

M1.(a)

	$^{223}_{88}\text{R}$ a	$^{224}_{88}\text{R}$ a	$^{225}_{88}\text{R}$ a	$^{226}_{88}\text{R}$ a
Isotope with smallest mass number	(✓)			
Isotope with most neutrons in nucleus				✓
Isotope with nucleus that has highest specific charge	✓			
Isotope that decays by β^- decay to form $^{225}_{89}\text{Ac}$			✓	
Isotope that decays by alpha decay to form $^{220}_{86}\text{Rn}$		✓		

one mark for each correct row (ignore first row as already ticked)

allow cross instead of tick and ignore any crossed out ticks
if more than one tick in a row then no mark

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(b) (i) the atom has lost two electrons ✓

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(ii) (use of specific charge = charge \div mass)
mass = $3.2 \times 10^{-19} \div 8.57 \times 10^5 = 3.734 \times 10^{-25}$ (kg)
mass number = $3.734 \times 10^{-25} \div 1.66 \times 10^{-27}$ ✓ (= 225)

hence $^{225}_{88}\text{Ra}$ OR 225 ✓ ✓

OR

calculate specific charge for each isotope ✓

hence $^{225}_{88}\text{Ra}$ OR 225 ✓ ✓

ignore any reference to electrons

first mark for deduction

bold correct answer scores 2 marks

don't need radium symbol or 88
wrong answer scores zero

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M2.A

[1]

M3.C

[1]

M4.C

[1]

M5.(a) 95 protons ✓

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241 – 95 = 146 neutrons ✓

1

(b) Beta minus decay. ✓

Marks can be given for a correct equation

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There is no change in the number of nucleons.

The number of protons increases by 1. ✓

Ignore omitted antineutrino.

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(c)
$${}_{95}^{241}\text{Am} \rightarrow {}_Z^A\text{X} + 2\alpha$$
 ✓

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Nucleon number = $A = 241 - 4 = 237$ ✓

1

Proton number = $Z = 95 - 2 = 93$ ✓

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(d) Ionisation is the removal (or addition) of electrons from (to) an atom or molecule ✓

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(e) Only a small quantity of material is needed ✓

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The particles it emits do not travel more than a few centimetres ✓

Alternative for 2nd mark: Would be stopped before reaching the outside of the detector

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M6.C

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M7.(a) (i) Q / boron / B ✓

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(ii) P and R / R and P ✓

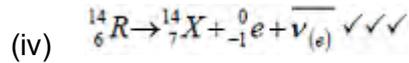
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(iii) R ✓

6 / 14 is smallest fraction / 0.43 smallest ratio / 4.13×10^7 C / kg ✓

Cannot get second mark if not awarded first mark

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One mark for each correct symbol on rhs
 Ignore -ve sign on e.
 Can have neutrino with 0,0 on answer lines
 Ignore any subscript on neutrino

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- (b) (i) repulsive below / at 0.5 fm (accept any value less or equal to 1 fm) ✓
attractive up to / at 3 fm (accept any value between 0.5 and 10 fm) ✓
 short range OR becomes zero OR no effect ✓

Can get marks from labelled graph
 Don't accept negligible for 3rd mark

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- (ii) interaction: electromagnetic / em ✓

(virtual) photon/ γ ✓

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- M8.(a) (i) protons = 20 ✓
 neutrons = 28 ✓
 electrons = 18 ✓

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- (ii) $2 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19} = 3.2 \times 10^{-19}$ ✓(C)
 -ve sign loses mark

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- (iii) specific charge = $3.2 \times 10^{-19} / (48 \times; 1.67 \times 10^{-27} + 18 \times 9.11 \times 10^{-31})$ ✓

specific charge = $4.0 \times 10^6 \text{ C kg}^{-1}$ ✓

Allow 1.66

Allow CE from (ii)

First mark is for mass if miss out electron mass and do not justify lose first mark

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[6]

M9.(a) (i) neutron ✓
accept symbols
symbols e.g. n 1

(ii) electron ✓
accept symbols 1

(iii) neutron ✓
accept symbols 1

(b) (i) antineutrino ✓
 $\bar{\nu}_{(e)}$ 1

(ii) A=99 ✓
Z= 44 ✓ 2

(iii) specific charge = $43 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ ✓ / $99 \times 1.66 \times 10^{-27}$ ✓
specific charge = 4.2×10^7 ✓ C kg⁻¹ ✓
Correct answer no working -1
If include mass of electrons lose 2 and 3 mark 4

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