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## Nuclear Structure Study of Neutron-Rich Xe Nuclei by $\beta$ - $\gamma$ Decay Spectroscopy

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Shape evolution from spherical to deformed nuclear system as a function of neutron number has been studied to reveal the change of residual nuclear interactions in finite quantum many-body system. Neutron-rich Xe nuclei with  $A \sim 140$  are located at the northeast transitional-mass region of the doubly-magic  $^{132}{\rm Sn}$  (Z=50 and N=82). Various nuclear structures with prolate collectivity and octupole correlation are expected to appear in these nuclei which are known in neighboring nucleus  $^{144}{\rm Ba}$  (Z=56 and N=88). Experiment was performed as a part of EURICA campaign based on  $\beta$ - and isomer-decay spectroscopy. Neutron-rich nuclei were produced at RIBF, RIKEN by in-flight fission of  $^{238}{\rm U}$  beam with energy of 345 MeV/nucleon and intensity of  $\sim 5$  pnA, bombarding on a 3 mm Be target. The fragments were separated and identified through BigRIPS separator and ZeroDegree spectrometer. Ion and  $\beta$  ray were detected by WAS3ABi which consists of 5 DSSSD with 60 vertical and 40 horizontal strips. The parent  $\beta$  decaying nucleus was identified by the same detected position of ion and  $\beta$  ray at the WAS3ABi. Gamma ray was detected by using EURICA, a  $\gamma$  ray detector array consisting of 12 cluster-type Ge detectors. In this work, neutron-rich odd Xe nuclei with  $A \sim 140$  are investigated by the  $\beta$  decay and the  $\beta$ -delayed neutron decay of I isotopes. Nuclear structure of Xe isotopes will be discussed by comparing to the theoretical calculation.

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