

- 8 (a)** State what is meant by the *binding energy* of a nucleus.

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- (b)** Show that the energy equivalence of 1.0 u is 930 MeV.

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- (c)** Data for the masses of some particles and nuclei are given in Fig. 8.1.

	mass/u
proton	1.0073
neutron	1.0087
deuterium (^2_1H)	2.0141
zirconium ($^{97}_{40}\text{Zr}$)	97.0980

Fig. 8.1

Use data from Fig. 8.1 and information from (b) to determine, in MeV,

- (i)** the binding energy of deuterium,

binding energy = MeV [2]

(ii) the binding energy **per nucleon** of zirconium.

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binding energy per nucleon = MeV [3]