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Shape Coexistence in ^{72}Se ¹ C.J. LISTER, S.M. FISCHER, E.A. MC-CUTCHAN, Argonne National Laboratory IL 60439, T. AHN, R.J. CASPERSON, WNSL Yale CT 06511, A. HEINZ, G. ILIE, J. QIAN, E. WILLIAMS, R. WINKLER, WNSL Yale CT 06511 — One of the original candidates for shape co-existence in nuclei was ^{72}Se [1,2]. We have collected extensive new data, both “in-beam” following the $^{40}\text{Ca}(^{36}\text{Ar},4p)^{72}\text{Se}$ reaction using Gammasphere at Argonne’s ATLAS accelerator, and from the decay of ^{72}Br populated in the $^{58}\text{Ni}(^{16}\text{O},pn)$ reaction studied at WNSL Yale. A new $J^\pi=0^+$ state was found at 1876 keV, the published [2] decay scheme was corrected, and twenty-six new levels were established. This detailed spectroscopy of low-lying states helps to delineate the two shape minima. The mixing of prolate-deformed and near-spherical states can be now quantified, and the gamma decay path from high-spin can be followed. The inferred groundstate shape is consistent with trends in experiment and calculation of the selenium isotopes [3,4].

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