

**Adopted Levels, Gammas**

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Q( $\beta^-$ )=2189 15; S(n)=5223 19; S(p)=5460 15; Q( $\alpha$ )=5300 40    2012Wa38  
 S(2n)=9264 16, S(2p)=14710 30 (2012Wa38).

<sup>215</sup>Bi evaluated by D. Abriola, P. Demetriou, B. Singh, ranching. Gowrishankar, K. Vijay Sai.

1953Hy83:  $\beta^-$  decay inferred by measurements of the  $\alpha$  decay of the <sup>215</sup>Po daughter nucleus, measured half-life.

1965Nu03: descendant of radioactive source <sup>227</sup>Ac. Measured T<sub>1/2</sub>.

1990Ru02: source produced by spallation of 200-MeV protons on targets of <sup>232</sup>Th. <sup>215</sup>Bi(7.6 min) activity was identified by mass separation and by the observation of known  $\gamma$  rays in the daughter nucleus <sup>215</sup>Po. Measured T<sub>1/2</sub>. The  $\beta^-$  particles were detected in a 4 $\pi$  plastic scintillator.

2008We02: precise mass measurement using ISOLTRAP Penning-trap mass spectrometer.

<sup>215</sup>Bi Levels

Cross Reference (XREF) Flags

- A <sup>215</sup>Pb  $\beta^-$  decay (147 s)
- B <sup>215</sup>Bi IT decay (36.9 s)
- C <sup>219</sup>At  $\alpha$  decay (56 s)

E(level) <sup>†</sup>	J $^\pi$	T <sub>1/2</sub>	XREF	Comments
0.0	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	7.6 min 2	ABC	% $\beta^-$ =100 RMS charge radius $\langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ =5.576 fm 9; deduced from extrapolation of evaluated rms charge radii of <sup>209</sup> Bi to <sup>213</sup> Bi (2013An02), with slope k <sub>z</sub> =0.35 in formula 9 of 2004An14. % $\beta^-$ : only $\beta^-$ decay mode observed (1990Ru02,1953Hy83). % $\alpha$ ≈8.×10 <sup>-5</sup> from systematics of $\alpha$ branching versus Q( $\alpha$ ) for <sup>212</sup> Bi, <sup>213</sup> Bi, and <sup>214</sup> Bi. J $^\pi$ : analogy to <sup>209</sup> Bi, <sup>211</sup> Bi, and <sup>213</sup> Bi suggests $\pi h_{9/2}$ configuration. Strong $\beta$ feeding of 293, (11/2 <sup>+</sup> ) level in <sup>215</sup> Po corroborates this configuration assignment. T <sub>1/2</sub> : weighted average of 7.7 min 2 (1990Ru02), 7.5 min 4 (1989Bu09), and 7.4 min 6 (1965Nu03). Other value: 8 min 2 (1953Hy83). $\langle r^2 \rangle^{1/2}$ =5.552 fm 3 (extrapolation from <sup>209</sup> Bi value using formula (4) in 2004An14).
183.5 3	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )		A	J $^\pi$ : M1 $\gamma$ to (9/2 <sup>-</sup> ); analogy to <sup>211</sup> Bi, <sup>213</sup> Bi, suggests $\pi h_{7/2}$ configuration. Large HF for $\alpha$ decay parent nuclei to a corresponding 7/2 <sup>-</sup> state observed in <sup>211</sup> Bi and <sup>213</sup> Bi corroborates this configuration assignment.
746.60?‡ 10	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )#		B	
854.5 10			A	
1022.5 10			A	
1160.70?‡ 14	(17/2 <sup>-</sup> )#		B	
1168.5 10			A	
1199.8 7			A	
1347.50 17	(21/2 <sup>-</sup> )#		B	
1347.50+x	(25/2 to 29/2) <sup>(-)</sup>	36.9 s 6	B	%IT=76.9 5; % $\beta^-$ =23.1 5 % $\beta^-$ : deduced by the evaluators from weighted average of gamma transition intensities for five strong $\gamma$ rays in 2003Ku26. Value of

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**Adopted Levels, Gammas (continued)** $^{215}\text{Bi}$  Levels (continued)

<u>E(level)<sup>†</sup></u>	<u>XREF</u>	<u>Comments</u>
		$\% \beta^- = 23.8$ 4 in <a href="#">2003Ku26</a> is slightly different but could not be reproduced by the evaluators. E(level): $x=40$ +80-40 ( <a href="#">2003Ku26</a> , from non-observation of Bi K-x rays in coin with 186.8 $\gamma$ ). Other estimate: 20 20 ( <a href="#">2012Au07</a> ). $T_{1/2}$ : from weighted average ( <a href="#">2003Ku26</a> ) of 37.1 s 5 and 36.4 s 8 from the decay curves of 187, 414, 747 $\gamma$ rays in isomer decay and 226, 256, 308, 419 $\gamma$ rays in $\beta^-$ decay, respectively. Note that reduced $\chi^2=9$ for the second set of $\gamma$ decay curves. From the same data, evaluators obtain weighted average of 36.7 s 5 with reduced $\chi^2=5.7$ . $J^\pi$ : possible configuration = $\pi h_{9/2} \otimes ((\nu g_{9/2})^5)_{9/2} \otimes \nu i_{11/2} (10^+)$ <a href="#">2003Ku26</a> further propose $27/2^-$ from expected M3 transition to 1347, ( $21/2^-$ ) level, based on partial half-life of the isomeric transition of <80 keV.
1959.8 12	A	

<sup>†</sup> From E $\gamma$  data.

<sup>‡</sup> The ordering of the 187-414-747 cascade is not established, the one given here is just one of the possibilities. Thus the positions of the intermediate levels at 747 and 1161 could be different.

<sup>#</sup> E2  $\rightarrow$  (E2)  $\rightarrow$  (E2)  $\gamma$  cascade feeding ( $9/2^-$ ) g.s. suggests ( $21/2^-$ )  $\rightarrow$  ( $17/2^-$ )  $\rightarrow$  ( $13/2^-$ ) spin-parity sequence.

<u><math>\gamma(^{215}\text{Bi})</math></u>								
<u>E<sub>i</sub>(level)</u>	<u>J<sub>i</sub><sup><math>\pi</math></sup></u>	<u>E<sub><math>\gamma</math></sub></u>	<u>I<sub><math>\gamma</math></sub></u>	<u>E<sub>f</sub></u>	<u>J<sub>f</sub><sup><math>\pi</math></sup></u>	<u>Mult.</u>	<u><math>\alpha^{\ddagger}</math></u>	<u>Comments</u>
183.5	( $7/2^-$ )	183.5 3	100	0.0	( $9/2^-$ )	M1	1.82 3	$\alpha(\text{K})=1.478$ 22; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.258$ 4; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.0606$ 9; $\alpha(\text{N})=0.01550$ 23 Mult.: from measured $\alpha(\text{K})_{\text{exp}}$ in $^{215}\text{Pb}$ $\beta^-$ decay. Some E2 admixture is possible.
746.60?	( $13/2^-$ )	746.6 1	100	0.0	( $9/2^-$ )	(E2) <sup>†</sup>	0.01258	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.00962$ 14; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.00224$ 4
854.5		671 1	100	183.5	( $7/2^-$ )			
1022.5		839 1	100	183.5	( $7/2^-$ )			
1160.70?	( $17/2^-$ )	414.1 1	100	746.60?	( $13/2^-$ )	(E2) <sup>†</sup>	0.0491	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.0320$ 5; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.01282$ 18; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.00325$ 5
1168.5		985 1	100	183.5	( $7/2^-$ )			
1199.8		1016 1	82 30	183.5	( $7/2^-$ )			
		1200 1	100 65	0.0	( $9/2^-$ )			
1347.50	( $21/2^-$ )	186.8 1	100	1160.70?	( $17/2^-$ )	(E2)	0.571	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.195$ 3; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.280$ 4; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.0737$ 11; $\alpha(\text{N})=0.0188$ 3 Mult.: from measured $\alpha(\text{K})_{\text{exp}}$ in $^{215}\text{Bi}$ IT decay.
1347.50+x	( $25/2$ to $29/2$ ) <sup>(-)</sup>	x		1347.50	( $21/2^-$ )			E $\gamma$ : $x=40$ +80-40 ( <a href="#">2003Ku26</a> ). There may be one or more $\gamma$ transitions from the isomer, but each should be lower than 80 keV. from non-observation of Bi K-x rays in coin with 186.8 $\gamma$ .
1959.8		760 1	100	1199.8				

<sup>†</sup> From  $\gamma$  intensity balance in 187-414-747  $\gamma$  cascade in IT decay. See details in  $^{215}\text{Bi}$  IT decay dataset.

<sup>‡</sup> Total theoretical internal conversion coefficients, calculated using the BrIcc code ([2008Ki07](#)) with Frozen orbital approximation based on  $\gamma$ -ray energies, assigned multiplicities, and mixing ratios, unless otherwise specified.

**Adopted Levels, Gammas**Level Scheme

Intensities: Relative photon branching from each level

