DETERMINATION OF THE DISSOLUTION DEGREE OF THE FUEL MULTIPLIER FALLING OUT IN THE CHERNOBYL NPP EXCLUSION ZONE SOILS

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Sequential extraction techniques have been utilized in order to investigate the degree of binding or association between long-term radionuclides ¹³⁷Cs, ⁹⁰Sr, ²³⁹⁺²⁴⁰Pu, ²⁴¹Am μ ²⁴⁴Cm and different components in soil and fuel particles on the west and northwest trace of fall out in the exclusion zone of ChNPP. The results indicate that in sandy-podzolik soil of flood-lands r. Pripiyt on northwest trace a major fraction 85 % ⁹⁰Sr, 55 % ²³⁹⁺²⁴⁰Pu, 75 % ²⁴¹Am and ²⁴⁴Cm are associated with different soil components and are easily reachable. On the narrow west trace fall out transformation (dissolution) of fuel particles is in within the bounds 15 – 20%. Degree of transformation fuel hot particles mainly depends on their physicochemical properties.