

Flerovium

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2. Review of superheavy elements synthesis Z=112 and Z=114 in the reactions with heavy ions ⁴⁸Ca+²⁴²Pu, carried out in the Flerov Laboratory for Nuclear Reactions (FLNR).

3. Main results of experiments of using reactions 40 Ar + 148 Sm; 40 Ar + 166 Er; 48 Ca + 242 Pu are describing.

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MASHA - Mass Analyzer of Super Heavy Atoms

Based on the beam line of Cyclotron U-400M

Constructed as the mass-spectrometer in a large variety of masses (from 1 to 450 a.m.u.).

Fundamental investigations in nuclear physics.











Hot catcher system

1 - Catcher camera;

- 2 Graphite stopper (heating ~1800K); 3 - Division foil;
 - 4 Rotating target.





Target ²⁴²PuO₂ on 3.1 µm Ti foil with addition of mass 1% of ^{nat}Sm as Sm₂O₃ inserion. 12 sectors, 14 mm width each and 30 mm arc length Central diameter 120 mm. Reaction ⁴⁸Ca(²⁴²Pu,²⁸³Cn) α ,3n. T_{1/2}(²⁸⁷Fl)=0.48 s, T_{1/2}(²⁸³Cn)=4 s. Beam parameters: ~0.5 pmkA, ~2 months of irradiation. Beam spot diameter 14 mm.

Graphite stopper after irradiation (a few weeks)



TIMEPIX detector.

- Sensitive area 14*14 mm
- 256*256 pixels. Silicon sensor 300 mkm thickness.
- Each pixel has its own preamplifier and digitizer.
- Can detect any type of radiation: α-, β-particles, fission fragments and electromagnetic radiation (γ- and X-rays).



The main purpose

To measure the alpha decay of Hg and Rn isotopes, produced in fusion reactions:⁴⁰Ar + ¹⁴⁸Sm; ⁴⁰Ar + ¹⁶⁶Er; ⁴⁸Ca + ²⁴²Pu.

Mercury is similar to 112 and 114 elements in a row of chemical properties, e.g. with respect to the surface absorption energy, to 112 and 114 elements e.g. volatility so Hg is used for an online calibration of all parts of installation.

















Conclusion

The main parts of MASHA facility were described. The energy calibration of the strip detector using pre-recorded data of shown reactions. Alpha spectrometry of known decay chains of radioactive Hg and Rn isotopes was chosen to perform the detector calibration. Results of completed calibration were represented.

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