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**Collective behavior in  $^{71}\text{As}$** <sup>1</sup> R.A. KAYE, C.J. DROVER, S.R. ARORA, N.R. BAKER, Ohio Wesleyan University, S.L. TABOR, T.A. HINNERS, C.R. HOFFMAN, S. LEE, Florida State University, J. DÖRING, BfS (Germany), J.K. BRUCKMAN, Monmouth College — High-spin states in  $^{71}\text{As}$  were studied using the  $^{54}\text{Fe}(^{23}\text{Na}, \alpha 2p)$  reaction at 80 MeV provided by the John D. Fox superconducting accelerator at Florida State University. Prompt  $\gamma$ - $\gamma$  coincidences were measured using an array of 10 Compton-suppressed Ge detectors. The yrast band based on the  $\pi g_{9/2}$  intrinsic configuration was extended up to a  $(\frac{37}{2}^+)$  state and now shows evidence of a band crossing near  $\hbar\omega = 0.7$  MeV. Lifetimes of 17 excited states were measured using the Doppler-shift attenuation method applied to the experimental line shapes of decays in three known rotational bands. Transition quadrupole moments  $Q_t$  inferred from the lifetimes indicate that moderate to high collective behavior persists to the highest observed spins in the lowest positive- and negative-parity bands. The band suggested to be based on the  $\pi f_{7/2}$  orbital shows similar collectivity and large intraband  $B(M1)$  strengths, but the associated  $Q_t$  values are somewhat smaller than expected from cranked Woods-Saxon calculations. These results will also be compared with the predictions of the projected shell model.

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