

Figure 1.3: Schematic illustration of the evolution of structure from a near closed shell to a deformed midshell and then again to a near closed shell [23].

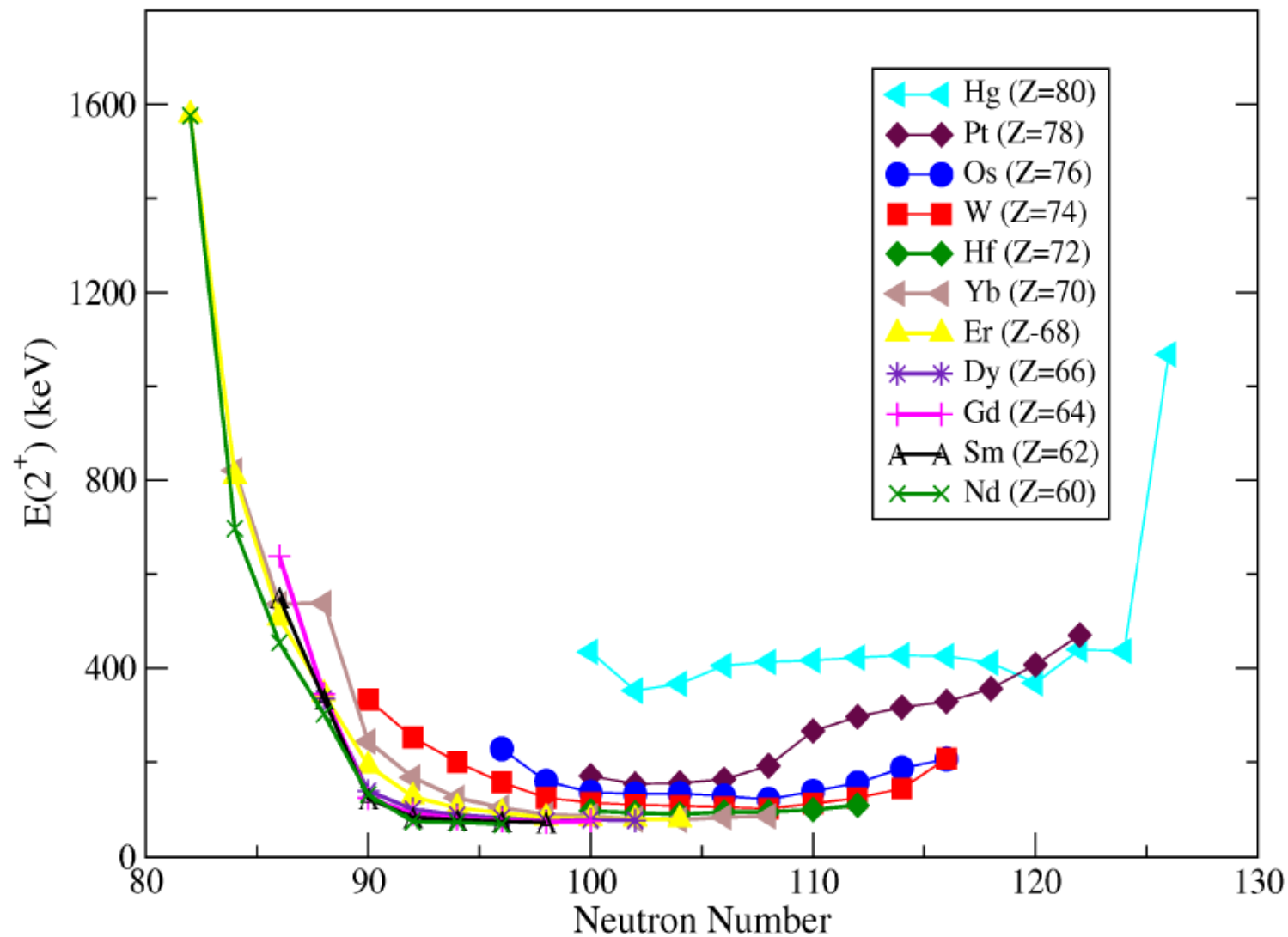


Figure 1.4: The energy of the first excited state, $E(2^+)$, versus the atomic mass number ($A \sim 150-206$) for even-even nuclei between Nd and Hg. These data are taken from reference [3].

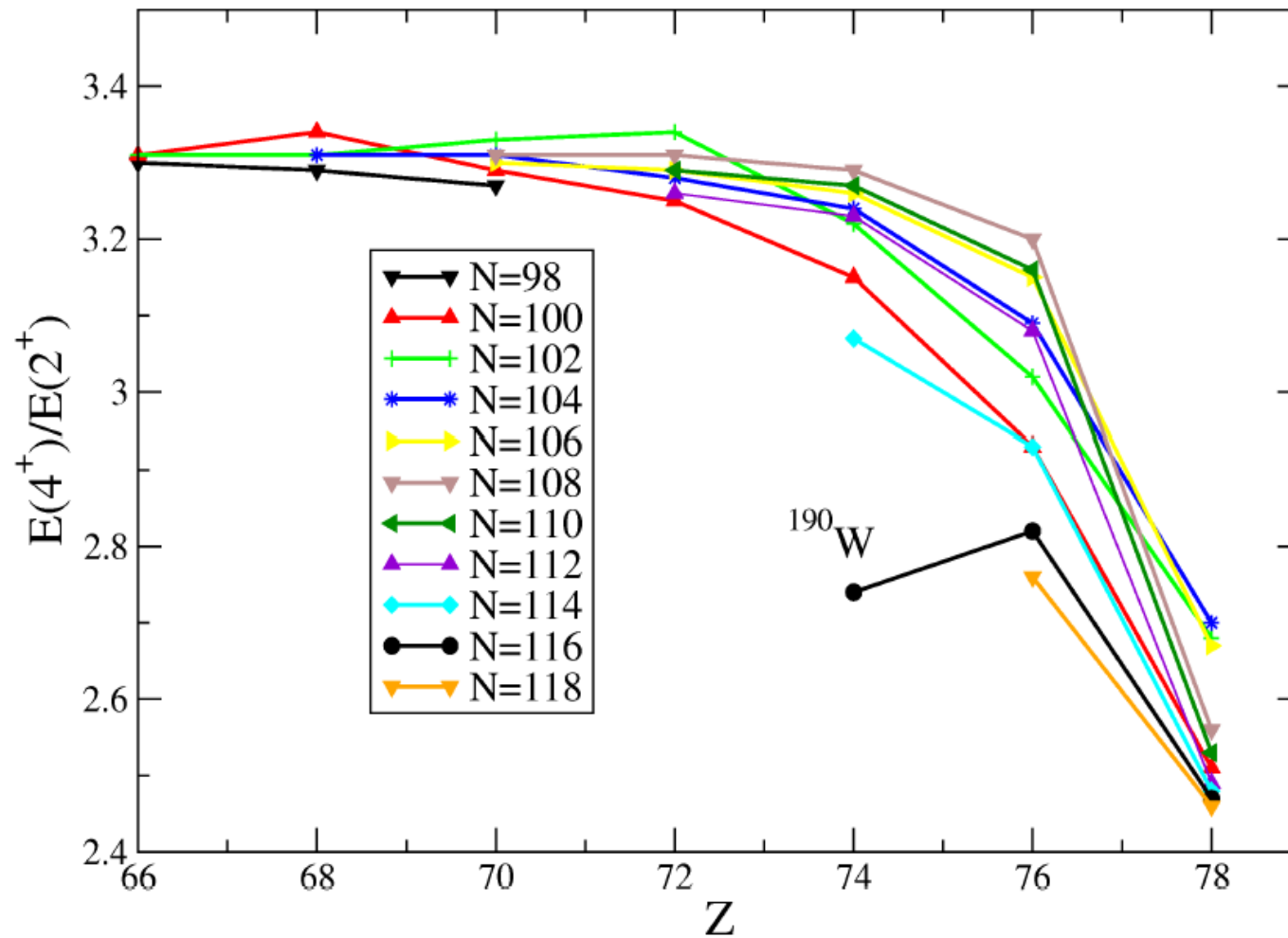
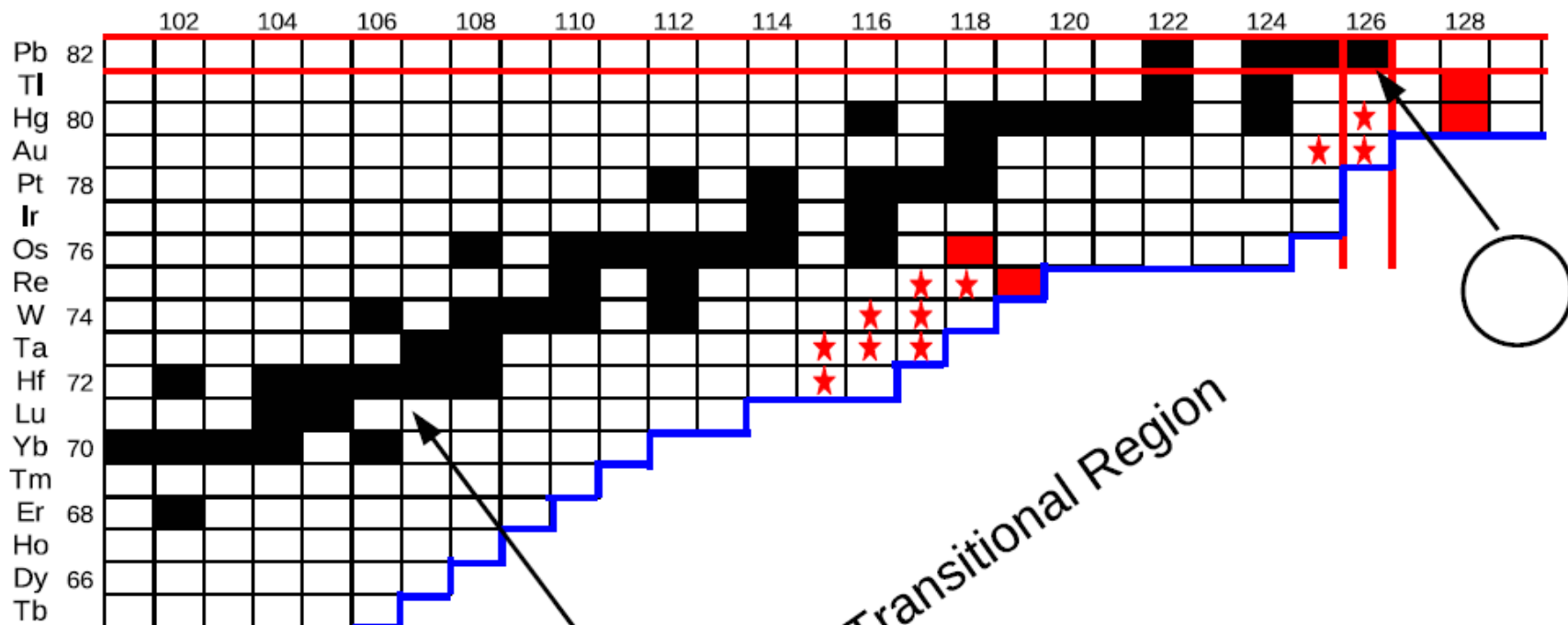


Figure 1.6: The R(4/2) ratio for the even-even as a function of Z for $N=98$ up to $N=118$. The discontinuity associated with the ^{190}W data point is notable in this figure.



■ Stable isotope

— Magic nuclei

★ Isomer observed in the present Work

— Limit of known nuclei

■ Nuclei studied in thesis

Transitional Region

β^- -delayed spectroscopy of neutron-rich tantalum nuclei: Shape evolution in neutron-rich tungsten isotopes

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Beta Decay Studies of Heavy Neutron-Rich Nuclei Around $A=190$

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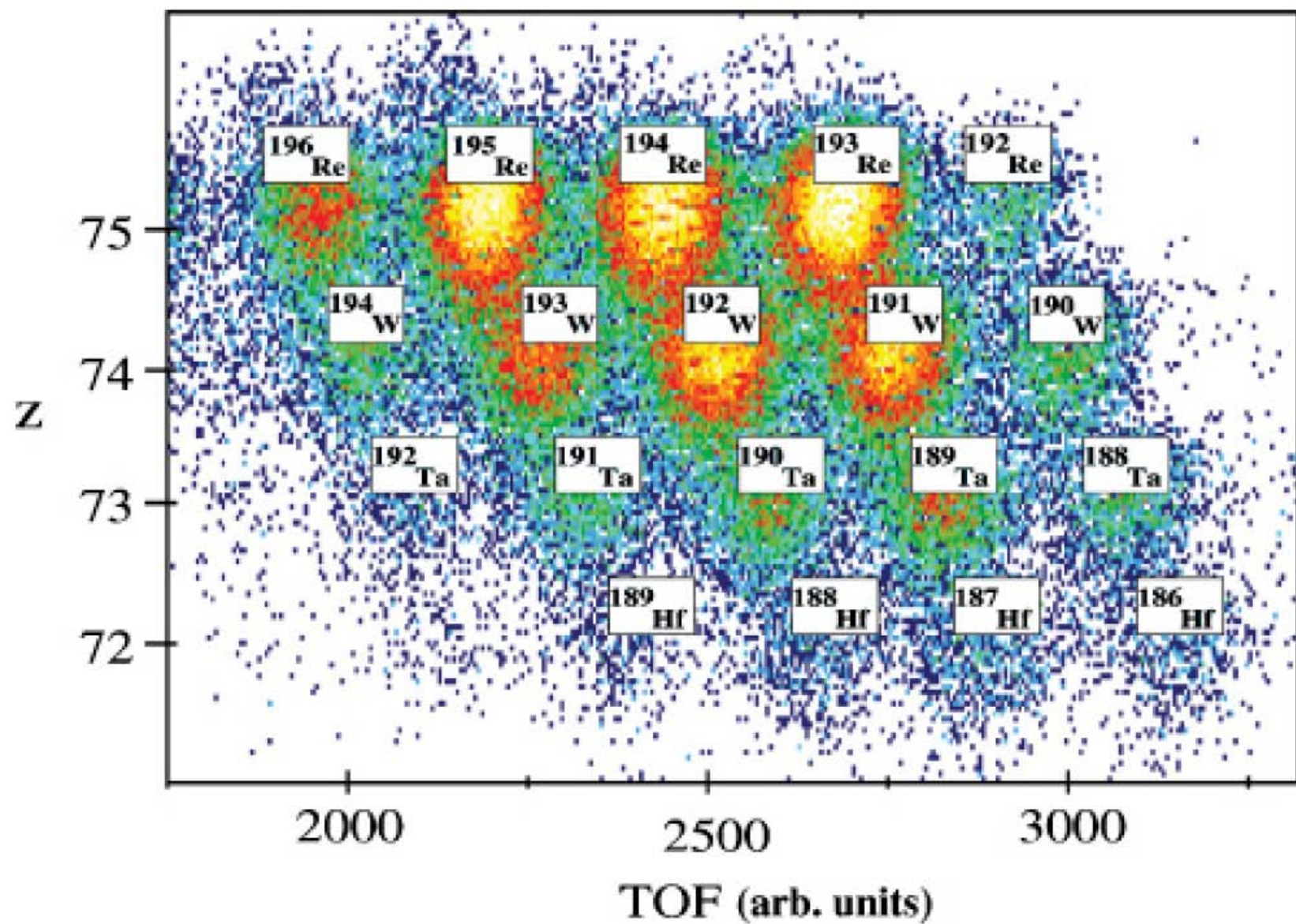


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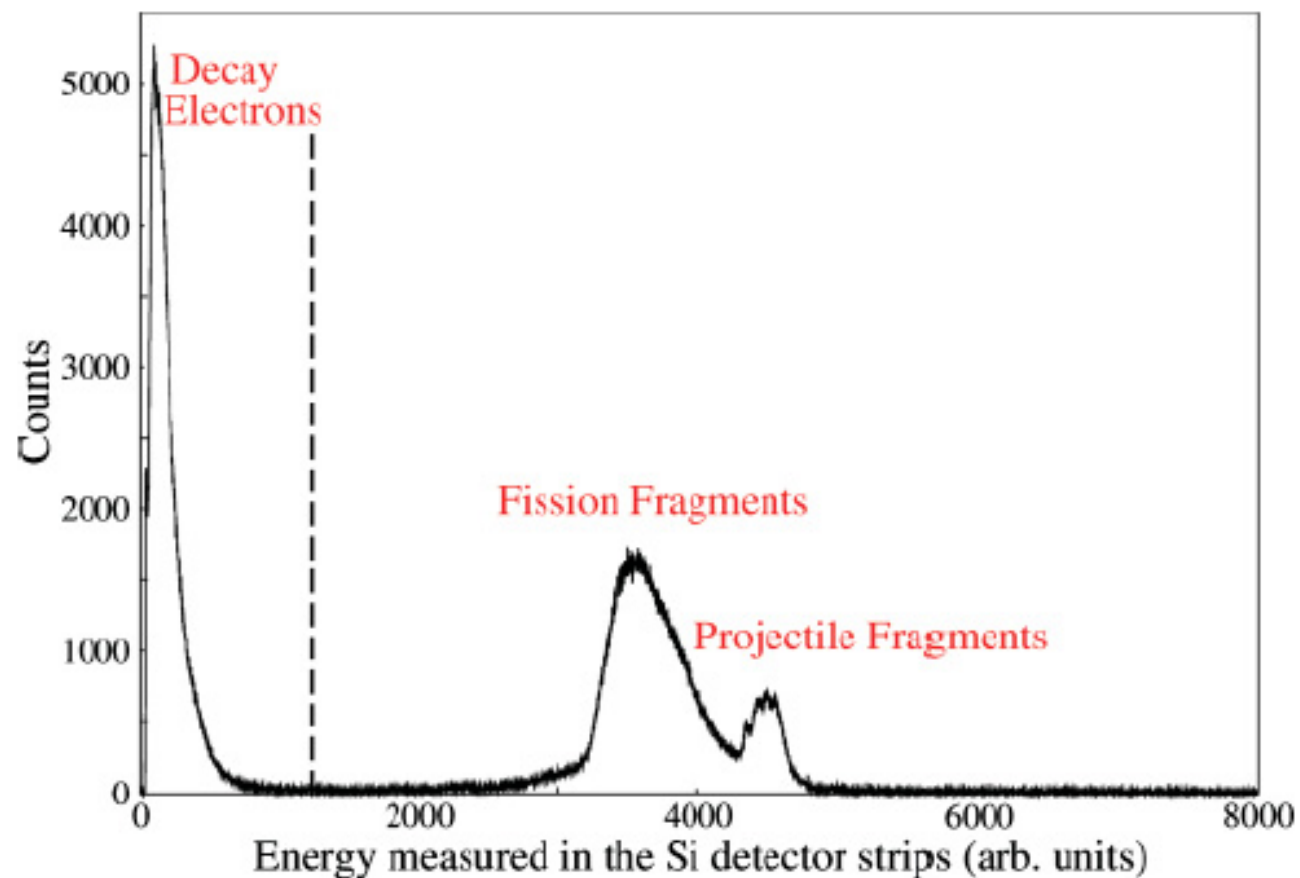


FIG. 6. (Color online) Total energy implanted by the nuclei within the silicon active stopper detector for the ^{190}Ta and ^{192}Ta settings. The double-peaked structure represents the energy deposited from both the direct implantations and for fission fragments, which are also transmitted through the FRS and pass through the active stopper. The deposited energies of β particles is shown on the left-hand side of the figure.

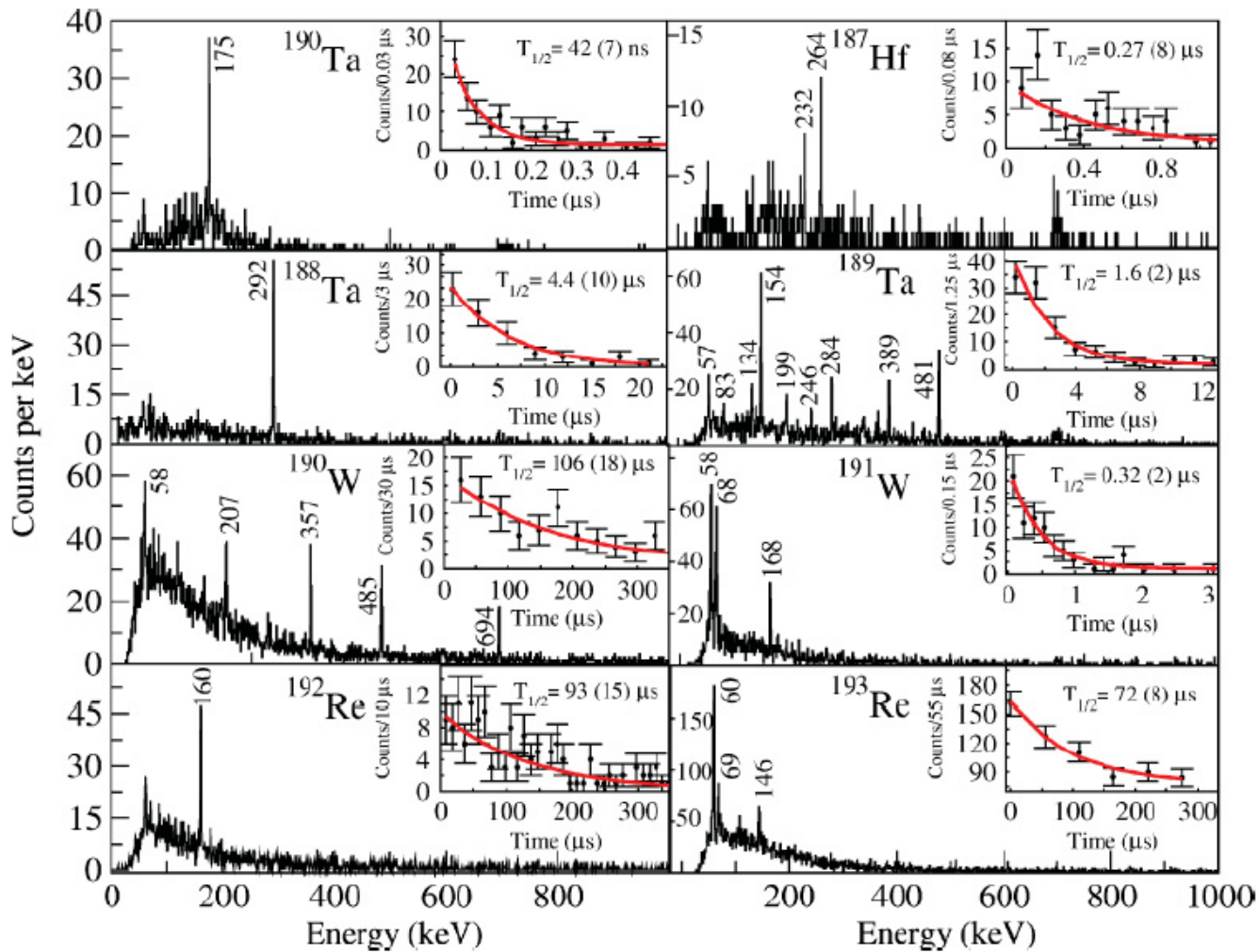
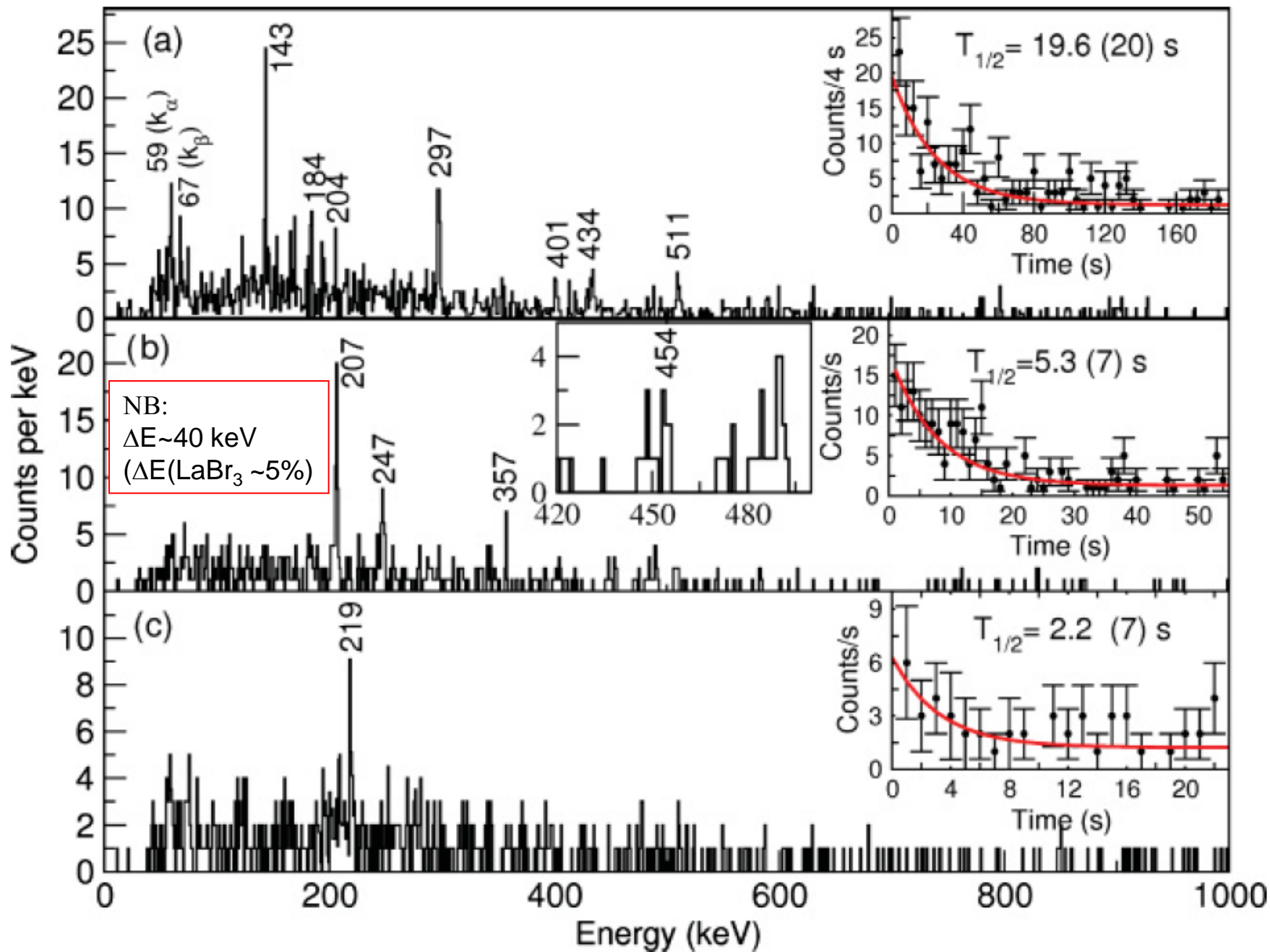


FIG. 4. (Color online) γ -ray energy and decay-time spectra of delayed events associated with isomeric states identified in $^{188,189,190}\text{Ta}$ ($\Delta t = 0.2 \rightarrow 22$, $0.2 \rightarrow 12$, and $0.03 \rightarrow 0.55 \mu\text{s}$, respectively), $^{190,191}\text{W}$ ($\Delta t = 2 \rightarrow 395$ and $0.08 \rightarrow 3 \mu\text{s}$, respectively), $^{192,193}\text{Re}$ ($\Delta t = 3 \rightarrow 350$ and $2 \rightarrow 350 \mu\text{s}$, respectively), and ^{187}Hf ($\Delta t = 0.08 \rightarrow 1.1 \mu\text{s}$).

Note for fast-timing array, expected $\Delta E \sim 5\%$ (~ 10 keV at 500 keV; 20 keV at 1 MeV)
 What about P:T though (need to continue to simulate using known cases...)



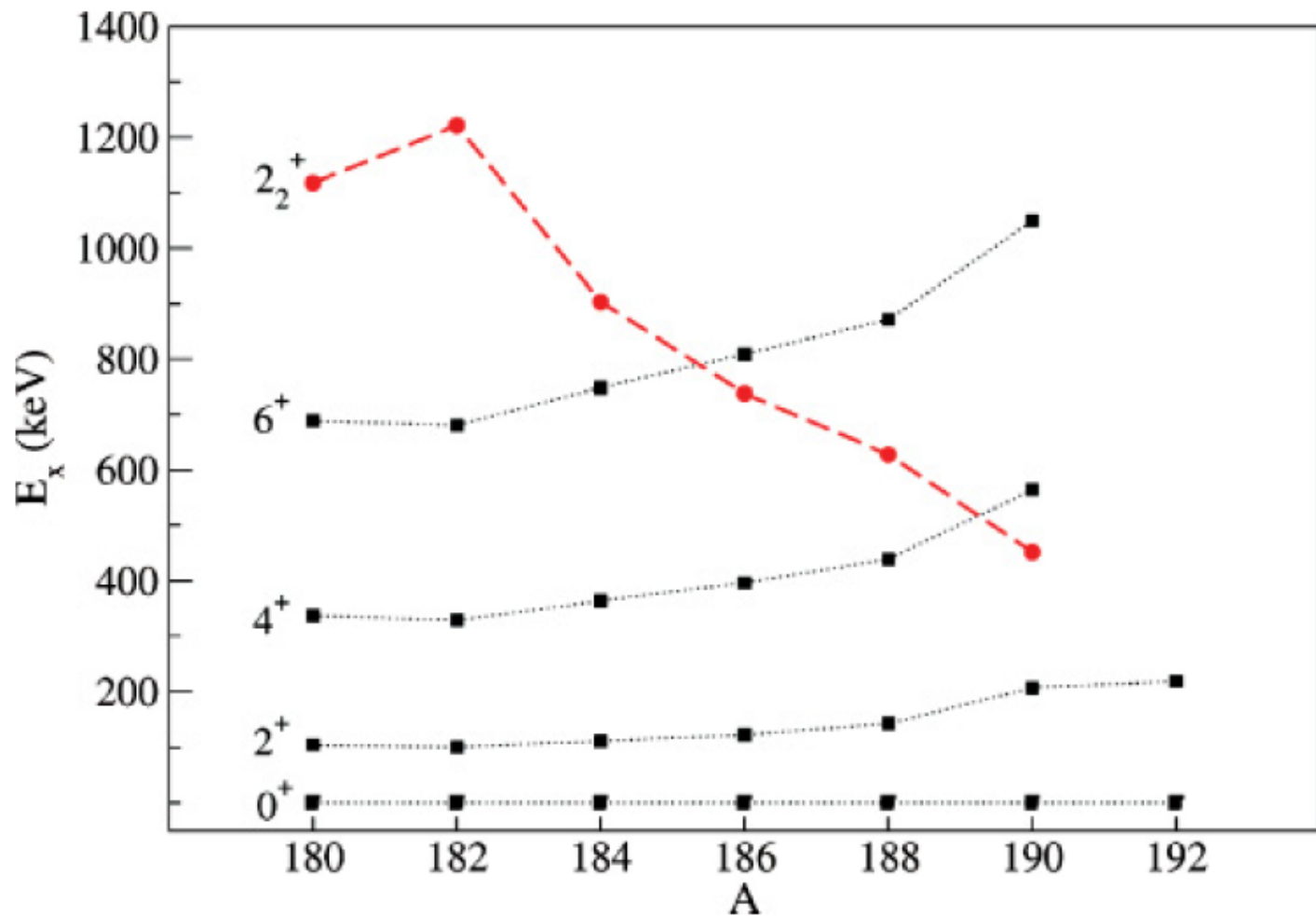


FIG. 9. (Color online) Systematic behavior of the low-lying states of even- A tungsten isotopes with $A = 180 \rightarrow 192$. The dashed lines correspond to the second $I^\pi = 2^+$ states. The data are taken from Ref. [51] and the current work.

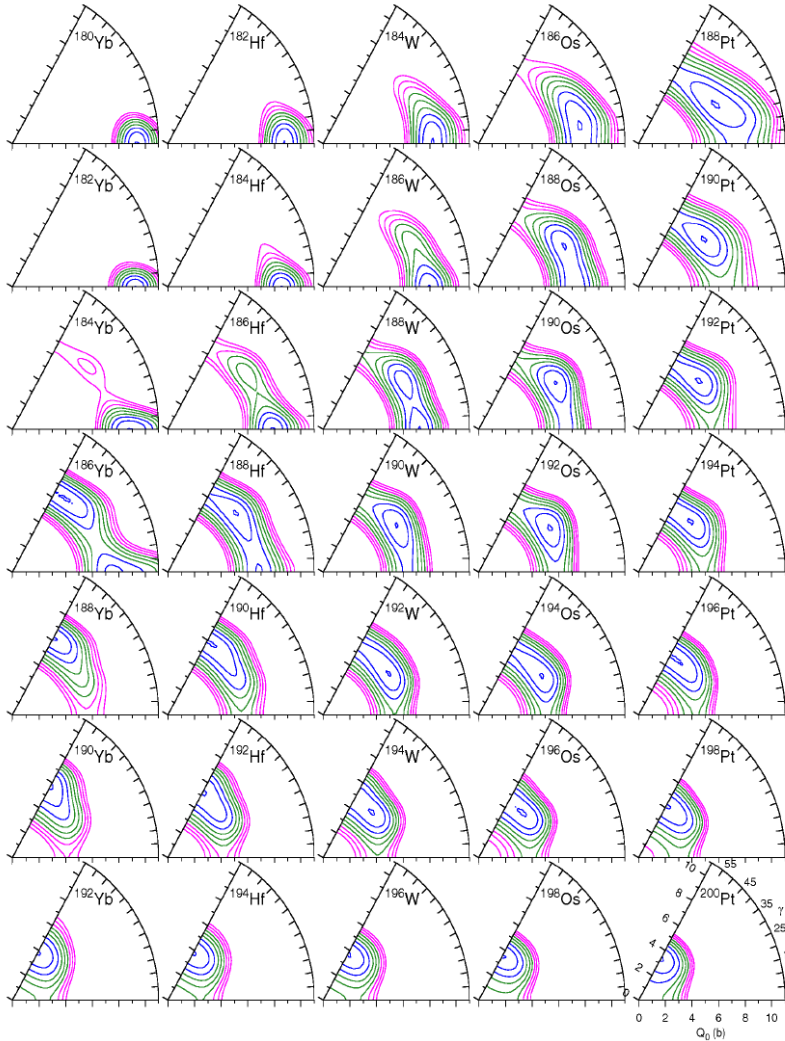


Figure 1.8: β (in term of axial quadrupole moment)- γ contour planes for Yb, Hf, W, Os and Pt nuclei ranging from $N=110$ for the top row up to $N=122$ for the bottom row, performed by Robledo *et al.*, and taken from reference [34].

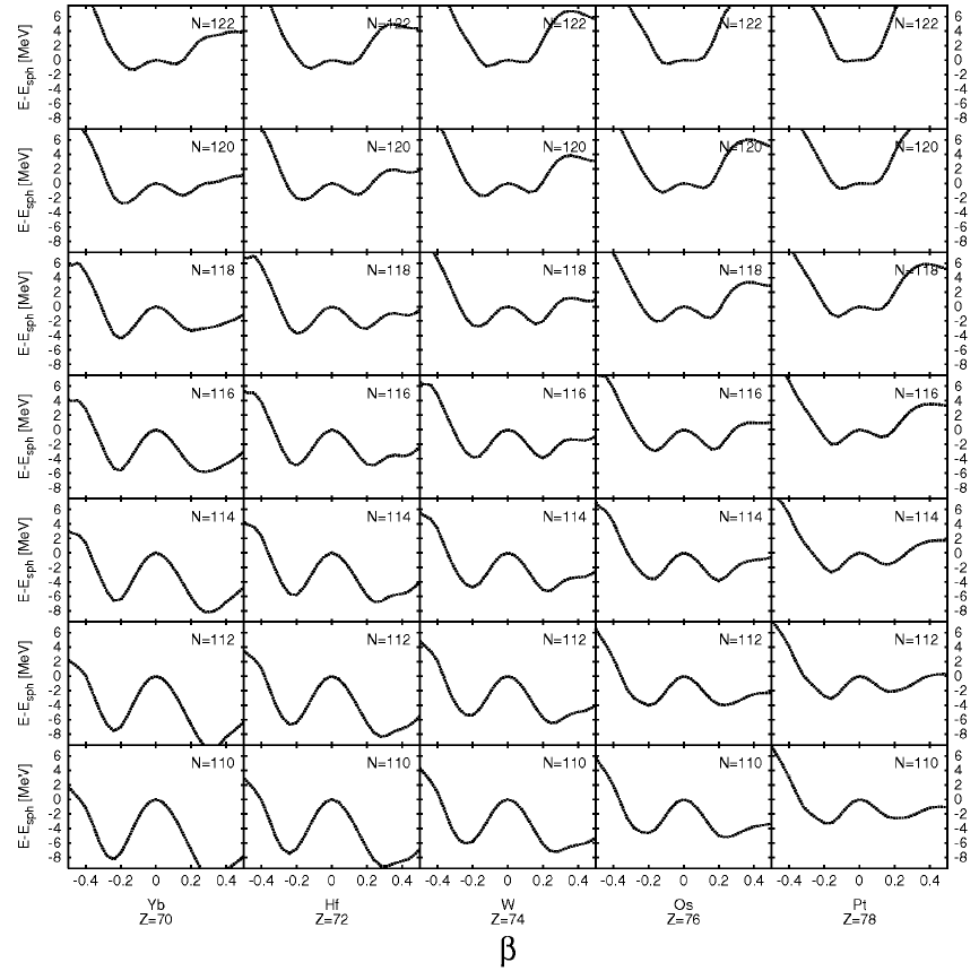


Figure 1.7: Potential energy as a function of quadrupole deformation from axially symmetric Hartree-Fock calculations for Yb, Hf, W, Os and Pt nuclei with neutron number between $N=110$ and 122 , performed by Stevenson *et al.*, and taken from reference [33].

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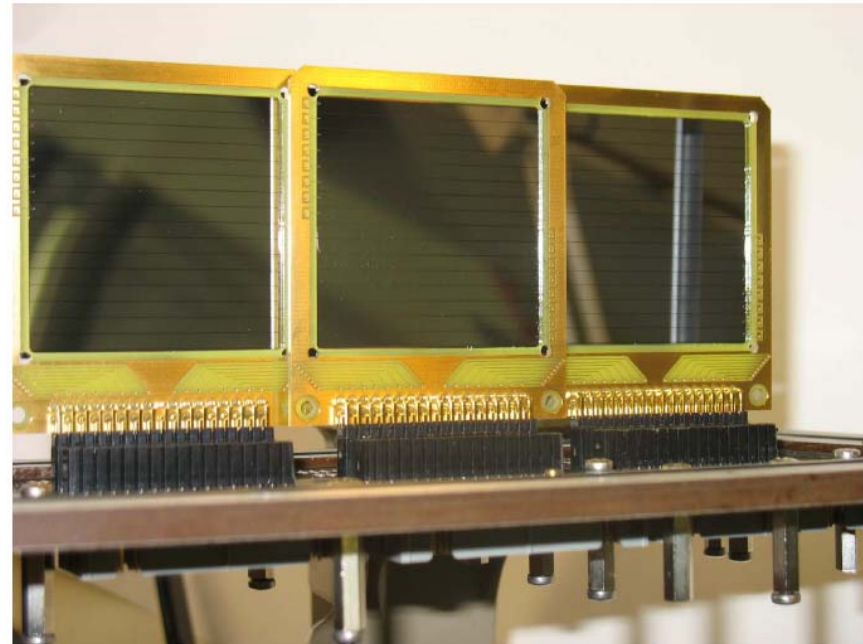
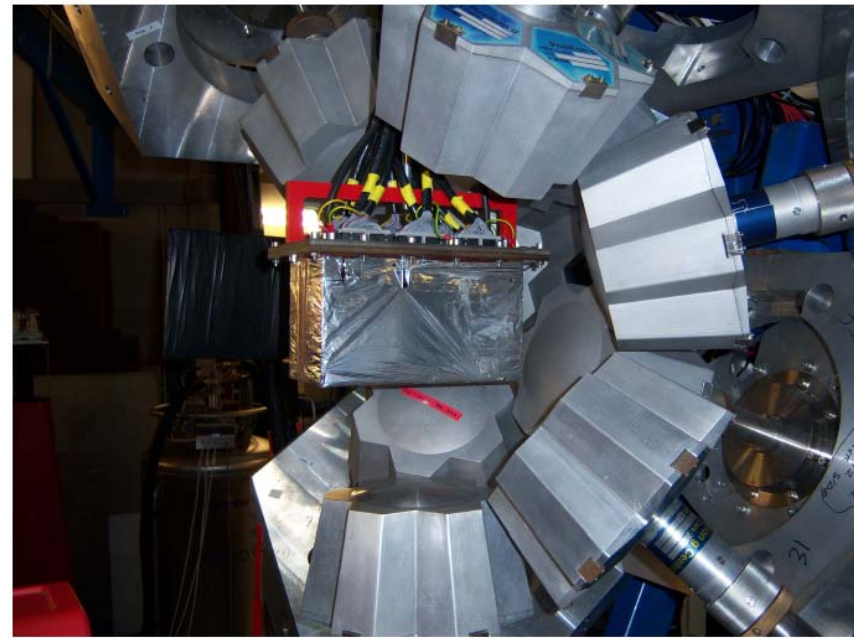
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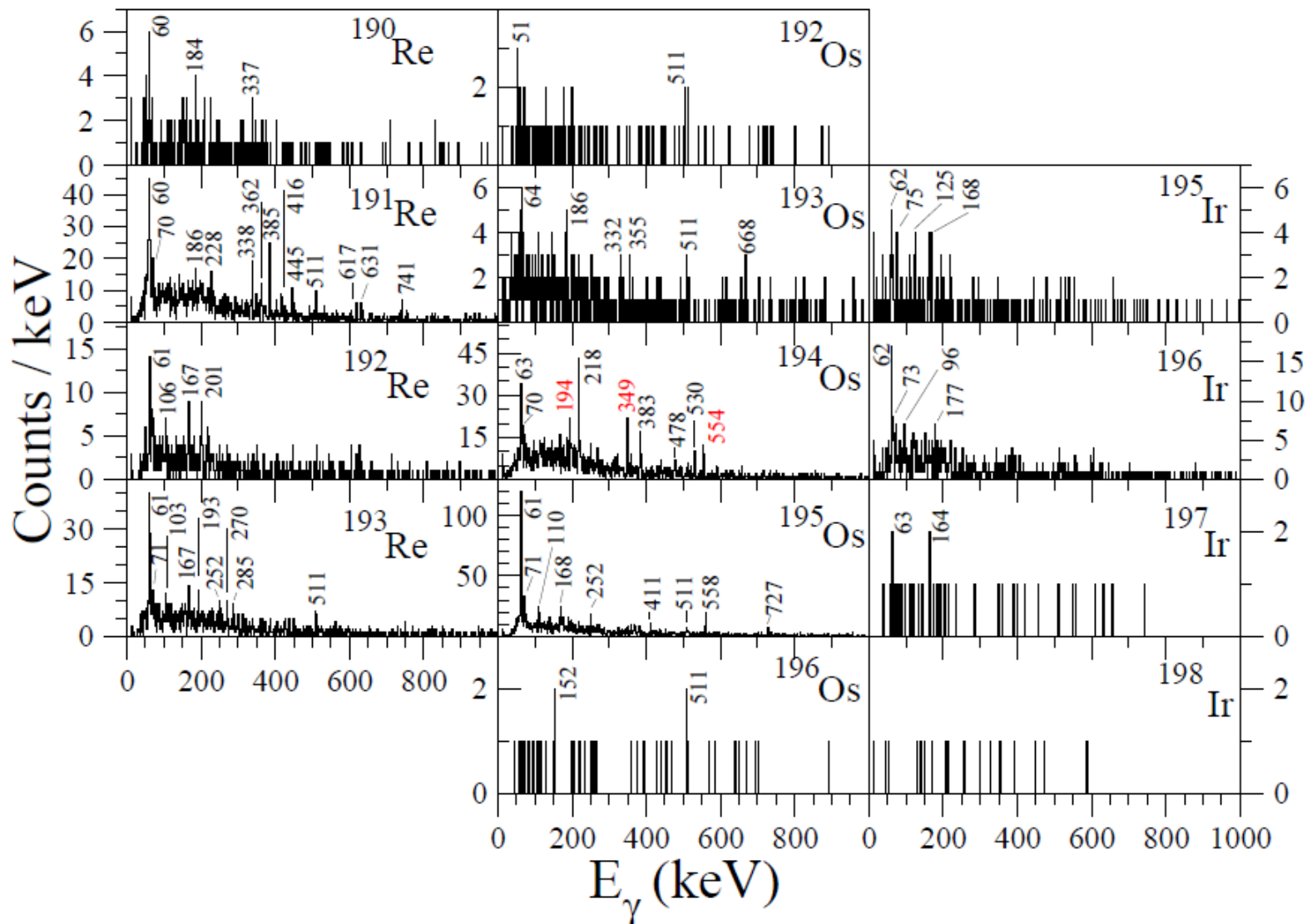


Figure 4.23: β -delayed γ -ray spectra of the Rhenium, Osmium and Iridium isotopes daughter for correlation times $\Delta t(\text{implant} - \beta) = 120$ s from the current work.

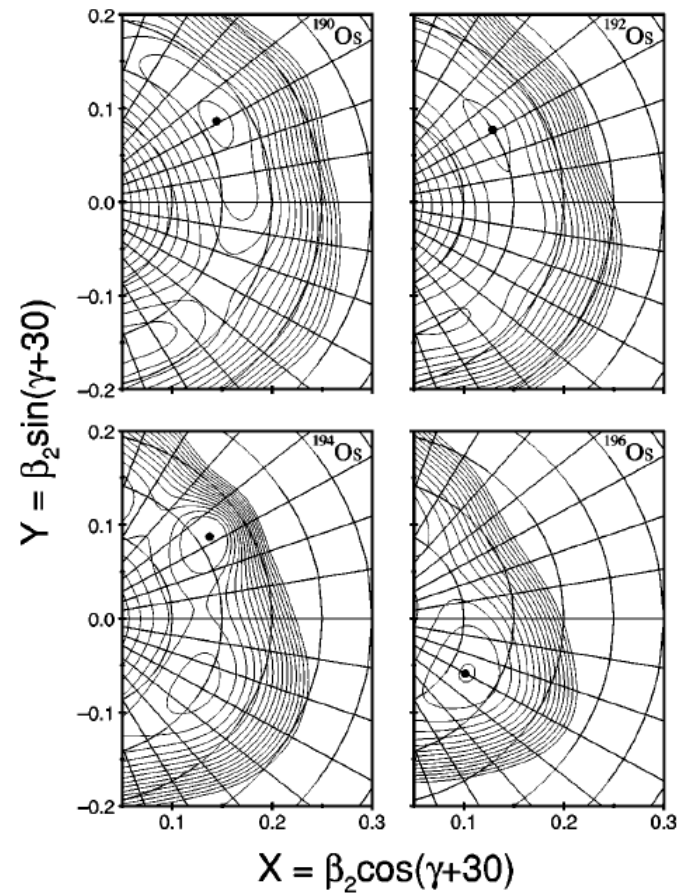
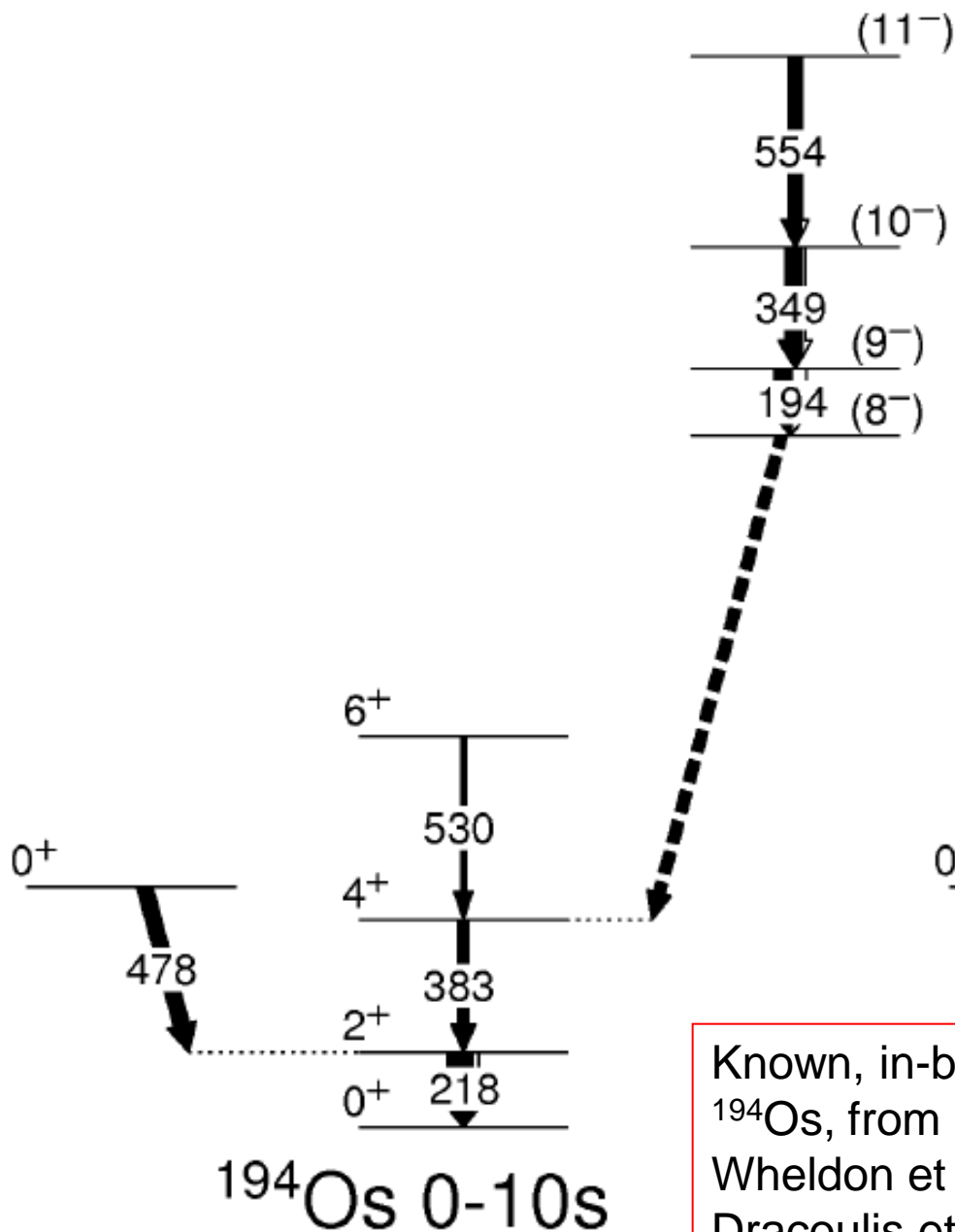


FIG. 6. Total Routhian surface calculations for the ground states of (a): ^{190}Os with $|\beta_2|=0.17$ and $\gamma \leq 2^\circ$; (b): ^{192}Os with $|\beta_2|=0.15$ and $\gamma \leq 2^\circ$; (c): ^{194}Os with $|\beta_2|=0.16$ and $\gamma \leq 2^\circ$; (d): ^{196}Os with $|\beta_2|=0.12$ and $\gamma = -60^\circ$. The contour lines represent energy increments of 200 keV.

Known, in-beam decay scheme for ^{194}Os , from e.g.,
 Wheldon et al., Phys. Rev. C63 (1997) 011304(R)
 Dracoulis et al., (private communication)

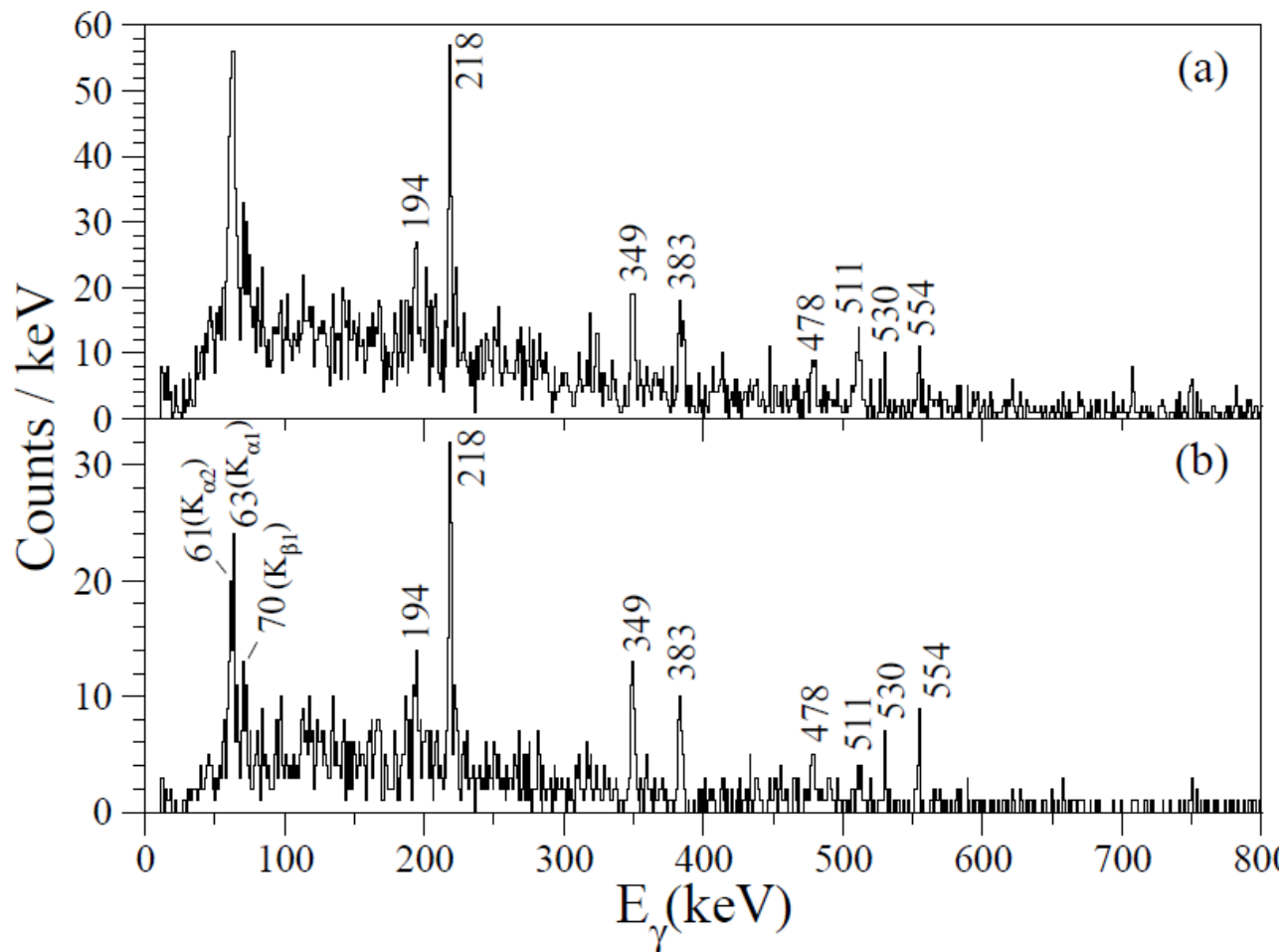


Figure 4.15: β -delayed γ -ray spectrum showing decays from excited states in ^{194}Os . The correlation time range was $\Delta t = (0 - 50)$ s show these data the difference of applying only the correlation between the implantations and decays in the same pixel (lower panel (a)) and implantations and decays in the same pixel plus decays in the 8 neighbouring pixel upper panel.

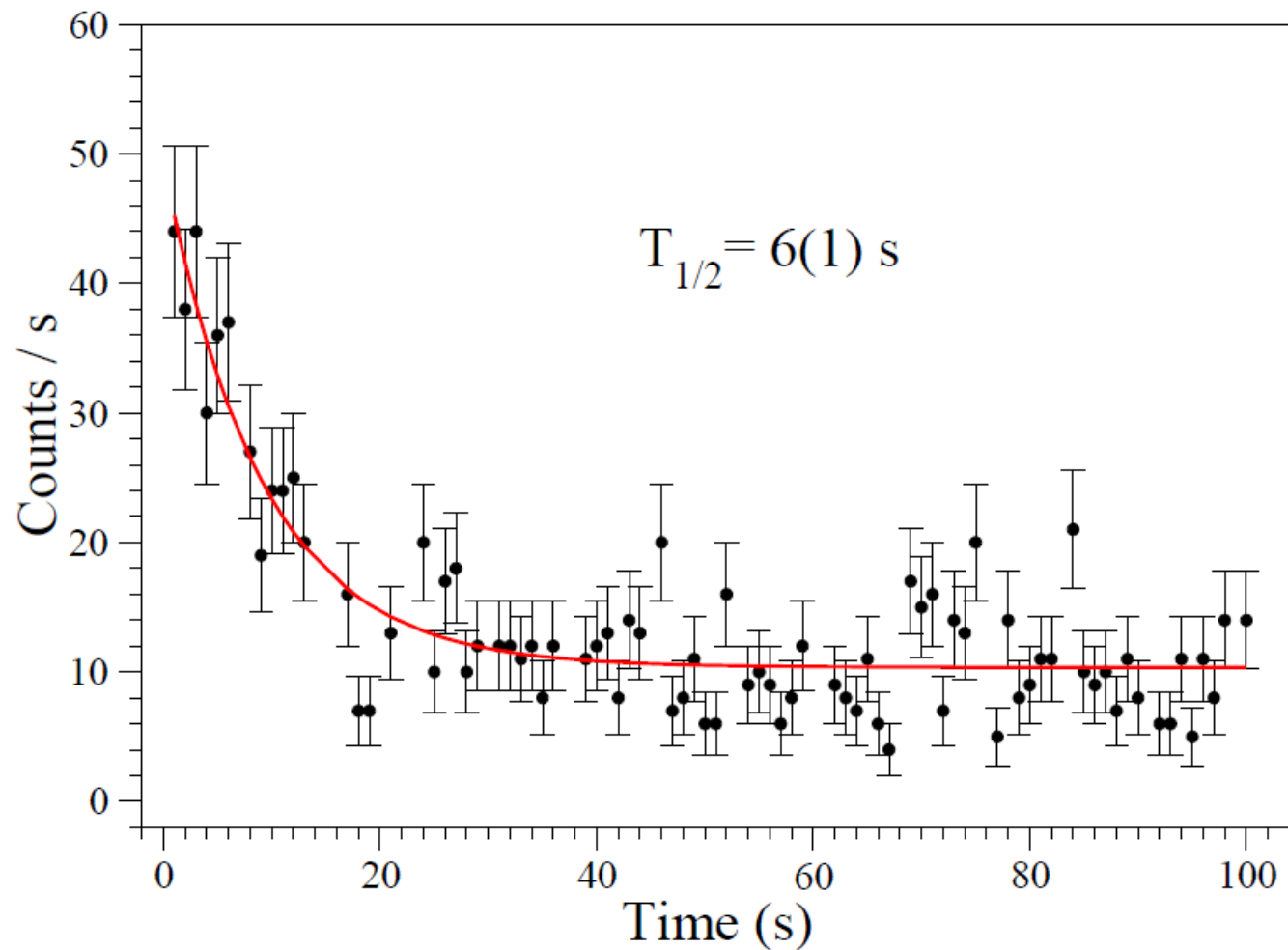


Figure 4.24: Decay time curve for ^{194}Re obtained from the time differences between the implanted ions in the active stopper and their subsequent correlated β particles in the same pixel for fully stripped ions from the summed data.

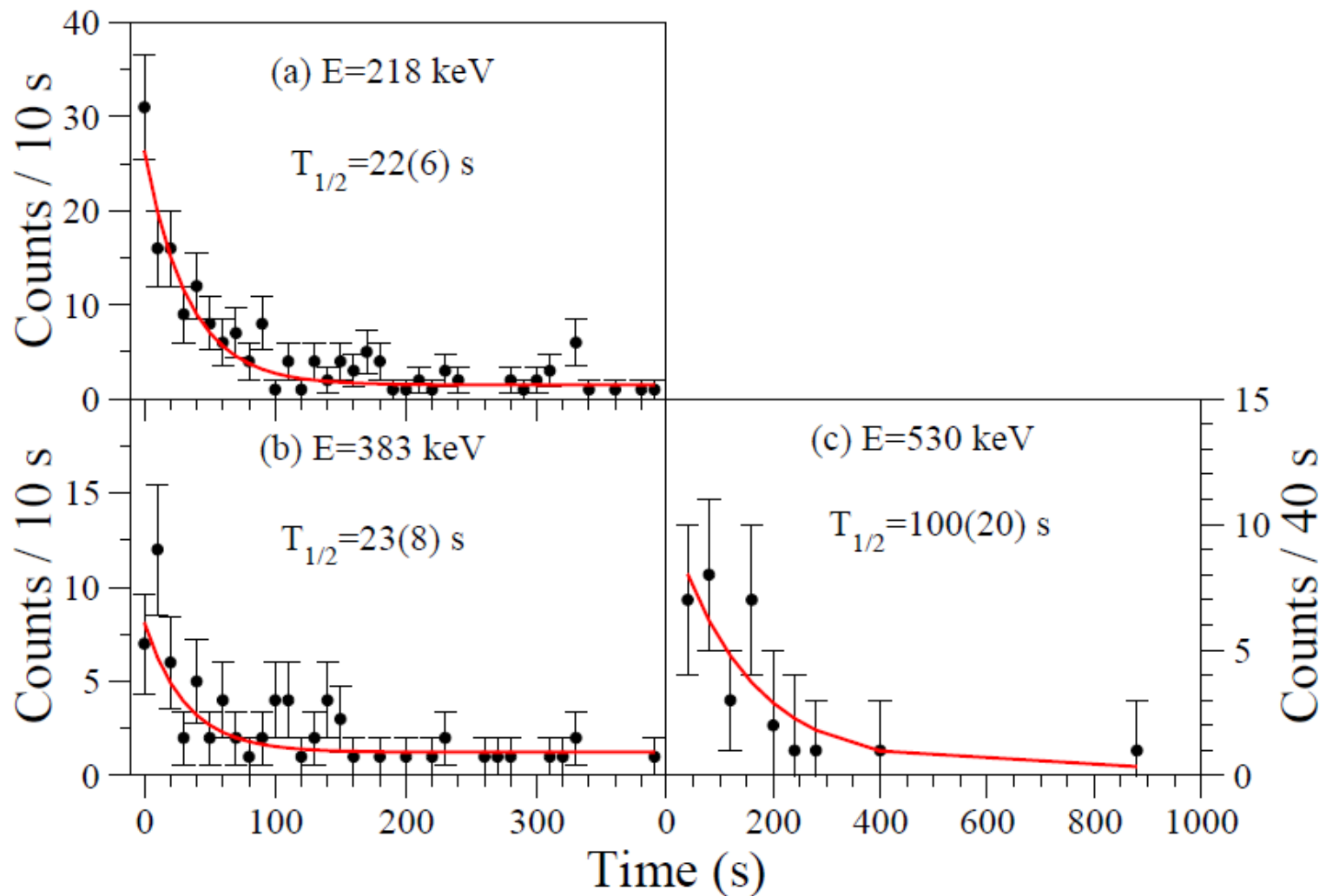


Figure 4.25: β -delayed γ -ray gated time spectrum for previously reported transitions 218, 383 and 530 keV associated with ^{194}Os for different correlation times Δt ($implant - \beta$) = 0 \rightarrow 1000 s from the current work.

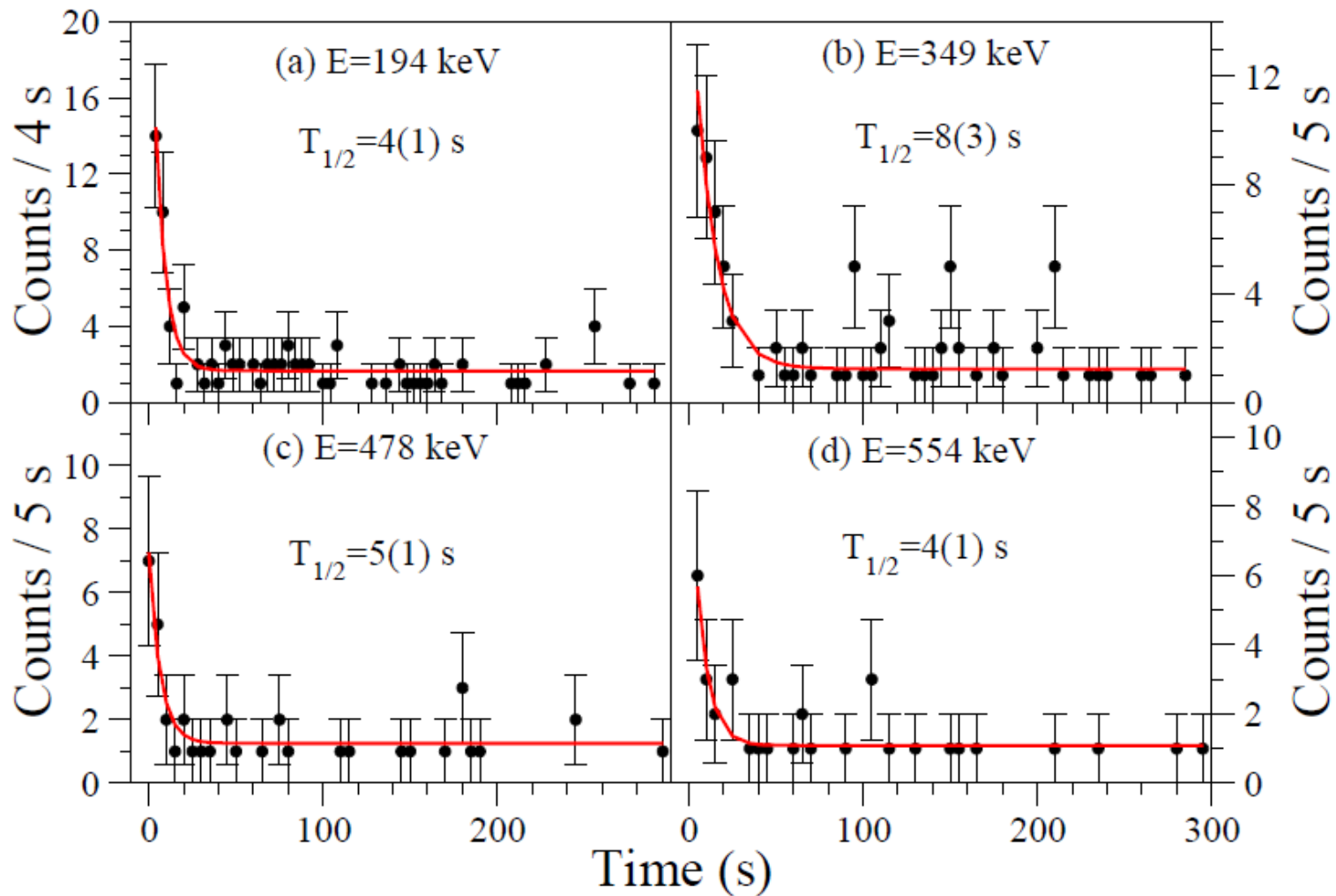


Figure 4.26: β -delayed γ -ray gated time spectra for the previously unreported transitions 194, 349, 478 and 554 keV associated with decay in ^{194}Os for different correlation times $\Delta t(\text{implant} - \beta) = 0 \rightarrow 300$ s from the current work.

I^π	Neutron orbital (ν)	Proton orbital (π)	Energy ^b (keV)	V_R^c (keV)	Net ^d (keV)
1 ⁺	1/2 ⁺ [660]↑	1/2 ⁺ [411]↓	64	+70	134
0 ⁺			64	-70	-6
2 ⁺	1/2 ⁺ [660]↑	3/2 ⁺ [402]↓	2	+70	72
1 ⁺			2	-70	-68
3 ⁺	3/2 ⁺ [651]↑	3/2 ⁺ [402]↓	174	+70	244
0 ⁺			174	-70	104
1 ⁻	1/2 ⁺ [660]↑	1/2 ⁻ [550]↑	0	-70	-70
0 ⁻			0	+70	+70
2 ⁻	3/2 ⁺ [651]↑	1/2 ⁻ [550]↑	173	-71	102
1 ⁻			173	+71	244

^a $\varepsilon_2 = -0.158$, $\varepsilon_4 = 0.033$ for the oblate deformation.

^b Energy of the state

^c Empirical Residual interactions.

^d Sum of Energy and V_R (keV)

I^π	Neutron orbital (ν)	Proton orbital (π)	Energy ^b (keV)	V_R^c (keV)	Net ^d (keV)
6 ⁺	3/2 ⁻ [501]↑	9/2 ⁻ [514]↑	22		(22)
3 ⁺					
7 ⁺	13/2 ⁺ [606]↑	1/2 ⁺ [411]↓	91	+70	161
6 ⁺			91	-70	21
9 ⁺	13/2 ⁺ [606]↑	5/2 ⁺ [402]↑	24	-84	-60
4 ⁺			24	+84	108
10 ⁺	13/2 ⁺ [606]↑	7/2 ⁺ [404]↓	337	+63	400
3 ⁺			337	-63	274
2 ⁻	3/2 ⁻ [501]↑	1/2 ⁺ [411]↓	67		(67)
1 ⁻					
4 ⁻	3/2 ⁻ [501]↑	5/2 ⁺ [402]↑	0		(0)
1 ⁻					
5 ⁻	5/2 ⁻ [503]↓	5/2 ⁺ [402]↑	264		(264)
0 ⁻					
11 ⁻	13/2 ⁺ [606]↑	9/2 ⁻ [514]↑	46	-71	-25
2 ⁻			46	+71	117
12 ⁻	13/2 ⁺ [606]↑	11/2 ⁻ [505]↑	304	-71	233
1 ⁻			304	+71	375

^a $\varepsilon_2 = 0.125$, $\varepsilon_4 = 0.067$ for the prolate deformation;

^b Energy of the state

^c Empirical Residual interactions.

^d Sum of Energy and V_R (keV)

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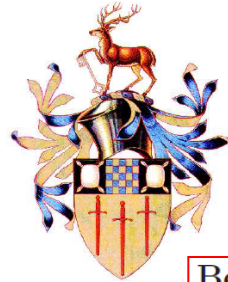
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