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|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| NI-56<br>(6.075d)<br>ECB+ | NI-57<br>(35.60h)<br>ECB+ | NI-58<br>(STABLE)        | NI-59<br>(1.01E+5y)<br>ECB+ |
| Co-54<br>(1.48m)<br>ECB+  | Co-55<br>(77.23d)<br>ECB+ | Co-56<br>(271.74d)<br>EC | Co-57<br>(70.86d)<br>ECB+   |
| Fe-54<br>(8.275h)<br>ECB+ | Fe-55<br>(2.737y)<br>EC   | Fe-56<br>(STABLE)        | Fe-57<br>(STABLE)           |

# COBALT-54M

## SUMMARY DATA

### GENERAL

#### CLASSIFICATION

Isotope: Co-54m  
Atomic number (Z): 27  
Mass number (A): 54  
Neutron number (N): 27

#### RADIOACTIVE DECAY

Decay modes:  $\beta^+$ , Electron capture  
Half-life: 1.48 [m]  
Decay constant:  $7.8057 \times 10^{-3}$  [1/s]  
Daughters: Fe-54 (100.0%)  
Radioactive daughters: None

#### DOSIMETRIC CONSTANTS

Mean alpha energy: 0.0 [MeV]  
Mean electron energy: 2.04843 [MeV]  
Mean photon energy: 3.93057 [MeV]  
Air kerma rate constant,  $\Gamma_{10}$ :  $1.003 \times 10^{-16}$  [Gy  $\cdot$  m<sup>2</sup>/Bq  $\cdot$  s]  
Air kerma coefficient,  $K_{\text{air}}$ :  $1.388 \times 10^{-16}$  [Gy  $\cdot$  m<sup>2</sup>/Bq  $\cdot$  s]  
Equilibrium dose constant for weakly-penetrating radiations ( $\alpha$  and/or electrons),  $\Delta_{\text{wp}}$ :  $3.282 \times 10^{-13}$  [Gy  $\cdot$  kg/Bq  $\cdot$  s]  
Equilibrium dose constant for alphas,  $\Delta_{\alpha}$ :  $0.000 \times 10^0$  [Gy  $\cdot$  kg/Bq  $\cdot$  s]

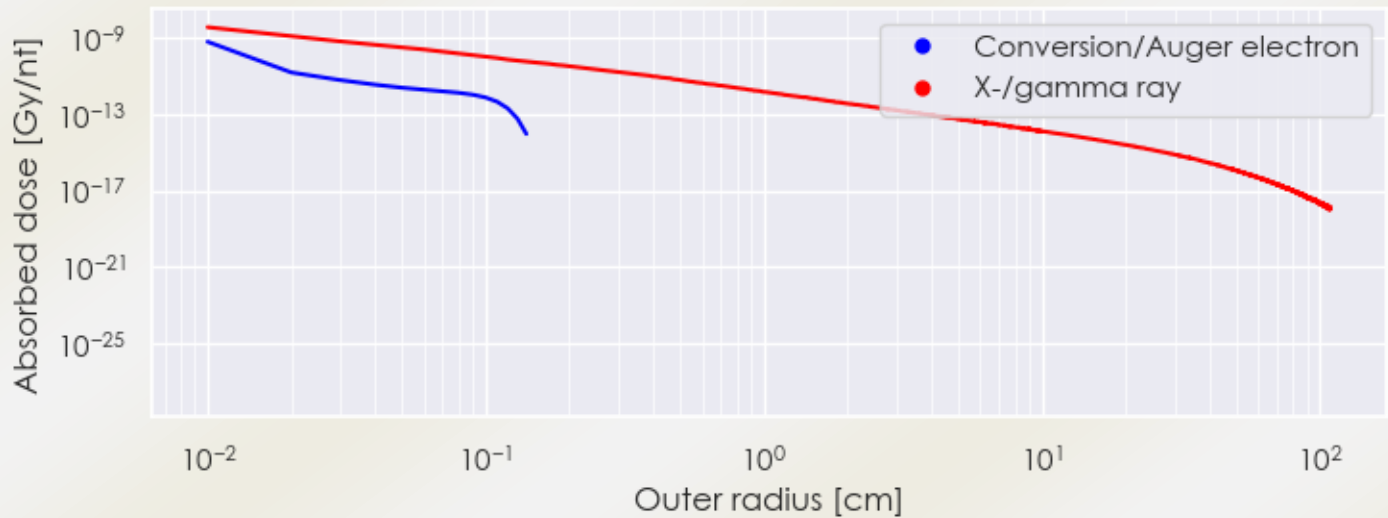
Equilibrium dose constant for betas/electrons,  $\Delta_{\beta-, \beta+, e^-}$ :  $3.282 \times 10^{-13}$  [Gy · kg/Bq · s]

Equilibrium dose constant for photons,  $\Delta_p$ :  $6.297 \times 10^{-13}$  [Gy · kg/Bq · s]

## DOSE POINT KERNELS (PLOT)

Dose point kernel source: **Graves, et al. Medical Physics. 2019 Nov.; 46(11):5284-5293.**

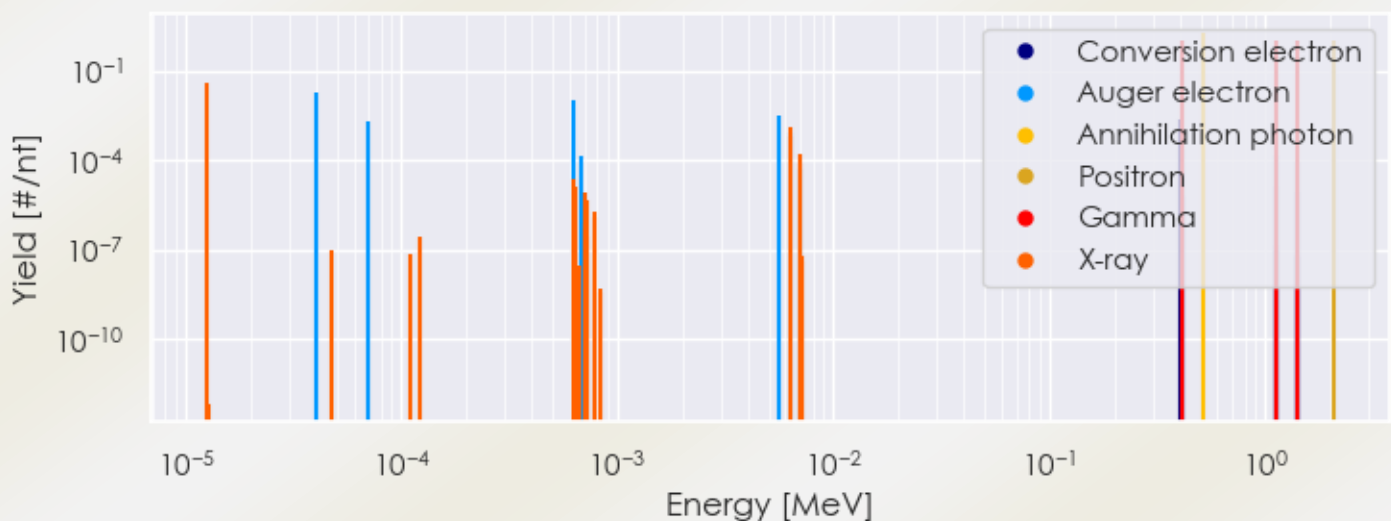
Note: Bins are spaced every 0.1 mm until a radius of 10 cm, and every 1 mm until a radius of 2 m.



Download tabulated dose point kernel file here: [www.mirdsoft.org/products/MIRDspecs/Co-54m DPK.csv](http://www.mirdsoft.org/products/MIRDspecs/Co-54m DPK.csv)

## SUMMARY SPECTRA (PLOT)

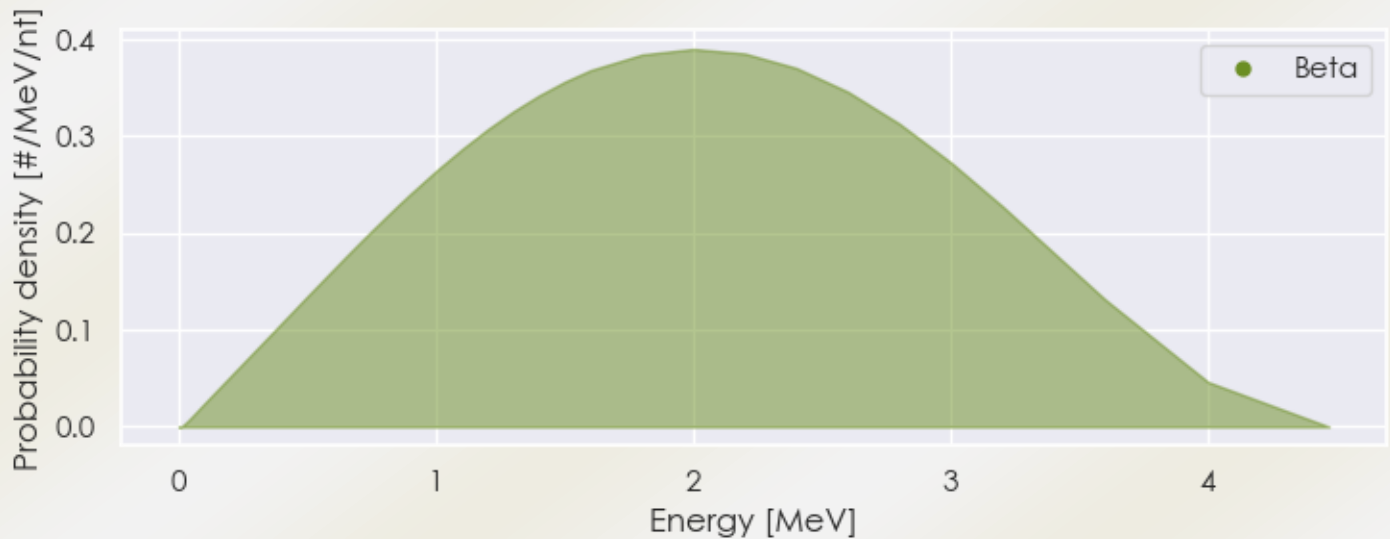
Spectra source: **ICRP Publication 107: Nuclear Decay Data for Dosimetric Calculations. Ann. ICRP 2008, 38 (3).**



Download tabulated summary spectra file here: [www.mirdsoft.org/products/MIRDspecs/Co-54m Summary Spectrum.csv](http://www.mirdsoft.org/products/MIRDspecs/Co-54m Summary Spectrum.csv)

## BETA SPECTRA (PLOT)

Spectra source: **ICRP Publication 107: Nuclear Decay Data for Dosimetric Calculations. Ann. ICRP 2008, 38 (3).**



Download tabulated beta spectra file here: [www.mirdsoft.org/products/MIRDspecs/Co-54m Beta Spectrum.csv](http://www.mirdsoft.org/products/MIRDspecs/Co-54m Beta Spectrum.csv)

## TABULATED DATA

### SUMMARY SPECTRA (TABLE)

Spectra source: **ICRP Publication 107: Nuclear Decay Data for Dosimetric Calculations. Ann. ICRP 2008, 38 (3).**

Note: Radiations with yield < 0.01 are excluded from the table, but are available in the linked \*.csv data.

Download tabulated summary spectra file here: [www.mirdsoft.org/products/MIRDspecs/Co-54m Summary Spectrum.csv](http://www.mirdsoft.org/products/MIRDspecs/Co-54m Summary Spectrum.csv)

| Energy [MeV] | Yield [# / nt] if > 0.01 | Radiation type      |
|--------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 1.25320e-05  | 4.100e-02                | X-ray               |
| 4.11000e-01  | 9.700e-01                | Gamma               |
| 5.11000e-01  | 1.991e+00                | Annihilation photon |
| 1.13000e+00  | 9.800e-01                | Gamma               |
| 1.40700e+00  | 1.000e+00                | Gamma               |
| 2.05618e+00  | 9.956e-01                | Positron            |
| 4.00590e-05  | 1.761e-02                | Auger electron      |

## USEFUL LINKS

Isotope decay characteristics are periodically updated as better measurements can be made - changes that may not be reflected on this page. Please see useful links:

*National Nuclear Data Center (NNDC):* <https://www.nndc.bnl.gov/nudat3/mird/>

*International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Livechart:* <https://www-nds.iaea.org/relnsd/vcharthtml/VChartHTML.html>

## REFERENCE LINKS

*ICRP Report 107:* <https://www.icrp.org/publication.asp?id=ICRP%20Publication%20107>

*Graves et al. Dose Point Kernels:* <https://doi.org/10.1002/mp.13789>

*MIRD Decay Schemes 2nd Edition:* [https://sites.snmmi.org/SNMML-MAIN/iCore/Store/StoreLayouts/Item\\_Detail.aspx?iProductCode=0-932004-80-6](https://sites.snmmi.org/SNMML-MAIN/iCore/Store/StoreLayouts/Item_Detail.aspx?iProductCode=0-932004-80-6)