

Adopted Levels, Gammas

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$Q(\beta^-) = -2262.14$ ;  $S(n) = 6801.410$ ;  $S(p) = 6012.114$ ;  $Q(\alpha) = 5901.605$     [2017Wa10](#)

## Identification:

[1950Re55](#): Produced by neutron irradiation on  $^{241}\text{Am}$ . Curium was chemically separated and its isotopic composition determined with a  $60^\circ$  focusing mass spectrograph.

## Systematic studies/Compilation/Evaluation:

[2017He08](#): Review of properties of spontaneous fission.

[2017Pr04](#): Systematics of B(E2) revisited using elemental data fit parameters.

[2016Pr01](#): Compilation, evaluation for B(E2),  $T_{1/2}$  and deformation parameter.

## Theoretical studies, calculations:

[2017Vi02](#), [2017Ad03](#): Calculated cluster decay half-life.

[2016Sa53](#), [2015Ba24](#), [2014De43](#), [2014Is03](#), [2013Ra05](#), [2013Se17](#), [2013Is13](#), [2012Is08](#), [2011Qi06](#), [2009De32](#), [2009Ni06](#), [2007Pe30](#), [2010Sa09](#), [2008Xu06](#), [2005Sh42](#), [2005Re16](#), [2005Xu01](#), [2004Ro01](#), [1990Bh02](#), [1989St20](#), [1978Po09](#), [1976Ra02](#), [1976Re09](#), [1972We09](#): Calculated spontaneous fission half-lives.

[2017Zh03](#), [2017Ph01](#), [2016Sa16](#), [2016Su09](#), [2006De05](#), [2005Sh42](#): Calculated  $\alpha$  decay half-life.

[2016Sa20](#), [2014De43](#): Calculated energy levels, J,  $\pi$ , deformation parameters, B(E2).

[2013De12](#), [1995Mo29](#), [1984Eg01](#), [1983Bo15](#), [1982Du16](#), [1982Eg01](#), [1978Po01](#), [1977Mi11](#), [1976Iv04](#): Calculated deformation parameters.

[1998Bu18](#): Calculated B(E2 down;  $2^+$  to  $0^+$ ), B(E3 up;  $0^+$  to  $3^-$ ) and B(E4 up;  $0^+$  to  $4^+$ ) for  $^{244}\text{Cm}$  as a  $^{32}\text{Si} + ^{212}\text{Pb}$  cluster system. The calculated B(E2 down;  $2^+$  to  $0^+$ ), B(E3 up;  $0^+$  to  $3^-$ ) agree with experiments. However, calculated B(E4 up;  $0^+$  to  $4^+$ ) does not agree with the measured value. The authors strongly recommend confirmation of the B(E4) experimental results.

[2013De12](#): Calculated deformation parameters, and predicted  $\alpha$  transitions  $J^\pi = 2^+, 4^+, 6^+$  states.

[2013Li30](#): Calculated two-quasiparticle high K-state with  $\nu 5/2^+ [622] \otimes \nu 7/2^- [624]$  configuration. Predicted the octupole deformed high K-isomeric state at 0.976 MeV.

[2010Wa31](#): Calculated relative intensities of  $\alpha$  decay to the rotational states in the framework of the generalized liquid drop model (GLDM) and improved Royer's formula.

[2010Wa23](#): Calculated branching ratios of  $\alpha$ -decay to the ground-state rotational bands as well as the high-lying excited states within the framework of the generalized liquid drop model (GLDM) and an improved Royer's formula.

[2002Pr01](#): Calculated excitation energies of quadrupole-vibrational states, calculated B(E2)( $0^+$  gs to  $2^+$ ).

[2002Re31](#): Calculated g.s properties based on the deformed relativistic (RMF) mean-field theory.

[1990Co26](#): Systematic behavior of the first  $3^-$  octupole-vibrational state was studied, and fragmentation and its dependence on  $\beta_2$  were analyzed.

[1989Pi03](#): The pairing interaction strength for protons and neutrons was deduced from empirical odd-even mass differences.

[1984Eg01](#): Analysis of yrast states, and alignment.

[1982Li01](#), [1978Po01](#): Calculated electric quadrupole and hexadecapole moments.

[1976Iv04](#): Low-lying two-quasi particle neutron states and single phonon states were studied and excitation energies were calculated using a semi-microscopic method.

[1983Bo15](#): Calculated equilibrium deformations and static electric moment.

[1993Sa05](#), [1988Ri07](#): Calculated B(E2)( $0^+$  gs to  $2^+$ ).

[1988Bh04](#): Calculated B(E2)( $2^+$  to  $0^+$  gs).

[1978Po01](#): Calculated moment of inertia and collective gyromagnetic ratio of the ground state.

[1982Eg01](#), [1980Du07](#): Calculated moment of inertia.

[1991Pi05](#): Studied nuclear stretching.

[1974Ma17](#), [1975Vo06](#), [1981Be59](#): Calculated density of states.

[1974No17](#): Calculated gamma width of highly excited nuclei.

[1979Po23](#): Half-life for alpha decay was calculated by considering this decay mode as a form of fission.

[1997Mo25](#): Calculated the  $\alpha$  half-life based on the finite-range droplet model and folded-Yukawa single-particle potential.

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- 1977VaYN: Review of properties of spontaneously fissioning isomers.  
 2014Ji14, 2014Lu01, 2014Ro09, 2009Mo18, 2012Ja08, 2011Zh36, 1993OH03 1995Ra07, 1992Bh03, 1990Bh02, 1981Re06, 1980Ku14, 1977Pr10, 1976Re09, 1974Ju02, 1973Br04, 1973Al08, 1972Ma11, 1972Mo27, 1971Pa33, 1971Br39 : Calculated fission barriers heights.  
 1980Bj02: Review, evaluation and recommended parameters for fission barriers.  
 1972Go19: Influence of axially asymmetric deformation on fission barriers.  
 2000Du06: Influence of triaxial shape on the ground-state binding energy and on the fission barriers.  
 1978Po01: Calculated quadrupole and hexadecapole deformations, electric moments, and gyromagnetic ratio for the fission isomeric state.  
 1976Ma42: Calculated giant octupole resonances and  $\gamma$  strength.  
 1977Ky01: Studied semi-microscopic description for giant quadrupole resonances and calculated E2 strengths for various deformed nuclei.
- Experiments involving fission:  
 1999Pa55, 1983Ca02, 1973Go46, 1973Da34, 1972F113: Measured fission yields.  
 1989Sa03: Fragment-fragment coincidence data following <sup>232</sup>Th(8.4-MeV <sup>12</sup>C,X) reaction were interpreted as being from decay of the excited compound nucleus <sup>244</sup>Cm.  
 1989Au01: Coincidence spectra of  $\alpha$  particles and fission fragments measured following <sup>232</sup>Th(85-MeV <sup>12</sup>C,X) reaction;  
 1990Li26: Angular distribution of fission fragments following <sup>232</sup>Th(78-MeV <sup>12</sup>C,X) reaction were measured; saddle point effective moment of inertia was deduced.  
 1993Oh03: Proton-induced fission data, <sup>243</sup>Am(p,F); deduced fission parameters; competition of fission to neutron emission.  
 1995Da18: Angular distributions of fission products in <sup>237</sup>Np( $\alpha$ ,F).  
 1986Ca14, 1972Al07, 1974Al26: Measured prompt neutrons as a function of fragment kinetic energy 1983Sc07: Coincidences between prompt neutron and fission fragments.

<sup>244</sup>Cm Levels

Cross Reference (XREF) Flags

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|----------|--|----------|------------------------------------|
| <b>A</b> | <sup>248</sup> Cf $\alpha$ decay           | <b>D</b> | Coulomb excitation                 |
| <b>B</b> | <sup>244</sup> Am $\beta^-$ decay (10.1 h) | <b>E</b> | <sup>244</sup> Bk $\epsilon$ decay |
| <b>C</b> | <sup>244</sup> Am $\beta^-$ decay (26 min) |          |                                    |

<u>E(level)&amp;</u>	<u>J<sup><math>\pi</math></sup></u>	<u>T<sub>1/2</sub></u>	<u>XREF</u>	<u>Comments</u>
0.0 <sup>†</sup>	0 <sup>+</sup>	18.11 y 3	ABCDE	<p><math>\% \alpha = 100</math>; <math>\% SF = 1.37 \times 10^{-4}</math> 2  <math>\% SF</math> is deduced from the adopted total and partial half-lives.                      The measured <math>\alpha/SF</math> activity ratios are <math>\alpha/SF = 743 \times 10^3</math> 1 (1965Me02), <math>742.0 \times 10^3</math> 35 (1972Ha80); <math>697.7 \times 10^3</math> 14 (1993Pa29).                      T<sub>1/2</sub>: Weighted average of 17.9 y 5 (1954Fr19; <math>\alpha</math> activity relative to <sup>242</sup>Cm (this half-life will not change when the adopted T<sub>1/2</sub><sup>242</sup>Cm= 162.88 d 8 from email reply by M. Martin on 12 July 2017 is used), 18.099 y 32 (1968Be26; 2<math>\pi</math> <math>\alpha</math> counting; uncertainty was revised by 1989Ho24), 18.13 y 4 (1972Ke29; calorimetry), 18.24 y 25 (1982Po14; specific activity; revised by 1984Ho24). Other T<sub>1/2</sub> measurements that were not included in the weighted average due to their large contribution to the chi-square: 19.2 y 6 (1954St33; activity relative to <sup>242</sup>Cm), 17.59 y 6 (1961Ca01; specific activity).                      T<sub>1/2</sub>(SF)=<math>1.32 \times 10^7</math> y 2 as recommended by 2000Ho27 is the weighted average of <math>1.4 \times 10^7</math> y 2 (1952Gh27; revised by 2000Ho27), <math>1.46 \times 10^7</math> y 6 (1963Ma56; gas scintillator), <math>1.346 \times 10^7</math> y 6 (1965Me02; from <math>\alpha/SF</math> counts), <math>1.33 \times 10^7</math> y 3 (1967Ar09; LiI scintillator), <math>1.250 \times 10^7</math> y 7 (1970Ba11), low geometry fission counter), <math>1.343 \times 10^7</math> y 6 (1972Ha80; from <math>\alpha/SF</math> counts), <math>1.263 \times 10^7</math> y 25 (1993Pa29; from <math>\alpha/SF</math> counts).</p>
42.957 <sup>†</sup> 9	2 <sup>+</sup>	97 ps 5	ABCDE	B(E2) $\uparrow$ =14.58 19 (1973Be44)

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<sup>244</sup>Cm Levels (continued)

E(level)&	J <sup>π</sup>	T <sub>1/2</sub>	XREF	Comments
				T <sub>1/2</sub> : Measured by 1962Ch19 in the 10.1-h <sup>244</sup> Am beta decay using the delayed coincidence technique between γ rays and conversion electron lines. T <sub>1/2</sub> = 126.1 ps 17 is calculated by the evaluator from B(E2)=14.58 19 measured in Coulomb excitation. J <sup>π</sup> : 42.965γ to gs is E2.
142.340 <sup>†</sup> 10	4 <sup>+</sup>		AB DE	B(E4)↑=0.0 +25-00 (1973Be44)
296.204 <sup>†</sup> 10	6 <sup>+</sup>		B	
501.779 <sup>†</sup> 11	8 <sup>+</sup>		B	
933.8? 3	(3,4)		E	J <sup>π</sup> : 891.0γ to 2 <sup>+</sup> at 42.965 level, 217.3γ with stronger intensity from (4) at 1150.98 level.
963.6? 3	(2,3)		E	J <sup>π</sup> : 920.8γ to 2 <sup>+</sup> at 42.957 level, 187.4γ with weaker intensity from (4) at 1150.98 level.
970 <sup>#</sup> 4	(2 <sup>+</sup> ,3 <sup>-</sup> ) <sup>@</sup>		D	
984.914 15	0 <sup>+</sup>		C	J <sup>π</sup> : 984.919γ to 0 <sup>+</sup> gs is E0.
1020.756? 22	(2 <sup>+</sup> )		C	This level is tentatively assigned. An alternate placement of the 977.796-keV transition would be to de excite a 977.8-keV 0 <sup>+</sup> level to the ground state (1984Ho02). J <sup>π</sup> : 977.796γ to 2 <sup>+</sup> state is E0(+M1+E2). 1984Ho02 proposed this level to be 2 <sup>+</sup> member of a K=0 band based on 984.9-keV level.
1038 <sup>#</sup> 6	(2 <sup>+</sup> ,3 <sup>-</sup> ) <sup>@</sup>		D	
1040.181 11	6 <sup>+</sup>	34 ms 2	B	%IT=100 E(level): Probable Nilsson assignment is 6 <sup>+</sup> ,(ν 5/2[622]+ ν 7/2[624]). In this case, the beta branch from 10.1-hour <sup>244</sup> Am would involve a transformation of the ν 5/2 <sup>+</sup> [622] state to the π 5/2 <sup>-</sup> [523] state, as also suggested by 1962Va08. J <sup>π</sup> : 897.848γ to 4 <sup>+</sup> level is E2, 538.400γ decay to 8 <sup>+</sup> level is (E2) J=6 was also confirmed by the angular correlation measurement in the 10.1-h <sup>244</sup> Am β decay by 1963Ha29. T <sub>1/2</sub> : Measured by 1963Ha29 in 10.1-h <sup>244</sup> Am beta decay by delayed coincidence between β particles and conversion electrons. T <sub>1/2</sub> (SF)>140 y (1964Va04). The authors attributed their observed SF activities to the <sup>244</sup> Cm ground state SF decay.
1084.199? <sup>‡</sup> 12	(1,2 <sup>+</sup> )		C	J <sup>π</sup> : 1084.181γ to 0 <sup>+</sup> g.s.
1105.909? <sup>‡</sup> 20	(1,2)		C	J <sup>π</sup> : Gamma transitions to 0 <sup>+</sup> and 2 <sup>+</sup> states. See <sup>244</sup> Am β- decay (26-min) data set for comments on the multipolarities of these transitions.
1150.98? 24	(4)		E	J <sup>π</sup> : Expected largest direct feeding by ε-decay from <sup>244</sup> Bk with J <sup>π</sup> =(4 <sup>-</sup> ).
1187 <sup>#</sup> 4	(2 <sup>+</sup> ,3 <sup>-</sup> ) <sup>@</sup>		D	
1220.16? 10			E	
1295.59? 25	(3,4)		E	J <sup>π</sup> : From 1153.4γ to the 4 <sup>+</sup> 143 level.
1327.7? 3			E	
1654.3? 5			E	
1785.37? 21			E	
0+x		>500 ns		%SF≤100 Additional information 1. T <sub>1/2</sub> : T <sub>1/2</sub> (SF)>500 ns (1969MeZX). Only SF decay observed (1969MeZX). From fit to the experimental excitation function for <sup>242</sup> Pu(α,2n) reaction, 1971Br39 calculated E(level)=3.7 MeV 3 with T <sub>1/2</sub> SF>100 ns. In a later evaluation, 1973Br38 calculated the level energy as 3.0 MeV 4 which is believed to be an excited state at the shape isomeric deformation. No

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Adopted Levels, Gammas (continued) $^{244}\text{Cm}$  Levels (continued)

<u>E(level)&amp;</u>	<u>T<sub>1/2</sub></u>	<u>XREF</u>	<u>Comments</u>
(0+y)	≤5 ps		<p>recommended level energy was given in the review work by <a href="#">1980Bj02</a>.  No resonance structure was observed by <a href="#">1973Ba55</a> nor <a href="#">1974Ba28</a> for <math>^{244}\text{Cm}</math> in the <math>^{243}\text{Am}(^3\text{He},\text{dF})</math> reaction. Estimate for the fission barrier was made from theoretical model fit to their measured fission probabilities as a function of excitation energy. <a href="#">1976GA11</a> deduced fission barrier heights and widths for neutron/fission from their <math>^{243}\text{Am}(^3\text{He},\text{dF})</math> data.</p> <p><a href="#">Additional information 2.</a></p> <p>T<sub>1/2</sub>: No short lived fission activity was observed by <a href="#">1976SI01</a> following the <math>^{242}\text{Pu}(\alpha,2\text{n})</math> reaction; an upper limit for half-life was set from their lower limit on the ratio of isomer to prompt fission. From the correlation between isomers' half-lives and the fission barriers, the authors predicted 1 – 50 ps half-lives for the second fission isomer in the even-even curium isotopes.</p> <p>For a systematics of fission isomer half-lives see <a href="#">1975Me28</a>.</p>

† Band(A): K=0 Ground-state band. J<sup>π</sup> assignments for levels with J>2 are based on E2 transitions within the band, and energy fit to the rotational band.

‡ Tentative levels proposed by [1984Ho02](#).

# See Coulomb excitation for extracted B(E2),B(E3) values.

@ From Coulomb excitation.

& From least-squares fit to E<sub>γ</sub> data by the evaluator.

## Adopted Levels, Gammas (continued)

$\gamma(^{244}\text{Cm})$									
$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^\#$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Mult. <sup>‡</sup>	$\delta^\ddagger$	$\alpha^@$	Comments
42.957	2 <sup>+</sup>	42.965 10	100	0.0	0 <sup>+</sup>	E2		1050	$\alpha(\text{L})=760$ 11; $\alpha(\text{M})=214$ 3 $\alpha(\text{N})=59.5$ 9; $\alpha(\text{O})=14.38$ 21; $\alpha(\text{P})=2.35$ 4; $\alpha(\text{Q})=0.00578$ 9 B(E2)(W.u.)=419 23
142.340	4 <sup>+</sup>	99.383 4	100	42.957	2 <sup>+</sup>	E2		19.3	$\alpha(\text{L})=13.93$ 20; $\alpha(\text{M})=3.94$ 6 $\alpha(\text{N})=1.095$ 16; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.265$ 4; $\alpha(\text{P})=0.0441$ 7; $\alpha(\text{Q})=0.000180$ 3
296.204	6 <sup>+</sup>	153.863 2	100	142.340	4 <sup>+</sup>	E2		2.81	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.1741$ 25; $\alpha(\text{L})=1.90$ 3; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.536$ 8 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.1492$ 21; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.0362$ 5; $\alpha(\text{P})=0.00610$ 9; $\alpha(\text{Q})=3.92\times 10^{-5}$ 6
501.779	8 <sup>+</sup>	205.575 4	100	296.204	6 <sup>+</sup>	(E2)		0.887	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.1409$ 20; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.541$ 8; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.1514$ 22 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.0421$ 6; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.01025$ 15; $\alpha(\text{P})=0.001746$ 25; $\alpha(\text{Q})=1.644\times 10^{-5}$ 23
933.8?	(3,4)	891.0 4	100	42.957	2 <sup>+</sup>				E <sub>γ</sub> : Assumed by <a href="#">2014So17</a> based on the coincidence between 187.4γ and the 891.0γ.
963.6?	(2,3)	(≈30)		933.8?	(3,4)				
984.914	0 <sup>+</sup>	920.8 5 941.949 18 984.919 20		42.957 2 <sup>+</sup> 42.957 2 <sup>+</sup> 0.0 0 <sup>+</sup>		E0			
1020.756?	(2 <sup>+</sup> )	977.796 20		42.957 2 <sup>+</sup>		E0(+M1+E2)		0.036 22	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.028$ 18; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.0060$ 32; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.00148$ 75 $\alpha(\text{N})=4.1\times 10^{-4}$ 21; $\alpha(\text{O})=1.03\times 10^{-4}$ 53; $\alpha(\text{P})=2.0\times 10^{-5}$ 11; $\alpha(\text{Q})=1.34\times 10^{-6}$ 84
1040.181	6 <sup>+</sup>	538.400 16	1.0 2	501.779	8 <sup>+</sup>	(E2)		0.0495	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.0292$ 4; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.01492$ 21; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.00396$ 6 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.001096$ 16; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.000271$ 4; $\alpha(\text{P})=4.93\times 10^{-5}$ 7; $\alpha(\text{Q})=1.637\times 10^{-6}$ 23
		743.971 5	100 27	296.204	6 <sup>+</sup>	M1+E2	-0.92 8	0.077 5	B(E2)(W.u.)=2.7×10 <sup>-11</sup> 8 $\alpha(\text{K})=0.059$ 4; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.0130$ 7; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.00321$ 15 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.00088$ 4; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.000223$ 11; $\alpha(\text{P})=4.34\times 10^{-5}$ 21; $\alpha(\text{Q})=2.86\times 10^{-6}$ 17
		897.848 7	42 12	142.340	4 <sup>+</sup>	E2		0.01697	B(M1)(W.u.)=5.6×10 <sup>-13</sup> 20; B(E2)(W.u.)=2.4×10 <sup>-10</sup> 9 $\alpha(\text{K})=0.01215$ 17; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.00358$ 5; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000912$ 13 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.000251$ 4; $\alpha(\text{O})=6.29\times 10^{-5}$ 9; $\alpha(\text{P})=1.186\times 10^{-5}$ 17; $\alpha(\text{Q})=5.93\times 10^{-7}$ 9 B(E2)(W.u.)=9.E-11 4
1084.199?	(1,2 <sup>+</sup> )	1041.278 22 1084.181 14	53 18 100 32	42.957 2 <sup>+</sup> 0.0 0 <sup>+</sup>					
1105.909?	(1,2)	1062.953 18 1105.43 19	100 31 15 8	42.957 2 <sup>+</sup> 0.0 0 <sup>+</sup>					
1150.98?	(4)	187.4 3 217.3 3 1107.6 5	16.5 5 100 2.4 1	963.6? (2,3) 933.8? (3,4) 42.957 2 <sup>+</sup>					
1220.16?		1177.2 1	100	42.957 2 <sup>+</sup>					

**Adopted Levels, Gammas (continued)**

$\gamma(^{244}\text{Cm})$  (continued)

$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^\#$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^\#$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$
1295.59?	(3,4)	144.6 2		1150.98?	(4)	1654.3?		690.7 3	100	963.6?	(2,3)
		1153.4 6	100 3	142.340	4 <sup>+</sup>	1785.37?		489.8 4	100 4	1295.59?	(3,4)
		1252.5 7	27 1	42.957	2 <sup>+</sup>			565.2 2	12.9 2 1	1220.16?	
1327.7?		176.7 2	100	1150.98?	(4)						

† From <sup>244</sup>Am beta decays, measured by [1984Ho02](#).

‡ From conversion electron and  $(\gamma)(\gamma)(\theta)$  data measured in <sup>244</sup>Am beta decay.

# Relative photon intensity normalized to 100 at the strongest photon deexciting each level. For levels with multiple gamma transitions, the  $I_\gamma$ 's were taken from the decay datasets:  $\gamma$ 's from 1040 level (<sup>244</sup>Am  $\beta$ - decay (10.1 h)),  $\gamma$ 's from 1084 and 1106 levels (<sup>244</sup>Am  $\beta$ - decay (26 m)),  $\gamma$ 's from 1151, 1296 and 1786 levels (<sup>244</sup>Bk  $\epsilon$  decay).

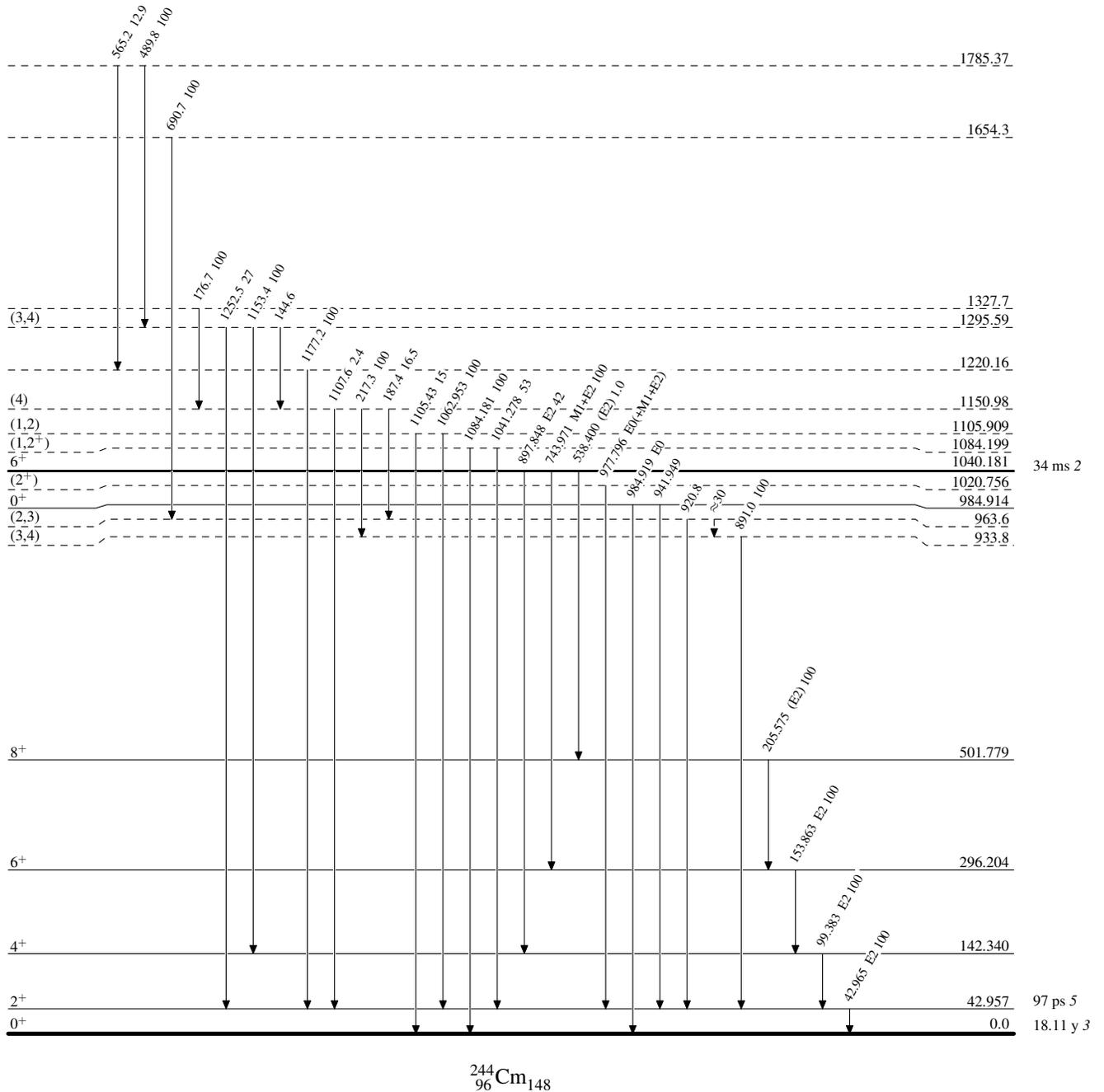
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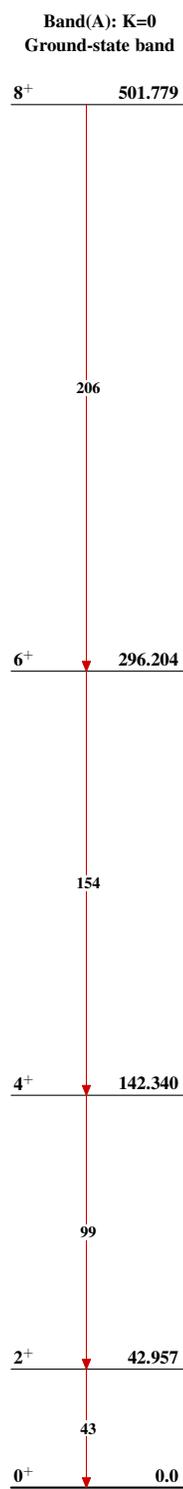
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Legend

Level Scheme

Intensities: Relative photon branching from each level

-----▶  $\gamma$  Decay (Uncertain)

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