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Identification of levels in 159 Sm and high spin states in 157 Sm and 89,91 Kr 1 JAE-KWANG HWANG, A.V. RAMAYYA, J.H. HAMILTON, K. LI, C. GOODIN, Vanderbilt University, Y.X. LUO, Vanderbilt Univ./LBNL, J.O. RAS-MUSSEN, LBNL, S.J. ZHU, Tsinghua University — The high spin excited states of neutron-rich nuclei 157,159 Sm and 89,91 Kr were identified for the first time from the spontaneous fission of 252 Cf. Six excited states and six gamma transitions in 159 Sm are reported here for the first time. Four, five, and two new gamma transitions were identified in 157 Sm, 89 Kr, and 91 Kr, respectively. Level schemes in 89,91 Kr are interpreted as the $2d_{5/2}$ neutron hole configuration weakly coupled to the neighboring even-even Kr nuclei. Yrast spin sequences of $11/2^-$ - $9/2^+$ - $5/2^+$ is observed in 89,91 Kr. Rotational bands are identified in 157 Sm and 159 Sm with the proposed configurations of $\nu 5/2[523]$ and $\nu 3/2[521]$, respectively.

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