



## 1 Decay Scheme

Am-244m decays predominantly by beta minus emission to a number of excited levels and the ground state of Cm-244. A small electron capture branch also occurs directly to the ground state of Pu-244.

*L'américium 244 métastable se désintègre principalement vers des niveaux excités et le niveau fondamental du curium 244. Un faible branchement par capture électronique vers le plutonium 244 a été observé.*

## 2 Nuclear Data

|                                |   |       |     |          |
|--------------------------------|---|-------|-----|----------|
| $T_{1/2}({}^{244}\text{Am}^m)$ | : | 26    | (3) | min      |
| $T_{1/2}({}^{244}\text{Pu})$   | : | 80,0  | (9) | $10^6$ a |
| $T_{1/2}({}^{244}\text{Cm})$   | : | 18,11 | (3) | a        |
| $Q^-({}^{244}\text{Am}^m)$     | : | 1516  | (3) | keV      |
| $Q^+({}^{244}\text{Am}^m)$     | : | 164   | (9) | keV      |

### 2.1 Electron Capture Transitions

|                  | Energy<br>keV | Probability<br>$\times 100$ | Nature  | lg $ft$ | $P_K$    | $P_L$    | $P_M$      |
|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|------------|
| $\epsilon_{0,0}$ | 164 (9)       | 0,036 (1)                   | allowed | 6,37    | 0,24 (5) | 0,53 (4) | 0,168 (12) |

### 2.2 $\beta^-$ Transitions

|                  | Energy<br>keV | Probability<br>$\times 100$ | Nature                     | lg $ft$ |
|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| $\beta_{0,11}^-$ | 410 (3)       | 0,35 (9)                    | (1st forbidden non-unique) | 6,8     |
| $\beta_{0,10}^-$ | 432 (3)       | 0,56 (13)                   | (allowed)                  | 6,67    |
| $\beta_{0,7}^-$  | 496 (3)       | 0,08 (2)                    | (allowed)                  | 7,7     |

|                 | Energy<br>keV | Probability<br>× 100 | Nature  | lg <i>ft</i> |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|---------|--------------|
| $\beta_{0,6}^-$ | 531,1 (30)    | 1,36 (16)            | allowed | 6,58         |
| $\beta_{0,1}^-$ | 1473 (3)      | 31 (9)               | allowed | 6,74         |
| $\beta_{0,0}^-$ | 1516 (3)      | 67 (9)               | allowed | 6,45         |

### 2.3 Gamma Transitions and Internal Conversion Coefficients

|                      | Energy<br>keV | $P_{\gamma+ce}$<br>× 100 | Multipolarity  | $\alpha_K$   | $\alpha_L$  | $\alpha_M$    | $\alpha_T$   |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| $\gamma_{1,0}$ (Cm)  | 42,965 (10)   | 32 (9)                   | E2             |              | 760 (11)    | 214 (3)       | 1050 (15)    |
| $\gamma_{6,1}$ (Cm)  | 941,95 (3)    | 0,36 (12)                | E2             | 0,01120 (16) | 0,00318 (5) | 0,000807 (12) | 0,01547 (22) |
| $\gamma_{7,1}$ (Cm)  | 977,80 (4)    | 0,08 (2)                 | E0 (+ M1+E2)   |              |             |               |              |
| $\gamma_{6,0}$ (Cm)  | 984,91 (2)    | 1,0 (1)                  | E0             |              |             |               |              |
| $\gamma_{10,1}$ (Cm) | 1041,22 (3)   | 0,19 (6)                 | (M1+E2)        |              |             |               |              |
| $\gamma_{11,1}$ (Cm) | 1062,95 (3)   | 0,30 (9)                 | anomalous E1   | 0,09 (3)     | 0,015 (4)   | 0,0032 (1)    | 0,11 (3)     |
| $\gamma_{10,0}$ (Cm) | 1084,181 (14) | 0,37 (12)                | anomalous (E2) | 0,030 (8)    | 0,008 (2)   | 0,0020 (1)    | 0,041 (11)   |
| $\gamma_{11,0}$ (Cm) | 1105,91 (2)   | 0,05 (2)                 | anomalous (E1) | 0,14 (3)     | 0,024 (6)   | 0,0058 (1)    | 0,17 (4)     |

## 3 Atomic Data

### 3.1 Cm

|                  |   |       |      |
|------------------|---|-------|------|
| $\omega_K$       | : | 0,972 | (4)  |
| $\bar{\omega}_L$ | : | 0,538 | (23) |
| $n_{KL}$         | : | 0,785 | (5)  |

#### 3.1.1 X Radiations

|                | Energy<br>keV     | Relative<br>probability |      |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------------|------|
| X <sub>K</sub> | K $\alpha_2$      | 104,59                  |      |
|                | K $\alpha_1$      | 109,271                 |      |
|                | K $\beta_3$       | 122,304                 | }    |
|                | K $\beta_1$       | 123,403                 | }    |
|                | K $\beta_5''$     | 124,124                 | }    |
|                |                   |                         | 38   |
|                | K $\beta_2$       | 126,889                 | }    |
|                | K $\beta_4$       | 127,352                 | }    |
|                | KO <sub>2,3</sub> | 127,97                  | }    |
|                |                   |                         | 13,5 |

|            | Energy<br>keV   | Relative<br>probability |
|------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| $X_L$      |                 |                         |
| L $\ell$   | 12,633          |                         |
| L $\alpha$ | 14,746 – 14,961 |                         |
| L $\eta$   | 17,314          |                         |
| L $\beta$  | 17,286 – 19,688 |                         |
| L $\gamma$ | 22,735 – 23,527 |                         |

### 3.1.2 Auger Electrons

|         | Energy<br>keV    | Relative<br>probability |
|---------|------------------|-------------------------|
| Auger K |                  |                         |
| KLL     | 78,858 – 89,973  | 100                     |
| KLX     | 97,226 – 109,267 | 61,6                    |
| KXY     | 115,57 – 128,23  | 9,5                     |
| Auger L | 6,19 – 14,46     | 1450000                 |

## 4 Electron Emissions

|                      |      | Energy<br>keV    | Electrons<br>per 100 disint. |
|----------------------|------|------------------|------------------------------|
| e <sub>AL</sub>      | (Pu) | 6,09 - 13,83     | 0,0124 (11)                  |
| e <sub>AK</sub>      | (Pu) |                  | 0,000253 (45)                |
|                      | KLL  | 75,263 - 85,357  | }                            |
|                      | KLX  | 92,607 - 103,729 | }                            |
|                      | KXY  | 109,93 - 121,78  | }                            |
| e <sub>AL</sub>      | (Cm) | 6,19 - 14,46     | 10,6 (23)                    |
| e <sub>AK</sub>      | (Cm) |                  | 0,00125 (27)                 |
|                      | KLL  | 78,858 - 89,973  | }                            |
|                      | KLX  | 97,226 - 109,267 | }                            |
|                      | KXY  | 115,57 - 128,23  | }                            |
| ec <sub>1,0 L</sub>  | (Cm) | 18,439 - 23,995  | 23 (7)                       |
| ec <sub>1,0 M+</sub> | (Cm) | 36,628 - 42,948  | 9 (3)                        |
| $\beta_{0,11}^-$     | max: | 410 (3)          | 0,35 (9)                     |
| $\beta_{0,11}^-$     | avg: | 116,9 (7)        |                              |

|                  |      | Energy<br>keV |      | Electrons<br>per 100 disint. |
|------------------|------|---------------|------|------------------------------|
| $\beta_{0,10}^-$ | max: | 432           | (3)  | 0,56 (13)                    |
| $\beta_{0,10}^-$ | avg: | 123,7         | (7)  |                              |
| $\beta_{0,7}^-$  | max: | 496           | (3)  | 0,08 (2)                     |
| $\beta_{0,7}^-$  | avg: | 144,0         | (7)  |                              |
| $\beta_{0,6}^-$  | max: | 531,1         | (30) | 1,36 (16)                    |
| $\beta_{0,6}^-$  | avg: | 155,7         | (7)  |                              |
| $\beta_{0,1}^-$  | max: | 1473          | (3)  | 31 (9)                       |
| $\beta_{0,1}^-$  | avg: | 495,8         | (9)  |                              |
| $\beta_{0,0}^-$  | max: | 1516          | (3)  | 67 (9)                       |
| $\beta_{0,0}^-$  | avg: | 512,3         | (9)  |                              |

## 5 Photon Emissions

### 5.1 X-Ray Emissions

|                |      | Energy<br>keV   |   | Photons<br>per 100 disint. |              |
|----------------|------|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--------------|
| XL             | (Cm) | 12,633 — 23,527 |   | 12,3 (27)                  |              |
| XK $\alpha_2$  | (Cm) | 104,59          |   | 0,013 (4)                  | } K $\alpha$ |
| XK $\alpha_1$  | (Cm) | 109,271         |   | 0,020 (6)                  |              |
| XK $\beta_3$   | (Cm) | 122,304         | } | 0,0076 (21)                | K' $\beta_1$ |
| XK $\beta_1$   | (Cm) | 123,403         | } |                            |              |
| XK $\beta_5''$ | (Cm) | 124,124         | } |                            |              |
| XK $\beta_2$   | (Cm) | 126,889         | } | 0,0027 (8)                 | K' $\beta_2$ |
| XK $\beta_4$   | (Cm) | 127,352         | } |                            |              |
| XKO $_{2,3}$   | (Cm) | 127,97          | } |                            |              |

### 5.2 Gamma Emissions

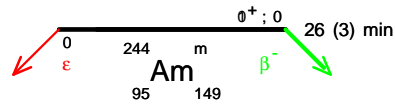
|                            | Energy<br>keV | Photons<br>per 100 disint. |
|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|
| $\gamma_{1,0}(\text{Cm})$  | 42,965 (10)   | 0,030 (9)                  |
| $\gamma_{6,1}(\text{Cm})$  | 941,95 (3)    | 0,35 (12)                  |
| $\gamma_{10,1}(\text{Cm})$ | 1041,22 (3)   | 0,19 (6)                   |
| $\gamma_{11,1}(\text{Cm})$ | 1062,95 (3)   | 0,27 (8)                   |
| $\gamma_{10,0}(\text{Cm})$ | 1084,181 (14) | 0,36 (12)                  |
| $\gamma_{11,0}(\text{Cm})$ | 1105,91 (2)   | 0,04 (2)                   |

## 6 Main Production Modes

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$\gamma$  Emission intensities per 100 disintegrations

