

The ^{137}Cs accumulation by plants of floodplain ecosystem

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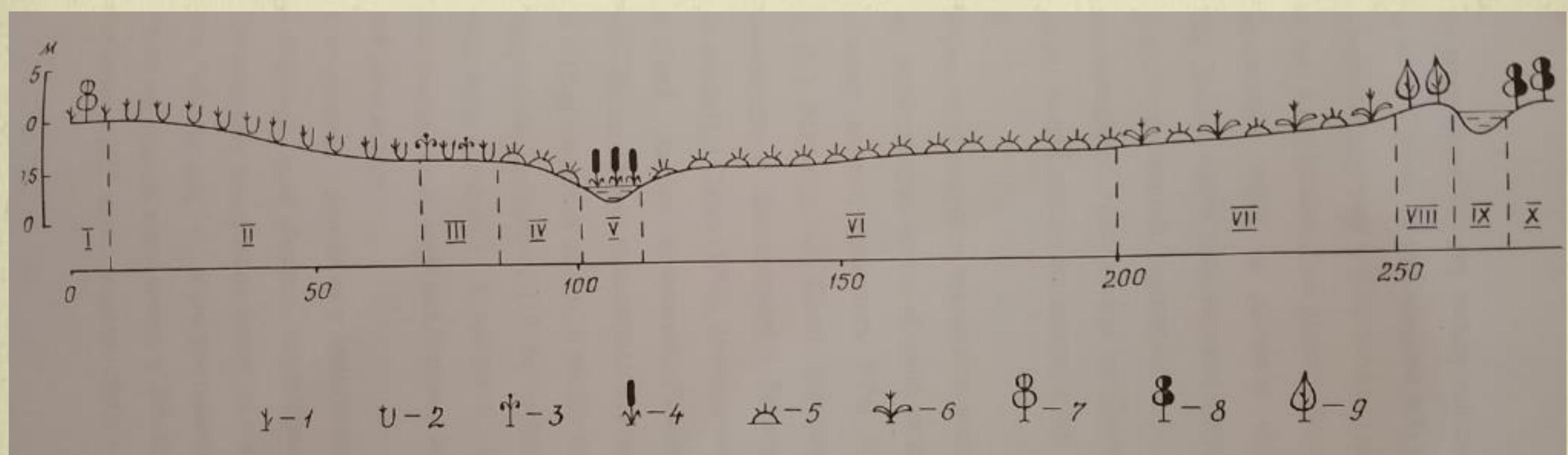
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The analysis of ^{137}Cs accumulation by plants of forest, marsh, meadow, psamophytic and ruderal communities in the Dnipro River floodplain (Ukraine) was carried out.



Tab. The ^{137}Cs radionuclides (Bq/kg) accumulation by dominants and co-dominants of psamophytic, ruderal, meadow and marsh plant communities in the Dnipro River floodplain ecosystem (the Chernihiv Region, Northern Ukraine)

Ecosystem type	Biomorpha	Plant species	Average	Median	Minimum	Maksimum
II- psamophytic	Pc	Helichrysum arenarium	331,7000	336,0000	285,0000	362,0000
	Pc	Calamagrostis epigejos	283,0000	268,0000	226,0000	356,0000
	Pc	Thymus serpyllum	225,7000	228,5000	198,0000	243,0000
	Mm	Oenothera biennis	219,6000	211,0000	188,0000	329,0000
	Mm	Trifolium arvense	189,3000	188,5000	167,0000	211,0000
III - ruderal	Pc	Artemisia absinthium	164,1000	160,5000	147,0000	191,0000
	Md	Berteroa incana	273,1000	278,0000	242,0000	306,0000
	Pc	Cichorium intybus	42,70000	45,00000	35,00000	51,00000
	Md	Echium vulgare	215,6000	216,0000	184,0000	241,0000
	Mm	Verbascum lychnitis	122,5000	122,0000	107,0000	138,0000
IV - meadow	Pc	Achillea millefolium	213,4000	213,5000	204,0000	225,0000
	Pc	Fragaria vesca	249,4000	248,5000	217,0000	297,0000
	Pc	Hypericum perforatum	361,7000	365,5000	306,0000	398,0000
	Pc	Poa pratensis	346,7000	343,5000	302,0000	382,0000
	Pc	Vicia cracca	389,1000	390,5000	367,0000	412,0000
V - marsh	Pc	Alisma plantago-aquatica	362,9000	363,0000	335,0000	392,0000
	Pc	Cicuta virosa	410,9000	411,5000	372,0000	451,0000
	Pc	Glyceria maxima	391,5000	391,5000	352,0000	418,0000
	Pc	Sium latifolium	375,6000	376,0000	342,0000	411,0000
	Pc	Stachys palustris	392,9000	395,0000	368,0000	422,0000



Conclusions. The intensity of radionuclide uptake by plants is determined both by the biological characteristics of the species and by the soil and the cenotic habitat conditions. The species specificity of radiocesium accumulation by plants of specific biotopes and the direct dependence of the plant accumulation coefficient on the density of biotope contamination with radionuclides were confirmed. The conducted studies illustrated not only interspecies differences in the intensity of ^{137}Cs accumulation in one type of local habitat, but also variations in the accumulation of radionuclides in different systematic groups and life forms.