¹⁹⁸Pt $2\beta^-$ decay **2011Be32**

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Parent: 198 Pt: E=0.0; J^{π} =0+; $T_{1/2} \ge 3.5 \times 10^{18}$ y; $Q(2\beta^{-})$ =1049.2 21; %2 β^{-} decay=?

¹⁹⁸Pt-T_{1/2}: Value given for double β⁻ decay to the 411.8 keV state of ¹⁹⁸Hg including both two-neutrino and neutrinoless processes based on a fitted peak of 13 counts 10, which excludes 29 counts at 90% C.L.

2011Be32: Platinum sample=42.53 g total mass, consisting of two cups and a lid designed for chemistry purposes. With isotopic composition taken into account, the sample contained 1.84×10¹⁹ ¹⁹⁰Pt nuclei and 9.40×10²¹ ¹⁹⁸Pt nuclei. Experiment was performed at the Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso of the INFN using an ultra-low background p-type HP Ge detector over 1815.4 h with the sample and 1045.6 h of background accumulation. Measured Eγ, Iγ. Deduced lower limit of T_{1/2} for double beta decay processes. Noted contaminants which contributed peaks to the spectrum included: ^{192m}Ir, α decay of ¹⁹⁰Pt, ¹³⁷Cs, ⁴⁰K, ⁶⁰Co as well as the common nuclides from the ²³²Th, ²³⁵U and ²³⁸U chains. The activities of all contaminants were less than 50 mBg/kg with the exception of ²³¹Pa, ²³⁸U and ²¹⁰Pb which had activities less than 66, 68 and 34000 mBg/kg respectively. No peaks in the accumulated spectrum indicate double-β activity. Thus the lower limit was set at a 90% confidence level, calculated by the product of the number of nuclei with the detector efficiency, measuring time and lim S (the number of events which can be excluded).

¹⁹⁸Hg Levels

Only levels mentioned as possibly being populated by the double decay are shown here.

$$\frac{\text{E(level)}^{\dagger}}{0.0} \quad \frac{\text{J}^{\pi \dagger}}{0^{+}}$$
411.8 2+

† From Adopted Levels.

$$\gamma(^{198}\text{Hg})$$

$$\frac{E_{\gamma}^{\dagger}}{411.8}$$
 $\frac{E_{i}(\text{level})}{411.8}$ $\frac{J_{i}^{\pi}}{2^{+}}$ $\frac{E_{f}}{0.0}$ $\frac{J_{f}^{\pi}}{0^{+}}$

[†] From Adopted Gammas.

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Decay Scheme



