

$^{40}\text{Cl} \beta^-$ decay (1.35 min) 1972Kl06,1970Ke12

Parent: ^{40}Cl : $E=0$; $J^\pi=2^-$; $T_{1/2}=1.35$ min 2; $Q(\beta^-)=7482$ 32; $\% \beta^-$ decay=100

^{40}Cl - J^π , $T_{1/2}$: From Adopted Levels of ^{40}Cl .

^{40}Cl - $Q(\beta^-)$: From 2012Wa38.

1972Kl06 (also 1973Kl02,1981HuZT): ^{40}Cl ions were produced via $^{40}\text{Ar}(n,p)$ reaction with $E=14$ MeV neutron beam on pure natural argon target. γ rays were detected with a Ge(Li) detector (FWHM=4 keV at 1.33 MeV) and a NaI(Tl) detector. Measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$ -coin. Deduced levels, J , π , γ -ray branching ratios.

1970Ke12: ^{40}Cl sources were prepared via the $^{40}\text{Ar}(n,p)$ reaction with $E=14.9$ MeV neutron produced from the University of Kentucky neutron generator. γ rays were detected with Ge(Li) detectors and NaI(Tl) detectors. Measured E_γ , I_γ , $\gamma\gamma$ -coin, decay curve. Deduced levels, J , π , γ -ray branching ratios, parent $T_{1/2}$.

Others:

1989Mi03: Measured $E\beta$, $\beta\gamma$ -coin. Deduced mass excess.

1968Hu07, 1965Gr03, 1956Mo39: Measured E_γ , I_γ . Deduced levels.

Thesis (M.S.) by E.L. Robinson (Purdue, 1958). E_γ , I_γ data and level scheme from this work are quoted by 1970Ke12. This thesis was not available to the present evaluators.

 ^{40}Ar Levels

$E(\text{level})^\dagger$	$J^\pi \&$	$T_{1/2}$	Comments
0	0^+	stable	
1460.78 5	2^+		
2120.82 19	0^+		
2524.03 12	2^+		
2892.70 22	4^+		
3207.89 14	2^+		
3511.18 25	2^+		
3680.53 14	3^-		
3918.82 13	2^+		
3941.91? \ddagger 20			
4082.60 17	3^-		
4178.9? \ddagger 3			
4301.01 23	$(1,3)^-$		
4324.5 3	2^+		
4359.5? \ddagger 9			
4481.0? \ddagger 3	1^-		
4562.28 17	$(1,3)^-$		
4582.0? \ddagger 8	(3^-)		
4737.8? \ddagger 4			
4769.0 3	1^-		
4943.3? \ddagger 6			
5165.7 7	$(2)^+$		
5269.6 3	$(1^-,3^-)$		
5310.0? $\#$ 10	(2^+)		
5400.5 8	1^-		
5609.4 8	$(1,2,3)$		
5629.4? $\#$ 10			
5717.8 10			
5880.1 4	1^-		
5905.9 7	(1^-)		
5950.5 10	$(1,2)$		
6053.6 8	$1^{(-)}$		
6133.5? $@$ 10			
6208.5 8	$(1,2)$		
6276.7? 10	$(1^-,2^-,3^-)$		$E(\text{level})$: this level is constructed by 1972Kl06 only based on a 1333-keV transition to a level

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$^{40}\text{Cl} \beta^-$ decay (1.35 min) [1972Kl06,1970Ke12](#) (continued) ^{40}Ar Levels (continued)

E(level) [†]	J ^{π&}	Comments
		at 4943 which is considered as improbable by 1983Bi08 in (α,γ). Therefore, the evaluators have considered this level as questionable as well.
6338.7 11	1 ⁽⁻⁾	
6476.1 8	1 ⁽⁻⁾	
6651.7? 8		

[†] From a least-squares fit to γ -ray energies.

[‡] Level considered as improbable based on results of (α,γ) study of [1983Bi08](#).

Level considered as improbable since the decay mode is very different from that in (α,γ) ([1983Bi08](#)) from a level near the same energy.

@ From [1981HuZT](#) only.

& From Adopted Levels.

 β^- radiations

E(decay)	E(level)	$I\beta^-$ ^{†‡}	Log ft	Comments
(8.3×10^2 # 3)	6651.7?	0.49 17	4.8 2	
(1.01×10^3 3)	6476.1	0.16 3	5.6 1	
(1.14×10^3 3)	6338.7	0.26 8	5.6 2	
(1.21×10^3 # 3)	6276.7?	0.32 6	5.6 1	
(1.27×10^3 3)	6208.5	0.041 25	6.6 3	
(1.35×10^3 3)	6133.5?	≈ 0.04	≈ 6.7	$I\beta^-$: from 1981HuZT .
(1.43×10^3 3)	6053.6	0.32 6	5.9 1	
(1.53×10^3 3)	5950.5	0.041 25	6.9 3	
(1.58×10^3 3)	5905.9	0.65 9	5.8 1	
(1.60×10^3 3)	5880.1	5.2 5	4.9 1	
(1.76×10^3 3)	5717.8	0.08 4	6.9 2	
(1.85×10^3 # 3)	5629.4?	0.08 4	7.0 2	
(1.87×10^3 3)	5609.4	0.41 19	6.3 2	
(2.08×10^3 3)	5400.5	0.16 7	6.9 2	
(2.17×10^3 # 3)	5310.0?	0.16 9	7.0 3	
(2.21×10^3 3)	5269.6	2.1 3	5.9 1	
(2.32×10^3 3)	5165.7	0.9 1	6.3 1	
(2.71×10^3 3)	4769.0	0.49 9	6.9 1	
(2.74×10^3 # 3)	4737.8?	0.41 9	7.0 1	
(2.90×10^3 # 3)	4582.0?	0.17 7	7.5 2	
(2.92×10^3 3)	4562.28	22.6 21	5.4 1	E(decay): 2729 145 (1989Mi03) from $\beta(3101\gamma)$.
(3.00×10^3 # 3)	4481.0?	0.24 6	7.4 1	
(3.12×10^3 # 3)	4359.5?	0.24 8	7.5 2	
(3.16×10^3 3)	4324.5	0.16 5	7.7 2	
(3.18×10^3 3)	4301.01	27 5	5.5 1	E(decay): 3086 75 (1989Mi03) from $\beta(2840\gamma)$.
(3.30×10^3 # 3)	4178.9?	0.24 6	7.6 1	
(3.40×10^3 3)	4082.60	13.8 15	5.9 1	E(decay): 3070 100 (1989Mi03) from $\beta(2622\gamma)$.
(3.54×10^3 # 3)	3941.91?	0.16 5	7.9 2	
(3.56×10^3 3)	3918.82	5.5 12	6.4 1	
(3.80×10^3 3)	3680.53	4.6 11	6.6 1	
(3.97×10^3 3)	3511.18	0.9 2	7.4 1	

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^{40}Cl β^- decay (1.35 min) [1972Kl06,1970Ke12](#) (continued) β^- radiations (continued)

E(decay)	E(level)	$I\beta^{-\dagger\ddagger}$	Log ft	Comments
$(4.27 \times 10^3 \text{ } ^3)$	3207.89	2.1 4	7.2 1	
$(4.59 \times 10^3 \text{ } ^3)$	2892.70	0.7 2	9.5 ^{1u} 1	
$(4.96 \times 10^3 \text{ } ^3)$	2524.03	1.7 5	7.5 1	
$(6.02 \times 10^3 \text{ } ^{\#} \text{ } ^3)$	1460.78	4 4	>7.2	
$(7.48 \times 10^3 \text{ } ^3)$	0	<9	>9.8 ^{1u}	

E(decay): 7390 118 ([1989Mi03](#)). $I\beta^-$: only available experimental value is 9% from E.L. Robinson (M.S. thesis, Purdue, 1958). This value has been quoted in several papers([1989Mi03,1981HuZT,1972Kl06,1970Ke12](#)) and in Endt's compilations.[1970Ke12](#) quoted $I\beta=9\text{-}18\%$, again based on Robinson's data, suggesting equal feedings to the ground state and the first excited state. The singles β spectrum of [1989Mi03](#) does show that there is a direct feeding to the ground state, but in the opinion of the evaluators, precise feeding is not known. $\log f^{1u}_t > 8.5$ expected for first-forbidden unique transition allows up to 100% feeding.[†] Deduced by evaluators from imbalance of γ -ray intensities at each level using the GTOL program.[‡] Absolute intensity per 100 decays.[#] Existence of this branch is questionable.

γ(⁴⁰Ar)

I_γ normalization: From Σ(I_γ to g.s.)=95.5 45, obtained by assuming β⁻ feeding to g.s. is <9% (see comments for g.s. β⁻ branching ratio) which is equivalent to 4.5% 45. Singles β⁻ spectrum of **1989Mi03** shows some g.s. feeding. But its precise value is unknown.

E _γ [†]	I _γ ^{†c}	E _i (level)	J _i ^π	E _f	J _f ^π	Mult.	δ ^b	α ^d	Comments
222.5 ^f 5	0.20 6	4582.0?	(3 ⁻)	4359.5?					
239.0 [#] 3	0.28 [#] 13	3918.82	2 ⁺	3680.53	3 ⁻	[E1]		1.13×10 ⁻³	
261.2 [#] 7	1.0 [#] 1	4562.28	(1,3) ⁻	4301.01	(1,3) ⁻				
270.2 [‡]		5880.1	1 ⁻	5609.4	(1,2,3)				
303.0 6	0.07 4	3511.18	2 ⁺	3207.89	2 ⁺				
315.0 5	0.03 1	3207.89	2 ⁺	2892.70	4 ⁺	[E2]		0.00249	
361.3 ^f 5	0.09 2	4943.3?		4582.0?	(3 ⁻)				
369.0 6	0.02 1	2892.70	4 ⁺	2524.03	2 ⁺	[E2]		1.41×10 ⁻³	
381.0 ^f 5	0.10 4	4943.3?		4562.28	(1,3) ⁻				
472.0 4	0.3 1	3680.53	3 ⁻	3207.89	2 ⁺	[E1]		1.64×10 ⁻⁴	
479.9 [#] 4	1.1 [#] 2	4562.28	(1,3) ⁻	4082.60	3 ⁻				
621.1 ^e 6	<0.3 ^e	3511.18	2 ⁺	2892.70	4 ⁺	[E2]		2.51×10 ⁻⁴	
621.1 ^e 6	<0.3 ^e	4301.01	(1,3) ⁻	3680.53	3 ⁻				
643.6 [#] 3	8.3 [#] 6	4562.28	(1,3) ⁻	3918.82	2 ⁺				
660.1 [#] 4	3.1 [#] 3	2120.82	0 ⁺	1460.78	2 ⁺	[E2]		2.09×10 ⁻⁴	
788.1 [#] 3	1.0 [#] 1	3680.53	3 ⁻	2892.70	4 ⁺	[E1]			
881.3 [#] 3	3.2 [#] 3	4562.28	(1,3) ⁻	3680.53	3 ⁻				
1042.3 ^f 3	0.6 2	6651.7?		5609.4	(1,2,3)				
1051.1 5	0.6 1	4562.28	(1,3) ⁻	3511.18	2 ⁺				
1063.1 [#] 2	2.9 [#] 3	2524.03	2 ⁺	1460.78	2 ⁺	M1+E2	-0.41 +6-13		
1087.6 4	0.10 5	3207.89	2 ⁺	2120.82	0 ⁺	[E2]			
1092.9 [#] 8	0.33 [#] 7	4301.01	(1,3) ⁻	3207.89	2 ⁺	[E1]			
1156.2 4	0.6 1	3680.53	3 ⁻	2524.03	2 ⁺	[E1]		5.43×10 ⁻⁵ 8	
1186.7 4	0.9 1	5269.6	(1 ⁻ ,3 ⁻)	4082.60	3 ⁻				
1317.2 5	0.50 6	5880.1	1 ⁻	4562.28	(1,3) ⁻				
1333.4 ^f 8	0.40 7	6276.7?	(1 ⁻ ,2 ⁻ ,3 ⁻)	4943.3?					E _γ : this transition connects to a level at 4943 which is considered as improbable by 1983Bi08 in (α,py). Therefore, the evaluators have considered it as questionable as well.
1353.7 5	0.25 10	4562.28	(1,3) ⁻	3207.89	2 ⁺				
1394.7 3	1.5 2	3918.82	2 ⁺	2524.03	2 ⁺				
1432.1 [#] 4	2.0 [#] 2	2892.70	4 ⁺	1460.78	2 ⁺	E2		9.45×10 ⁻⁵ 14	

$\gamma(^{40}\text{Ar})$ (continued)

E_γ [†]	I_γ ^{†c}	$E_i(\text{level})$	J_i^π	E_f	J_f^π	Mult.	δ^b	α^d	Comments
1460.73# 5	100#	1460.78	2 ⁺	0	0 ⁺	E2		1.03×10 ⁻⁴	
1558.7 4	0.60 7	4082.60	3 ⁻	2524.03	2 ⁺	[E1]		3.25×10 ⁻⁴	
1579.9 8	0.4 1	5880.1	1 ⁻	4301.01	(1,3) ⁻				
1589.0# 3	1.2# 2	5269.6	(1 ⁻ ,3 ⁻)	3680.53	3 ⁻				
1746.5# 2	3.3# 3	3207.89	2 ⁺	1460.78	2 ⁺	M1+E2	+0.11 7	1.65×10 ⁻⁴ 3	
1776.9 8	0.020 3	4301.01	(1,3) ⁻	2524.03	2 ⁺	[E1]		4.91×10 ⁻⁴	
1797.8# 2	2.7# 4	3918.82	2 ⁺	2120.82	0 ⁺	[E2]		2.36×10 ⁻⁴	
2050.5 4	1.3 2	3511.18	2 ⁺	1460.78	2 ⁺	M1(+E2)	-0.05 11	2.82×10 ⁻⁴ 5	
2063.0 10	0.5 2	5269.6	(1 ⁻ ,3 ⁻)	3207.89	2 ⁺				
2220.0# 2	8.6# 12	3680.53	3 ⁻	1460.78	2 ⁺	E1(+M2)	-0.07 +5-11	7.97×10 ⁻⁴ 19	
2457.7# 4	5.8# 10	3918.82	2 ⁺	1460.78	2 ⁺	M1+E2		0.00050 5	δ : <-0.3 or>+6 from (p,p'γ).
2524.1# 2	2.5# 3	2524.03	2 ⁺	0	0 ⁺	E2		5.79×10 ⁻⁴	
2621.7# 2	18.1# 16	4082.60	3 ⁻	1460.78	2 ⁺	[E1]		1.04×10 ⁻³	
2840.1# 3	34# 5	4301.01	(1,3) ⁻	1460.78	2 ⁺	[E1]		1.17×10 ⁻³	
3101.7# 4	14.0& 20	4562.28	(1,3) ⁻	1460.78	2 ⁺				
3193.7 10	0.10 5	5717.8		2524.03	2 ⁺				
3208.2 3	0.6 1	3207.89	2 ⁺	0	0 ⁺	[E2]		8.79×10 ⁻⁴	
3356.6 8	0.4 1	5880.1	1 ⁻	2524.03	2 ⁺				
3511.0 5	0.20 8	3511.18	2 ⁺	0	0 ⁺	[E2]		1.00×10 ⁻³	
3704.6 8	1.0 1	5165.7	(2) ⁺	1460.78	2 ⁺				
3759.9 10	0.10 3	5880.1	1 ⁻	2120.82	0 ⁺				
3784.9 6	0.8 1	5905.9	(1 ⁻)	2120.82	0 ⁺				
3918.6# 2	4.8# 5	3918.82	2 ⁺	0	0 ⁺	E2		1.15×10 ⁻³	
3941.7@f 2	0.20 5	3941.91?		0	0 ⁺				
4082.1 8	0.30 6	4082.60	3 ⁻	0	0 ⁺	[E3]		9.21×10 ⁻⁴	
4147.7 10	1.1 1	5609.4	(1,2,3)	1460.78	2 ⁺				
4178.7@f 3	0.30 7	4178.9?		0	0 ⁺				
4324.2 3	0.20 5	4324.5	2 ⁺	0	0 ⁺	[E2]		1.29×10 ⁻³	
4357.6@f 3	0.50 7	4359.5?		0	0 ⁺				
4480.7@f 3	0.30 7	4481.0?	1 ⁻	0	0 ⁺	D			
4580.1@f 5	0.10 4	4582.0?	(3 ⁻)	0	0 ⁺	[E3]		1.07×10 ⁻³	
4737.5@f 4	0.5 1	4737.8?		0	0 ⁺				
4768.7 3	0.6 1	4769.0	1 ⁻	0	0 ⁺				
5165.5 10	0.10 5	5165.7	(2) ⁺	0	0 ⁺				
5309.6f 10	0.2 1	5310.0?	(2 ⁺)	0	0 ⁺				
5400.1 8	0.20 8	5400.5	1 ⁻	0	0 ⁺				
5629.0f 10	0.10 5	5629.4?		0	0 ⁺				
5879.6# 12	5.0# 4	5880.1	1 ⁻	0	0 ⁺				

⁴⁰Cl β⁻ decay (1.35 min) [1972Kl06](#),[1970Ke12](#) (continued)

γ(⁴⁰Ar) (continued)

<u>E_γ[†]</u>	<u>I_γ^{†c}</u>	<u>E_i(level)</u>	<u>J_i^π</u>	<u>E_f</u>	<u>J_f^π</u>
5950.0 ¹⁰	0.05 ³	5950.5	(1,2)	0	0 ⁺
6053.1 ⁸	0.40 ⁶	6053.6	1 ⁽⁻⁾	0	0 ⁺
6133.2 ^{‡f}	≈0.05 ^a	6133.5?		0	0 ⁺
6208.0 ⁸	0.05 ³	6208.5	(1,2)	0	0 ⁺
6338.2 [#] ¹¹	0.32 [#] ⁹	6338.7	1 ⁽⁻⁾	0	0 ⁺
6475.5 ⁸	0.20 ³	6476.1	1 ⁽⁻⁾	0	0 ⁺

[†] From [1972Kl06](#), unless otherwise noted.

[‡] From [1981HuZT](#) only, intensity is not available.

[#] Weighted average from [1972Kl06](#) and [1970Ke12](#).

@ Placement questioned by [1983Bi08](#) based on their (α,pγ) study.

& From [1972Kl06](#), obtained in indirect method. Other: 5 ³ in [1970Ke12](#).

^a From β feeding quoted by [1981HuZT](#).

^b If No value given it was assumed δ=1.00 for E2/M1, δ=1.00 for E3/M2 and δ=0.10 for the other multipolarities.

^c For absolute intensity per 100 decays, multiply by 0.81 ⁴.

^d Total theoretical internal conversion coefficients, calculated using the BrIcc code ([2008Ki07](#)) with Frozen orbital approximation based on γ-ray energies, assigned multipolarities, and mixing ratios, unless otherwise specified.

^e Multiply placed with undivided intensity.

^f Placement of transition in the level scheme is uncertain.

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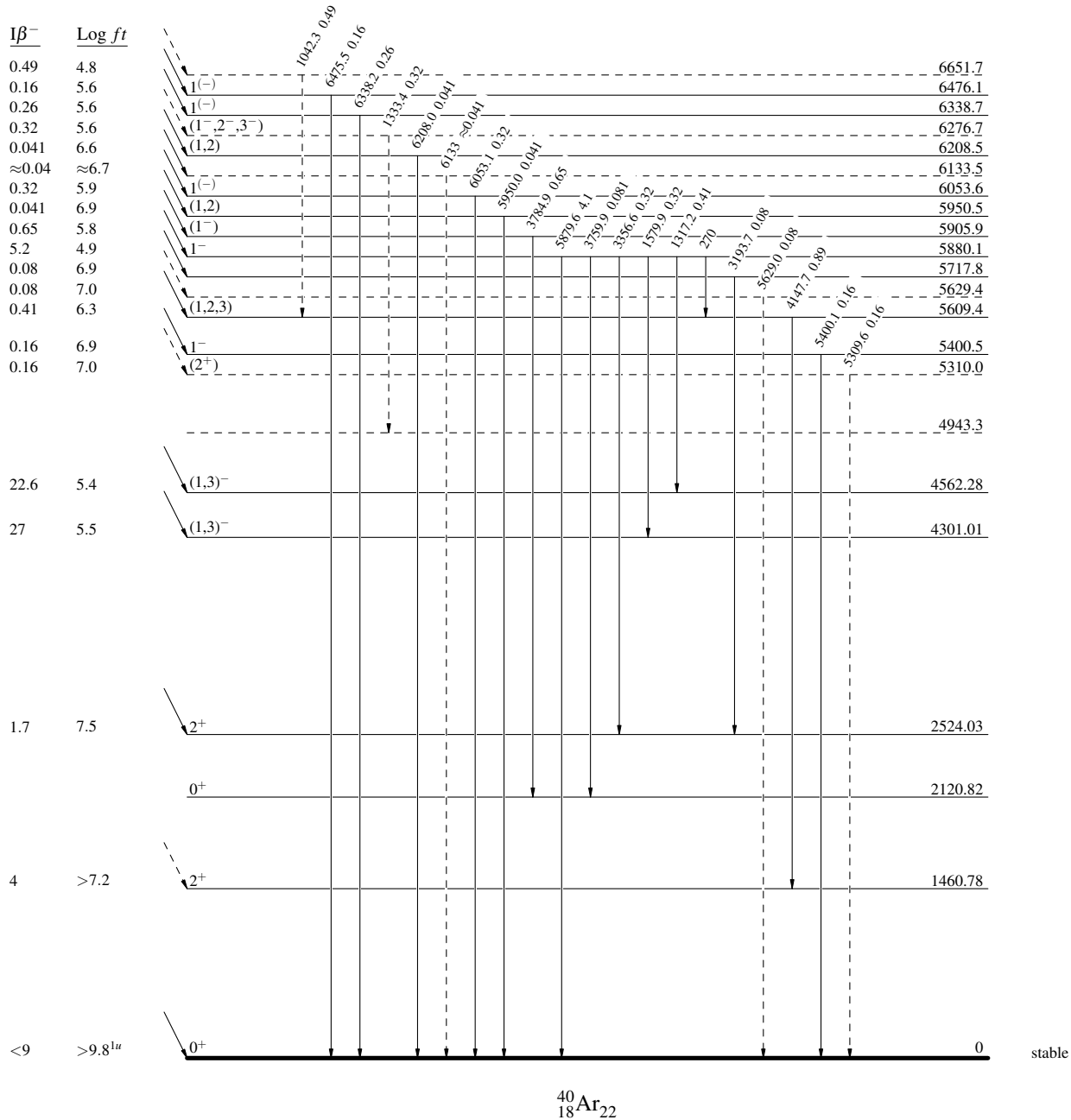
Decay Scheme

Intensities: I_γ per 100 parent decays

Legend

- \longrightarrow $I_\gamma < 2\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
 \longrightarrow $I_\gamma < 10\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
 \longrightarrow $I_\gamma > 10\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
 \cdots γ Decay (Uncertain)

2^- 0 1.35 min 2
 $Q_{\beta^-} = 7482.32$ $\% \beta^- = 100$
 $^{40}_{17}\text{Cl}_{23}$



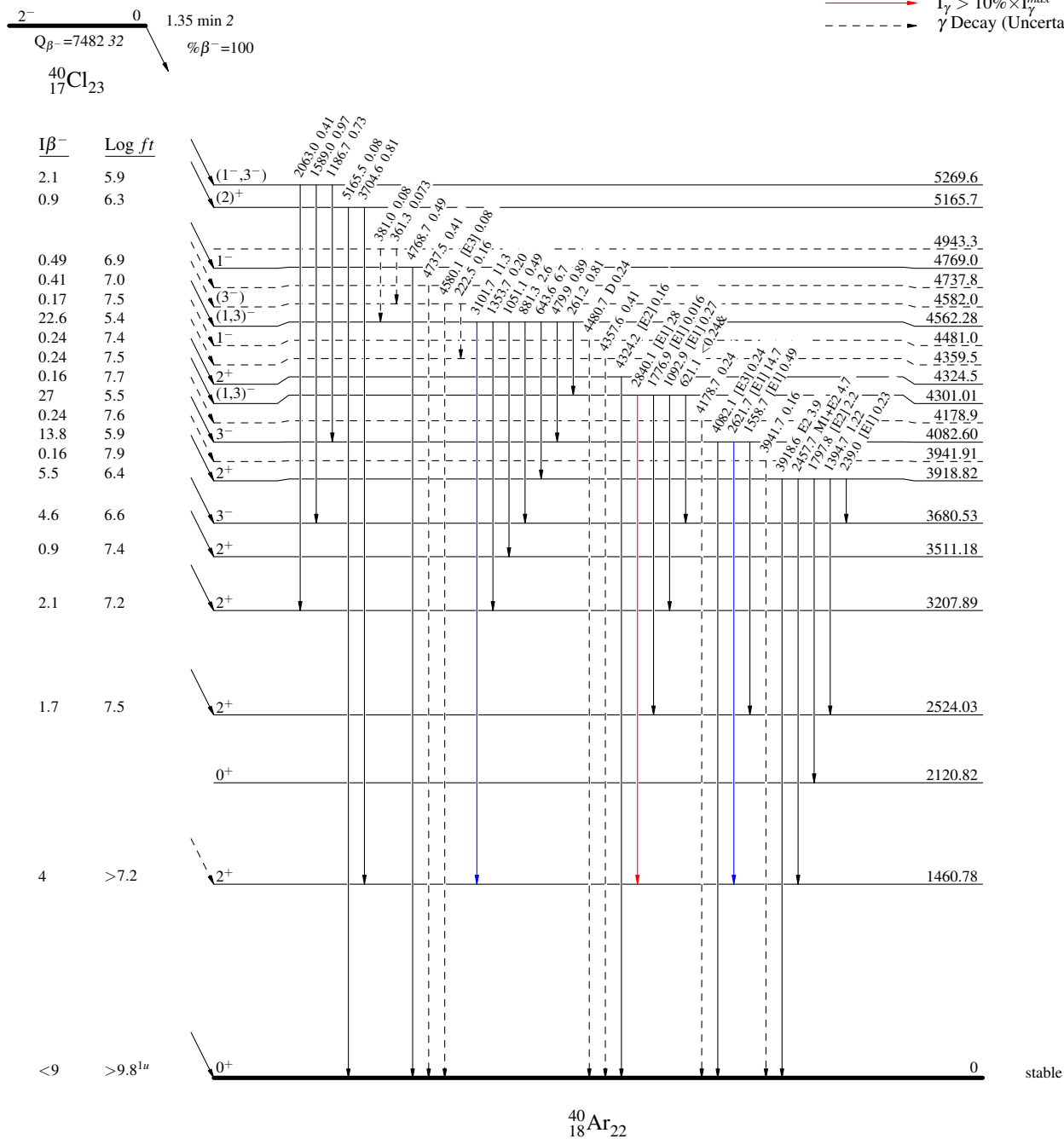
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Decay Scheme (continued)

Intensities: I_γ per 100 parent decays
& Multiply placed: undivided intensity given

Legend

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 \longrightarrow $I_\gamma < 10\% \times I_\gamma^{\max}$
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