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Lifetime Measurements and Deformation in ⁷⁹Sr Y.K. RYU, R.A. KAYE, S.R. ARORA, Ohio Weslevan Univ., S.L. TABOR, T. BALDWIN, D.B. CAMPBELL, C. CHANDLER, M.W. COOPER, C.R. HOFFMAN, J. PAVAN, M. WIEDEKING, Florida St. Univ., J. DORING, GSI, Germany, Y. SUN, Univ. of Notre Dame, S.M. GERBICK, O. GRUBOR-UROSEVIC, Purdue Univ. Calumet, L.A. RILEY, Ursinus College — High-spin states in ⁷⁹Sr were produced following the 54 Fe(²⁸Si, 2pn) fusion-evaporation reaction using a beam energy of 90 MeV at the Florida State University (FSU) Tandem-Linac facility, and the resulting de-exciting γ rays were detected with the FSU Ge array of 10 Compton-suppressed detectors. The ⁵⁴Fe target was thick enough so that all of the synthesized nuclei could stop completely in the target, resulting in Doppler-shifted γ -ray line shapes that could be analyzed using the Doppler-shift attenuation method. In all, 23 lifetimes were measured in three separate band structures using this method, and then used to infer transition quadrupole moments (Q_t) and quadrupole deformations (β_2) using the rotational model. The results show good qualitative agreement with the predictions of both cranked Woods-Saxon (CWS) and projected shell model (PSM) calculations. The band based on a $d_{5/2}$ single-particle orbit, verified in this study through $\gamma - \gamma$ coincidences, intensity measurements, and directional correlation of oriented nuclei (DCO) ratios, was found to have the largest average deformation ($\beta_{2,ave} = 0.41$) among the three bands, in agreement with the CWS and PSM predictions. Supported in part by the NSF and the OWU SSRP.

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