# <sup>219</sup>Rn – Comments on evaluation of decay data by A. L. Nichols

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### **Evaluation Procedure**

*Limitation of Relative Statistical Weight Method* (LWM) was applied to average numbers throughout the evaluation. The uncertainty assigned to the average value was always greater than or equal to the smallest uncertainty of the values used to calculate the average.

### **Decay Scheme**

A reasonably comprehensive decay scheme has been derived from the alpha-particle studies of 1962Wa18, 1991Ry01 and 1999Li05, and the gamma-ray measurements of 1967Da20, 1968Br17, 1970Da09, 1970Kr08 and 1999Li05.

### Nuclear Data

Part of the (4n + 3) decay chain, and of relevance in quantifying the environmental impact of <sup>235</sup>U and various decay-chain products. Specific radionuclides in this decay chain are noteworthy because of their distinctive and important decay characteristics (e.g. alpha decay of <sup>215</sup>Po, <sup>211</sup>Bi and <sup>211</sup>Po).

#### Half-life

The recommended half-life is the weighted mean of two measurements by 1961Ro14, and an additional independent study by 1966Hu20.

f-life (s)
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00(5) $06(1)^{\#}$
$96(1)^{\#}$
98 (3)
9

<sup>#</sup> Uncertainty adjusted to  $\pm$  0.04 to reduce weighting below 50 %.

## Q value

 $Q_{\alpha}$  of 6946.1 (3) keV was adopted from the evaluated tabulations of Audi *et al.* (2003Au03).

#### **Alpha Particles**

#### Energies

Alpha-particle energies were calculated from the structural details of the proposed decay scheme. While the energies of the alpha-particle emissions have been directly measured by 1962Wa18, 1971Gr07, 1991Ry01 and 1999Li05, the nuclear level energies of 2001Br31 and evaluated Q-value of 6946.1 (3) keV (2003Au03) were preferably used to determine the recommended energies and uncertainties of the alpha-particle transitions, taking into account the significant recoil.

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Nuclear	Nuclear level	$\mathbf{J}^{\pi}$	Origins
level	energy (keV)		
0	0.0	9/2 +	<sup>215</sup> Bi $\beta^-$ decay, <sup>219</sup> Rn $\alpha$ decay
1	$271.228 \pm 0.010$	7/2 +	<sup>215</sup> Bi $\beta^-$ decay, <sup>219</sup> Rn $\alpha$ decay
2	$293.56 \pm 0.04$	(11/2) +	<sup>215</sup> Bi β <sup>-</sup> decay, <sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
3	$401.812 \pm 0.010$	5/2 +	<sup>215</sup> Bi β <sup>-</sup> decay, <sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
4	$517.60 \pm 0.06$	7/2 +, 9/2 +	<sup>215</sup> Bi β <sup>-</sup> decay, <sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
5	$608.30 \pm 0.07$	(11/2 +, 13/2 +)	<sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
6	$676.66 \pm 0.07$		<sup>215</sup> Bi $\beta^-$ decay, <sup>219</sup> Rn $\alpha$ decay
7	$708.1 \pm 0.5$		<sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
8	$732.7\pm0.4$		<sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
9	$835.32\pm0.22$		<sup>215</sup> Bi $\beta^-$ decay. <sup>219</sup> <b>Rn <math>\alpha</math> decay</b>
10	$877.2 \pm 0.6$		<sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
11	$891.1 \pm 0.3$		<sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
12	$930 \pm 1$		<sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
13	$1073.7\pm0.4$	(5/2 +)	<sup>219</sup> Rn α decay
14	$1094.2 \pm 1.0$		<sup>219</sup> Rn α decay

Adopted nuclear levels of <sup>215</sup>Po:  $J^{\pi}$  and origins (2001Br31).

Measure	ed and recommended energies of the alpha-particle emissions of <sup>219</sup> Ra	•
	E <sub>a</sub> (keV)	

	$\mathbf{E}_{\alpha}$ (keV)				
	1962Wa18	1971Gr07	1991Ry01	1999Li05	<b>Recommended value</b> <sup>*</sup>
$\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle 0,14}$	_	_	_	5744 (15)	5745.0 (10)
$\alpha_{_{0,13}}$	_	_	_	5764 (8)	5765.1 (5)
$\alpha_{_{0,12}}$	_	_	_	5900 (15)	5906.2 (10)
$\alpha_{_{0,11}}$	_	_	_	5944 (6)	5944.4 (4)
$\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle 0,10}$	_	_	_	5958 (15)	5958.1 (7)
$\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle 0,9}$	5999.3	_	_	6000 (6)	5999.2 (4)
$lpha_{\scriptscriptstyle 0,8}$	6100.5	_	-	6100 (8)	6099.9 (5)
$\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle 0,7}$	~ 6146.2	_	-	6124 (8)	6124.1 (6)
$\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle 0,6}$	6157.1	_	_	6158 (4)	6154.9 (3)
$\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle 0,5}$	6222.1	_	-	6223 (6)	6222.0 (3)
$\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle 0,4}$	6310.3	_	_	6311 (3)	6311.1 (3)
$\alpha_{0,3}$	6423.2	_	6425.0 (10)	6425 (1)	6424.8 (3)
$\alpha_{0,2}$	6527.5	_	-	6530 (2)	6531.0 (3)
$\alpha_{0,1}$	6551.3	_	6552.6 (10)	6553 (1)	6553.0 (3)
$\alpha_{0,0}$	6817.5	6819.3 (3)	6819.1 (3)	6819.1 (3)	6819.2 (3)

\* Determined from the nuclear level energies of 2001Br31 and evaluated Q-value of 6946.1 (3) keV (2003Au03).

## **Emission Probabilities**

Alpha-particle emission probabilities were derived from the recommended relative emission probabilities of the gamma rays, a normalisation factor of 0.111 (5), and theoretical internal conversion coefficients (see below). The normalisation factor (F) was determined from the sum of the relative emission probabilities of the alpha particles calculated on the basis of  $\alpha$ - $\gamma$  population/depopulation balances of all the nuclear levels of <sup>215</sup>Po:

 $\Sigma$ [calculated relative P<sub>a</sub> to <sup>215</sup>Po excited states]F + (absolute P<sub>a</sub> to <sup>215</sup>Po ground state) = 100

An absolute  $P_{\alpha}$  of 79.4 (10) % directly to the <sup>215</sup>Po ground state was adopted from 1991Ry01. Denoting F as the normalisation factor for the relative emission probabilities of both the gamma rays and alpha particles:

$$186.0626F + 79.4 (10) = 100$$
  
F = 20.6 (10) / 186.0626 = 0.1107 (54)  $\rightarrow$  0.111 (5)

An unweighted mean value of 1.557 (2) was adopted for the radius parameter  $r_0(^{215}Po)$  as derived from the equivalent data for neighbouring nuclei (1998Ak04), and used in the calculation of  $\alpha$ -hindrance factors (HF):

$$r_0(^{215}Po) = [r_0(^{214}Po) + r_0(^{216}Po)] / 2$$
  
= [1.559(8) + 1.5555(2)] / 2 = 1.557 (2)

Alpha-particle emission probabilities per 100 disintegrations of <sup>219</sup>Rn, and hindrance factors.

E <sub>α</sub> (keV)	Pα				HF
	1962Wa18	1991Ry01	1999Li05	<b>Recommended value<sup>*</sup></b>	
5745.0 (10)	-	—	< 0.0001	0.000 09 (5)	245
5765.1 (5)	-	—	0.001	0.000 94 (19)	33
5906.2 (10)	-	—	-	0.000 09 (5)	1590
5944.4 (4)	-	—	0.002	0.002 1 (3)	103
5958.1 (7)	-	—	0.0001	0.000 3 (1)	830
5999.2 (4)	0.0044	—	0.003	0.003 2 (5)	120
6099.9 (5)	0.003	—	0.001	0.001 23 (12)	880
6124.1 (6)	$\sim 0.0026$	—	0.001	0.000 64 (12)	2170
6154.9 (3)	0.0174	—	0.018	0.018 4 (22)	103
6222.0 (3)	0.0026	—	0.004	0.004 3 (10)	860
6311.1 (3)	0.054	—	0.054	0.048 (3)	184
6424.8 (3)	7.5	7.5 (6)	7.5	7.85 (24)	3.31
6531.0 (3)	0.12	—	0.12	0.098 (5)	710
6553.0 (3)	11.5	12.9 (6)	13	12.6 (3)	6.75
6819.2 (3)	81	79.4 (10)	79.3	79.4 (10)	11.2
				$\Sigma 100.02729 \to 100.0 (11)$	

Recommended alpha-particle emission probabilities have been determined by calculating the populating alphaparticle balances of the daughter nuclear levels of <sup>215</sup>Po through individual consideration of their gamma population-depopulation, along with the adoption of a normalisation factor of 0.111 (5) for the relative emission probabilities of the observed gamma rays and derived alpha particles.

#### Gamma Rays

#### Energies

While the energies of the main gamma-ray emissions have been directly measured by 1967Da20, 1968Br17, 1970Da09, 1970Kr08, 1976B113 and 1999Li05, all of the recommended gamma-ray energies were calculated from the nuclear level energies of daughter <sup>215</sup>Po as adopted from 2001Br31.

Measured and recommended energies of the main gamma-ray emissions of <sup>219</sup>Ra.

	$E_{\gamma}$ (keV)										
	1967Da20	1968Br17	1970Da09	1970Kr08	1976Bl13	1999Li05	Recommended value <sup>*</sup>				
$\gamma_{3,1}(Po)$	130.9 (6)	130.5 (3)	130.7 (1)	130.6 (2)	130.588 (29)	130.6 (1)	130.58 (1)				
$\gamma_{1,0}(Po)$	271.2 (5)	271.0 (2)	271.20 (5)	271.4 (1)	271.233 (10)	271.23 (5)	271.228 (10)				
$\gamma_{2,0}(Po)$	293.2 (6)	293.4 (4)	294.0 (3)	293.8 (2)	293.538 (44)	293.6 (1)	293.56 (4)				
$\gamma_{3,0}(Po)$	401.7 (5)	401.7 (1)	401.8 (2)	402.0 (3)	401.811 (10)	401.81 (5)	401.81 (1)				
$\gamma_{4,0}(Po)$	517.1 (8)	517.4 (3)	516.5 (5)	_	517.639 (55)	517.5 (1)	517.60 (6)				
$\gamma_{6,0}(Po)$	_	676.6 (3)	677.0 (10)	—	676.645 (70)	676.7 (1)	676.66 (7)				

Determined from the recommended nuclear level energies of 2001Br31.

## **Emission Probabilities**

The emission probabilities were determined from measurements of 1967Da20, 1968Br17, 1970Da09, 1970Kr08, 1976B113 and 1999Li05. Weighted mean values were calculated for the relative emission probabilities of the 130.58-, 293.56-, 401.81-, 517.60-, 608.30-, 676.66- and 891.1-keV gamma rays, while all others were adopted from the more comprehensive set of data measured by 1999Li05.

Some of the reported gamma-ray emissions were of highly questionable validity, and were not considered for placement in the recommended decay scheme because of their nature and doubtful origins:

- (a) 115.4-keV gamma ray was only observed by 1968Br17, and was furthermore labeled by these authors as ill-assigned removed from consideration.
- (b) 221.5-keV gamma ray was judged to be a major gamma emission from the alpha-decay mode of  $^{223}$ Ra removed from further consideration.
- (c) 324.9-and 337.7-keV gamma-ray emission probabilities were expressed only in terms of their upper limits by 1967Da20, and not observed by 1999Li05 removed from consideration.
- (d) 370.9-keV gamma ray was observed by 1965Va10, an emission probability expressed only in terms of an upper limit by 1967Da20, and not observed by 1999Li05 – removed from consideration.
- (e) 380-keV gamma ray was only observed by 1965Va10 without a quantified emission probability removed from consideration.
- (f) 438.2-keV gamma ray was judged to be a major gamma emission from the alpha-decay mode of <sup>215</sup>Po removed from further consideration.
- (g) 538.2-and 1005-keV gamma rays were observed by 1965Va10, emission probabilities quantified by 1967Da20, and not observed by 1999Li05 removed from consideration.
- (h) 665.5-keV gamma-ray emission probability was assigned an upper limit by 1967Da20 and identified as a possible doublet, and fully quantified as a singlet by 1999Li05 – retained as an unplaced gamma transition emitted in the decay of <sup>219</sup>Rn.

Although some of the other observed gamma-ray emissions possess similar origins to the above, these transitions could be more comfortably placed in the proposed decay scheme, lending support to their acceptance and inclusion in the recommended data set.

Published gamma-ray emission probabilities.

E <sub>y</sub> (keV)	Pγ						
• • •	1965Va10*	1967Da20 <sup>†</sup>	1968Br17 <sup>‡</sup>	1970Da09 <sup>¶</sup>	1970Kr08	1976Bl13	1999Li05
115.4 (5)	_	-	0.033 (15)	_	-	-	-
130.58 (1)	observed	1.40 (14)	1.30 (25)	1.05 (25)	1.21 (10)	1.16 (12)	1.7 (2)
221.5 (3)	_	_	_	) 0.28 (7)	-	_	-
224.04 (7)	-	-	_	)	_	_	0.013 (2)
271.228 (10)	observed	100	110 (15)	100.00	100.0	105.5 (40)	100 (2)
293.56 (4)	_	0.64 (6)	0.77 (15)	0.59 (15)	0.51 (27)	0.76 (5)	0.68 (4)
322 (1)	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.0008 (4)
324.9 (10)	_	< 0.06	_	_	-	_	-
330.9 (4)	_	_	_	_	-	_	0.0090 (10)
337.7 (10)	—	< 0.08	—	—	-	-	—
370.9 (15)	observed	< 0.1	-	—	-	-	—
373.5 (3)	—	-	—	—	-	-	0.0023 (3)
~ 380	observed	-	-	—	-	-	—
383.1 (1)	-	-	-	—	-	_	0.0040 (6)
401.81 (1)	observed	58 (6)	67 (4)	65.2 (65)	69.0 (30)	61.6 (28)	59.0 (20)
405.4 (1)	-	-	-	—	-	_	0.0023 (4)
436.9 (5)	_	_	_	_	-	-	0.0028 (5)
438.2 (6)	-	0.54 (10)	-	—	-	_	_
461.5 (4)	-	-	-	—	-	_	0.0015 (3)
489.3 (3)	-	-	_	_	_	_	0.0058 (8)
517.60 (6)	observed	0.44 (10)	0.48 (4)	0.22 (5)	-	0.43 (3)	0.40 (2)
538.2 (15)	observed	0.06 (3)	_	_	-	-	_
556.1 (4)	-	-	_	_	_	_	0.0005 (3)
564.1 (2)	observed	< 0.03	_	_	_	_	0.014 (3)
576.6 (10)	_	_	_	_	-	-	0.0008 (4)
608.30 (7)	observed	0.04 (2)	_	_	_	_	0.040 (10)
619.9 (3)	-	-	-	—	-	_	0.003 (1)
665.5 (10)	-	$< 0.08^{\Delta}$	-	—	-	_	0.0008 (4)
671.9 (4)	observed	_	_	_	-	-	0.002 (1)
676.66 (7)	-	0.21 (3)	$0.23~(2)^{\Delta}$	0.06 (3)	_	0.16(1)	0.16 (2)
708.1 (5)	-	-	-	—	-	_	0.003 (1)
732.7 (4)	_	_	_	_	-	-	0.0006 (3)
802.5 (4)	-	-	-	—	_	-	0.003 (1)
835.32 (22)	observed	-	-	—	_	-	0.015 (3)
877.2 (6)	-	-	-	_	_	_	0.003 (1)
891.1 (3)	observed	0.015 (7)	-	_	_	-	0.007 (2)
1055 (2)	observed	0.006 (3)	_	—	_	_	-
1073.7 (4)	-	-	_	—	_	_	0.003 (1)
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Quantified only in terms of percentage depopulation of a number of ill-defined nuclear levels of  $^{215}$ Po – neither the gamma-ray energies nor this form of relative emission probability were adopted in the subsequent analyses. Quoted relative emission probabilities of 1967Da20 are based on P $\gamma$ (271.228 keV) of 1000, and have been adjusted to

<sup>†</sup> Quoted relative emission probabilities of 1967Da20 are based on  $P\gamma(271.228 \text{ keV})$  of 1000, and have been adjusted to  $P\gamma(271.228 \text{ keV})$  of 100.

<sup>\*</sup> Quoted relative emission probabilities of 1968Br17 for <sup>219</sup>Rn decay are based on P $\gamma$ (271.228 keV) of 0.110 (15), and have been adjusted to P $\gamma$ (271.228 keV) of 110 (15).

<sup>¶</sup> Uncertainties in the relative emission probabilities are not defined by 1970Da09, and have been derived from the quoted uncertainties of the absolute emission probabilities.

 $^{\Delta}$  Evidence for the existence of a doublet.

Relative gamma-ray	emission	nrobabilities:	Relative to	P.(271.228 keV	/) of 100 %.
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$E_{\gamma}$ (keV) $P_{\gamma}$									
	•	1967Da20	1968Br17	1970Da09	1970Kr08	1976Bl13	1999Li05	<b>Recommended value</b>	
—	115.4 (5)*	—	0.030 (14)	—	—	-	-	_	
$\gamma_{3,1}$	130.58 (1)	1.40 (14)	1.18 (23)	1.05 (25)	1.21 (10)	1.10 (11)	1.7 (2)	1.2 (1)	
_	221.5 (3) <sup>#</sup>	_	_	) 0.28 (7)	_	_	-	_	
γ <sub>4,2</sub>	224.04 (7)	_	_	)	_	_	0.013 (2)	0.013 (2)	
γ <sub>1,0</sub>	271.228 (10)	100	100	100.00	100.0	100	100.0 (20)	100 (2)	
γ <sub>2,0</sub>	293.56 (4)	0.64 (6)	0.70 (14)	0.59 (15)	0.51 (27)	0.72 (5)	0.68 (4)	0.68 (3)	
γ <sub>12,5</sub>	322 (1)	-	-	_	_	-	0.0008 (4)	0.0008 (4)	
_	324.9 (10) <sup>§</sup>	< 0.06	_	_	_	_	-	_	
γ <sub>8,3</sub>	330.9 (4)	_	_	_	_	_	0.0090 (10)	0.0090 (10)	
_	337.7 (10)*	< 0.08	_	_	_	_	-	_	
_	370.9 (15) <sup>†</sup>	< 0.1	_	_	_	_	_	_	
γ <sub>11.4</sub>	373.5 (3)	_	_	_	_	_	0.0023 (3)	0.0023 (3)	
_	$\sim 380^{\$}$	_	-	_	_	_	-	_	
γ <sub>6,2</sub>	383.1 (1)	_	-	_	_	_	0.0040 (6)	0.0040 (6)	
γ <sub>3,0</sub>	401.81 (1)	58 (6)	61 (4)	65.2 (65)	69 (3)	58.4 (27)	59.0 (20)	61 (2)	
γ <sub>6,1</sub>	405.4 (1)	_	_	_	_	_	0.0023 (4)	0.0023 (4)	
γ <sub>7,1</sub>	436.9 (5)	_	-	_	_	_	0.0028 (5)	0.0028 (5)	
_	438.2 (6) <sup>‡</sup>	0.54 (10)	_	_	_	-	_	_	
γ <sub>8,1</sub>	461.5 (4)	_	_	_	_	-	0.0015 (3)	0.0015 (3)	
γ11,3	489.3 (3)	_	_	_	_	_	0.0058 (8)	0.0058 (8)	
γ4,0	517.60 (6)	0.44 (10)	0.44 (4)	0.22 (5)	_	0.41 (3)	0.40 (2)	0.39 (3)	
_	538.2 (15) <sup>†</sup>	0.06 (3)	_	_	_	_	_	_	
γ13,4	556.1 (4)	_	_	_	_	_	0.0005 (3)	0.0005 (3)	
γ9,1	564.1 (2)	< 0.03	_	_	_	_	0.014 (3)	0.014 (3)	
γ14,4	576.6 (10)	_	_	_	_	-	0.0008 (4)	0.0008 (4)	
γ5,0	608.30 (7)	0.04 (2)	_	_	_	_	0.040 (10)	0.040 (9)	
γ <sub>11,1</sub>	619.9 (3)	_	_	_	_	_	0.003 (1)	0.003 (1)	
γ-1,1	665.5 (10) <sup>¶</sup>	$< 0.08^{\Delta}$	_	_	_	_	0.0008 (4)	0.0008 (4)	
γ <sub>13,3</sub>	671.9 (4)	_	_	_	_	_	0.002(1)	0.002 (1)	
γ6,0	676.66 (7)	0.21 (3)	0.21 (2)	0.06 (3)	_	0.15(1)	0.16 (2)	0.16 (2)	
γ <sub>7,0</sub>	708.1 (5)	_	_	_	_	_	0.003 (1)	0.003 (1)	
γ <sub>8,0</sub>	732.7 (4)	_	_	_	_	_	0.0006 (3)	0.0006 (3)	
γ13,1	802.5 (4)	_	_	_	_	_	0.003 (1)	0.003 (1)	
γ9,0	835.32 (22)	_	_	_	_	_	0.015 (3)	0.015 (3)	
γ10,0	877.2 (6)	_	_	_	_	_	0.003 (1)	0.003 (1)	
γ <sub>11,0</sub>	891.1 (3)	0.015 (7)	_	_	_	_	0.007 (2)	0.008 (2)	
_	1055 (2) <sup>†</sup>	0.006 (3)	_	_	_	_		_	
	1073.7 (4)						0.003 (1)	0.003 (1)	

\* Only observed by 1968Br17, and of doubtful origin – discarded. # Determined from the measurements of 1970Da09, but identified as a gamma-ray emission within the alpha-decay mode of <sup>223</sup>Ra - discarded.

<sup>8</sup> Only observed in a qualitative manner by 1965Va10 and 1967Da20, and of doubtful origin – discarded. <sup>†</sup> Derived only from the measurements of 1967Da20, and of doubtful origin – discarded.

<sup>‡</sup> Determined from the measurements of 1967Da20, but identified as a gamma-ray emission within the alpha-decay mode of <sup>215</sup>Po - discarded.

<sup>¶</sup> Derived only from the measurements of 1967Da20 and 1999Li05, and of doubtful origin – unplaced within the proposed <sup>219</sup>Rn decay scheme.

 $^{\Delta}$  Evidence for the existence of a doublet.

#### Multipolarity and Internal Conversion Coefficients

The decay scheme specified by 2001Br31 has been used to define the multipolarity of specific gamma transitions on the basis of the known spins and parities of the nuclear levels. Thus, the 224.04-, 401.81 and 1073.7-keV gamma-ray emissions are adjudged to be E2 transitions. Multipolarity mixing ratios for the 130.58- and 271.228-keV gamma transitions of 0.60 (6) and 4.0 (4), respectively, were derived from the K/L and L sub-shell conversion-electron intensities determined by Davidson and Connor (1970Da09), while the 293.56-, 517.60- and 556.1-keV gamma-ray emissions were arbitrarily assigned mixing ratios of 1.0 (2) (i.e. 50%M1 + 50%E2). Recommended internal conversion coefficients have been determined from the frozen orbital approximation of Kibédi *et al.* (2008Ki07), based on the theoretical model of Band *et al.* (2002Ba85, 2002Ra45).

E <sub>γ</sub> (keV)	$P_{\gamma}^{abs}$	Multipolarity	$\alpha_{\rm K}$	$\alpha_{\rm L}$	$\alpha_{M^+}$	α <sub>total</sub>
	× 100					
130.58 (1)	0.133 (11)	73.5%M1 + 26.5%E2 $\delta = 0.60$ (6)	3.19 (16)	0.94 (4)	0.31	4.44 (13)
224.04 (7)	0.001 4 (2)	(E2)	0.129 6 (19)	0.1407(20)	0.048 7	0.319 (5)
271.228 (10)	11.07 (22)	(6%M1 + 94%E2) $\delta = 4.0 (4)$	0.111 (6)	0.066 8 (11)	0.023 2	0.201 (7)
293.56 (4)	0.075 (3)	(50%M1 + 50%E2) $\delta = 1.0 (2)$	0.25 (4)	0.062 (4)	0.028	0.34 (5)
322 (1)	0.000 09 (5)	_	_	_	_	_
330.9 (4)	0.001 00 (11)	_	_	_	-	_
373.5 (3)	0.000 25 (3)	_	—	_	_	_
383.1 (1)	0.000 44 (7)	-	_	_	-	_
401.81 (1)	6.75 (22)	E2	0.0351 (5)	0.015 28 (22)	0.005 12	0.055 5 (8)
405.4 (1)	0.000 25 (4)	-	—	—	-	—
436.9 (5)	0.000 31 (6)	-	—	-	-	—
461.5 (4)	0.000 17 (3)	-	—	-	-	—
489.3 (3)	0.000 64 (9)	-	—	—	-	—
517.60 (6)	0.043 (3)	(50%M1 + 50%E2) $\delta = 1.0 (2)$	0.058 (9)	0.011 5 (11)	0.003 5	0.073 (10)
556.1 (4)	0.000 06 (4)	(50%M1 + 50%E2) $\delta = 1.0 (2)$	0.048 (7)	0.009 5 (9)	0.003 5	0.061 (8)
564.1 (2)	0.001 5 (3)	_	—	_	_	_
576.6 (10)	0.000 09 (5)	-	—	_	-	—
608.30 (7)	0.004 4 (10)	(M1 + E2)	—	—	-	—
619.9 (3)	0.000 33 (11)	-	—	-	-	—
665.5 (10)	0.000 09 (5)	-	—	—	-	—
671.9 (4)	0.000 22 (11)	M1 + E2	_	_	-	—
676.66 (7)	0.018 (2)	-	—	—	-	—
708.1 (5)	0.000 33 (11)	-	-	—	-	—
732.7 (4)	0.000 07 (4)	-	-	—	-	—
802.5 (4)	0.000 33 (11)	M1 + E2	-	—	—	—
835.32 (22)	0.001 7 (3)	-	—	—	—	—
877.2 (6)	0.000 33 (11)	-	—	—	—	—
891.1 (3)	0.000 9 (2)	-	—	—	—	—
1073.7 (4)	0.000 33 (11)	E2	0.005 10 (8)	0.001 002 (14)	0.000 308	0.006 41 (9)
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Gamma-ray er	nissions:	multipolarity	and	theoretica	ıl internal	conversion	coef	ficients (	(frozen	orbital
approximation	).									

The x-ray data have been calculated using the evaluated gamma-ray data, and the atomic data from 1996Sc06, 1998ScZM and 1999ScZX. Both the x-ray and Auger-electron emission probabilities were determined by means of the EMISSION computer program (version 4.01, 28 January 2003). This program incorporates atomic data from 1996Sc06 and the evaluated gamma-ray data.

It and E A Tay em	ission probabilitie	s per 100 disti		
			Energy	Photons
			(keV)	per 100 disint.
XL		(Po)	9.658 - 16.213	1.01 (5)
	$XL_l$	(Po)	9.658	0.0229 (9)
	$\mathrm{XL}_{lpha}$	(Po)	11.016 - 11.130	0.420 (15)
	$XL_{\eta}$	(Po)	12.085	0.0095 (4)
	$XL_{\beta}$	(Po)	12.823 - 13.778	0.475 (13)
	$\mathrm{XL}_{\gamma}^{'}$	(Po)	15.742 - 16.213	0.098 (3)
$XK_{\alpha}$	XK <sub>a2</sub>	(Po)	76.864	0.540 (24)
	$XK_{\alpha 1}$	(Po)	79.293	0.90 (4)
XK <sup>'</sup> <sub>β1</sub>	$XK_{\beta 3}$	(Po)	89.256	)
	$XK_{\beta 1}$	(Po)	89.807	) 0.309 (15)
	$XK_{\beta5}$ "	(Po)	90.363	)
XK <sup>'</sup> <sub>62</sub>	$XK_{\beta 2}$	(Po)	92.263	)
P-	$XK_{\beta4}$	(Po)	92.618	) 0.096 (5)
	XKO <sub>2,3</sub>	(Po)	92.983	)

Electron energies were determined from electron binding energies tabulated by Larkins (1977La19) and the evaluated gamma-ray energies. Absolute electron emission probabilities were calculated from the evaluated absolute gamma-ray emission probabilities and associated internal conversion coefficients.

## **Data Consistency**

A Q<sub>a</sub>-value of 6946.1 (3) keV has been adopted from the atomic mass evaluation of Audi *et al.* (2003Au03) while in the course of formulating the decay scheme of <sup>219</sup>Rn. This value has subsequently been compared with the Q-value calculated by summing the contributions of the individual emissions to the <sup>219</sup>Rn alpha-decay process (i.e.  $\alpha$ , electron,  $\gamma$ , etc.):

calculated Q-value =  $\sum (E_i \times P_i) = 6945 (70) \text{ keV}$ 

Percentage deviation from the Q-value of Audi *et al.* is  $(0.0 \pm 1.0)$  %, which supports the derivation of a highly consistent decay scheme with a rather significant variant.

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