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High-spin states in <sup>135</sup>Cs N. FOTIADES, LANL, J.A. CIZEWSKI, Rutgers Univ., R. KRÜCKEN, T.U.München, R.M. CLARK, P. FALLON, I.Y. LEE, A.O. MACCHIAVELLI, LBNL, J.A. BECKER, W. YOUNES, LLNL — High-spin states in  $^{135}$ Cs have been studied following the fission of the  $^{226}$ Th compound nucleus formed in a fusion-evaporation reaction ( $^{18}O$  at 91 MeV on  $^{208}Pb$ ). The Gammasphere array was used to detect  $\gamma$ -ray coincidences. A sequence of transitions was observed in coincidence with the previously known 786.8-keV,  $11/2^+ \rightarrow 7/2^+$  transition from the 786.8-keV level of  $^{135}$ Cs extending the level scheme up to spin 23/2and  $\sim 3.3$  MeV excitation energy. The assignment of this sequence to  $^{135}$ Cs is also supported by coincidences with known transitions in the complementary fragments. The observed experimental states are compared with states in the neighboring <sup>137</sup>Cs nucleus, as well as with the states in the Z=54 core of  $^{134}$ Xe. The coupling of the odd proton occupying the  $g_{7/2}$  orbital to the yrast states in <sup>134</sup>Xe can account for the first excited states of <sup>135</sup>Cs. This work was supported by the U.S. Department of Energy under Contracts No. DE-AC52-06NA25396 (LANL), DE-AC52-07NA27344 (LLNL) and AC03-76SF00098 (LBNL) and by the National Science Foundation (Rutgers).

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