

^{247}Es α decay (4.55 min) [1989Ha27](#)

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Parent: ^{247}Es : $E=0.0+x$; $J^\pi=(7/2^+)$; $T_{1/2}=4.55$ min 26; $Q(\alpha)=7462$ 20; $\% \alpha$ decay ≈ 7.0

^{247}Es - $T_{1/2}$: from $\alpha(t)$ in [1989Ha27](#). Others: 5.0 min 3 ([1967Mi06](#)), 4.7 min 3 ([1973Es01](#)).

^{247}Es - $\% \alpha$ decay: estimated by [1967Mi06](#) from observed α yield and calculated total cross section for $^{238}\text{U}(^{14}\text{N},5n)$.

[1989Ha27](#): ^{247}Es activity produced in the $^{249}\text{Cf}(p,3n)$ reaction with $E(p)=18$ to 33 MeV and the $^{238}\text{U}(^{15}\text{N},4n)$ reaction with

$E(^{15}\text{N})=82$ to 103 MeV. Reaction products transferred via He jet and collected onto a moving tape or a rotating wheel. Measured

$E\alpha$, $I\alpha$, $\alpha(t)$ using Si(Au) surface barrier detectors. FWHM=27 to 30 MeV for the 7.275 MeV α -group of $^{211\text{m}}\text{Po}$.

Others: [1973Es01](#), [1967Mi06](#).

 ^{243}Bk Levels

E(level) [†]	J^π [‡]	Comments
≈ 18	$(7/2^+)$	E(level): $\Delta E=20$ keV.
67 20	$(9/2^+)$	
131 20	$(11/2^+)$	

[†] Calculated from $Q(\alpha)=7462$ from [2012Wa38](#) and the measured $E\alpha$'s.

[‡] Hindrance factors for α decay from $(7/2^+)$ ^{247}Es and the level spacings imply that these levels are probably members of a rotational band. From the unhindered character of the α transition ($HF \approx 2.4$) to the ≈ 18 keV level, the bandhead member should be the same state as that of the parent. Systematics of Nilsson states (see, for example, [1972El21](#)) suggest either the $3/2[521]$ or the $7/2[633]$ orbital for ^{247}Es g.s. If the α decay was to the $3/2[521]$ orbital, the band parameter would be 9.4 which would not fit the local trend. By assuming a rotational band built on the $7/2[633]$ state, the rotational band parameter of 5.7 is consistent with band parameters for $7/2[633]$ bands in the region.

 α radiations

$E\alpha$ [†]	E(level)	$I\alpha$ ^{‡&}	HF ^{#@}	Comments
7213 5	131	2.0 7	≈ 37	$E\alpha$: other: 7320 30 from 1967Mi06 and 1973Es01 .
7275 3	67	12 2	≈ 11	
7323 1	≈ 18	86 4	≈ 2.4	

[†] From [1989Ha27](#). The ^{212}Po α peak at 8784 MeV was used for energy calibration ($E\alpha=8784.86$ 12 is recommended by [1991Ry01](#)).

[‡] Alpha intensities per 100 α decays, from [1989Ha27](#).

[#] $r_0(^{243}\text{Bk})=1.493$ 7, average of $r_0(^{242}\text{Cm})=1.4953$ 9 and $r_0(^{244}\text{Cf})=1.490$ 13 is used in the calculations.

[@] Because of the approximate value of $\% \alpha$ decay, the hindrance factors should be taken as approximate.

[&] For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by $\approx 7 \times 10^{-2}$.