

^{38}K ε decay (7.651 min) 1976Ma14,1968Ka15

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Parent: ^{38}K : $E=0$; $J^\pi=3^+$; $T_{1/2}=7.651$ min 19; $Q(\varepsilon)=5914.07$ 4; $\% \varepsilon + \% \beta^+$ decay=100.0

^{38}K - J^π , $T_{1/2}$: From Adopted Levels of ^{38}K .

^{38}K - $T_{1/2}$: [Additional information 1](#).

^{38}K - $Q(\varepsilon)$: From [2017Wa10](#).

[1976Ma14](#): ^{38}K source was produced via $^{35}\text{Cl}(\alpha, n)$ reaction with α beam provided by the ONR-CIT tandem impinged on BaCl_2 target. γ rays were detected with a Ge(Li) detector. Measured E_γ , I_γ . Deduced levels, β -decay branching ratios, $\log ft$. Comparisons with available data.

[1968Ka15](#): ^{38}K source was produced via $^{36}\text{Ar}(^3\text{He}, n)$ reaction with α beam provided by the 5.5-MV Van de Graaff at Strasbourg impinging on a gas target of >99.9% enriched ^{36}Ar . γ rays were detected with a Ge(Li) detector. Measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma(t)$. Deduced levels, β -decay branching ratios, parent $T_{1/2}$.

[1974Fa08](#): measured $\beta\gamma$ (circ pol).

[1970Re13](#), [1967Va27](#), [1965Eb01](#), [1964Ph02](#): measured half-life.

[1965h02](#): hyperfine structure, NMR.

[1956Gr07](#): measured β^+ , $T_{1/2}$.

Others: Nucl. Phys. 41, 364 (1963); [1960Ja12](#); Phys. Rev. 84, 847 (1951); Phys. Rev. 72, 639 (1947); [1937Ri01](#); [1937Hu01](#).

[Additional information 2](#).

Total decay energy deposit of 5918 keV 2 calculated by RADLIST code is in agreement with the expected value of 5914.07 keV 5 indicating the completeness of the decay scheme.

 ^{38}Ar Levels

E(level) [†]	J^π [‡]
0	0^+
2167.6 3	2^+
3810.224? 18	3^-
3935.8 5	2^+
4565.5?#	2^+
5157.3?#	2^+
5349.4?#	4^+
5552.2?#	$1^+, 2^+$

[†] From a least-squares fit to γ -ray energies.

[‡] From Adopted Levels.

Rounded values from Adopted Levels.

 ε, β^+ radiations

E(decay)	E(level)	$I\beta^+$ [‡]	$I\varepsilon$ [‡]	Log ft	$I(\varepsilon + \beta^+)$ [‡]	Comments
(361.87# 4)	5552.2?		<0.025	>4.3	<0.025 [†]	$\varepsilon\text{K}=0.8988$; $\varepsilon\text{L}=0.08823$; $\varepsilon\text{M}+=0.01295$
(564.67# 4)	5349.4?		<0.025	>4.6	<0.025 [†]	$\varepsilon\text{K}=0.8993$; $\varepsilon\text{L}=0.08778$; $\varepsilon\text{M}+=0.01287$
(756.77# 4)	5157.3?		<0.02	>5.0	<0.02 [†]	$\varepsilon\text{K}=0.8996$; $\varepsilon\text{L}=0.08757$; $\varepsilon\text{M}+=0.01284$
(1348.57# 4)	4565.5?	<0.025	<0.13	>4.7	<0.15 [†]	av $E\beta=133.62$ 12; $\varepsilon\text{K}=0.7514$ 4; $\varepsilon\text{L}=0.07290$ 4; $\varepsilon\text{M}+=0.010685$ 6
(1978.3 5)	3935.8	0.134 9	0.0178 12	5.88 3	0.152 10	av $E\beta=398.86$ 26; $\varepsilon\text{K}=0.10511$ 18; $\varepsilon\text{L}=0.010184$ 18; $\varepsilon\text{M}+=0.001492$ 3 $I(\varepsilon + \beta^+)$: weighted average of 0.141 5 (1976Ma14),

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^{38}K ε decay (7.651 min) 1976Ma14,1968Ka15 (continued) ε, β^+ radiations (continued)

<u>E(decay)</u>	<u>E(level)</u>	<u>$I\beta^+$ †</u>	<u>$I\varepsilon$ ‡</u>	<u>Log ft</u>	<u>$I(\varepsilon + \beta^+)$ ‡</u>	<u>Comments</u>
						0.20 3 (1968Ka15) and 0.165 6 as quoted in 1978En02 evaluation from private communication of the evaluator of 1978En02 with Van der Poel and Engelbertink from Utrecht University (this work in 1976 was unpublished). Only 1968Ka15 explicitly state that the β^+ branching was calculated assuming the 3936 level decays only to the ground state. The evaluator assume that the same assumption also applies in the calculations of other two values.
(2103.85# 4)	3810.224?	<0.0092	<0.00082	>7.3	<0.010	av $E\beta=454.00$ 13; $\varepsilon K=0.07366$ 6; $\varepsilon L=0.007136$ 6; $\varepsilon M+=0.0010457$ 9
(3746.5 3)	2167.6	99.332 11	0.516 5	4.975 1	99.848 10	av $E\beta=1212.03$ 20; $\varepsilon K=0.004650$ 3; $\varepsilon L=0.0004499$ 2; $\varepsilon M+=6.593 \times 10^{-5}$ 3 $I(\varepsilon + \beta^+)$: from 100- $I(\varepsilon + \beta^+$ to 3936). Others: 99.9 1 (1976Ma14), 99.80 3 (1968Ka15). E(decay): β^+ end-point energy measurement: 2600 50 (1967Va27), 2680 30 (1956Gr07).
(5914.07# 4)	0	<0.1	<0.0003	>12.8 ^{2u}	<0.1	av $E\beta=2292.81$; $\varepsilon K=0.0031447$ 7; $\varepsilon L=0.0003047$; $\varepsilon M+=4.4659 \times 10^{-5}$ 9

† Limits from 1976Ma14.

‡ Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

Existence of this branch is questionable.

 $\gamma(^{38}\text{Ar})$

<u>E_γ †</u>	<u>I_γ ‡@</u>	<u>$E_i(\text{level})$</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>	<u>Mult.#</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1770	≈ 0.01	3935.8	2 ⁺	2167.6	2 ⁺		E_γ : rounded value from Adopted Gammas. I_γ : estimated by the evaluator from the value of 0.0106 9 deduced based on $I_\gamma(3935.6\gamma)=0.152$ 10 and adopted $I_\gamma(1769\gamma)/I_\gamma(3935.6\gamma)=7.0$ 4/100.0 4. This γ ray is too weak to be seen in 1976Ma14 and 1968Ka15.
2167.5 3	99.848 10	2167.6	2 ⁺	0	0 ⁺	E2	
3935.6 5	0.152 10	3935.8	2 ⁺	0	0 ⁺		

† From 1968Ka15, unless otherwise stated.

‡ From $\varepsilon + \beta^+$ branchings, unless otherwise noted.

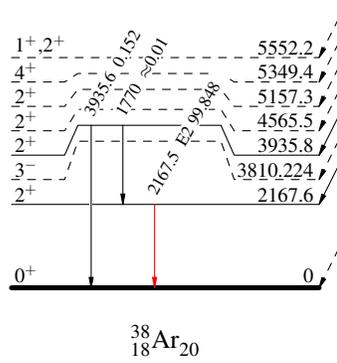
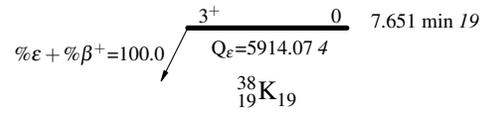
From Adopted Gammas.

@ Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

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Legend

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



$I\beta^+$	$I\epsilon$	$\text{Log } ft$
	<0.025	>4.3
	<0.025	>4.6
	<0.02	>5.0
<0.025	<0.13	>4.7
0.134	0.0178	5.88
<0.0092	<0.00082	>7.3
99.332	0.516	4.975
<0.1	<0.0003	>12.8 ^{2u}