

67. The decay rate  $R$  is related to the number of nuclei  $N$  by  $R = \lambda N$ , where  $\lambda$  is the disintegration constant. The disintegration constant is related to the half-life  $T_{1/2}$  by  $\lambda = (\ln 2)/T_{1/2}$ , so  $N = R/\lambda = RT_{1/2}/\ln 2$ . Since  $1 \text{ Ci} = 3.7 \times 10^{10}$  disintegrations/s,

$$N = \frac{(250 \text{ Ci})(3.7 \times 10^{10} \text{ s}^{-1}/\text{Ci})(2.7 \text{ d})(8.64 \times 10^4 \text{ s/d})}{\ln 2} = 3.11 \times 10^{18} .$$

The mass of a  $^{198}\text{Au}$  atom is  $M = (198 \text{ u})(1.661 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g/u}) = 3.29 \times 10^{-22} \text{ g}$ , so the mass required is  $NM = (3.11 \times 10^{18})(3.29 \times 10^{-22} \text{ g}) = 1.02 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g} = 1.02 \text{ mg}$ .