

## Isovector-E2 strength of the scissors mode of $^{152}\text{Sm}$

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The nucleus  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  is well known to be located at the  $N = 90$  quantum shape-phase transition (QSPT) boundary. Since the scissors mode (SM) is a collective, isovector excitation, its decay characteristics depend on the proton-neutron residual interactions and are sensitive to the QSPT. The SM is known for its large  $M1$ -excitation strength, however, data on isovector  $E2$  properties are sparse [1]. The SM of  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  was investigated in a nuclear resonance fluorescence experiment performed at the High-Intensity  $\gamma$ -Ray Source with a quasi-monoenergetic, polarized photon beam with an energy of 2.99(5) MeV. Emitted photons were detected by four high-purity germanium detectors positioned at angles sensitive to the multipolarities of the decay radiation of  $1^\pi$  states. The isovector  $E2$  transition of the SM of  $^{152}\text{Sm}$  to the first  $2^+$  state has been deduced from the  $E2/M1$  multipole mixing ratio of the  $1_{sc}^+ \rightarrow 2_1^+$  transition and its previously known transition rate. Experimental results are compared to predictions of the interacting boson model 2, yielding local values for proton and neutron effective quadrupole boson charges [2].

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