

^{59}Fe β^- decay [1973Pa16,1974Ra13](#)

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Parent: ^{59}Fe : $E=0.0$; $J^\pi=3/2^-$; $T_{1/2}=44.490$ d 9; $Q(\beta^-)=1565.0$ 4; $\% \beta^-$ decay=100.0

Others: [1952Me53](#), [1953Hi02](#), [1953Sc23](#), [1960Su10](#), [1960Fu03](#), [1960Sc16](#), [1960Cr08](#), [1960Be06](#), [1963Wo01](#), [1963Be39](#), [1964Co34](#), [1965Do11](#), [1965Kn03](#), [1965Ma06](#), [1967Ag03](#), [1967Be60](#), [1967Ti02](#), [1970Be16](#), [1970Le03](#), [1970Sc19](#), [1971Ar07](#), [1971Os07](#), [1971Pe20](#), [1972Su06](#), [1973Er11](#), [1974BaZC](#), [1974Mu12](#), [1976BeZR](#), [1976Ch25](#), [1977Ba06](#), [1978He21](#), [2000He14](#), [2000Pa08](#).

[1973Pa16](#): high purity samples from $^{59}\text{Co}(n,p)$, chemical separation, Ge(Li), Ge(Li)-NaI coin system with resolving time=50-70 ns; measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$ coin, $\gamma\gamma(\theta)$.

[1974Ra13](#): source from $^{58}\text{Fe}(n,\gamma)$; β spectrometer with 1.2% transmission and 1.0% momentum resolution, Si(Li) detector and gas proportional counter; measured $E\beta$, $I\beta$.

[1976Ch25](#): Ge(Li) detector and NaI-NaI coin system with resolving time=20 ns; measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$ coin.

[1974Mu12](#): source from $^{58}\text{Fe}(n,\gamma)$; Ge(Li), NaI detectors and anthracene crystal, resolving time of coin systems=50,150 ns; measured E_γ , I_γ , $E\beta$, $I\beta$, $\beta\gamma$ coin, $\gamma\gamma$ coin.

[1978He21](#): Ge(Li) spectrometers, determined precise E_γ .

For $\beta\gamma(\text{CP})$ see [1960Fo04](#), [1962Ha08](#), [1964Co34](#), [1965Kn03](#), [1965Ma06](#), [1967Ti02](#), [1970Be16](#). Asymmetry $\alpha=-0.158$ 7

([1970Be16](#)) for $466\beta^-1099\gamma(\text{CP})$, -0.154 23 ([1967Ti02](#)) for $273\beta^-1292\gamma(\text{CP})$; significant discrepancies exist between the various data.

For $466\beta^-1099\gamma(\theta)$, see [1960Fu03](#) (no asymmetry about 90°).

g-factor (1292 level): 1.69 8 ([1974Ba08](#)). Others: 1.09 8 ([1971Ar07](#)), 1.26 23 ([1967Ag03](#)).

For $B(\theta, \text{H,T})$, see [1977Ba06](#). ($W(34^\circ)-1$)= -0.8% 5 at $T=25^\circ-30^\circ$ mK.

For $\gamma(\theta, \text{H,T})$, see [1976BeZR](#). ($W(180^\circ)/W(90^\circ)-1$) ≤ 0.0015 for 1099γ and 1292γ .

For measurement of pair conversion coefficient in ^{59}Co [from $B(\gamma^\pm)(\gamma^\pm)$ triple coin], see [1970Sc19](#).

Experimental shape correction factor for β^- ray spectrum – [1974Ra13](#), [2015Mo10](#).

 ^{59}Co Levels

E(level)	J^π	$T_{1/2}$	Comments
0.0	$7/2^-$		
1099.257 3	$3/2^-$	<14 ps	$T_{1/2}$: from 1967Be60 . Other: <50 ps (1967Si01), from $\beta\gamma(t)$.
1190	$(9/2)^-$		$I\beta < 0.01$ (1974Mu12) (so $\log ft > 10.1$). Negligible feeding is expected to this level ($\Delta J=3$).
1291.601 5	$3/2^-$	0.551 [†] ns 7	
1434.253 5	$1/2^-$	0.210 ns 20	J^π : $3/2$ excluded by 142γ - $1292\gamma(\theta)$, 142γ - $192\gamma(\theta)$ and 192γ - $1099\gamma(\theta)$. $T_{1/2}$: from 1971Ar07 . Delayed coin.
1481.63 18	$5/2^-$		

[†] From delayed coin. Weighted average of 538 ns 4 ([1972Ga39](#)), 564 ns 20 ([1972Gr05](#)), 564 ns 5 ([1971Ar07](#)), 586 ns 20 ([1967Ag03](#)), 575 ns 11 ([1967Be60](#)). Other: 600 ns 50 ([1967Si01](#)).

 β^- radiations

E(decay)	E(level)	$I\beta^{-\dagger\dagger}$	Log ft	Comments
(83.4 4)	1481.63	0.078 7	7.10 4	av $E\beta=22.01$ 13 E(decay): 85 (1974Mu12).
(130.7 4)	1434.253	1.31 5	6.482 18	av $E\beta=35.68$ 12 E(decay): ~ 132 (1974Mu12), 150 10 (1960Su10).
(273.4 4)	1291.601	45.3 11	5.979 11	av $E\beta=80.94$ 14 E(decay): 271 3 (1952Me53), 275 5 (1960Be06), 280 6 (1960Su10), 280 5

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<u>E(decay)</u>	<u>E(level)</u>	<u>$I\beta^{-\dagger\dagger}$</u>	<u>Log ft</u>	<u>Comments</u>
(465.7 4)	1099.257	53.1 15	6.696 13	(1971Pe20), 273 5 (1963Wo01), 269 10 (1974Ra13). av $E\beta=149.21$ 15 E(decay): 464 4 (1971Pe20), 475 3 (1963Wo01), 462 3 (1952Me53), 461 10 (1974Ra13), 455 5 (1960Be06), 470 6 (1960Su10).
(1565.0 4)	0.0	0.18 4	11.14 10	av $E\beta=614.47$ 19 E(decay): 1575 20 (1963Wo01). Others: In 1960Su10 , 1974Ra13 . log ft lower than other known values for $\Delta J=2$, $\Delta\pi=\text{no transitions}$.

[†] $I\beta(\text{g.s.})$ is measured value of 0.17% 3 ([1974Ra13](#)) adjusted by authors to 0.18% 4 by assuming $I(132\beta)+I(85\beta)=1.4\%$ 1 (from summed $I\gamma$ imbalance at 1434 and 1482 levels) and renormalizing the remaining measured $I\beta$ to 98.6%. Adopted $I\beta$ values for excited states are from $I\gamma$ imbalance at each level assuming $I\beta(\text{g.s.})=0.18\%$ 4; measured values, adjusted as above ([1974Ra13](#)), are 47% 4 and 51% 3 respectively for branches to 1291 and 1099 levels, in excellent agreement with values derived from γ imbalance.

[‡] Absolute intensity per 100 decays.

$\gamma(^{59}\text{Co})$

I γ normalization: From Σ (I(γ +ce) to g.s.)=99.82% 4.

For δ deduced from $\gamma\gamma(\theta)$ data, see comments on specific γ rays below.

 $\gamma\gamma(\theta)$ data summary:

- 192 γ -1099 γ : A₂=+0.010 2 see a. A₄=-0.003 4 ([1973Er11](#))
 142 γ -192 γ : A₂=-0.28 4 ([1973Er11](#))
 142 γ -1292 γ : A₂=-0.069 2 see b. A₄=-0.001 3 ([1973Er11](#))
 335 γ -1099 γ : A₂=-0.064 17 see c. A₄=-0.006 6 ([1973Er11](#))
 a. Weighted average of +0.008 4 ([1973Pa16](#)), +0.010 4 ([1974BaZC](#)),
 +0.011 4 ([1973Er11](#)), +0.008 7 ([1971Ar07](#)). Others: [1960He06](#),
[19710s07](#), [1953Sc23](#).
 b. Weighted average of -0.070 5 ([1973Pa16](#)), -0.070 3 ([1973Er11](#)),
 -0.065 4 ([1971Ar07](#)), -0.075 6 ([1967Ag03](#)). Others: [1960He06](#),
[1963Be39](#), [19710s07](#), [1972Su06](#).
 c. Weighted average of -0.064 11 ([1971Ar07](#)), -0.040 10 ([1973Er11](#)),
 -0.099 12 ([1973Pa16](#)). Others: [1974BaZC](#), [19710s07](#), [1963Be39](#).

E γ [†]	I γ ^{‡c}	E _i (level)	J π _i	E _f	J π _f	Mult.	δ ^b	α ^a	Comments
142.651 & 2	1.81 7	1434.253	1/2 ⁻	1291.601	3/2 ⁻	M1+E2	-0.028 +9-14	0.0161 3	%I γ =1.02 5 α (K)=0.01442 23; α (L)=0.001436 23; α (M)=0.000200 4 α (N)=8.76×10 ⁻⁶ 14 I γ : 1.02 4 (1973Pa16), 0.98 4 (1970Le03). Mult.: From $\gamma\gamma(\theta)$ (See data above with ref) and RUL in Adopted Gammas. δ : (or +1.78 +15-20) from 1971Ar07 (sign reversed by evaluator). Large solutions disallowed by RUL. Other values listed in previous evaluator (2002Ba42) by c.m. Baglin – current evaluator could not track source reference: -0.06 3 or +1.97 +16-15 from 142 γ -192 $\gamma(\theta)$ for adopted δ (192 γ); -0.009 +8-16 or +1.77 +7-3 from 142 γ -1292 γ if δ (Q,O)=0 for 1292 γ .
189 @d	0.002 # 2	1481.63	5/2 ⁻	1291.601	3/2 ⁻				%I γ =0.0011 12
192.343 & 5	5.45 18	1291.601	3/2 ⁻	1099.257	3/2 ⁻	M1+E2	+0.22 2	0.0091 4	%I γ =3.08 12 α (K)=0.0082 3; α (L)=0.00082 3; α (M)=0.000114 5 α (N)=4.92×10 ⁻⁶ 17 I γ : 3.08 10 (1973Pa16), 2.95 8 (1970Le03). δ : From 192 γ -1099 $\gamma(\theta)$ assuming δ (Q,O)=0 for 1099 γ (1973Pa16) in good agreement with +0.21 2 (1971Ar07). Other: -0.07 to +0.02 (1953Sc23). Mult.: α (exp)=0.007 3 (1952Me53). %I γ =0.270 12
334.8 2	0.478 18	1434.253	1/2 ⁻	1099.257	3/2 ⁻	(M1+E2)	+1.8 +4-6	0.0049 7	

⁵⁹Fe β⁻ decay [1973Pa16,1974Ra13](#) (continued)

<u>γ(⁵⁹Co) (continued)</u>									Comments
<u>E_γ[†]</u>	<u>I_γ^{‡c}</u>	<u>E_i(level)</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>	<u>Mult.</u>	<u>δ^b</u>	<u>α^a</u>	
									α(K)=0.0044 6; α(L)=0.00043 6; α(M)=6.0×10 ⁻⁵ 9 α(N)=2.6×10 ⁻⁶ 4 I _γ : 0.27 1 (1973Pa16), 0.24 4 (1970Le03). Mult.: From γγ(θ) (See data above with ref) and RUL in Adopted Gammas. δ: (or -0.05 +3-7) from 1971Ar07 (sign reversed by evaluator). previous evaluator C. Baglin (2002Ba42) list -0.03 7 or +1.9 3 from 335γ-1099γ(θ) if δ(Q,O)=0 for 1099γ – source reference unknown. %I _γ =0.018 3 α(K)=0.00132 5; α(L)=0.000129 5; α(M)=1.79×10 ⁻⁵ 7 α(N)=8.0×10 ⁻⁷ 3 I _γ : 0.018 3 (1973Pa16), 0.023 5 (1970Le03). Mult.,δ: from adopted gammas.
382.0 4	0.032 5	1481.63	5/2 ⁻	1099.257	3/2 ⁻	(M1+E2)	<0.21	0.00147 6	%I _γ =56.5 9 α(K)=0.0001569 22; α(L)=1.515×10 ⁻⁵ 22; α(M)=2.11×10 ⁻⁶ 3 α(N)=9.41×10 ⁻⁸ 14 I _γ : 56.5 15 (1973Pa16), 55.5 17 (1970Le03). I(1099γ)=56.5% 9 assuming adopted normalization. Mult.: α(exp)=1.36×10 ⁻⁴ 10 (1964Co34), 1.84×10 ⁻⁴ 27 (1953Hi02), α(K)exp=1.61×10 ⁻⁴ (1952Me53). Mult.: internal pair formation coefficient consistent with E2 theory (1970Sc19).
1099.245 ^{&} 3	100.0 26	1099.257	3/2 ⁻	0.0	7/2 ⁻	E2		1.74×10 ⁻⁴	%I _γ =43.2 9 α(K)=0.0001095 16; α(L)=1.055×10 ⁻⁵ 15; α(M)=1.470×10 ⁻⁶ 21 α(N)=6.57×10 ⁻⁸ 10; α(IPF)=2.66×10 ⁻⁵ 4 I _γ : 43.2 11 (1973Pa16), 44.1 12 (1970Le03). I(1292γ)=43.2% 9 assuming adopted normalization. Mult.: α(exp)=1.07×10 ⁻⁴ 8 (1964Co34), 1.06×10 ⁻⁴ 16 (1953Hi02), α(K)exp=1.19×10 ⁻⁴ 6 (1952Me53). Internal pair formation coefficient consistent with E2 theory (1970Sc19).
1291.590 ^{&} 6	76.5 19	1291.601	3/2 ⁻	0.0	7/2 ⁻	E2		1.48×10 ⁻⁴	%I _γ =0.059 7 α(K)=7.50×10 ⁻⁵ 11; α(L)=7.20×10 ⁻⁶ 11; α(M)=1.003×10 ⁻⁶ 15 α(N)=4.51×10 ⁻⁸ 7; α(IPF)=6.14×10 ⁻⁵ 10 I _γ : 0.059 6 (1973Pa16), 0.09 2 (1970Le03). Mult.,δ: from adopted gammas.
1481.7 2	0.104 11	1481.63	5/2 ⁻	0.0	7/2 ⁻	(M1+E2)	-0.19 4	1.45×10 ⁻⁴	

γ(⁵⁹Co) (continued)

[†] From [1973Pa16](#), except as noted.

[‡] From [1973Pa16](#), however, evaluator presents relative to I_γ=100 of 1099.245γ for normalization. [1973Pa16](#) list I_γ(1099.245γ)=56.5 *15* along with I_γ(1291.590γ)=43.2 *11*, and I_γ(1481.7γ)=0.059 *6* to add up to 99.7%, assuming I_β(g.s.)=0.3%. Note in present data set I_β(g.s.)=0.18% *4*. I_γ data in [1973Pa16](#) and [1970Le03](#) are in good agreement. Original values of [1973Pa16](#) and [1970Le03](#) are listed in comments section.

[#] ≈0.013 based on I(189γ)/I(382γ)≈0.7 ([1976Ch25](#), sum coincidence spectra); <0.013 ([1967Be60](#), γ observed); however, I(189γ)<0.0017 ([1974Mu12](#), γ searched for but not observed). Evaluator adopts the latter value, noting that no 189γ has been reported in other reactions which excite the 1481 level.

[@] From [1976Ch25](#); E_γ=190.0 *2* from adopted level energy difference.

[&] From evaluation in [2000He14](#); relative to E_γ(¹⁹⁸Au)=411.80205 *17*.

^a [Additional information 1](#).

^b If No value given it was assumed δ=1.00 for E2/M1, δ=1.00 for E3/M2 and δ=0.10 for the other multipolarities.

^c For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.565 *11*.

^d Placement of transition in the level scheme is uncertain.

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Decay Scheme

Intensities: I_(γ+ce) per 100 parent decays

Legend

- I_γ < 2% × I_γ^{max}
- I_γ < 10% × I_γ^{max}
- I_γ > 10% × I_γ^{max}
- - - - - γ Decay (Uncertain)
- Coincidence

