

## Investigation of the medium-spin level structure of $^{78}\text{Se}$ with alpha beam

The excited states of  $^{78}\text{Se}$  have been investigated using alpha beam through the  $^{76}\text{Ge}(\alpha, 2n)$  fusion evaporation reaction. The 30 MeV alpha beam was delivered by the K-130 Cyclotron at VECC, Kolkata. The target was prepared through centrifuge process of enriched metallic  $^{76}\text{Ge}$  powder on mylar backing. The target used in this experiment was 2mg/cm<sup>2</sup> thick and two such targets staged together to increase the yield of the residual nuclei. The excited gamma rays emitted from the residual nuclei were detected by Indian National Gamma Array (INGA) at the Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre (VECC), Kolkata, India. The INGA array used in this experiment composed of seven Compton-suppressed HPGe Clover detectors and one Low Energy Photon Spectrometer (LEPS). Four Clover detectors were placed at 90°, two at 125°, and one Clover and the LEPS at 40° relative to the beam axis. The  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  symmetric and asymmetric matrices were sorted using the code "IUCPIX". DCO matrix have used to assigned the multipolarity of the gamma transitions and it's constructed by sorting the data from 90° detectors and 125° detectors along x and y axes correspondingly. Few newly observed transitions have been placed based on the coincidence relationship and intensity measurement in the decay scheme. The ongoing analysis of the data help us to extend the level scheme up to  $E_x \sim 6.5$  MeV and  $J \sim 15\hbar$ . The spins and parities of the excited levels have been assigned based on the results from the DCO and polarization measurements. Detail analysis of the in-beam data is in progress to understand the complex coupling mechanism between the octupole correlations and the gamma modes of vibration.

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