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## Observation of the $\chi_{b1}(3P)$ and $\chi_{b2}(3P)$ and Measurement of their Masses (Article) [\(Open Access\)](#)

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The  $\chi_{b1}(3P)$  and  $\chi_{b2}(3P)$  states are observed through their  $(3S)\gamma$  decays, using an event sample of proton-proton collisions collected by the CMS experiment at the CERN LHC. The data were collected at a center-of-mass energy of 13 TeV and correspond to an integrated luminosity of 80.0 fb<sup>-1</sup>. The  $(3S)$  mesons are identified through their dimuon decay channel, while the low-energy photons are detected after converting to e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> pairs in the silicon tracker, leading to a  $\chi_{b}(3P)$  mass resolution of 2.2 MeV. This is the first time that the J=1 and 2 states are well resolved and their masses individually measured: 10513.42±0.41(stat)±0.18(syst) MeV and 10524.02±0.57(stat)±0.18(syst) MeV; they are determined with respect to the world-average value of the  $\chi_{b0}(3S)$  mass, which has an uncertainty of 0.5 MeV. The mass splitting is measured to be 10.60±0.64(stat)±0.17(syst) MeV. © 2018 CERN.

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