γ rays identified in the decay chain of $^{64}\mathrm{Se}$ measured with EURICA

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In a separate contribution to this Accel. Prog. Rep.¹⁾ we have presented the preliminary results for the β delayed proton spectrum of ⁶⁴As decay and its $T_{1/2}$. This was needed in order to fully understand the decay chain following the decay of 64 Se (see Fig. 1 in the separate contribution). Here we present some γ spectra that will help us to determine the complete decay chain. All of the data for the two contributions come from an experiment performed at RIKEN using the fragmentation of a 345 MeV/nucleon 78 Kr beam with typical intensity of 200 pnA on a Be target. The fragments were separated in flight using the BigRIPS separator and implanted in three WAS3ABi double-sided Si strip detectors. The implantation setup was surrounded by the EUROBALL-RIKEN Cluster Array (EURICA).²⁾ It consisted of 12 Euroball IV type HPGe cluster detectors, each consisting of seven tapered, hexagonal HPGe crystals at a nominal distance of 22 cm from the center. We have analysed the γ spectra in prompt coincidence with β signals happening in WAS3ABI in correlation with the implantation signals happening in the same pixel with the conditions set on 64 Se $(T_{1/2} = 22.5 \text{ ms})$, 64 As $(T_{1/2} = 63.4 \text{ ms})$, and 63 Ge $(T_{1/2} = 153.3 \text{ ms})$. The corresponding γ spectra in "addback" mode (considering the full cluster as a single detector) are shown in Fig. 1. In green are the gamma lines which appear in the spectrum with the condition on ${}^{64}\mathrm{Se}$ implantation and not on the other two. Consequently they are identified as γ rays associated with the beta decay of ⁶⁴Se. Similarly, the lines marked in pink appear with the condition on 64 Se (as daughter activity) and 64 As and disappear when the condition is set on 63 Ge,



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Fig. 1. Spectra showing the γ rays measured with the Ge array EURICA in correlation with implantation signal happening in WASABI with conditions on ⁶⁴Se, ⁶⁴As, and ⁶³Ge implanted ions (see text).

and are consequently associated with the β decay of ⁶⁴As. Finally the γ rays associated with the decay of ⁶³Ge are marked in red. Other possible activities in the decay chain have longer half-lives. No β delayed γ radiation was observed in any of the three cases prior to this work. The corresponding level schemes are in preparation.

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