

$^{234}\text{Cm}$   $\alpha$  decay    [2002CaZU,2016Ka13](#)

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Parent:  $^{234}\text{Cm}$ :  $E=0.0$ ;  $T_{1/2}=49\text{ s} \pm 15-9$ ;  $Q(\alpha)=7365\text{ eV}$ ;  $\% \alpha$  decay  $\approx 40$

$^{234}\text{Cm}$ - $T_{1/2}$ : From [2016Ka13](#). Other:  $51\text{ s} \pm 12$  ([2002CaZU](#)).

$^{234}\text{Cm}$ - $Q(\alpha)$ : From [2021Wa16](#).

$^{234}\text{Cm}$ - $\% \alpha$  decay: From [2002CaZU](#).

$^{234}\text{Cm}$ - $\% \alpha$  decay: [2002CaZU](#) gives the measured ratio for  $\alpha$ /spontaneous-fission decay of  $^{234}\text{Cm}$  as  $94\text{ }9/6\text{ }2$ , but also assumes a 50% electron-capture branch. The evaluator has chosen to approximate the  $\alpha$ -branching as  $\approx 40\%$ .

[2002CaZU](#): First observation of  $^{234}\text{Cm}$  using  $^{198}\text{Pt}(^{40}\text{Ar},4n)$  reaction at GSI for several bombarding energies. Determined decay properties by analysis of correlated  $\alpha$ -decay chains. Measured  $E_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha(t)$ ,  $\alpha\alpha$ .

[2016Ka13](#):  $^{230}\text{Pu}$  produced through various decay paths originating with  $^{234}\text{Bk}$  produced at RIKEN through the  $^{197}\text{Au}(^{40}\text{Ar},3n)$  reaction. Reaction products were attached to KCl aerosols and flowed through a gas-handling system, then deposited on a rotating detector apparatus to measure decay products. Measured  $E_\alpha$ ,  $\alpha\alpha$  and  $\alpha$ -SF coincidence, time distribution between decay generations.

 $^{230}\text{Pu}$  Levels

E(level)	$J^\pi$ <sup>†</sup>	Comments
0.0	$0^+$	$\% \alpha \approx 100$ ; $\% \epsilon < 27$ $\% \epsilon$ : Estimated from balance of $\alpha$ decays populating and depopulating $^{230}\text{Pu}$ in <a href="#">2002CaZU</a> .
99 22	$(2^+)$	E(level): From $\Delta E_\alpha$ .

<sup>†</sup> From Adopted Levels.

 $\alpha$  radiations

$E_\alpha$	E(level)	$I_\alpha$ <sup>‡</sup>	HF <sup>†</sup>	Comments
7140 20	99	15	2.3	$E_\alpha, I_\alpha$ : From <a href="#">2016Ka13</a> .
7239 9	0.0	85	1	$E_\alpha$ : Weighted average of 7239 keV 10 ( <a href="#">2002CaZU</a> ) and 7240 keV 20 ( <a href="#">2016Ka13</a> ). $I_\alpha$ : From <a href="#">2016Ka13</a> .

<sup>†</sup> The nuclear radius parameter  $r_0(^{230}\text{Pu})=1.381\text{ fm}$  is deduced by assuming  $\text{HF}=1.0$  for the ground-state to ground-state alpha decay branch.

<sup>‡</sup> For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by  $\approx 0.40$ .