SMART EXAM RESOURCES9701 AS CHEMISTRY TOPIC QUESTIONS

TOPIC: ATOMIC STRUCTURE

SUB-TOPIC:ISOTOPES
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1.2.1-Isotopes-Set-2-qp-ms

1.

When nuclear reactions take place, the elements produced are different from the elements that reacted. Nuclear equations, such as the one below, are used to represent the changes that occur.

$$^{235}_{92}$$
U + $^{1}_{0}$ n \rightarrow $^{144}_{56}$ Ba + $^{89}_{36}$ Kr + $^{1}_{0}$ n

The nucleon (mass) number total is constant at 236 and the proton number total is constant at 92.

In another nuclear reaction, uranium-238 is reacted with deuterium atoms, ${}_{1}^{2}$ H. An isotope of a new element, **J**, is formed as well as two neutrons.

$$^{238}_{92}U + ^{2}_{1}H \rightarrow J + 2^{1}_{0}n$$

What is isotope **J**?

- **A** ²³⁸Np
- B 238 D
- C 240 Nr
- D 240PI

2.

The ⁶⁸Ge isotope is medically useful because it undergoes a natural radioactive process to give an isotope of a different element, ⁶⁸X, which can be used to detect tumours. This transformation of ⁶⁸Ge occurs when an electron enters the nucleus and changes a proton into a neutron.

Which statement about the composition of an atom of 68X is correct?

- A It has 4 electrons in its outer p orbitals.
- B It has 13 electrons in its outer shell.
- C It has 37 neutrons.
- D Its proton number is 32.

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