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We report on measurements of the rare decays $K^{+-} \rightarrow \pi^{+-} e^+ e^-$ and $K^{+-} \rightarrow \pi^{+-} \mu^+ \mu^-$. The full NA48/2 data set was analyzed, leading to more than 7200 reconstructed events in the electronic and more than 3000 events in the muonic channel, the latter exceeding the total existing statistics by a factor of five. For both channels the selected events are almost background-free. From these events, we have determined the branching fraction and form factors of $K^{+-} \rightarrow \pi^{+-} e^+ e^-$ using different theoretical models. Our results improve the existing world averages significantly. In addition, we measured the CP violating asymmetry between K^+ and K^- in this channel to be less than a few percent.

The $K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$ decay mode has also been investigated using the data collected in 2002 by the NA48/1 collaboration. With about 23k signal events and 59k $KL \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^- \pi^0$ normalization decays, the $K_S \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0 \pi^0$ branching ratio was determined with respect to the KL one. This result is also used to set an upper limit on the presence of $E1$ direct emission in the decay amplitude. The CP-violating asymmetry has been measured.

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