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Theoretical novel medical isotope production with deuterium-tritium fusion technology

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ABSTRACT

Background: The emergence and growth of fusion technology enables investigative studies into its applications beyond typical power production facilities. This study seeks to determine the viability of medical isotope production with the neutrons produced in an example large fusion device. Using FISPACT-II (a nuclear inventory code) and a simulated fusion spectrum, the production yields of a significant number of potentially clinically relevant (both in use and novel) medical isotopes were calculated. Comparative calculations were also conducted against existing production routes.

Results: Depending on the neutron flux of the fusion device, it could be an ideal technology to produce alphaemitters such as $^{212}\text{Bi}/^{212}\text{Pb}$, it may be able to contribute to the production of $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}/^{99}\text{Mo}$, and could offer an alternative route in the production a few Auger-emitting candidates. There is also a long list of beta-emitting nuclides where fusion technology may be best placed to produce over existing technologies including ^{67}Cu , ^{90}Y and ^{47}Sc .

Conclusions: It is theoretically viable to produce existing and novel medical isotopes with fusion technology. However, a significant number of assumptions form the basis of this study which would need to be studied further for any particular nuclide of interest.

1. Introduction

In nuclear medicine, a radioactive nuclide (radionuclide or colloquially, medical isotope) is attached to a vector (often a pharmaceutical) which is then used in the diagnostic and therapeutic treatment of disease. The choice of radionuclide is dependent on the application. For novel candidates, the primary points to consider for preliminary screening for medical applications include (Stokke et al., 2022):

- (i) A reliable, economical, high purity and high production yield of the radionuclide (low GBq ranges are suitable for pre-clinical studies while high GBq quantities are required for clinical use).
- (ii) A half-life that compatible with the diagnostic/therapeutic procedure needs and the biological half-life of the vector.
- (iii) The energy of the emitted radiation is sufficient to ensure the delivery of enough dose to the tumour (in the case of therapeutic radionuclides) while avoiding normal tissues.

- (iv) Existing and validated radiochemistry and commercially available chelators to speed up the clinical translation.
- (v) Additional, advantageous, improved or alternative physical characteristics compared to already available radionuclides.

Most existing medical isotopes are typically produced in either a nuclear fission research reactor or accelerator. In general, the choice of facility is dependent upon the product e.g. neutron-rich nuclides (which decay via β -) would be produced in a fission reactor or with a neutron source, while neutron-deficient nuclides (which decay via β +) would be produced in a cyclotron (OECD/NEA, 2019). The most clinically used nuclide, ^{99}Mo with its isomeric daughter ^{99m}Tc , is typically extracted as a fission product from an irradiated uranium target (Lee et al., 2016) though there are alternative production routes available e.g. via cyclotron (Lagunas-Solar et al., 1991). There have also been studies to examine the feasibility of alternative, novel routes e.g. the extraction of medical isotopes from existing nuclear waste (Wester et al., 2003). Each

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production mechanism has an associated set of pros and cons including the availability and cost of the relevant target material, development of purification processes, operational costs of a facility, etc.

In nuclear fission, a neutron is absorbed by a fissile material nucleus which splits into multiple nuclides with additional neutrons that feed the process. Alternatively, in a fusion device light nuclei are merged to form a heavier nucleus, which releases energy in the process. Power producing devices focus on the fusion of deuterium and tritium (heavy isotopes of hydrogen) due to the required plasma temperature, fuel availability, reaction cross-section and the amount of energy that is released. A deuterium and tritium fusion reaction (D-T) produces an alpha particle and a 14.1 MeV neutron. In power-producing fusion devices, the high-energy neutron can be used to breed additional tritium to sustain the reaction, and to generate heat or electricity. There are a variety of machine designs that utilize the D-T reaction, particularly within a plasma, including tokamaks and stellarators. Additionally, accelerator-based systems are available that could use D-T for other purposes, such as the production of medical isotopes. For example, SHINE Technologies will use D-T fusion in combination with a neutron multiplier (which are lower in energy) and a low-enriched uranium solution that will ideally produce Mo-99 at a sufficient scale (Pitas and Piefer, 2015).

There are existing experimental studies examining the production of medical isotopes with accelerators capable of delivering 14 MeV neutrons, particularly for the production of $^{99\mathrm{m}}\mathrm{Tc/9^9Mo}$ (Capogni et al., 2018; Palomba et al., 2024; Hatsukawa et al., 2011). This study examines a more general theoretical feasibility of utilizing available high-energy neutrons in a D-T machine (specifically a tokamak type, without a multiplier or enriched uranium present) to produce medical isotopes and how the yields compare to existing production routes.

2. Methodology

A list of potential radionuclides was produced by probing the chart of nuclides, filtering for those with a clinically suitable half-life (between 1 h and twenty days, approximately corresponding to the range of existing medical radionuclides) and the condition that they decay to a stable daughter nuclide. Isomers (besides ^{99m}Tc) were not considered in this study. For each potential radionuclide, their most likely nuclear reactions were identified such that the appropriate target material for each reaction could be determined. Very long-lived nuclides were also included as suitable target materials.

FISPACT-II (Sublet et al., 2017) was used to perform batch nuclide inventory calculations for each product and potential reaction identified in the list. FISPACT-II is a code that can be used to model the activation and subsequent radioactive decay of a material during an irradiation period and subsequent cooling period. Calculations were performed using an example neutron spectrum of a fusion device and, depending on the nuclide, with either a cyclotron or fission research reactor to enable comparisons between different production routes. The High Flux Reactor (HFR) (European Commission, 2015) is used for comparisons against a fission research reactor with an assumed high neutron flux of 5 \times 10¹⁴ n/(cm² s), and an 11–12 MeV² proton beam at 100 μ A is simulated for cyclotron comparisons. The TENDL-2019 nuclear data library was used for all neutron irradiation calculations as it provides a complete dataset for all nuclides and reaction channels, and the TENDL-2017 nuclear data library was used for proton irradiation calculations due to availability of data (Koning et al., 2019).

An example neutron spectrum of the outboard wall of a tokamak (whereby the plasma is confined in a torus through strong magnetic fields) device is generated from a D-T plasma source and OpenMC (Romano et al., 2015); an open-source neutron transport code with a

simple tokamak style geometry generated by Paramak (Shimwell et al., 2021). The neutron spectra for both the fission research reactor and D-T fusion device are compared in Fig. 1. The distribution of the fusion device contains a peak at 14.1 MeV from the D-T neutrons, with a lower energy distribution from scattered neutrons. The neutron flux is scaled to $5\times10^{14}\,\mathrm{n/(cm^2\,s)}$ in the FISPACT-II calculations to enable an easier comparison with the fission results. However, as the neutron spectrum and flux is dependent on the type and scale of a device and position of the target material, more realistic calculations would be required for any particular configuration.

2.1. Assumptions

Due to the batch-wise nature of this study, a number of assumptions have to be made for each calculation, detailed below.

- Clinically relevant radionuclides have a half-life between 1 h and twenty days, approximately corresponding to the range of existing medical radionuclides.
- The irradiated target is 1 g and enriched to be 100 % isotopically pure. The quantity and purity of a real target will vary according to the material (e.g. some material may have to be suspended in a liquid or formed as an intermetallic), making direct comparisons between different irradiation methods and targets difficult.
- The irradiation period is three half-lives of the product with no upper bound i.e. does not take into consideration the operational schedule of a device.
- \bullet The neutron flux is $5\times 10^{14}\, n/(cm^2\, s)$ for a fusion device, which may be optimistic of the first wall region of a large tokamak. This particular location would interfere with the tritium breeding but the results should be sufficient to demonstrate production feasibility. All results should be easily scaled according to the setup and the target mass.
- The product's element can be extracted from other elements with 100 % efficiency, but the product cannot be separated from its isotopes. For example, Lu can be extracted from its neighbouring elements but ¹⁷⁷Lu cannot be separated from ¹⁷⁵Lu. There are techniques for isotope separation, but these would have to be studied on an individual basis if deemed necessary.
- The processes of extraction, purification, characterisation and quality control, pharmaceutical attachment, and shipping can take up to

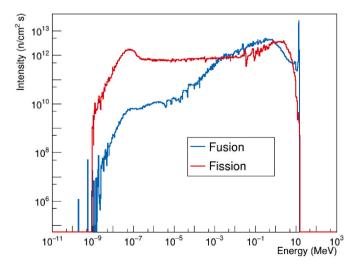


Fig. 1. Neutron spectra used in inventory calculations for (blue) a simulated first wall of a large D-T tokamak device, and (red) the High Flux Reactor at Petten with where both have an assumed total flux of $5 \times 10^{14} \, \text{n/cm}^2$ s. (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the Web version of this article.)

 $^{^{2}\ \}mathrm{An}$ energy range is used due to the energy binning of FISPACT-II input spectra.

a day. The production yields for two time points (immediately after irradiation, and 24 h after irradiation) are presented. The calculated production yields will be optimistic but should be suitable for comparisons against other production routes and as a point to initiate further research.

2.2. Accuracy of the simulations

The neutron flux and target mass are chosen such that results can easily be scaled to any machine. However, due to the assumptions used in this analysis, a discrepancy may arise between any validation experiment and the results shown here. These discrepancies could be due to the shape of the neutron spectrum (e.g. if there is a comparatively greater flux at higher energies), the presence of impurities in the target material, the length of the irradiation period, and the efficiency and time-scale of extracting the product following irradiation. There may also be a discrepancy arising from the choice of nuclear data library i.e. TENDL was chosen because it provides a complete dataset for all nuclides and reaction channels but it is based on a nuclear modelling system, where in reality there may be very limited experimental measurements of that reaction's cross section.

The results presented in the next chapter can be informative regarding which nuclides could be produced with good yields in a D-T fusion machine, but additional calculations should be conducted prior to any experimental campaign.

2.3. Reactions

Only (n, p), (n, α) , $(n, X\gamma)$, (n, 2n) reactions are considered in this study, and any of these reactions which then decay into the desired product. For example, to produce 47 Sc the 47 Ti(n, p), 50 V(n, α) and 45 Sc (n, 2n) reactions are studied, along with any similar reactions that produce 47 Ca, which β-decays into 47 Sc. These reactions are chosen as their threshold energies are likely within range of the neutron spectrum shown in Fig. 1 (i.e. below the upper limit of 14.1 MeV). There are other reactions available but these would typically be at a higher threshold energy or have a lower reaction cross-section. The (n, d) reaction is not included due to its generally higher reaction threshold energy and it would typically be dominated by the competing (n, p) reaction, given that one of the assumptions is that isotopes cannot be separated. For example, a list of all viable neutron production routes for ⁴⁷Sc are listed in Table 1, along with the calculated production activities and radiochemical purities using the D-T fusion spectrum in Fig. 1. The two most promising reactions, based on their production yields alone, would be with ⁵⁰V and ⁴⁸Ca targets. The production yield and purity for the ⁴⁸Ti(n, d) reaction are both very low; the largest impurity being from the ⁴⁸Ti(n,

Table 1 Calculated production yields and purities for all feasible $^{47}\mathrm{Sc}$ D-T neutron production routes.

Reaction	Approximate threshold energy (MeV)	Activity per target gram (GBq)	Radiochemical purity (%)
⁴⁷ Ti(n, p) ⁴⁷ Sc	0.1	132	97.5
⁴⁸ Ti(n, d) ⁴⁷ Sc	10	4	7.5
⁵⁰ Ti(n, α) ⁴⁷ Ca	4	6.2	99.99
-> ⁴⁷ Sc			
$^{50}V(n, \alpha)^{47}Sc$	0.1	36.3	99.99
$^{51}V(n, n+\alpha)^{47}Sc$	10	< 0.1	<0.1
⁴⁵ Sc(2n, 2γ) ⁴⁷ Sc	0	< 0.1	<0.1
46 Ca(n, γ) 47 Ca $^{->}$ 47 Sc	0	13.2	99.99
⁴⁸ Ca(n, 2n) ⁴⁷ Ca -> ⁴⁷ Sc	10	615	99.99

p)⁴⁸Sc reaction.

3. Results & discussion

The theoretical production yields calculated from FISPACT-II are summarized in the following sub-sections, categorized according to the type of radiation that is emitted in their decay. There are three properties calculated and used to compare with other production routes:

- i) The molar activity, A_m , is the proportion of radiation emitted from the nuclide of interest to its molar mass (GBq/ μ mol). According to the assumptions detailed in Section 2.1, the product's element is extracted with 100 % efficiency but not the individual isotopes. It is assumed that a molar activity above 200 GBq/ μ mol is suitable and, when comparing production routes, a higher value is better.
- ii) The activity, *A*, is the total amount of activity from the nuclide of interest (GBq). As all calculations are performed on 1 g of target material, this can be approximately scaled according to feasible target amounts and neutron flux.
- iii) The radiochemical purity, *P*, is the percentage of radiation emitted from the desired radionuclide with other isotopes in the extracted product. It is assumed that *P* must be above 99 % to have a suitable product.

There are two time periods in the calculations, at 0 h (i.e. immediate) and 24 h after irradiation where the product's element is extracted and the three production properties calculated. Only the most promising results from one of the two time periods are shown for clearer discussion.

3.1. Electron (β^-) emitters

The theoretical production yields for all physically suitable radionuclides (i.e. possessing a suitable half-life and decaying to stability) are listed for both fusion and fission devices in Table 4 in Appendix A. Note that the fission comparison only includes irradiation of similarly isotopically pure targets, and not the separation of products from fissile targets. Based on the production yields, theradionuclides that appear to be better suited for production with D-T fusion technology are summarized in Table 2.

The majority of nuclides in Table 2 are novel i.e. they have not been previously used for clinical purposes. Some exceptions include 67 Cu and 90 Y, the latter of which is typically used in radioembolization treatments of the liver (Kim et al., 2019). There are two existing routes to produce 90 Y; the first is the direct neutron irradiation of 89 Y to produce a carrier added form, and the second is from the decay of 90 Sr, which is a uranium fission product with a long half-life (Chakravarty and Dash, 2012). With a high molar activity and radiochemical purity, fusion may offer an alternate route in producing non-carrier added 90 Y with a 93 Nb target.

One example of a potentially clinically suitable novel nuclide that may be produced with D-T fusion is $^{47}Sc.$ With a half-life of 3.3 days, it emits a β -with a mean energy of 162 keV, similar to other therapeutics like ^{177}Lu (134 keV) and ^{131}I (181 keV). There is also the emission of a 159 keV γ ray, which may be suitable for direct SPECT imaging, or could be coupled with the positron emitting ^{44}Sc to form a theragnostic pair. As there is a similar coordination chemistry between ^{47}Sc and $^{177}Lu/^{90}Y,$ existing research on their chelation (e.g. with DOTA) can form a pre-existing basis of research (Siwowska et al., 2019). The two most viable reactions/targets identified with D-T fusion are $^{50}V(n,\alpha)^{47}Sc$ and ^{48}Ca (n, 2n) ^{47}Ca -> ^{47}Sc which have threshold energies of approximately 100 keV and 10 MeV, respectively (Koning et al., 2019). However, both targets possess a very low natural abundance and would require purification processes to be developed.

Though fission may offer better production yields, it may also be possible to produce $^{31}\mathrm{Si},\,^{32}\mathrm{P},\,^{77}\mathrm{As},\,^{83}\mathrm{Br},\,^{105}\mathrm{Rh},\,^{111}\mathrm{Ag},\,^{131}\mathrm{I},\,^{149}\mathrm{Pm},\,^{161}\mathrm{Tb},$

Table 2 Physical properties of selected β^- emitters and their production yields, where D-T fusion technology appears to be the best production route. The product (prod.) information includes the half-life (T_{1/2}), mean β-energy (Ē_β.), γ energy (E_γ) of the most prominent emissions (including their branching ratios, BR), cooling period (cool.), natural abundance (nat. a.) of the target, molar activity (GBq/μmol) (A_m) and total activity (GBq) per target gram (A).

Prod.	T _{1/2}	\bar{E}_{β} . (keV) [BR]	E _γ (MeV) [BR]	Cool. (h)	Target	Nat. A. (%)	A _m	A
²⁴ Na	15 h	555 [100 %]	1.37 [100 %]	0	²⁴ Mg	79	3955	416
			2.75 [100 %]		²⁷ Al	100	6120	235
⁴¹ Ar	109.6 m	459 [99 %]	1.29 [99 %]	0	⁴¹ K	6.7	6842	60
					⁴⁴ Ca	2.1	59123	22
⁴² K	12.4 h	824 [18 %]	1.52 [18 %]	0	⁴² Ca	0.65	5565	276
		1566 [82 %]			⁴⁵ Sc	100	8916	61
⁴⁷ Sc	3.3 d	143 [68 %]	0.16 [68 %]	24	⁵⁰ V	0.25	1441	36
30	3.3 u		0.10 [08 70]	24	48Ca			
⁴⁸ Sc	40.71	204 [32 %]	0.00 5100 0/3	0.4	51 _V	0.19	1443	615
Sc	43.7 h	159 [10 %]	0.98 [100 %]	24	V	99.8	2657	10
		227 [90 %]	1.04 [98 %]					
			1.31 [100 %]					
⁵⁶ Mn	2.6 h	255 [15 %]	0.85 [99 %]	0	⁵⁶ Fe	92	24073	106
		382 [28 %]	1.81 [27 %]		⁵⁹ Co	100	39462	27
		1217 [57 %]	2.11 [14 %]					
⁶⁵ Ni	2.5 h	221 [28 %]	1.11 [15 %]	0	⁶⁵ Cu	31	2205	13
		372 [10 %]	1.48 [24 %]		⁶⁸ Zn	19	25557	14
		875 [60 %]						
⁶⁷ Cu	61.8 h	121 [57 %]	0.09 [16 %]	24	⁶⁷ Zn	4	1774	20
ou.	011011	154 [22 %]	0.18 [49 %]			•	1,,,,	20
		189 [20 %]	0.10 [45 70]					
⁷² Ga	1411		0.60.506.0/1	0	⁷² Ge	27	1074	05
Ga	14.1 h	219 [16 %]	0.63 [26 %]	U			1874	25
		226 [22 %]	0.83 [95 %]		⁷⁵ As	100	6661	10
76		344 [29 %]	2.20 [27 %]		76			
⁷⁶ As	1.1 d	993 [35 %]	0.56 [45 %]	24	⁷⁶ Se	9.2	1555	20
		1264 [51 %]			⁷⁹ Br	51	3774	4
⁷⁸ As	90.7 m	607 [16 %]	0.61 [54 %]	0	⁸¹ Br	49	64635	3.5
		1228 [15 %]	0.69 [17 %]					
		1560 [19 %]	1.31 [13 %]					
		1956 [32 %]						
⁸² Br	35.3 h	138 [99 %]	0.55 [72 %]	24	⁸² Kr	12	2446	9
2.	0010 11	100 [55 70]	0.62 [44 %]		⁸⁵ Rb	72	3253	2.2
			0.78 [84 %]		ΙζĎ	72	3233	2.2
⁸⁷ Kr	76.0	1500 541 0/3		0	⁸⁷ Rb	00	45.001	6.0
Kr	76.3 m	1502 [41 %]	0.40 [50 %]	0	KD	28	45621	6.8
86_ 4		1694 [31 %]			⁸⁹ Y			
⁸⁶ Rb	18.6 d	710 [91 %]	1.08 [9 %]	24		100	259	4.2
⁹⁰ Y	64 h	932 [100 %]		24	⁹³ Nb	100	1063	4.7
¹⁰⁹ Pd	13.7 h	360 [100 %]	0.09 [4 %]	24	¹⁰⁹ Ag	48	324	2.6
¹¹² Ag	3.1 h	1426 [20 %]	0.62 [43 %]	0	¹¹⁵ In	96	36404	1.1
		1703 [54 %]						
¹³⁶ Cs	13 d	99 [81 %]		24	¹³⁶ Ba	7.9	253	1.7
		121 [14 %]			¹³⁹ La	100	358	1.2
¹³⁹ Ba	83 m	941 [30 %]	0.17 [24 %]	0	¹⁴² Ce	11	64115	1.1
20	00 III	916 [70 %]	0117 [21 70]	· ·	¹³⁹ La	100	40747	1.3
¹⁴⁰ La	1.7 d	441 [11 %]	0.49 [46 %]	24	¹⁴⁰ Ce	88	168	1.4
Ld	1./ u			24	Ge	00	106	1.4
		487 [44 %]	0.82 [23 %]					
150		629 [20 %]	1.60 [95 %]		150			
¹⁵⁰ Pm	2.7 h	499 [18 %]	0.33 [68 %]	0	¹⁵⁰ Sm	7.4	36563	1.5
		677 [19 %]	1.17 [16 %]					
		895 [26 %]	1.32 [18 %]					
¹⁵⁶ Eu	15 d	146 [29 %]	0.09 [8 %]	24	¹⁵⁶ Gd	20	148	2.0
		965 [32 %]	0.81 [10 %]		¹⁵⁹ Tb	100	294	1.1
¹⁵⁷ Eu	15 h	296 [22 %]	0.06 [23 %]	0	¹⁵⁷ Gd	16	7105	1.6
		312 [15 %]	0.37 [11 %]					
		462 [49 %]	0.41 [18 %]					
¹⁵⁹ Gd	18.5 h	189 [12 %]	0.36 [12 %]	0	¹⁵⁹ Tb	100	4068	1.4
Gu	10.5 11		0.50 [12 70]	U	10	100	4000	1.4
		304 [29 %]						
172m	641	327 [59 %]	0.00 55.00	0.4	172	00	4.4.0	
¹⁷² Tm	64 h	668 [36 %]	0.08 [7 %]	24	¹⁷² Yb	22	1160	1.1
170		691 [29 %]			170			
¹⁷³ Tm	8.2 h	272 [22 %]	0.40 [88 %]	0	¹⁷³ Yb	16	13120	2.9
		296 [76 %]						
¹⁷⁵ Yb	4.2 d	19 [20 %]	0.40 [13 %]	24	¹⁷⁵ Lu	97	205	2.2
		140 [73 %]						
					102			1.1
¹⁸³ Ta	5.1 d	190 [93 %]	0.11 [11 %]	24	¹⁸³ W	14	821	1.1
¹⁸³ Ta	5.1 d	190 [93 %]	0.11 [11 %] 0.25 [27 %]	24	165W	14	821	1,1

and ¹⁹⁹Au in sufficient yields/purities with D-T fusion.

3.2. Alpha emitters

Suitable alpha-emitting radionuclides have been identified in previous studies (Poty et al., 2018; Makvandi et al., 2018), which form the

list of investigated nuclides in this section. Inventory calculations were performed using three different targets composed of long-lived heavy nuclides ($^{\rm 229}{\rm Th},\,^{\rm 230}{\rm Th},\,$ and $^{\rm 226}{\rm Ra}$) but only a target of pure $^{\rm 226}{\rm Ra}$ yielded products with acceptable yields. In the study of beta-emitting nuclides, the irradiation time was linked with the product and the cooling time simulated for up to 24 h. However, as there is only one target in this set of calculations with multiple products, the targets were irradiated for one week. The cooling period is also increased to two years, as some of the parent products in the decay chains can have a long half-life.

The production yields for four alpha-emitting radionuclides are shown in Fig. 2. There is no perfect product with high values in each of the three categories, as the irradiation of the ²²⁶Ra target has a lot of products, each with long decay chains. However, ²¹²Bi has a significant molar activity and it is very likely the radiochemical purity could be improved as it likely the longer-lived parent ²¹²Pb would be extracted to form a generator, which is not considered here.

3.3. Positron/Auger emitters

Several neutron-deficient nuclides may be produced with the available high-energy neutrons in a D-T fusion environment, as shown in Table 3, separated by the cooling period with the largest production purities and yields. The theoretical production yields are compared to a production route with an 11–12 MeV cyclotron and 100 μA beam current. Each product listed in Table 3 could be suitable for targeted therapies as they generally have a high intensity emission of low-energy Auger electrons or conversion electrons, except for ^{64}Cu which decays

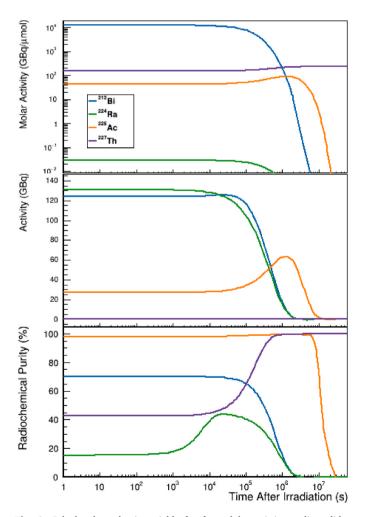


Fig. 2. Calculated production yields for four alpha-emitting radionuclides following irradiation with a D-T fusion device.

through both β - and β + decay.

The calculated production yields for ⁶⁴Cu, ⁸⁹Zr, ¹¹⁹Sb and ¹³⁵La are theoretically higher in a cyclotron than a fusion device and their target materials are likely easier to acquire. However, fusion technology could offer a potential production route of these nuclides, depending on their relative accessibility and production costs with a cyclotron.

3.3.1. Bromine-77

Bromine-77 has previously been considered for breast-tumour imaging (McElvany et al., 1982) and a potential therapeutic Auger-emitter. However, production with a cyclotron is hindered due to the poor irradiation tolerance of Se. In this study, the calculations are always performed on a pure target and thus production yields may be overestimated for certain reactions e.g. in Ref (Ellison et al., 2020), the production yields are improved in a cyclotron by using Co 77 Se intermetallic targets. However, their molar activity of 700 GBq/µmol is significantly less than the pure form calculated here. Due to the inherent difficulties of production via a cyclotron it may be preferential to use fusion technology to produce 77 Br although 78 Kr has a low natural abundance and a gas target would introduce other challenges.

3.3.2. Thallium-201

Thallium-201 decays via electron capture, emitting some intense low-energy Auger and conversion electrons along with a 167 keV γ ray in 10 % of decays (Kondev, 2023). As such, 201 Tl has previously been used for single photon emission tomography (Shiga et al., 2001), and more recently considered for use in targeted Auger therapy (Rigby et al., 2021; Osytek et al., 2021). There are alternate production routes with a cyclotron e.g. the 203 Tl(p, 201 Pb \rightarrow 201 Tl that may offer improved production yields over the simple (p, n) route studied here though it would require a higher energy cyclotron. As such, it may also be preferential to use fusion technology to produce 201 Tl though the target 202 Pb is a very long-lived nuclide that may be difficult to acquire.

$\it 3.4.\ Molybdenum-99/Technetium-99m$

Based on the nuclear reactions discussed in Section 2.3, there are three potential targets to produce the longer-lived parent of $^{99m}\mathrm{Tc}$ in a fusion device ($^{98}\mathrm{Mo}$, $^{100}\mathrm{Mo}$ and $^{102}\mathrm{Ru}$). The calculations for simulating the production of $^{99m}\mathrm{Tc}$ are similar to those of previous sections except, immediately following the 8-day irradiation period, all Mo isotopes are extracted and their collective decay simulated for 24 h. The production yields are then calculated under the same assumption that all Tc isotopes can be extracted, but not from each other.

With both the ^{98}Mo and ^{102}Ru targets, there is an insignificant amount of ^{101}Tc after 24 h of cooling as it is a short-lived nuclide (~14 min) but otherwise only $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ and ^{99}Tc are the only Tc isotopes that remain. In general, each of the three target materials produces $^{99\text{m}}\text{Tc}$ with a molar activity of approximately 5400 GBq/µmol and a radiochemical purity above 99.999 % but the total activity differs between targets. The best route is with a ^{100}Mo target, producing 500 GBq per gram of target material, while the ^{98}Mo and ^{102}Ru targets produce 180 and 1 GBq per gram of target material, respectively.

Calculated comparisons are not made with a fission reactor as the typical route is via extraction from an irradiated uranium target which is likely a more productive route but, given the production yields calculated here, a fusion device may offer a solution when standard routes are inaccessible.

4. Conclusions

A significant number of assumptions have been made in this study, due to the inherent nature of batch-wise calculations, to inform the medical community of what fusion technology may be able to produce as it develops. One of the primary assumptions in this study is in defining a list of potential radionuclides based on their half-life and the stability

Table 3 Theoretical production yields for positron/Auger emitters available through D-T fusion technology, compared with cyclotron production, 24 h after irradiation. A_m is the molar activity (GBq/ μ mol), A is the total activity (GBq) per target gram, and P is the radiochemical purity (%).

Prod.	T _{1/2}	Simulated Fu	ısion			Simulated C	Simulated Cyclotron			
		Target	A _m	A	P	Target	A_{m}	A	P	
0 h after co	oling:									
⁶⁴ Cu	12.7 h	⁶⁴ Zn	1180	171	99.99	⁶⁴ Ni	5517	3155	99.99	
24 h after co	ooling:									
⁷⁷ Br	57 h	⁷⁸ Kr	248	331	100	⁷⁷ Se	2034	1679	100	
⁸⁹ Zr	78 h	⁹² Mo	338	11	99.91	⁸⁹ Y	1471	2192	100	
¹¹⁹ Sb	38.2 h	¹²⁰ Te	1725	304	99.58	¹¹⁹ Sn	3026	1074	99.98	
¹³⁵ La	19.5 h	¹³⁶ Ce	868	369	100	¹³⁵ Ba	5949	690.8	100	
²⁰¹ Tl	3 d	²⁰² Pb	248	327	98.97	²⁰¹ Hg	1112	162	45.7	

of its daughter nuclide. However, not all radionuclides identified may be suitable for preclinical and clinical medical applications, and each nuclide of interest would require further refined studies. For example, longer lived radionuclides can have important logistic and production-related benefits e.g. manageable distribution and transport networks to distant centres and hospitals. However, after being injected in a patient, long-lived radionuclides have the time to wash out of the target organ, circulate and redistribute in non-target organs (e.g. clearance organs like the liver or kidneys) causing undesirable toxicity. Such damages could be mitigated when a short-half-life radionuclide is used instead.

Additional assumptions include the 100 % efficient purification processes and the target material itself (both in its form, mass and purity), which may be both be challenging and costly but serve to draw comparisons in this study. One other key assumption is in the device itself; a large tokamak-type D-T fusion device with a significant neutron flux and availability (both in space and spare neutrons) that may also be a challenge to achieve. Results are given that can be scaled according to the flux of the targeted fusion device and the mass of the target, but additional calculations should be performed for any specific device and targeted nuclide. Such additional studies should also consider the geometry of the target itself as there may be routes to improve production yields.

This study also only lists the potential beta-emitters without going into detail on the energy and linear energy transfer (LET) of the emitted radiation, which are also very important aspects for the outcome of radionuclide therapy. The availability of a variety of alpha and betaemitters with different energies and LETs could enable tailoring of the therapeutic effect to the therapeutic needs based on the target characteristics (e.g. location, size, geometry, and heterogeneity of the distribution of the molecular target) and minimise the damage to healthy tissue. Furthermore, an associated gamma-radiation emission could also be beneficial to verify, by SPECT imaging, the uptake pattern of the radiotherapeutic (based on its pharmacokinetics) and to calculate the absorbed doses to target tissue and normal organs. This would enable the delivery of an effective dose to the target and the minimising of side effects. Importantly, photon production, yield and energy, together with camera settings, are crucial for the image quality and dosimetry calculations. However, in the case of beta emitters, high energy gamma rays can affect the image resolution (i.e. production of blurred images) and are associated to high radiation exposure to operators and patients.

There is no consideration given to the *in vivo* stability of the potential radiopharmaceutical products and future studies would also need to consider their preparation, which depends on the chemical properties of each radioisotope. Radiolabelling of any molecule with radiohalogens (e.g. ¹³¹I and ²¹¹At) requires the formation of a carbon-halogen bond while radiometals necessitate the presence of a suitable chelator.

Unfortunately, a "one-chelator-fits-all" approach would be commercially and technically ideal (e.g. use of the same interchangeable scaffold with an imaging or therapeutic radionuclide) but realistically not always possible. In general, target sizes, target homogeneity, characteristics of the radionuclide, pharmacokinetics of the carrier molecule, administration route of the radiopharmaceutical, and expected risk to normal tissues can guide the selection of the radionuclide with the most suitable physical/chemical properties for the most favourable therapeutic effects.

In summary, there are many assumptions that feed into the calculated production yields in this study but the results should enable further discussions with the medical community. A significant number of beta emitters were identified that may be preferable to produce with fusion technology over accepted routes (e.g. ⁴⁷Sc, ⁶⁷Cu and ⁹⁰Y among many). In addition, it was identified that the alpha-emitting ²¹²Bi/²¹²Pb and a few potential Auger emitters may be produced in sufficient quantities. While a tokamak-type fusion machine was used in this study, it would also be feasible to produce many of the novel nuclides in an acceleratorbased system without the enriched uranium and multiplier materials, potentially at a greater intensity depending on the reaction and beam intensities. For each nuclide of interest, additional studies would need to be performed including to (i) examine their nuclear reaction crosssection data, (ii) examine the cost of acquiring and recycling target materials, (iii) optimize the production yields through target design, (iv) develop target and product purification and extraction techniques, and (v) clinical research in e.g. in vivo stability, uptake and retention, etc.

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Appendix A. Production yields for electron (β^-) emitters

Table 4 Theoretical production yields for $\beta-$ emitters with both D-T fusion technology and fission. A_m is the molar activity (GBq/ μ mol), A is the total activity (GBq) per target gram, and P is the radiochemical purity (%).

Prod.	$T_{1/2}$	Cool. (h)	Target	Fusion			Fission		
				$\overline{A_m}$	A	P	A _m	A	P
²⁴ Na	15 h	0	²⁴ Mg	3955	416.1	100.00	7527	5.3	100.0
			²⁷ Al	6120	234.6	100.00	7678	2.2	100.0
			²³ Na	trace	44.3	99.85	< 0.1	856.8	100.0
			²² Ne	trace	trace	99.88	< 0.1	trace	100.0
³¹ Si	157.4 m	0	^{31}P	2981	200.4	100.00	36335	91.5	100.0
			³⁴ S	13545	184.1	100.00	41226	5.3	100.0
			³⁰ Si	trace	30.1	100.00	trace	151.0	100.0
³² P	14.3 d	24	³² S	91	470.0	100.00	337	160.2	99.9
			³⁵ Cl	180	214.4	99.99	332	37.8	98.9
			³¹ P	trace	10.4	100.00	trace	192.2	100.0
			³⁰ Si	trace	trace	100.00	trace	trace	100.0
¹¹ Ar	109.6 m	0	⁴¹ K	6842	59.9	100.00	37822	3.7	100.0
			⁴⁰ Ar	trace	16.9	99.99	< 0.1	608.9	100.0
			⁴⁴ Ca	59123	21.6	100.00	62661	< 0.1	100.0
¹² K	12.4 h	0	⁴² Ca	5565	275.5	100.00	9296	7.6	100.0
			⁴⁵ Sc	8916	61.3	100.00	9353	<1	99.9
			⁴¹ K	trace	190.4	100.00	< 0.1	1478.0	100.0
			⁴⁰ Ar	trace	trace	100.00	< 0.1	trace	100.0
¹³ K	22.3 h	24	⁴³ Ca	5001	50.8	93.24	5224	1.9	99.9
			⁴¹ K	trace	trace	0.00	trace	trace	0.0
¹⁷ Sc	3.3 d	24	⁴⁷ Ti	889	131.8	97.52	1441	25.3	99.9
			50V	1441	36.3	99.99	1442	<1	99.9
			⁴⁵ Sc	trace	< 0.1	0.01	trace	6.6	0.3
			⁴⁸ Ca	1443	614.9	100.00	1443	<1	99.9
¹⁸ Sc	43.7 h	24	⁴⁸ Ti	2310	45.7	93.43	2617	<1	99.6
			⁵¹ V	2657	10.2	99.99	2656	< 0.1	99.9
⁶ Mn	2.6 h	0	⁵⁶ Fe	24073	105.7	100.00	43992	1.7	100.0
			⁵⁹ Co	39462	27.3	100.00	44623	<1	99.9
			⁵⁵ Mn	< 0.1	442.8	99.88	<1	9951.0	100.0
			⁵⁴ Cr	< 0.1	trace	99.91	<1	trace	100.0
¹ Co	1.6 h	1.6 h 0	⁶¹ Ni	42219	79.1	88.53	69895	3.1	99.8
			⁶⁴ Ni	70316	3.2	39.24	70304	trace	39.0
-			⁵⁹ Co	trace	trace	0.00	trace	<1	0.0
⁵ Ni	2.5 h	2.5 h 0	⁶⁵ Cu	2205	12.8	100.00	31205	<1	100.0
			⁶⁴ Ni	trace	49.6	99.99	< 0.1	868.1	100.0
7			⁶⁸ Zn	25557	14.0	100.00	43945	<1	100.0
⁵⁷ Cu	61.8 h	1.8 h 24	⁶⁷ Zn	1774	20.2	100.00	1872	<1	100.0
			⁶⁸ Zn	110	2	99.99			
70			⁶⁵ Cu	trace	trace	0.00	trace	trace	3.0
^{'2} Ga	14.1 h	14.1 h 0	⁷² Ge	1874	25.1	99.99	4246	<1	99.9
			⁷¹ Ga	< 0.1	693.5	46.29	<1	5598.0	99.9
72			⁷⁵ As	6661	9.6	100.00	7921	< 0.1	99.9
^{'3} Ga	4.9 h	4.9 h 0	⁷³ Ge	18775	18.9	93.60	23426	<1	99.5
			⁷⁶ Ge	23773	<1	36.29	23780	trace	41.0
-			⁷¹ Ga	trace	trace	0.00	trace	<1	0.0
⁵ Ge	82.8 m	0	⁷⁶ Ge	< 0.1	763.6	52.64	trace	1.0	0.
			⁷⁵ As	17425	15.1	58.39	67163	<1	66.
			⁷⁴ Ge	trace	127.6	49.08	< 0.1	333.8	77.
c			⁷⁸ Se	80851	3.4	56.27	82829	trace	60.
⁶ As	1.1 d	24	⁷⁶ Se	1555	20.2	99.99	4170	<1	99.
			⁷⁵ As	< 0.1	813.9	90.61	<1	4885.0	99.
7			⁷⁹ Br	3774	4.2	100.00	4319	< 0.1	99.
⁷ As	38.8 h	24	⁷⁷ Se	2781	21.3	90.81	2983	<1	99.
			⁷⁶ Ge	128	79.4	99.96	2954	207.3	100.
			⁷⁵ As	trace	< 0.1	0.00	trace	1.8	0.
³ As	90.7 m	0	⁷⁸ Se	2623	17.1	93.96	2766	< 0.1	98.
			⁸¹ Br	64635	3.5	99.26	70567	trace	99.
2_			⁷⁶ Ge	trace	trace	0.01	2	<1	0.
² Br	35.3 h	24	⁸² Kr	2446	9.2	100.00	3168	< 0.1	100.
			⁸¹ Br	< 0.1	584.6	96.59	<1	3681.0	100.
2_			⁸⁵ Rb	3253	2.2	100.00	3268	trace	100.
³ Br	2.4 h	0	⁸³ Kr	43755	20.6	97.03	48029	<1	99.
			⁸² Se	445	13.0	99.97	44756	26.1	100.
-			⁸¹ Br	trace	trace	0.00	trace	<1	0.
⁷ Kr	76.3 m	0	⁸⁷ Rb	45621	6.8	100.00	65731	trace	99.
			⁸⁶ Kr	trace	5.1	5.49	trace	4.2	98.
⁸⁶ Rb	18.6 d	24	⁸⁷ Rb	< 0.1	624.4	100.00	trace	<1	100.
			⁸⁶ Sr	18	22.7	99.90	20	<1	100.

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rod.	$T_{1/2}$	Cool. (h)	Target	Fusion			Fission			
				A _m	A	P	A _m	A	P	
			⁸⁵ Rb	< 0.1	583.1	56.76	< 0.1	948.1	99.	
			⁸⁹ Y	259	4.2	100.00	256	trace	100.	
^{0}Y	64 h	24	⁹⁰ Zr	44	15.3	5.75	817	<1	69.	
			89Y	trace	35.7	56.86	< 0.1	425.0	99.	
			⁹³ Nb	1063	4.7	99.68	1741	< 0.1	99.	
² Y	3.5 h	0	^{92}Zr	26440	12.8	94.74	30518	< 0.1	98.	
⁶ Nb	23.4 h	0	⁹⁶ Mo	3353	10.3	96.97	4533	< 0.1	99.	
⁷ Nb	72.1 m	0	⁹⁷ Mo	83195	10.4	74.82	93239	< 0.1	68.	
⁷ Zr	16.7 h	0	⁹⁶ Zr	< 0.1	126.2	85.49	< 0.1	502.3	99.	
⁰⁵ Rh	35.4 h	24	¹⁰⁵ Pd	3267	22.6	99.99	3279	<1	99.	
			104Ru	2558	301.1	83.71	3280	500.1	98.	
			103Rh	trace	trace	0.01	trace	<1	85.	
⁰⁹ Pd	13.7 h	24	¹¹⁰ Pd	< 0.1	220.7	99.84	trace	<1	45	
			¹⁰⁸ Pd	< 0.1	430.4	100.00	<1	6361.0	100	
			¹⁰⁹ Ag	324	2.6	100.00	<1	< 0.1	99	
			¹¹² Cd	7866	<1	100.00	8185	trace	100	
¹¹ Ag	7.5 d	24	¹¹¹ Cd	621	12.5	99.84	645	< 0.1	99	
			¹¹⁰ Pd	81	245.6	49.33	641	327.7	99	
¹² Ag	3.1 h	0	¹¹² Cd	31118	5.9	89.56	31461	trace	88	
			¹¹⁵ In	36404	1.1	99.20	36476	trace	99	
³ Ag	5.4 h	0	¹¹³ Cd	21104	6.6	48.87	21383	< 0.1	55	
			¹¹⁶ Cd	19940	< 0.1	5.75	19787	trace	5	
⁵ Cd	53.5 h	24	¹¹⁶ Cd	< 0.1	216.1	82.68	trace	<1	49	
			¹¹⁴ Cd	< 0.1	197.5	98.02	< 0.1	691.9	98	
			115 _{In}	79	<1	63.73	185	trace	73	
			¹¹⁸ Sn	457	<1	84.33	520	trace	86	
¹ Sn	27 h	24	122Sn	< 0.1	120.4	99.81	trace	<1	65	
			¹²⁰ Sn	trace	38.7	94.24	trace	68.2	99	
			¹²¹ Sb	5	1.4	99.91	<1	< 0.1	99	
			¹²⁴ Te	492	<1	99.95	626	trace	99	
⁶ Sb	12.4 d	24	126 _{Te}	103	<1	98.78	111	trace	98	
³ Sh	9.1 h	24	128 _{Te}	606	<0.1	92.97	350	trace	93	
Te	9.4 h	0	¹²⁸ Te	< 0.1	240.3	74.93	trace	<1	(
10	J. 7 II	5.11	¹²⁶ Te	<0.1	142.9	95.43	<0.1	558.5	99	
			127 _I	87	2.1	98.32	<1	<0.1	83	
			130 Xe	2705		98.75	3303		99	
⁶ т	1001	0.4	127 _I		<1			trace		
1	12.9 d	24	¹²⁶ Xe	<0.1	540.3	99.99	trace	<1	99	
D _T	10.41	0.4	130 Xe	2	8.0	3.49	<0.1	<0.1	31	
-1	12.4 h	24	¹³³ Cs	3870	<1	100.00	6834	trace	99	
¹ I	0.1	0.4	¹³¹ Xe	8293	<1	100.00	8687	trace	99	
1	8 d	24	¹³⁰ Te	594	2.4	98.75	600	trace	99	
² I			¹³² Xe	26	36.0	99.90	584	80.8	100	
	2.3 h	0	¹³⁴ Xe	38550	1.5	88.90	41081	trace	91	
³ Xe	5.2 d	5.2 d 24	137Xe	< 0.1	533.1	68.75	trace	1.2	33	
			¹³² Xe	< 0.1	114.3	30.94	< 0.1	411.7	9:	
			133 _{Cs}	8	6.0	64.01	13	< 0.1	68	
			¹³⁶ Ba	752	<1	67.65	731	trace	70	
Cs	13 d	24	¹³⁶ Ba	253	1.7	100.00	301	trace	100	
			¹³⁹ La	358	1.2	100.00	360	trace	100	
Ba	83 m	0	¹⁴² Ce	64115	1.1	100.00	69515	trace	100	
			¹³⁸ Ba	trace	10.4	2.94	< 0.1	115.3	99	
			¹³⁹ La	40747	1.3	99.66	51070	trace	9	
La	1.7 d	24	¹⁴⁰ Ce	168	1.4	100.00	143	trace	100	
			¹³⁹ La	< 0.1	75.2	100.00	<1	1915.0	10	
² La	91 m	0	¹⁴² Ce	31362	1.2	94.93	18980	trace	90	
Pr	19.1 h	24	¹⁴² Nd	8	1.6	99.98	17	trace	9	
			¹⁴¹ Pr	< 0.1	121.7	100.00	<1	1535.0	99	
Pr	13.6 d	24	¹⁴³ Nd	305	3.6	95.81	335	trace	99	
			¹⁴² Ce	22	33.3	99.91	352	271.9	100	
⁵ Pr	6 h	0	¹⁴⁵ Nd	18209	2.4	88.69	18934	trace	95	
			¹⁴⁸ Nd	19253	<1	54.70	19305	trace	67	
³ Pm	5.4 d	24	¹⁴⁸ Sm	303	1.8	85.99	422	trace	69	
			¹⁵¹ Eu	274	1.7	83.58	13	trace	(
Pm	53 h	24	¹⁴⁸ Nd	832	206.7	99.61	2181	1095.0	99	
		·	¹⁵⁰ Nd	1837	474.5	74.12	15	2.6	(
			¹⁴⁹ Sm	1743	2.6	96.10	1420	trace	97	
⁰ Pm	2.7 h	0	¹⁵⁰ Sm	36563	1.5	99.16	37437	trace	99	
. 111	2./ 11	U	153Eu	37327	<1	99.20	40698	trace	99	
3Sm	46 h	24	¹⁵⁴ Sm							
3111	46 h	24	¹⁵² Sm	<0.1	449.9	100.00	trace	2.2	99	
			156Gd	<1	3052.0	100.00	21	132700.0	100	
6			156 - 1	2250	<1	100.00	2331	trace	100	
⁶ Eu	15 d	24	¹⁵⁶ Gd	148	2.0	99.75	144	trace	99	
⁷ Eu			¹⁵⁹ Tb	294	1.1	99.79	314	trace	98	
	15 h	0	¹⁵⁷ Gd	7105	1.6	99.49	4990	trace	5	

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Prod.	$T_{1/2}$	Cool. (h)	Target	Fusion			Fission		
				A _m	A	P	A _m	Α	P
¹⁵⁹ Gd	18.5 h	0	¹⁶⁰ Gd	<1	636.7	71.00	trace	4.4	0.5
			¹⁵⁸ Gd	< 0.1	550.1	100.00	<1	3939.0	100.0
			¹⁵⁹ Tb	4068	1.4	100.00	5038	trace	100.0
161 .			¹⁶² Dy	5966	<1	100.00	5272	trace	100.0
¹⁶¹ Tb	6.9 d	24	¹⁶¹ Dy	592	2.2	98.52	662	trace	99.6
¹⁶⁵ Dy			¹⁶⁰ Gd	86	205.6	99.96	691	655.9	100.0
¹⁰³ Dy	2.3 h	0	¹⁶⁵ Ho ¹⁶⁴ Dy	167	1.9	80.12	95	trace	56.7
			168 168 Er	<1	2329.0	58.07	85	515000.0	58.4
¹⁶⁶ Ho	26.8 h	24	166 Er	46135 2	<1 <1	78.28 100.00	49383 2	<0.1 trace	99.6 99.8
по	20.6 11	24	¹⁶⁵ Ho	<1	1439.0	100.00	4	21350.0	99.0
			¹⁶⁹ Tm	1019	<1	100.00	3246	trace	99.9
¹⁶⁷ Ho	3 h	0	167 _{Er}	34034	<1	99.57	29680	trace	99.6
			¹⁷⁰ Er	35538	<1	21.53	35787	trace	24.1
			¹⁶⁵ Ho	trace	<1	0.02	< 0.1	405.9	4.0
¹⁶⁹ Er	9.4 d	24	¹⁷⁰ Er	< 0.1	573.5	92.88	trace	4.2	0.8
			¹⁶⁸ Er	< 0.1	462.3	100.00	<1	2391.0	100.0
⁷² Tm	64 h	24	¹⁷² Yb	1160	1.1	99.89	1101	trace	99.8
			¹⁷⁵ Lu	1673	<1	99.96	1819	trace	99.9
¹⁷³ Tm	8.2 h	0	¹⁷³ Yb	13120	2.9	99.20	13631	trace	99.5
			¹⁷⁶ Lu	13537	<1	99.47	13924	trace	99.0
			¹⁷⁶ Yb	13794	<1	26.69	14012	trace	64.2
¹⁷⁵ Yb	4.2 d	24	¹⁷⁶ Yb	< 0.1	483.2	99.99	trace	5.4	96.8
			¹⁷⁴ Yb	< 0.1	201.1	100.00	2	11090.0	100.0
			¹⁷⁵ Lu	205	2.2	100.00	< 0.1	trace	99.9
77			¹⁷⁸ Hf	999	<1	100.00	1047	trace	100.0
⁷⁷ Lu	6.6 d	24	¹⁷⁷ Hf	505	2.1	98.74	476	trace	98.0
			¹⁷⁶ Lu	1	6869.0	99.65	129	517600.0	99.9
			¹⁷⁶ Yb	80	123.3	99.99	715	686.6	100.0
			¹⁸⁰ Hf	727	<1	99.58	727	trace	99.
70			¹⁷⁵ Lu	trace	1.3	2.21	<1	1479.0	82.
⁷⁹ Lu	4.6 h	0	¹⁷⁹ Hf	24573	1.5	94.89	24932	trace	97.
⁸³ Ta	5.1 d	d 24	¹⁸³ W	821	1.1	99.51	778	trace	99.0
			¹⁸⁶ W	948	< 0.1	99.89	948	trace	99.3
¹⁸⁴ Ta	1		¹⁸¹ Ta ¹⁸⁴ W	trace	9.5	3.63	3	16620.0	91.1
Ta	8.7 h	0	¹⁸⁷ Re	11729	<1	98.95	11959	trace	99.0
.87W			¹⁸⁷ Re	12948	<1	99.78	13023	trace	99.7
W	24 h	24	186W	68	<1	99.90	10	trace	99.9
			¹⁹⁰ Os	< 0.1	348.1	95.28	2	12830.0	99.9
¹⁸⁶ Re	0.7.1	24	¹⁸⁷ Re	4547	<1	100.00	4808	trace	99.9
ке	3.7 d	24	¹⁸⁵ Re	<0.1	463.7	33.65	trace	3.2	0.0
			¹⁸⁶ Os	<1 19	3092.0	96.37 99.94	14 12	73340.0	100.0 99.9
¹⁸⁸ Re	17 h	24	¹⁸⁸ Os	4701	<1 <1	99.94	2822	trace	99.
ке	17 11	24	¹⁸⁷ Re	4701 <1	829.7	99.93 82.71	2822	trace 9794.0	99.6
			¹⁹¹ Ir	5714	<0.1	99.97	5976	trace	98.
.89Re	24 h	24 h 24	189Os	4509	<1	97.10	4567	trace	98.0
itt	2711	24 11 24	¹⁹² Os	4768	trace	99.95	4769	trace	99.9
			187 _{Do}	trace	<0.1	0.00	trace	1.5	0.0
¹⁹¹ Os	15.4 d	24	19200	<1	527.6	77.10	trace	2.6	0.5
03	10.14	15.4 u 24	¹⁹⁰ Os	<1	551.0	75.99	<1	3240.0	77.:
			¹⁹¹ Ir	<1	1.9	80.36	trace	trace	0.7
			¹⁹⁴ Pt	305	<1	96.03	243	trace	99.
⁹³ Os	30.1 h	24	¹⁹³ Ir	669	<1	99.65	174	trace	99.
			¹⁹² Os	< 0.1	69.2	28.99	< 0.1	414.9	99.
			¹⁹⁶ Pt	3775	< 0.1	100.00	3748	trace	100.
.94Ir	19.3 h	24	¹⁹⁴ Pt	3917	<1	91.24	1817	trace	61.
			¹⁹³ Ir	<1	1048.0	96.58	6	30650.0	99.
			¹⁹⁷ Au	5807	< 0.1	99.85	5817	trace	99.
⁹⁵ Ir	2.3 h	0	¹⁹⁵ Pt	29832	<1	75.80	32648	trace	79.
			¹⁹⁸ Pt	45500	trace	6.18	45301	trace	6.
			¹⁹³ Ir	trace	<1	0.02	< 0.1	218.2	1.
⁹⁷ Pt	19.9 h	24	¹⁹⁸ Pt	< 0.1	243.0	100.00	trace	1.2	99.
			¹⁹⁶ Pt	< 0.1	88.3	46.81	< 0.1	170.6	99.
			¹⁹⁷ A11	6	<1	99.87	2	trace	99.9
			²⁰⁰ Hg	5723	< 0.1	100.00	5714	trace	99.
.98Au	2.7 d	24	¹⁹⁸ Hg	2	<1	5.77	4	trace	14.
			¹⁹⁷ A11	<1	1694.0	82.71	7	37120.0	69.
.99Au	3.1 d	24	¹⁹⁹ Hg	1446	1.1	98.26	1477	trace	99.
			198 D t	214	193.3	99.90	1534	1870.0	100.
			²⁰² Hg	1539	trace	99.98	1539	trace	99.
²⁰⁹ Pb	3.2 h	0	²⁰⁹ Bi	10576	<1	99.00	8517	trace	99.
			²⁰⁸ Pb	trace	<1	<1	trace	<1	48.

Data availability

Data will be made available on request.

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