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**Investigation of  $^{110}\text{Cd}$  with the  $(n, n'\gamma)$  reaction** P.E. GARRETT, J. BANGAY, A. DIAZ VARELA, K.L. GREEN, B. JIGMEDDORJ, C. SUMITHRARACHCHI, University of Guelph, J. JOLIE, N. WARR, University of Cologne, C.D. HANNANT, N. ORCE, S.W. YATES, University of Kentucky — Excited states in  $^{110}\text{Cd}$  have been investigated with the  $(n, n'\gamma)$  reaction using monoenergetic neutrons. Excitation functions, using neutron energies in the range of 2 MeV to 3.4 MeV were collected, and  $\gamma$ -ray angular distributions at neutron energies of 2.6, 2.9, and 3.4 MeV were performed. The  $(n, n'\gamma)$  results were complemented with  $\gamma\gamma$  coincidences from a  $^{110}\text{In}$   $\beta$ -decay experiment (see contribution by A. Diaz Varela) performed at TRIUMF. This has resulted in a comprehensive level scheme for  $^{110}\text{Cd}$  below  $\approx 3$  MeV, including stringent limits on unobserved transitions. Level lifetimes were extracted using the Doppler shift attenuation technique. Comparison of the results with simplified model expectations suggests that the low-lying structure of  $^{110}\text{Cd}$  is that of a deformed  $\gamma$ -soft rotor, rather than a spherical vibrator.

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