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RADIONUCLIDES IN THE INDIGENOUS FISH SPECIES OF THE CHERNOBYL EXCLUSION ZONE

Results of the specific activity of ⁹⁰Sr and ¹³⁷Cs estimation at the indigenous representatives of fish fauna in water bodies of the Chernobyl exclusion zone are presented during 2006 - 2011. The data of species specificity of radionuclide accumulation and distributing in different organs and tissues of pray and predatory fishes in water bodies with different hydrological regime and level of radioactive contamination are analyzed. The size, weight and age dynamics of radionuclide accumulation in fish are evaluated. It is note, that presently ⁹⁰Sr is main dose-formed radionuclide for

fishes of stagnant water bodies of the Chernobyl exclusion zone.

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