

^{254}No IT decay (265 ms) [2010CI01](#),[2010He10](#),[2006He19](#)

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Parent: ^{254}No : E=1296.2; $J^\pi=(8^-)$; $T_{1/2}=265$ ms 2; %IT decay=100.0

[2010CI01](#): $^{208}\text{Pb}(^{48}\text{Ca},2n\gamma)$, E=221 MeV. The ^{48}Ca beam obtained from the 88-Inch Cyclotron of LBNL. Target=isotopically enriched ^{208}Pb , two ≈ 0.4 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ thick foils on a 35 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ carbon backing. The evaporated residues were separated using BGS and passed through multiwire proportional counter (MWPC) before being implanted in a 1 mm thick 16 by 16 double-sided silicon strip detector (DSSD) with an active area of 5 by 5 cm. A single, four-fold segmented HPGe Clover detector mounted behind the DSSD was used for γ detection. Measured E_γ , I_γ , ce, (recoils) γ -coin, (recoils)(ce)-coin, $\gamma(\text{ce})(t)$, $\gamma(\text{ce})(\text{ce})(t)$, E_α , I_α , half-life of isomer.

[2010He10](#): $^{208}\text{Pb}(^{48}\text{Ca},2n\gamma)$, E=213.6, 218.4 MeV. The ^{48}Ca beam obtained from the UNILAC of GSI. Target=isotopically enriched, ^{208}PbS , 450 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ thick backed on 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ Carbon substrate and covered with a 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ carbon layer. The evaporated residues were separated using SHIP and implanted in Si PIPS detector. The α particles and fission fragments were detected with six Si detectors surrounding the PIPS. The γ -rays were detected using Ge clover detector surrounding the SHIP separator. Measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$, $\gamma(\text{ce})$ -coin, (particle) $\gamma(t)$, fission and α decay branches. Ph.D. thesis by B. Sulignano, Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz (2007) also describes the experiment at GSI, and tabulates γ -ray energies emitted by the decay of both the isomers.

[2006He19](#) (also [2007Gr17](#), [2005Gr36](#), [2010Ju02](#)): E=219 MeV. The fragments were separated from the beam using the gas-filled recoil separator RITU at Jyvaskyla facility. The fragments were implanted in a double-sided position sensitive Si detector DSSD at the GREAT spectrometer. Measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$, $\gamma(\text{ce})$ coin with the GREAT spectrometer consisting of a double-sided position sensitive Si detector, a large segmented planar Ge detector and a large Clover Ge detector. In addition to the ground band up to 24^+ , levels of $K^\pi=3^+$ band, and two high-spin isomers discovered. Ph.D. thesis by M. Venhart, Comenius University, Bratislava (2008) also describes the experiment at Jyvaskyla, and tabulates γ -ray energies emitted by the decay of both the isomers.

[2006Ta19](#) (also [2010Se10](#)): E=217 MeV. Measured E_γ , level lifetimes using Fragment Mass Analyzer to isolate residues of ^{254}No , which were later implanted into a double-sided Si strip detector. The γ rays were detected with three large Clover Ge detectors. Isomers identified through time and spatial correlations of electron signals and implanted ^{254}No nuclides. The isomer decay is expected to populate a rotational band in which most transitions will be highly converted. Comparison of experimental and theoretical 2-quasiparticle level energies. Identification of $K^\pi=8^-$, 266 ms and (14^+) , 171 μs isomers in ^{254}No . The $K^\pi=(3^+)$ band extended.

[2003Bu23](#) (also [2002Bu28](#)): isomer half-life measured as ≈ 0.3 s from decay curve for conversion electrons. High-K value was proposed for the isomer state, with expected rotational band built on it.

[1989La07](#), [1988Tu07](#): found no evidence for %SF decay mode.

[1973Gh03](#): in $^{249}\text{Cf}(^{12}\text{C},2p5n)$ and $^{246}\text{Cm}(^{12}\text{C},4n)$ reactions, observation of 8.10-MeV α of ^{254}No g.s. was interpreted in terms g.s. being fed from an isomeric state of $T_{1/2}=0.28$ s 4, and decaying predominantly by isomeric transitions, as no evidence was found for its α or SF decay modes, with an upper limit of 20%. Authors suggested that this isomer is probably a high-spin state, and proposed that two-quasiparticle configurations with $K^\pi=8^-$, and also other configurations with $K^\pi>8$.

Theoretical calculations of energies, and proposed 2-qp configurations with high K value for this isomer: [1976Iv04](#), [1991So15](#).

 ^{254}No Levels

E(level) [†]	J^π [‡]	$T_{1/2}$	Comments
0.0 [#]	0 ⁺	51.2 s 4	$T_{1/2}$: from Adopted Levels, where this value is adopted from 2006He19 .
44 [#] 1	2 ⁺		
146 [#] 1	4 ⁺		
304 [#] 1	6 ⁺		
518 [#] 1	8 ⁺		
987.5 [@] 12	(3 ⁺)		
1033.7 [@] 13	(4 ⁺)		
1091.0 [@] 10	(5 ⁺)		
1160.2 [@] 11	(6 ⁺)		

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E(level) [†]	J ^π [‡]	T _{1/2}	Comments
1242.9 [@] 9	(7 ⁺)		
1296 2	(8 ⁻)	265 ms 2	%SF=0.020 12 (2010He10); %α≤0.01 (2010He10) σ(265-ms isomer)/σ for ^{254}No channel=0.28 2 (2010He10). 1989La07 deduced %SF≤0.19 7 based on T_{1/2}(SF; isomer)≥150 s, deduced from measured T_{1/2}(SF;isomeric state)/T_{1/2}(SF;g.s.)≥0.005, assuming the isomeric ratio in their $^{208}\text{Pb}(^{48}\text{Ca},2n)$ experiment was the same as [σ(isomeric state)/σ(g.s.)≈0.4] in $^{246}\text{Cm}(^{12}\text{C},4n)$ reaction measured by 1973Gh03. No SF decay was detected by 1988Tu07 from ≈0.3-s isomer in ^{254}No. No evidence was found by 1973Gh03 for α or SF decay modes of this isomer, with an upper limit of 20%. E(level): from average of 1295 keV 2 (2010He10) and 1297 2 (2010CI01). T_{1/2}: from Adopted Levels. ν7/2[613]⊗ν9/2[734], K^π=8⁻ configuration proposed by 2010CI01. 2010He10, 2006Ta19 and 2006He19 proposed π9/2[624]⊗π7/2[514], K^π=8⁻, However, 2010He10 and 2006He19 suggested that long half-life of this isomer may be due to contribution from 2-neutron configurations of ν7/2[624]⊗ν9/2[734] and ν7/2[613]⊗ν9/2[734], K^π=8⁻.

[†] From least-squares fit to E_γ values, assuming 1 keV uncertainty for each γ ray, unless otherwise stated.

[‡] As proposed in [2010He10](#) and [2010CI01](#), based on band structures.

Band(A): K^π=0⁺, g.s. band.

@ Band(B): π1/2[521]⊗π7/2[514], K^π=(3⁺) band.

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Additional information 1.

E _γ [†]	I _γ	E _i (level)	J _i ^π	E _f	J _f ^π	Mult.	α [‡]	I _(γ+ce)	Comments
x		1296	(8 ⁻)					49 2	I(γ+ce) branching=49% 2, considering that I(γ+ce) branching for 53-keV γ ray is 47% 2 and that for 778γ is 3.6% 10 (2010He10).
(44)		44	2 ⁺	0.0	0 ⁺				
(45)		1033.7	(4 ⁺)	987.5	(3 ⁺)				E _γ =46 (2006He19). Transition shown by 2010CI01 , but numerical value not given.
53	25.7 19	1296	(8 ⁻)	1242.9	(7 ⁺)	(E1)	0.83 5	47 2	E _γ =52 (2010CI01). Measured I(γ+ce) branching ratio=45.3 21 (2010He10 , text on page 59), with the authors note that the 53-keV transition represents 47% 2 of the decays of the isomer into the K=3 band. From these data, photon branching for 53γ=24.8 19. Branching ratio data are not provided in 2010CI01 , however, the authors estimate reduced hindrance factor f _γ =835 for 53-keV transition, and 183 for 778-keV transition, both assumed as E1, from which 2015Ko14 evaluation deduced relative photon branching ratio of 100 3 for 53γ and 23.7 24 for 778γ. Mult.: observation of strong γ ray in spectra is consistent with its being E1, and not with M1 or E2 for which the respective theoretical conversion coefficients are 83 and 630.

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$E_\gamma^\dagger$	I_γ	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Mult.	$\alpha^\ddagger$	$I_{(\gamma+ce)}$	Comments
(58)		1091.0	(5 ⁺)	1033.7	(4 ⁺)				$E_\gamma=57$ (2006He19). Transition shown by 2010CI01 , but numerical value not given.
69		1160.2	(6 ⁺)	1091.0	(5 ⁺)				$E_\gamma=70$ (2010CI01), 69 (2006He19).
82		1242.9	(7 ⁺)	1160.2	(6 ⁺)				$E_\gamma=81$ (2006He19).
102		146	4 ⁺	44	2 ⁺				
103		1091.0	(5 ⁺)	987.5	(3 ⁺)				$E_\gamma=104$ (2010CI01), 103 (2006He19).
126		1160.2	(6 ⁺)	1033.7	(4 ⁺)				Expected line overlaps K-x rays.
151		1242.9	(7 ⁺)	1091.0	(5 ⁺)				E_γ : 126 (2006He19), (128) (2010CI01). $E_\gamma=152$ (2010CI01), 150 (2006He19). $I_\gamma(152)/I_\gamma(82)=1.10$ 40 (2006Ta19) for questionable γ rays.
159		304	6 ⁺	146	4 ⁺				
214		518	8 ⁺	304	6 ⁺				
778	3.6 10	1296	(8 ⁻)	518	8 ⁺	[E1]	0.00845	3.6 10	Measured $I(\gamma+ce)$ or I_γ branching ratio=3.6 10 (2010He10). Other: $\approx 4\%$ in thesis by B. Sulignano (Mainz, 2007). $I_\gamma(778)/I_\gamma(841)=0.03$ 2, 0.16 5 (2010He10 , uncertainty of 0.50 in 2010He10 is probably a misprint).
786		1091.0	(5 ⁺)	304	6 ⁺				E_γ : γ from 2010CI01 only.
841 1		987.5	(3 ⁺)	146	4 ⁺				$E_\gamma=842$ (2010CI01 , 2006Ta19); 841 (2006He19). $I_\gamma(778)/I_\gamma(842)=0.03$ 2, 0.16 50 (2010He10). $I_\gamma(842)/I_\gamma(214)=0.31$ 8 (2005Ee02).
856		1160.2	(6 ⁺)	304	6 ⁺				$E_\gamma=857$ (2010CI01). $I_\gamma(856)/I_\gamma(159)=0.40$ 15 (2010He10).
887		1033.7	(4 ⁺)	146	4 ⁺				$E_\gamma=888$ (2010CI01 , 2006Ta19); ; 887 (2006He19).
940		1242.9	(7 ⁺)	304	6 ⁺				E_γ : γ from 2010CI01 only.
943 1		987.5	(3 ⁺)	44	2 ⁺				$E_\gamma=944$ (2010CI01 , 2006Ta19); 943 (2006He19). $I_\gamma(943)/I_\gamma(214)=0.86$ 14 (2005Ee02).

[†] From [2010He10](#). Values from [2010CI01](#), which are generally higher by 1 keV, are given under comments when different.[‡] Total theoretical internal conversion coefficients, calculated using the BrIcc code ([2008Ki07](#)) with Frozen orbital approximation based on γ -ray energies, assigned multiplicities, and mixing ratios, unless otherwise specified.

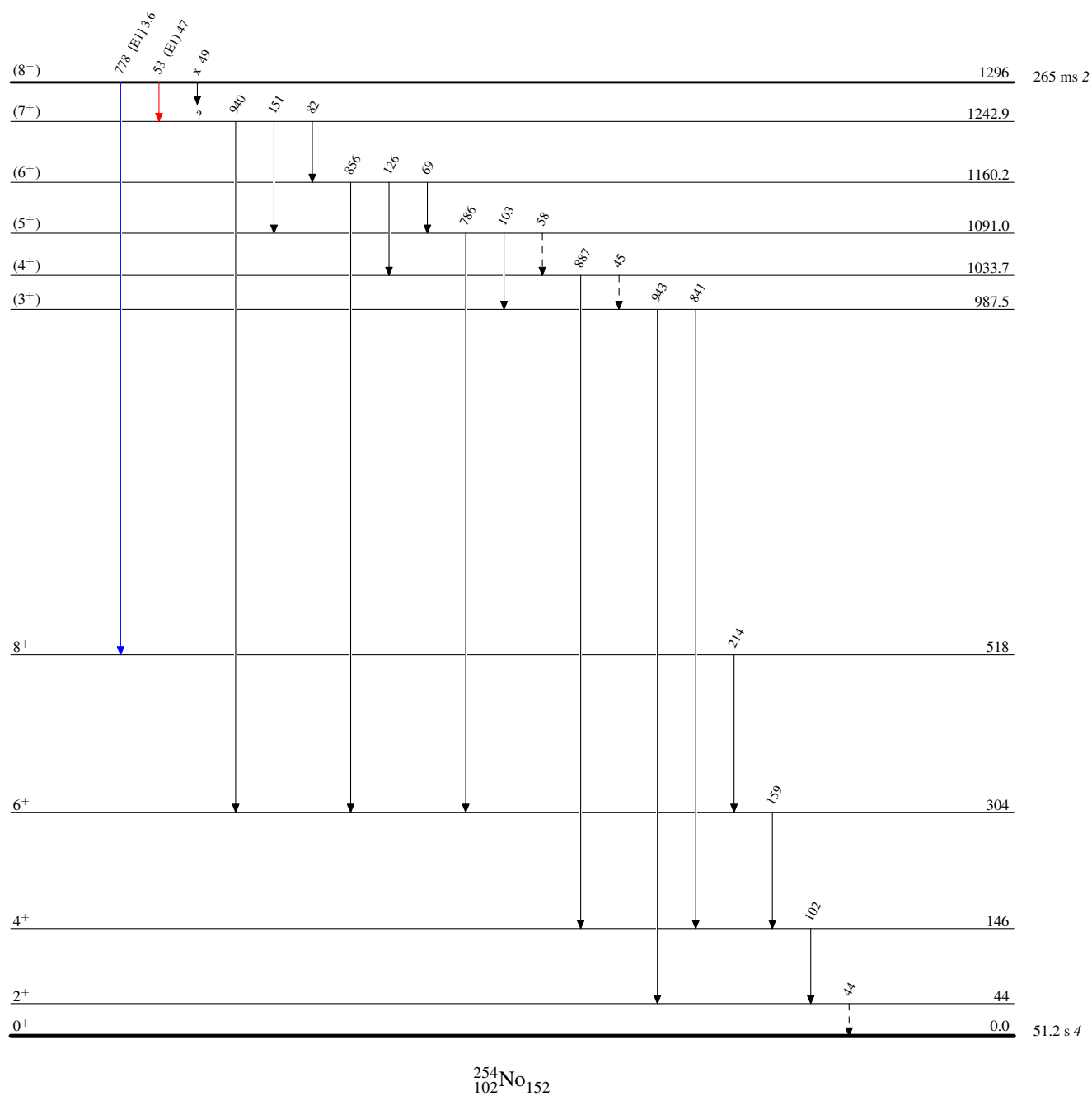
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Decay Scheme

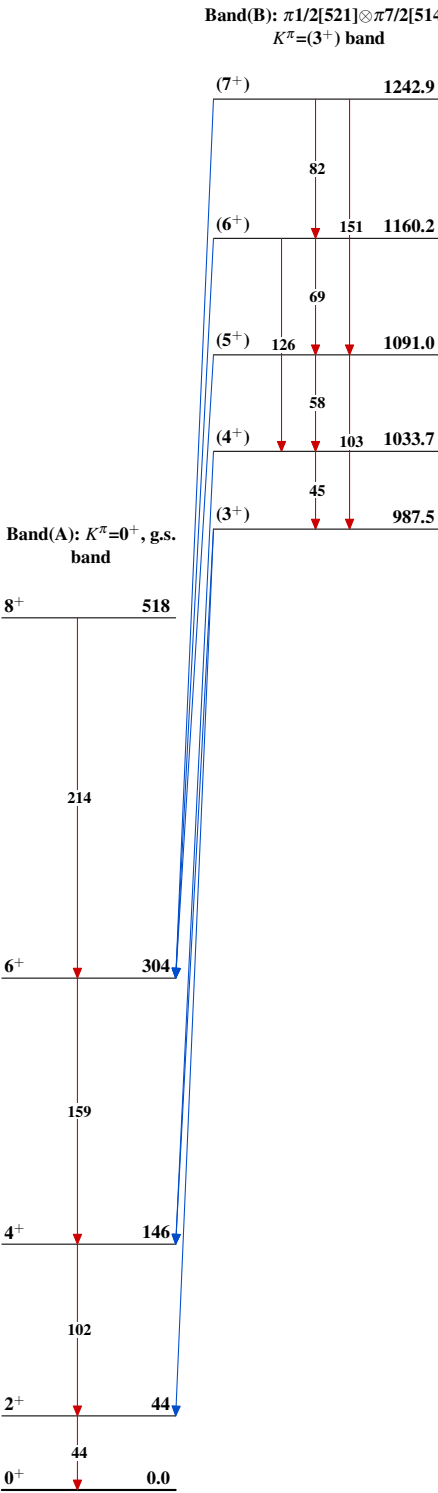
Intensities: Relative $I_{(\gamma+ce)}$
%IT=100.0

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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