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Gamma-ray spectroscopy in the vicinity of ¹⁰⁰Sn

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The heaviest doubly-magic and self-conjugate nucleus $^{100}{\rm Sn}$ is known for its super-allowed Gamow-Teller decay with the smallest $\log ft$ value

and providing experimental data for quenching effects and rp-process path models. In addition, ¹⁰⁰Sn and its neighbouring species offer valuable insights for nuclear structure.

Gamma-ray spectroscopy of ¹⁰⁰Sn

and nuclei in its vicinity with $N\simeq Z\simeq 50$ will probe single-particle/hole energies near the proton dripline, challenging

current large-scale shell models in this ${\cal A}$ and ${\cal Z}$ region.

The nuclei of interest were produced at RIKEN Rare Isotope Beam Factory in June 2013, where

a high-intensity (36 pnA, 2.3×10^{11} pps) 124 Xe beam with 345 MeV/u energy was fragmented on a 4-mm Be target. The fragments were identified via energy loss, magnetic rigidity and time-of-flight measurements with BigRIPS and the ZeroDegree Spectrometer. In total, 2035 events of 100 Sn were identified after 8.5 days of beamtime - the largest 100 Sn yield to date by a factor of 8. Many other exotic nuclei with similar A and Z were produced, including previously unobserved species such as 98 Sn and 96 In. These nuclei were implanted in WAS3ABi, a set of position-sensitive silicon strip detectors which measured ion implantation position, β^+ particles' position and energy. Subsequent β -delayed gamma-rays were measured with the EURICA spectrometer featuring high-resolution/efficiency HPGe clusters and fast-timing LaBr₃ detectors. Of the more abundantly produced nuclei, the level scheme for 98 Ag from the β^+ -decay of 98 Cd has been reproduced with new candidate transitions. Preliminary analysis and level schemes of exotic fragmentation species will be presented.

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