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# First spectroscopic measurements of conversion electrons from the gaseous Kr-83m at the KATRIN experiment

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The KATRIN experiment will perform a measurement of the effective electron antineutrino mass with an unprecedented sensitivity of  $0.2~{\rm eV/c^2}$  (90 % C.L.). An essential calibration and systematic tool in all tritium  $\beta$ -decay measurements is the metastable isotope <sup>83m</sup>Kr. With its unique decay characteristics it provides monoenergetic conversion electrons of suitable energies and line widths. The short half-life of 1.83 h allows to introduce the isotope into the experimental apparatus without the risk of long-term contamination.

In this poster we present the first spectroscopic measurements of gaseous  $^{83\text{m}}$ Kr electrons performed with the full beamline of KATRIN. The results demonstrate the high-resolution performance of the KATRIN spectrometer and the ability to observe a spatially distributed isotropic source of electrons, both required for the tritium  $\beta$ -spectrum measurement.

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