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Nuclear Structure in ^{78}Ge[1] ANNE M. FORNEY, W.B. WALTERS, J. SETHI, C.J. CHIARA[2], J. HARKER, UMD College Park, R.V.F. JANSSENS, S. ZHU, M. CARPENTER, M. ALCORTA[3], G. GÜRDAL, C.R. HOFFMAN, B.P. KAY, F.G. KONDEV, T. LAURISTEN, C.J. LISTER[4], E.A. MCCUTCHAN[5], A.M. ROGERS[4], D. SEWERYNIAK, ANL — Owing to the importance of the structure of ^{76}Ge in interpreting double β decay studies, the structures of adjacent nuclei have been of considerable interest. Recently reported features for the structures of ^{72,74,76}Ge indicate both shape coexistence and triaxiality. New data for the excited states of ^{78}Ge will be reported arising from Gammasphere studies of multinucleon transfer reactions between a ^{76}Ge beam and thick heavy targets at the ATLAS facility at Argonne National Laboratory. The previously known yrast band is extended to higher spins, candidate levels for a triaxial sequence have been observed, and the associated staggering determined. The staggering in ^{78}Ge found in this work is not in agreement with theoretical work[6]. Candidates for negative-parity states and seniority-four states will be discussed.

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