alpha$. $T_{1/2}$: from $(\alpha)(ce)(t)$ (1989De18).
854?	2 ⁺		E(level): rounded-off value from Adopted Levels.

† From Adopted Levels.

 α radiations

$E\alpha$	E(level)	$I\alpha$ #&	HF†‡	Comments
5687 ^a CA	854?	≤ 0.0065	≥ 3.6	$E\alpha$: deduced from E(level) and $Q(\alpha)$ (no peak visible in α spectrum from 1985Va03). HF: calculated by 1985Va03 .
5769	767	0.022	2.74 16	$I\alpha$: 1985Va03 obtained (but did not state) an upper limit for this intensity. Based on $HF\geq 3.6$ given in 1985Va03 , $I\alpha\leq 0.0065$. An upper limit of 0.024 is imposed by the requirement that $HF\geq 1.0$. $E\alpha$: from 1985Va03 . Authors do not state uncertainty; however, $\Delta E=6$ keV is quoted In summary table II by 2003Va16 . Also observed by 1989De18 . coincident with Pb x-rays (2000Va34).
6521.9 @ 21	0.0	99.978	1.0	$E\alpha=6521.9$ 21 implies $Q(\alpha)=6657.8$ 21 cf. 6658.0 24 from 2011AuZZ .

† Additional information 1.

‡ $r_0(^{192}\text{Pb})=1.513$ 3 from Hf(to g.s.)=1.0. This assumes $T_{1/2}=5.60 \text{ s } 8$ for ^{196}Po . See [1995De43](#) for discussion of hindrance for decay to 0^+ 767 intruder state; these authors report Hf(to 767)=2.5 1 cf. 2.9 7 in [1985Va03](#) and 2.74 16 calculated here.

Measured, but not stated, in [1985Va03](#). [1994Wa13](#) indicate $I(6518\alpha):I(5769\alpha)=94:0.021$.

@ Weighted average of 6526 8 ([1967Si09](#)), 6518 5 ([1967Tr06](#), after 0.7 keV increase recommended in [1991Ry01](#)), 6522 8 ([1971Ho01](#), after 1.3 keV increase recommended in [1991Ry01](#)), 6521 5 ([1985Va03](#)), 6521 5 ([1993Wa04](#)), 6518 5 ([1996Ta18](#));

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$\Delta E\alpha=1$ keV (statistical), ≤ 5 keV (systematic)), 6533 6 (2005Uu03). 1991Ry01 recommended $E\alpha=6520$ 3 based on the pre-1991 data above. Other $E\alpha$: 6520 (1977De32), 6520 30 (1997Pu01).

& For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.94 5.

^a Existence of this branch is questionable.

 $\gamma(^{192}\text{Pb})$

E_γ	$E_i(\text{level})$	J^π_i	E_f	J^π_f	Mult. [†]	Comments
769	767	0^+	0.0	0^+	E0	E_γ : rounded value from Adopted Gammmas; conversion electrons observed in coincidence with 5769α (1989De18).

[†] From Adopted Gammmas.

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