

Time changes in radiocesium concentration in aquatic systems affected by the Fukushima Daiichi NPP accident

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Mapping of radio-Cs

2 km mesh in Fukushima pref.

- Sampling area: in 80 km from Fukushima-daiich NPP
- Sampling :
 - First campaign : 6th/June – 14th/June
 - Second campaign : 27th/June – 8th/July
- Sampling participants: more than 1000 people
- Cooperative institutes and companies:
94 universities (hospitals), 14 companies
- Sampling points: about 2200
- Sample numbers: about 11000
- Analytical institutes: 20



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Soil sampling and analytical strategies for mapping fallout in nuclear emergencies based on the Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Plant accident

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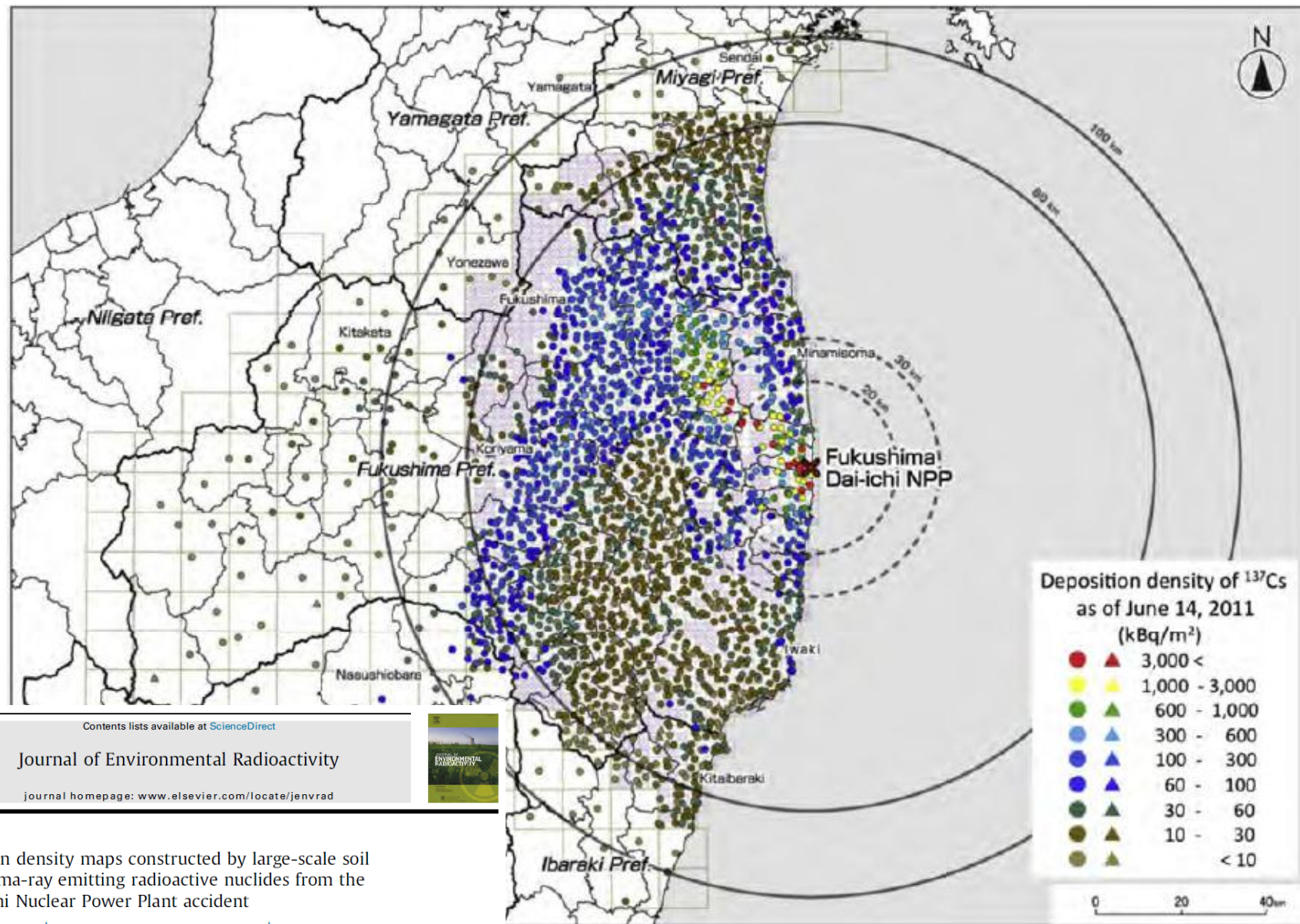
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Detailed deposition density maps constructed by large-scale soil sampling for gamma-ray emitting radioactive nuclides from the Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Plant accident

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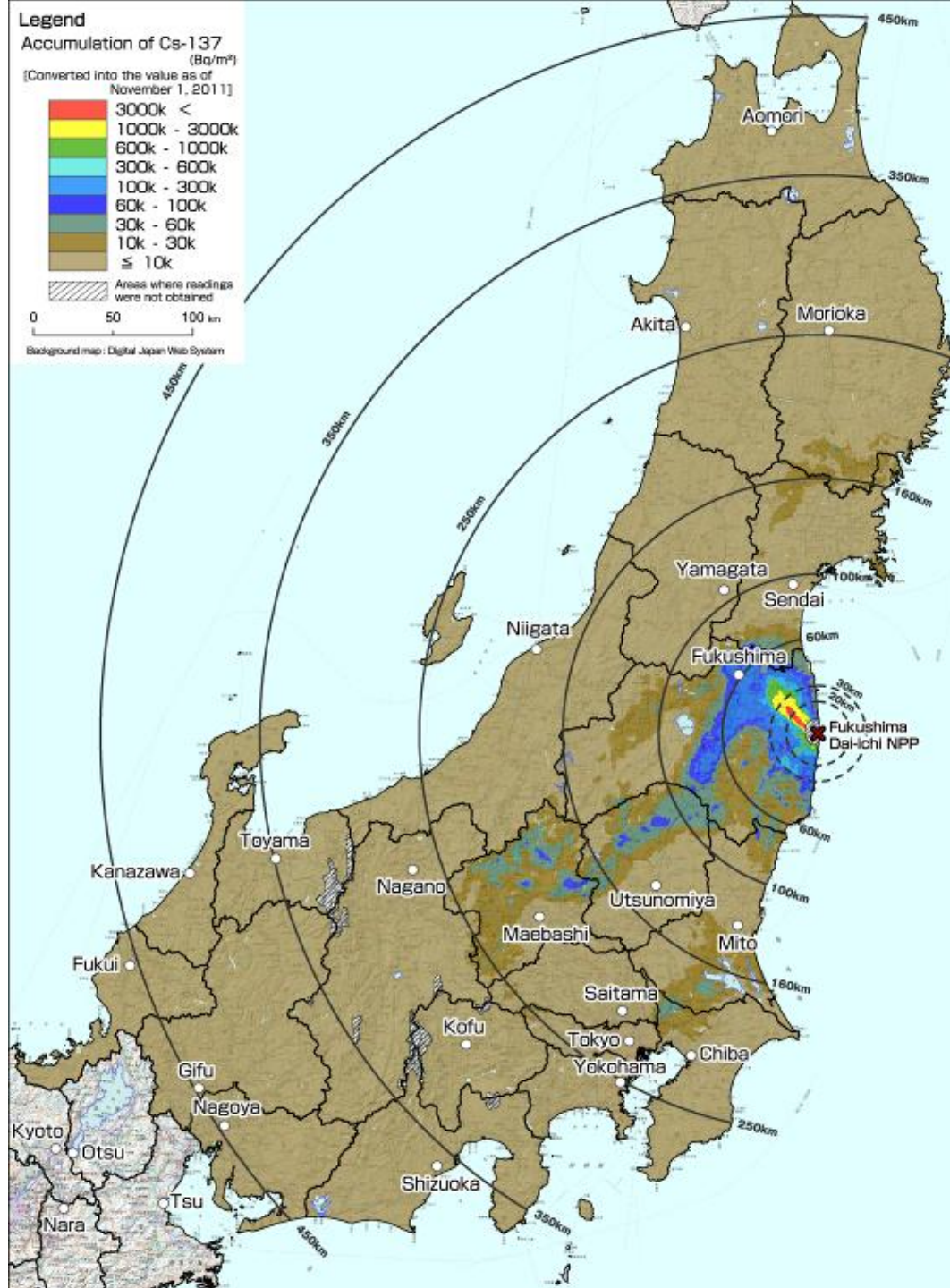
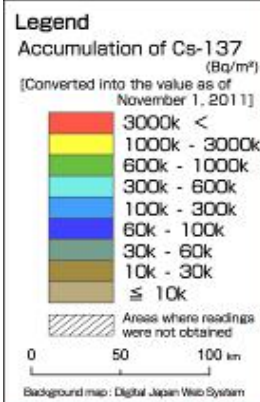
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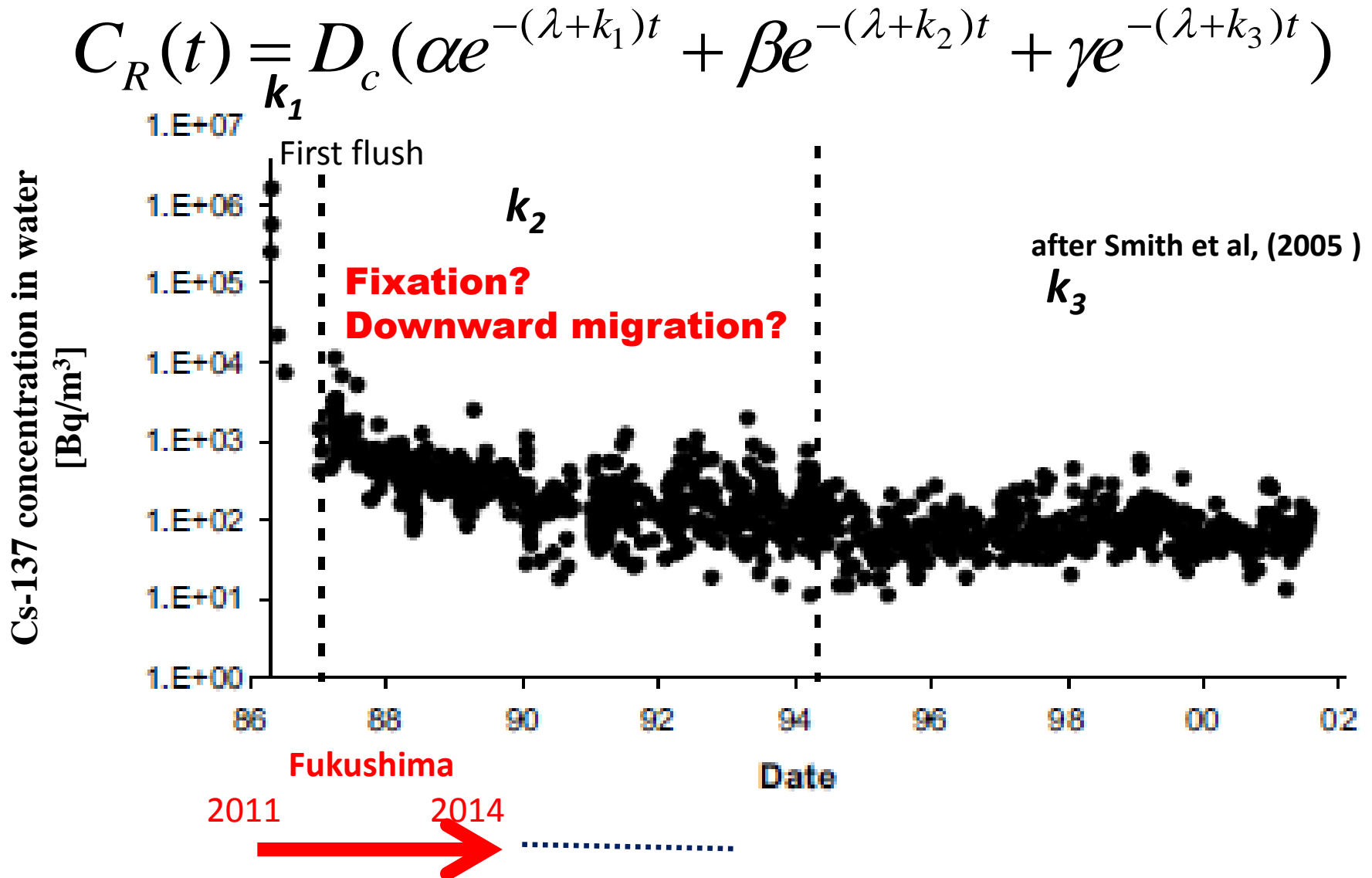
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Radioactivity per unit ground area is shown by the colored mark at the soil sampling location.



Time Change of Cs-137 concentration in water in Ukraine



June 2011- 2014 (funded by MEXT, NRA)

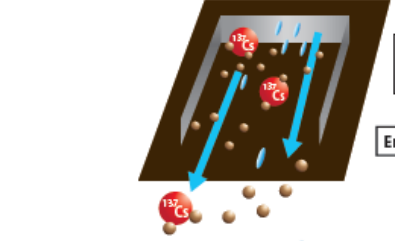
Relational expression of basic data for estimation of the migration process. Provide the initial value and parameter for modeling research.

Tokyo Institute of Tech / IBARAKI Univ / MRI

The measurement of the entrainment of soil fine particles including radionuclide.

Quantification of the lateral soil move of the radionuclide with the soil erosion.

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High precision measurement of Air filters

OSAKA Univ

Tokyo Institute of Tech / IBARAKI Univ

Entrainment from forests and soil

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Land use distinction by the GIS and construction of the erosion model

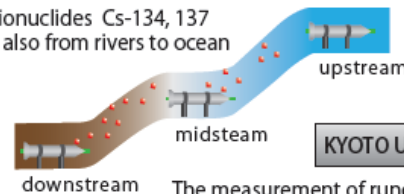
Runoff to rivers by soil erosion

Transfer to reservoirs, ponds and dams

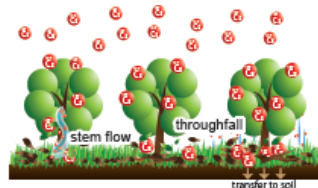
Riverflow monitoring
Runoff modeling

calculate the amount of radionuclides Cs-134, 137 from soil to rivers and ponds, also from rivers to ocean

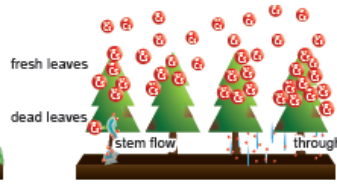
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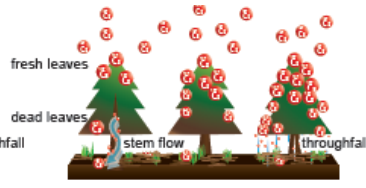
The measurement of runoff sediments and



Broad-leaved forest



Young cedar forest

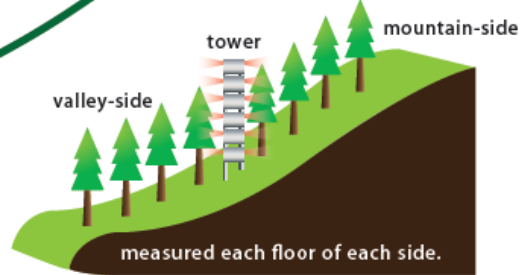


Mature cedar forest

A shift of radionuclides to cedar pollen and diffusion due to the pollen.

NAGOYA Univ

The real condition survey of a shift of radionuclides from forests to soil



Measurement of radionuclides in the field by portable Ge detector

Prediction of the migration of radionuclides in the future to use Air-Borne sensor calibration

Abundance of Cs-134, 137, I-131 and actual condition of lower penetration

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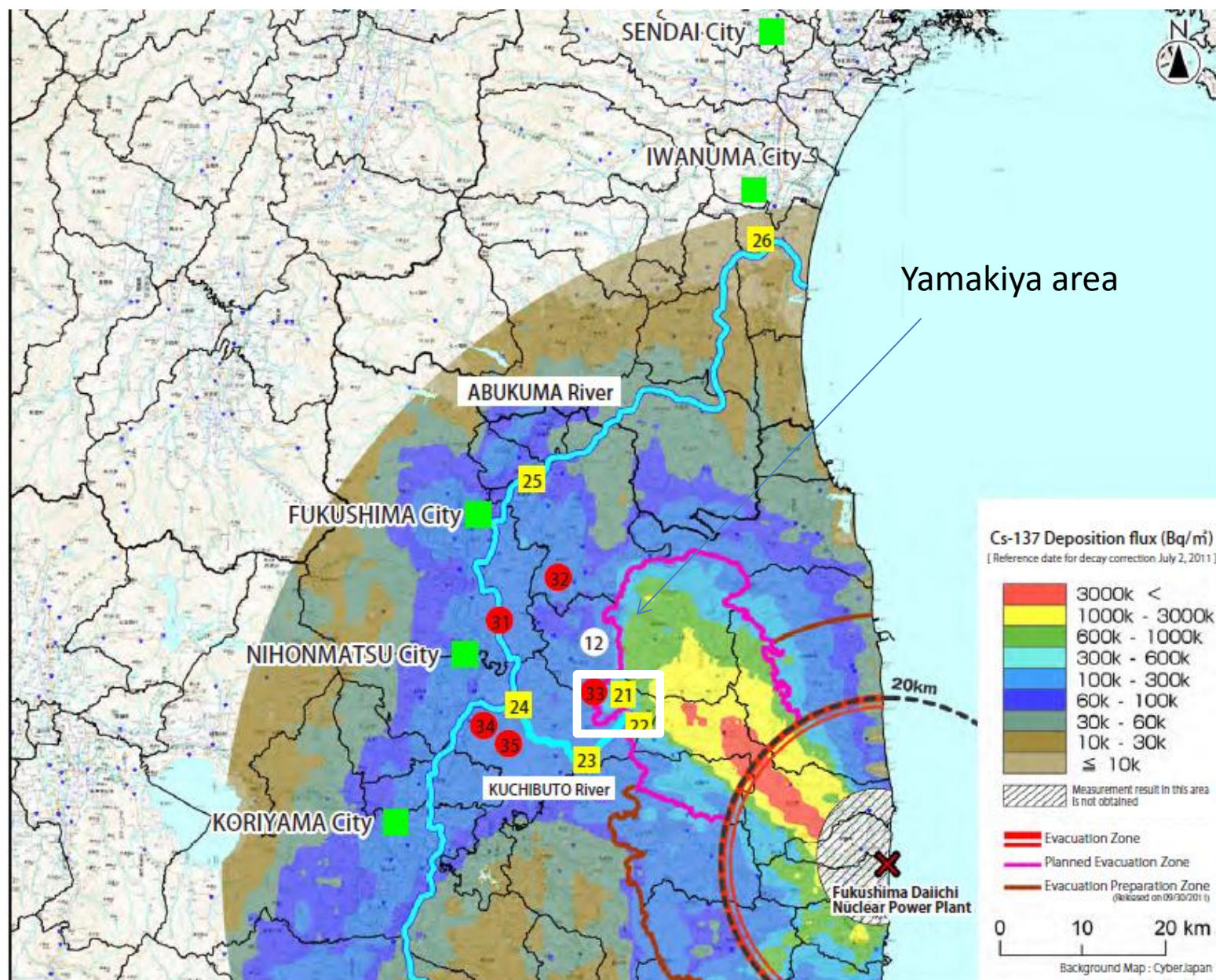
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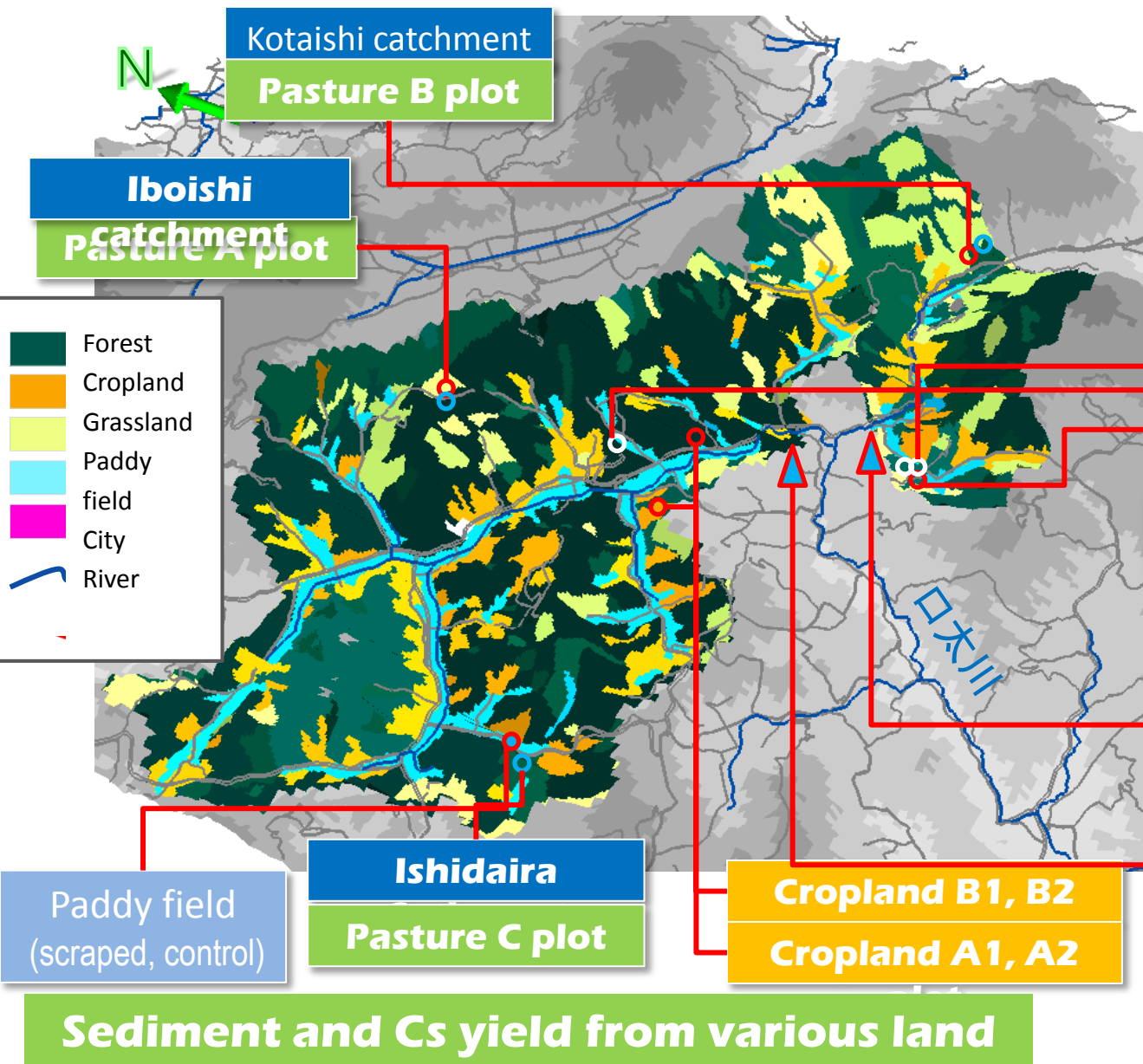
Outline of the national mapping projects implemented after the Fukushima accident





Yamakiya Study site

Cs transfer from forested area



Cs transfer in forest

Broadleaf

Young cedar

Mature cedar



Young cedar plot

River monitoring sites

Mizusakai



Kuchibuto upstream



Bare land



Cultivated (gentle)



Grass land



Cultivated (Steep)



Pasture A



Pasture B



Soil Erosion Plots

Forest (young cedar)



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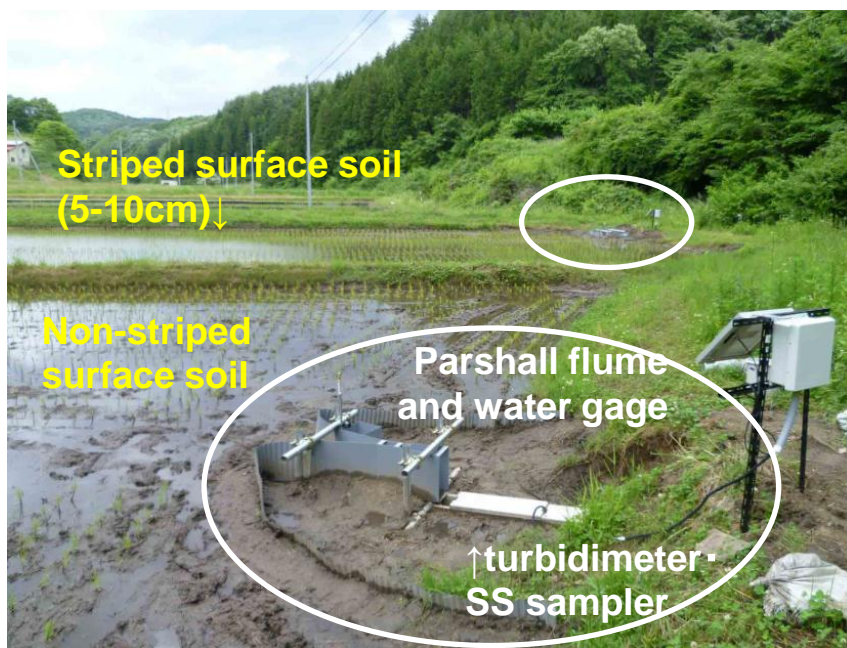
Evaluation of radiocaesium wash-off by soil erosion from various land uses using USLE plots

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Migration with cultivation

Migration of radionuclides from paddy field to river (and plant) by rice cultivation.



SS sampler



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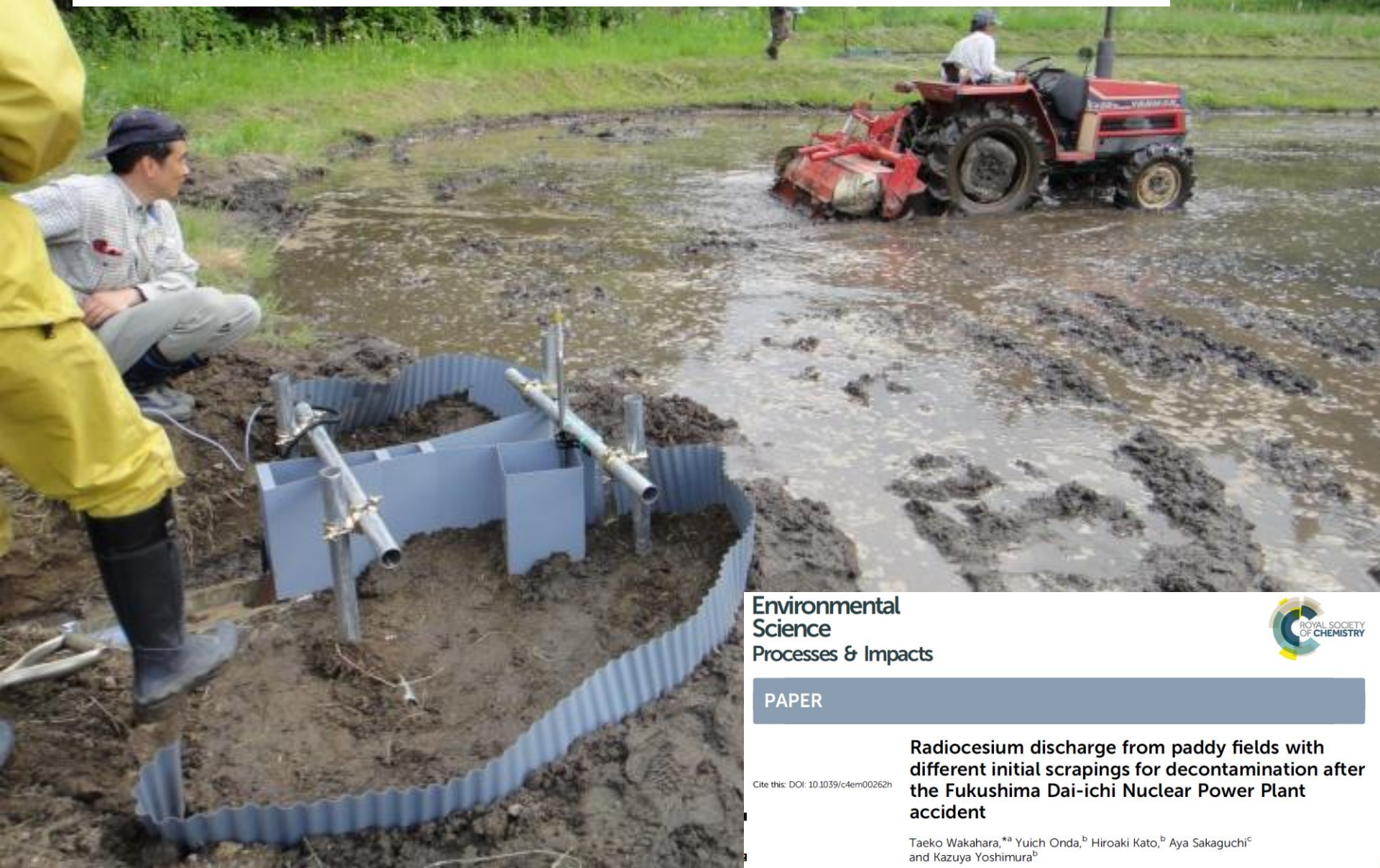
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Observation of suspended sediment discharge from paddy field by puddling



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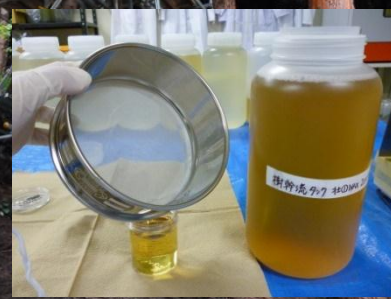
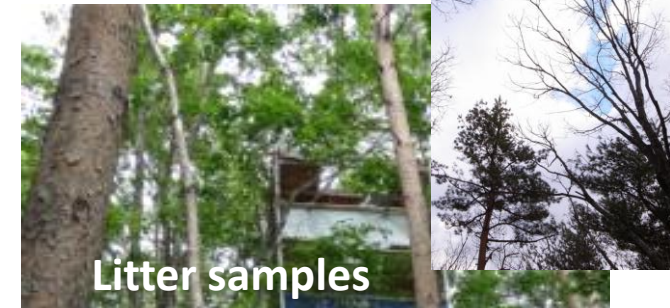
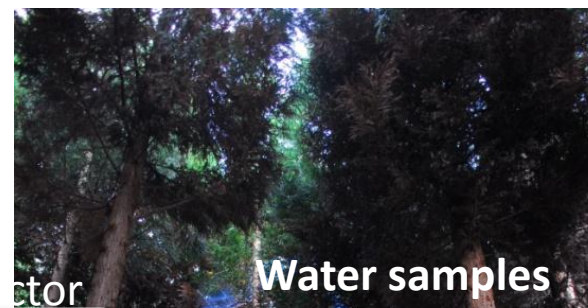
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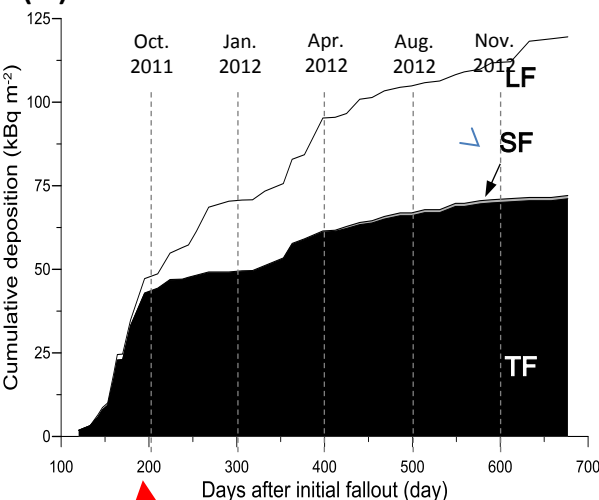
Experimental site



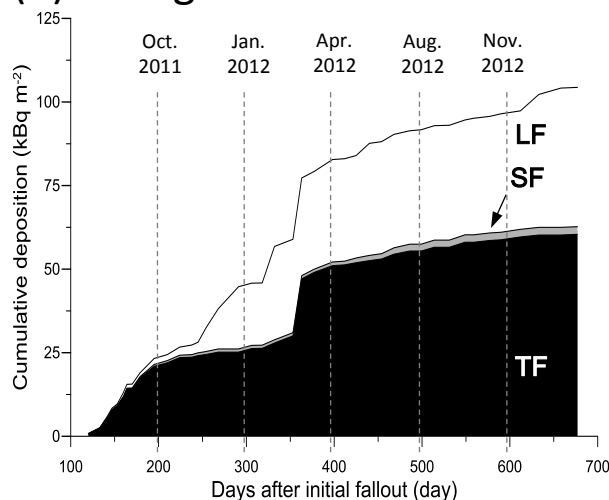
Throughfall + Litterfall input

Cumulative Cs-137 deposition (Bq m^{-2}) onto forest floor

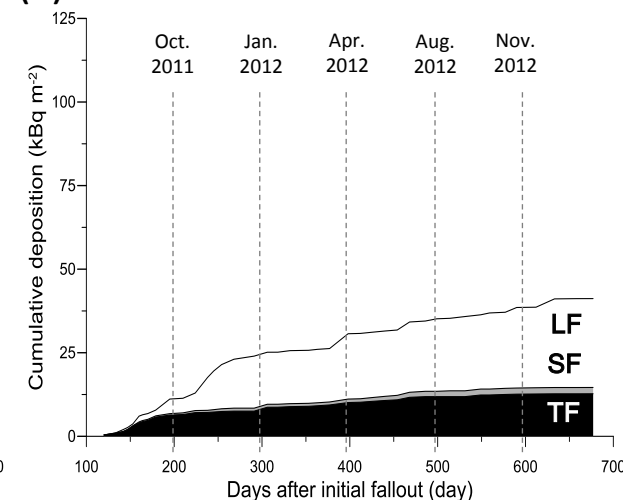
(a) Mature cedar



(b) Young cedar



(c) Broad-leaved



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200 days after the NPP accident

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Interception of the Fukushima reactor accident-derived ^{137}Cs , ^{134}Cs and ^{131}I by coniferous forest canopies

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Modeling of leachable ^{137}Cs in throughfall and stemflow for Japanese forest canopies after Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant accident

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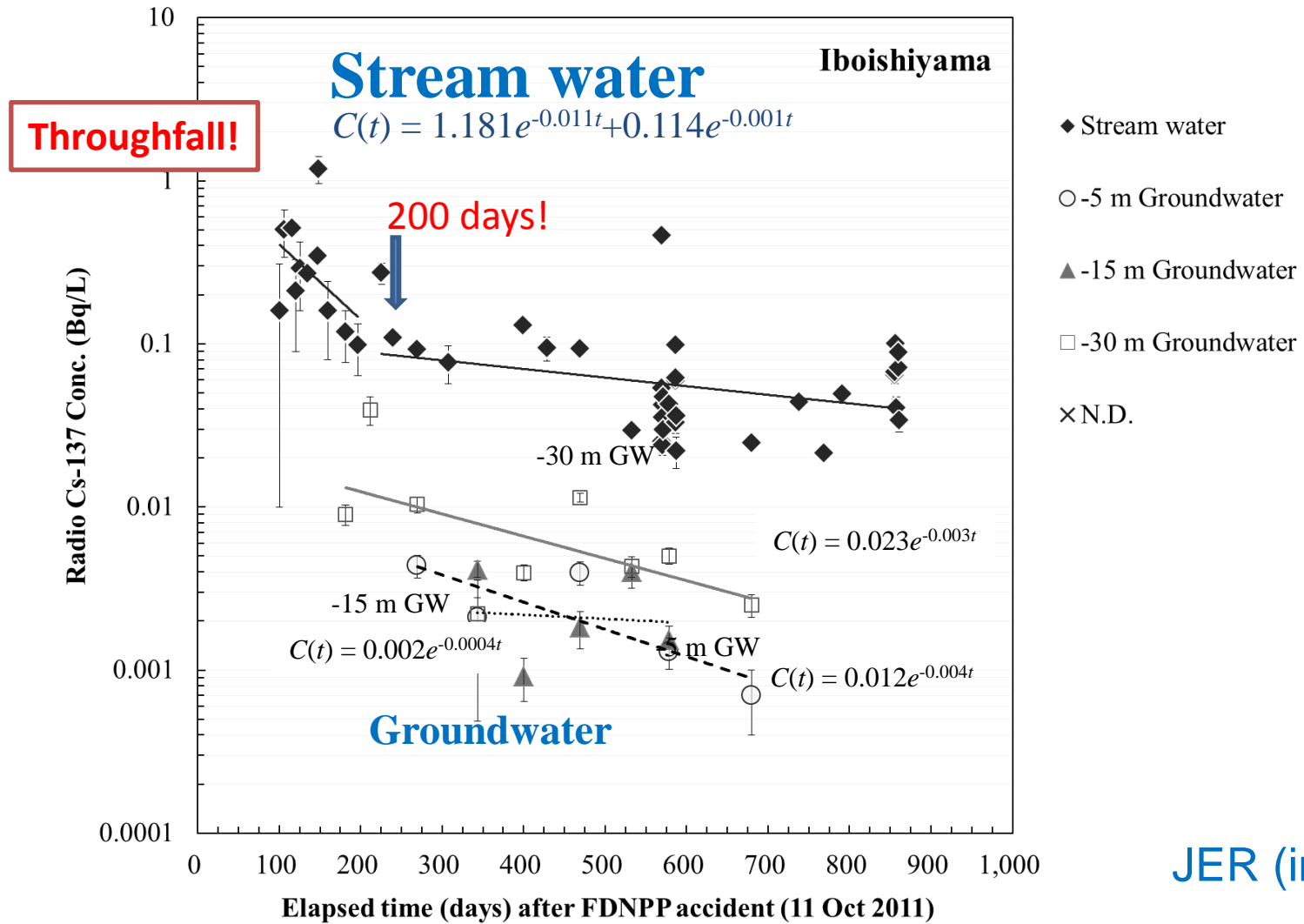
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Headwater catchment



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Time series of dissolved ^{137}Cs concentration in stream water at Iboishiyama and time series of dissolved ^{137}Cs concentration in groundwater at Iboishiyama with exponential approximate line.

Bare land



Cultivated (gentle)



Grass land



Cultivated (Steep)



Pasture A



Pasture B

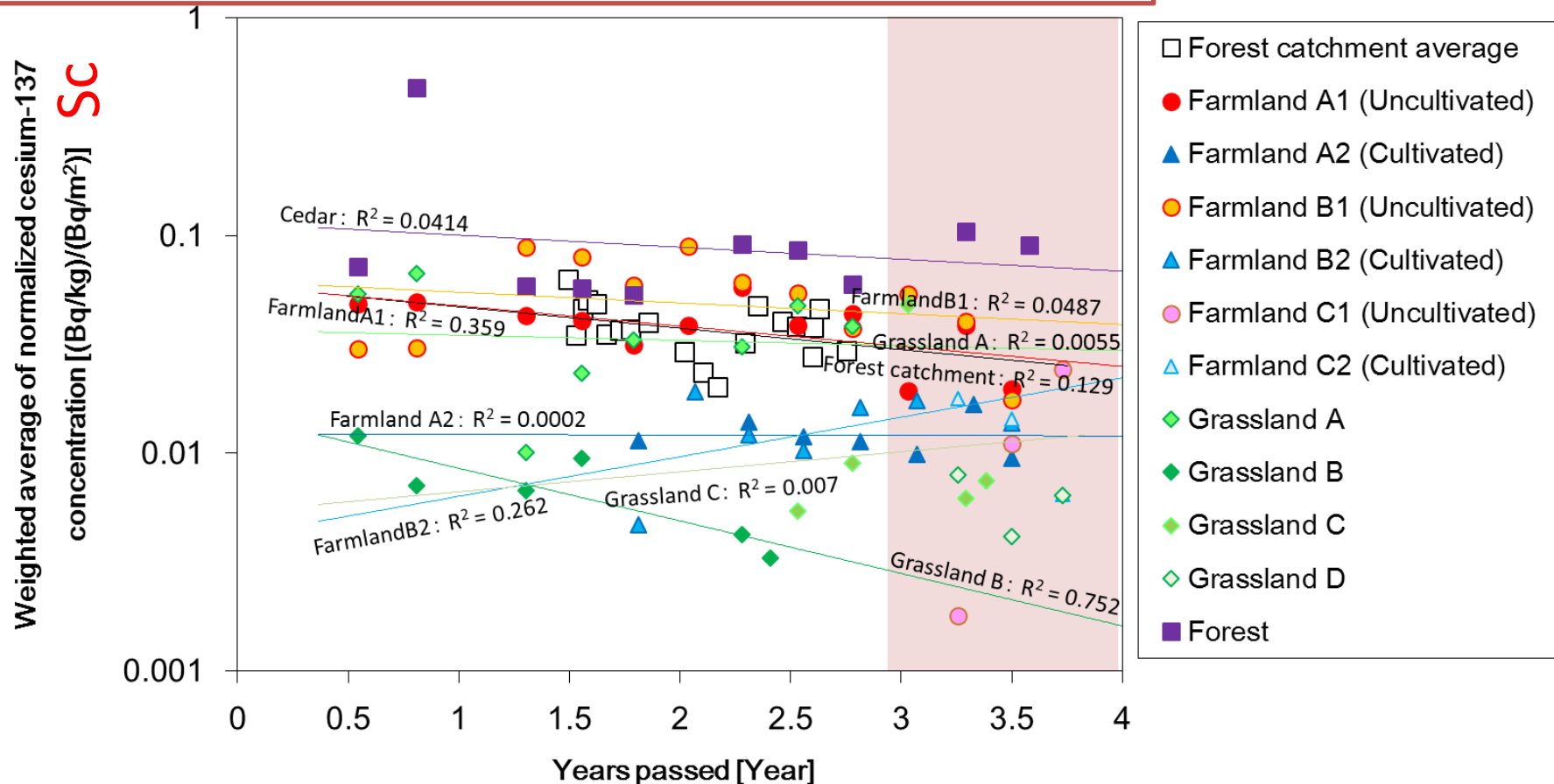


Soil Erosion Plots

Forest (young cedar)



Normalized Cs-137 concentration (Sc): ¹³⁷Cs concentration per unit deposition density



Temporal change in normalized cesium-137 concentration in sediment discharge from each plot. Each point

$$Sc_{uncultivated}(t) = 0.0619 \exp(-0.196t)$$

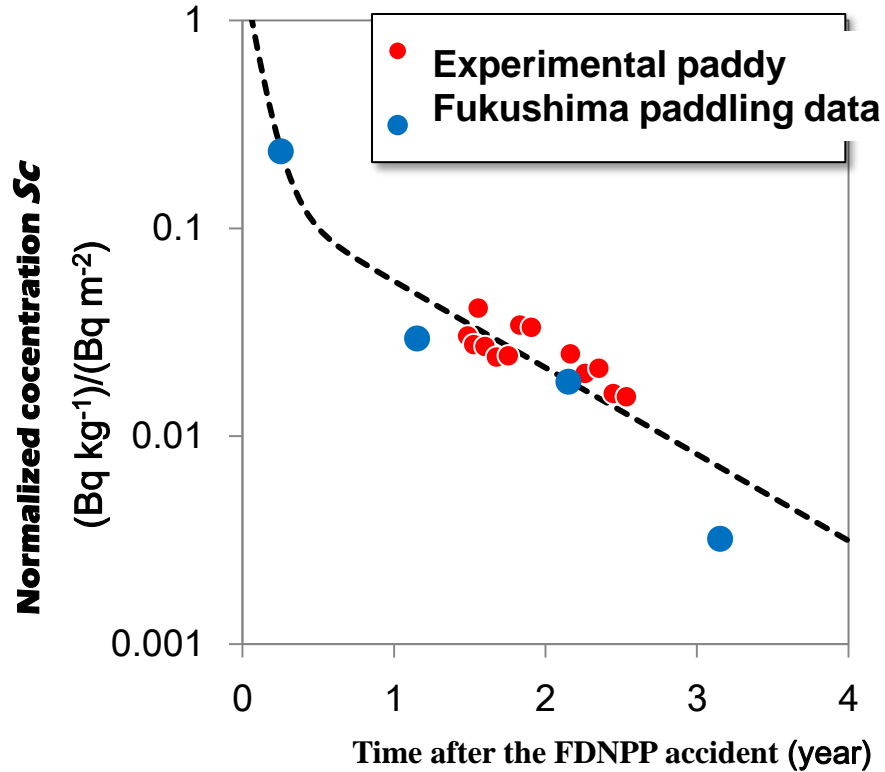
$$Sc_{cultivated} = 0.0137 \quad (\text{Averaged value of the 2 plots (A2,B2)})$$

$$Sc_{grassland} = 0.0134 \quad (\text{average value of grassland A,B,C})$$



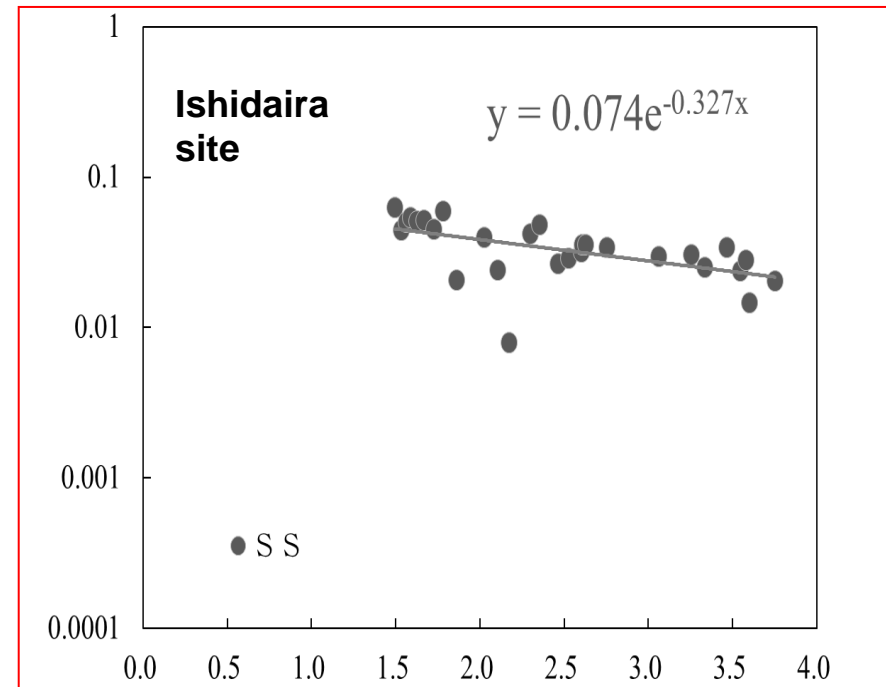
Paddy field $Sc(t)$

$$Sc_{paddy}(t) = 1.62e^{-10.1t} + 0.145e^{-0.958t}$$



Forest catchments $Sc(t)$

$$Sc_{forest}(t) = 0.074e^{-0.327t}$$





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【Outline of observation equipment】

- Suspended sand sampler
- Pressure water level sensor
- Turbidimeter
- Rain gauge
- Data logger and solar panel

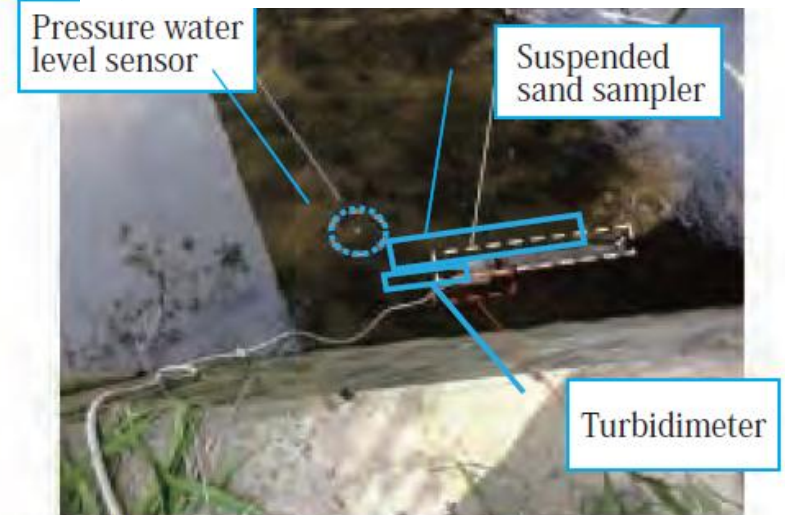


Photo 4
Installation of suspended sand sampler, turbidimeter sensor and pressure water level sensor (Upstream of Kuchibuto River)



Photo 1 Suspended sand sampler



Photo 3 Turbidimeter

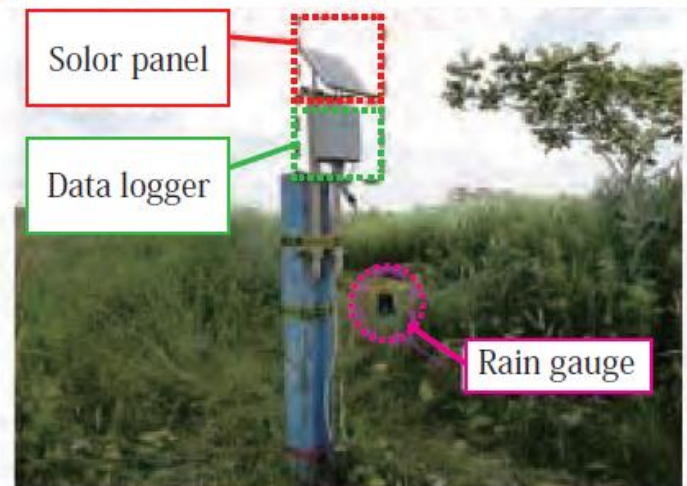
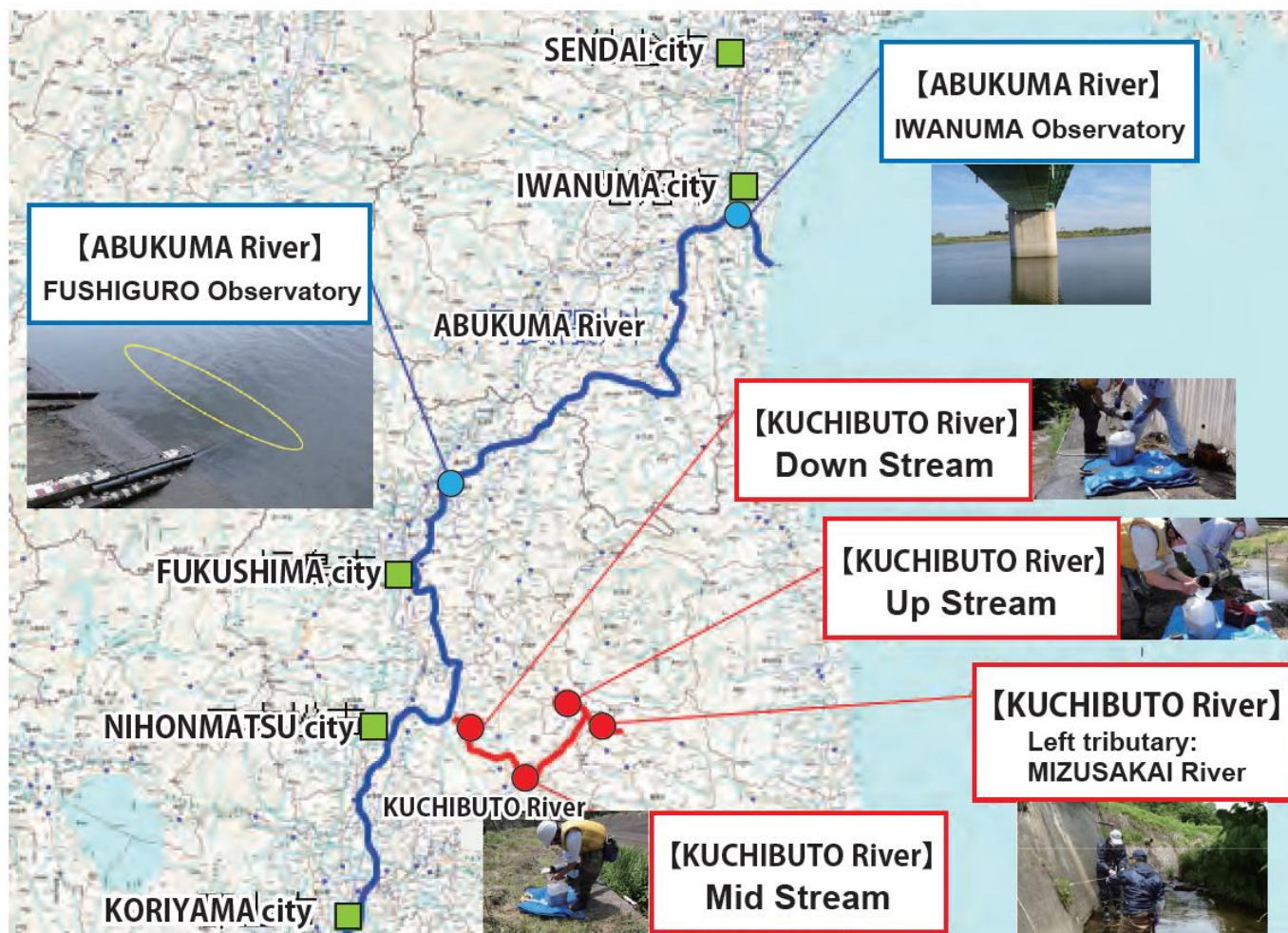


Photo 5
Installation of data logger, solar panel and rain gauge (Iwanuma observatory)



Radionuclide migration to rivers and ocean (initial 6 sites)



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Initial flux of sediment-associated radiocesium to the ocean from the largest river impacted by Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant

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From 10 August 2011 to 11 May 2012 The total flux of radiocesium into the Pacific Ocean estimated was corresponding to 1.13% of the total estimated radiocesium fallout over the basin catchment.

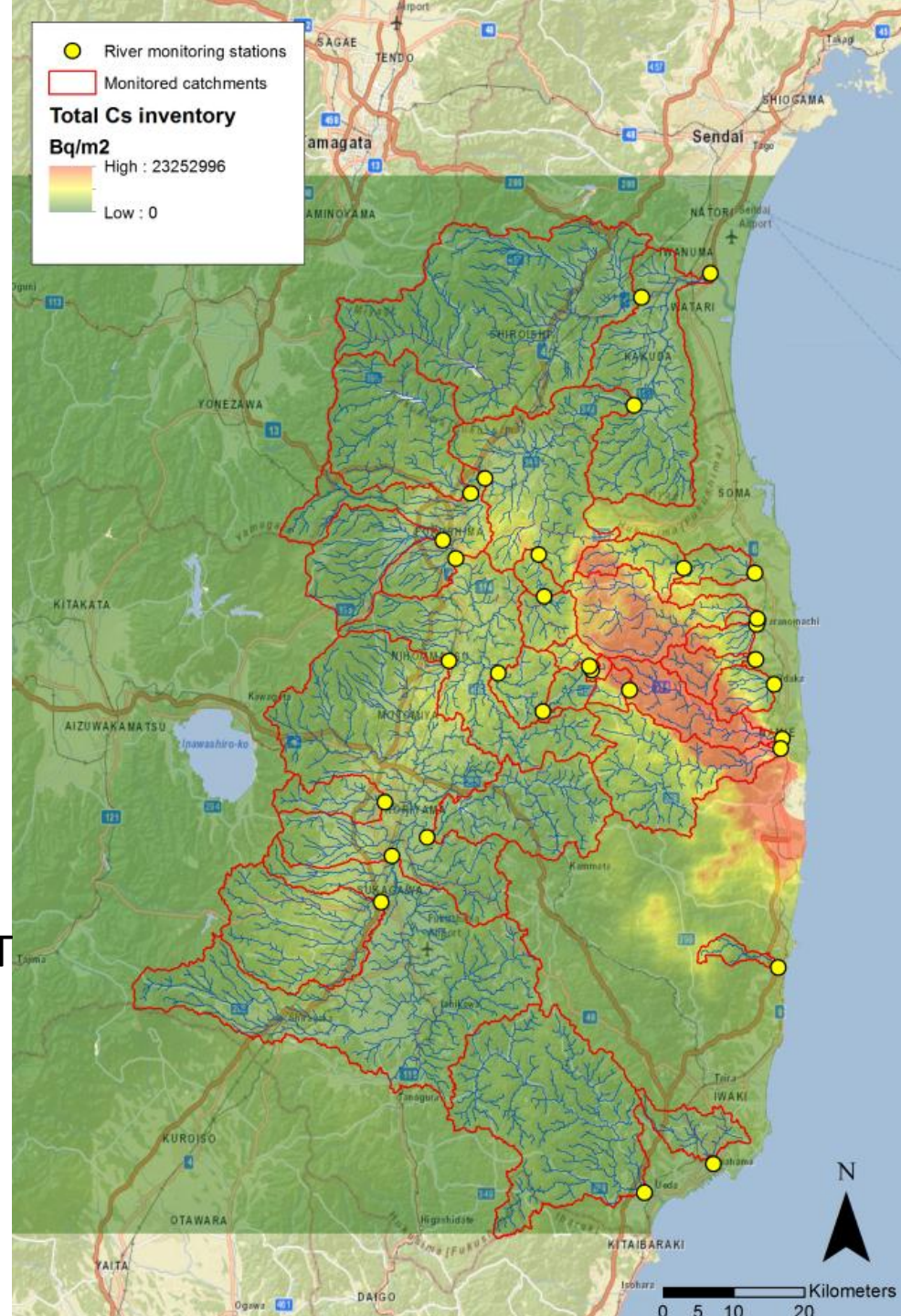
River monitoring sites

1. Longer-term Abukuma sites (n = 6):

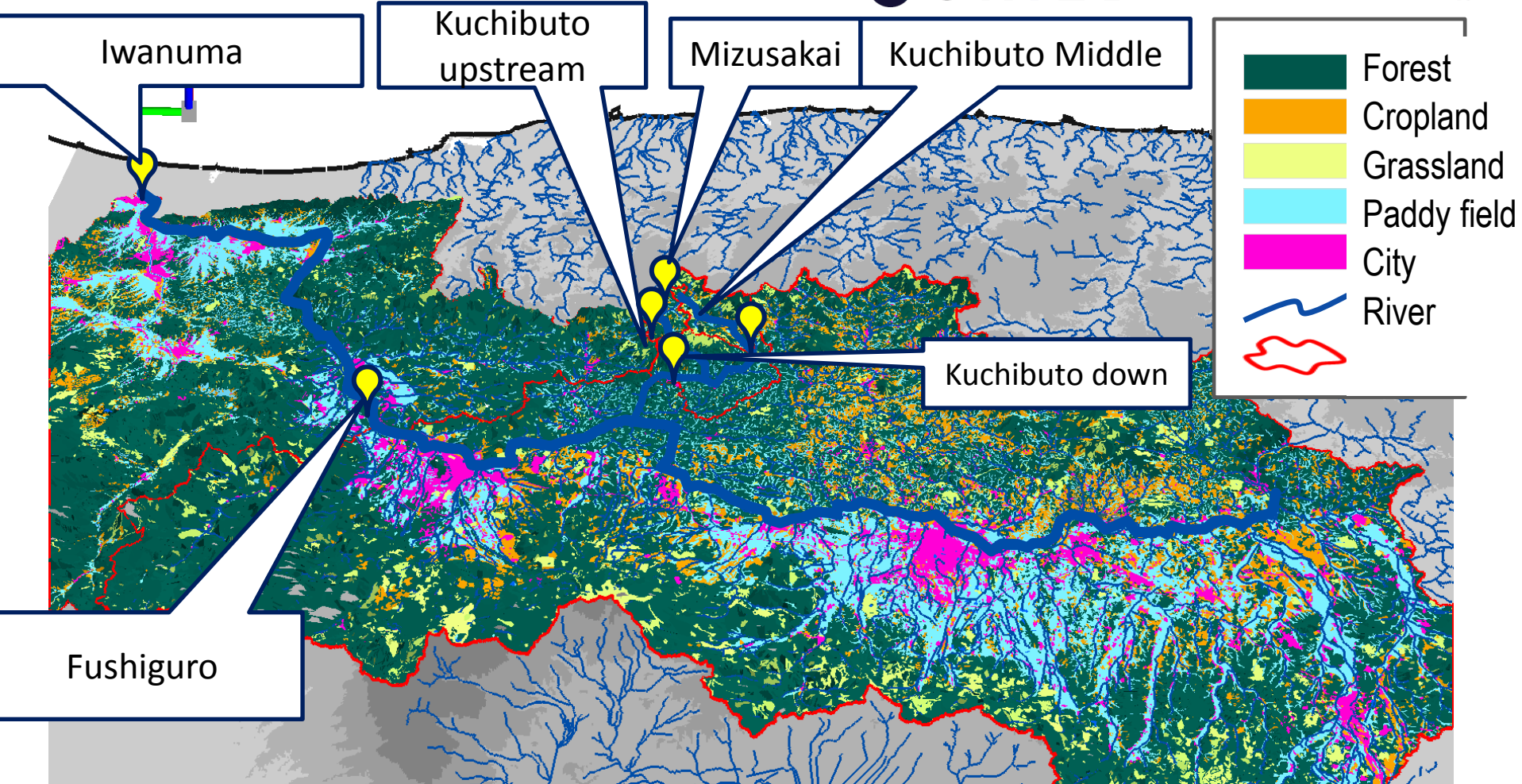
- Established from June 2011

2. New sites (n = 24):

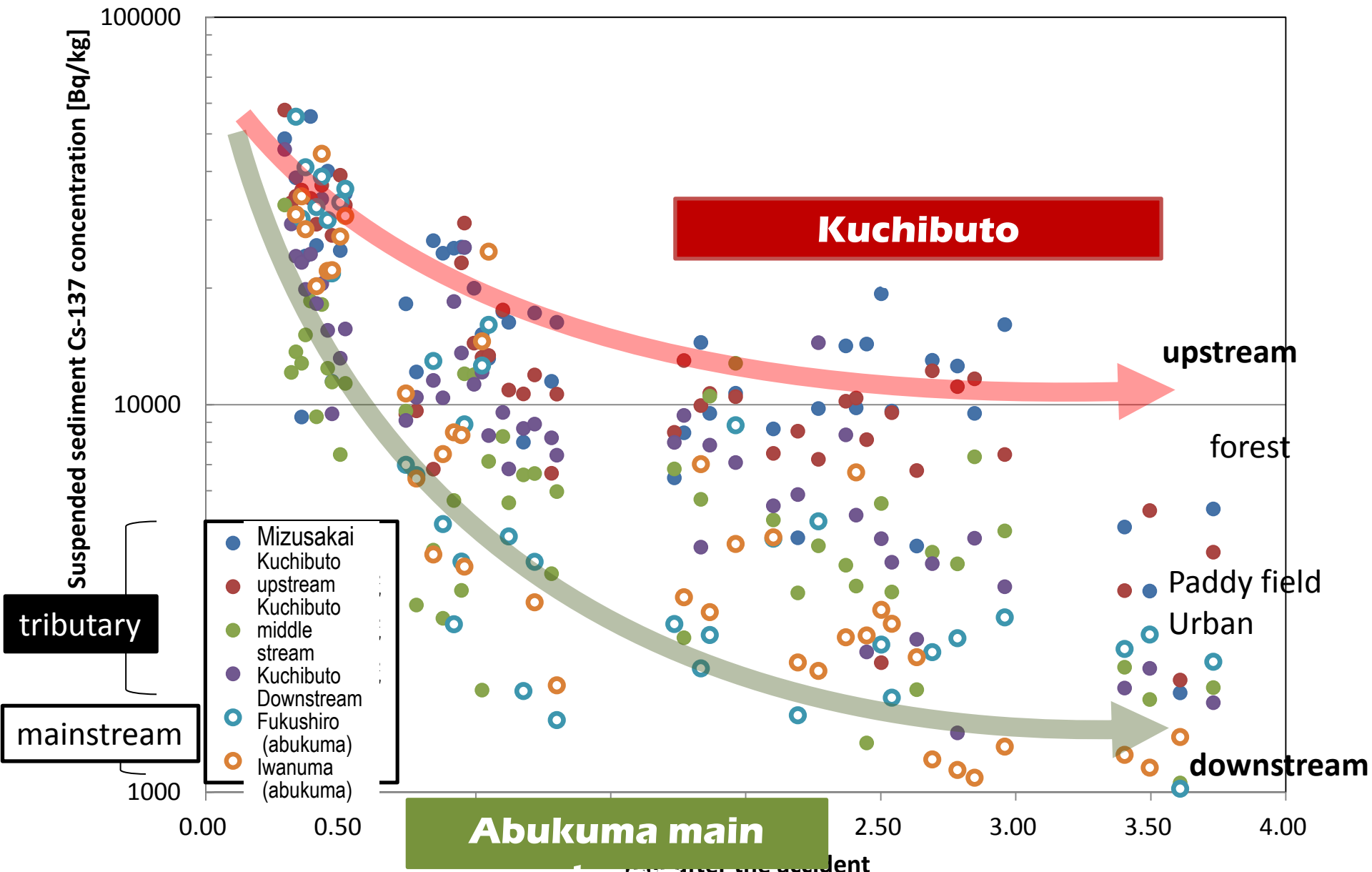
- Abukuma Basin and small coastal catchments
- Established in October-December 2012
- Catchment areas range from 7.6 – 5,170 km²
- Average inventories based on MEXT
- Cs-137: 19-2380 kBq m⁻²



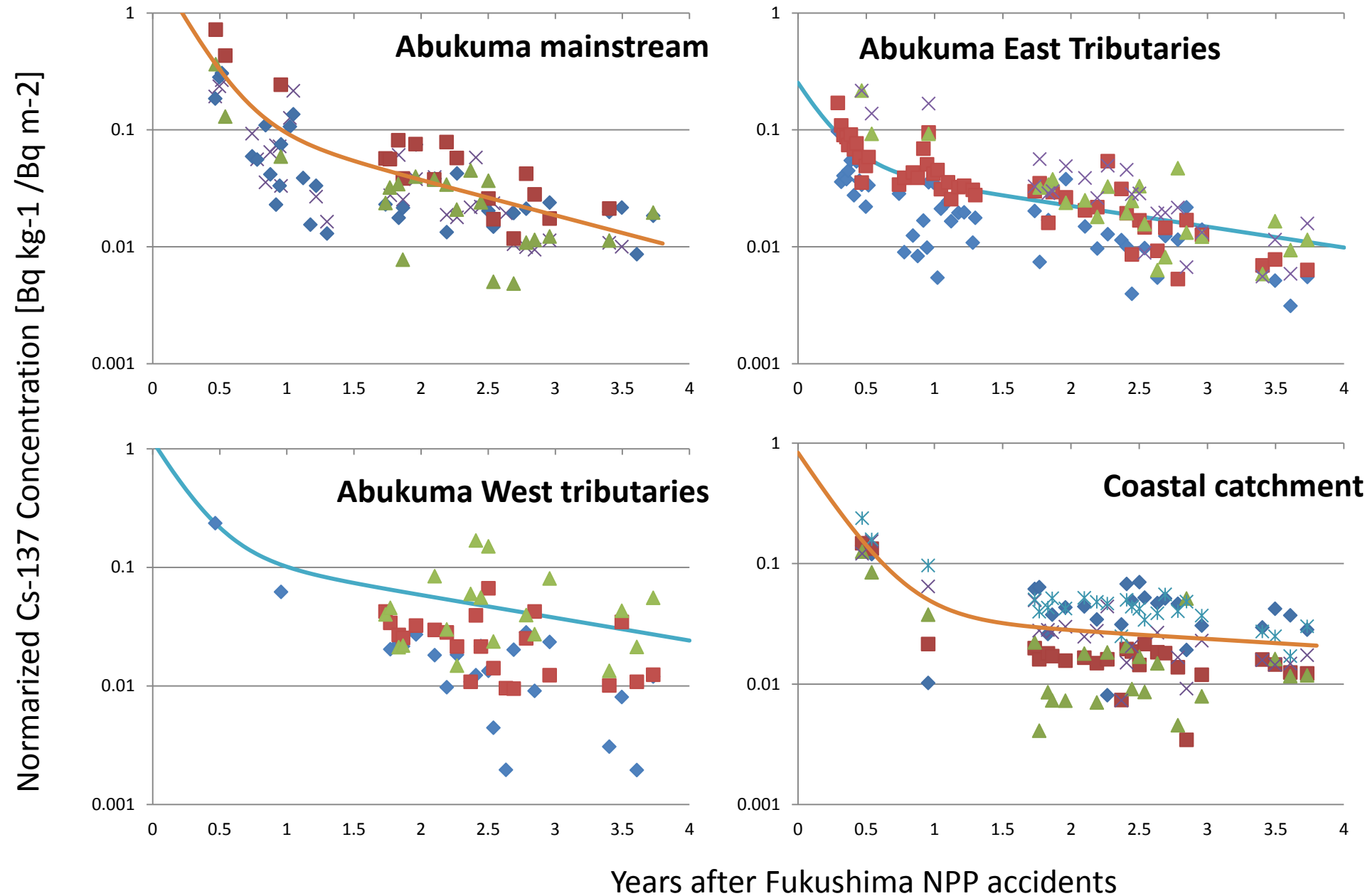
Landuses in Abukuma catchments and 6 long-term sites



Time change of suspended sediment concentration in 6 long-term sites



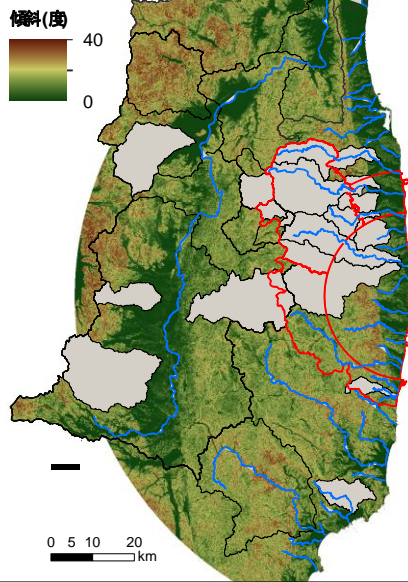
Time change of Suspended sediment Cs-137 concentration for 30 sites



USLE-based soil erosion calculation (25m-grid)

Slope(S)

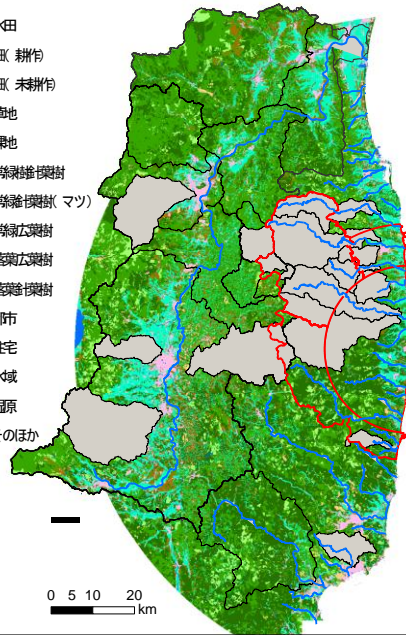
(a)



土地利用

水田
畑(耕作)
畑(未耕作)
草地
裸地
常緑雑樹林
常緑雑樹林(マツ)
常緑広葉樹
落葉広葉樹
落葉雑樹林
都市
住宅
水域
湿原
その他

(b)

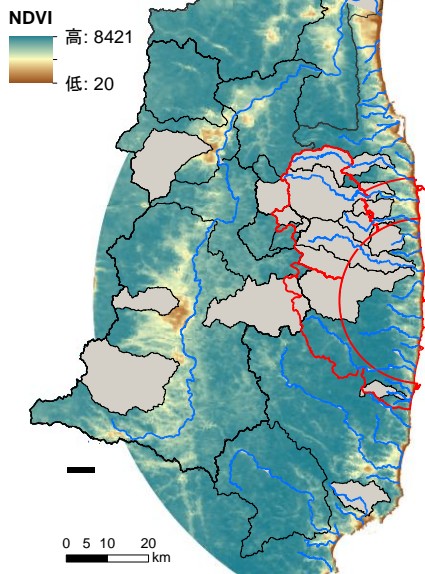


Landuse

Calculation: 1 month step

Vegetation factor
(C)

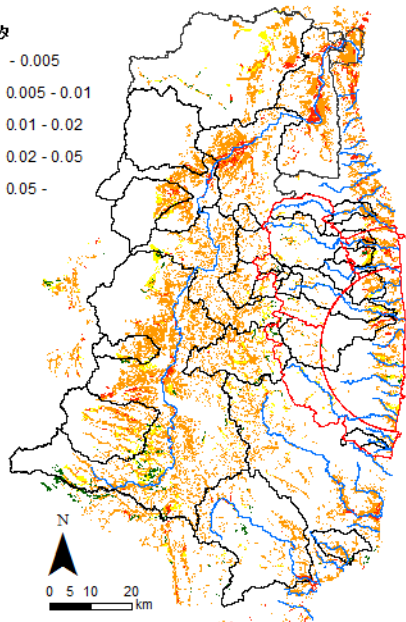
(c)



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0.005 - 0.01
0.01 - 0.02
0.02 - 0.05
0.05 -

(d)

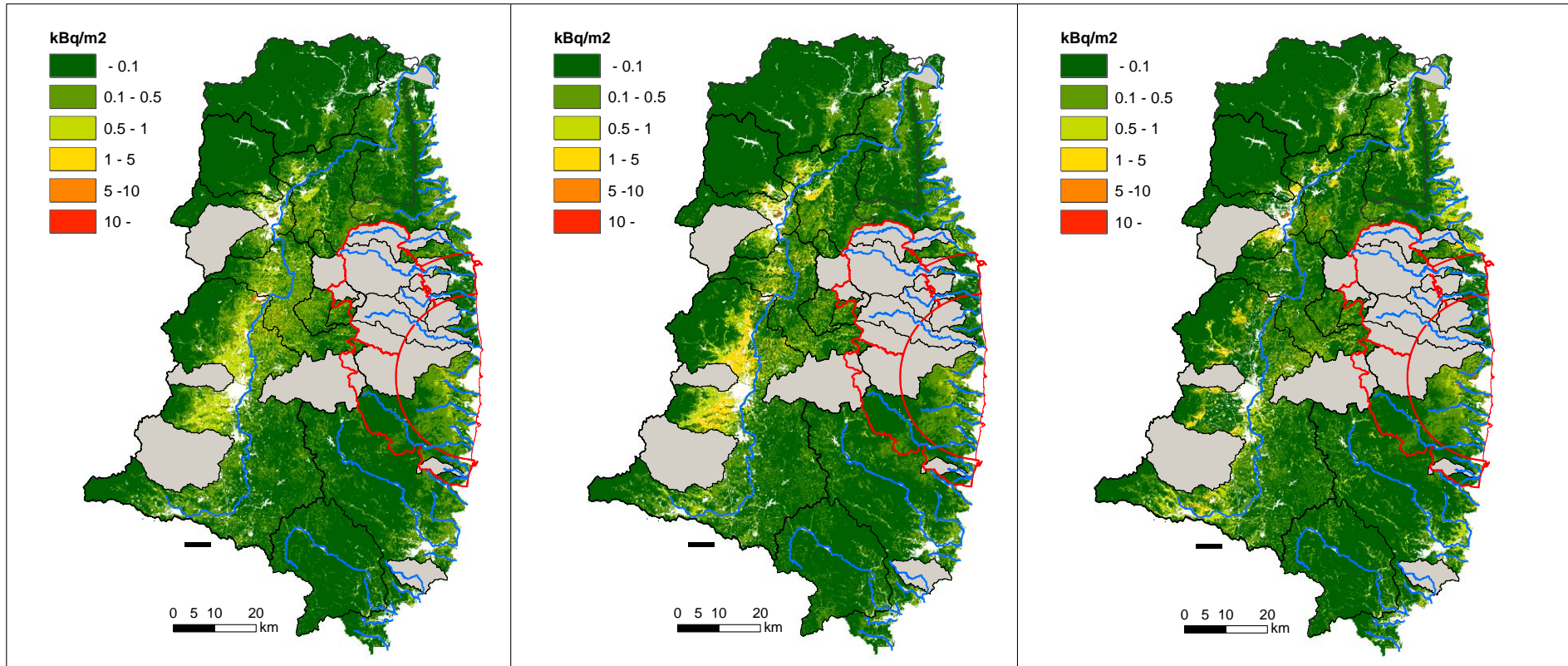


K factor

Input parameters ;
Rainfall (Thiessen-based),
 $Sc(t)$ of each land use
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monthly discharge
data Wakahara et al.
2014)

Calculated Cs-137 migration

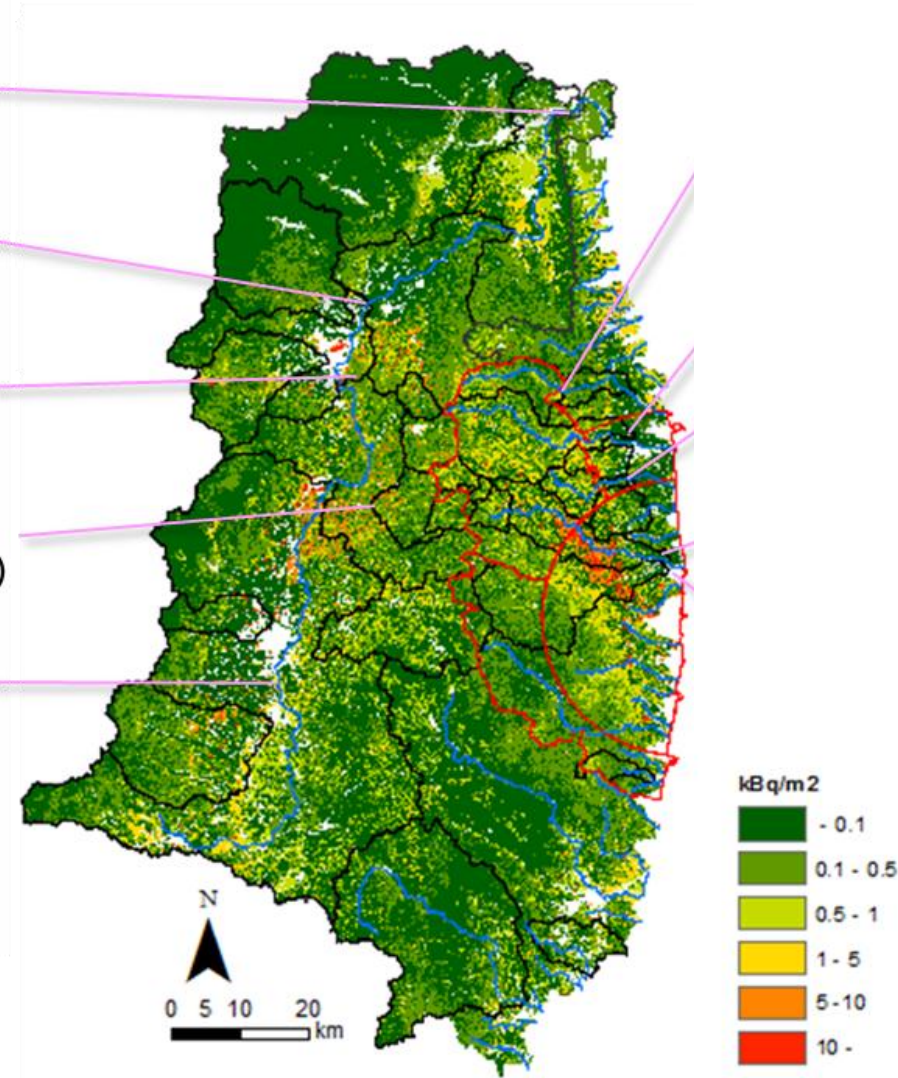
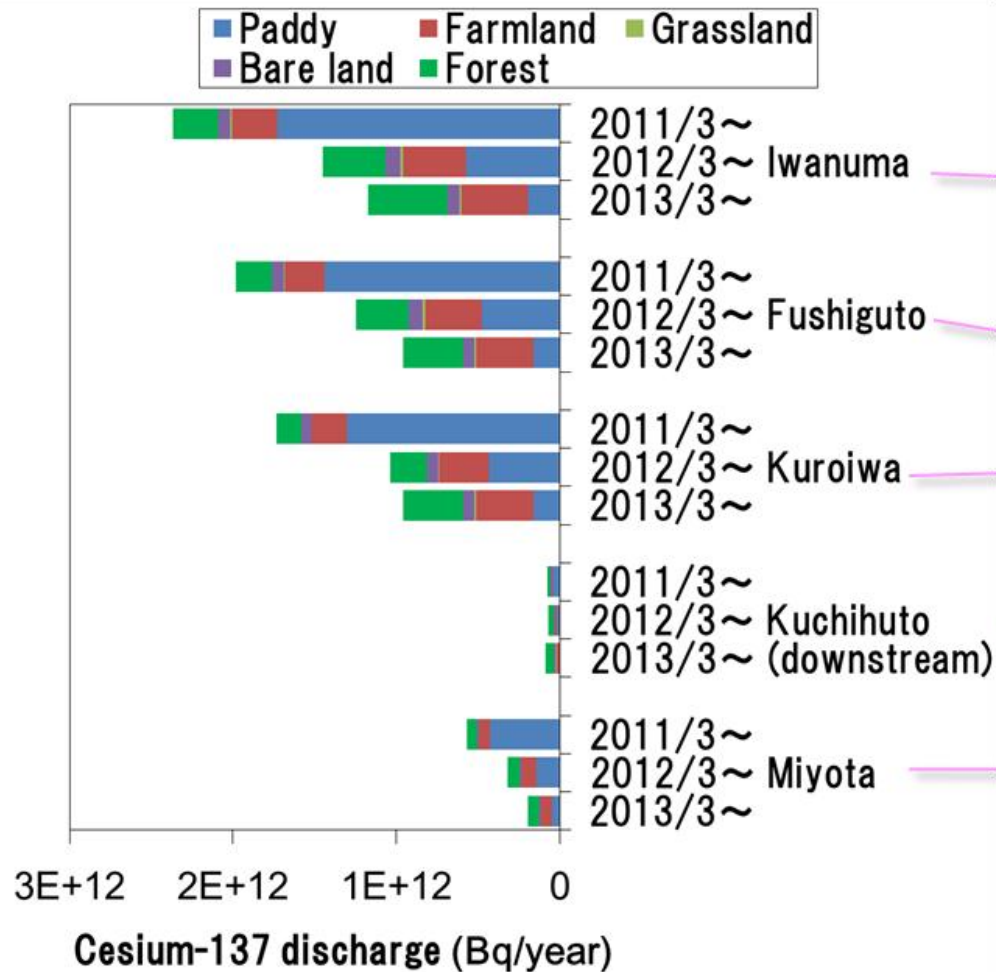
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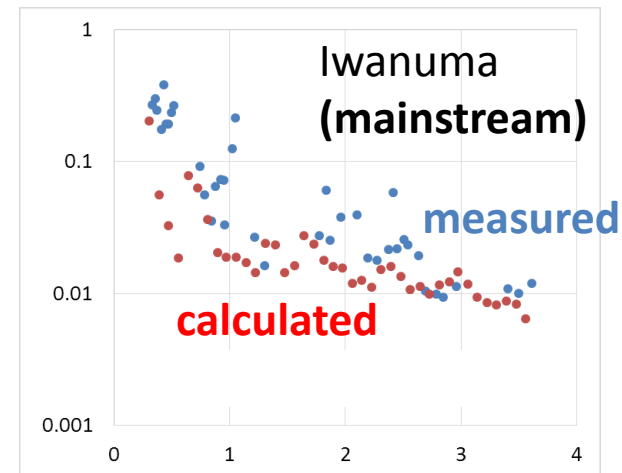
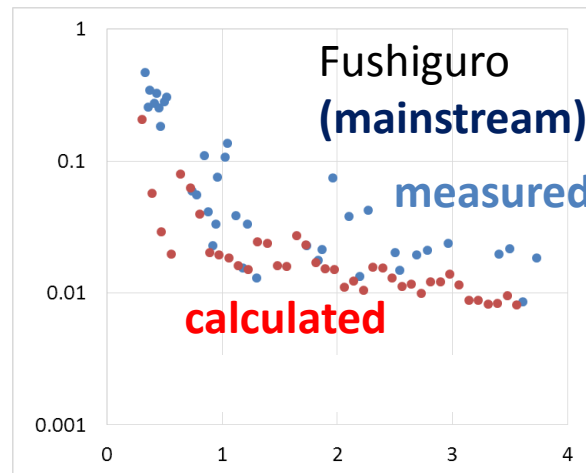
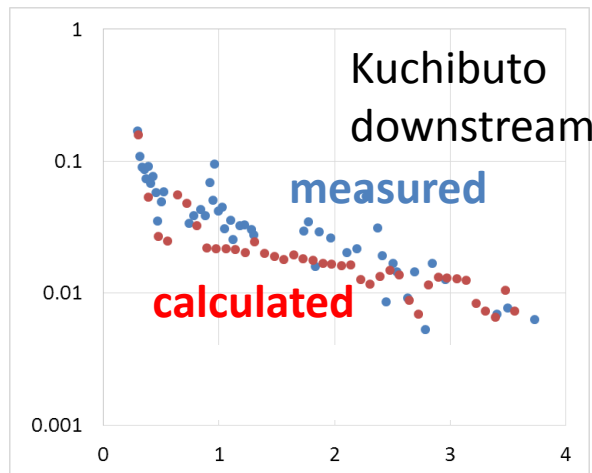
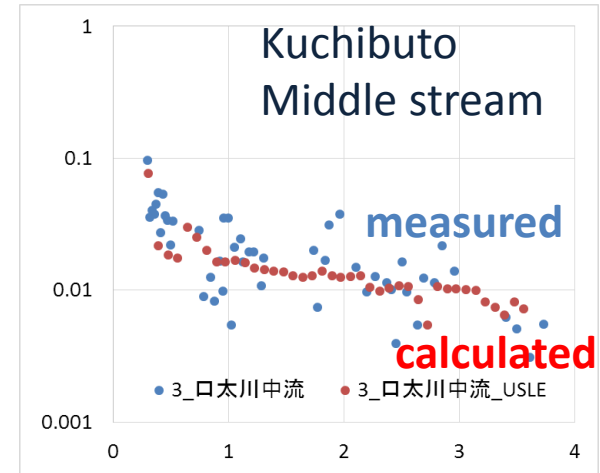
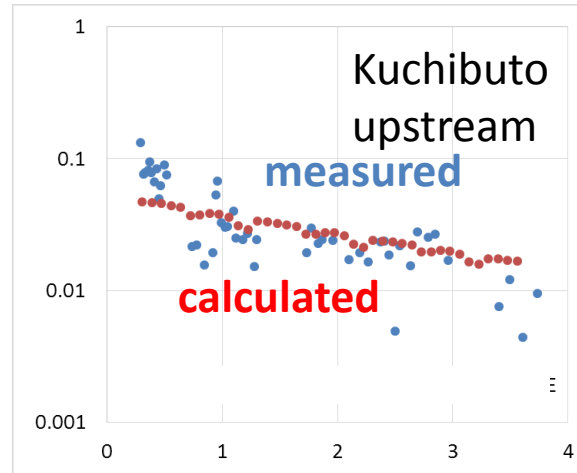
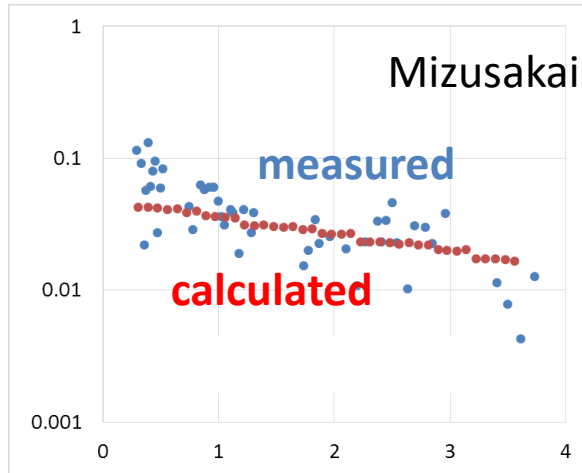
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Sediment source estimates by USLE-based model



Time Changes of the Model calculation and measured value for 6 long-term monitoring sites

Normalized Cs-137 Concentration (Bq/kg)/(Bq/m²)



Years after FDNPP accident

Conclusion

Based on intensive field monitoring from June 2011-present reveal that the time change of Cs-137 differ between land uses.

Downstream Suspended sediment concentration differs between places in by 30 locations of river monitoring data.

For accurate modelling after Nuclear Emergency, detailed field monitoring is the most important !