

Elements present in nuclear waste

The periodic table below highlights elements commonly found in nuclear waste. Elements are color-coded based on their standard atomic weight:

- Lightest Elements:** Hydrogen (H) is light gray.
- Moderately Heavy Elements:** Helium (He), Lithium (Li), Beryllium (Be), Sodium (Na), Magnesium (Mg), Potassium (K), Calcium (Ca), Scandium (Sc), Titanium (Ti), Vanadium (V), Chromium (Cr), Manganese (Mn), Iron (Fe), Cobalt (Co), Nickel (Ni), Copper (Cu), Zinc (Zn), Gallium (Ga), Germanium (Ge), Arsenic (As), Selenium (Se), Bromine (Br), and Krypton (Kr) are red.
- Heavy Elements:** Rubidium (Rb), Strontium (Sr), Yttrium (Y), Zirconium (Zr), Niobium (Nb), Molybdenum (Mo), Technetium (Tc), Ruthenium (Ru), Rhodium (Rh), Palladium (Pd), Silver (Ag), Cadmium (Cd), Indium (In), Tin (Sn), Sb (Sb), Tellurium (Te), Iodine (I), Xenon (Xe), Cesium (Cs), Barium (Ba), Lutetium (Lu), Hafnium (Hf), Tantalum (Ta), tungsten (W), Rhenium (Re), Osmium (Os), Iridium (Ir), Platinum (Pt), Gold (Au), Mercury (Hg), Thallium (Tl), Lead (Pb), Bismuth (Bi), Polonium (Po), Astatine (At), and Radon (Rn) are dark red.
- Actinides:** Francium (Fr), Radium (Ra), Lanthanum (La), Cerium (Ce), Praseodymium (Pr), Neodymium (Nd), Promethium (Pm), Samarium (Sm), Europium (Eu), Gadolinium (Gd), Terbium (Tb), Dysprosium (Dy), Holmium (Ho), Erbium (Er), Thulium (Tm), and Ytterbium (Yb) are light gray.
- Transactinides:** Americium (Am), Curium (Cm), Bk, Cf, Es, Fm, Md, and No are medium gray.

The table also includes element numbers (e.g., 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18) along the bottom axis and group numbers (I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII) along the left axis.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
I	H															He		
II	Li	Be															O	Ne
III	Na	Mg															Cl	Ar
IV	K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
V	Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
VI	Cs	Ba	Lu	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
VII	Fr	Ra	Lr	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rg	Cn	Nh	Fl	Mc	Lv	Ts	Og
La	57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb				
Ac	89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U	93 Np	94 Pu	95 Am	96 Cm	97 Bk	98 Cf	99 Es	100 Fm	101 Md	102 No				















