

Adopted Levels

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$Q(\beta^-) = -4.11 \times 10^3$ *syst*; $S(n) = 7.77 \times 10^3$ 5; $S(p) = 4.89 \times 10^3$ 6; $Q(\alpha) = 6310$ 5 [2012Wa38](#)

Note: Current evaluation has used the following Q record -4180 *syst* 7770 50 4890 50 6310 5 [2003Au03](#).

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Assignment: $^{233}\text{U}(\alpha, 3n)$ chem; precursor of 30-min ^{226}Th ([1949Hy04](#), [1949Pe04](#)); daughter ^{238}Cm , chem ([1952Hi63](#)).

See [1993Po14](#) for theoretical predictions of $E\alpha$ and $T_{1/2}$.

Exotic decays via heavy-particle emission (cluster decays) were studied, and decay rates calculated by: [2005Ku32](#) (^{24}Ne , ^{28}Mg); [2005Ku04](#) (^{24}Ne , ^{32}Si , ^{29}Al , ^{28}Mg , ^{27}Na).

 ^{234}Pu LevelsCross Reference (XREF) Flags

A ^{238}Cm α decay
B ^{234}Am ε decay

E(level)	J^π	$T_{1/2}$	XREF	Comments
0.0	0^+	8.8 h <i>I</i>	AB	$\% \alpha \approx 6$; $\% \varepsilon \approx 94$ Branchings were deduced from measured values of $\alpha/\varepsilon K = 0.09$ and $\varepsilon L/\varepsilon K = 0.3$ (1956Ho99). Other measurements: $\varepsilon/\alpha > 9$ (1973Ja06). $T_{1/2}$: 8.8 h <i>I</i> (1973Ja06), 8.5 h <i>IO</i> (1949Pe04), 9.0 h 5 (1952Or03). Early measurement: 1949Hy04 .
<4170		3 ns	B	$\% \text{SF} \leq 100$; $\% \text{IT} = ?$ E(level): Since this state is populated in ^{234}Am ε decay, its energy must be less than $Q(\varepsilon) = 4180$ keV 210 (2003Au03). Energies of spontaneously fissioning isomers in neighboring plutonium isotopes are in the range of 2000-3000 keV (see 1979Ew01). This level may be complex, and comprised of several levels in the second well of the nuclear potential. $T_{1/2}$: From prompt coincidence data between fission products and plutonium K x-rays emitted in ^{234}Am ε decay.