

²⁴⁶Am β⁻ decay (39 min) 2008Ro21,1968Fi03

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Parent: ²⁴⁶Am: E=0; J^π=(7⁻); T_{1/2}=39 min 3; Q(β⁻)=2377 syst; %β⁻ decay=100

²⁴⁶Am-Q(β⁻): 2377 18 (syst,2021Wa16).

2008Ro21: ²⁴⁶Am was produced in the reaction ²⁴⁴Pu(α,pn). E(α)=42-MeV beam from the ATLAS facility at Argonne bombarded the ²⁴⁴Pu target and the americium product was chemically isolated, and mass separated in the electromagnetic separator. Measured E_γ, I_γ, γγ-coin, conversion electrons using two Clover HPGe detectors a focal plane detector and a double-sided silicon strip detector.

1971Mu05: Recalibrated data taken from 1968Fi03.

1968Fi03: ²⁴⁶Am was produced in the reaction ²⁴⁴Pu(α,d). Americium was chemically separated. The γ rays were measured with a Ge(Li) detector. Several of the gammas measured were not assigned by 1968Fi03 but were instead assigned by 1971Mu05.

Others: 1967Or02.

²⁴⁶Cm Levels

E(level) [‡]	J ^π [†]	T _{1/2} [†]	E(level) [‡]	J ^π [†]	E(level) [‡]	J ^π [†]	T _{1/2} [†]
0.0 [#]	0 ⁺	4706 y 40	500.1 [#] 5	8 ⁺	980.5 [@] 3	5 ⁻	
42.852 [#] 5	2 ⁺	123.2 ps 23	841.7 [@] 3	2 ⁻	1051.3 [@] 4	6 ⁻	
142.05 [#] 18	4 ⁺		876.45 [@] 23	3 ⁻	1129.0 [@] 4	7 ⁻	
295.3 [#] 4	6 ⁺		923.4 [@] 4	4 ⁻	1179.1 ^{&} 5	8 ⁻	1.12 s 24

[†] From Adopted Levels.

[‡] Deduced by the evaluator from least-squares fit to γ-ray energies, assuming an uncertainty of 0.3 keV for γ rays from 2008Ro21.

[#] Band(A): K^π=0⁺ g.s. Rotational Band.

[@] Band(B): K^π=2⁻ Octupole Vibrational Band.

[&] K^π=8⁻ isomer.

β⁻ radiations

E(decay)	E(level)	Iβ ⁻ [†]	Log ft	Comments
(1198 syst)	1179.1	100	6.09 4	av Eβ=391.3 68

[†] Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

γ(²⁴⁶Cm)

I_γ normalization: Deduced by the evaluator assuming no β⁻ feeding to the g.s. rotational band. ΣI_γ(1+α) for transitions from levels above 500 keV to g.s. rotational band are equal to 100.

K-X rays (1968Fi03)

E(X-ray)	I(X-ray; relative)
104.6 5	Kα ₂ x ray
109.3 5	Kα ₁ x ray
123.0 5	Kβ ₃ x ray
127.4 5	Kβ ₁ x ray
	Total≈ 14 (1968Fi03)
	relative to I _γ (679.2)

E_γ [‡]	I_γ ^{‡&}	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Mult. [†]	α [@]	Comments
42.852 5		42.852	2 ⁺	0.0	0 ⁺	E2	1064 15	$\alpha(\text{L})=770$ 11; $\alpha(\text{M})=216.8$ 30 $\alpha(\text{N})=60.3$ 8; $\alpha(\text{O})=14.56$ 20; $\alpha(\text{P})=2.379$ 33; $\alpha(\text{Q})=0.00584$ 8 E_γ : From Adopted Gammas.
(50) (78) 99.2 2	9 2	1179.1 1129.0 142.05	8 ⁻ 7 ⁻ 4 ⁺	1129.0 1051.3 42.852	7 ⁻ 6 ⁻ 2 ⁺	E2	19.43 33	$\alpha(\text{L})=14.05$ 24; $\alpha(\text{M})=3.97$ 7 $\alpha(\text{N})=1.105$ 19; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.268$ 5; $\alpha(\text{P})=0.0444$ 7; $\alpha(\text{Q})=0.0001817$ 29 % $I_\gamma \approx 6.1$
127.4 ^a 5	≈ 6	1051.3	6 ⁻	923.4	4 ⁻	E2	6.15 14	$\alpha(\text{L})=4.44$ 10; $\alpha(\text{M})=1.255$ 29 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.349$ 8; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.0847$ 19; $\alpha(\text{P})=0.01416$ 32; $\alpha(\text{Q})=7.34 \times 10^{-5}$ 14 % $I_\gamma \approx 4.1$ Mult.: As given in the Adopted Gammas which is deduced from $\alpha(\text{L1})_{\text{exp}} +$ $\alpha(\text{L2})_{\text{exp}}=3.4$ 5, $\alpha(\text{L3})_{\text{exp}}=1.6$ 2 (2008Ro21).
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148.5 [#] 3 153.5 5	48 5	1129.0 295.3	7 ⁻ 6 ⁺	980.5 142.05	5 ⁻ 4 ⁺	[E2]	2.83 6	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.1740$ 24; $\alpha(\text{L})=1.92$ 4; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.542$ 11 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.1508$ 31; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.0366$ 7; $\alpha(\text{P})=0.00616$ 12; $\alpha(\text{Q})=3.95 \times 10^{-5}$ 7 % $I_\gamma \approx 33$
205 1	68 7	500.1	8 ⁺	295.3	6 ⁺	[E2]	0.896 21	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.1414$ 22; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.547$ 14; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.153$ 4 $\alpha(\text{N})=0.0426$ 11; $\alpha(\text{O})=0.01037$ 26; $\alpha(\text{P})=0.00177$ 4; $\alpha(\text{Q})=1.657 \times 10^{-5}$ 33 % $I_\gamma \approx 46$
628.8 [#] 3	5 1	1129.0	7 ⁻	500.1	8 ⁺	[E1]	0.00997 14	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.00801$ 11; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.001479$ 21; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000356$ 5 $\alpha(\text{N})=9.72 \times 10^{-5}$ 14; $\alpha(\text{O})=2.454 \times 10^{-5}$ 34; $\alpha(\text{P})=4.71 \times 10^{-6}$ 7; $\alpha(\text{Q})=3.05 \times 10^{-7}$ 4 % $I_\gamma \approx 3.4$
679.2 [#] 3	100	1179.1	8 ⁻	500.1	8 ⁺	[E1]	0.00866 12	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.00697$ 10; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.001275$ 18; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000307$ 4 $\alpha(\text{N})=8.38 \times 10^{-5}$ 12; $\alpha(\text{O})=2.116 \times 10^{-5}$ 30; $\alpha(\text{P})=4.07 \times 10^{-6}$ 6; $\alpha(\text{Q})=2.66 \times 10^{-7}$ 4 % $I_\gamma \approx 68$
685.1 [#] 3	≈ 4	980.5	5 ⁻	295.3	6 ⁺	[E1]	0.00853 12	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.00686$ 10; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.001254$ 18; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000302$ 4 $\alpha(\text{N})=8.24 \times 10^{-5}$ 12; $\alpha(\text{O})=2.081 \times 10^{-5}$ 29; $\alpha(\text{P})=4.00 \times 10^{-6}$ 6; $\alpha(\text{Q})=2.62 \times 10^{-7}$ 4 % $I_\gamma \approx 2.7$
734.4 [#] 3		876.45	3 ⁻	142.05	4 ⁺	E1	0.00752 11	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.00606$ 8; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.001100$ 15; $\alpha(\text{M})=0.000264$ 4 $\alpha(\text{N})=7.22 \times 10^{-5}$ 10; $\alpha(\text{O})=1.825 \times 10^{-5}$ 26; $\alpha(\text{P})=3.52 \times 10^{-6}$ 5; $\alpha(\text{Q})=2.327 \times 10^{-7}$ 33
756.0 [#] 3	25 2	1051.3	6 ⁻	295.3	6 ⁺	[E1]	0.00714 10	$\alpha(\text{K})=0.00576$ 8; $\alpha(\text{L})=0.001042$ 15;

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γ(²⁴⁶Cm) (continued)

<u>E_γ[‡]</u>	<u>I_γ^{‡&}</u>	<u>E_i(level)</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>	<u>Mult.[†]</u>	<u>α[@]</u>	<u>Comments</u>
								α(M)=0.0002504 35 α(N)=6.84×10 ⁻⁵ 10; α(O)=1.728×10 ⁻⁵ 24; α(P)=3.33×10 ⁻⁶ 5; α(Q)=2.214×10 ⁻⁷ 31 %I _γ ≈17
781.2 3	7.5 8	923.4	4 ⁻	142.05	4 ⁺	[E1]	0.00674 9	α(K)=0.00544 8; α(L)=0.000980 14; α(M)=0.0002355 33 α(N)=6.43×10 ⁻⁵ 9; α(O)=1.626×10 ⁻⁵ 23; α(P)=3.14×10 ⁻⁶ 4; α(Q)=2.094×10 ⁻⁷ 29 %I _γ ≈5.1
798.8# 3		841.7	2 ⁻	42.852	2 ⁺	E1	0.00648 9	α(K)=0.00523 7; α(L)=0.000941 13; α(M)=0.0002259 32 α(N)=6.17×10 ⁻⁵ 9; α(O)=1.560×10 ⁻⁵ 22; α(P)=3.01×10 ⁻⁶ 4; α(Q)=2.016×10 ⁻⁷ 28
833.6# 3		876.45	3 ⁻	42.852	2 ⁺	E1	0.00601 8	α(K)=0.00485 7; α(L)=0.000870 12; α(M)=0.0002088 29 α(N)=5.70×10 ⁻⁵ 8; α(O)=1.442×10 ⁻⁵ 20; α(P)=2.79×10 ⁻⁶ 4; α(Q)=1.876×10 ⁻⁷ 26
833.8# 3	≈10	1129.0	7 ⁻	295.3	6 ⁺	[E1]	0.00600 8	α(K)=0.00485 7; α(L)=0.000869 12; α(M)=0.0002087 29 α(N)=5.70×10 ⁻⁵ 8; α(O)=1.442×10 ⁻⁵ 20; α(P)=2.79×10 ⁻⁶ 4; α(Q)=1.875×10 ⁻⁷ 26 %I _γ ≈6.8
838.5 3	≈4	980.5	5 ⁻	142.05	4 ⁺	[E1]	0.00595 8	α(K)=0.00480 7; α(L)=0.000861 12; α(M)=0.0002066 29 α(N)=5.64×10 ⁻⁵ 8; α(O)=1.427×10 ⁻⁵ 20; α(P)=2.76×10 ⁻⁶ 4; α(Q)=1.858×10 ⁻⁷ 26 %I _γ ≈2.7

[†] From Adopted Gammas. The high-energy (interband) transitions have probable E1 multipolarity based on observed low K x ray intensity of <1.6% (2008Ro21).

[‡] From 1968Fi03, recalibrated by 1971Mu05, unless otherwise specified.

From 2008Ro21.

@ Additional information 1.

& For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by ≈0.68.

^a Multiply placed.

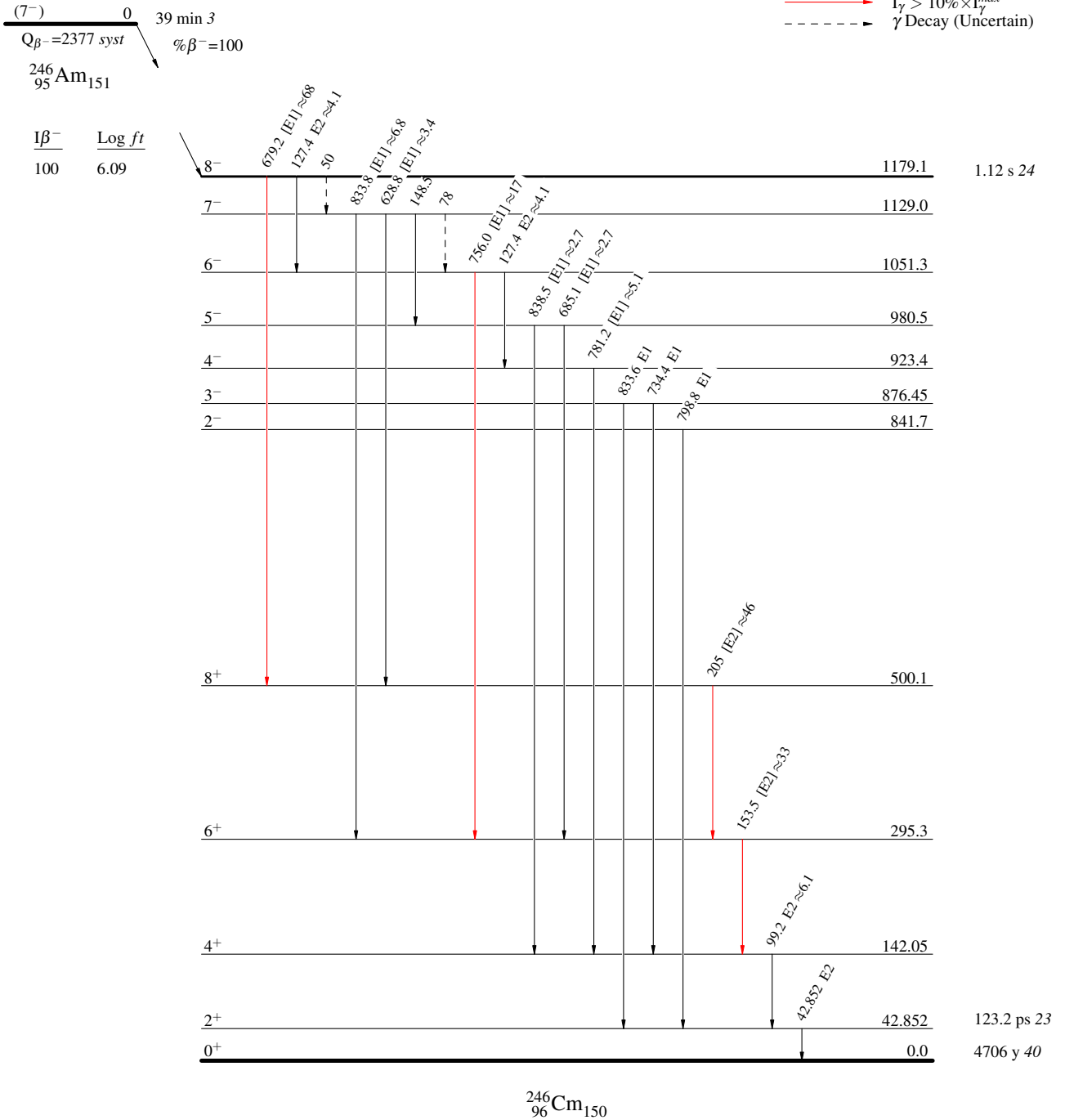
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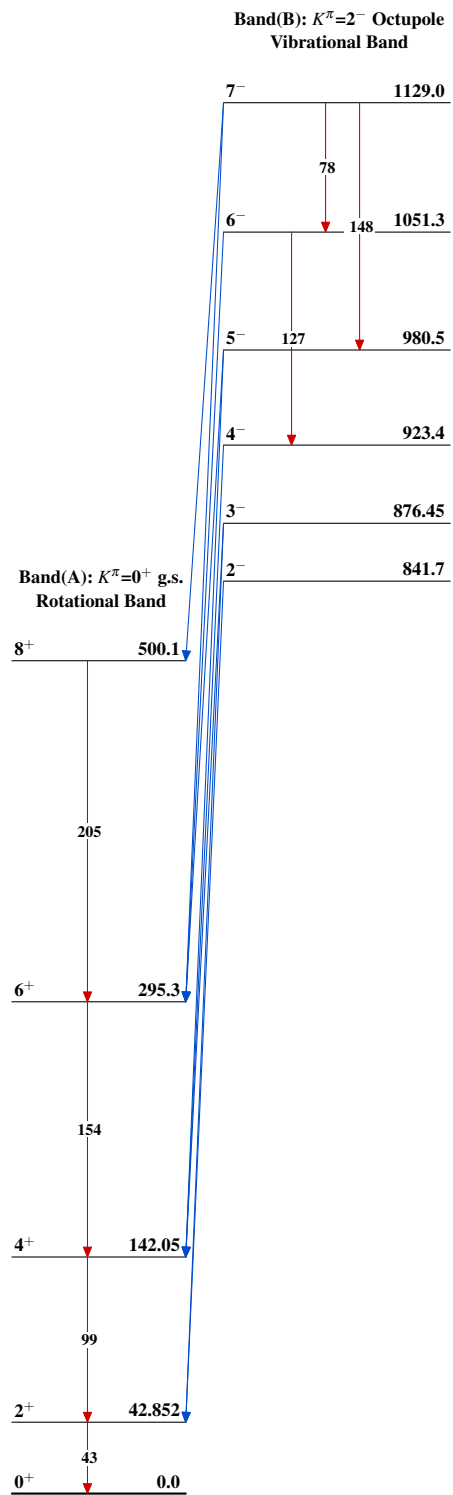
Decay Scheme

Intensities: I_γ per 100 parent decays

Legend

- $I_\gamma < 2\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
- $I_\gamma < 10\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
- $I_\gamma > 10\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
- - - γ Decay (Uncertain)



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