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Recent results from FLNR

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Excitation functions of the ⁴⁸Ca + ²³³U, ²³⁸U, ²⁴²Pu, ²⁴⁴Pu + xn



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Decay Chains Observed in ²⁴³Am + ⁴⁸Ca Reaction



CHEMICAL IDENTIFICATION of the element Db as decay product of the element 115 in the ⁴⁸Ca + ²⁴³Am reaction

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Irradiation of ²⁴³Am-target with ⁴⁸Ca-ions



Taking off thin layer of Cu-catcher (100÷150 mg of Cu)



Chemical isolation of Db

- Dissolution of the Cu-cuttings in HNO₃ conc.
- Addition of the La³⁺ (0.7 mg), tracers (^{92m}Nb, ¹⁷⁷Ta, ¹⁶⁷Tm, ¹⁶⁹Yb) and carriers Nb, Ta (1 μg)
- Precipitation of La(OH)₃ by NH₄OH (La, Nb, Ta, Db, Ac precipitate; Cu-solution) 3 times (Nb, Ta ≈99%)
- Dissolution of the La(OH)₃ in 2M HNO₃
- Sorbtion of La, Ac, Nb, Ta, Db on Dowex 50 (cation-exchange resin)
- Elution of group 5 elements (Nb, Ta, Db) with 2 ml 1M HF
- Evaporation of the solution to 0.1 ml
- Pipetting of the 0.1 ml solution on a PE-foil (40 μ g/cm²) $\Sigma \approx 3$ hr (^{92m}Nb $\approx 85\pm5\%$)

 $(^{177}\text{Ta} \approx 75 \pm 5\%)$

Detection system

 3 He - neutron detector neutron moderator Nb/Ta - chemical fraction 4π - fission fragment detectors

$^{48}Ca + ^{243}Am$

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N Sample (data)	t _{irr} hr	Beam Dose	$\underline{\mathbf{E}}_{\underline{\mathbf{bot}}}$ + \mathbf{E}_{top} + Nn (t,µs)	t _{detect} hr	t _{measurement} hr
1 (12.06)	20	2,5·10 ¹⁷	120+126+2n (5;64)	20	429
2 (13.06)	22	3,7·10 ¹⁷	-+86+1n (57)	74	186
3 (14.06)	22	3,4·10 ¹⁷	131+124+1n (3)	131+124+1n (3) 15	
			116+122+2n (8;16)	72	385
4 (15.06)	22	2,9·10 ¹⁷	104+120+1n (2)	22	
			97+125+1n (151)	29	358
			100+128+1n (89)	51	
5 (17.06)	38	6,7·10 ¹⁷	117+118+2n (6,98)	6	
			108+107+3n (4,31,43)	9	
			110+104+0n (89)	15	476
			0+76+2n (6,41)	68	
6 (18.06)	23	3,9·10 ¹⁷	120+114+2n (2,2) 39		453
7 (19.06)	22	3,6·10 ¹⁷	-	-	429
8 (21.06)	45	7,4·10 ¹⁷	119+110+2n (5;33)	5	382
			118+105+2n (72,165)	93	
			65+58+3n (12,19,29)	174	
		Σ 3,4·10 ¹⁸	15 events		9

Total Kinetic Energy distributions of ²⁵²Cf and ²⁶⁸Db



Average numbers of prompt neutrons emitted in spontaneous fission



 $^{243}Am + ^{48}Ca \xrightarrow{3n} ^{288}115 \xrightarrow{5\alpha} ^{268}Db$

	DGFRS	CHEMISTRY		
Target Thickness	0.36 mg·cm ⁻²	1.15 mg·cm ⁻²		
Energy Range	3.3 MeV	10,5 MeV		
Transmission	~ 35%	80±5%		
Beam Dose	4.3·10 ¹⁸	3.4 ·10 ¹⁸		
Events Number	3	15		
Decay Mode	SF	SF		
Half Life	16 ⁺¹⁹ ₋₆ hr	27 ⁺¹¹ ₋₆ hr		
Cross section	2.7 ^{+4.8} _{-1.6} pb	4.7 ^{+1.8} _{-1.3} pb		

> TKE = 227 MeV > $< v > = 4.1 \pm 0.8$ > Off-line experiment at MASHA

Mass Analyzer of Super Heavy Atoms



MASHA test with Xe and Hg isotopes



²⁴²Pu(⁴⁸Ca, 3n)²⁸⁷114





Irradiation of ²³⁸U target with ⁴⁸Ca ions Experimental conditions and results

Time-of-flight - strip number distribution for ²⁸³112



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Search for SHE in nature theory and experiment





Chart of the nuclides 2004



proton number

Z	А	No. I observed ^{a)}	Decay mode, branch ^{b)}	Half-life ^{c)}	Expected half-life	$E_{\alpha}(\text{MeV})$	$Q_{\alpha}(\text{MeV})$
118	294	1/1	α	$1.8^{+75}_{-1.3}\mathrm{ms}$	0.4 ms	11.65±0.06	11.81±0.06
116	293	3/3	α	$53^{+62}_{-19}\mathrm{ms}$	80 ms	10.53±0.06	10.67±0.06
	292	4/5	α	$18^{+16}_{-6}{ m ms}$	40 ms	10.66±0.07	10.80±0.07
	291	2/2	α	$6.3^{+11.6}_{-2.5}\mathrm{ms}$	$20\mathrm{ms}$	10.74±0.07	10.89±0.07
	290	2/2	α	$15^{+26}_{-6}{ m ms}$	10 ms	10.85±0.08	11.00±0.08
114	289	8/8	α	$2.7^{+1.4}_{-0.7}\mathrm{s}$	2 s	9.82±0.06	9.96±0.06
	288	12/11	α	$0.80^{+0.32}_{-0.18}s$	0.8 s	9.95±0.07	10.09±0.07
	287	15/15	α	$0.51^{+0.18}_{-0.10}s$	0.5 s	10.02±0.06	10.16±0.06
	286	11/5	α: 0.4 SF: 0.6	$0.16^{+0.07}_{-0.03}s$	0.2 s	10.20±0.06	10.35±0.06
112	285	8/8	α	$34^{+17}_{-9}s$	50 s	9.16±0.06	9.29±0.06
	284	12	SF	$101^{+41}_{-22}\mathrm{ms}$			≤9.85
	283	18/18	α: 1 SF: ≤0.1	$4.0^{+1.3}_{-0.7}\rm{s}$	3 s	9.54±0.06	9.67±0.06
	282	6	SF	$0.50^{+0.33}_{-0.14}\mathrm{ms}$			≤10.82
110	281	8	SF	$9.6^{+5.0}_{-2.5}\mathrm{s}$			≤9.05
	279	21/2	α: 0.1 SF: 0.9	$0.18^{+0.05}_{-0.03}s$	0.2 s	9.70±0.06	9.84±0.06
108	275	2/2	α	$0.15^{+0.27}_{-0.06}s$	0.8 s	9.30±0.07	9.44±0.07
106	271	2/1	α: 0.5 SF: 0.5	$2.4^{+4.3}_{-1.0}$ min	0.8 min	8.53±0.08	8.65±0.08
104	267	1	SF	$2.3^{+98.}_{-1.7}{ m h}$			≤8.22

Decay properties of nuclei produced in the ⁴⁸Ca-induced reactions

^a Number of events used for calculations of half-lives / α -particle energies, respectively. ^b Branching ratio is not shown if only one decay mode was observed.

^e Error bars correspond to 68%-confidence level if more than one event was observed, for only one registered event the error bars correspond to 95%.