Present Status and Perspectives of SHE Syntheses at RIKEN GARIS

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1. Production and decay studies of RIs for SHE chemistry

Coupling SHE chemistry to a recoil separator

Breakthroughs in SHE chemistry

- Chemical experiments under low background condition
- Stable and high gas-jet transport yields
- New chemical reactions

Development of a gas-jet transport system coupled to GARIS

- ¹⁶⁹Tm(⁴⁰Ar,3*n*)²⁰⁶Fr; ²⁰⁸Pb(⁴⁰Ar,3*n*)²⁴⁵Fm [JNRS 8, 55 (2007); EPJD 45, 81 (2007)]
- ²³⁸U(²²Ne,5*n*)²⁵⁵No [JNRS 9, 27 (2008)]

Production and decay studies of SHE RIs for chemical studies

- ²⁴⁸Cm(¹⁸O,5*n*)²⁶¹Rf^{*a*,*b*} [Chem. Lett. **38**, 426 (2009); PRC **83**, 034602 (2011)]
- ²⁴⁸Cm(¹⁹F,5*n*)²⁶²Db [PRC 89, 024618 (2014)]
- ²⁴⁸Cm(²²Ne,5*n*)²⁶⁵Sg^{*a,b*} [PRC 85, 024611 (2012)] \rightarrow Sg(CO)₆ chemistry
- ²⁴⁸Cm(²³Na,5*n*)²⁶⁶Bh [This work]

Experimental setup



Experimental conditions

| Nuclide | ²⁶⁶ Bh (<i>T</i> _{1/2} = 1.20 s ¹⁾) | ²⁶⁷ Bh (<i>T</i> _{1/2} = 13.7 s ¹⁾) | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Reaction | ²⁴⁸ Cm(²³ Na,5 <i>n</i>) | ²⁴⁸ Cm(²³ Na,4 <i>n</i>) | | |
| Cross section (pb) | ~50 (5 <i>n</i> + 4 <i>n</i>)? ²⁾ | | | |
| Beam energy, E _{lab.} (MeV) | 131 | | | |
| Beam intensity (pµA) | 3 | | | |
| ²⁴⁸ Cm ₂ O ₃ thickness (μg/cm ²) | 290; 250 | | | |
| Magnetic rigidity (Tm) | 2.12 | | | |
| GARIS He (Pa) | 33 | | | |
| RTC Mylar window (µm) | 0. | .7 | | |
| Honeycomb grid (%) | 78 | | | |
| Gas-jet He (kPa) | 80 | | | |
| Chamber depth (mm) | 20 | | | |
| He flow rate (L/min) | 5.0 | | | |
| KCl generator (^o C) | 620 | | | |
| Step interval of MANON (s) | 5.0; 8. | 5; 15.0 | | |
| 1) Wilk <i>et al.</i> , PRL 85 , 2697 (2000).; Eichler <i>et al.</i> , Nature 407 , 63 (2000).; Morita <i>et al.</i> , JSPS 81 , 103210 (2012).; Qin <i>et al.</i> Nucl. Phys. Rev. 23 , 400 (2006). | | | | |

2) Morira *et al.,* JPSJ **78**, 064201 (2009).

<u>α-particle spectrum</u>





Excitation function calculated by HIVAP

Reisdorf and Schädel, ZPA **343**, 47 (1992). Nishio *et al.*, PRL **93**, 162701 (2004). Nishio *et al.*, PRC **82**, 024611 (2010).

- For ²⁴⁸Cm(²³Na,xn)^{271-x}Bh, $\sigma(5n)$ is 60 pb, and $\sigma(4n)$ is more than one order of magnitude smaller than $\sigma(5n)$.
- → Most of the observed events in this work can be assigned to ²⁶⁶Bh.





Haba et al., PRC **83**, 034602 (2011). Murakami et al., PRC **88**, 024618 (2013).



Haba et al., PRC 89, 024618 (2014).



Decay properties of ²⁶⁶Bh

- E_{α} of ²⁶⁶Bh spread widely in E_{α} = 8.62– 9.40 MeV.
- $T_{1/2} = 10.7^{+4.2}_{-2.4}$ s in this work is longer than those of ²⁶⁶Bh in the literatures.

| Nuclide | This work | | Refs. [1–4] | |
|-------------------|-----------|---|-------------|---|
| | Ν | <i>T</i> _{1/2} [s] | Ν | <i>T</i> _{1/2} [s] |
| ²⁶⁶ Bh | 12 | 10.7 ^{+4.2} _{-2.4} | 8 | 1.20 ^{+0.66} _{-0.31} |
| ²⁶⁷ Bh | | | 11 | 13.7 ^{+5.9} 3.2 |

[1] 249 Bk(22 Ne,5;4*n*) 266,267 Bh (*N* = 1, 5): Wilk *et al.*, PRL **85**, 2697 (2000). [2] 249 Bk(22 Ne,4*n*) 267 Bh (*N* = 6): Eichler *et al.*, Nature **407**, 63 (2000). [3] 243 Am(26 Mg,3*n*) 266 Bh (*N* = 4): Qin *et al.*, Nucl. Phys. Rev. **23**, 400 (2006). [4] 209 Bi(70 Zn,*n*) 278 113 $\rightarrow {}^{266}$ Bh (*N* = 3): Morita *et al.*, JPSJ **81**, 103201 (2012).

- Existence of an isomeric state in ²⁶⁶Bh?
 → Further investigation of ²⁶⁷Bh at a lower beam energy
- The longer half-life of ²⁶⁶Bh is good for Bh chemistry in the future.



Excitation function for ²⁴⁸Cm(²³Na,5*n*)²⁶⁶Bh

| Reaction | Cross section | Popetion* | Cross sections* |
|--|----------------|--|---|
| | at 131 MeV | Reaction | at 117/123 MeV |
| ²⁴⁸ Cm(²³ Na,5 <i>n</i>) ²⁶⁶ Bh | 55 \pm 16 pb | ²⁴⁹ Bk(²² Ne,5 <i>n</i>) ²⁶⁶ Bh | -/25–250 pb |
| | | ²⁴⁹ Bk(²² Ne,4 <i>n</i>) ²⁶⁷ Bh | 58 ⁺³³ ₋₁₅ /96 ⁺⁵⁵ ₋₂₅ pb |
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*Wilk et al., PRL **85**, 2697 (2000).

Assumptions

- $T_{1/2}(^{266}Bh) = 10.7 s$
- SF branch of ²⁶⁶Bh: $b_{SF} = 0\%$
- GARIS transmission: 15%
- Gas-jet transport efficiency: 50%
- Gas-jet transport time: 2.7 s
- The ²⁴⁸Cm(²³Na,5*n*)²⁶⁶Bh cross section is comparable to the ²⁴⁹Bk(²²Ne,5;4*n*)^{266,267}Bh.
- HIVAP reproduces the ²⁴⁸Cm(²³Na,5n)²⁶⁶Bh cross section.





Cross section systematics for the ²⁴⁸Cm(X,5*n***) reactions**

2. Future plans of SHE syntheses at RIKEN

Chemistry using preseparated ²⁶¹Rf^a, ²⁶²Db, ²⁶⁵Sg^{a,b}, and ²⁶⁶Bh

- ²⁴⁸Cm(²³Na,xn)^{271-x}Bh (in progress)
- Aqueous chemistry of Sg and Bh by solvent extraction with LS Development of a rapid solvent extraction apparatus coupled to GARIS
 → TASCA15 contribution by Y. Komori
- Gas chemistry of organometallic compounds of SHEs
 - \rightarrow Assessing the thermal stability of Sg(CO)₆ (R. Eichler and Ch. E. Düllmann)

Syntheses of the heaviest SHEs

- ²⁴⁸Cm(⁵⁰Ti,*xn*)^{298-x}118 (Feb.–Mar., 2016)
 - ☑ ⁵⁰Ti-MIVOC with Cp*⁵⁰TiMe₃ from Univ. Strasbourg
 - \rightarrow Acceleration test in Jun., 2015: 0.5 pµA on target; 0.22 mg/h
 - □ 9 mg of ²⁴⁸Cm shipped to RIKEN from ORNL (Dec., 2015)
 - \rightarrow Preparation of ²⁴⁸Cm rotating target (500-µg/cm²; ϕ 100 mm)
 - □ GARIS II commissioning (Oct. 21–28, 2015 and Jan. 25–Feb. 15, 2016)
 - \rightarrow ²³⁸U(⁴⁸Ca,*xn*)^{286-x}Cn and ²⁴⁸Cm(⁴⁸Ca,*xn*)^{296-x}Lv

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