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Observation of new neutron-rich micro-second isomers among fission products of ²³⁸U at 345 MeV/u DAISUKE KAMEDA, TARO NAKAO, TOSHIYUKI KUBO, TETSUYA OHNISHI, HIROYUKI TAKEDA, NAOKI FUKUDA, KENSUKE KUSAKA, ATSUSHI YOSHIDA, KOICHI YOSHIDA, MASAO OHTAKE, NAOHITO INABE, YOSHIYUKI YANAGI-SAWA, KANENOBU TANAKA, YASUYUKI GONO, RIKEN Nishina Center, BI-GRIPS/ZERODEGREE NEW ISOTOPE COLLABORATION — In the production of the radioactive isotope (RI) beam using projectile fragment separators, γ rays emitted from metastable states, isomers, of the reaction products can be used as a fingerprint of the isotope that is analyzed in the separator. In the operation of the superconducting in-flight RI beam separator BigRIPS [1] at RIKEN RI Beam Factory, the detection of such γ rays plays important roles not only in the identification of the RI beam [2] but also in searching for new isomers, providing valuable spectroscopic information on the isotopes. In the recent new-isotope production experiment with BigRIPS using in-flight fission of 345 MeV/nucleon ²³⁸U at the beam intensity around 0.3 pnA, we have observed a number of short-lived isomeric decays which include unknown decays from more than 10 isotopes, using three clover-type Ge detectors with a beam stopper of aluminum. The primal result of the observations will be reported. [1] T. Kubo: Nucl. Instr. and Meth. B 204 (2003) 97. [2] T. Ohnishi et al.: J. Phys. Soc. Japan, 77 (2008) 083201.

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