

$^{253}\text{Es } \alpha$  decay (20.47 d)    2005Ah03,1975Ah01

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Parent:  $^{253}\text{Es}$ : E=0.0;  $J^\pi=7/2^+$ ;  $T_{1/2}=20.47$  d 3;  $Q(\alpha)=6739.24$  5; % $\alpha$  decay=100

$^{253}\text{Es}-J^\pi, T_{1/2}$ : From Adopted Levels of  $^{253}\text{Cf}$  (2013Br09).

$^{253}\text{Es}-Q(\alpha)$ : From 2021Wa16.

**2005Ah03:**  $^{253}\text{Es}$  was produced by milking  $^{253}\text{Cf}$  that was produced in the High Flux Isotope Reactor at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory at three different irradiations done in 1998, 2000 and 2003. The sample produced in the 2003 irradiation was chemically and isotopically pure and provided the most sensitive measurements.  $E\gamma$ , % $I\gamma$ ,  $\alpha\gamma$  coin for all the three samples were measured. Single low energy gammas (<600 keV) were measured using two different LEPS detectors while a 25% Ge detector was used to measure the high energy gammas.  $\alpha\gamma$  coincidence measurements were performed with a Si detector for the alphas and a 110% Ge detector for the gammas. Measurements were performed separately with the 2003 sample at Argonne National Laboratory using the Gammasphere array of 99 Compton-suppressed Ge detectors.  $\gamma\gamma$  coincidence measurements were measured at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory using two Ge(Li) detectors. Absolute  $\gamma$ -ray intensities were determined by measuring the alphas from the decay of  $^{253}\text{Es}$  with a Si detector of known solid angle and gammas with a Ge spectrometer whose efficiency was determined with a calibrated source.

**1975Ah01:**  $^{253}\text{Es}$  was produced in the  $\beta^-$  decay of  $^{253}\text{Cf}$  at Oak Ridge National Laboratory and was chemically purified.  $\alpha$  particles were measured with an array of 14 surface barrier detectors at the Argonne double focusing magnetic spectrometer. Measured  $E\alpha$  and  $I\alpha$ . Deduced levels and hindrance factors.

**1972Bb24** (also 1971Ba49): Alpha decay was studied using the technique of deviation of charged particles in a magnetic field using the magnetic  $\alpha$ -spectrograph. Measured  $\alpha$  spectrum,  $E\alpha$ ,  $I\alpha$ .

**1971HoZQ:**  $^{253}\text{Es}$  was obtained from the milking of  $^{253}\text{Cf}$  at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. The gamma spectrum from the decay was measured with a Ge(Li) detector. Measured  $E\gamma$ ,  $I\gamma$  and K-conversion coefficients.

**1965Ho15:** The internal-conversion electron spectrum was measured with the Berkeley 50-cm iron-free spectrometer. Half-lives were determined from indirect measurements of the distance the recoil travelled before emitting conversion electrons using the electrostatic pre-accelerator system in with the iron-free spectrometer.

**1964Ho10:**  $^{253}\text{Es}$  was produced by heavy-isotope production from neutron irradiations on appropriate target materials such as  $^{244}\text{Cm}$ . The internal conversion electron spectrum was examined with the iron-free spectrometer. Measured  $E\gamma$ ,  $I\gamma$  and conversion electron subshell ratios.

**1963Le17:** Alpha decay of  $^{253}\text{Es}$  was studied using the NaI scintillator for the gammas. In addition, an anthracene scintillator electron detector and an alpha detector consisting of a phosphorus-diffused p-n silicon detector were used in the alpha-electron coincidences measurements.

**1960As06, 1960As08:** Alpha and electron spectra of  $^{253}\text{Es}$  were investigated with high-resolution magnetic spectrographs. Measured  $\alpha\gamma$  coin.,  $\alpha$ -e.

Others:

**1990Po14:** Measured relative L and M x-ray intensities from the decay using the x-ray spectrometer.

All data are from 2005Ah03, unless otherwise stated.

 $^{249}\text{Bk}$  Levels

E(level) <sup>†</sup>	$J^\pi$ <sup>‡</sup>	$T_{1/2}$	Comments
0.0 <sup>#</sup>	$7/2^+$	327.2 d 3	$T_{1/2}$ : From Adopted Levels.
8.771 <sup>@</sup> 14	$3/2^-$	0.3 ms	$T_{1/2}$ : From ( $\alpha$ )(ce)-delayed coincidence measurement (1960As08,1960As06). No uncertainty was provided.
39.614 <sup>@</sup> 13	$5/2^-$		
41.805 <sup>#</sup> 7	$9/2^+$	9 ps 2	$T_{1/2}$ : From indirect measurement of the distance the recoil travelled before emitting conversion electrons (1965Ho15).
82.595 <sup>@</sup> 12	$7/2^-$		
93.759 <sup>#</sup> 8	$11/2^+$	5 ps 1	$T_{1/2}$ : From indirect measurement of the distance the recoil travelled before emitting

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E(level) <sup>†</sup>	$J^\pi$ <sup>‡</sup>	Comments
conversion electrons ( <a href="#">1965Ho15</a> ).		
137.711 <sup>@</sup> 12	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	
155.854 <sup>#</sup> 9	13/2 <sup>+</sup>	
204.572 <sup>@</sup> 13	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
229.242 <sup>#</sup> 11	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
283.131 <sup>@</sup> 14	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
311.857 <sup>#</sup> 22	(17/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
373.179 <sup>@</sup> 24	(15/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
377.552 <sup>f</sup> 24	(1/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
389.170 <sup>&amp;</sup> 17	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
410.71 <sup>f</sup> 10	(3/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
421.376 <sup>f</sup> 24	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
428.955 <sup>&amp;</sup> 13	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
473.66 <sup>@</sup> 21	(17/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
475.002 <sup>&amp;</sup> 14	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
498.68 <sup>f</sup> 7	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
519.189 <sup>f</sup> 20	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
542.095 <sup>&amp;</sup> 19	(11/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
558.179 <sup>g</sup> 26	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
569.21 <sup>g</sup> 5	(1/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
597.835 <sup>&amp;</sup> 16	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
606.691 <sup>g</sup> 29	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
624.30 <sup>i</sup> 17	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
624.93 <sup>g</sup> 4	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
642.74 <sup>h</sup> 18	(1/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
654.1 5		E(level): Possible 11/2 <sup>+</sup> member of 1/2[400] band; <a href="#">2005Ah03</a> calculated 639 keV for expected 11/2 <sup>+</sup> member from rotational constant and decoupling parameter quoted above for the band. 135 $\gamma$ seen in coin with 425 transition from 9/2 <sup>+</sup> member.
661.35 <sup>h</sup> 12	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
671.089 <sup>f</sup> 22	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
672.81 <sup>d</sup> 9	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
701.85 <sup>&amp;</sup> 15	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
703.42 <sup>i</sup> 10	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
704.84 <sup>g</sup> 4	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
709.15 <sup>h</sup> 11	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
711.15 <sup>d</sup> 12	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
723.17 <sup>g</sup> 7	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
767.89 <sup>b</sup> 9	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
769.15 <sup>i</sup> 14	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
836.07 <sup>b</sup> 13	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
899.63 <sup>e</sup> 13	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
911.16 <sup>b</sup> 21	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
932.19 <sup>c</sup> 5	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
934.64 <sup>e</sup> 17	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
988.14? <sup>c</sup> 9	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
1055.82? <sup>c</sup> 7	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	

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E(level) <sup>†</sup>	J <sup>‡</sup>	Comments
1075.05 <sup>a</sup> 8	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	
1133.91? <sup>c</sup> 8	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	
1143.78 <sup>a</sup> 14	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	
1150.64 12	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	Possible configuration=7/2[633]⊗1-5/2 <sup>-</sup> .
1223.01 10	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	Configuration=7/2[633]⊗0-7/2 <sup>+</sup> .
1227.54? <sup>c</sup> 10	(15/2 <sup>-</sup> )	

<sup>†</sup> From least-squares fit to E $\gamma$  data by the evaluator, unless stated otherwise.<sup>‡</sup> From Adopted Levels. The assignments to levels >700 keV are by 2005Ah03 from deexcitation patterns of the levels to members of lower rotational bands, and  $\alpha$ -decay hindrance factors or available configurations as provided in the Adopted Levels.<sup>#</sup> Band(A): 7/2[633].<sup>@</sup> Band(B): 3/2[521].<sup>&</sup> Band(C): 5/2[642].<sup>a</sup> Band(D): 9/2[624].<sup>b</sup> Band(E): 7/2[633]⊗1-9/2<sup>-</sup> vibrational band.<sup>c</sup> Band(F): 7/2[633]⊗0-7/2<sup>-</sup> vibrational band.<sup>d</sup> Band(G): 7/2[633]⊗1-5/2<sup>-</sup> vibrational band.<sup>e</sup> Band(H): 7/2[633]⊗2-3/2<sup>-</sup> vibrational band.<sup>f</sup> Seq.(K): 1/2[400].<sup>g</sup> Seq.(L): 1/2[530]. Value of rotational constant ( $\hbar^2/2J=4.840$  keV) from 2005Ah03 indicates Coriolis mixing of 1/2[530], K $^\pi=1/2^-$ , and other negative parity bands present.<sup>h</sup> Band(I): K $^\pi=1/2^-$ . Value of rotational constant ( $\hbar^2/2J=7.84$  keV) from 2005Ah03 indicates Coriolis mixing of 1/2[530], K $^\pi=1/2^-$ , and other negative parity bands present.<sup>i</sup> Band(J): Possible 3/2[651] band. $\alpha$  radiations

E $\alpha$ <sup>‡</sup>	E(level)	I $\alpha$ <sup>‡a</sup>	HF <sup>†</sup>	Comments
5425 <sup>@</sup> 1	1227.54?	9.0×10 <sup>-7</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 9	70 7	I $\alpha$ : 9.0×10 <sup>-7</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5424 (2005Ah03).
5429 <sup>@</sup> 1	1223.01	8.8×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 6	7.6 6	I $\alpha$ : 7.8×10 <sup>-6</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5429 (2005Ah03).
5500 <sup>@</sup> 1	1150.64	5.4×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 4	34 3	I $\alpha$ : 5.4×10 <sup>-6</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5500 (2005Ah03).
5507 <sup>@</sup> 1	1143.78	1.82×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 21	111 13	I $\alpha$ : 1.8×10 <sup>-6</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5507 (2005Ah03).
5517 <sup>@</sup> 1	1133.91?	3.00×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 20	77 6	I $\alpha$ : 3.0×10 <sup>-6</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5517 (2005Ah03).
5575 <sup>@</sup> 9	1075.05	5.9×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 4	87 6	I $\alpha$ : 6.9×10 <sup>-6</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5575 (2005Ah03).
5594 <sup>@</sup> 8	1055.82?	7.6×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 5	87 6	I $\alpha$ : 7.4×10 <sup>-6</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5594 (2005Ah03).
5660 <sup>@</sup> 1	988.14?	1.30×10 <sup>-5</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 7	125 7	I $\alpha$ : 1.3×10 <sup>-5</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5661 (2005Ah03).
5713 <sup>@</sup> 1	934.64	≈3.9×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup>	≈841	I $\alpha$ : ≈6×10 <sup>-6</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5713 (2005Ah03).
5715 <sup>@</sup> 1	932.19	5.7×10 <sup>-5</sup> <sup>&amp;</sup> 12	59 13	I $\alpha$ : 6.7×10 <sup>-5</sup> (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5716 (2005Ah03).

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$E\alpha^\ddagger$	E(level)	$I\alpha^{\ddagger a}$	$HF^\ddagger$	Comments
5736 @ 1	911.16	$6.2 \times 10^{-6} \& 5$	717 58	I $\alpha$ : $\approx 6 \times 10^{-6}$ (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5736 (2005Ah03).
5747 @ 1	899.63	$2.3 \times 10^{-5} \& 12$	$2.2 \times 10^2 12$	I $\alpha$ : $\approx 3 \times 10^{-5}$ (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5747 (2005Ah03).
5810 @ 1	836.07	$4.07 \times 10^{-6} \& 33$	$2.85 \times 10^3 23$	I $\alpha$ : $\approx 4 \times 10^{-6}$ (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5810 (2005Ah03).
5876 @ 1	769.15	$\approx 3.5 \times 10^{-6} \&$	$\approx 7652$	
5877 @ 1	767.89	$\approx 3.31 \times 10^{-5} \&$	$\approx 822$	I $\alpha$ : $3.3 \times 10^{-5}$ (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5877 (2005Ah03).
5921 @	723.17	$6 \times 10^{-5} \& 6$	$7.9 \times 10^2 79$	
5933 @	711.15	$\approx 3.6 \times 10^{-6} \&$	$\approx 15202$	
5935 4	709.15	$\approx 4 \times 10^{-5}$	$\approx 1402$	I $\alpha$ : $1.23 \times 10^{-5}$ 18 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
5944 3	704.84	$1.5 \times 10^{-4} 5$	$3.9 \times 10^2 14$	I $\alpha$ : $1.1 \times 10^{-4}$ 8 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
5940 @ 1	703.42	$\approx 6.6 \times 10^{-6} \&$	$\approx 9113$	
5942 @ 1	701.85	$6.0 \times 10^{-6} \& 11$	$1.02 \times 10^4 19$	
5971 @ 1	672.81	$\approx 7 \times 10^{-6} \&$	$\approx 12466$	I $\alpha$ : $\approx 3 \times 10^{-6}$ (2005Ah03). E $\alpha$ : 5971 (2005Ah03).
5972 b 1	671.089	$\approx 6 \times 10^{-5}$	$\approx 1485$	I $\alpha$ : $5 \times 10^{-5}$ 4 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
5982 @ 1	661.35	$5.5 \times 10^{-6} \& 25$	$1.82 \times 10^4 83$	
5989 @ 1	654.1	$< 1.0 \times 10^{-6} \&$	$> 109005$	
6000 @ 1	642.74	$5.7 \times 10^{-6} \& 14$	$2.20 \times 10^4 54$	
6019 3	624.93	$1.8 \times 10^{-4} 5$	$8.6 \times 10^2 24$	I $\alpha$ : $6.5 \times 10^{-5}$ 5 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6018 @ 1	624.30	$\approx 3.9 \times 10^{-6} \&$	$\approx 40112$	
6037 3	606.691	$2.9 \times 10^{-4} 7$	$6.7 \times 10^2 16$	I $\alpha$ : $2.0 \times 10^{-4}$ 21 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6046 3	597.835	$4.0 \times 10^{-4} 9$	$5.4 \times 10^2 12$	I $\alpha$ : $3.8 \times 10^{-4}$ 31 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
$\approx 6071 b$	569.21	$\leq 5 \times 10^{-5}$	$\geq 6005$	I $\alpha$ : $4.4 \times 10^{-5}$ 4 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6084 3	558.179	$2.5 \times 10^{-4} 5$	$1.37 \times 10^3 29$	I $\alpha$ : $1.7 \times 10^{-4}$ 7 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6100 2	542.095	0.0034 2	122 7	I $\alpha$ : 0.00104 12 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6122 2	519.189	$7.8 \times 10^{-4} 8$	$6.9 \times 10^2 7$	I $\alpha$ : $3.80 \times 10^{-4}$ 30 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6142 @ 1	498.68	$2.36 \times 10^{-5} \& 26$	$2.91 \times 10^4 33$	I $\alpha$ : 0.0148 6 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6166 2	475.002	0.015 1	60 4	I $\alpha$ : $\approx 9.0 \times 10^{-6}$ deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6167 @ 1	473.66	$\approx 9 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.0 \times 10^5 7$	I $\alpha$ : 0.0427 18 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6211 2	428.955	0.039 2	39.2 21	I $\alpha$ : $6.3 \times 10^{-5}$ 23 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6217 3	421.376	$\approx 1.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.1 \times 10^3 8$	I $\alpha$ : 2.0 $\times 10^{-6}$ 32 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6230 3	410.71	$1.2 \times 10^{-4} 4$	$1.6 \times 10^4 6$	I $\alpha$ : 0.0480 18 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6250 2	389.170	0.045 2	53.3 25	
6261 @b 6	377.552	$3.29 \times 10^{-4} \& 21$	$8.3 \times 10^3 6$	E $\alpha$ : Not reported by 1975Ah01.
6266 2	373.179	$8.0 \times 10^{-4} 8$	$3.6 \times 10^3 4$	I $\alpha$ : $1.90 \times 10^{-4}$ 16 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6325 3	311.857	$4.0 \times 10^{-4} 10$	$1.4 \times 10^4 4$	I $\alpha$ : 4.4 $\times 10^{-5}$ 29 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6354 2	283.131	0.0082 4	$9.5 \times 10^2 5$	I $\alpha$ : 0.018 10 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6408 2	229.242	0.013 1	$1.08 \times 10^3 9$	I $\alpha$ : 0.032 20 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6432 2	204.572	0.061 3	301 15	I $\alpha$ : 0.281 30 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6480 2	155.854	0.085 3	364 14	I $\alpha$ : 0.068 22 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6498 2	137.711	0.26 1	144 6	I $\alpha$ : 0.03 4 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6540 2	93.759	0.85 2	70.3 19	I $\alpha$ : 0.77 5 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6552 2	82.595	0.71 2	94.6 29	I $\alpha$ : 0.62 10 deduced by the evaluator from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.
6590.5 14	41.805	6.6 10	15.6 25	Ea,Ia: From 1991Ry01.

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$E\alpha^{\ddagger}$	$E(\text{level})$	$I\alpha^{\ddagger a}$	$H\Gamma^{\ddagger}$	Comments
6624 <sup>#</sup> 2	8.771	0.8 <sup>#</sup>	$1.8 \times 10^2$	
6633	0.0	89.8 2	1.761 22	I $\alpha$ : 89.9% deduced by 2005Ah03 from $\gamma$ -intensity balance.

<sup>†</sup> The nuclear radius parameter  $r_0(^{249}\text{Bk})=1.49492\ 49$  is deduced from interpolation of radius parameters of the adjacent even-even nuclides in 2020Si16.

<sup>‡</sup> From 1975Ah01, unless otherwise noted. Assigned to levels in 2005Ah03 based on similar level energy and spin-parity.

<sup>#</sup> From 1972Bb24.

<sup>@</sup> Deduced by the evaluator from level excitation energies. Energies are rounded to the nearest keV with an estimated uncertainty of 1 keV. Values deduced by 2005Ah03 from level excitation energies are given in comments.

<sup>&</sup> Deduced by the evaluator from gamma intensity balance at each level. Values deduced by 2005Ah03 from summing intensities of transitions deexciting that level are given in comments.

<sup>a</sup> Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

<sup>b</sup> Existence of this branch is questionable.

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The Bk x-ray intensities (2005Ah03):

E(x ray)	I(x ray)	Bk x ray
107.17 1	$9.3 \times 10^{-3}$	3 $K_{\alpha 2}$
112.10 1	$1.5 \times 10^{-2}$	1 $K_{\alpha 1}$
125.42 2	$1.86 \times 10^{-3}$	15 $K_{\beta 3}$
126.57 2	$3.61 \times 10^{-3}$	20 $K_{\beta 1}$
127.36 5	$1.96 \times 10^{-4}$	20 $K_{\beta 5}$
130.24 2	$1.47 \times 10^{-3}$	12 $K_{\beta 2}+K_{\beta 4}$
131.30 2	$4.5 \times 10^{-4}$	4 $KO_{2,3}$

E $_{\gamma}^{\dagger}$	I $_{\gamma}^{\dagger \&}$	E $_i$ (level)	J $^{\pi}_i$	E $_f$	J $^{\pi}_f$	Mult.#	$\delta^{\#}$	$\alpha @$	Comments
(8.77)		8.771	3/2 $^-$	0.0	7/2 $^+$	[M2]		$3.07 \times 10^6$ 4	
30.85 1	$5.5 \times 10^{-3}$ 5	39.614	5/2 $^-$	8.771 3/2 $^-$	M1+E2	0.114 +29-18		$3.1 \times 10^2$ 4	$\alpha(M)=2.222 \times 10^6$ 31 $\alpha(N)=6.49 \times 10^5$ 9; $\alpha(O)=1.653 \times 10^5$ 23; $\alpha(P)=2.97 \times 10^4$ 4; $\alpha(Q)=1564$ 22 E $_{\gamma}$ : Deduced by the evaluator from level energy difference. I $_{(\gamma+ce)}$ : I $(\gamma+ce)(8.77\gamma)=2.59$ 27 deduced by evaluator from intensity balance.
41.80 1	$5.6 \times 10^{-2}$ 4	41.805	9/2 $^+$	0.0	7/2 $^+$	M1+E2	0.140 +39-23	122 14	$\alpha(L)=231$ 29; $\alpha(M)=59$ 8 $\alpha(N)=16.3$ 23; $\alpha(O)=4.1$ 6; $\alpha(P)=0.78$ 9; $\alpha(Q)=0.0441$ 6 Mult., $\delta$ : M1:M2:M3=100:32:15, N1:N2:N3=23:7:5, M/N=4.2 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ). $\alpha(L)=90$ 10; $\alpha(M)=22.9$ 30 $\alpha(N)=6.3$ 8; $\alpha(O)=1.61$ 20; $\alpha(P)=0.307$ 32; $\alpha(Q)=0.01781$ 28 Mult., $\delta$ : L1:L2:L3=100:28.9:12.0, M1:M2:M3:M4=23.5:7.1:3.5:0.08 L/M=4.12 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ). $\alpha(L)=77$ 5; $\alpha(M)=19.3$ 13 $\alpha(N)=5.3$ 4; $\alpha(O)=1.37$ 9; $\alpha(P)=0.263$ 15; $\alpha(Q)=0.01647$ 24 Mult., $\delta$ : L1:L2:L3=100:27.4: 7.1, M1:M3=25.6: 2.5, L/M=4.6 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ). $\alpha(L)=44.7$ 7; $\alpha(M)=11.24$ 18 $\alpha(N)=3.11$ 5; $\alpha(O)=0.794$ 13; $\alpha(P)=0.1524$ 24; $\alpha(Q)=0.00935$ 13 Mult., $\delta$ : L1/L2=4.35 3, L1/L3=11.33 15, L2/L3=2.60 4 ( <a href="#">1964No08</a> ); L1:L2:L3=100: 23.1: 9.1, M1:M2:M3=22.1: 7.1: 2.3, L/M=4.2 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ). $\alpha(L)=37.2$ 26; $\alpha(M)=9.3$ 7 $\alpha(N)=2.58$ 21; $\alpha(O)=0.66$ 5; $\alpha(P)=0.127$ 8; $\alpha(Q)=0.00786$ 13 Mult., $\delta$ : L1:L2:M1:M2=100: 22: 24: 6.4 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ).
55.11 1	$5.5 \times 10^{-3}$ 4	137.711	9/2 $^-$	82.595 7/2 $^-$	M1+E2	0.146 +38-32		50 4	

<sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued) $\gamma(^{249}\text{Bk})$  (continued)

$E_\gamma^{\dagger}$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Mult. <sup>#</sup>	$\delta^{\#}$	$\alpha^{@}$	Comments
55.6 <sup>‡</sup>	<1×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>‡</sup>	597.835	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	542.095	(11/2 <sup>+</sup> )				$E_\gamma$ : The transition was observed between 597.7 and 542.1. The difference in energy=55.6, while the authors in 2005Ah03 report 54.2 keV. This value does not fit with their level scheme. Therefore, the evaluator adopts 55.6 instead.
62.08 1	2.6×10 <sup>-3</sup> 2	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	M1+E2	0.16 4	34.9 23	$\alpha(L)=26.0$ 16; $\alpha(M)=6.5$ 5 $\alpha(N)=1.80$ 13; $\alpha(O)=0.461$ 32; $\alpha(P)=0.089$ 5; $\alpha(Q)=0.00552$ 10
66.86 1	2.1×10 <sup>-3</sup> 2	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	(E2)		135.9 19	Mult., $\delta$ : L2:M1:M2:M3=100: 82: 24: 7 (1965Ho13). $\alpha(L)=98.1$ 14; $\alpha(M)=27.8$ 4 $\alpha(N)=7.79$ 11; $\alpha(O)=1.906$ 27; $\alpha(P)=0.314$ 4; $\alpha(Q)=0.000997$ 14
70.0 <sup>‡</sup>	<1×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>‡</sup>	498.68	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )				Mult.: L1/M1=3.2 (1965Ho13).
73.43 2	5.7×10 <sup>-4</sup> 5	229.242	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>	(M1,E2)	53 34		$\alpha(L)=38$ 24; $\alpha(M)=11$ 7 $\alpha(N)=3.0$ 20; $\alpha(O)=0.7$ 5; $\alpha(P)=0.13$ 8; $\alpha(Q)=0.0021$ 14
73.82 1	9.5×10 <sup>-4</sup> 9	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>	E2		84.9 12	Mult.: L1/M1=4 (1965Ho13). $\alpha(L)=61.2$ 9; $\alpha(M)=17.38$ 24 $\alpha(N)=4.86$ 7; $\alpha(O)=1.191$ 17; $\alpha(P)=0.1964$ 28; $\alpha(Q)=0.000663$ 9
78.56 1	4.1×10 <sup>-4</sup> 3	283.131	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	[M1,E2]	39 24		Mult., $\delta$ : L2:L3:M2:M3=100:63:30:24 (1965Ho13). $\alpha(L)=29$ 17; $\alpha(M)=8$ 5 $\alpha(N)=2.2$ 14; $\alpha(O)=0.55$ 34; $\alpha(P)=0.09$ 5; $\alpha(Q)=0.0017$ 12
78.8 <sup>‡</sup>	<1×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>‡</sup>	597.835	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )				
82.61 <sup>a</sup> 2	5.2×10 <sup>-5</sup> <sup>a</sup> 5	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>				
82.61 <sup>a</sup> 2	5.2×10 <sup>-5</sup> <sup>a</sup> 5	311.857	(17/2 <sup>+</sup> )	229.242	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )				
87.5 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx$ 1×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>‡</sup>	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )				
89.9 <sup>‡</sup>	<1×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>‡</sup>	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )				
90.05 2	3.1×10 <sup>-5</sup> 3	373.179	(15/2 <sup>-</sup> )	283.131	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )				
93.76 1	1.2×10 <sup>-3</sup> 1	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	E2		27.5 4	$\alpha(L)=19.87$ 28; $\alpha(M)=5.64$ 8 $\alpha(N)=1.579$ 22; $\alpha(O)=0.387$ 5; $\alpha(P)=0.0642$ 9; $\alpha(Q)=0.000256$ 4
95.90 2	2.7×10 <sup>-5</sup> 3	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	[E1]		0.1603 22	Mult., $\delta$ : L2:L3:M2:M3=100: 63: 27: 21 (1965Ho13). $\alpha(L)=0.1200$ 17; $\alpha(M)=0.0298$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.00813$ 11; $\alpha(O)=0.002005$ 28; $\alpha(P)=0.000346$ 5; $\alpha(Q)=1.365×10^{-5}$ 19
98.10 1	1.65×10 <sup>-3</sup> 14	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>	E2		22.31 31	$\alpha(L)=16.09$ 23; $\alpha(M)=4.57$ 6 $\alpha(N)=1.279$ 18; $\alpha(O)=0.313$ 4; $\alpha(P)=0.0520$ 7; $\alpha(Q)=0.0002150$ 30
									Mult., $\delta$ : L2:L3:M2:M3=100: 60: 30: 18 (1965Ho13).

<sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued) $\gamma(^{249}\text{Bk})$  (continued)

$E_\gamma^{\dagger}$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Mult. <sup>#</sup>	$\alpha^{@}$	Comments
98.2 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 3 \times 10^{-7} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	704.84	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )			
100.5 <sup>‡</sup> 3	$\approx 4 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	473.66	(17/2 <sup>-</sup> )	373.179	(15/2 <sup>-</sup> )			
102.8 <sup>‡</sup> 3	$\approx 1 \times 10^{-7} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	709.15	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )			
114.04 1	$4.7 \times 10^{-4}$ 3	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	(E2)	11.12 16	$\alpha(L)=8.03$ 11; $\alpha(M)=2.278$ 32 $\alpha(N)=0.637$ 9; $\alpha(O)=0.1564$ 22; $\alpha(P)=0.0261$ 4; $\alpha(Q)=0.0001227$ 17 Mult.: L2/L3=1.6 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ).
121.98 1	$1.15 \times 10^{-3}$ 10	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>	(E2)	8.17 11	$\alpha(L)=5.90$ 8; $\alpha(M)=1.673$ 23 $\alpha(N)=0.468$ 7; $\alpha(O)=0.1149$ 16; $\alpha(P)=0.01919$ 27; $\alpha(Q)=9.63 \times 10^{-5}$ 13 Mult.: L2/L3=1.5 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ).
122.1 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	597.835	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
134.9 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	654.1		519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
135.51 1	$1.9 \times 10^{-4}$ 2	229.242	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	[E2]	5.21 7	$\alpha(K)=0.1361$ 19; $\alpha(L)=3.66$ 5; $\alpha(M)=1.038$ 15 $\alpha(N)=0.290$ 4; $\alpha(O)=0.0713$ 10; $\alpha(P)=0.01195$ 17; $\alpha(Q)=6.68 \times 10^{-5}$ 9
136.81 2	$3.5 \times 10^{-5}$ 3	558.179	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	421.376	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	[E1]	0.257 4	$\alpha(K)=0.1920$ 27; $\alpha(L)=0.0484$ 7; $\alpha(M)=0.01196$ 17 $\alpha(N)=0.00327$ 5; $\alpha(O)=0.000814$ 11; $\alpha(P)=0.0001449$ 20; $\alpha(Q)=6.42 \times 10^{-6}$ 9
<sup>8</sup>	137.71 5	$1.0 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>		
	145.42 1	$3.3 \times 10^{-4}$ 2	283.131	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	E2	3.85 5
152.2 2	$\approx 2 \times 10^{-7}$	671.089	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
156.08 8	$1.5 \times 10^{-5}$ 3	311.857	(17/2 <sup>+</sup> )	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>			
162.7 1	$1.5 \times 10^{-5}$ 4	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	[E1]	0.1738 24	$\alpha(K)=0.1320$ 19; $\alpha(L)=0.0314$ 4; $\alpha(M)=0.00773$ 11 $\alpha(N)=0.002114$ 30; $\alpha(O)=0.000528$ 7; $\alpha(P)=9.53 \times 10^{-5}$ 13; $\alpha(Q)=4.44 \times 10^{-6}$ 6
164.4 <sup>‡</sup> 3	$\approx 3 \times 10^{-7} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	932.19	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	767.89	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	[M1]	8.44 13	$\alpha(K)=6.60$ 10; $\alpha(L)=1.381$ 21; $\alpha(M)=0.339$ 5 $\alpha(N)=0.0934$ 14; $\alpha(O)=0.0240$ 4; $\alpha(P)=0.00474$ 7; $\alpha(Q)=0.000333$ 5
168.57 8	$5.3 \times 10^{-5}$ 5	373.179	(15/2 <sup>-</sup> )	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	[E2]	2.083 29	$\alpha(K)=0.1629$ 23; $\alpha(L)=1.387$ 20; $\alpha(M)=0.392$ 6 $\alpha(N)=0.1096$ 16; $\alpha(O)=0.0270$ 4; $\alpha(P)=0.00456$ 6; $\alpha(Q)=3.28 \times 10^{-5}$ 5
168.8 <sup>a‡</sup> 2	$\approx 5 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	558.179	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	389.170	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	[E1]	0.1599 23	$\alpha(K)=0.1217$ 17; $\alpha(L)=0.0286$ 4; $\alpha(M)=0.00705$ 10 $\alpha(N)=0.001929$ 28; $\alpha(O)=0.000482$ 7; $\alpha(P)=8.72 \times 10^{-5}$ 12; $\alpha(Q)=4.11 \times 10^{-6}$ 6
168.8 <sup>a‡</sup> 2	$\approx 5 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	597.835	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
177.6 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\dagger}{\ddagger}$	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
180.52 8	$2.1 \times 10^{-5}$ 3	558.179	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	377.552	(1/2 <sup>+</sup> )	[E1]	0.1373 19	$\alpha(K)=0.1049$ 15; $\alpha(L)=0.02426$ 34; $\alpha(M)=0.00597$ 8 $\alpha(N)=0.001633$ 23; $\alpha(O)=0.000409$ 6; $\alpha(P)=7.43 \times 10^{-5}$ 10; $\alpha(Q)=3.57 \times 10^{-6}$ 5

<sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued)

 $\gamma(249\text{Bk})$  (continued)

$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Mult. <sup>#</sup>	$\alpha @$	Comments
185.3 1	$8.0 \times 10^{-6}$ 20	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	421.376	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
185.6 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	704.84	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
189.4 1	$\approx 5 \times 10^{-6}$	283.131	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>			
190.5 3	$\approx 5 \times 10^{-6}$	473.66	(17/2 <sup>-</sup> )	283.131	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )			
191.7 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 7 \times 10^{-7}$ <sup>‡</sup>	569.21	(1/2 <sup>-</sup> )	377.552	(1/2 <sup>+</sup> )	[E1]	0.1198 17	$\alpha(K)=0.0918$ 13; $\alpha(L)=0.02094$ 30; $\alpha(M)=0.00515$ 7 $\alpha(N)=0.001409$ 20; $\alpha(O)=0.000353$ 5; $\alpha(P)=6.44 \times 10^{-5}$ 9; $\alpha(Q)=3.15 \times 10^{-6}$ 4
192.0 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 6 \times 10^{-7}$ <sup>‡</sup>	711.15	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
203.1 <sup>a‡</sup> 5	$\approx 3 \times 10^{-7}$ <sup>a‡</sup>	624.30	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	421.376	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
203.1 <sup>a‡</sup> 5	$\approx 3 \times 10^{-7}$ <sup>a‡</sup>	624.93	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	421.376	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
204.0 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	723.17	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			E <sub><math>\gamma</math></sub> : the transition was observed between 723.2 and 519.2. The difference in energy=204.0, while the authors report 202.1 keV. This value does not fit the level scheme. Therefore, the evaluator adopts 204.0.
227.0 3	$\approx 5 \times 10^{-6}$	899.63	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	672.81	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )			
227.1 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 2 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	769.15	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	542.095	(11/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
228.4 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	703.42	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
x229.0 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>							
231.7 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	642.74	(1/2 <sup>-</sup> )	410.71	(3/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
235.1 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 3 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	624.30	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	389.170	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
236.1 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 2 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	711.15	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
244.0 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	672.81	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
247.7 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	723.17	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
258.9 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 2 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	542.095	(11/2 <sup>+</sup> )	283.131	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )			
261.7 <sup>‡</sup> 3	$\approx 8 \times 10^{-7}$ <sup>‡</sup>	934.64	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	672.81	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )			
264.1 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	642.74	(1/2 <sup>-</sup> )	377.552	(1/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
x264.7 <sup>‡</sup>	$< 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>							E <sub><math>\gamma</math></sub> : assignment to <sup>253</sup> Es decay is tentative.
270.46 8	$1.8 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )			
274.5 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	703.42	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
282.2 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	711.15	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
283.7 <sup>a</sup> 2	$\approx 5 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>a</sup>	661.35	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	377.552	(1/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
283.7 <sup>a</sup> 2	$\approx 5 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>a</sup>	672.81	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	389.170	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )			
291.26 8	$3.4 \times 10^{-5}$ 3	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	[E1]	0.0475 7	$\alpha(K)=0.0371$ 5; $\alpha(L)=0.00779$ 11; $\alpha(M)=0.001905$ 27 $\alpha(N)=0.000522$ 7; $\alpha(O)=0.0001318$ 18; $\alpha(P)=2.459 \times 10^{-5}$ 34; $\alpha(Q)=1.336 \times 10^{-6}$ 19
294.1 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	769.15	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )			

<sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued)

$\gamma^{(249)\text{Bk}}$ (continued)								
$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Mult. <sup>#</sup>	$\alpha @$	Comments
300.3 <sup>‡</sup> 306.58 8	<1×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>‡</sup> 2.4×10 <sup>-5</sup> 2	709.15 389.170	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> ) (5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	410.71 82.595	(3/2 <sup>+</sup> ) 7/2 <sup>-</sup>	[E1]	0.0426 6	$E_\gamma$ : Poor fit. Level energy difference=408.85. $\alpha(K)=0.0334$ 5; $\alpha(L)=0.00694$ 10; $\alpha(M)=0.001695$ 24 $\alpha(N)=0.000464$ 7; $\alpha(O)=0.0001173$ 16; $\alpha(P)=2.195\times10^{-5}$ 31; $\alpha(Q)=1.206\times10^{-6}$ 17
312.7 1	4.5×10 <sup>-6</sup> 6	542.095	(11/2 <sup>+</sup> )	229.242	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	[E2]	0.2243 31	$\alpha(K)=0.0756$ 11; $\alpha(L)=0.1080$ 15; $\alpha(M)=0.0299$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.00835$ 12; $\alpha(O)=0.002068$ 29; $\alpha(P)=0.000361$ 5; $\alpha(Q)=6.00\times10^{-6}$ 8
314.2 <sup>‡</sup> 2 319.16 5	≈2×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>‡</sup> 3.7×10 <sup>-5</sup> 3	703.42 475.002	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> ) (9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	389.170 155.854	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> ) 13/2 <sup>+</sup>	[E2]	0.2106 30	$\alpha(K)=0.0731$ 10; $\alpha(L)=0.0999$ 14; $\alpha(M)=0.0276$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.00771$ 11; $\alpha(O)=0.001911$ 27; $\alpha(P)=0.000334$ 5; $\alpha(Q)=5.70\times10^{-6}$ 8
330.7 <sup>‡</sup> 335.20 5	<1×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>‡</sup> 1.40×10 <sup>-4</sup> 15	709.15 428.955	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> ) (7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	377.552 93.759	(1/2 <sup>+</sup> ) 11/2 <sup>+</sup>	[E2]	0.1816 25	$\alpha(K)=0.0674$ 9; $\alpha(L)=0.0830$ 12; $\alpha(M)=0.02291$ 32 $\alpha(N)=0.00639$ 9; $\alpha(O)=0.001584$ 22; $\alpha(P)=0.000278$ 4; $\alpha(Q)=5.07\times10^{-6}$ 7
337.30 5	5.2×10 <sup>-5</sup> 4	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	[E1]	0.0349 5	$\alpha(K)=0.0274$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.00560$ 8; $\alpha(M)=0.001367$ 19 $\alpha(N)=0.000375$ 5; $\alpha(O)=9.48\times10^{-5}$ 13; $\alpha(P)=1.781\times10^{-5}$ 25; $\alpha(Q)=1.000\times10^{-6}$ 14
340.2 5 346.37 5	≈5×10 <sup>-7</sup> 1.6×10 <sup>-4</sup> 2	769.15 428.955	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> ) (7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	428.955 82.595	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> ) 7/2 <sup>-</sup>	[E1]	0.0330 5	$\alpha(K)=0.0260$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.00528$ 7; $\alpha(M)=0.001289$ 18 $\alpha(N)=0.000353$ 5; $\alpha(O)=8.94\times10^{-5}$ 13; $\alpha(P)=1.682\times10^{-5}$ 24; $\alpha(Q)=9.50\times10^{-7}$ 13
347.34 5	2.0×10 <sup>-4</sup> 3	389.170	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	[E2]	0.1635 23	$\alpha(K)=0.0635$ 9; $\alpha(L)=0.0727$ 10; $\alpha(M)=0.02002$ 28 $\alpha(N)=0.00558$ 8; $\alpha(O)=0.001385$ 19; $\alpha(P)=0.0002437$ 34; $\alpha(Q)=4.66\times10^{-6}$ 7
349.56 5	1.4×10 <sup>-4</sup> 2	389.170	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>	[E1]	0.0324 5	$\alpha(K)=0.0255$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.00518$ 7; $\alpha(M)=0.001263$ 18 $\alpha(N)=0.000346$ 5; $\alpha(O)=8.76\times10^{-5}$ 12; $\alpha(P)=1.649\times10^{-5}$ 23; $\alpha(Q)=9.33\times10^{-7}$ 13
368.77 <sup>a</sup> 2 368.77 <sup>a</sup> 2	3.6×10 <sup>-4</sup> <sup>a</sup> 2 3.6×10 <sup>-4</sup> <sup>a</sup> 2	377.552 597.835	(1/2 <sup>+</sup> ) (13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	8.771 229.242	3/2 <sup>-</sup> (15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	(M1,E2)	0.5 4	$\alpha(K)=0.38$ 32; $\alpha(L)=0.10$ 4; $\alpha(M)=0.026$ 9 $\alpha(N)=0.0071$ 26; $\alpha(O)=0.0018$ 7; $\alpha(P)=3.4\times10^{-4}$ 15; $\alpha(Q)=1.9\times10^{-5}$ 15 $E_\gamma$ : poor fit possibly due to doublet. Level-energy difference=368.59. Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.42$ 11 (1971HoZQ).
381.23 2	5.5×10 <sup>-3</sup> 3	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	(M1)	0.807 11	$\alpha(K)=0.633$ 9; $\alpha(L)=0.1305$ 18; $\alpha(M)=0.0319$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.00880$ 12; $\alpha(O)=0.002264$ 32; $\alpha(P)=0.000447$ 6; $\alpha(Q)=3.12\times10^{-5}$ 4 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.62$ 6 (1971HoZQ).

<sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued) $\gamma^{(249)\text{Bk}}$  (continued)

$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Mult. <sup>#</sup>	$\delta^\#$	$\alpha^{@}$	Comments
387.15 2	$1.90 \times 10^{-2}$ 10	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	M1		0.774 11	$\alpha(K)=0.607$ 8; $\alpha(L)=0.1250$ 18; $\alpha(M)=0.0306$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.00843$ 12; $\alpha(O)=0.002170$ 30; $\alpha(P)=0.000428$ 6; $\alpha(Q)=2.99 \times 10^{-5}$ 4 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.61$ 7 ( <a href="#">1971HoZQ</a> ), K/L=4.5, L1/L2=10 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ).
389.17 2	$2.70 \times 10^{-2}$ 10	389.170	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	M1		0.763 11	$\alpha(K)=0.598$ 8; $\alpha(L)=0.1232$ 17; $\alpha(M)=0.0302$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.00831$ 12; $\alpha(O)=0.002139$ 30; $\alpha(P)=0.000422$ 6; $\alpha(Q)=2.95 \times 10^{-5}$ 4 Mult.: K:L1:L2:L3=500:100:10:AP 0.5 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ).
392.42 5	$4.4 \times 10^{-5}$ 4	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>	[E1]		0.0256 4	$\alpha(K)=0.02020$ 28; $\alpha(L)=0.00403$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.000981$ 14 $\alpha(N)=0.000269$ 4; $\alpha(O)=6.82 \times 10^{-5}$ 10; $\alpha(P)=1.289 \times 10^{-5}$ 18; $\alpha(Q)=7.48 \times 10^{-7}$ 10
402.0 <sup>a</sup> 1	$5.0 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>a</sup> 10	410.71	(3/2 <sup>+</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>				
402.0 <sup>a</sup> 1	$5.0 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>a</sup> 10	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )				
404.4 1	$8.0 \times 10^{-6}$ 8	542.095	(11/2 <sup>+</sup> )	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	[E1]		0.02406 34	$\alpha(K)=0.01903$ 27; $\alpha(L)=0.00378$ 5; $\alpha(M)=0.000919$ 13 $\alpha(N)=0.0002519$ 35; $\alpha(O)=6.39 \times 10^{-5}$ 9; $\alpha(P)=1.210 \times 10^{-5}$ 17; $\alpha(Q)=7.06 \times 10^{-7}$ 10
416.3 2	$1.4 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	498.68	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>				
421.39 3	$8.5 \times 10^{-5}$ 4	421.376	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.35 26	$\alpha(K)=0.26$ 22; $\alpha(L)=0.068$ 31; $\alpha(M)=0.017$ 7 $\alpha(N)=0.0047$ 20; $\alpha(O)=0.0012$ 5; $\alpha(P)=2.3 \times 10^{-4}$ 11; $\alpha(Q)=1.3 \times 10^{-5}$ 10
421.7 <sup>‡</sup> 2	$\approx 8 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	704.84	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	283.131	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )				
425.43 2	$2.22 \times 10^{-4}$ 15	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	[E2]		0.0934 13	$\alpha(K)=0.0452$ 6; $\alpha(L)=0.0352$ 5; $\alpha(M)=0.00956$ 13 $\alpha(N)=0.00266$ 4; $\alpha(O)=0.000663$ 9; $\alpha(P)=0.0001184$ 17; $\alpha(Q)=2.93 \times 10^{-6}$ 4
428.95 2	$5.55 \times 10^{-3}$ 20	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	M1+E2	0.29 18	0.55 5	$\alpha(K)=0.43$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.090$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.0220$ 15 $\alpha(N)=0.0061$ 4; $\alpha(O)=0.00156$ 10; $\alpha(P)=0.000307$ 22; $\alpha(Q)=2.10 \times 10^{-5}$ 21 Mult., $\delta$ : $\alpha(K)\exp=0.42$ 3 ( <a href="#">1971HoZQ</a> ), K/L12=4.2, L1/L2=10 ( <a href="#">1965Ho13</a> ).
433.20 2	$2.7 \times 10^{-3}$ 2	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	(M1)		0.569 8	$\alpha(K)=0.447$ 6; $\alpha(L)=0.0918$ 13; $\alpha(M)=0.02244$ 31 $\alpha(N)=0.00619$ 9; $\alpha(O)=0.001592$ 22; $\alpha(P)=0.000314$ 4; $\alpha(Q)=2.194 \times 10^{-5}$ 31 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.46$ 3 ( <a href="#">1971HoZQ</a> ).
436.8 4	$\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>				
441.83 <sup>a</sup> 2	$7.9 \times 10^{-5}$ <sup>a</sup> 8	597.835	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>	(M1)		0.539 8	$\alpha(K)=0.423$ 6; $\alpha(L)=0.0869$ 12; $\alpha(M)=0.02126$ 30 $\alpha(N)=0.00586$ 8; $\alpha(O)=0.001508$ 21; $\alpha(P)=0.000298$ 4; $\alpha(Q)=2.078 \times 10^{-5}$ 29 $\gamma$ : poor fit possibly due to doublet. Level-energy

<sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued)

$\gamma(^{249}\text{Bk})$ (continued)									
$E_\gamma^{\dagger}$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Mult. <sup>#</sup>	$\delta^{\#}$	$\alpha^{@}$	Comments
441.83 <sup>a</sup> 2	$7.9 \times 10^{-5}$ <sup>a</sup> 8	671.089	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	229.242	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )				difference=441.98. Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.44$ 13 ( <a href="#">1971HoZQ</a> ).
448.34 2	$6.4 \times 10^{-4}$ 3	542.095	(11/2 <sup>+</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	(M1+E2)	0.52 +17-18	0.43 5	$\alpha(K)=0.33$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.072$ 6; $\alpha(M)=0.0178$ 14 $\alpha(N)=0.0049$ 4; $\alpha(O)=0.00126$ 10; $\alpha(P)=0.000246$ 21; $\alpha(Q)=1.63 \times 10^{-5}$ 19 Mult., $\delta$ : $\alpha(K)\exp=0.33$ 4 ( <a href="#">1971HoZQ</a> ).
455.1 <sup>‡</sup>	$<1 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup>	1223.01	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	767.89	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )				
456.84 8	$1.6 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	498.68	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>				
469.00 5	$8.0 \times 10^{-5}$ 7	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.27 19	$\alpha(K)=0.20$ 16; $\alpha(L)=0.050$ 24; $\alpha(M)=0.012$ 6 $\alpha(N)=0.0034$ 15; $\alpha(O)=9.E-4$ 4; $\alpha(P)=1.7 \times 10^{-4}$ 8; $\alpha(Q)=1.0 \times 10^{-5}$ 8
472.6 2	$4 \times 10^{-6}$ 1	701.85	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	229.242	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )				
475.00 5	$3.2 \times 10^{-4}$ 2	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	(M1)		0.443 6	$\alpha(K)=0.348$ 5; $\alpha(L)=0.0713$ 10; $\alpha(M)=0.01743$ 24 $\alpha(N)=0.00480$ 7; $\alpha(O)=0.001236$ 17; $\alpha(P)=0.0002439$ 34; $\alpha(Q)=1.703 \times 10^{-5}$ 24 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.32$ 4 ( <a href="#">1971HoZQ</a> ).
477.40 5	$1.12 \times 10^{-4}$ 10	519.189	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.25 18	$\alpha(K)=0.19$ 15; $\alpha(L)=0.047$ 23; $\alpha(M)=0.012$ 5 $\alpha(N)=0.0033$ 15; $\alpha(O)=8.E-4$ 4; $\alpha(P)=1.6 \times 10^{-4}$ 8; $\alpha(Q)=1.0 \times 10^{-5}$ 7
x482.1 5	$\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$								
498.6 2	$5.7 \times 10^{-6}$ 6	498.68	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>				
500.30 <sup>a</sup> 5	$1.43 \times 10^{-4}$ <sup>a</sup> 12	542.095	(11/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	(M1)		0.384 5	$\alpha(K)=0.302$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.0618$ 9; $\alpha(M)=0.01512$ 21 $\alpha(N)=0.00417$ 6; $\alpha(O)=0.001072$ 15; $\alpha(P)=0.0002116$ 30; $\alpha(Q)=1.478 \times 10^{-5}$ 21 Mult.: $\alpha(K)\exp=0.28$ 9 ( <a href="#">1971HoZQ</a> ).
500.30 <sup>a</sup> 5	$1.43 \times 10^{-4}$ <sup>a</sup> 12	704.84	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )				
503.93 5	$2.1 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	597.835	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.22 16	$\alpha(K)=0.16$ 13; $\alpha(L)=0.040$ 20; $\alpha(M)=0.010$ 5 $\alpha(N)=0.0028$ 13; $\alpha(O)=7.1 \times 10^{-4}$ 34; $\alpha(P)=1.4 \times 10^{-4}$ 7; $\alpha(Q)=8.E-6$ 6
515.5 1	$3.5 \times 10^{-6}$ 6	671.089	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>				
518.60 <sup>a</sup> 8	$1.02 \times 10^{-4}$ <sup>a</sup> 10	558.179	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.20 15	$\alpha(K)=0.15$ 12; $\alpha(L)=0.037$ 19; $\alpha(M)=0.009$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.0026$ 12; $\alpha(O)=6.6 \times 10^{-4}$ 32; $\alpha(P)=1.3 \times 10^{-4}$ 7; $\alpha(Q)=8.E-6$ 6
518.60 <sup>a</sup> 8	$1.02 \times 10^{-4}$ <sup>a</sup> 10	723.17	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	204.572	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )			0.20 14	$\alpha(K)=0.15$ 12; $\alpha(L)=0.036$ 18; $\alpha(M)=0.009$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.0025$ 12; $\alpha(O)=6.4 \times 10^{-4}$ 31; $\alpha(P)=1.2 \times 10^{-4}$ 6; $\alpha(Q)=7.E-6$ 6
524.10 5	$5.2 \times 10^{-5}$ 5	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>	[M1,E2]			
530.0 3	$\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$	569.21	(1/2 <sup>-</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>	[E2]		0.0544 8	$\alpha(K)=0.0311$ 4; $\alpha(L)=0.01704$ 24; $\alpha(M)=0.00455$ 6

<sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued)

 $\gamma(^{249}\text{Bk})$  (continued)

$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Mult. <sup>#</sup>	$\delta^\#$	$\alpha^{@}$	Comments
542.30 5	$2.2 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	624.93	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>				$\alpha(N)=0.001266$ 18; $\alpha(O)=0.000317$ 4; $\alpha(P)=5.75 \times 10^{-5}$ 8; $\alpha(Q)=1.821 \times 10^{-6}$ 26
545.9 3	$1.5 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	701.85	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>				
549.40 5	$3.0 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	558.179	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.17 12	$\alpha(K)=0.13$ 10; $\alpha(L)=0.032$ 16; $\alpha(M)=0.008$ 4 $\alpha(N)=0.0022$ 11; $\alpha(O)=5.6 \times 10^{-4}$ 27; $\alpha(P)=1.1 \times 10^{-4}$ 6; $\alpha(Q)=7.E-6$ 5
555.8 3	$1.2 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	597.835	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>				
560.42 5	$3.5 \times 10^{-5}$ 3	569.21	(1/2 <sup>-</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>	(M1+E2)	0.75 20	0.198 30	$\alpha(K)=0.152$ 25; $\alpha(L)=0.034$ 4; $\alpha(M)=0.0085$ 9 $\alpha(N)=0.00234$ 26; $\alpha(O)=0.00060$ 7; $\alpha(P)=0.000117$ 14; $\alpha(Q)=7.5 \times 10^{-6}$ 12
567.10 <sup>a</sup> 5	$4.5 \times 10^{-5}$ <sup>a</sup> 3	606.691	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.16 11	Mult., $\delta$ : From Adopted Gammas. $\alpha(K)=0.12$ 9; $\alpha(L)=0.029$ 15; $\alpha(M)=0.0072$ 35 $\alpha(N)=0.0020$ 10; $\alpha(O)=5.1 \times 10^{-4}$ 25; $\alpha(P)=1.0 \times 10^{-4}$ 5; $\alpha(Q)=6.E-6$ 4
567.10 <sup>a</sup> 5	$4.5 \times 10^{-5}$ <sup>a</sup> 3	704.84	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>				
571.0 3	$\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$	709.15	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	137.711	9/2 <sup>-</sup>				
577.6 2	$1.5 \times 10^{-6}$ 2	671.089	(13/2 <sup>+</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>				
585.35 5	$3.4 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	624.93	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.15 10	$\alpha(K)=0.11$ 9; $\alpha(L)=0.026$ 14; $\alpha(M)=0.0066$ 33 $\alpha(N)=0.0018$ 9; $\alpha(O)=4.7 \times 10^{-4}$ 23; $\alpha(P)=9.E-5$ 5; $\alpha(Q)=6.E-6$ 4
590.1 <sup>‡</sup> 3	$\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup> 3	672.81	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>				
608.2 3	$\approx 5 \times 10^{-7}$	701.85	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>				
616.1 2	$3.6 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	624.93	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>	[M1,E2]		0.13 9	$\alpha(K)=0.10$ 7; $\alpha(L)=0.023$ 12; $\alpha(M)=0.0057$ 29 $\alpha(N)=0.0016$ 8; $\alpha(O)=4.0 \times 10^{-4}$ 20; $\alpha(P)=8.E-5$ 4; $\alpha(Q)=4.9 \times 10^{-6}$ 35
621.7 2	$1.8 \times 10^{-6}$ 2	661.35	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>				
624.3 4	$7 \times 10^{-7}$ 2	624.30	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>				
626.5 2	$4.0 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	709.15	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>				
633.0 <sup>‡</sup> 3	$\approx 2.0 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>‡</sup> 3	672.81	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>				
634.2 2	$4.7 \times 10^{-6}$ 4	642.74	(1/2 <sup>-</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>				
640.6 2	$3.4 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	723.17	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>				
652.7 2	$1.20 \times 10^{-6}$ 15	661.35	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>				
661.6 2	$2.4 \times 10^{-6}$ 4	703.42	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>				
664.0 2	$5.0 \times 10^{-6}$ 5	672.81	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>				
669.5 2	$5.8 \times 10^{-6}$ 5	709.15	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>				
672.8 2	$1.4 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	672.81	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>				
700.3 3	$4 \times 10^{-7}$ 1	709.15	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>				

<sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued) $\gamma(249\text{Bk})$  (continued)

$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Comments
703.6 4	$\approx 2 \times 10^{-7}$	703.42	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	
721.6 2	$1.5 \times 10^{-6}$ 2	1150.64	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
726.1 2	$5.4 \times 10^{-6}$ 4	767.89	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	
742.4 3	$8.5 \times 10^{-7}$ 10	836.07	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	
748.0 <sup>d</sup>	<1×10 <sup>-6</sup> <sup>d</sup>	1223.01	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	475.002	(9/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
755.3 3	$1.2 \times 10^{-6}$ 2	911.16	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>	
761.5 2	$3.1 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	1150.64	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	389.170	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
767.9 1	$3.1 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	767.89	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	
794.0 <sup>d</sup> 2	$1.5 \times 10^{-6}$ <sup>d</sup> 2	1223.01	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	428.955	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
794.2 2	$2.6 \times 10^{-6}$ 3	836.07	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	
817.4 3	$5.0 \times 10^{-6}$ 5	911.16	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	
833.8 2	$4.7 \times 10^{-6}$ 4	1223.01	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	389.170	(5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	
836.1 2	$6.2 \times 10^{-7}$ 8	836.07	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	
838.5 3	$1.2 \times 10^{-6}$ 2	932.19	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	
x842.0 3	$9 \times 10^{-7}$ 2					
x847.0 3	$6 \times 10^{-7}$ 1					
852.1 2	$3.1 \times 10^{-6}$ 2	934.64	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	82.595	7/2 <sup>-</sup>	
860.3 2	$6.0 \times 10^{-6}$ 4	899.63	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	39.614	5/2 <sup>-</sup>	
890.5 <sup>a</sup> 2	$2.2 \times 10^{-5}$ <sup>a</sup> 2	899.63	(3/2 <sup>-</sup> )	8.771	3/2 <sup>-</sup>	
890.5 <sup>b</sup> 2	$2.2 \times 10^{-5}$ <sup>b</sup> 2	932.19	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	
894.5 2	$5.2 \times 10^{-6}$ 5	988.14?	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	
899.9 1	$7.2 \times 10^{-6}$ 5	1055.82?	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	155.854	13/2 <sup>+</sup>	
932.17 5	$4.1 \times 10^{-5}$ 2	932.19	(7/2 <sup>-</sup> )	0.0	7/2 <sup>+</sup>	
946.3 1	$7.8 \times 10^{-6}$ 5	988.14?	(9/2 <sup>-</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	
962.1 1	$2.4 \times 10^{-7}$ 4	1055.82?	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	
x965.2 3	$8 \times 10^{-7}$ 2					
981.3 3	$\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-7}$	1075.05	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	
998.3 1	$9.0 \times 10^{-7}$ 9	1227.54?	(15/2 <sup>-</sup> )	229.242	(15/2 <sup>+</sup> )	$E_\gamma$ : Possible alternate placement as decay-out transition from a 1040 level. Assignment to 1228 level based on agreement with calculated energies using rotational constant deduced by 2005Ah03 for the 7/2[633]⊗0 <sup>-</sup> 7/2 <sup>-</sup> band.
x1005.3 5	$\approx 4 \times 10^{-7}$					
1014.4 5	$\approx 2 \times 10^{-7}$	1055.82?	(11/2 <sup>-</sup> )	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	
x1023.0 5	$\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-7}$					
(1033.3 calc)	$1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ calc	1075.05	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	41.805	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	$E_\gamma, I_\gamma$ : $E_\gamma \approx 1033.3$ , $I_\gamma \approx 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ ; $I_\gamma$ deduced from excess counts of 1031.85 peak in <sup>250</sup> Bk $\beta$ -decay.
x1034.7 5	$\approx 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$					
1040.15 8	$3.0 \times 10^{-6}$ 2	1133.91?	(13/2 <sup>-</sup> )	93.759	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	$E_\gamma$ : Possible alternate placement as decay-out transition from a 1040 level. Assignment

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$E_\gamma^\dagger$	$I_\gamma^{\dagger\&}$	$E_i(\text{level})$	$J_i^\pi$	$E_f$	$J_f^\pi$	Comments
to 1134 level based on agreement with calculated energies using rotational constant deduced by 2005Ah03 for the $7/2[633]\otimes0^-7/2^-$ band.						
<sup>x</sup> 1042.3 5	$\approx 1.7 \times 10^{-7}$					
1050.0 2	$4.2 \times 10^{-7}$	5	1143.78	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	93.759 11/2 <sup>+</sup>	
<sup>x</sup> 1057.1 5	$3.8 \times 10^{-7}$	6				
1075.05 8	$5.8 \times 10^{-6}$	4	1075.05	9/2 <sup>+</sup>	0.0 7/2 <sup>+</sup>	
1102.0 2	$1.4 \times 10^{-6}$	2	1143.78	11/2 <sup>+</sup>	41.805 9/2 <sup>+</sup>	
<sup>x</sup> 1106.0 2	$1.8 \times 10^{-6}$	2				
1150.7 2	$8.0 \times 10^{-7}$	8	1150.64	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> )	0.0 7/2 <sup>+</sup>	
1181.3 2	$1.0 \times 10^{-6}$	1	1223.01	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	41.805 9/2 <sup>+</sup>	
1223.0 2	$6.0 \times 10^{-7}$	6	1223.01	(7/2 <sup>+</sup> )	0.0 7/2 <sup>+</sup>	

<sup>†</sup> From  $\gamma$ -ray singles data of 2005Ah03, unless otherwise stated. Absolute  $\gamma$ -ray intensities were determined by measuring the alphas from the decay of <sup>253</sup>Es with a Si detector of known solid angle and gammas with a Ge spectrometer whose efficiency was determined with a calibrated source.

<sup>‡</sup> Transition observed in  $\gamma\gamma$  coin measurements in 2005Ah03.  $I_\gamma < 1 \times 10^{-6}$  per <sup>253</sup>Es  $\alpha$ -decay estimated by the authors, unless stated otherwise. Energies for these weak  $\gamma$  rays determined with respect to energies of stronger  $\gamma$  rays measured in  $\gamma$ -ray singles spectra and that also have  $\Delta E\gamma < 0.2$  keV.  $\Delta E\gamma = 1.0$  keV assigned to these  $\gamma$  rays by the authors.

<sup>#</sup> From experimental conversion coefficient data from 1965Ho13 and 1971HoZQ, except as noted. 1965Ho13 (M. D. Holtz, J. M. Hollander, R. L. Graham, T. Novakov) was a private communication to authors in the Table of Isotopes" (1967Le24,1978LeZA). No copy of 1965Ho13 is available at the National Nuclear Data Center; however, the evaluator has used the information presented in 1978LeZA. Uncertainties were not provided in 1978LeZA; however, the evaluator has estimated a 20% uncertainty for the ce data in 1978LeZA. The ce(K) data from 1971HoZQ was re-normalized to the M1 389.17 keV 2 gamma transition with  $\alpha(K)(389.17)=0.598$  8 (BrIcc). Mixing ratio was calculated using the BrIccMixing code. Multipolarity and mixing ratios from this dataset are given in the Adopted Gammas.

<sup>@</sup> Additional information 1.

<sup>&</sup> Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

<sup>a</sup> Multiply placed with undivided intensity.

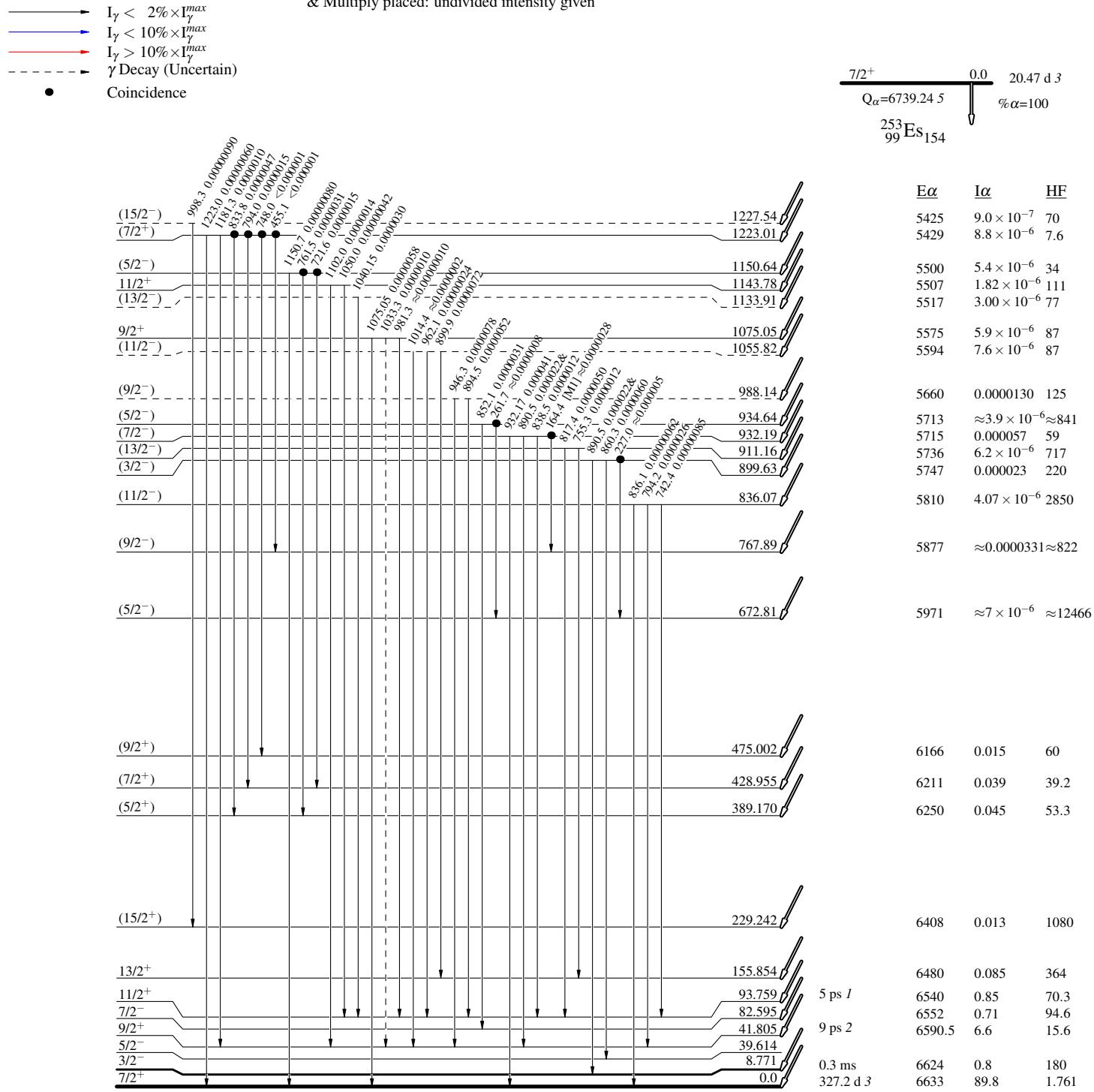
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## Decay Scheme

## Legend

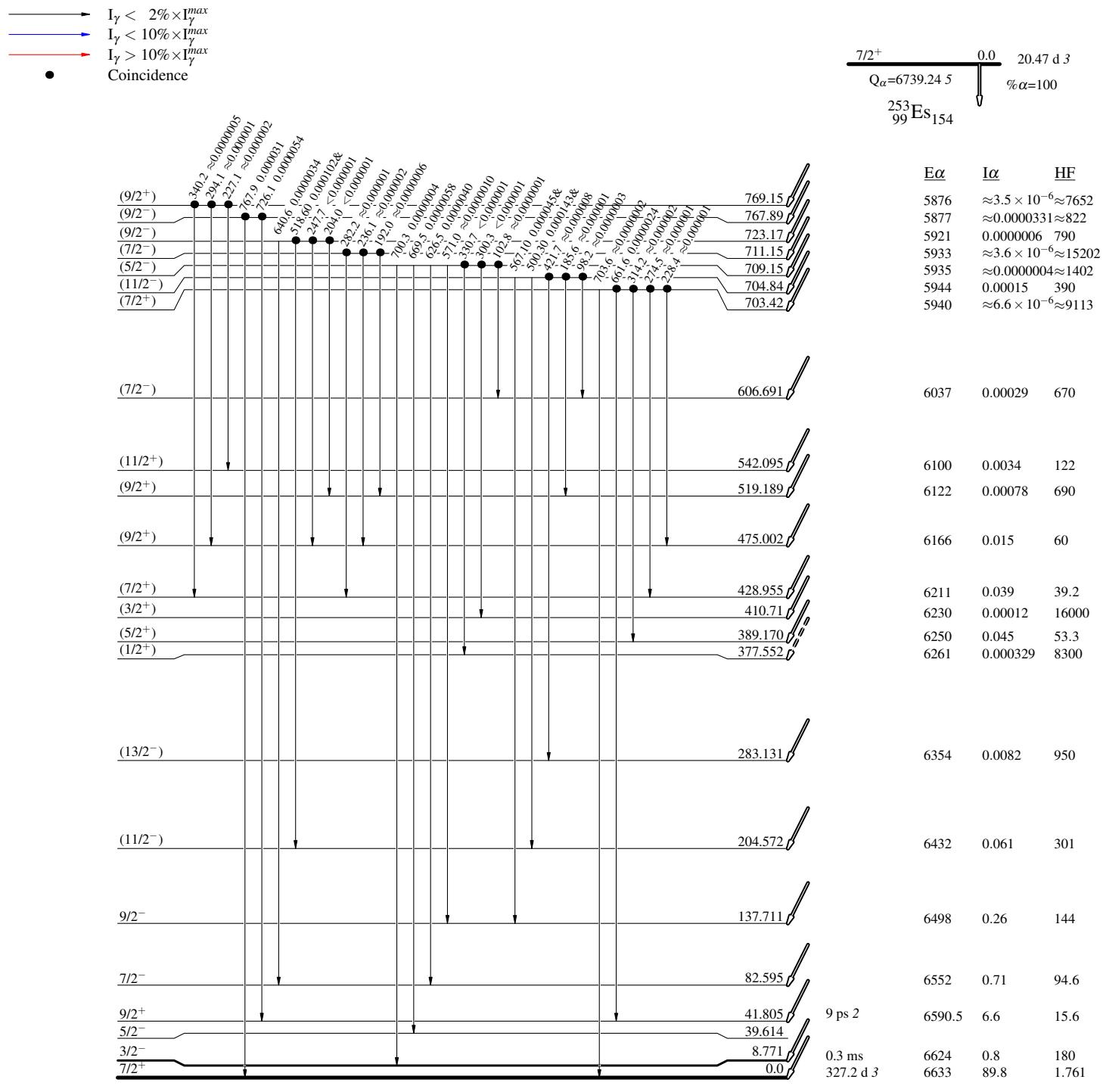
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$^{253}\text{Es}$   $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01Decay Scheme (continued)

## Legend

Intensities:  $I_{(\gamma+ce)}$  per 100 parent decays  
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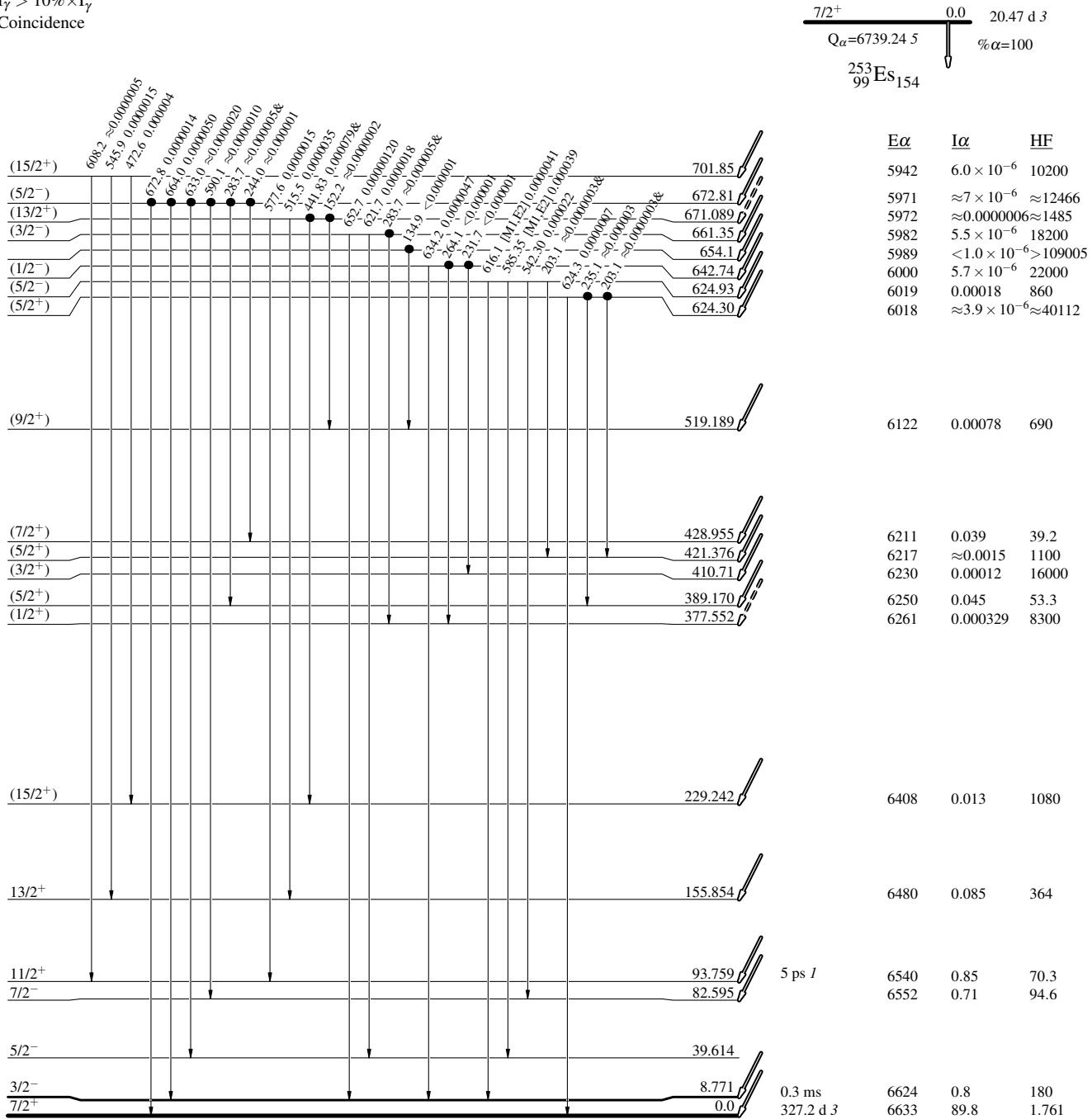
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## Decay Scheme (continued)

## Legend

Intensities:  $I_{(\gamma+ce)}$  per 100 parent decays  
& Multiply placed: undivided intensity given

- $I_\gamma < 2\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
- $I_\gamma < 10\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
- $I_\gamma > 10\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
- Coincidence

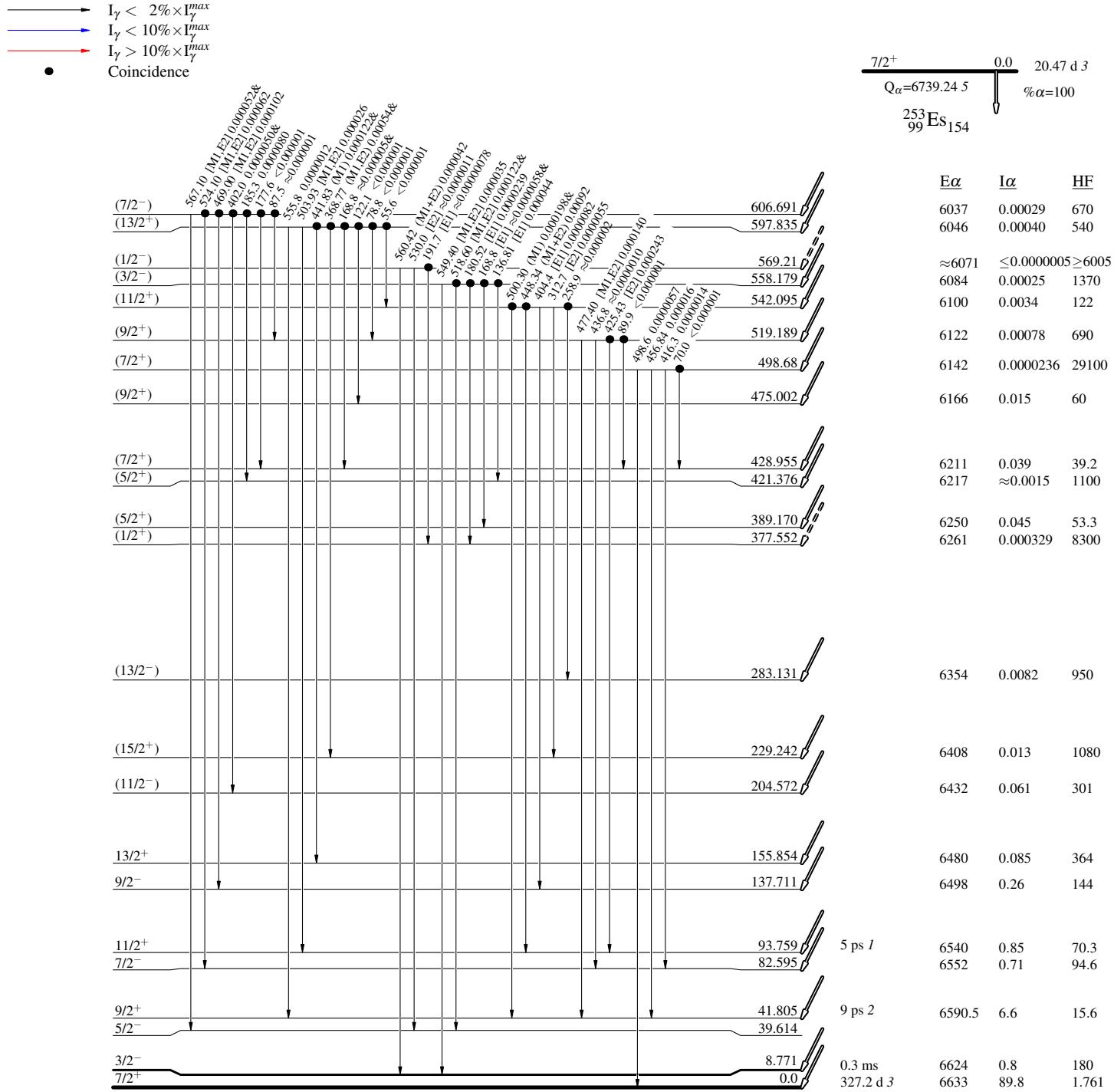


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## Decay Scheme (continued)

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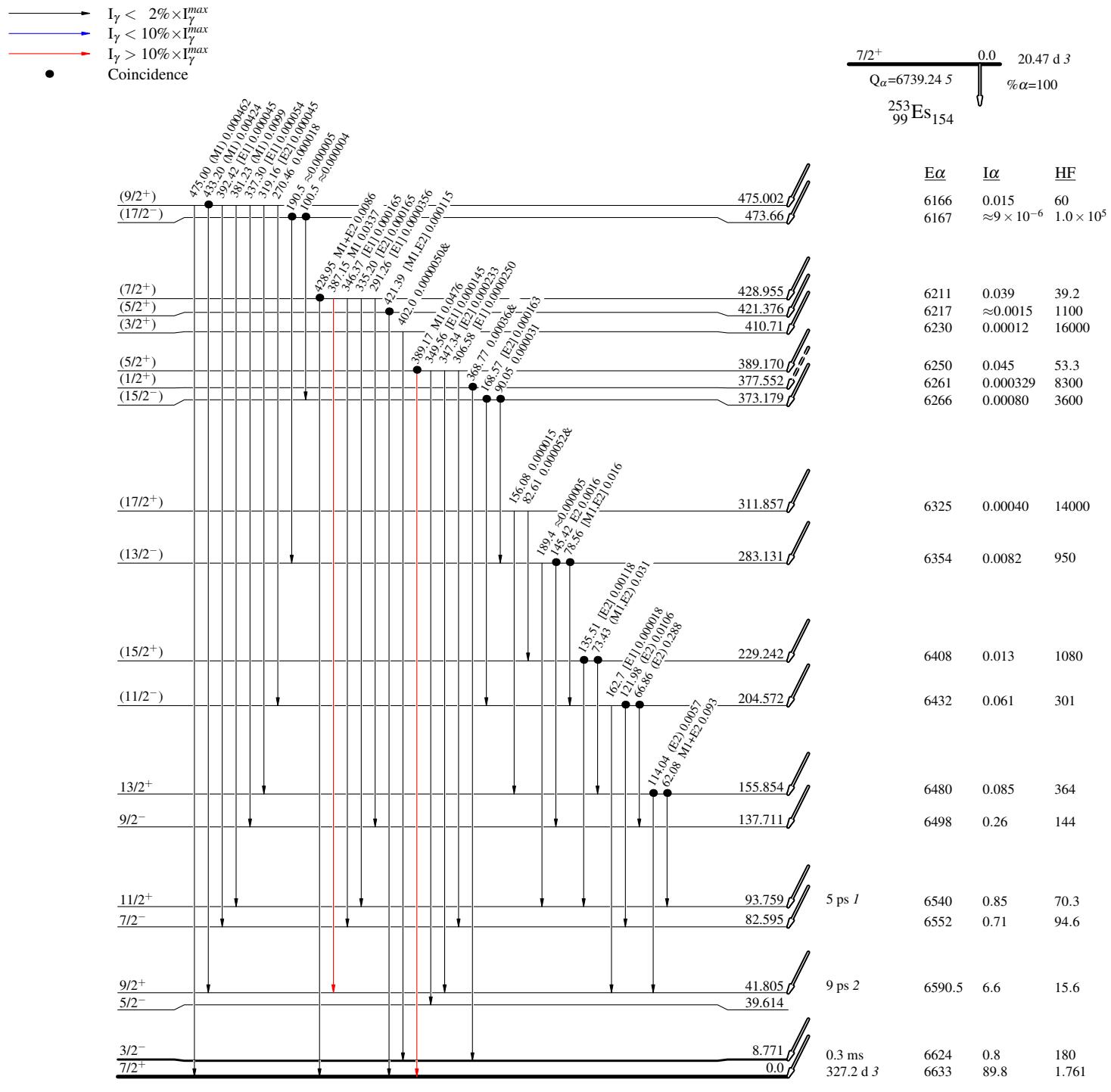
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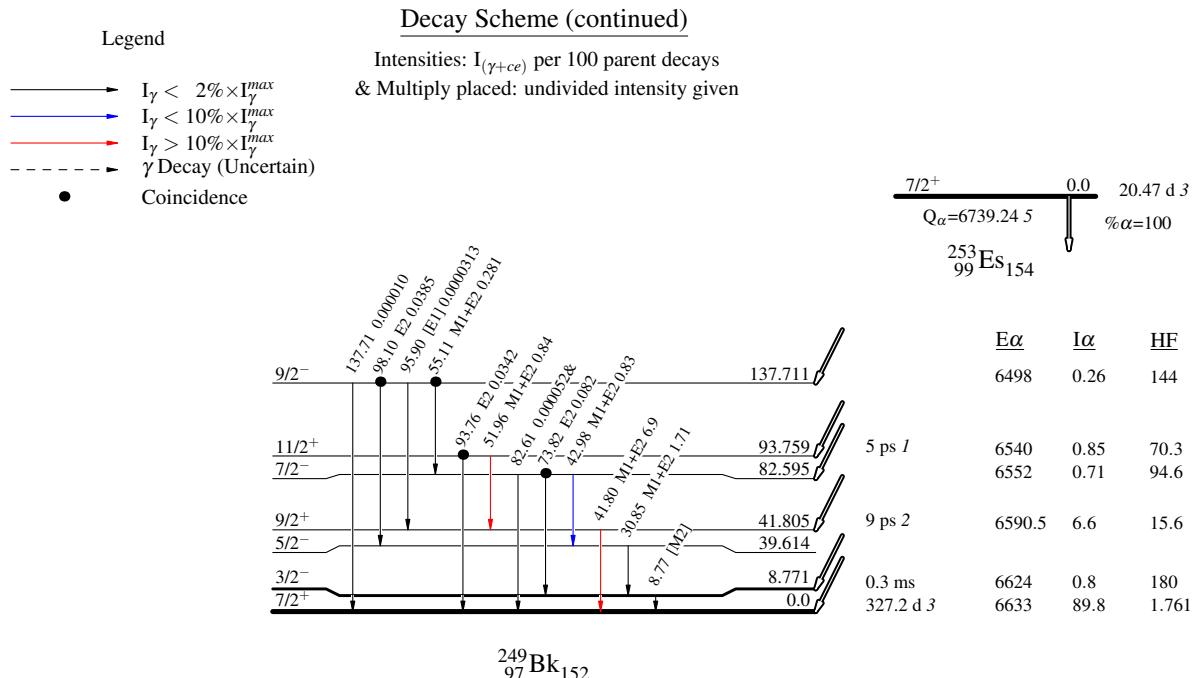


$^{253}\text{Es}$   $\alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01Decay Scheme (continued)

## Legend

Intensities:  $I_{(\gamma+ce)}$  per 100 parent decays  
& Multiply placed: undivided intensity given



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Band(D): 9/2[624]

 $\frac{11/2^+}{\overline{1143.78}}$  $\frac{9/2^+}{\overline{1075.05}}$ Band(E): 7/2[633]  $\otimes$  1<sup>-</sup> 9/2<sup>-</sup>  
vibrational band $\frac{(13/2^-)}{\overline{911.16}}$  $\frac{(11/2^-)}{\overline{836.07}}$  $\frac{(9/2^-)}{\overline{767.89}}$ 

Band(C): 5/2[642]

 $\frac{(15/2^+)}{\overline{701.85}}$ (13/2<sup>+</sup>) 597.835

542.095

(11/2<sup>+</sup>) 475.002(9/2<sup>+</sup>) 428.955(7/2<sup>+</sup>) 389.170

Band(B): 3/2[521]

(17/2<sup>-</sup>) 473.66(15/2<sup>-</sup>) 373.179

Band(A): 7/2[633]

(17/2<sup>+</sup>) 311.857(15/2<sup>+</sup>) 229.242(13/2<sup>+</sup>) 155.854(11/2<sup>+</sup>) 93.759(9/2<sup>+</sup>) 41.805(7/2<sup>+</sup>) 0.0(13/2<sup>-</sup>) 169(11/2<sup>-</sup>) 90(9/2<sup>-</sup>) 79(7/2<sup>-</sup>) 67(5/2<sup>-</sup>) 55(3/2<sup>-</sup>) 31

$^{253}\text{Es } \alpha$  decay (20.47 d) 2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued)

Band(F):  $7/2[633]\otimes0^- 7/2^-$   
vibrational band

$(15/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{1227.54}}$

$(13/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{1133.91}}$

$(11/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{1055.82}}$

$(9/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{988.14}}$

Band(H):  $7/2[633]\otimes2^- 3/2^-$   
vibrational band

$(7/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{932.19}}$

$(5/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{934.64}}$

$(3/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{899.63}}$

Band(J): Possible  
 $3/2[651]$  band

$(9/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{769.15}}$

Band(G):  $7/2[633]\otimes1^- 5/2^-$   
vibrational band

$(7/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{711.15}}$

Band(I):  $K^\pi=1/2^-$

$(5/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{709.15}}$

$(7/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{703.42}}$

Seq.(K):  $1/2[400]$

$(5/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{672.81}}$

$(3/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{661.35}}$

$(1/2^-)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{642.74}}$

$(13/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{671.089}}$

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$(5/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{624.30}}$

$(9/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{519.189}}$

$(7/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{498.68}}$

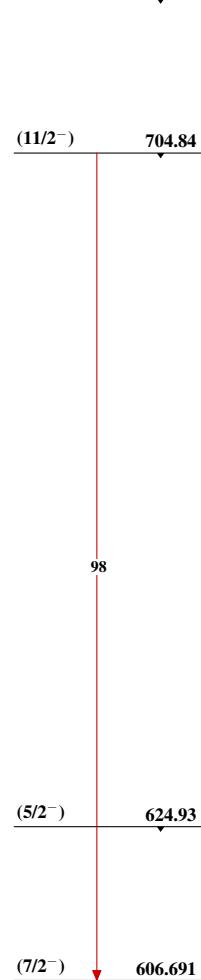
$(5/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{421.376}}$

$(3/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{410.71}}$

$(1/2^+)$  — — —  $\underline{\underline{377.552}}$

$^{253}\text{Es } \alpha \text{ decay (20.47 d) }$     2005Ah03,1975Ah01 (continued)

Seq.(L): 1/2[530]

(9/2<sup>-</sup>)      723.17 (11/2<sup>-</sup>)      704.84

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(5/2<sup>-</sup>)      624.93(7/2<sup>-</sup>)      606.691(1/2<sup>-</sup>)      569.21(3/2<sup>-</sup>)      558.179 $^{249}_{97}\text{Bk}_{152}$