

RADIATIVE TRANSITIONS  
BETWEEN THE  $4d^{10}5p^2(^3P_j)nl$   
AND  $4d^{10}5s5p(^3P_1^o)nl$  AUTOIONIZING  
STATES OF In ATOM IN COLLISIONS  
OF SLOW ELECTRONS WITH  $\text{In}^+$  IONS

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The radiative transitions between the  $4d^{10}5p^2(^3P_{0,1,2})nl$  and  $4d^{10}5s5p(^3P_1^o)nl$  autoionizing states of an indium atom that represent dielectronic satellites of the  $4d^{10}5p^2\ ^3P_0 \rightarrow 4d^{10}5s5p\ ^3P_1$  ( $\lambda = 171.7$  nm),  $4d^{10}5p^2\ ^3P_1 \rightarrow 4d^{10}5s5p\ ^3P_1$  ( $\lambda = 166.7$  nm), and  $4d^{10}5p^2\ ^3P_2 \rightarrow 4d^{10}5s5p\ ^3P_1$  ( $\lambda = 160.7$  nm) spectral lines of an  $\text{In}^+$  ion have been observed for the first time. The energy dependences of the effective excitation cross sections of dielectronic satellites, as well as near-threshold regions of these spectral lines, were investigated in the range of electron energies 9–15 eV with the help of the spectroscopic method using crossed beams of electrons and  $\text{In}^+$  ions. The absolute excitation cross sections of dielectronic satellites amount to  $(0.7 \div 2) \times 10^{-16}$  cm<sup>2</sup> and are of the same order of magnitude as the effective excitation cross sections of the corresponding ionic lines. It is found that a considerable increase of the probability of radiation decay of the  $4d^{10}5p^2(^3P_{0,1,2})nl$  autoionizing states of the In atom is related to strong relativistic and correlation effects, in particular to the configuration interaction of the  $5p^2nl$  levels both with one another and with the levels of the  $5s5dnl$  and  $4d^95s^25p^2$  configurations.