

Activities of Resurrection of Fukushima



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(FUKUSHIMA SAISEI NO KAI)

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About Iitate

Distances From Major Points:

- From Tokyo 300km
- From Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Plant 30-50km in the North West Direction

Village Geography:

East to West 15.2km, North to South 16.8km
Area 230.13km²
Altitude 220m-600m

Climate:

Very Cold in Winter with Little Snow

Demographics:

Population 6,588 (Aged Over 65: 1,904)
Number of Households 1,707

Number of Households After Evacuation is Over 2,700



Predominant Industry in Iitate - Agriculture

Operations of Multiple Products
Such as Rice, Livestock, Highland
Vegetable and Flowers

Number of Japanese Cattles 2500
(High Grade Beef Marked Under
the Brand of “Iitate-gyu”)

Farm Land for

- Rice and Vegetable Crops
2500 ha
- Grass Crops 1970 ha

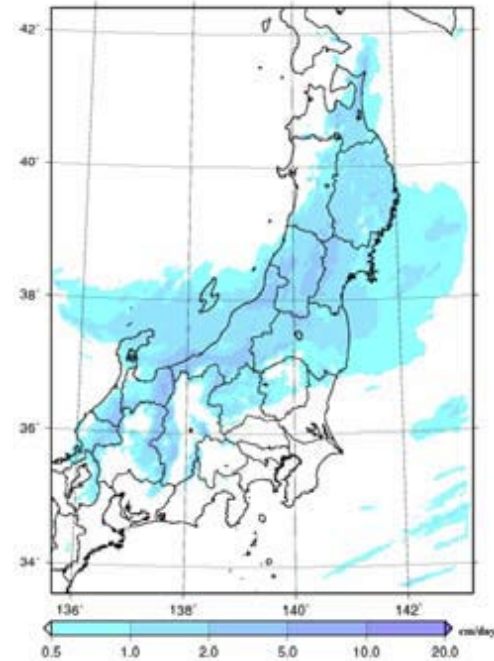
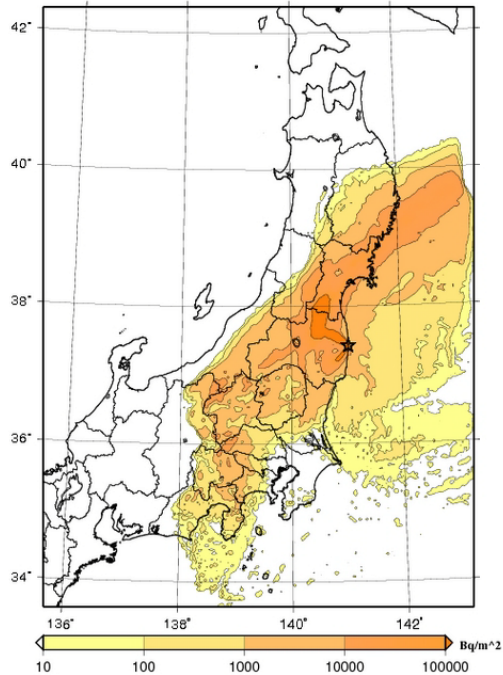


How Evacuation Took Place

- March 11, 2011 Nuclear Plant Accident at TEPCO Fukushima Daiichi
- March 15, 2011 Radioactive Substances, Which had been Blown up in the Air of Iitate by South-East Wind, Fell Over Iitate with Rain and Snow
- March 30, 2011 IAEA Advised Government of Japan to Carefully Assess the Evacuation of Iitate
- March 31, 2011 The government of Japan showed negative opinions on enlargement of evacuating zone.
- April 11, 2011 The Government Released the Policy to Designate Iitate Village as “Planned Evacuation Zone”
- April 22, 2011 Designated as “Planned Evacuation Zone”
- June 2011 Evacuation of the Entire Village Completed
- July 17, 2012 Government Reorganized the Zones to “Difficult-to-Return Area”, “Area with Restricted Residency” and “Area Preparing for the Lifting of Evacuation Orders”



SPEEDI (System for Prediction of Environmental Emergency Dose Information) data



<http://nsed.jaea.go.jp/fukushima/data/20110906.pdf>

Left: Fallout Cs137 evaluated by SPEEDI (9:00 Mar. 15 – 9:00 Mar. 16)
Right: precipitation amount (9:00 Mar. 15 – 9:00 Mar. 16)

SPEEDI data was not published at all until March 23, 2011.

What is “Resurrection of Fukushima”?

Aim

To reconstruct the lives and the industries of the afflicted areas destroyed by the nuclear disaster.

Management and Operations

Run by volunteering staffs on income from membership due and donations. Authorized as a non-profit organization in June 2012. The members include 177 individuals and 1 corporation as of September 2012. Cooperating with a plurality of research organizations and university laboratories.

Our Policies

“On-Site of the Afflicted Areas”

“By Cooperating with the Disaster Victims”

Major Activities at Present

- Radiation dose measurement and radioactivity analyses
- Decontamination experiments (residences, agricultural lands and forests)
- Various measurements and experiments for lifting agriculture
- Health Care for the Afflicted by Medical Doctors and Carers

Foundation of “Resurrection of Fukushima”

May 2011

Meeting was held in Tokyo among Mr. Tao, one of the representatives, and his friends. Conducting an investigation in some places was determined.

June 2011

Inspecting Iwaki, Minami-Soma, Soma and Iitate as a preliminary investigation. Agreed with Mr. Muneo Kanno of Iitate village to place a base of activities on his home.

Since July 2011

Activities have been continued on almost every weekend.



Development of Radiation Monitor

Purpose of Development

To obtain detailed radiation dose survey map of the village. The final goal is to form a structure where the residents themselves can conduct measurements and can continuously maintain the detailed survey map.

Capabilities

2 Geiger-Muller tubes are installed.

Also equipped with global positioning system (GPS) so that latitude, longitude and dose rate are stored in the built-in SD card.

The data in the SD card are uploaded to a server to perform automatic map generation.



Development of Data Logger for High Sensitive Radiation Monitor

Purpose of Development

To make radiation survey map with more accuracy by high sensitive monitor.

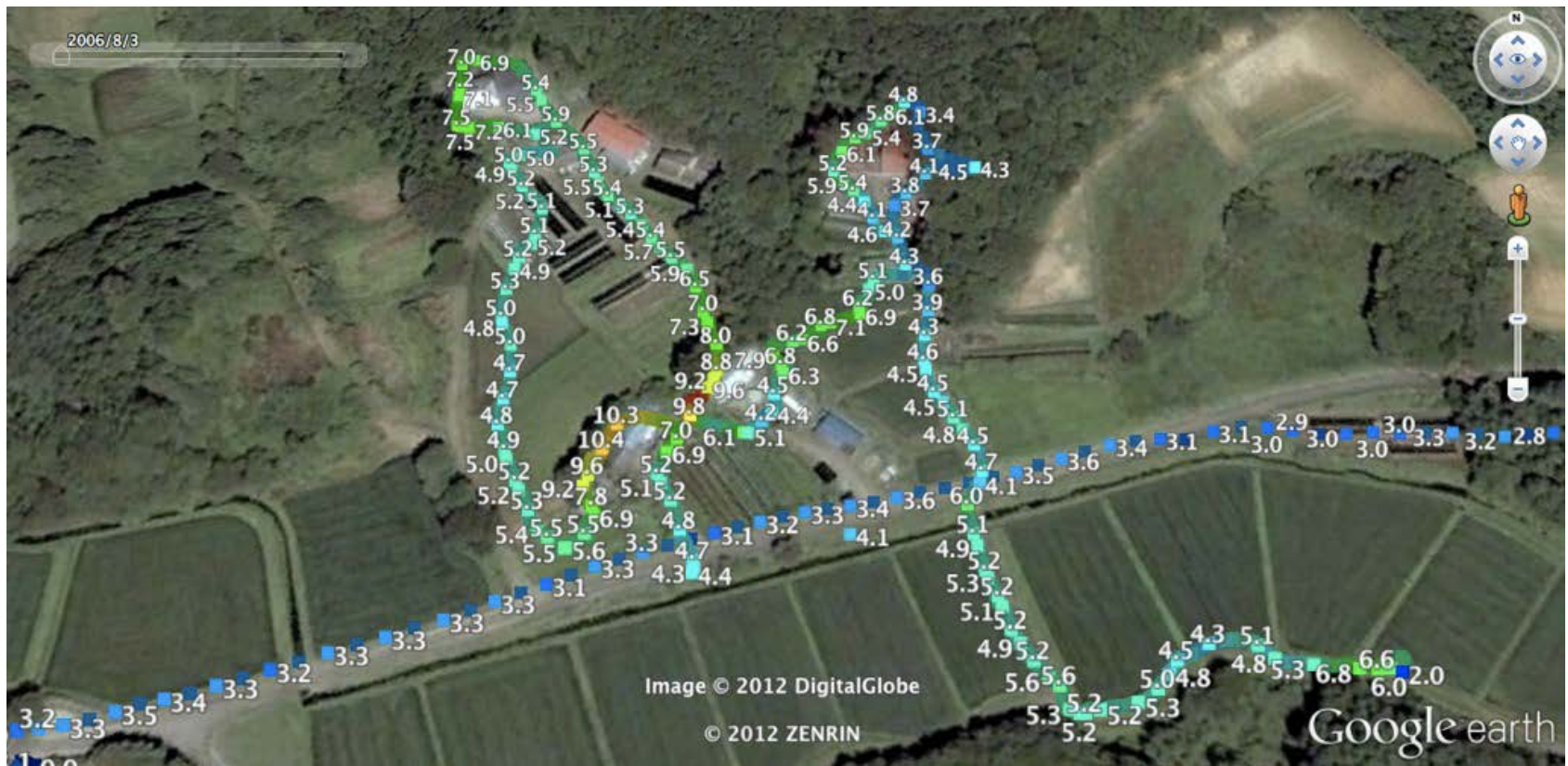
Capabilities

When attached to a high sensitive monitor (manufactured by ALOKA), it stores latitudes/longitudes and respective dose rate in the built-in SD card.

The data in the SD card are uploaded to a server to perform automatic map generation.



Making Radiation Dose Survey Map



The village residents make measurements of the radiation dose by themselves and form the detailed dose survey map to assess the actual contamination. The map is used for validation of the measurement data by the government, validation of the planning and the effects of the decontamination projects and future planning such as returning home.

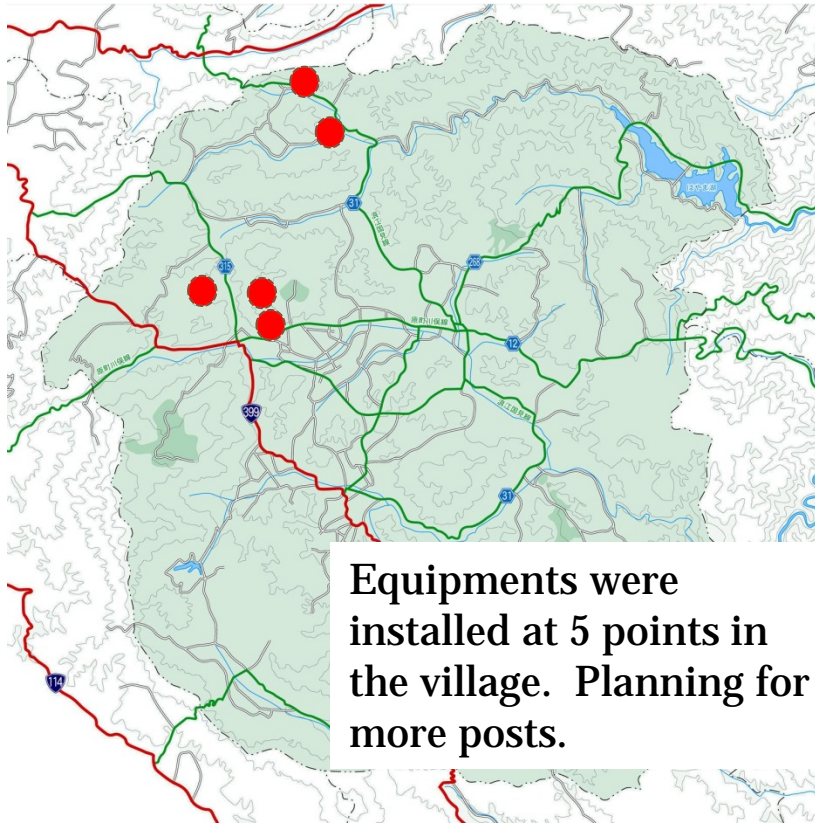
Detecting Radiation By Various Methods



Detecting radiation dose up in the air in order to evaluate the radiation from the top of the trees (left).

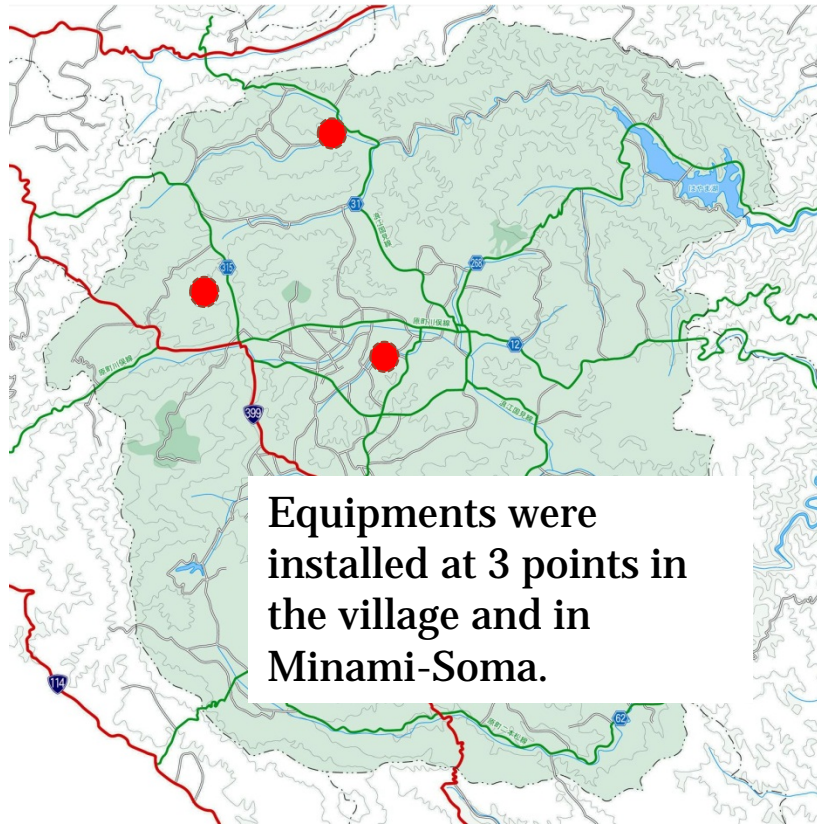
Detecting radiation dose on a lake in order to evaluate the ambient radiation in the condition where the radiation from the ground can be ignored (right).

Fixed-Point Observation of Radiation (1)

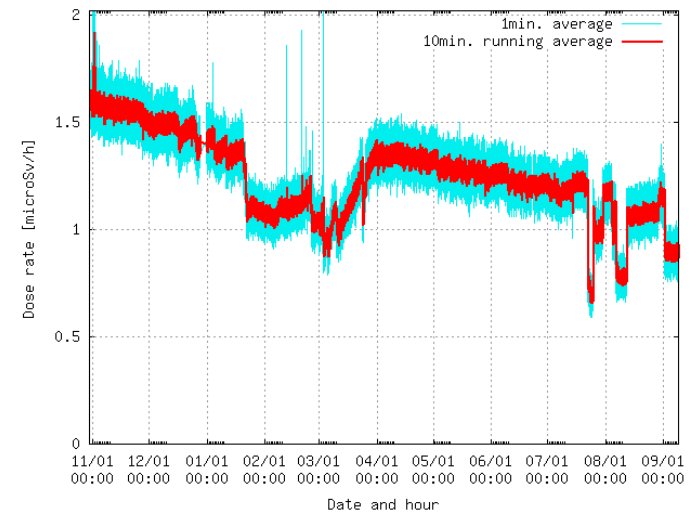


Recording weather data (precipitation amount, wind direction, wind speed, ambient temperature and soil temperature) associated with dose rate. The data are constantly sent to the server through G3 line. Powered by solar cell panel.

Fixed-Point Observation of Radiation (2)



Radiation dose is detected by high sensitive GM tube monitor. The dose data are sent to the server every 5 minutes through G3 line. Published on the Web.



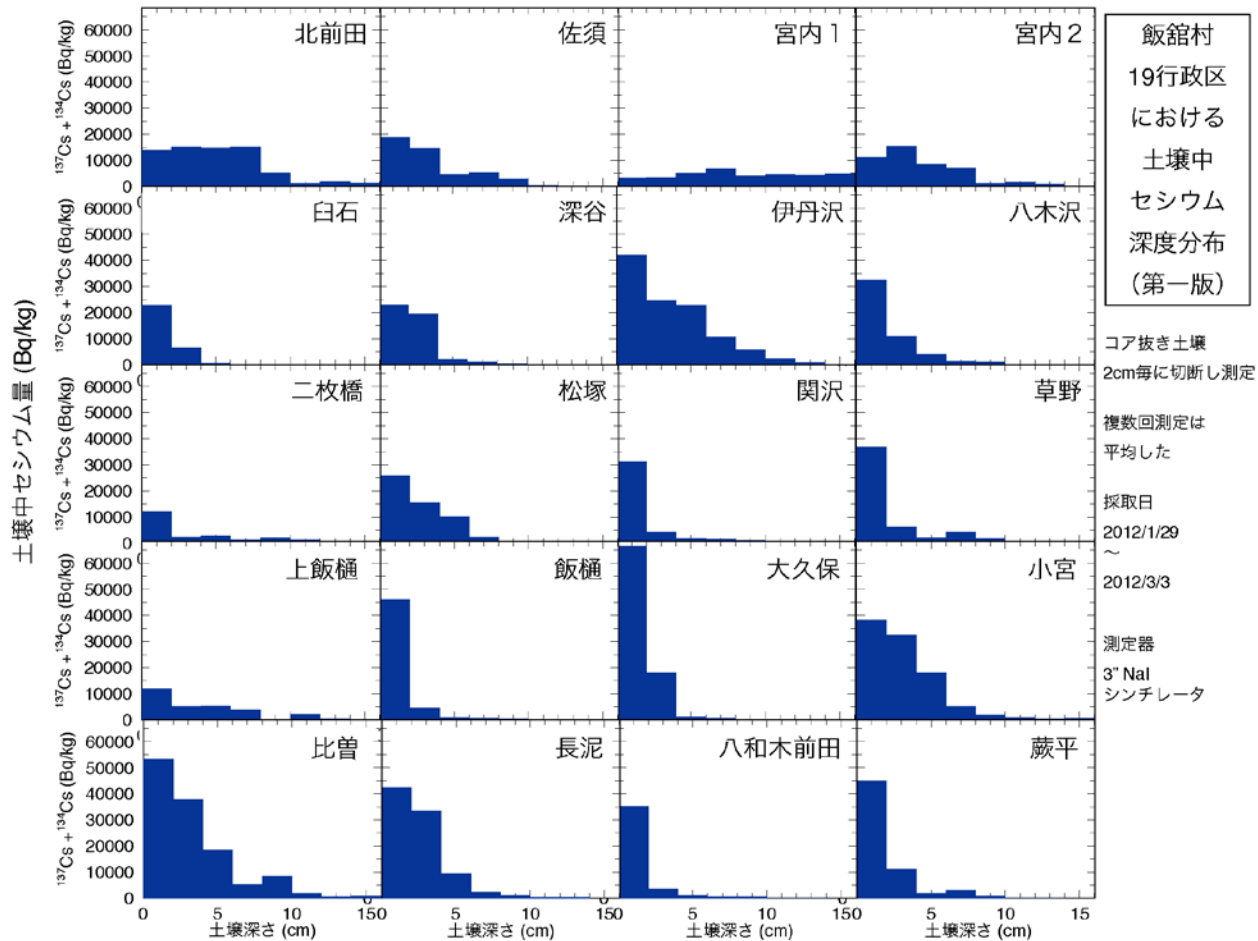
Radioactivity Detection of Aerosol



Sample	Date of Collection (Start-End)	Flow (m ³)	Concentration in Air (Bq/m ³)		
			Cs-134	Cs-137	Total
No.1	Mar.20 14:10 - Mar. 31 11:46	7847.6	0.000328	0.000484	0.000812
No.2	Mar.31 11:50 - Apr.8 17:28	5926.2	0.00165	0.00233	0.00398
No.3	Apr. 8 17:40 - Apr. 14 11:00	4122.2	0.0005	0.000697	0.0012

Continuous detection of radioactivity in the aerosol by using high volume air sampler (ongoing).

Radioactivity Analyses of Agricultural Land Soil

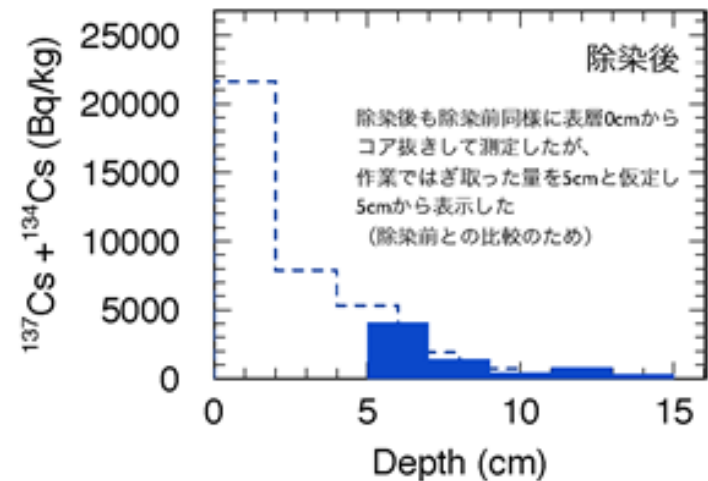


Sampling soils from 19 different lands in the village and measuring radioactivity of a section of soil by sectioning at each 2 cm depth

Decontamination of Agricultural Land (1)



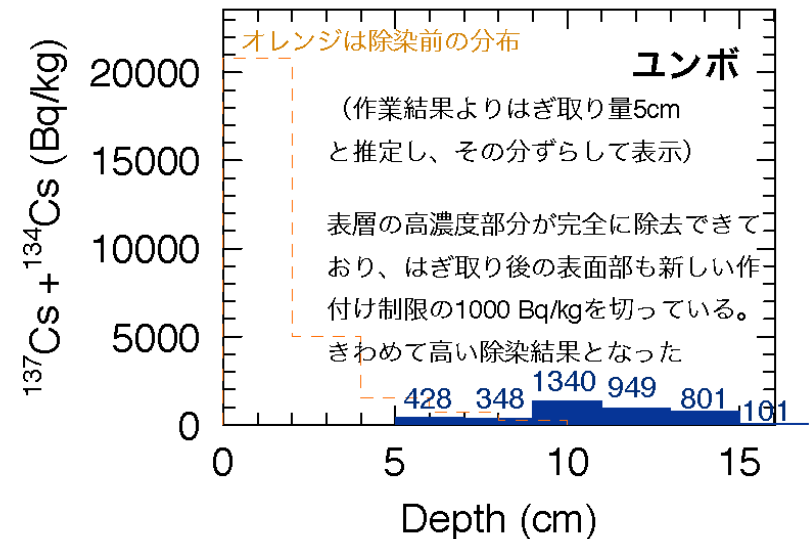
Drawing water into the agricultural land to wash out soil from the surface to approximately 5cm depth.



Decontamination of Agricultural Land (2)



Removing surface soil to 5cm deep with backhoe



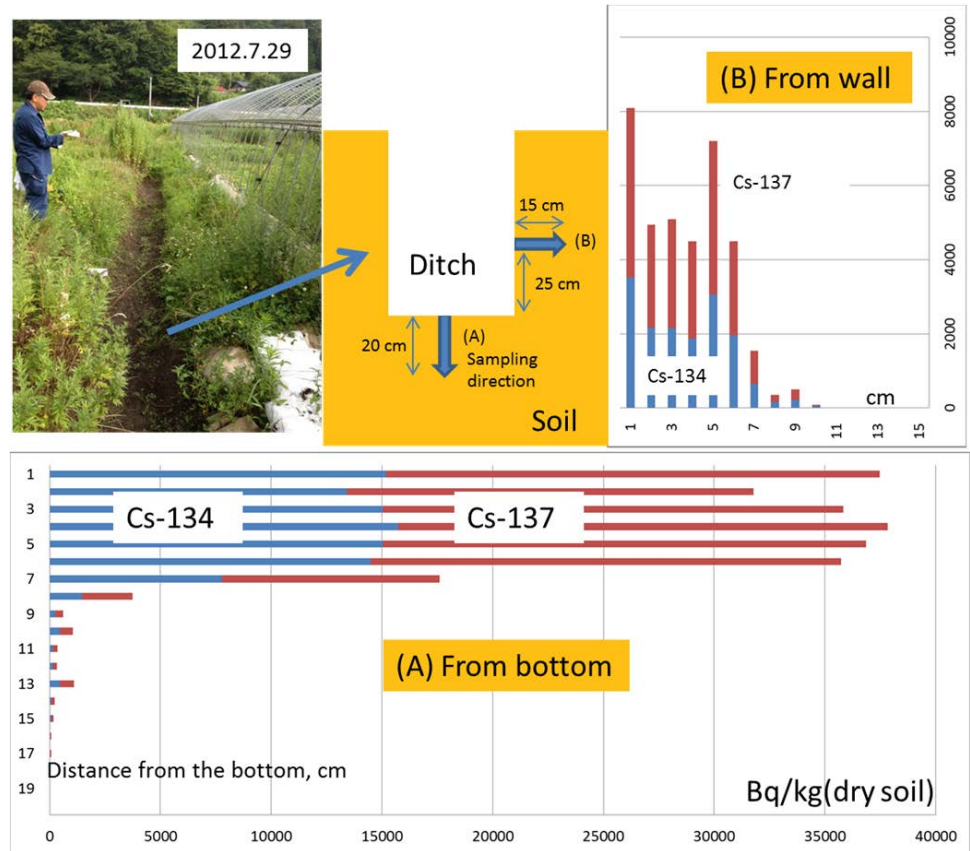
Decontamination of Agricultural Land (3)



The surface soil to 5cm deep is removed when the soil is frozen and the lump is embedded in the ground.

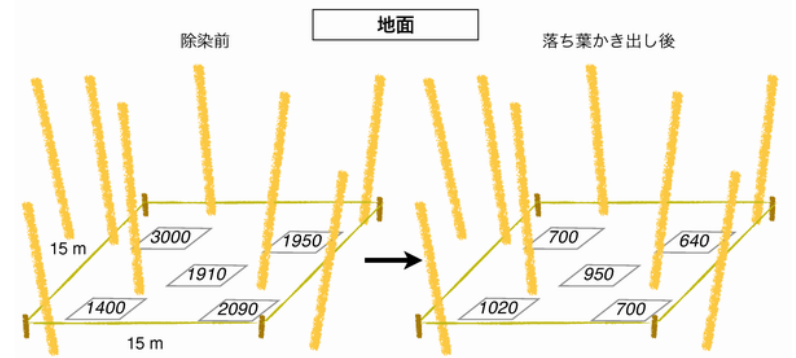
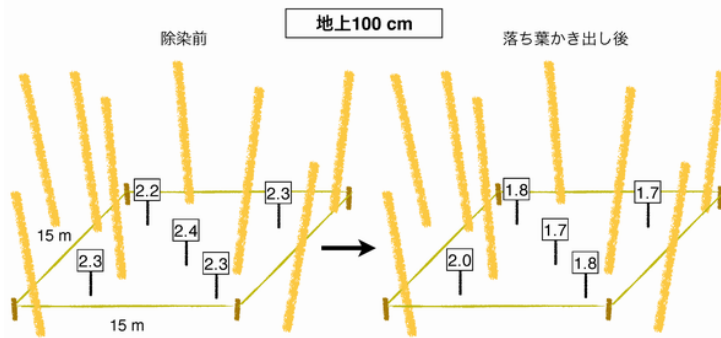


Treatment of Removed Soil



The washed out mud is accumulated in a groove. The soil is sampled from the bottom and the sidewalls at various depths after the water evaporated. The graphs show results of radioactivity measurements of the samples.

Decontamination of Forests



Experimental decontamination by raking the fallen leaves from broad leaved forest (November 2011).

Left: 100cm from the ground ($\mu\text{Sv/h}$) Right: Ground level (count/min)

Decontamination of Residences



Left Top: The backyard trees assumedly affect the radiation dose of the residences.
Right Top: Pruning the backyard trees.
Right Bottom: Maintaining drainage of the backyard.



Experimental Radiation Shielding



Left Top: Shielding experiments by water tank.

Right Top: Shielding experiments by cement walls.

Right Bottom: Shielding Experiment by filling water into rice paddies.



Experimental Cropping of Rice



Left Top: Rice planting.

Right Top: Traditional celebration of rice planting, “Sanaburi”

Right Bottom: Samples for detecting the amount of Cesium transition.

Despite of only experiments, rice planting after one year absence was an event which lead the farmers to the hope.



Application of Information Communication Technologies



Left: Health consultation of evacuees by using Skype (trial)

Right: Dialogues with foreign students through Skype. The dialogues were distributed by Ustream.