## <sup>72</sup>Co $\beta^-$ n decay:mixed 2016Mo07

	Hist	ory	
Туре	Author	Citation	Literature Cutoff Date
Full Evaluation	Balraj Singh and Jun Chen	NDS 188,1 (2023)	17-Jan-2023

Parent: <sup>72</sup>Co: E=0+x;  $J^{\pi}=(6^{-},7^{-})$ ;  $T_{1/2}=51.5$  ms 3;  $Q(\beta^{-}n)=7040$  syst;  $\%\beta^{-}n$  decay $\approx 16.0$ Parent: <sup>72</sup>Co: E=0+y;  $J^{\pi}=(0^{+},1^{+})$ ;  $T_{1/2}=47.8$  ms 5;  $Q(\beta^{-}n)=7040$  syst;  $\%\beta^{-}n$  decay $\approx 16.0$ 

Parent:  ${}^{-}\text{Co}: E=0+y; J^{-}=(0,1^{-}); 1_{1/2}=47.8 \text{ ms } 5; Q(\beta n)=7040 \text{ syst}; \%\beta n \text{ decay} \approx 10.0$ 

 $^{72}$ Co(0+x)-J<sup> $\pi$ </sup>,T<sub>1/2</sub>: From 2016Mo07. Half-life measured from decay curve of  $\beta$ -decay activity gated on 454 $\gamma$ . Others: 52.8 ms 16

(2014Xu07), 55 ms 4 (2014Ra20), 62 ms 3 (2011Da08, 2003Sa40), 59 ms 2 (2005Ma59), where only one activity was reported.  $^{72}Co(0+x)-Q(\beta^{-}n)$ : 7040 300 (syst, 2021Wa16).

 $^{72}$ Co(0+x)- $\%\beta^-$ n decay:  $\%\beta^-$ n $\approx 16.2$  (2020MoZS). Other: <2.7.9 for decay of  $^{72}$ Co (2012Ra10). Considered by evaluators as combined for the two activities.

<sup>72</sup>Co(0+y)-J<sup>π</sup>,T<sub>1/2</sub>: From 2016Mo07. Half-life measured from decay curve of β-decay activity gated on 1680γ, 1689γ, 1732γ, 2023γ, 2538γ, 2650γ, 2885γ, 3040γ and 3383γ.

<sup>72</sup>Co(0+y)-Q(β<sup>-</sup>n): 7040 300 (syst, 2021Wa16).

 $^{72}$ Co(0+y)- $\%\beta^-$ n decay:  $\%\beta^-$ n $\approx 16.2$  (2020MoZS). Other: <2.7.9 for decay of  $^{72}$ Co (2012Ra10). Considered by evaluators as combined for the two activities.

2016Mo07: <sup>72</sup>Co isotope produced in <sup>9</sup>Be(<sup>238</sup>U,F),E=345 MeV/nucleon at RIBF-RIKEN facility. Fission fragments were separated and analyzed through  $\Delta$ E-B $\rho$ -tof technique using BigRIPS separator and ZeroDegree spectrometer. The implanted residues were counted using the WAS3ABi setup equipped with DSSSDs for ion,  $\beta$ , conversion electrons and EURICA array of 12 seven-element HPGe detectors for  $\gamma$ -ray detection. Fast-timing scintillation detectors BC-418 plastic and 18 LaBr<sub>3</sub> were used in an attempt to determine level lifetimes of  $\approx$ 100 ps or so. Measured E $\gamma$ , I $\gamma$ ,  $\beta\gamma\gamma$ -coin, (<sup>72</sup>Co implants) $\beta$  correlations, half-lives of two activities of <sup>72</sup>Co, a high-spin and a low-spin.

2020MoZS: one of the evaluators (B. Singh) enquired from the first author (A. Morales) about the possibility of extracting  $\%\beta^-n$  for the decay of <sup>72</sup>Co investigated by 2016Mo07. Dr. A. Morales in her e-mail communication of May 26, 2020 sent us extracted decay branches for  $\%\beta^-n$  and  $\%\beta^-2n$  for <sup>70,71,72,73,74</sup>Co from analysis of intensities of  $\gamma$  rays emitted in the decay chains of several isotopes, including granddaughters and great-granddaughters. However, some concern was expressed by A. Morales about the quality of the deduced  $\%\beta^-n$  and  $\%\beta^-2n$  branching ratios, thus the value of  $\%\beta^-n$  is listed by the evaluators here as approximate.

- 2014Ra20 (also 2005Ma95): <sup>72</sup>Co isotope produced in fragmentation of <sup>86</sup>Kr beam in <sup>9</sup>Be target at E=140 MeV/nucleon. Reaction products were selected according to their momentum over charge ratio using the A1900 spectrometer at the NSCL-MSU facility. Measured E $\gamma$ , I $\gamma$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$ -, and  $\beta\gamma$ -coin, (fragment) $\gamma$ -coin, TOF and  $\Delta$ E using the NSCL beta-counting system, Si strip detector for particle detection and SeGA array of Ge detectors for  $\gamma$  rays.
- 2016Mo07 do not provide a decay scheme for <sup>72</sup>Co  $\beta^-$ n decay. Based on level scheme from <sup>71</sup>Co decay, and  $\gamma$  rays identified by 2016Mo07 in <sup>72</sup>Co decay, and assigned to <sup>71</sup>Ni from  $\beta$ -delayed one-neutron decay mode (Fig. 1 in 2016Mo07), evaluators have constructed a decay scheme for <sup>72</sup>Co  $\beta^-$ n decay.

<sup>71</sup>Ni Levels

E(level) <sup>†</sup>	$J^{\pi \ddagger}$	T <sub>1/2</sub> ‡		Comments
0.0	$(9/2^+)$	2.56 s 3		
280.3 5	$(7/2^+)$			
499	$(1/2^{-})$	2.3 s 3	$\%\beta^{-}=100$	
813	$(5/2^+)$			
1066	$(5/2^{-})$			
1273	$(5/2^{-})$			

<sup>†</sup> From  $E\gamma$  values.

<sup>‡</sup> From the Adopted Levels.

## <sup>72</sup>Co $\beta$ <sup>-</sup>n decay:mixed 2016Mo07 (continued)

## $\gamma(^{71}\text{Ni})$

$E_{\gamma}^{\dagger}$	E <sub>i</sub> (level)	$\mathbf{J}_i^{\pi}$	$E_f$	$\mathbf{J}_f^{\pi}$	Comments
280.3 5	280.3	$(7/2^+)$	0.0	(9/2+)	$E_{\gamma}$ : from 2014Ra20. Other: 281 (2016Mo07). I <sub>γ</sub> =13 3 (2014Ra20), relative to 100 for 1095.1γ in <sup>72</sup> Ni from <sup>72</sup> Co β <sup>-</sup> decay.
567	1066	$(5/2^{-})$	499	$(1/2^{-})$	
774 813 <i>x</i> 915	1273 813	(5/2 <sup>-</sup> ) (5/2 <sup>+</sup> )	499 0.0	$(1/2^{-})$ $(9/2^{+})$	

<sup>†</sup> From  $\beta$ -gated singles  $\gamma$  spectrum (Fig. 1 in 2016Mo07), assigned by the authors to <sup>71</sup>Ni from the  $\beta^-$ -n decay of <sup>72</sup>Co. <sup>*x*</sup>  $\gamma$  ray not placed in level scheme.

<sup>72</sup>Co  $\beta$ <sup>-</sup>n decay:mixed 2016Mo07

## Decay Scheme

	$(0^+,1^+)$ 0+y	47.8 ms 5
$\%\beta^-n\approx 16.0$	Q=7040 syst	
·	(6 <sup>−</sup> ,7 <sup>−</sup> ) 0+x	51.5 ms <i>3</i>
$\%\beta^{-}n\approx16.0$	Q=7040 syst	
	<sup>72</sup> <sub>27</sub> Co <sub>45</sub>	

(5/2-)	1/2 M		1273	
(5/2-)	56>		1066	
(5/2+)		\$ <sup>2</sup>	813	
(1/2-)		_ ~_	499	2.3 s <i>3</i>
$(7/2^+)$		- <sup>6</sup> 9	280.3	
(9/2+)			0.0	2.56 s <i>3</i>

 $^{71}_{28}{
m Ni}_{43}$