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Coulomb Dissociation of ${}^{27}P$ for Study of ${}^{26}Si(p,\gamma){}^{27}P$ Reaction YASUHIRO TOGANO, Department of Physics, Rikkyo University, RIKKYO UNIV.-RIKEN-ATOMKI-TIT-UNIV. OF TOKYO-TOHOKU UNIV.-CNS-KYOTO UNIV. COLLABORATION — The $^{26}\mathrm{Si}(\mathrm{p},\gamma)^{27}\mathrm{P}$ reaction was investigated by the Coulomb dissociation of ²⁷P. This reaction is suggested to be relevant to the synthesis of 26 Al whose 1.8 MeV γ -line distribution in the Galaxy is observed by satellite telescopes. In order to estimate the reaction flow around ²⁶Al, we determined the gamma decay widths of excited states in ²⁷P, which mainly determine the resonant capture reaction rate. The experiment was performed at RIPS beam line in RIKEN. A beam of the unstable ²⁷P nucleus at 57 MeV/nucleon was produced by the fragmentation of a 115-MeV/nucleon ³⁶Ar beam. The ²⁷P beam bombarded a Pb target. The excitation energy of ²⁷P was extracted by combining the momentum vectors of ²⁶Si and proton. The three known excited states in ²⁷P [1] as well as a new excited state at around 2.0 MeV were observed. The gamma decay width of the first excited state was deduced to be $(1.3 \pm 0.8) \times 10^{-3}$ eV. Details of experiment and astrophysical implications of the measured gamma decay widths will be presented.

[1] J.A. Caggiano et al., Phys. Rev. C 64, 025802 (2001).

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