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# Alpha-decay fine structure in $^{179}\text{Hg}$ and $^{177}\text{Au}$

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# Experimental setup

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Reaction used in  
the experiment

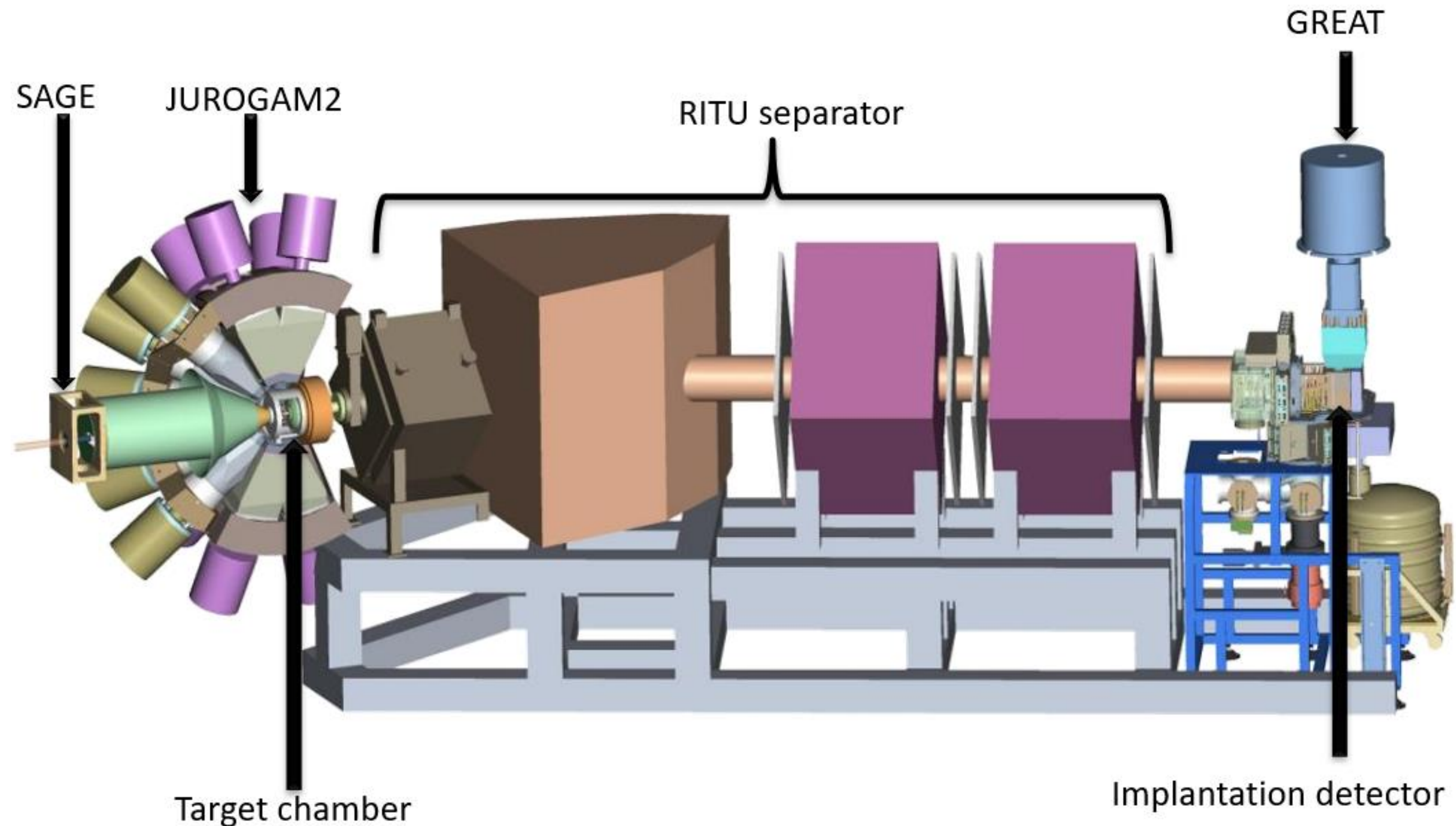


$E = 352 \text{ MeV}$

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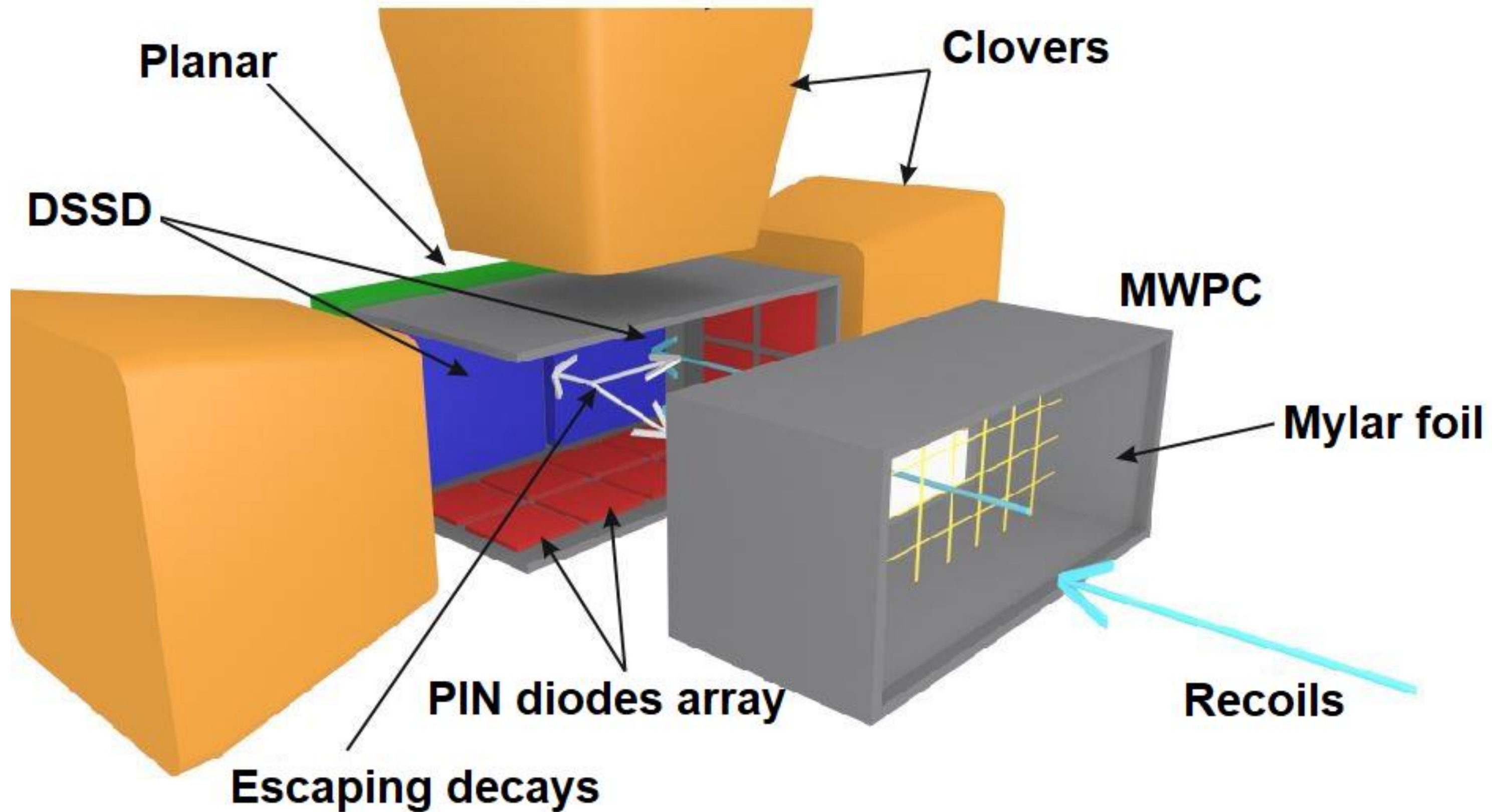


$E = 399 \text{ MeV}$



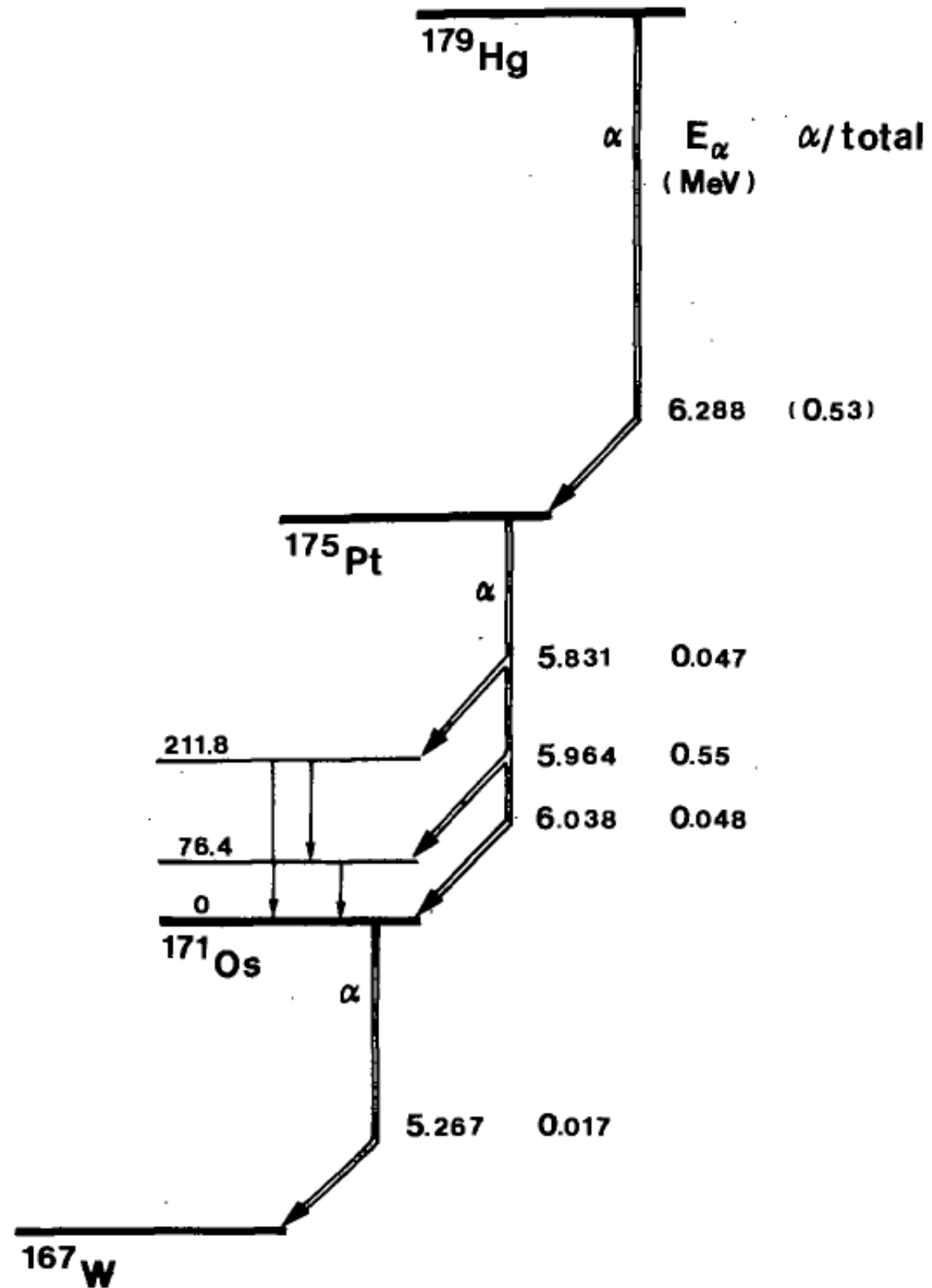
# The GREAT focal plane spectrometer

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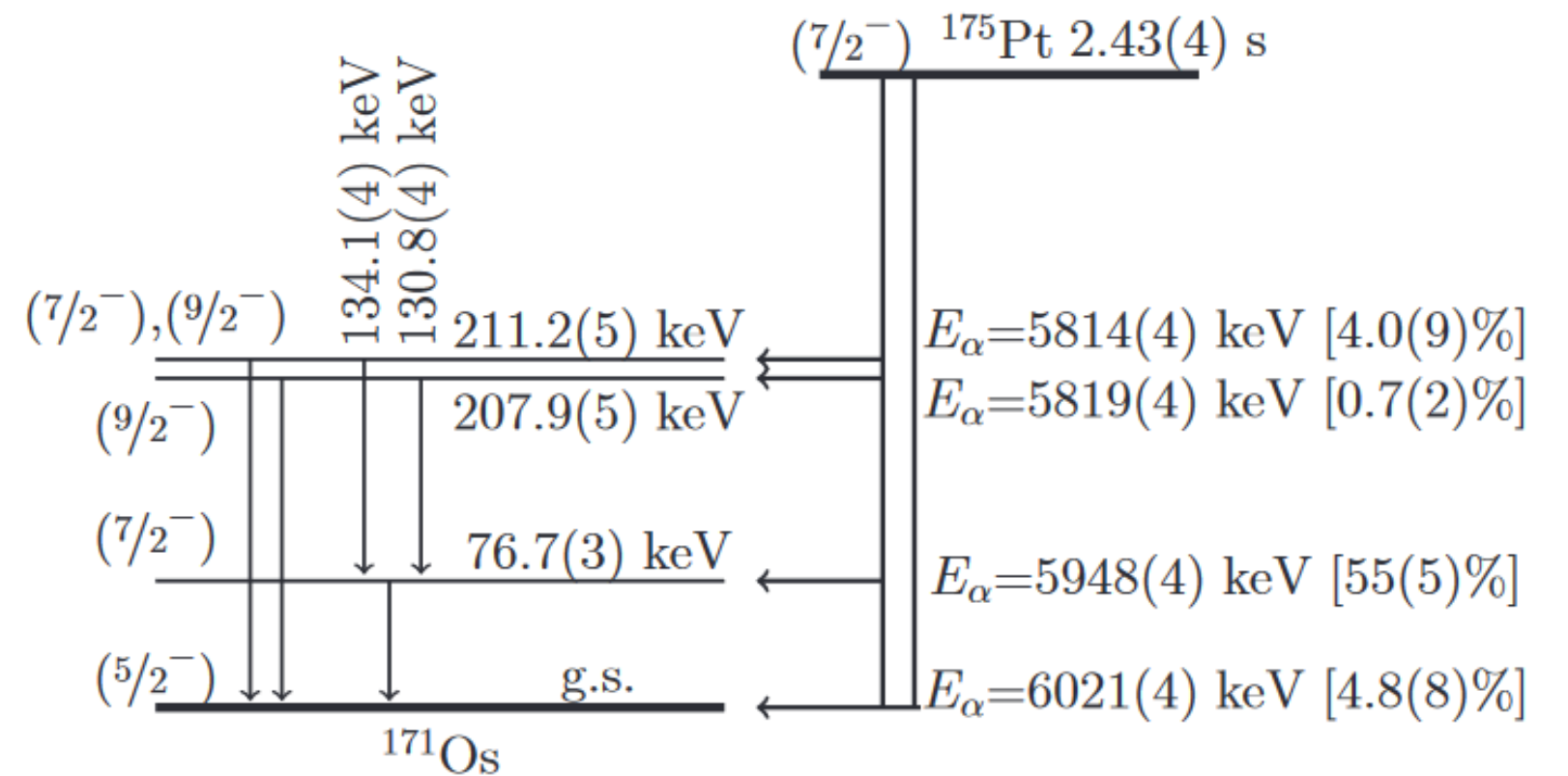
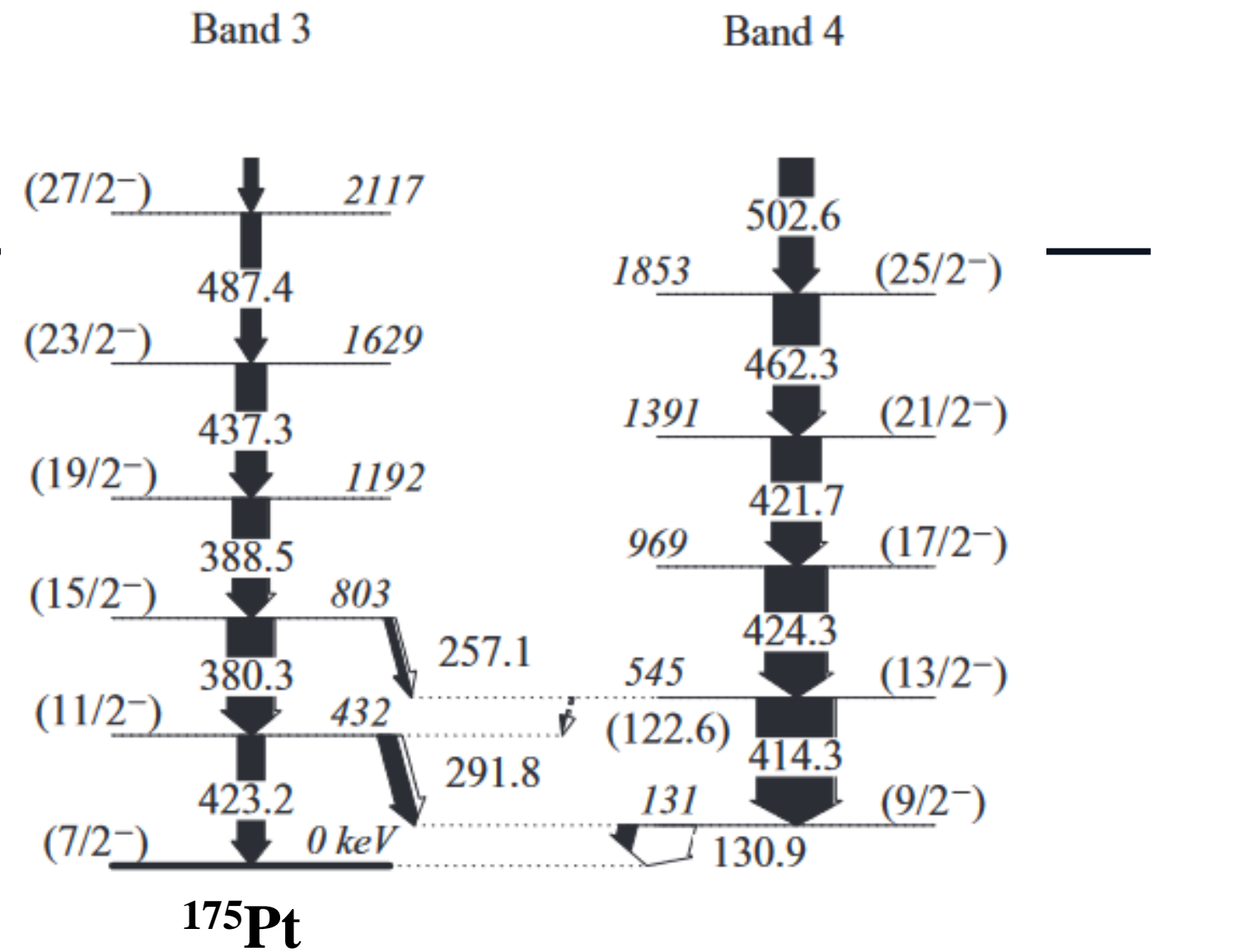




# Previous study of $^{175}\text{Pt}$

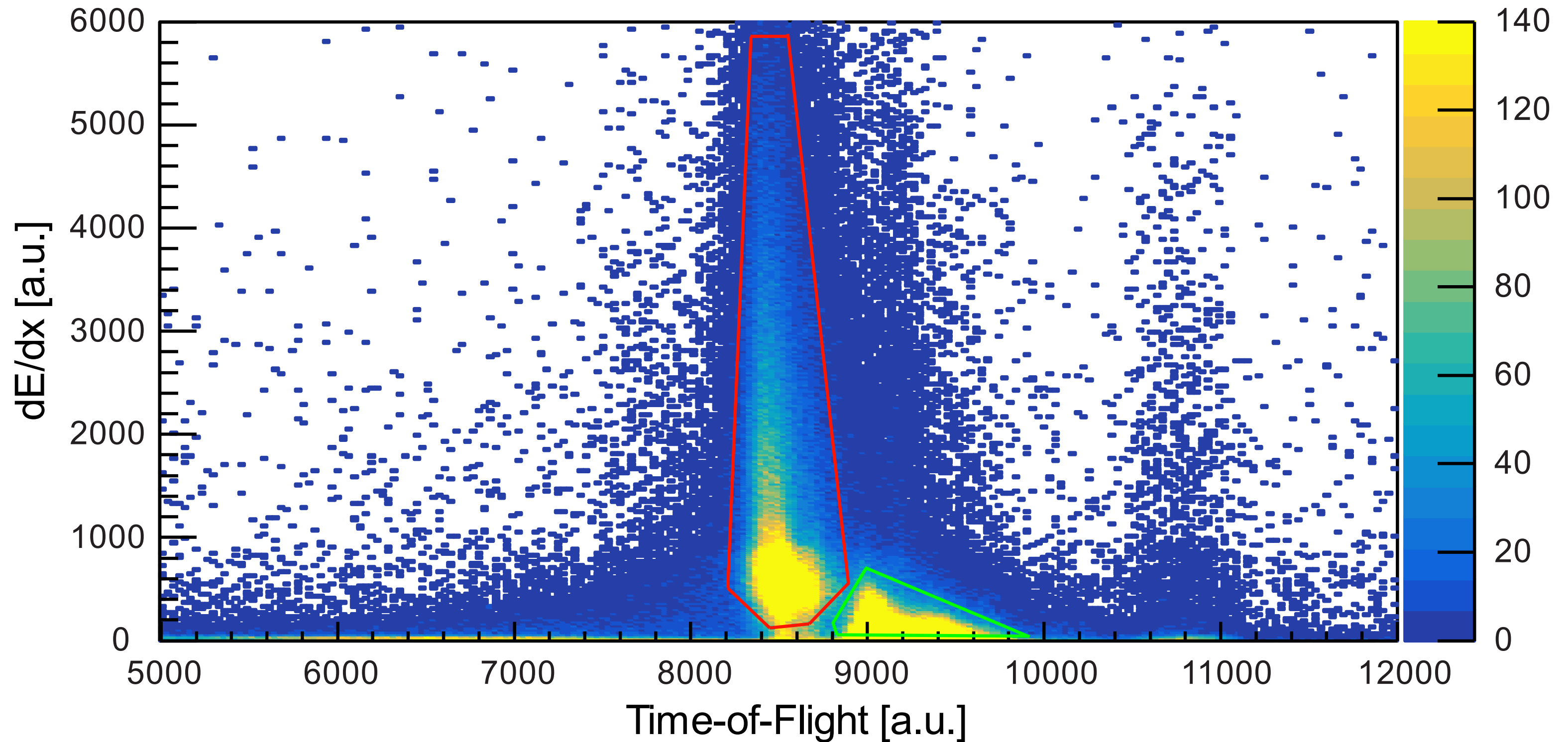


E. Hagberg *et al.* Nucl. Phys. A **318**, (1979)



P. Peura *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **89**, 024316 (2014)

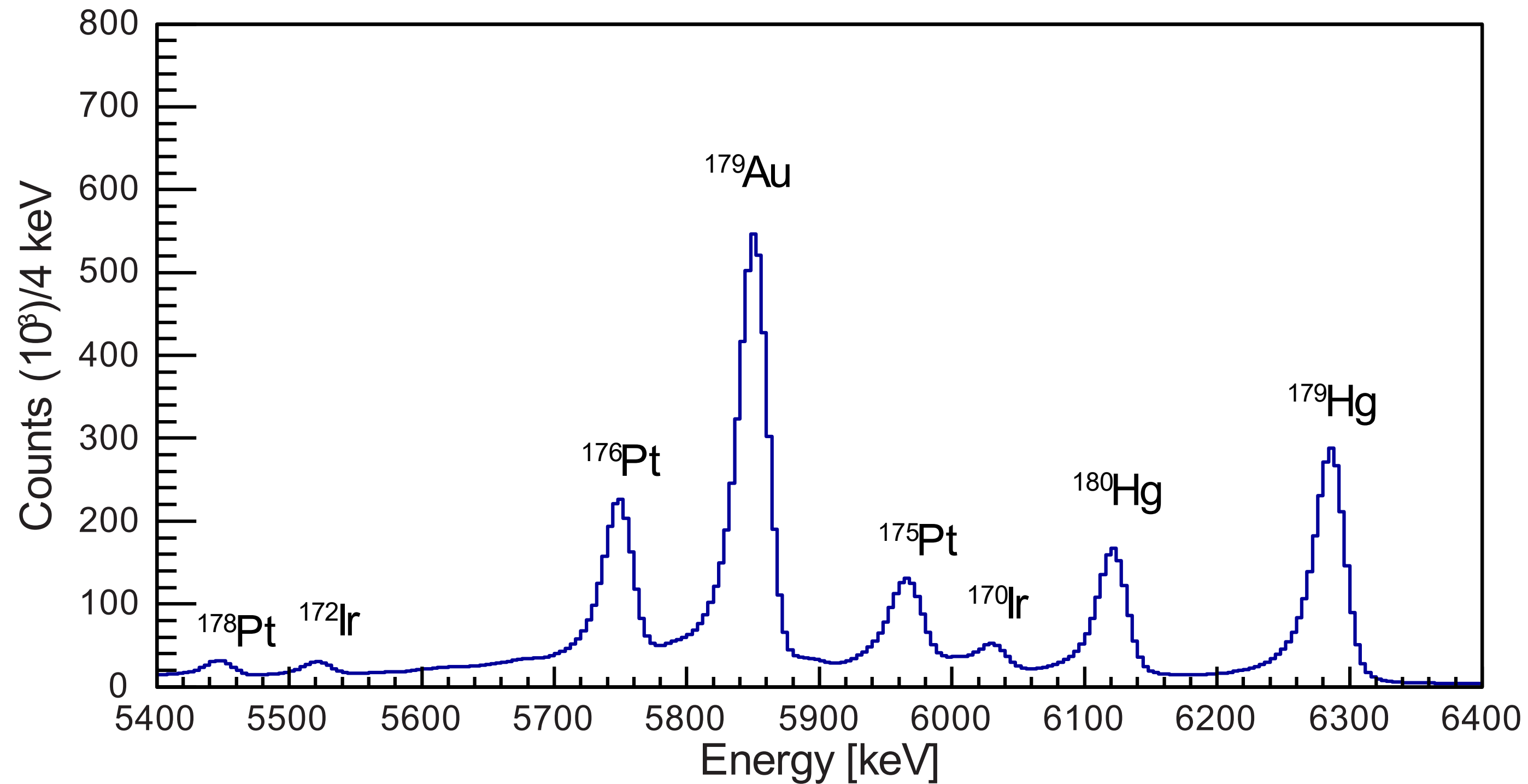
# Recoil gating



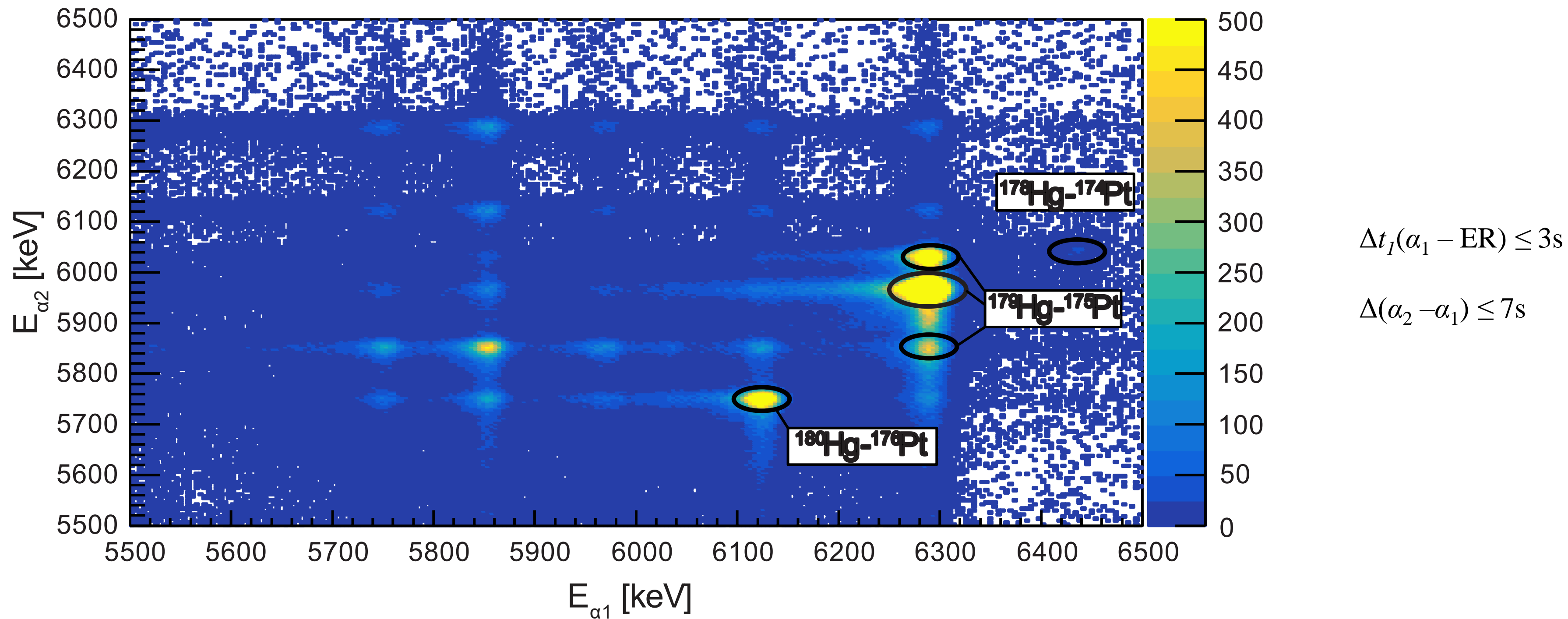
The Time-of-Flight between the MWPC and the DSSD vs. energy loss  $dE/dx$  measured in MWPC during experiment S17. This matrix was used to select the nuclei of interest - recoils, from the unwanted particles that passed through the MWPC. The red line marks the 2-dimensional gate used for the selection of recoils and the green line marks the beam particles.

# Energy spectrum of alpha particles

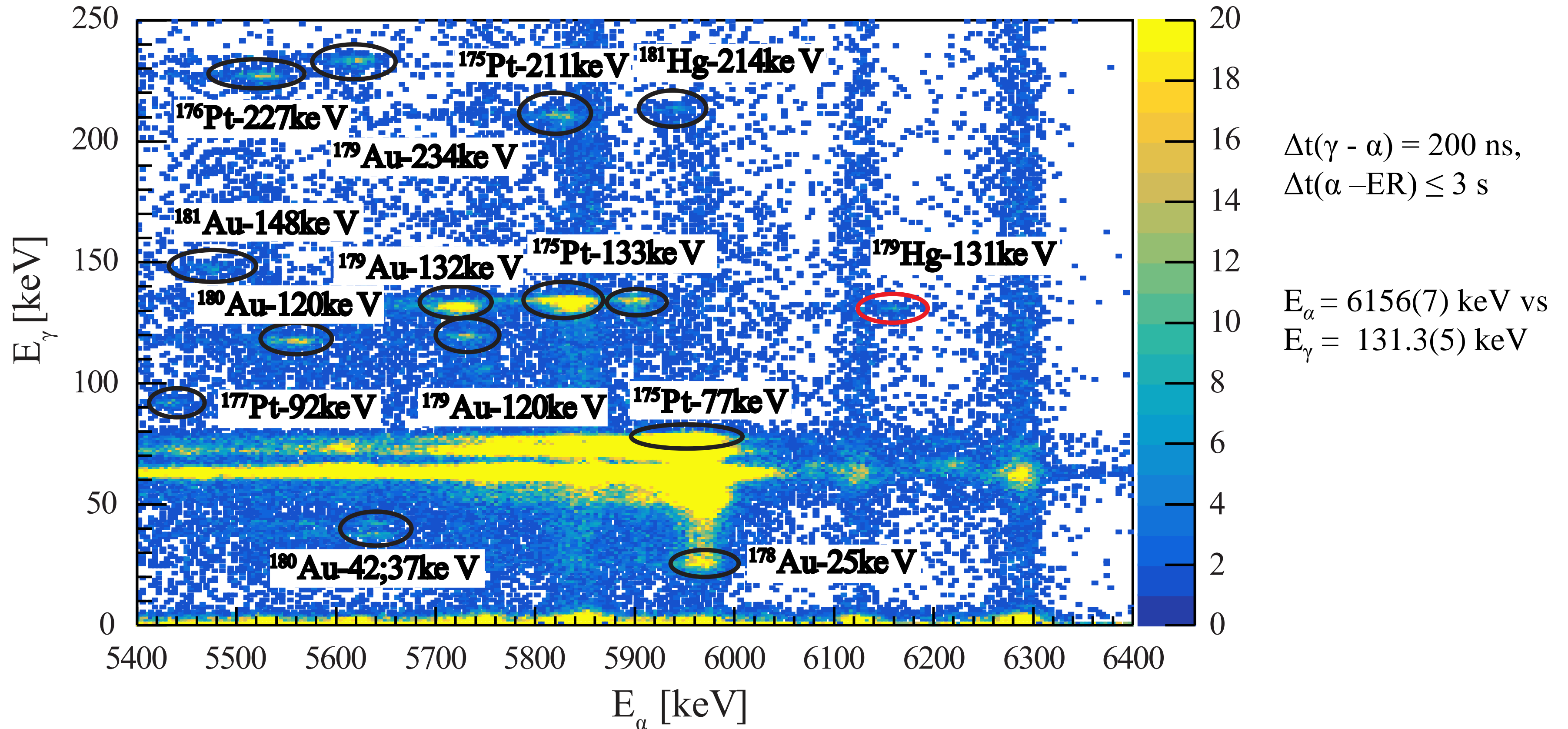
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# Correlated alpha decays



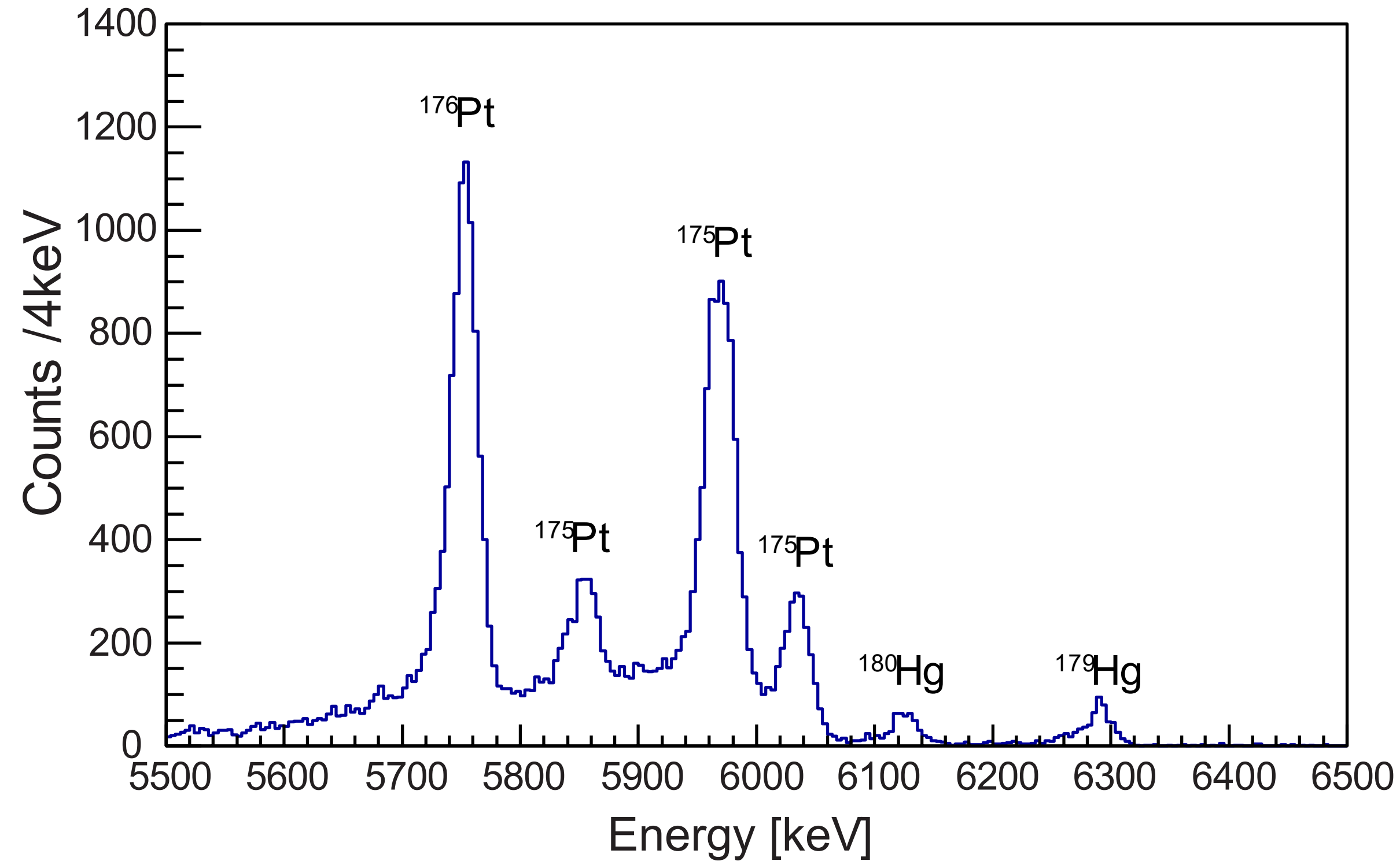
# The $\alpha$ - $\gamma$ coincidence matrix from the experiment S17



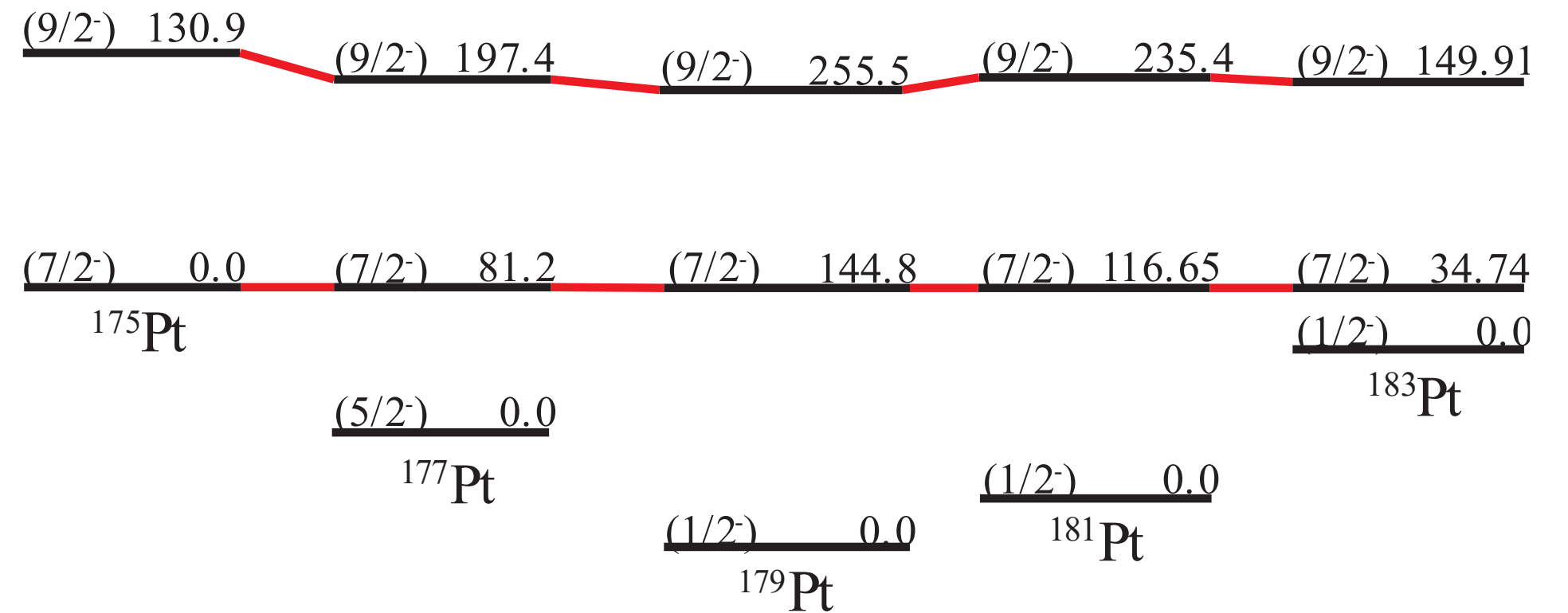
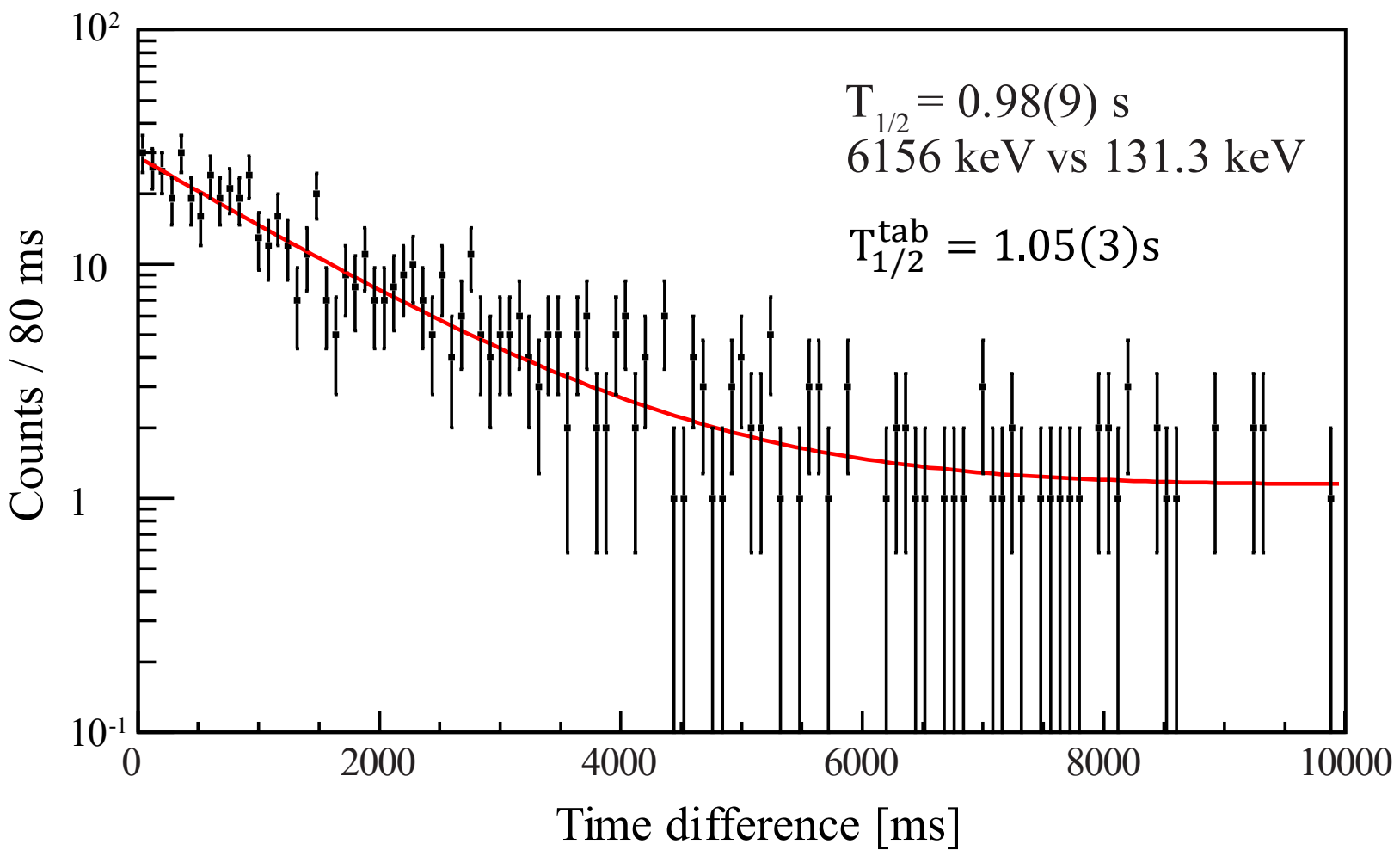


# Alpha decays correlated with 6156 keV alpha decay

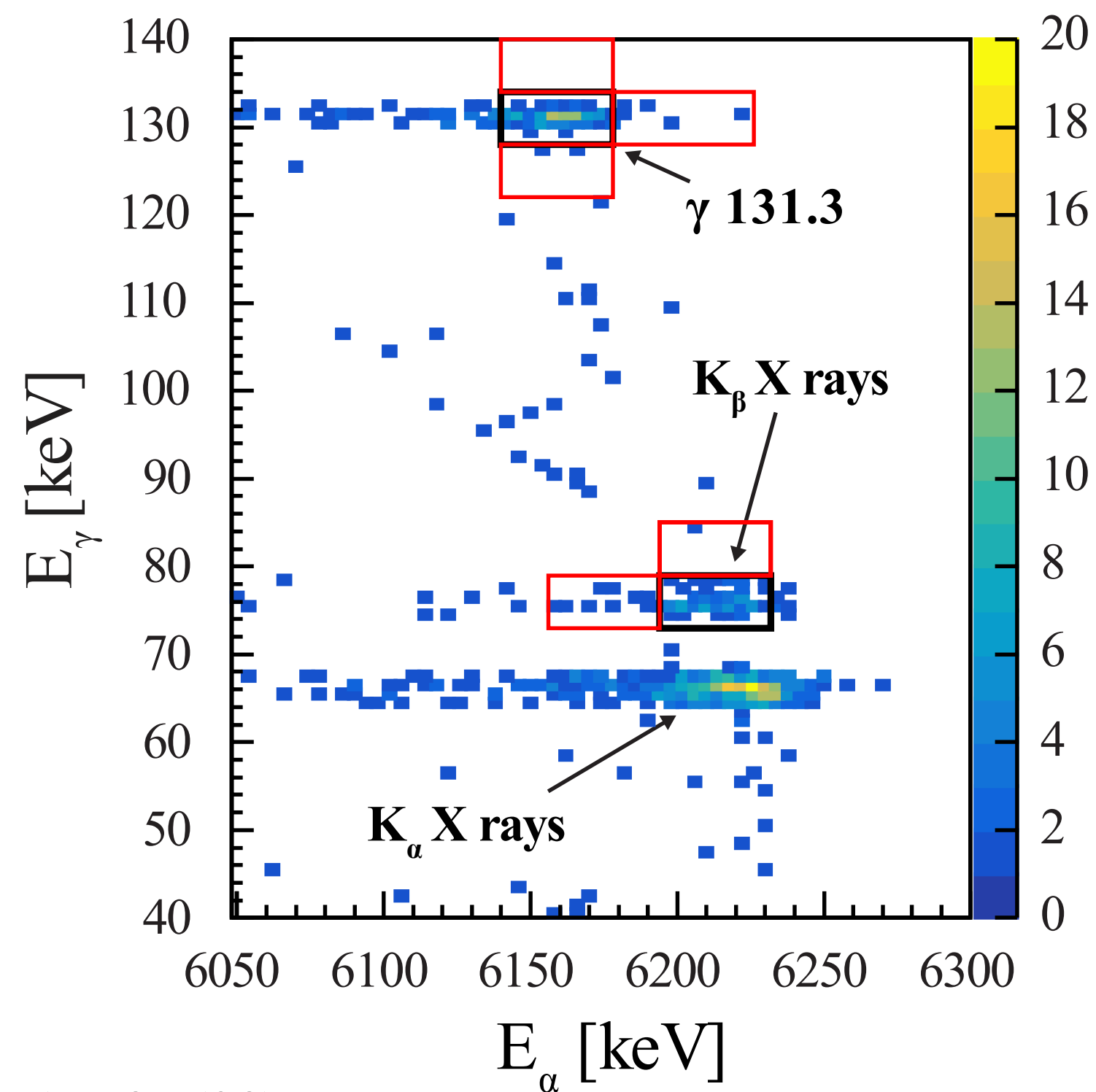
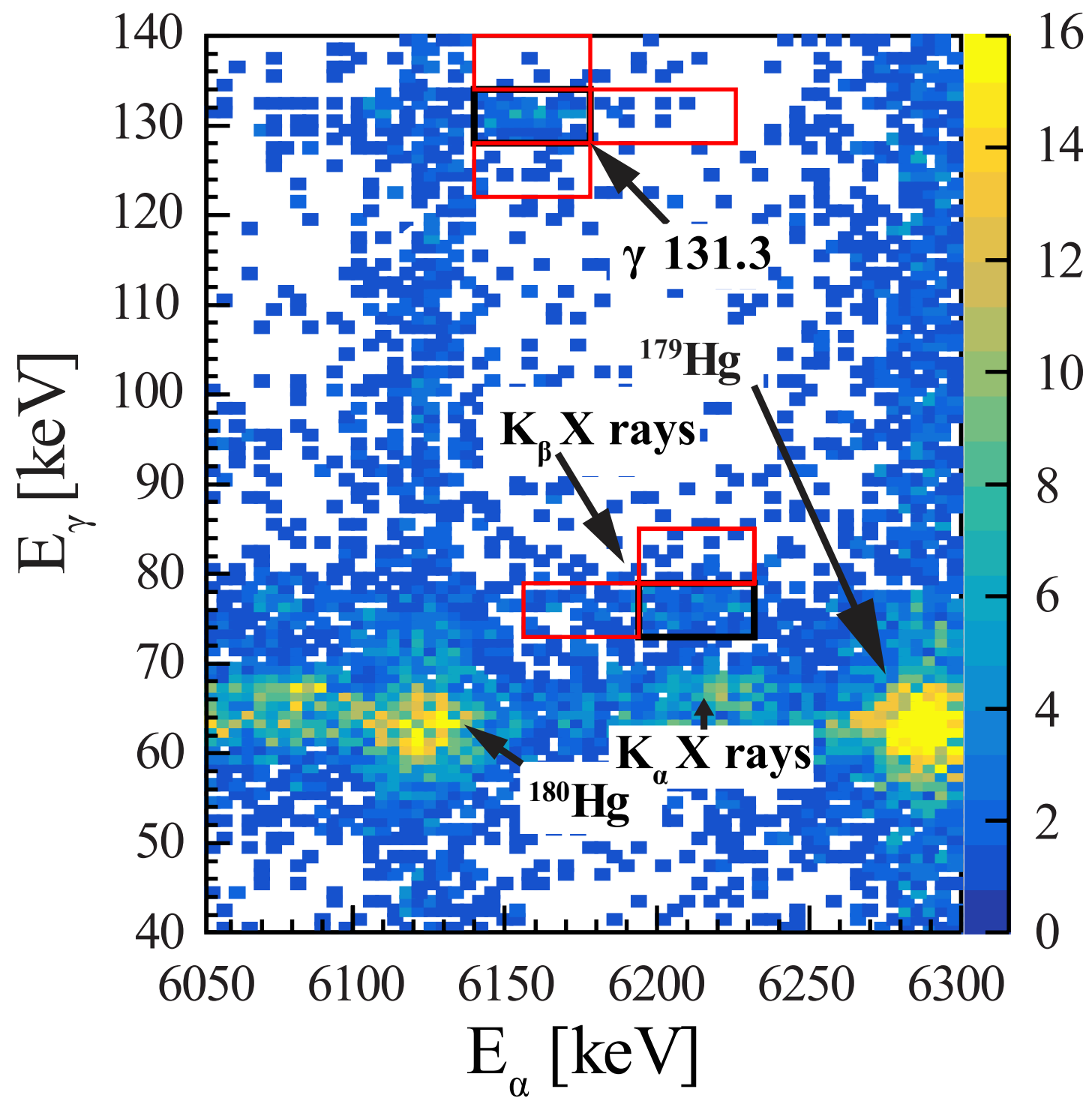
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# Time distribution of $^{179}\text{Hg}$ $\alpha$ decay populating the 131.3 keV excited state in $^{175}\text{Pt}$



# Experimental vs simulated data

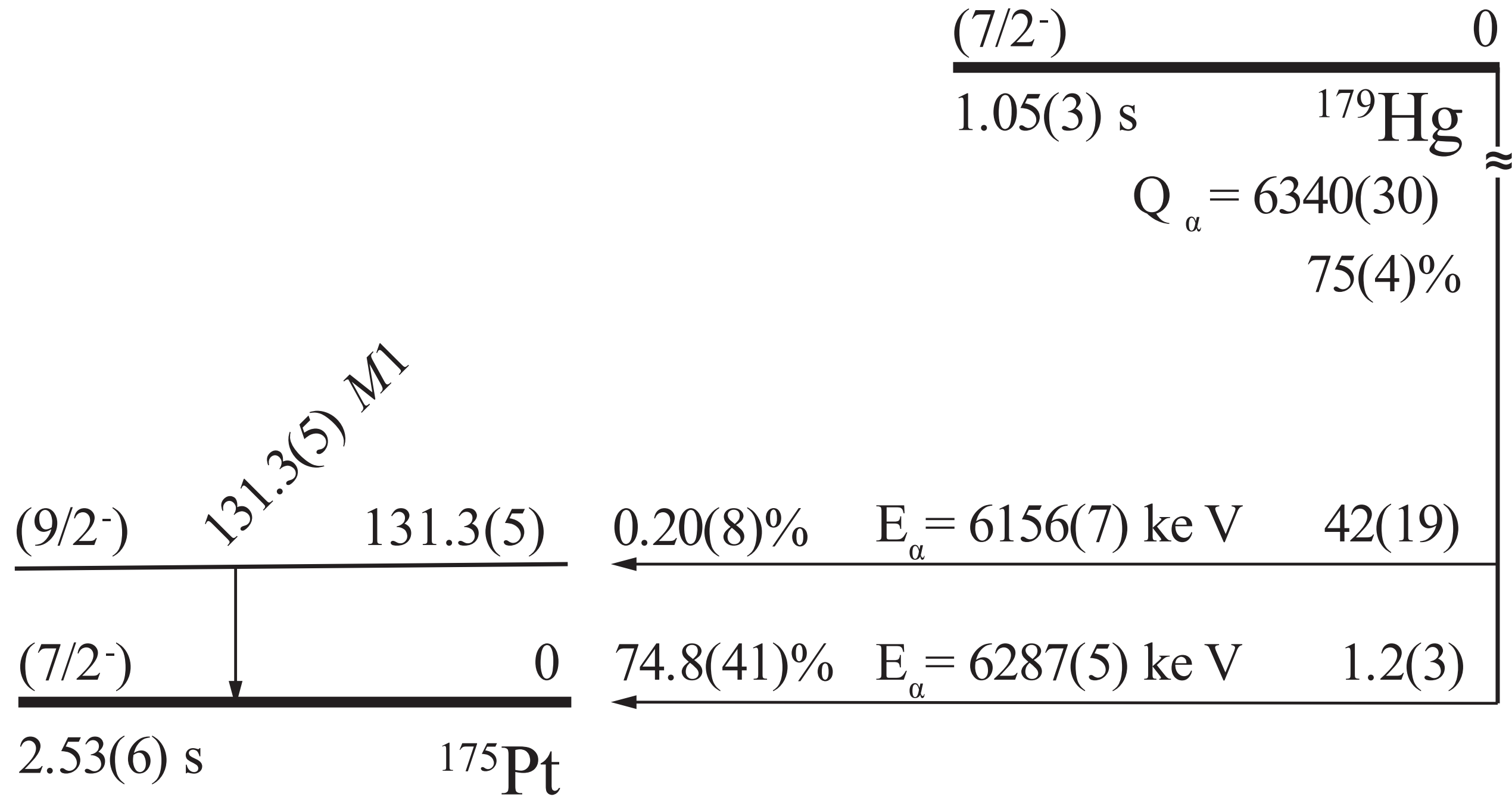


$$\alpha_{\text{K}, \text{exp}}(131 \text{ keV}) = 3.9(23)$$

$$\alpha_{\text{K}, \text{theo}}(131 \text{ keV}) = 2.52(5)$$

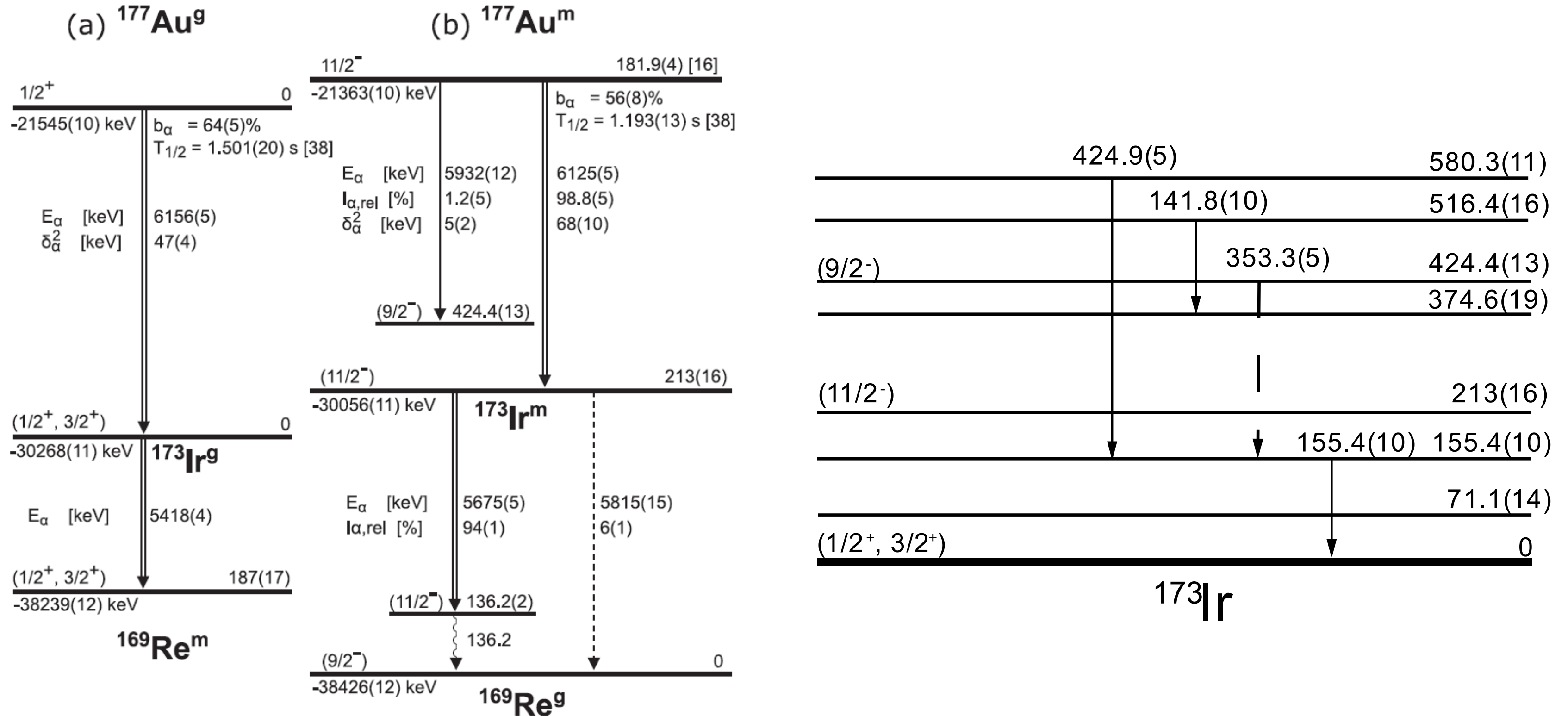
# Updated decay scheme of $^{179}\text{Hg}$

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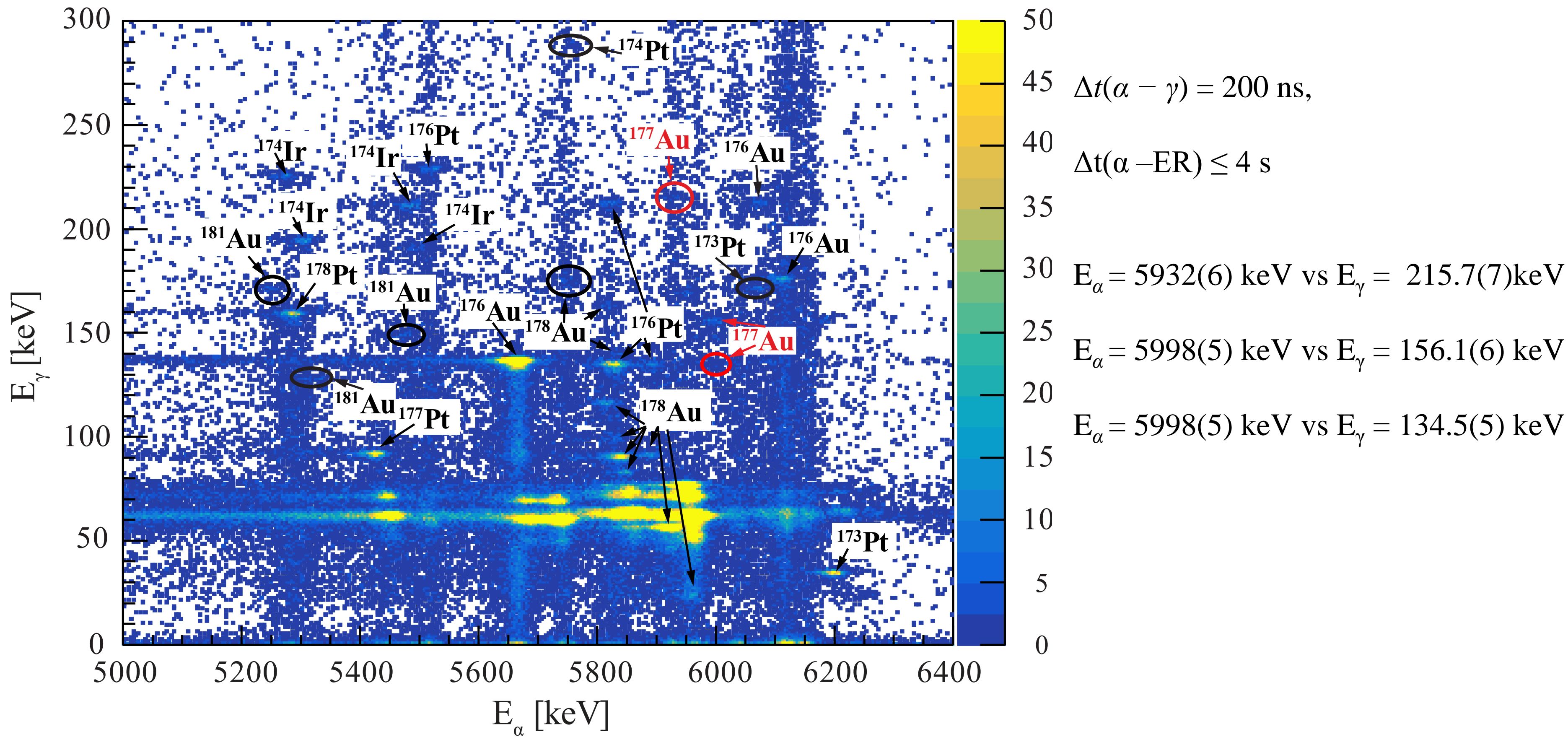




# Previous decay scheme of $^{177}\text{Au}$

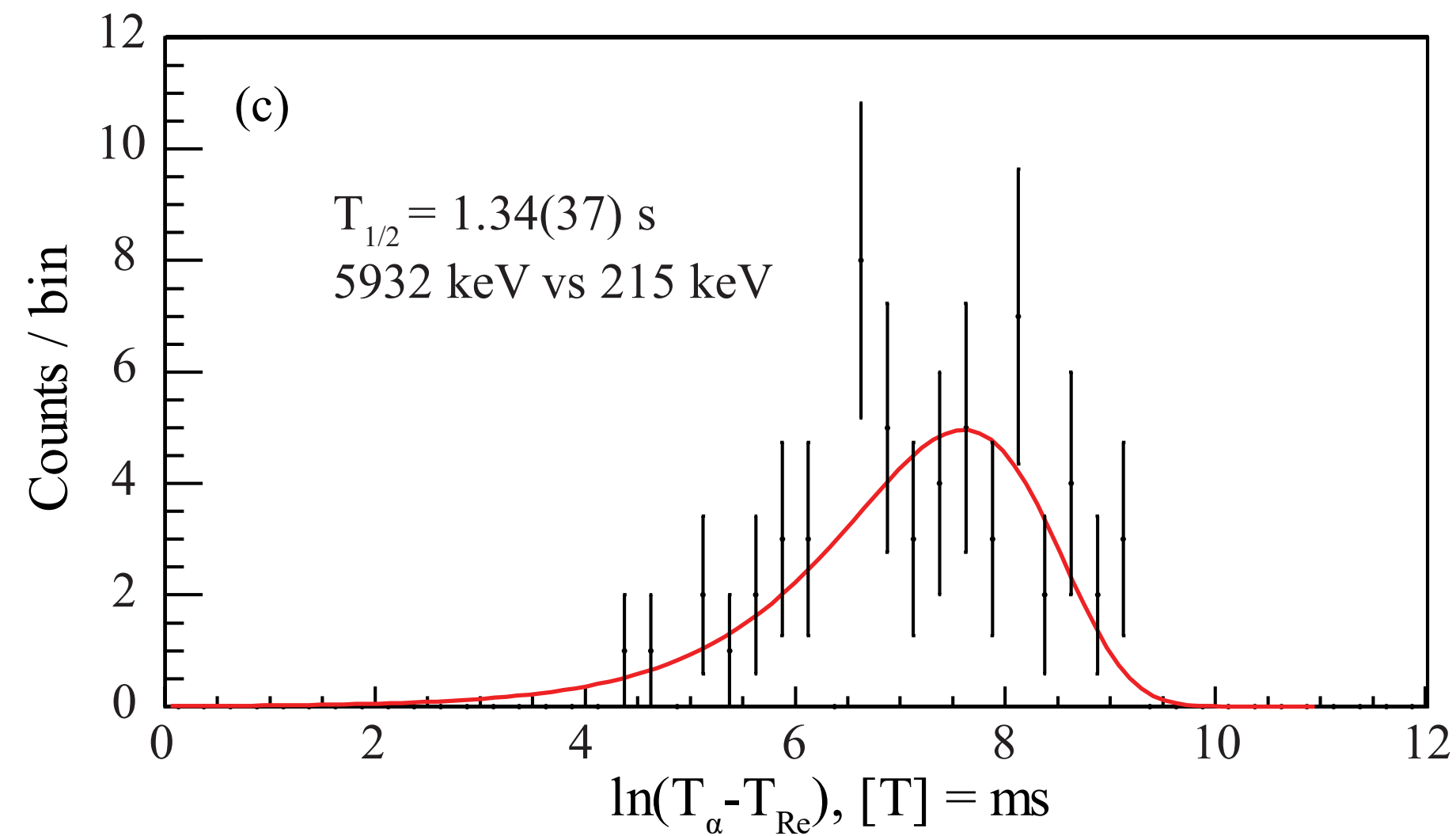


# The $\alpha$ - $\gamma$ coincidence matrix from the experiment JR115

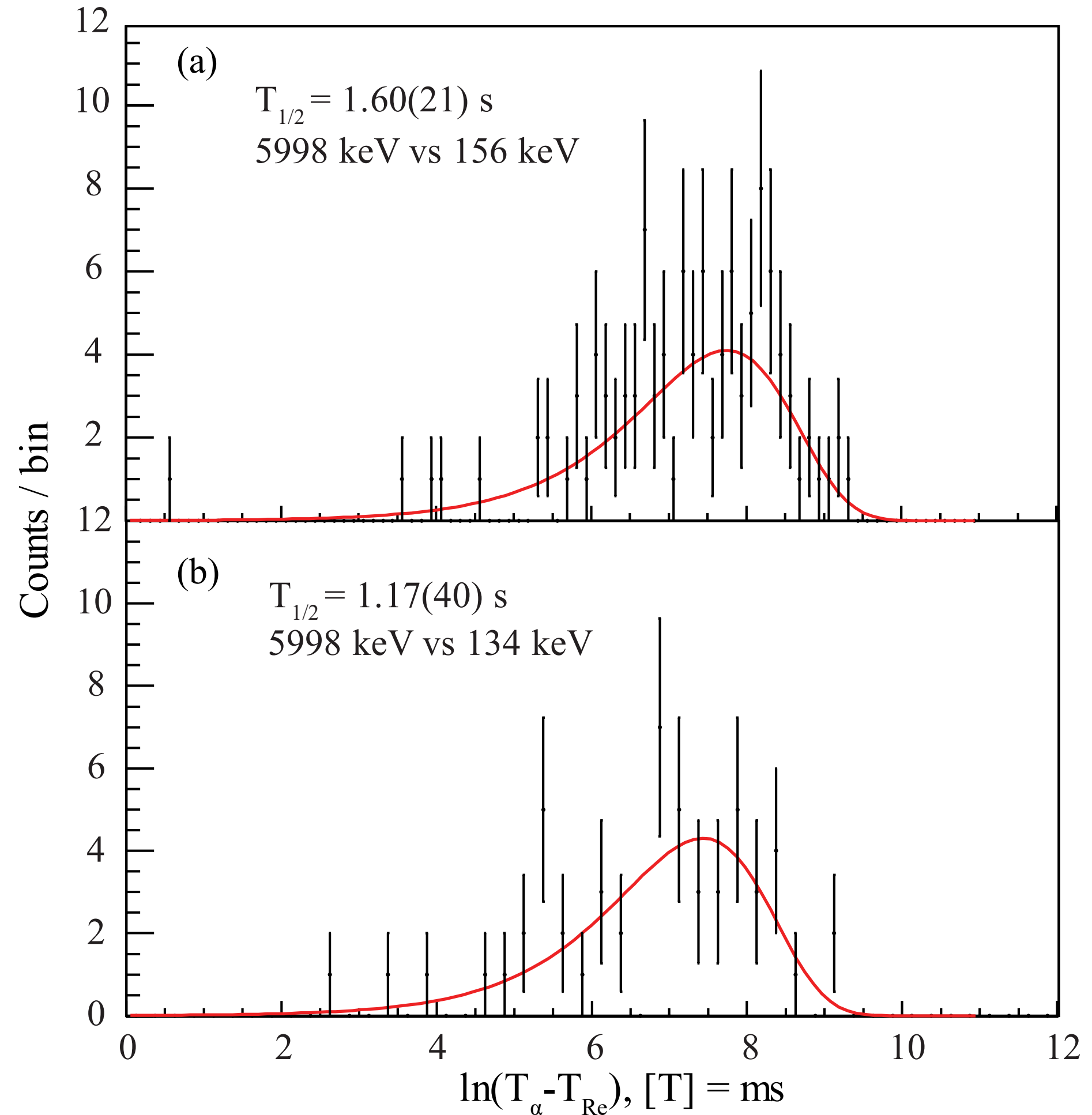


# Time distribution of $^{177}\text{Au}$ $\alpha$ decays observed in coincidence with 156 keV, 134.5 keV and 215 keV transitions

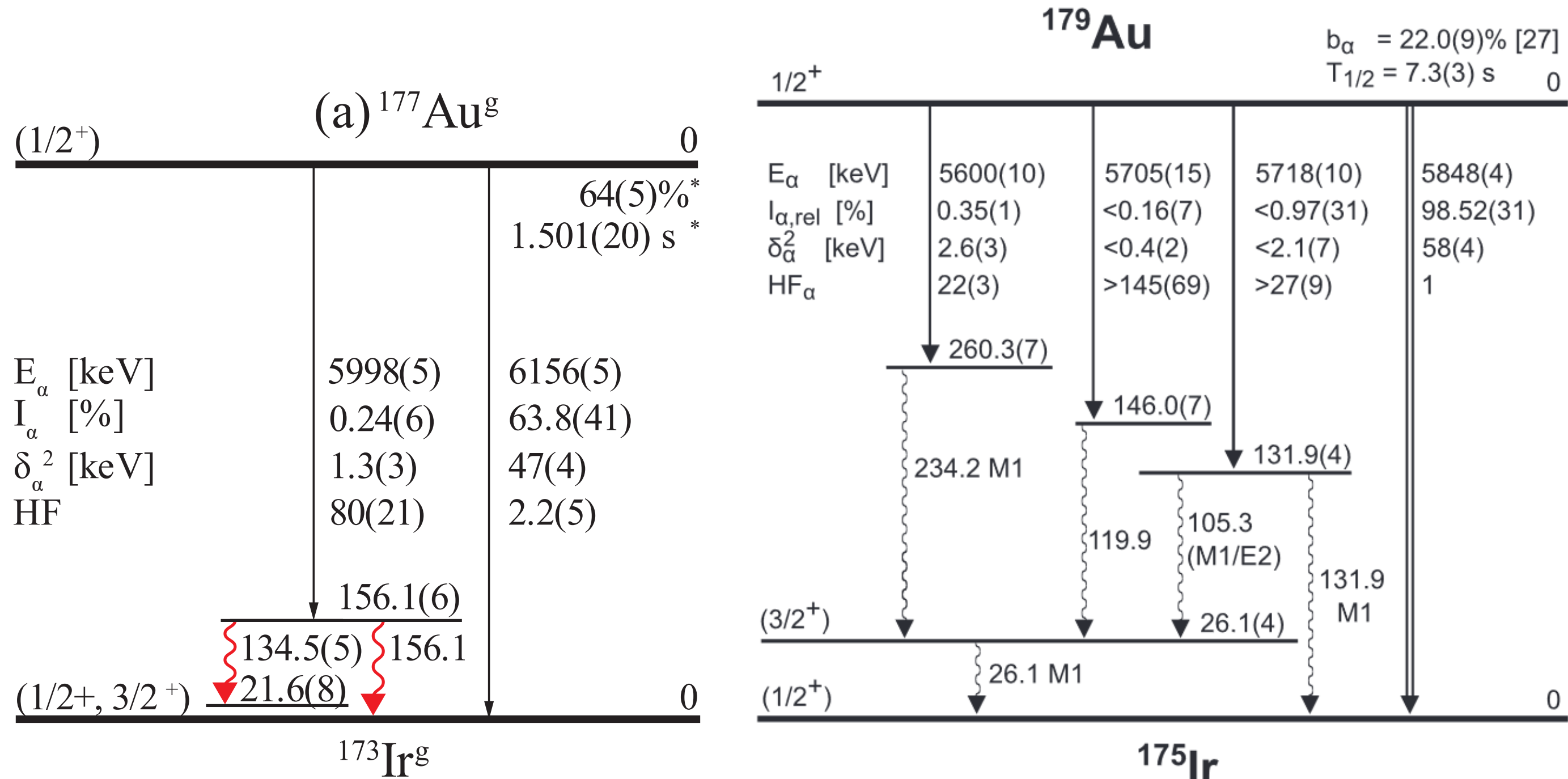
$$T_{1/2}^{\text{tab}}(^{177}\text{Au}^g) = 1.501(20)\text{s} \quad T_{1/2}^{\text{tab}}(^{177}\text{Au}^m) = 1.193(13)\text{s}$$



K. H. Schmidt, Eur. Phys. J. A **8**, (2000),

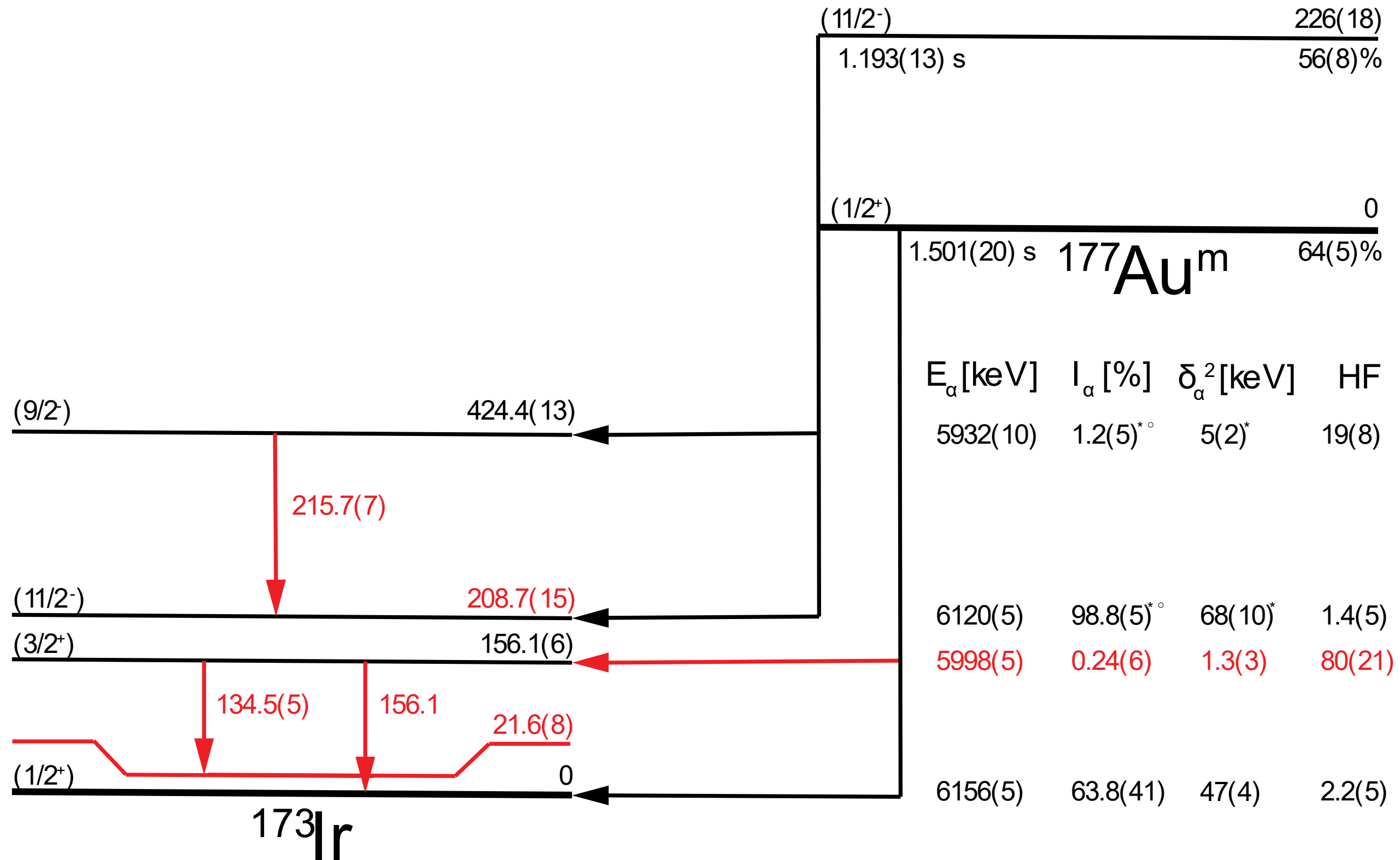


# Comparison with neighbouring isotope

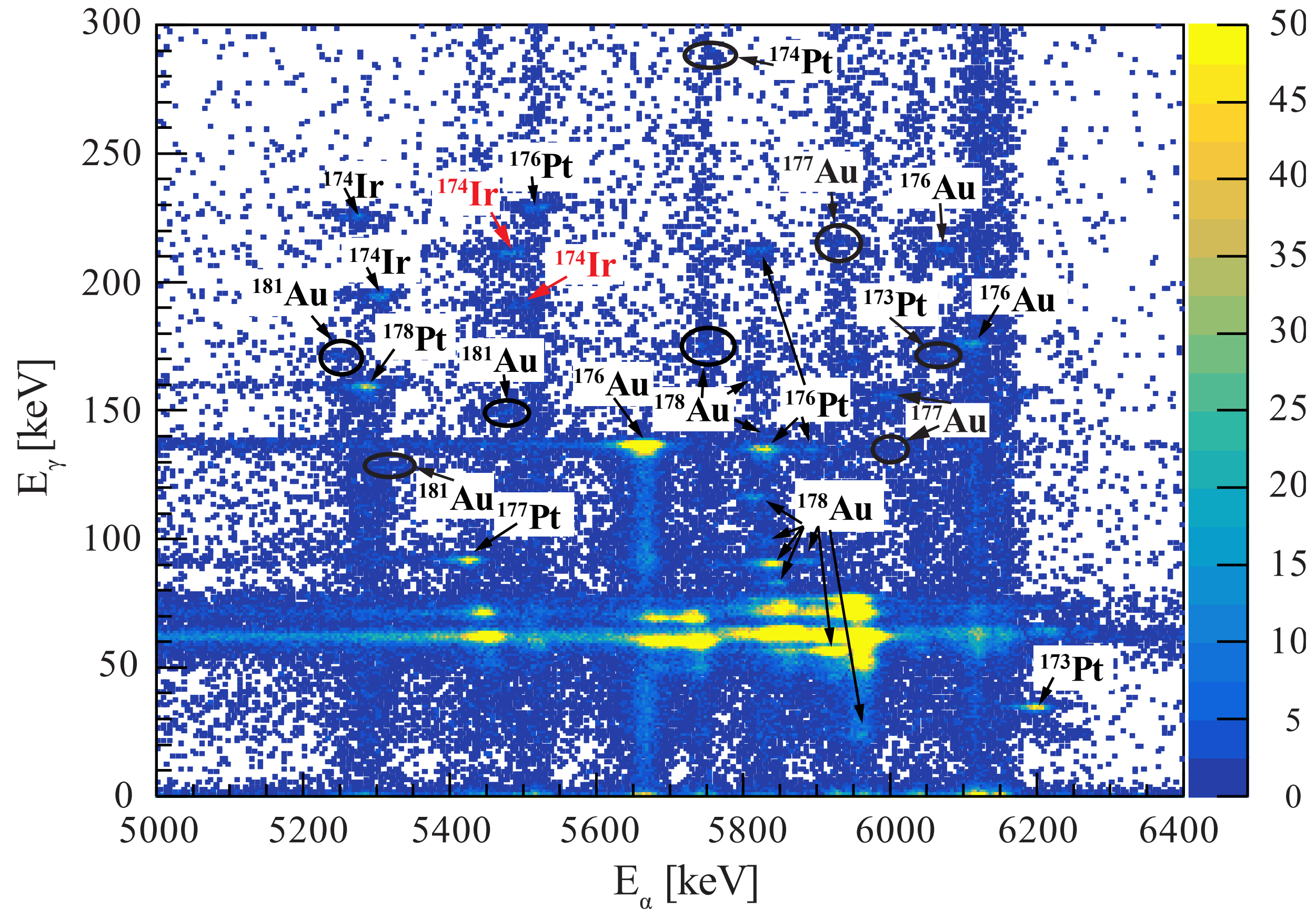




# Updated decay scheme of $^{177}\text{Au}$

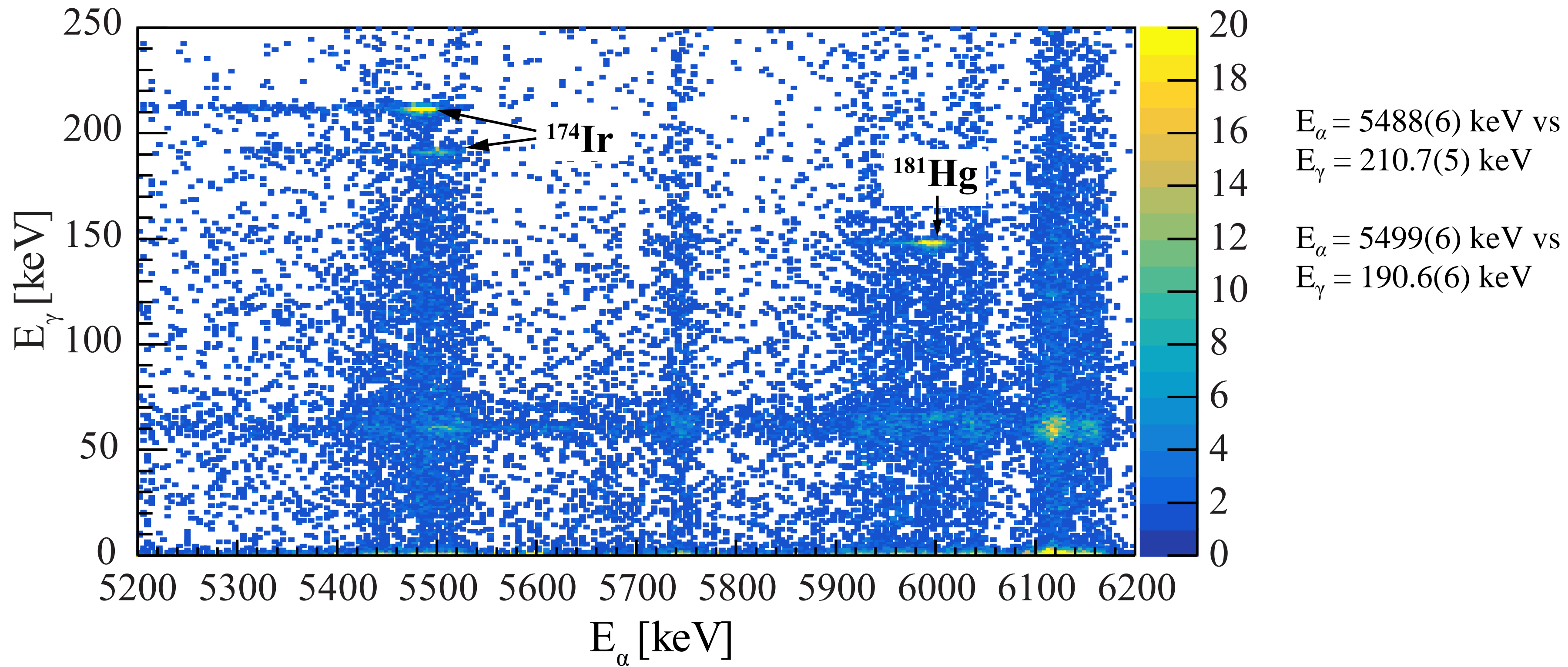


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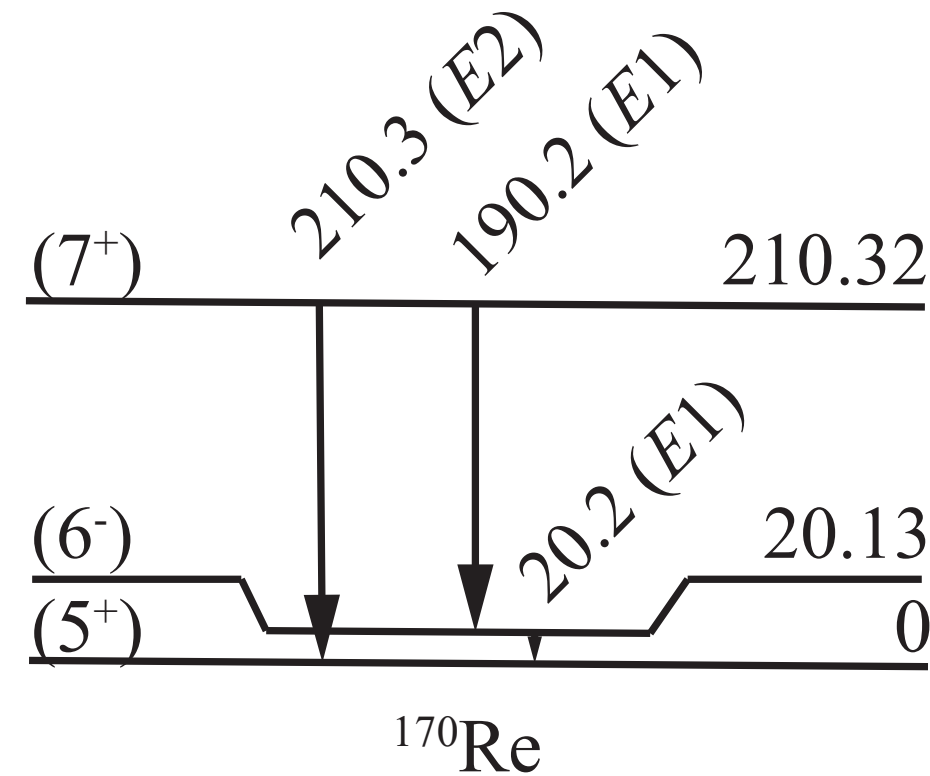


# The delayed $\alpha$ - $\gamma$ coincidence matrix from the experiment JR115

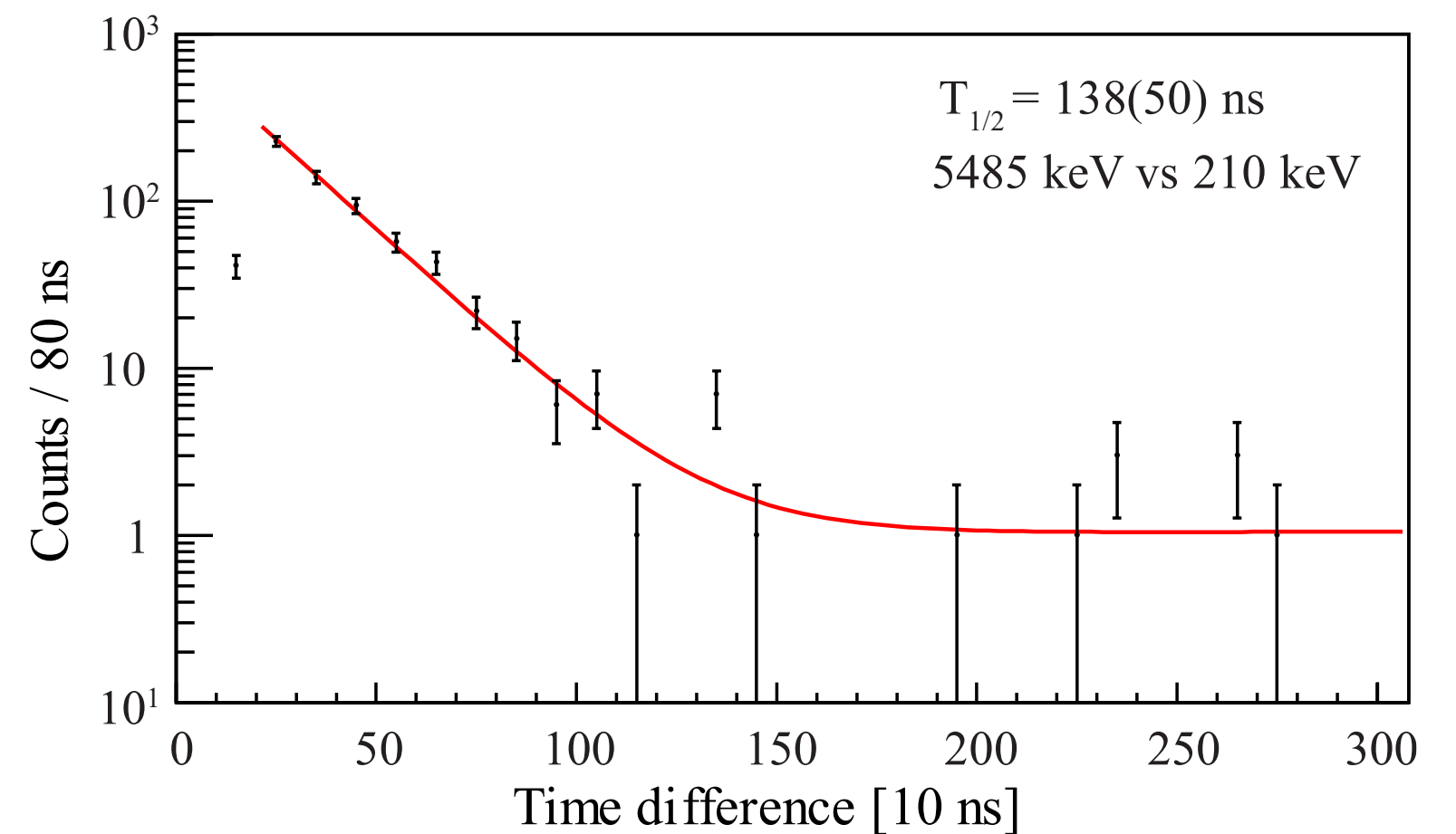
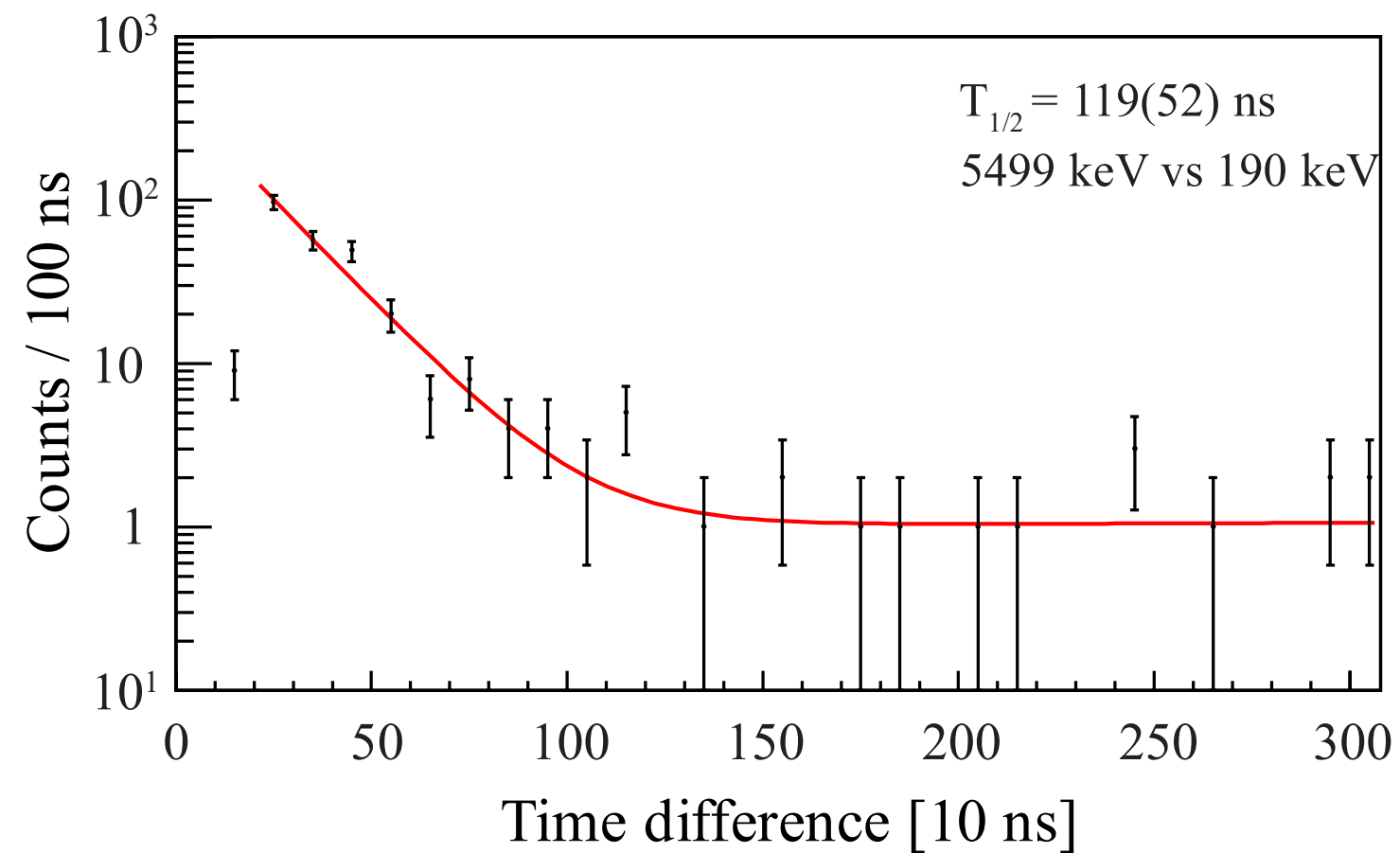
$$200 \text{ ns} \leq \Delta t(\gamma - \alpha) \leq 7 \text{ } \mu\text{s}, \quad \Delta t(\alpha - \text{ER}) \leq 4 \text{ s}$$



# Half-life measurement for the 210 keV excited state in $^{170}\text{Re}$



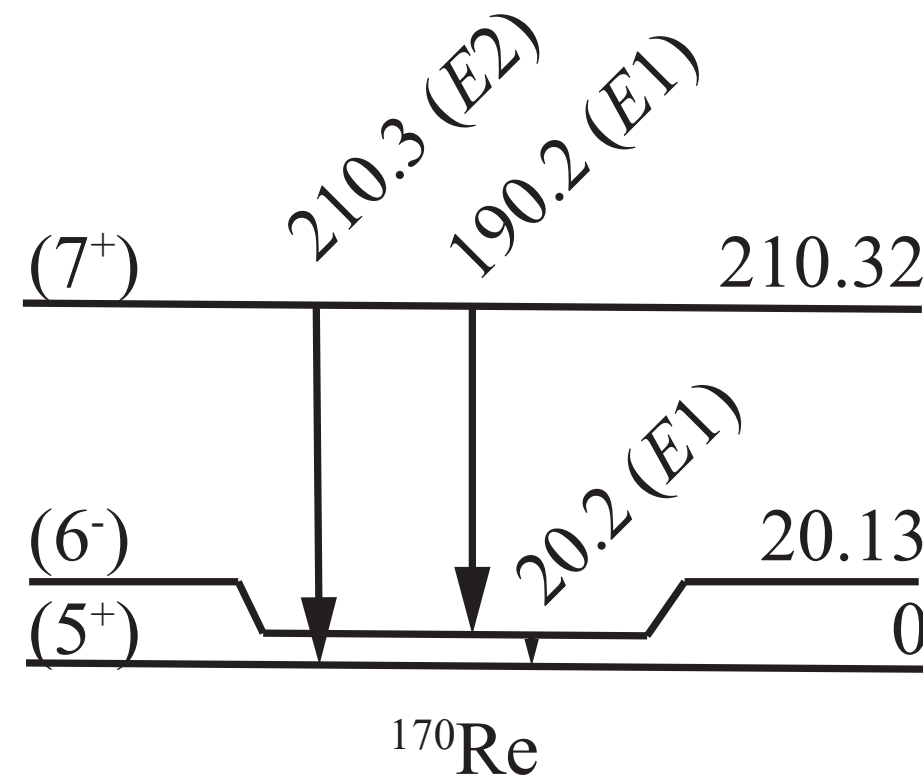
$$T_{1/2} = 129(72) \text{ ns}$$



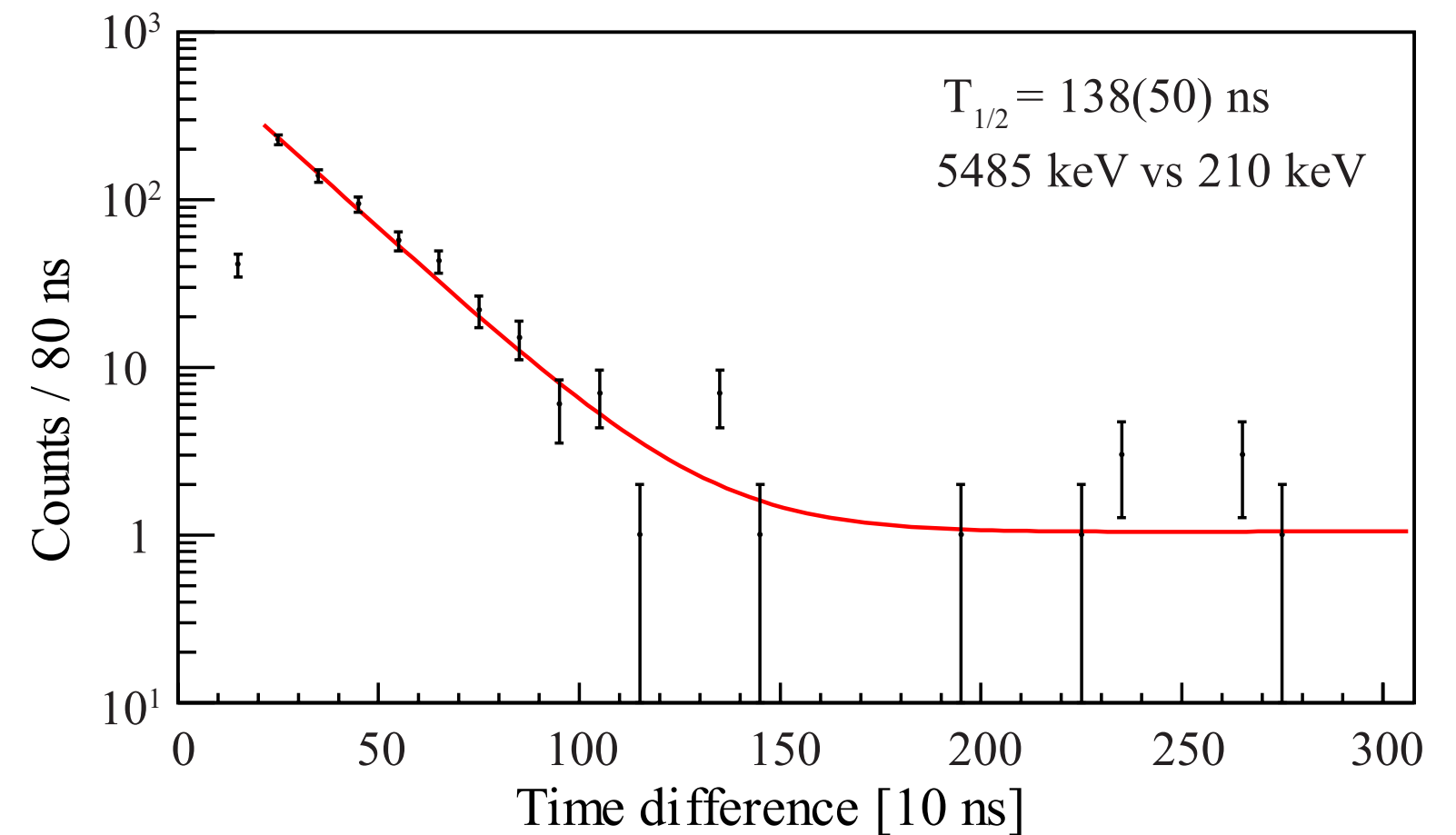
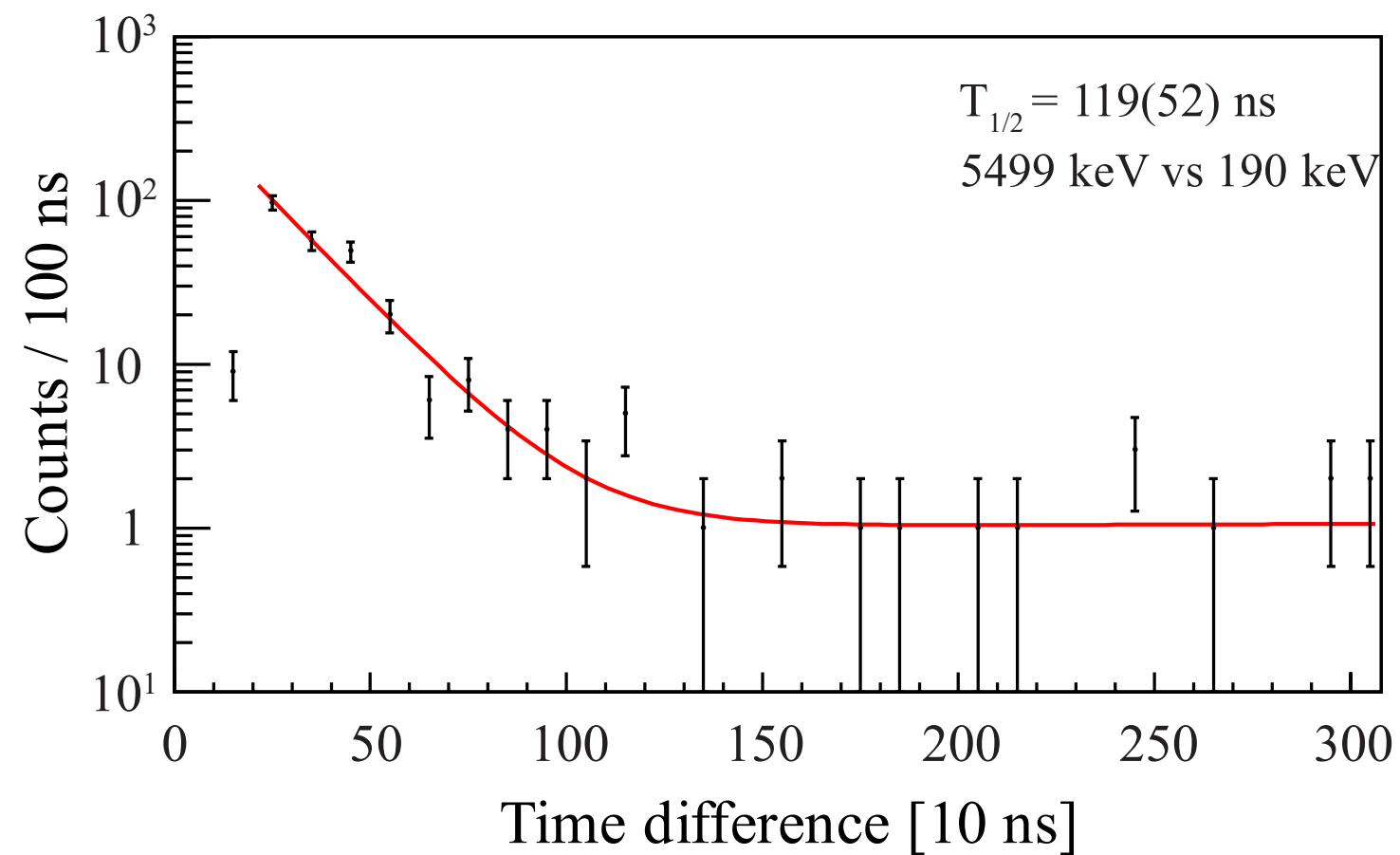


# Half-life measurement for the 210 keV excited state in $^{170}\text{Re}$

M. Al-Monthery. "Decay Studies of  $^{178}\text{Au}$  and Its Daughter  $^{174}\text{Ir}$ ". PhD thesis. York, England: University of York, 2019.



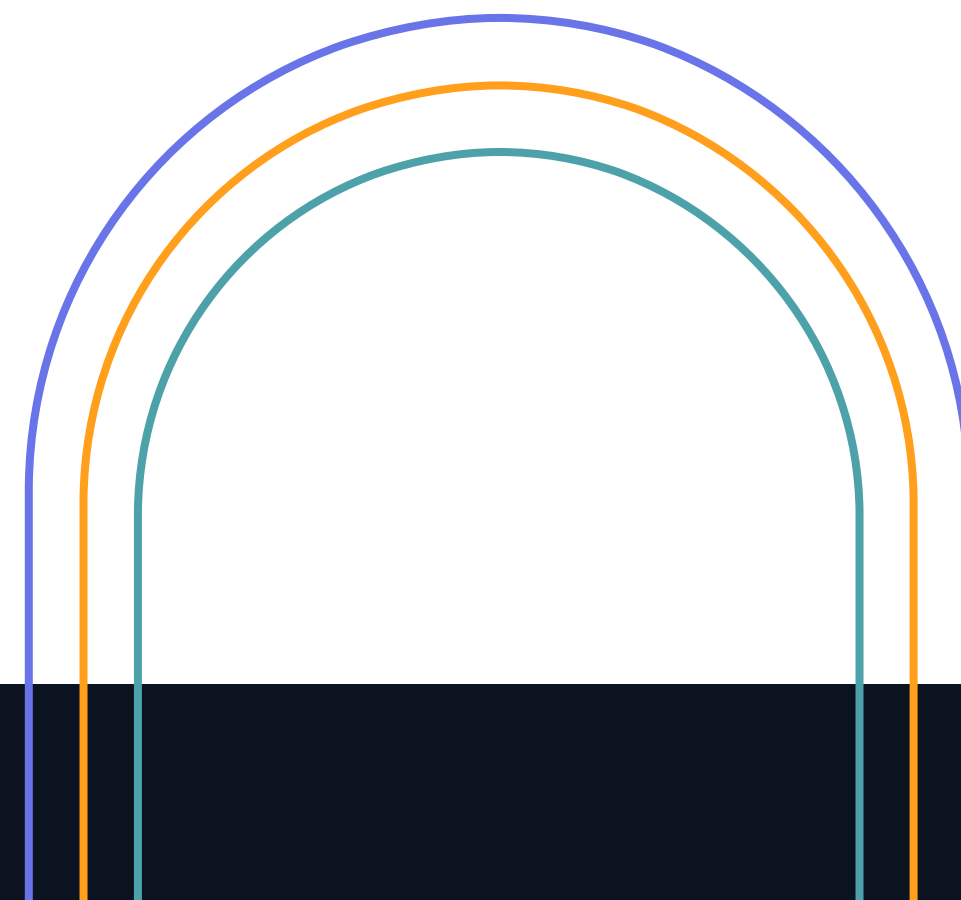
$$T_{1/2} = 129(72) \text{ ns}$$



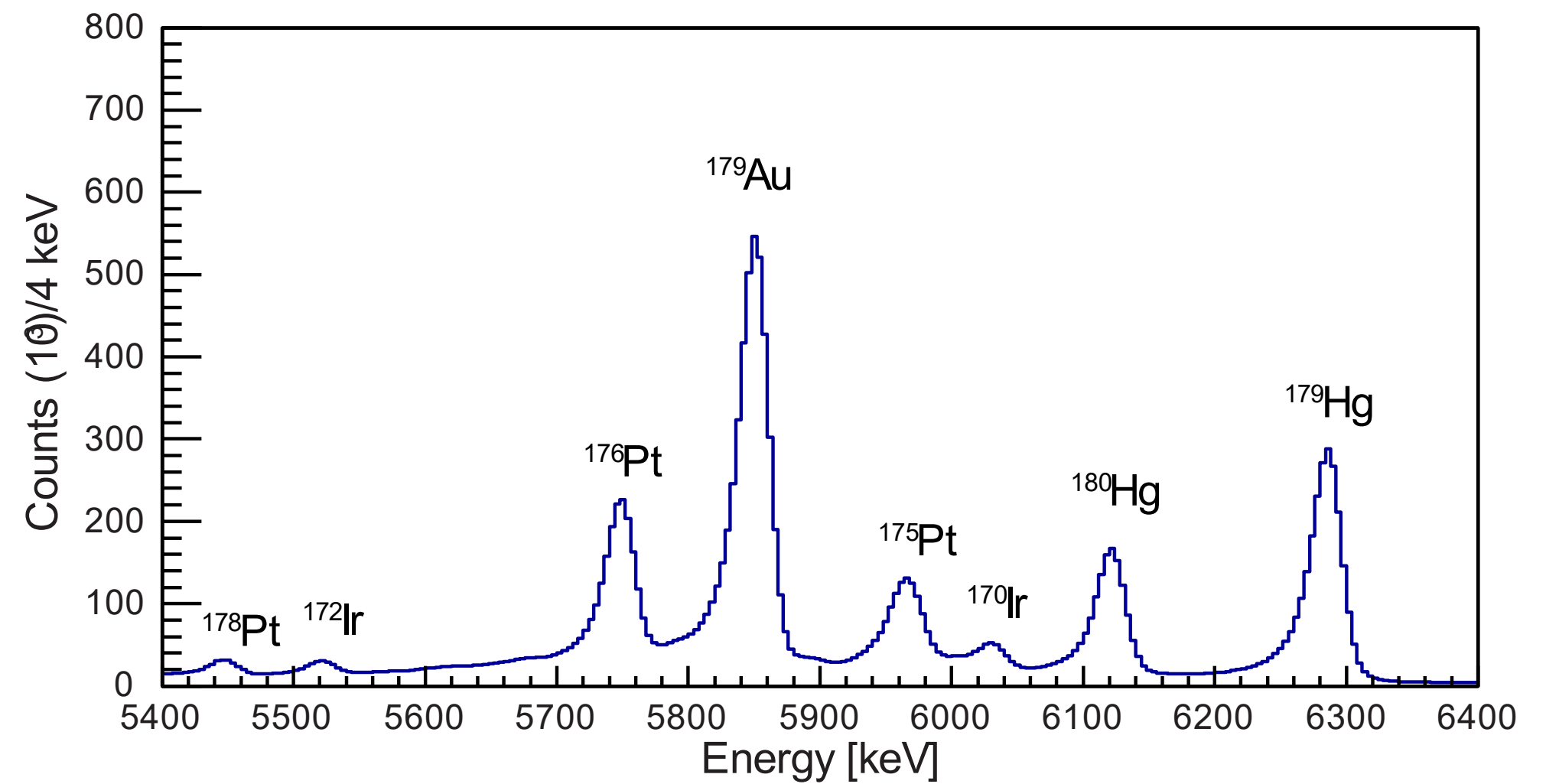
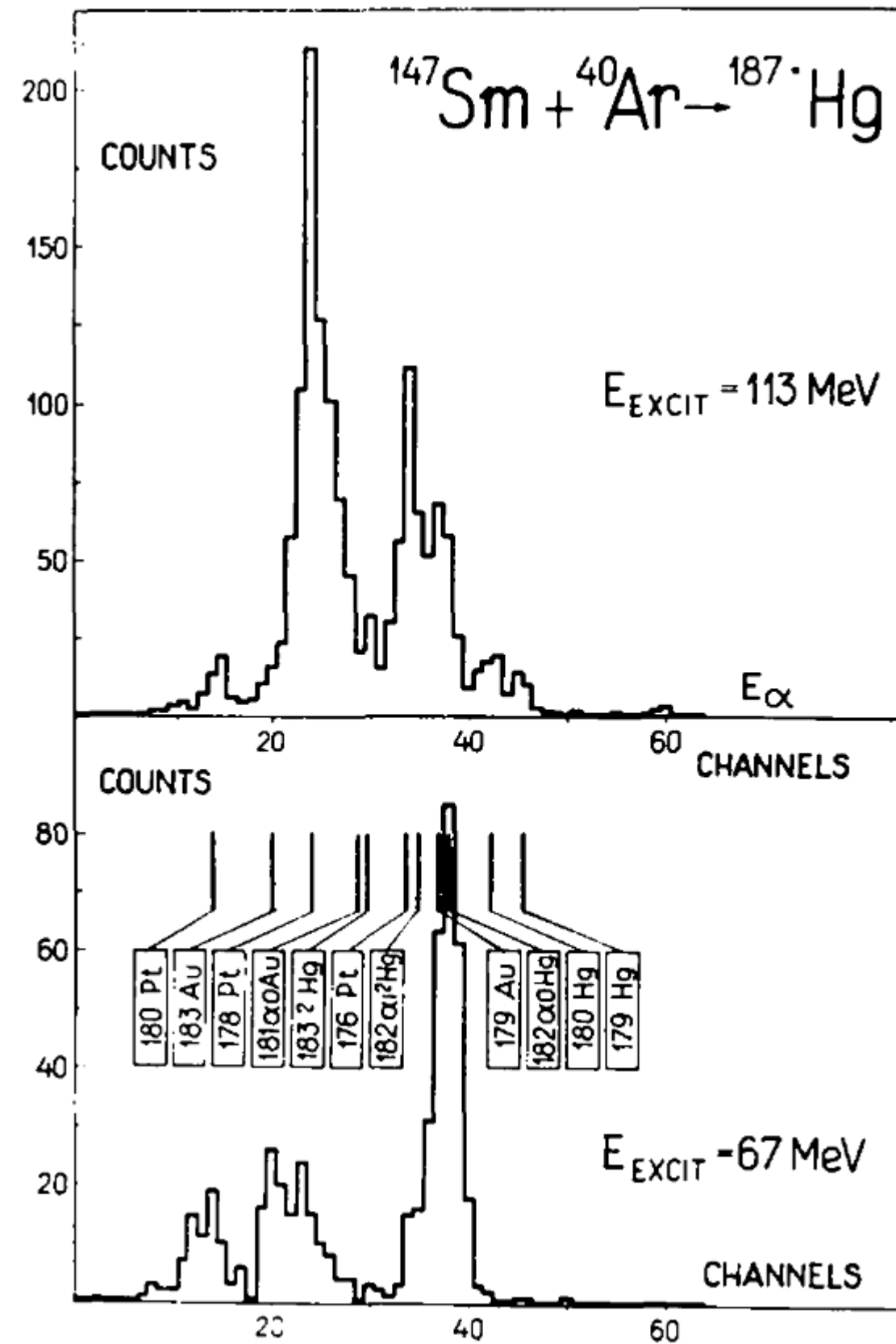
# Summary

- **New  $\alpha$  decay branch in  $^{179}\text{Hg}$**
- **Multipolarity assignment for 131.3 keV transition in  $^{175}\text{Pt}$**
- **Updated decay scheme for  $^{177}\text{Au}$**

**Thank you for your attention**



# Half-life measurement for the 210 keV excited state in $^{170}\text{Re}$



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Parent nucleus	$E_{\alpha}^{exp}$ [keV]	$E_{\alpha}^{tab}$ [keV]	$E_{\alpha}^{tab}$ Reference	Child [keV]	$E_{\gamma}$ [keV]	$Q_{\alpha,tot}$	$I_i \rightarrow I_f$
$^{176}\text{Pt}$	5529(4)	5537(10)	[69]	$^{172}\text{Os}$	229.0(10)	5885(5)	$2^+ \rightarrow 0^+$
$^{177}\text{Pt}$	5433(5)	5435(10)	[69]	$^{173}\text{Os}$	92.5(7)	5651(5)	$7/2^- \rightarrow 5/2^-$
$^{181}\text{Hg}$	5945(8)	5934(9)	[69]	$^{177}\text{Pt}$	214.2(6)	6293(8)	$(3/2^-)^- \rightarrow 5/2^-$
$^{181}\text{Hg}$	6008(6)	6005(4)	[69]	$^{177}\text{Pt}$	147.8(6)	6292(4)	$1/2^- \rightarrow 5/2^-$
$^{178}\text{Au}$	5967(9)	5961(10)	[88]	$^{174}\text{Ir}$	26.0(10)	6130(9)	$(-) \rightarrow (7,8)$
$^{179}\text{Au}$	5744(8)	5718(10)	[86]	$^{175}\text{Ir}$	105.9(7)	5981(8)	$(-) \rightarrow (3/2^+)$
$^{179}\text{Au}$	5732(7)	5705(15)	[86]	$^{175}\text{Ir}$	119.8(6)	5983(7)	$(-) \rightarrow (3/2^+)$
$^{179}\text{Au}$	5725(7)	5718(10)	[86]	$^{175}\text{Ir}$	132.0(6)	5988(7)	$(-) \rightarrow (1/2^+)$
$^{179}\text{Au}$	5621(8)	5600(10)	[86]	$^{175}\text{Ir}$	234.0(5)	5983(8)	$(-) \rightarrow (3/2^+)$
$^{180}\text{Au}$	5637(10)	5639(7)	[87]	$^{176}\text{Ir}$	37.7(7)	5803(10)	$(-) \rightarrow (-)$
$^{180}\text{Au}$	5574(11)	5598(8)	[87]	$^{176}\text{Ir}$	43.0(6)	5744(11)	$(-) \rightarrow (-)$
$^{180}\text{Au}$	5562(9)	5485(10)	[87]	$^{176}\text{Ir}$	117.7(6)	5806(9)	$(-) \rightarrow (-)$
$^{181}\text{Au}$	5476(7)	5479(5)	[89]	$^{177}\text{Ir}$	150.0(6)	5750(7)	$(3/2^-) \rightarrow 5/2^-$

Table 3.3: Table of identified  $\alpha$ - $\gamma$  coincidences. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> column denotes measured energies of  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$ -ray transitions, while the 3<sup>rd</sup> represents tabulated values. The 4<sup>th</sup> column contains references for the  $E_{\alpha}^{tab}$ . The 7<sup>th</sup> column represents the  $Q_{\alpha,tot}$ . The last column represent initial  $I_i$  and final  $I_f$  spins and parities for  $\gamma$ -ray transitions in child nuclei. In the case of  $^{178}\text{Au}$ , the spin and parity of the initial level are unknown.