

¹⁹⁹Bi α decay (24.70 min) [1950Ne77](#),[1964Si11](#),[1966Ma51](#)

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Parent: ¹⁹⁹Bi: E=667 4; J ^{π} =(1/2⁺); T_{1/2}=24.70 min 15; Q(α)=4933 7; % α decay \approx 0.01

¹⁹⁹Bi-% α decay: $\epsilon/a \approx 8 \times 10^3$ ([1950Ne77](#)), K x ray/a $\approx 1 \times 10^4$ ([1964Si11](#)); $\epsilon/a < 0.028$ ([1970DaZM](#)). Value from [1988Sc02](#).

Sources produced by ²⁰⁸Pb(d,¹¹N) ([1950Ne77](#)) and ²⁰⁸Pb(p,¹⁰N) ([1964Si11](#),[1966Ma51](#)).

[1950Ne77](#): ²⁰⁸Pb(d,¹¹N), E(d)=180 MeV; identification based upon excitation function, chemistry, and growth of ¹⁹⁹Tl daughter.

[1964Si11](#), [1966Ma51](#): ²⁰⁸Pb(p,¹⁰N), E(p)=100-160 MeV; identification based upon mass separator.

For analysis, see [1978Va21](#).

The identification of the 5.486-MeV α with a ¹⁹⁹Bi excited state cannot be made with complete confidence since systematic gives 4820 keV 1000 ([1975BoYG](#)) for the ground-state Q(β^-) value, and this is not necessarily inconsistent with the observed Q(α) of 5599 keV 6. Further, the T_{1/2}=27 min 1 reported for ce decay ([1964Si11](#)) lies relatively close to the more accurately determined T_{1/2}(α)=24.70 min 15. However, α decay from a (9/2⁻) ¹⁹⁹Bi ground state would be expected to populate the 483-keV (9/2⁻) level in ¹⁹⁵Tl with a consequently even smaller energy release.

For the evaluations, see [1988Sc02](#) and [1986BrZQ](#).

¹⁹⁵Tl Levels

E(level)	J ^{π}	T _{1/2}
0.0	1/2 ⁺ †	1.16 † h 5

† From Adopted Levels.

α radiations

E α	E(level)	I α †	HF	Comments
5484 5	0.0	100	≈ 65	E α : from weighted average of 5.49 MeV 2 (1970DaZM), 5.49 1 (1967Ti04), 5.481 6 (1966Ma51), 5.52 2 (1964Si11), 5.47 6 (1950Ne77). HF: r ₀ =1.45. The α decay of ¹⁹⁹ Bi(24.7 min) may be compared with that of the 846(1/2 ⁺) level in ²⁰¹ Bi.

† For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by ≈ 0.0001 .