The Moroccan environmental signature of the Fukushima accident

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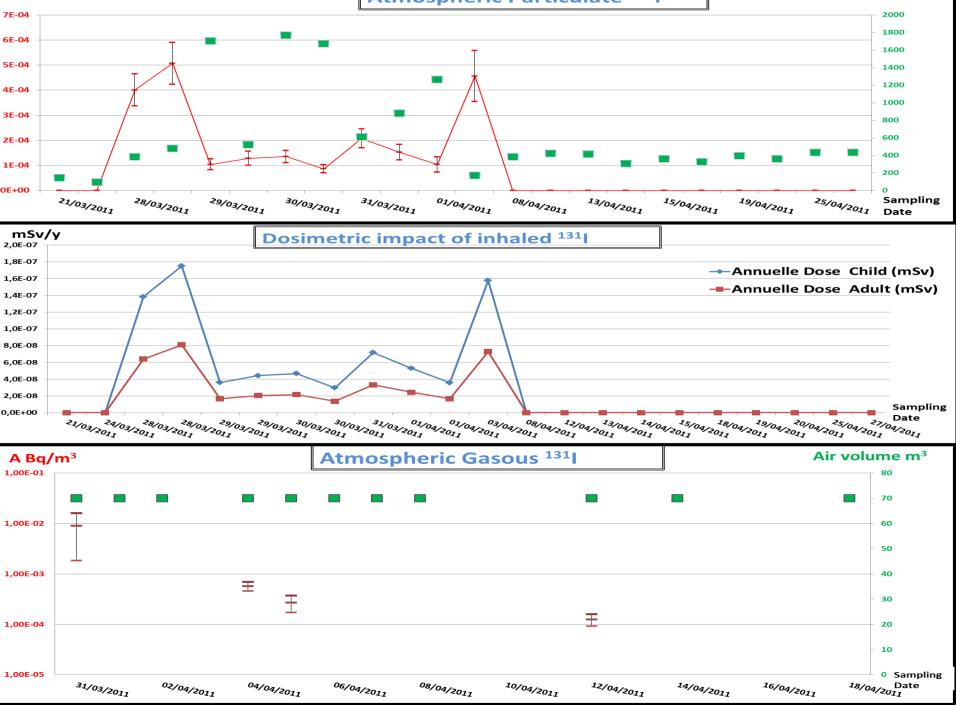
### Introduction

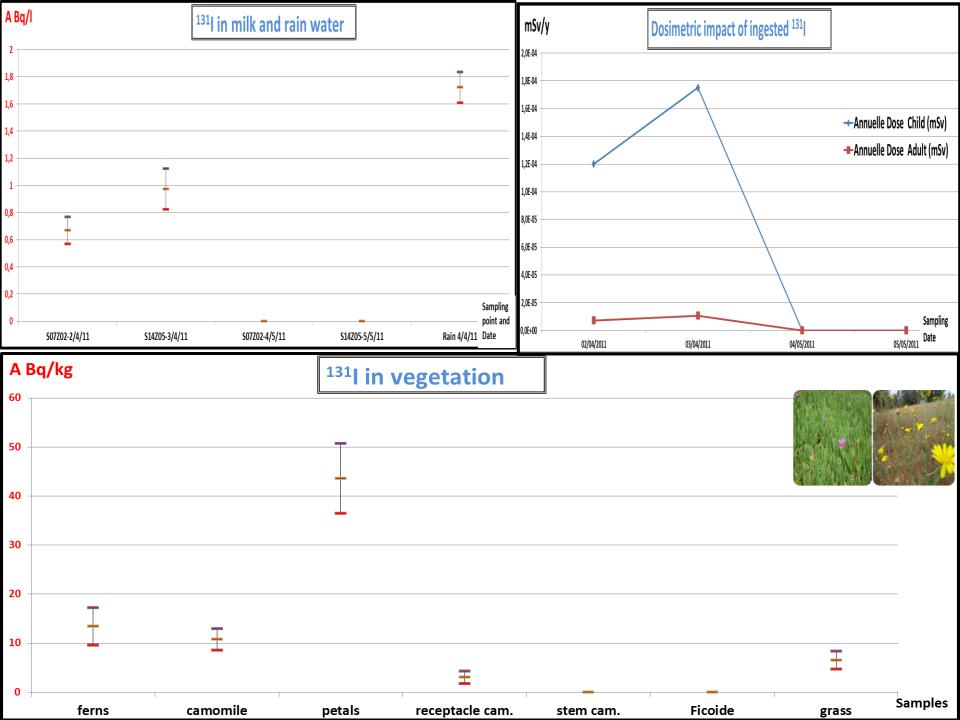
- USE is the Environmental Monitoring Unit in charge of executing radiological environmental monitoring program around CENM's site accommodating TRIGA II Research Reactor.
- The objective of USE is to protect human health from the adverse effects resulting from any radioactive contamination. It delivers periodic reports intended to the regulatory authorities.
- In parallel, as technical tool for the Moroccan government, USE is called to intervene at national scale in case of emergency. It was the case in 1998 after Spanish Algeciras <sup>137</sup>Cs emission accident, in 2001 with suspected radioactive release from the British Tireless Submarine and recently the environmental survey campaign executed after the Fukushima accident.
- USE started radioactivity measurement program on 21/3/2011 using High Purity Germanium gamma spectrometry to analyze aerosols, vegetation, surface and rain water, milk and soil samples.



### Atmospheric Particulate <sup>131</sup>I

#### Air volume m<sup>3</sup>





# Conclusion

- During this campaign, only traces of <sup>131</sup>I were detected,
- The activities detected in Morocco were in the range of those detected in neighbouring countries,
- The dosimetric calculations showed that the <sup>131</sup>I activities detected did not constitute a health hazards for the population.

