

²³⁵Am ε decay 2004As12

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Parent: ²³⁵Am: E=0; J^π=(5/2⁻); T_{1/2}=10.3 min 6; Q(ε)=2442 56; %ε+%β⁺ decay=99.60 5

²³⁵Am-T_{1/2}: From 2004Sa05.

²³⁵Am-%ε+%β⁺ decay: %α=0.40 5 (2004Sa05).

2004As12: Activity produced by ²³³U(⁶Li,4n), E=34-42 MeV. Reaction products stopped in He gas loaded with PbI₂ clusters, and transported into an ion source of ISOL by gas-jet stream. Products mass separated with a resolution of M/ΔM≈800. separated ions implanted into a Si α detector, two Ge detectors used for γ-rays. Measured: α, γ, αγ, γγ, Np K x ray, and Pu K x ray, L x ray, studied ²³⁵Am ε and α decay. Others: 2002As08, 2003Na10.

2004Sa05: Measured Eα, T_{1/2}.

2000SaZO: Activity produced by ²³³U(⁶Li,4n), E=45.5 MeV. Mass-separated and assigned to ²³⁵Am. Measured γ rays, Pu K x ray, Np K x ray, α particles (Eα). Detectors: Si-pin photodiodes for α particles; High-purity Ge for γ rays. Deduced half-life, α/ε branching ratio. No specific γ rays were reported, and no decay scheme was constructed.

All data are from 2004As12, unless otherwise stated.

²³⁵Pu Levels

E(level)	J ^π †	Comments
0.0	5/2 ⁺	Possible configuration=ν5/2[633].
41.90 19	(7/2 ⁺)	possible configuration=ν5/2[633].
183.70 17	(3/2 ⁺)	J ^π : Possible configuration=ν1/2[631].
265.37 16	(5/2 ⁺)	Suggested configuration=ν3/2[631].
290.53 16	(5/2 ⁻)	Suggested Configuration=ν5/2[752].
535.10 17	(5/2 ⁺)	Suggested Configuration=ν5/2[622].
639.1 3		
825.9 3		
1029.5 3		
1118.8 3		

† Configurations are suggested based on expected log ft values and similar transitions in neighboring nuclides.

ε,β⁺ radiations

E(decay)	E(level)	Iβ ⁺ #	Iε#	Log ft	I(ε+β ⁺) [†] #	Comments
(2.44×10 ³ 6)	0.0	<0.40	<32	>6.0	<32 [‡]	av Eβ=652 26; εK=0.7605 11; εL=0.1678 6; εM+=0.05912 23 I(ε+β ⁺): Estimated intensity to g.s.+42 level based on observed K x ray – K x ray based on all γ's, except 183.7γ, assumed E1. 183.7γ is M1+E2.

† Not determined explicitly in 2004As12 due to lack of knowledge of total internal conversion coefficients of observed γ transitions.

‡ Combined for 0+41.9 level is deduced (2004As12) As 20 12 from analysis of Pu K x ray intensity.

For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.9960 5.

^{235}Am ε decay [2004As12](#) (continued) $\gamma(^{235}\text{Pu})$

I(Pu $K_{\alpha 1}$ x rays)=240 50; observed in coincidence with ^{235}Pu γ rays.

E_{γ}	I_{γ}^{\dagger}	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^{π}	E_f	J_f^{π}	Mult.	Comments
(41.9)		41.90	(7/2 ⁺)	0.0	5/2 ⁺		E_{γ} : transition not observed due to its large internal conversion coefficient.
^x 169.6 2	13 4						
183.7 2	20 6	183.70	(3/2 ⁺)	0.0	5/2 ⁺	M1+E2	$\alpha(\text{K})_{\text{exp}}=3.3$ 13 $\alpha(\text{K})_{\text{exp}}$: from intensity ratio between the 183.7 γ -rays and Pu K_{α} x- contribution of x rays from electron capture was subtracted in this analysis by 2004As12 .
223.5 2	42 9	265.37	(5/2 ⁺)	41.90	(7/2 ⁺)		
244.6 2	13 6	535.10	(5/2 ⁺)	290.53	(5/2 ⁻)		
248.6 2	19 8	290.53	(5/2 ⁻)	41.90	(7/2 ⁺)		
265.3 2	35 8	265.37	(5/2 ⁺)	0.0	5/2 ⁺		
269.7 2	38 11	535.10	(5/2 ⁺)	265.37	(5/2 ⁺)		
290.6 2	100 14	290.53	(5/2 ⁻)	0.0	5/2 ⁺		
351.4 2	30 9	535.10	(5/2 ⁺)	183.70	(3/2 ⁺)		
373.7 2	33 12	639.1		265.37	(5/2 ⁺)		
642.2 2	20 6	825.9		183.70	(3/2 ⁺)		
739.0 2	36 11	1029.5		290.53	(5/2 ⁻)		
^x 749.1 2	36 11						
828.3 2	27 8	1118.8		290.53	(5/2 ⁻)		

[†] Determined from both singles and coincidence γ -ray spectra. The large uncertainties are due to low statistics and poor peak-to-background ratios.

^x γ ray not placed in level scheme.

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Legend

- I_γ < 2% × I_γ^{max}
- I_γ < 10% × I_γ^{max}
- I_γ > 10% × I_γ^{max}
- - - - - γ Decay (Uncertain)
- Coincidence

Decay Scheme

Intensities: Relative I_γ

(5/2⁻) 0 10.3 min 6
 Q_ε=2442.56
²³⁵Am₁₄₀
 %ε + %β⁺=99.60

