

Actinium-225 Production for Medical Applications Using Best Cyclotron Systems—a Team BestGlobal Company

WASHINGTON, DC, USA, December 6, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Best Cyclotron Systems, a TeamBest Global (TBG) Company, has designed and installed a variety of cyclotrons for medical, industrial and research applications ranging from energy 1 MeV to 70 MeV. Many of these cyclotrons can be used for production of Actinium-225, an isotope potentially useful for therapeutic applications.

There has been great interest in targeted alpha therapy using Actinium-225 (Ac-225). In particular, prostate cancer patients have been treated Ac-225 with notable success (1). Ac-225 attached monoclonal antibody products have been used in clinical trials for treatment of leukemia (2). It is expected that targeted alpha therapy can lead to positive outcome, hence global efforts towards the production of Ac-225 have increased substantially.

Ac-225 has a 10-day half-life and decays with the emission of an alpha particle, subsequently following a decay path with four alpha particles being emitted. A large radiation dose can be delivered to the tumor site



Proton Energy (MeV)	Yield (MBq/µAh)	Yield in (mCi/µAh)
15	4.34	0.117
20	15.6	0.420
25	18.3	0.490

Figure 1. Reaction Cross Sections for AC-225 Production.

because of the very high Linear Energy Transfer (LET) of alpha particles.

Ac-225 can mainly be produced by two reactions. One is a proton induced spallation reaction at 70 MeV or higher using thorium as the production target. That reaction is accessible using the BEST B70 proton cyclotron. The second reaction is the proton induced (p,2n) reaction on Radium-226 (Ra-226). This reaction can be utilized at proton energies from 10 to 30 MeV and hence it is a candidate for production on the BEST B15, B20, B25 and B35 MeV cyclotrons.

The Ra-226(p,2n) cross sections and yields have been reported in the IAEA medical radioisotopes database(2). Including the results by Apostolidis et al. (3). Figure 1 shows the reaction cross sections for Ac-225 production.



The yields for this reaction on radium are given below (4).

BEST also offers a core solid target station for B15, B20-35 Cyclotrons that has a unique design.

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Krishnan Suthanthiran, President/Founder of TeamBest Global Companies The key feature to be considered is the isolation of the target and handling system from the environment to protect the laboratory personnel from the alpha emissions, not only from the produced Ac-225 but also from the Radon-222 present from the decay of radium. This radiation safety consideration is paramount in the operation of the target station adapted for Ac-225 production.

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