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In the selenium isotopes various shape phenomena are present. The scenario of shape coexisting oblate and prolate bands has been proposed across the isotopic chain, with the crossing point of such bands being located near 70 Se.

A combined internal conversion electron and γ -ray spectroscopy study was undertaken at the TRIUMF-ISAC-II facility to undertake a comprehensive search for evidence of the existence of a 0^+ state below 2 MeV in 70 Se. Significant discrepancies to the previously established positive parity level scheme were found. Generalised Bohr Hamiltonian calculations using UNEDF1 mass parameters were found to reproduce the revised low-lying level structure well, with the 2^+_2 state resembling a quasi- γ excitation rather than a member of a shape coexisting band.

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