

Quantifying Dose from External Irradiation-- Tools for Use on Free-Ranging Wildlife



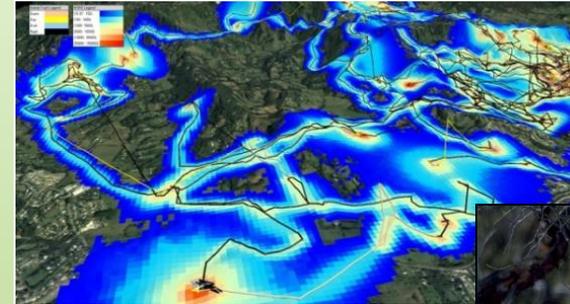
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OUTLINE of TALK

- Need for improved radiation dosimetry with wildlife
- Passive dosimeters (TLD, OSL)
- New tool: GPS-electronic dosimeter
- Electronic Spin Resonance of teeth for life time dose estimates
- Molecular methods (frequency of dicentrics)
- Dose – Effects and challenges in determining environmental risks from radiation exposures



Animals can receive a radiation dose from:

- (1) ingesting contaminated food or water,
- (2) inhaling radioactive material, or
- (3) external irradiation





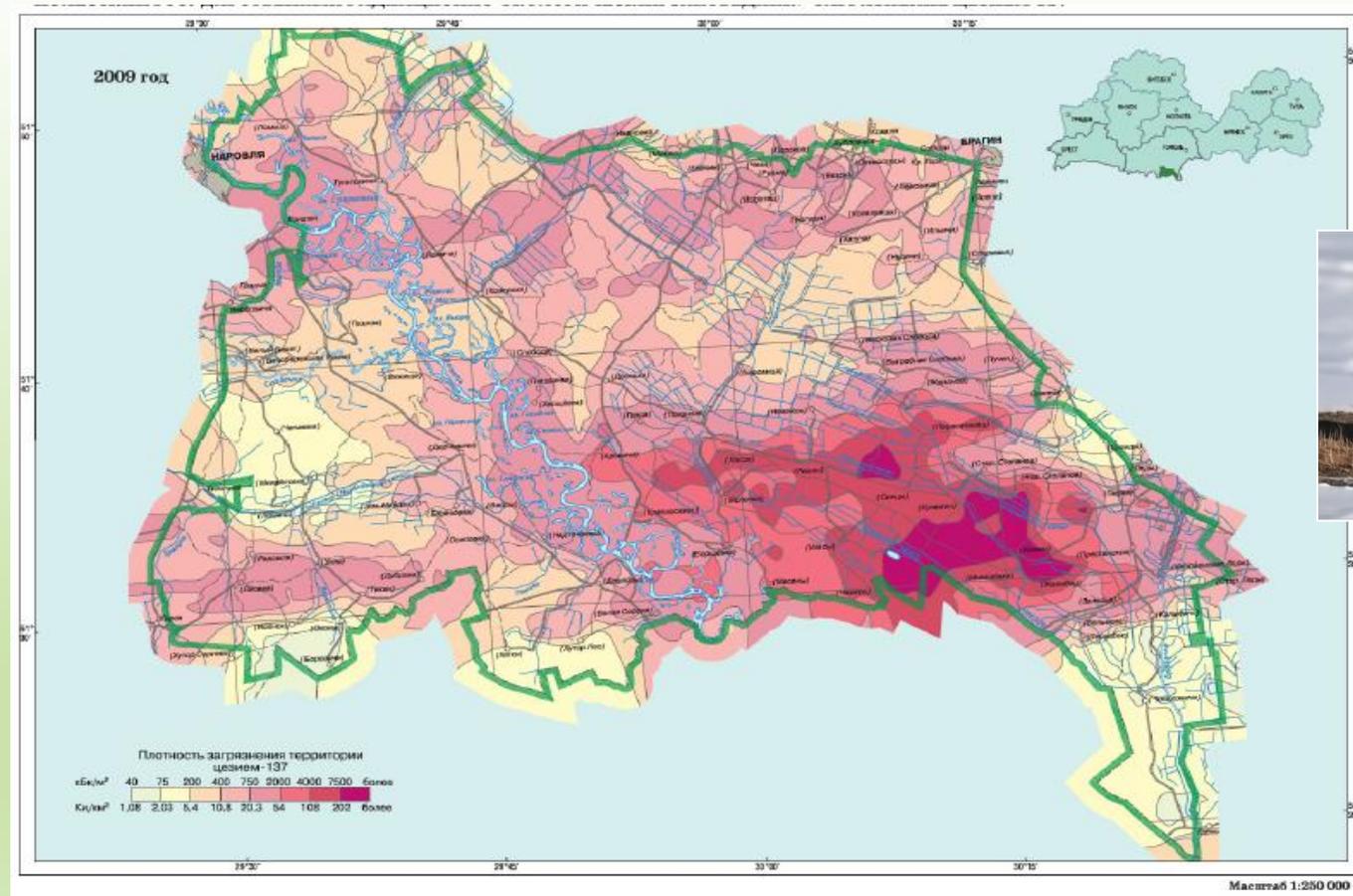
Accurate quantification of dose is among the greatest challenges in field research of free-ranging animals

Dose is the measurement most lacking in many of the controversial papers regarding radiation effects to wildlife at Chernobyl and Fukushima

Current models do not assess external dose realistically because they do not consider an animal's spatial and temporal use of habitats, or the habitat's large heterogeneity in levels of radioactive contamination

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2160 km²



Home range
~ 100 km²

Determining external dose is particularly challenging because radiation deposition is not uniform among the many, many different habitats available to animals....

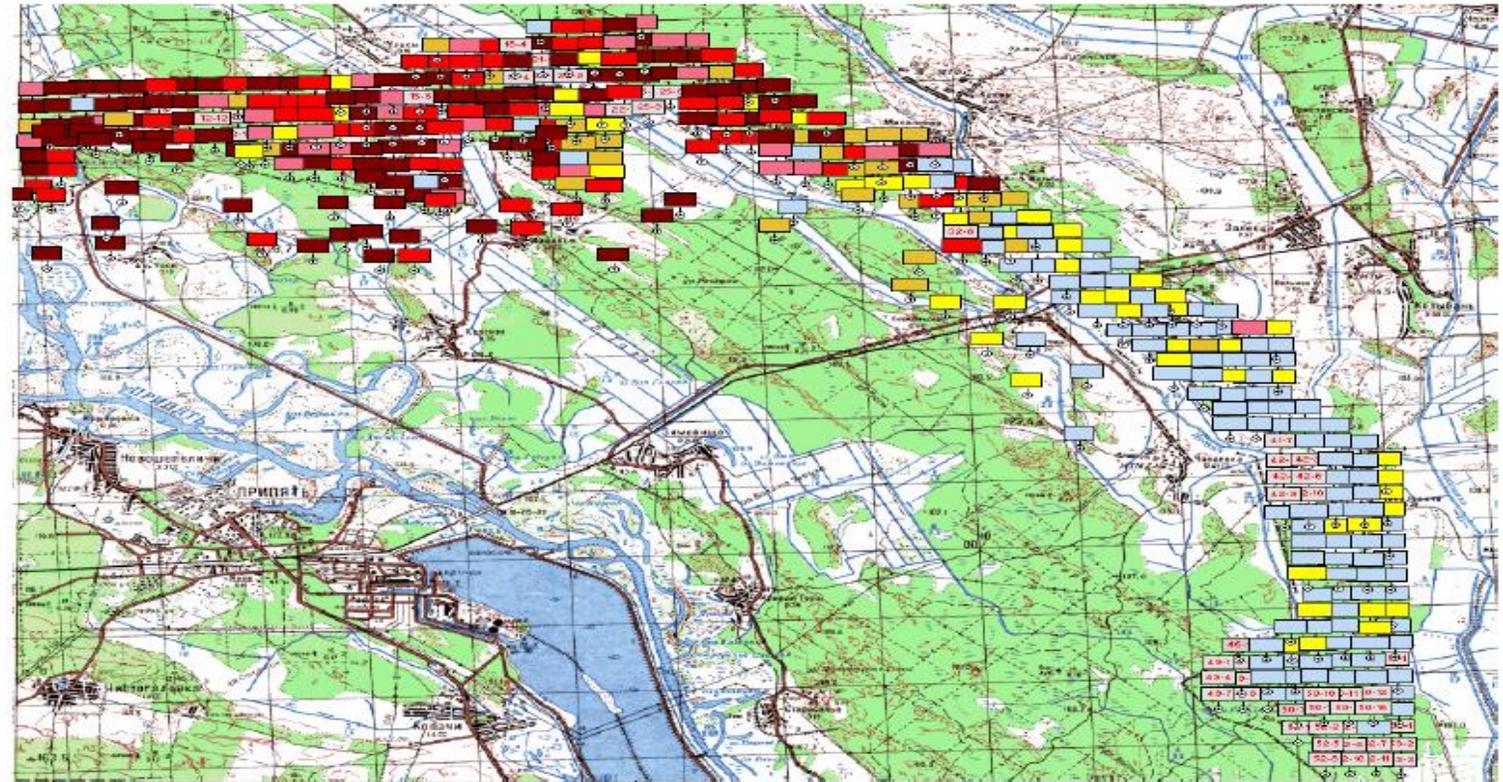


Figure 1.4 - Density of soil pollution ⁹⁰Sr on a site № 1



Thermoluminescent Dosimeters (TLDs)...

- Integrate dose over the entire time that they are on the animal
- Recapture of the animal and laboratory analyses of TLD is required



THE RADIATION DOSE RECEIVED BY PLAICE (*PLEURO-
NECTES PLATESSA*) FROM THE WASTE DISCHARGED
INTO THE NORTH-EAST IRISH SEA FROM THE
FUEL REPROCESSING PLANT AT WINDSCALE

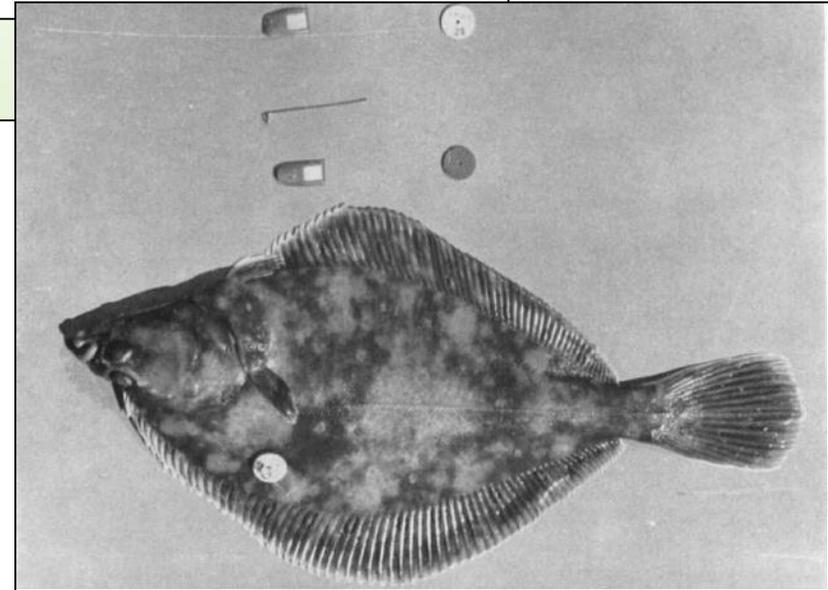
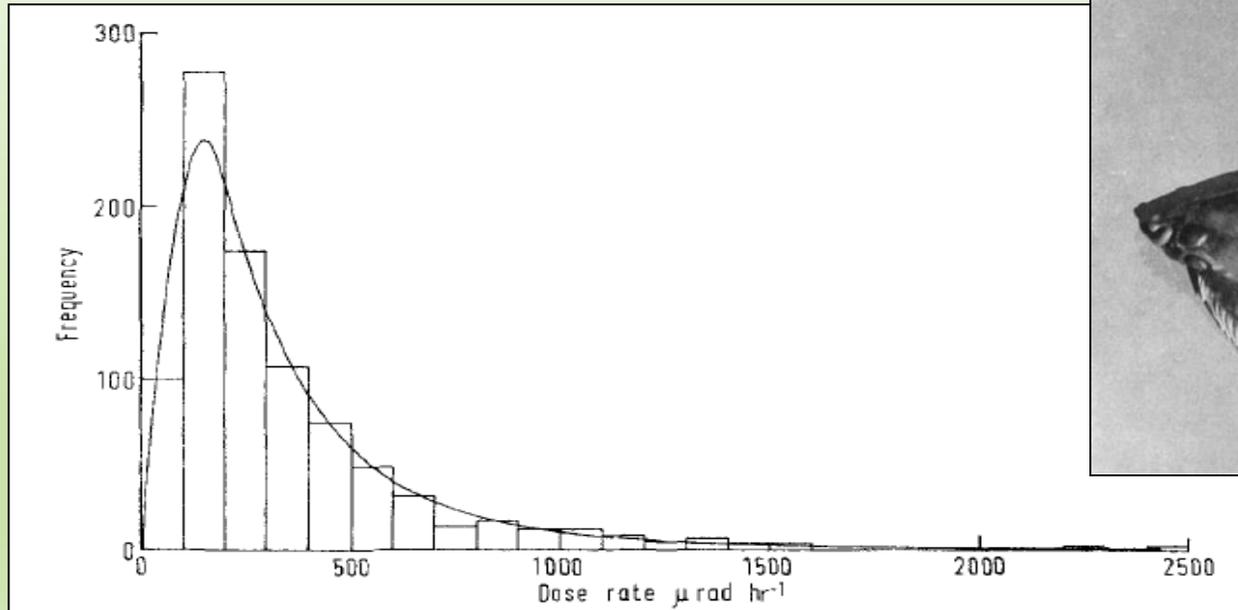
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(Received 17 July 1972; in revised form 3 January 1973)

3580 fish captured,
tagged and
released;

29% recaptured



Woodhead, 1973

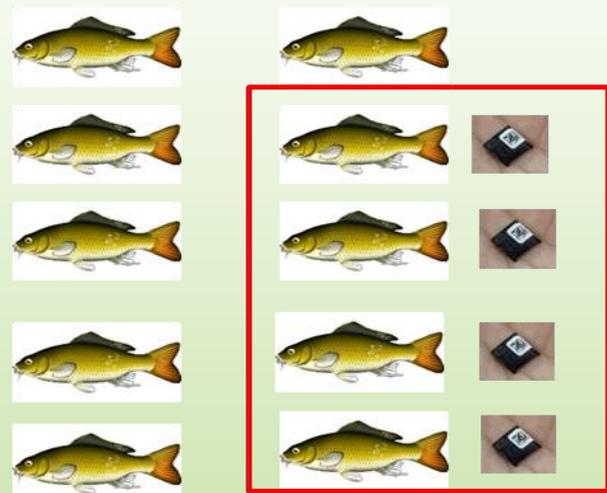
【研究の準備状況】

各種の被ばく線量評価に関する
基本的な手法は確立済み！

魚類の研究状況

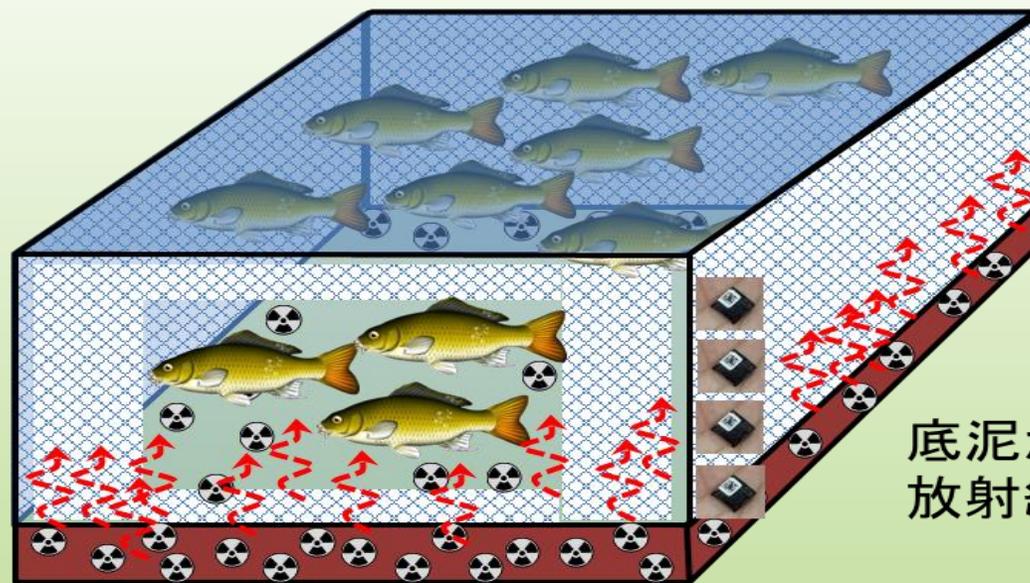
- 小型線量計を装着したコイのケージ試験により、被ばく線量を推定

非汚染の養殖コイに小型線量計を装着



ナノドット
小型線量計

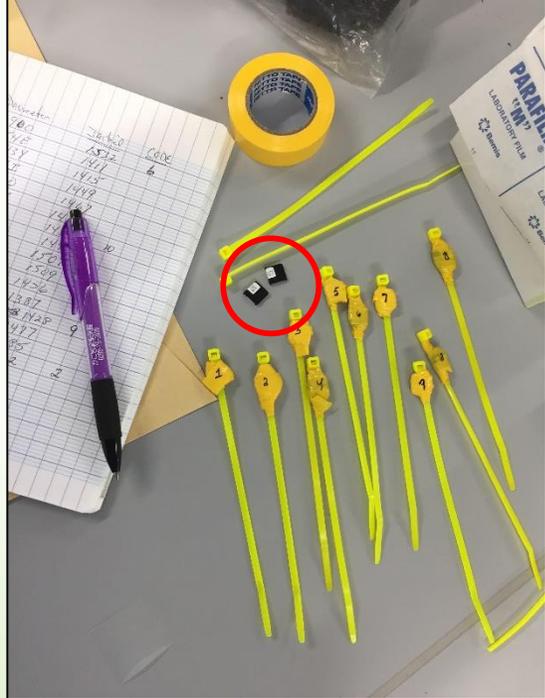
ケージ (100 × 100 × 50 cm)



底泥からの
放射線(γ線)

ケージ試験のイメージ図

- 大熊町の貯水池で行ったケージ試験により、コイの被ばく線量は、主に底土からの外部被ばくの影響を受け、7.3μGy/時と推定



OKUMA TOWN----- Large Japanese Field Mice (*Apodemus speciosus*)

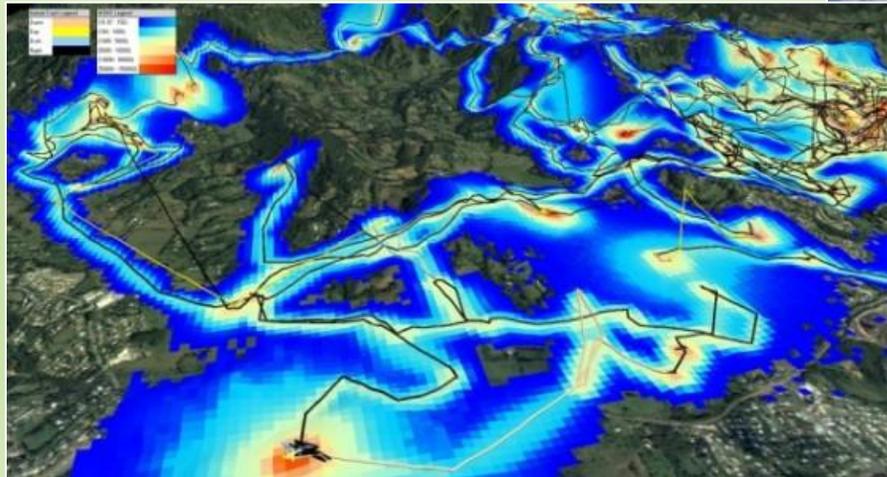


- Age of mouse estimated from tooth characteristics
- Internal dose estimated from Cs-134 and Cs-137 concentrations in tissues
- External dose estimated from OSL nanoDot dosimeter



Lifetime dose ranged from 52 to 340 mGy;
External doses 5 to 95 times > than Internal.

With Vectronic Aerospace and Mirion, we produced a new scientific tool that permits an animal's location and short-term integrated dose to be periodically sent, via satellite, to the investigator





We merged two existing technologies (Wildlife Tracking Collars that use GPS) and Electronic Dosimeters (designed for determining dose to humans)



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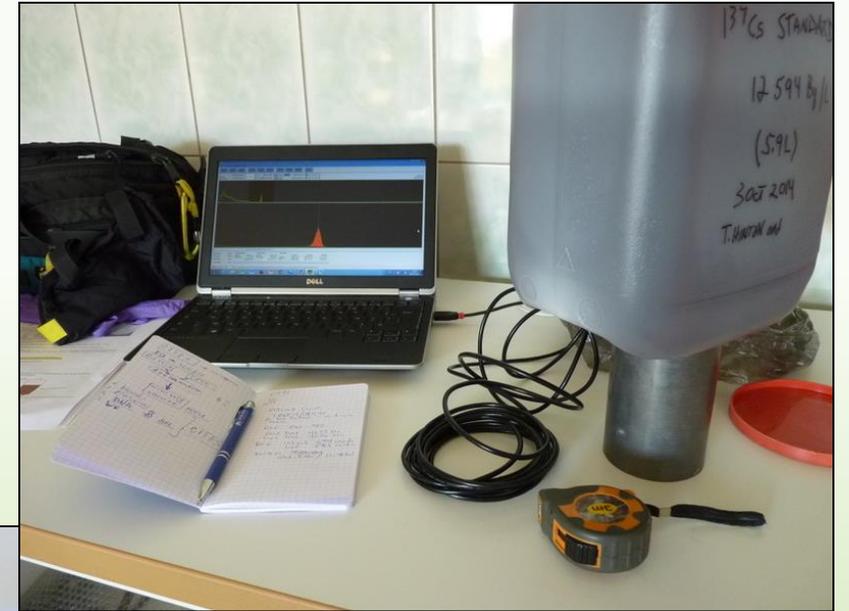
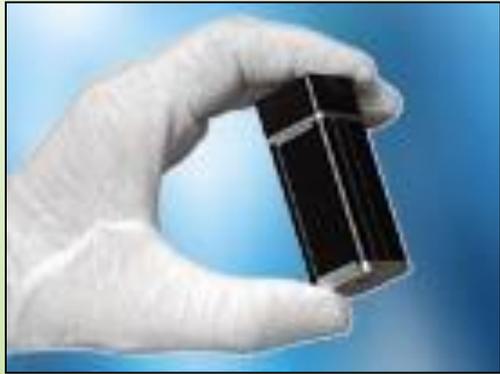
Quantifying the spatial and temporal variation in dose from external exposure to radiation: a new tool for use on free-ranging wildlife

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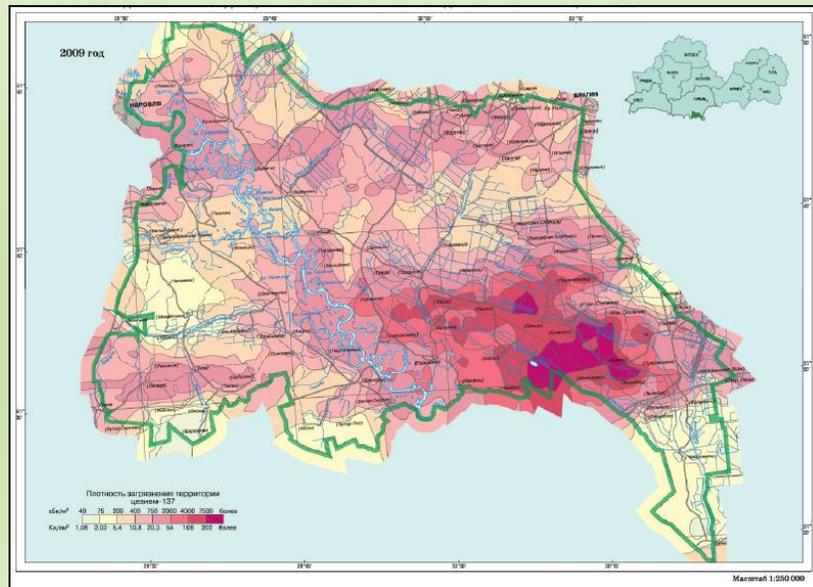
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Developed a whole-body, field assay method to determine gamma emitting radionuclides internal to live animals

CZT spectroscopy Cd, Zn and Te composition



Field tested the GPS-dosimeter and whole body assay methods at Chernobyl



Chernobyl Wolves

Collaboration with
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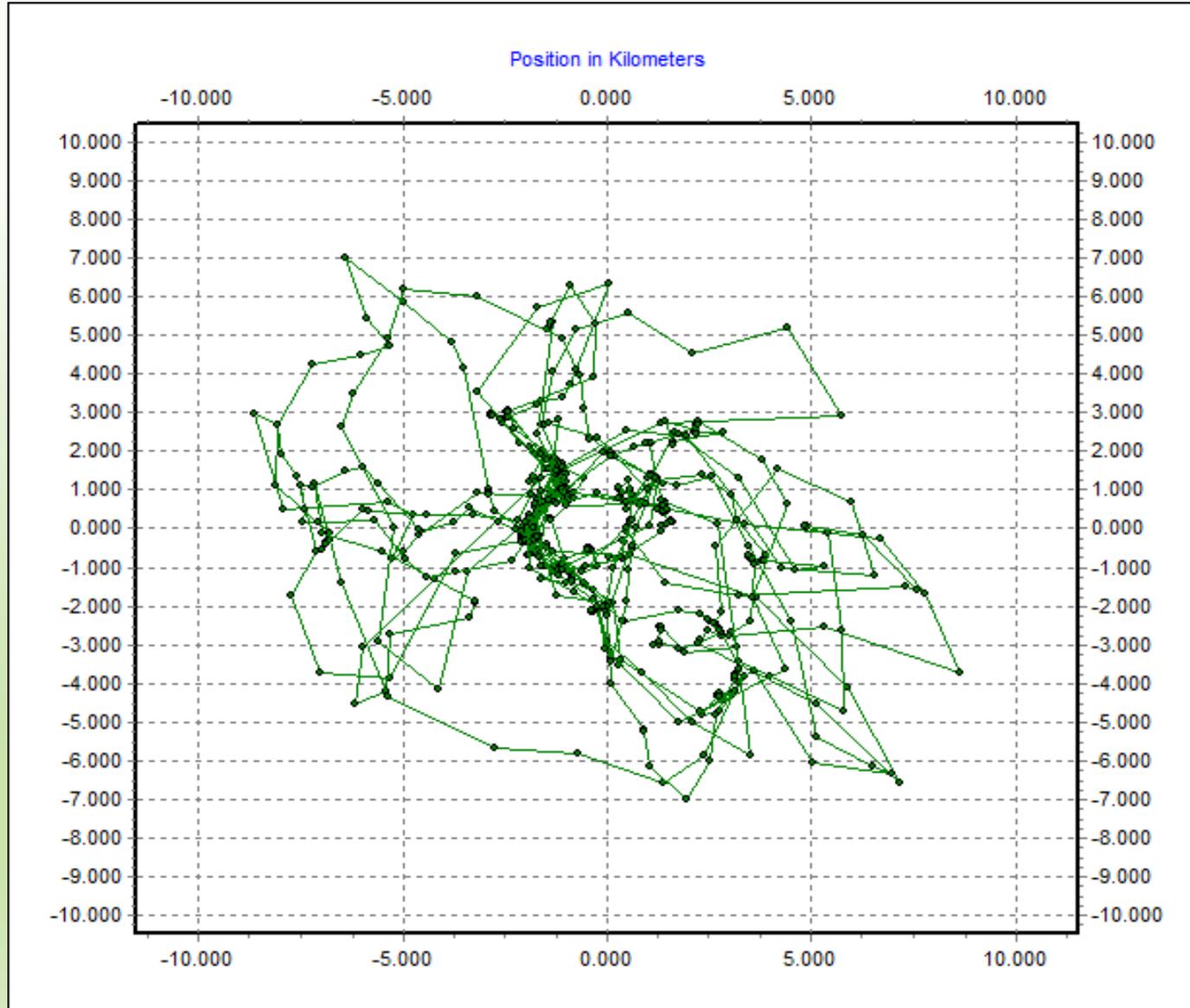
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Obtained a GPS location and dose every 35 minutes

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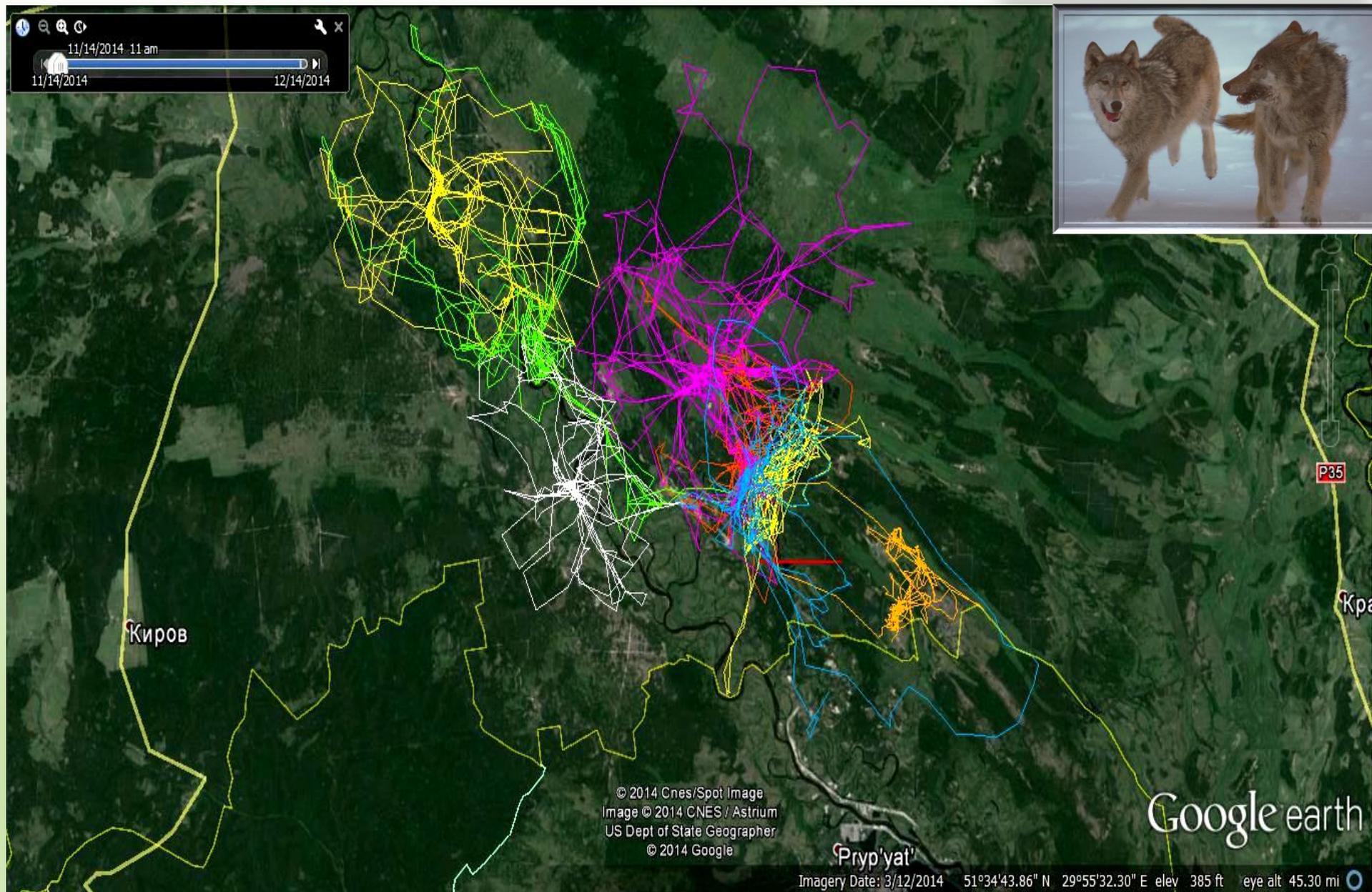
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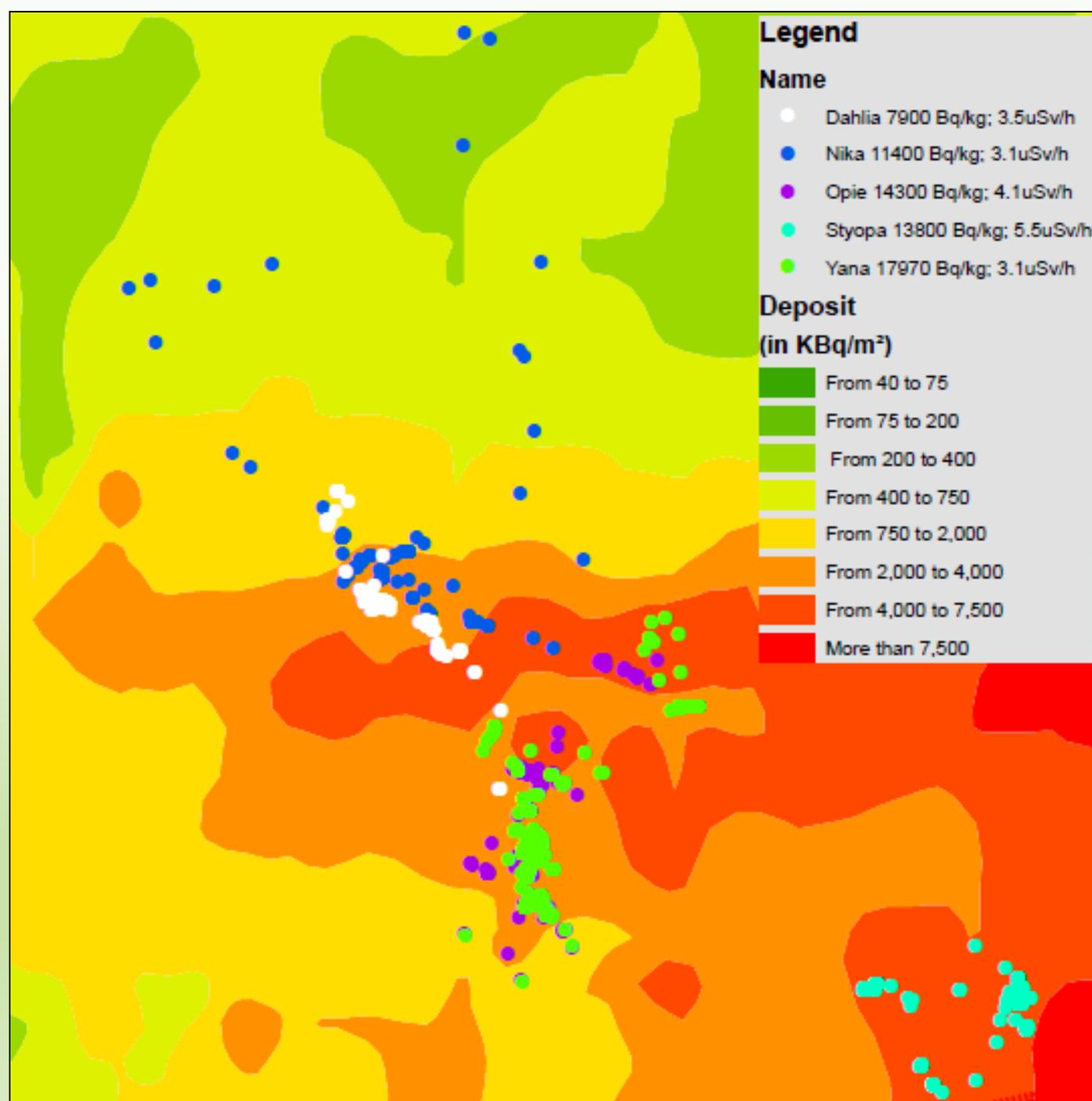
GPS track of a
Chernobyl wolf over
400 km² area

GPS tracks of 8 Chernobyl Wolves

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Obtained dose rate data and whole-body radiocesium concentrations of the animals, as a function of radionuclide deposition data.



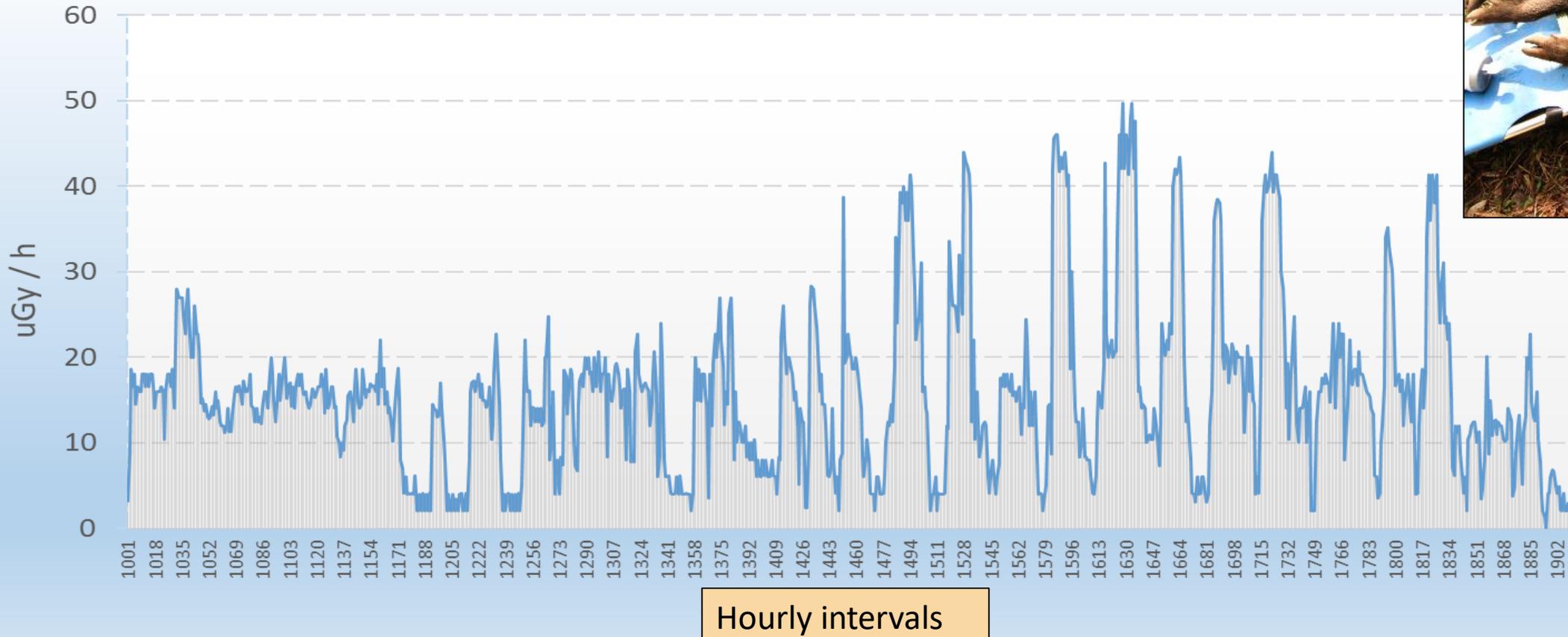
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野生イノシシ"グレース"の 1ヶ月間にわたる外部線量率測定

External dose rate measurements from wild boar, "Grace", over a one-month period

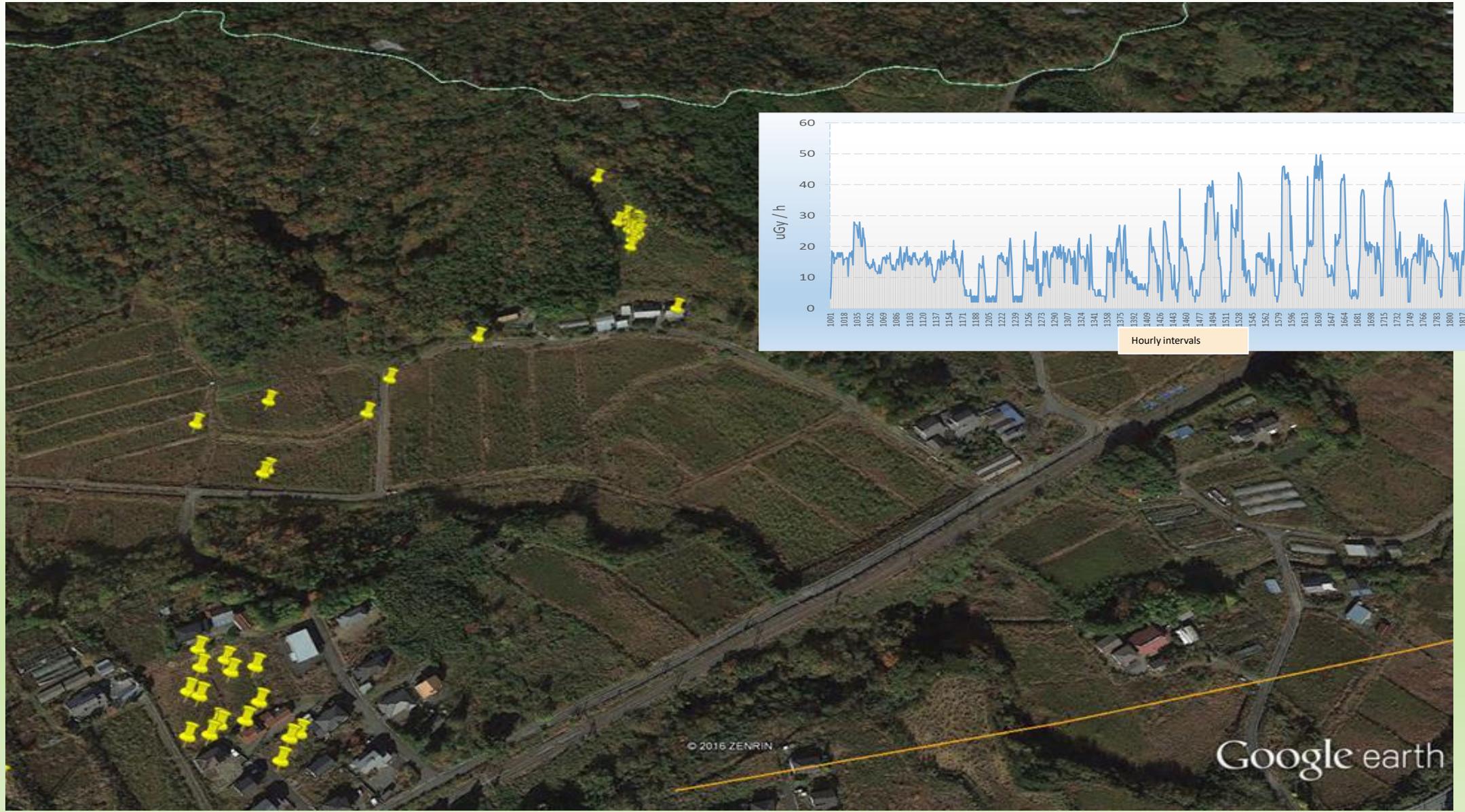


Dr. Kei Okuda



Wild Boar "Grace"..... living 4 km from the FDNPP

野生イノシシ"グレース"の生息地は福島第一原子力発電所から4 km



Life Time Dose to Boar Electron Paramagnetic Resonance Dosimetry

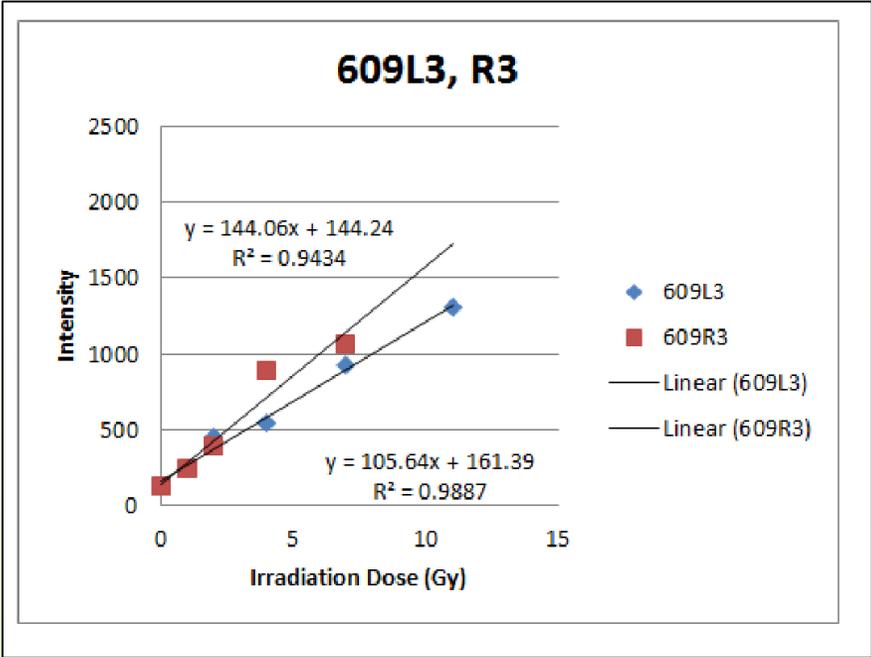
Technique Development Phase



Molars were selected for processing because of their large enamel content



Irradiated samples were measured using the EPR Spectrometer at Okayama University of Science



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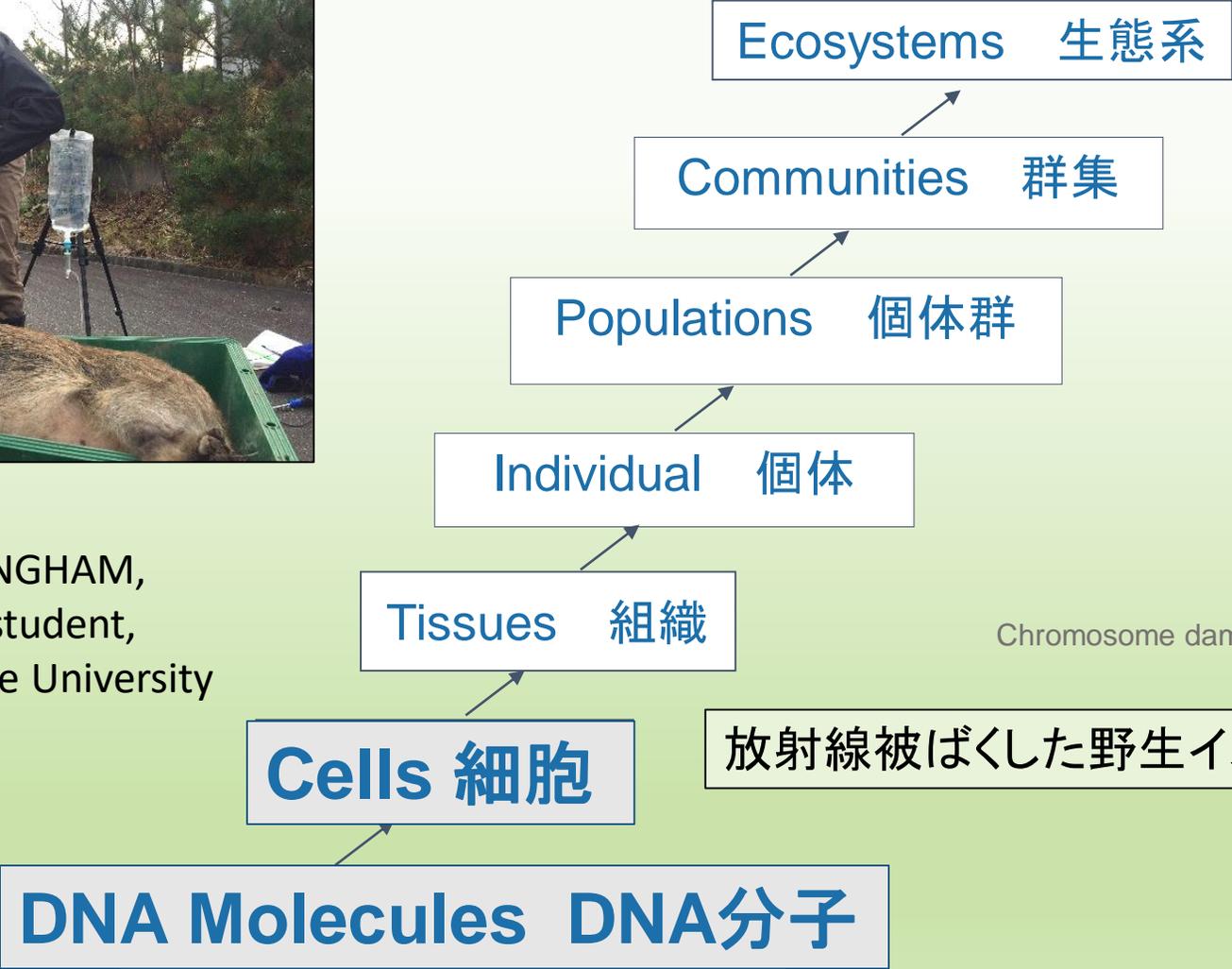
- Significant variation in dose response between teeth taken from the same boar
 - 11%-86% variation in teeth from the same boar
 - Possible Causes:
 - Moisture in the sample
 - Small differences in the mass of the samples
 - Condition of the teeth (caries/tooth disease)



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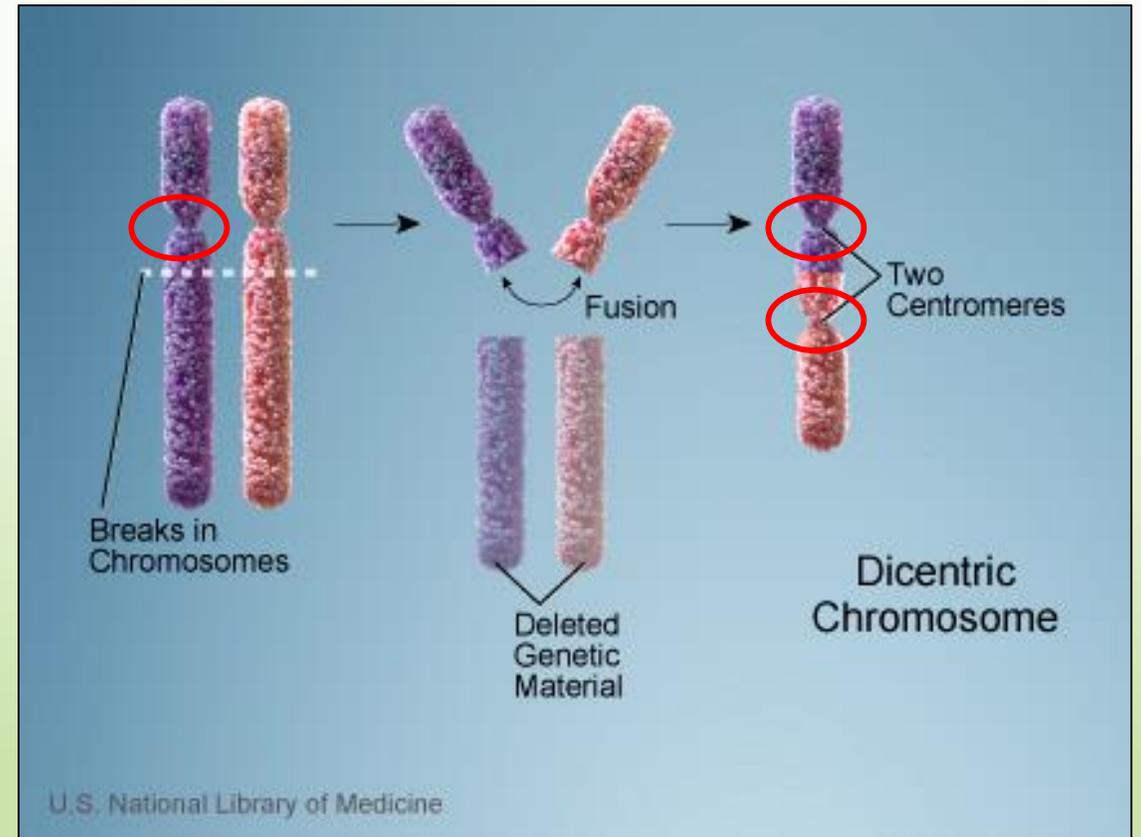
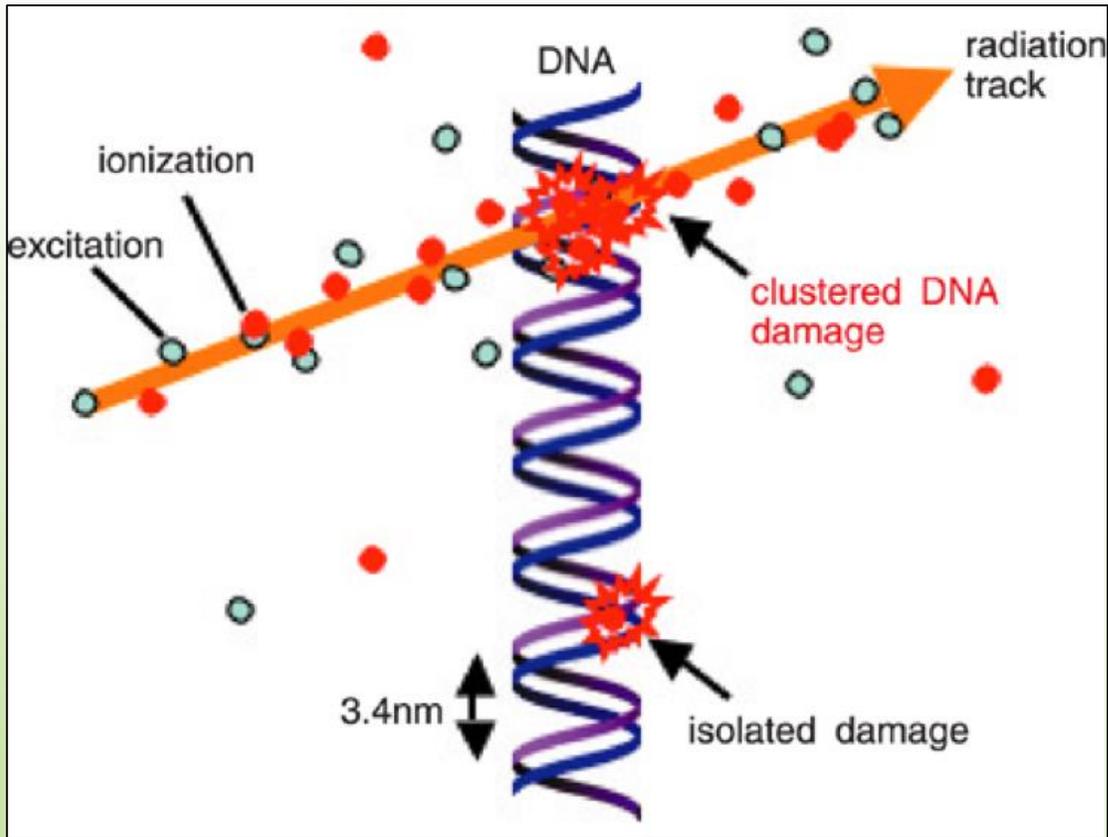


Chromosome damage in cells of wild boar exposed to radiation

放射線被ばくした野生イノシシの細胞内の染色体損傷

電離放射線による染色体のDNA損傷

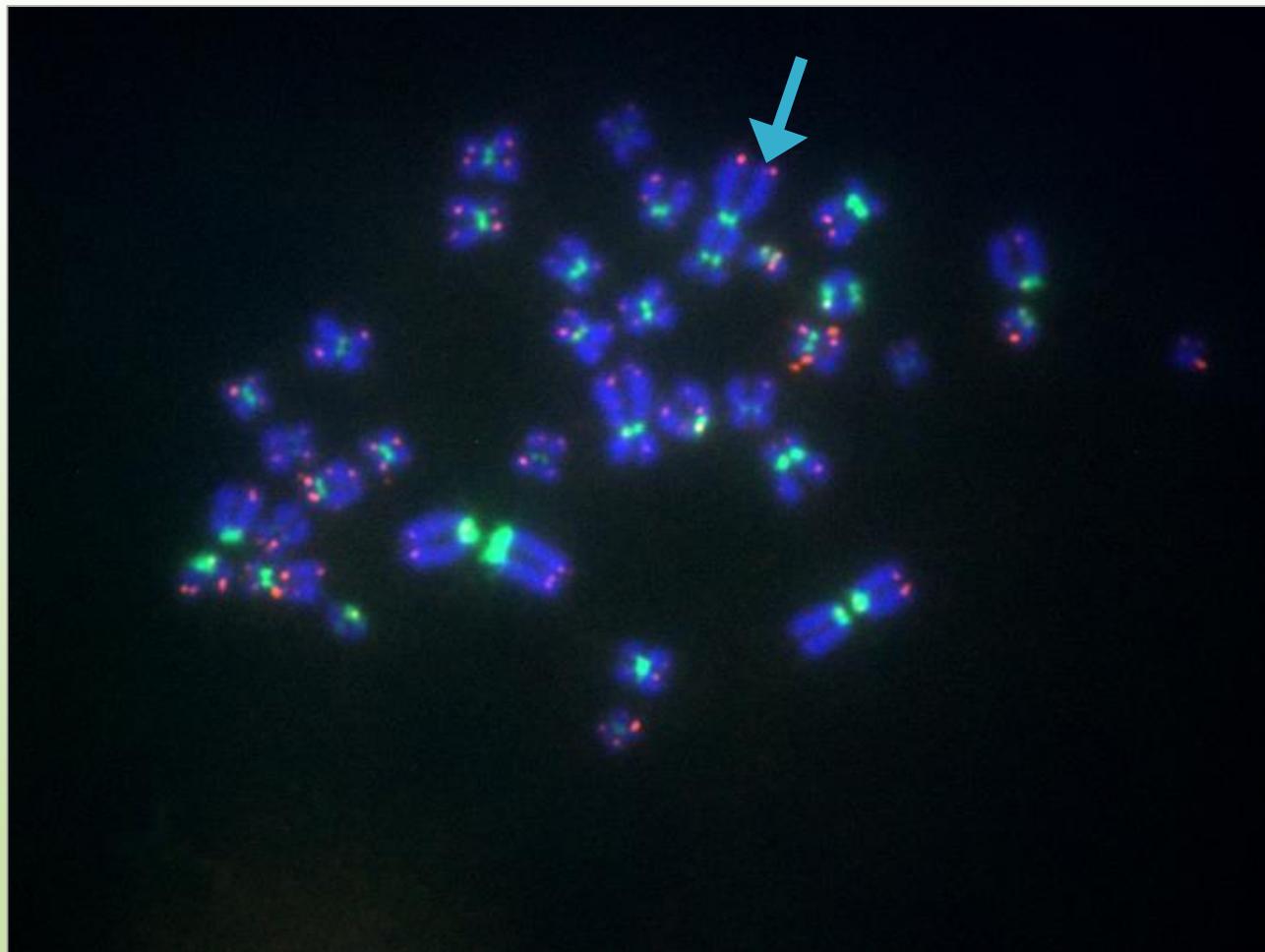
Ionizing Radiation Causes DNA Damage in Chromosomes



二動原体染色体

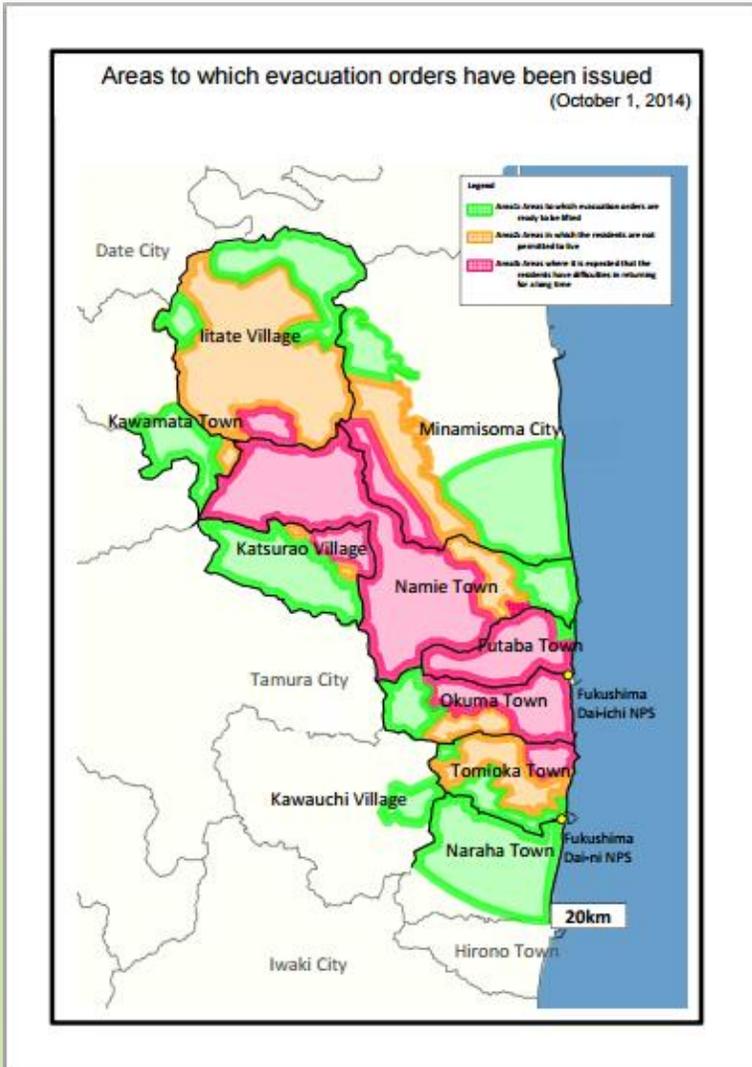
Dicentric Chromosomes

ケリーは、イノシシの染色体と動原体を蛍光染色する高度な方法を用いて、損傷した染色体と二動原体染色体を可視化している。



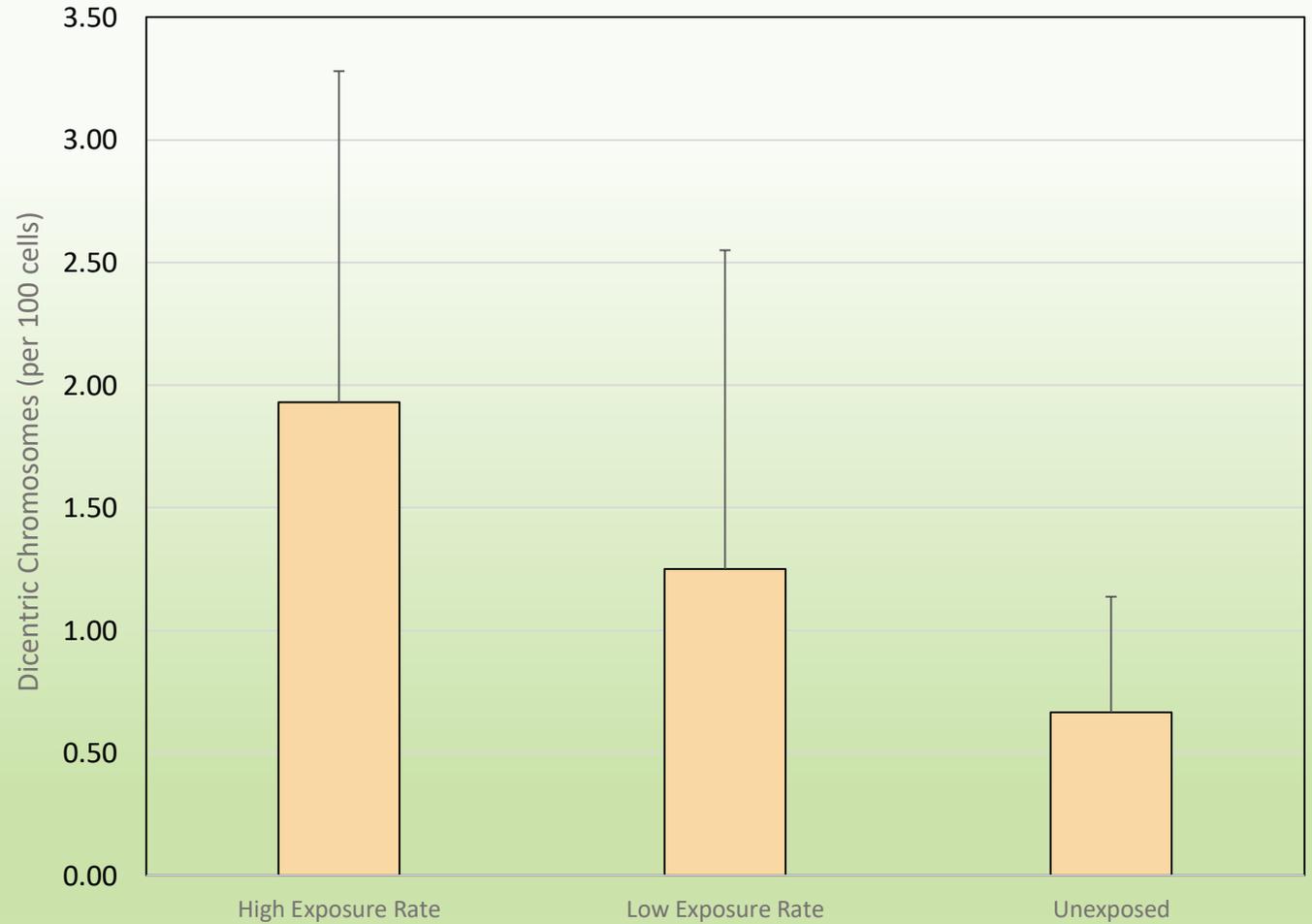
Kelly uses sophisticated methods that paint chromosomes, and their centromeres....making it easier to visualize the damaged ones and those that have formed dicentrics.

細胞100個に対する二動原体染色体の平均発生数



細胞100個に対する二動原体染色体

Average Number of Dicentric Chromosomes per 100 cells



高線量被ばく ;

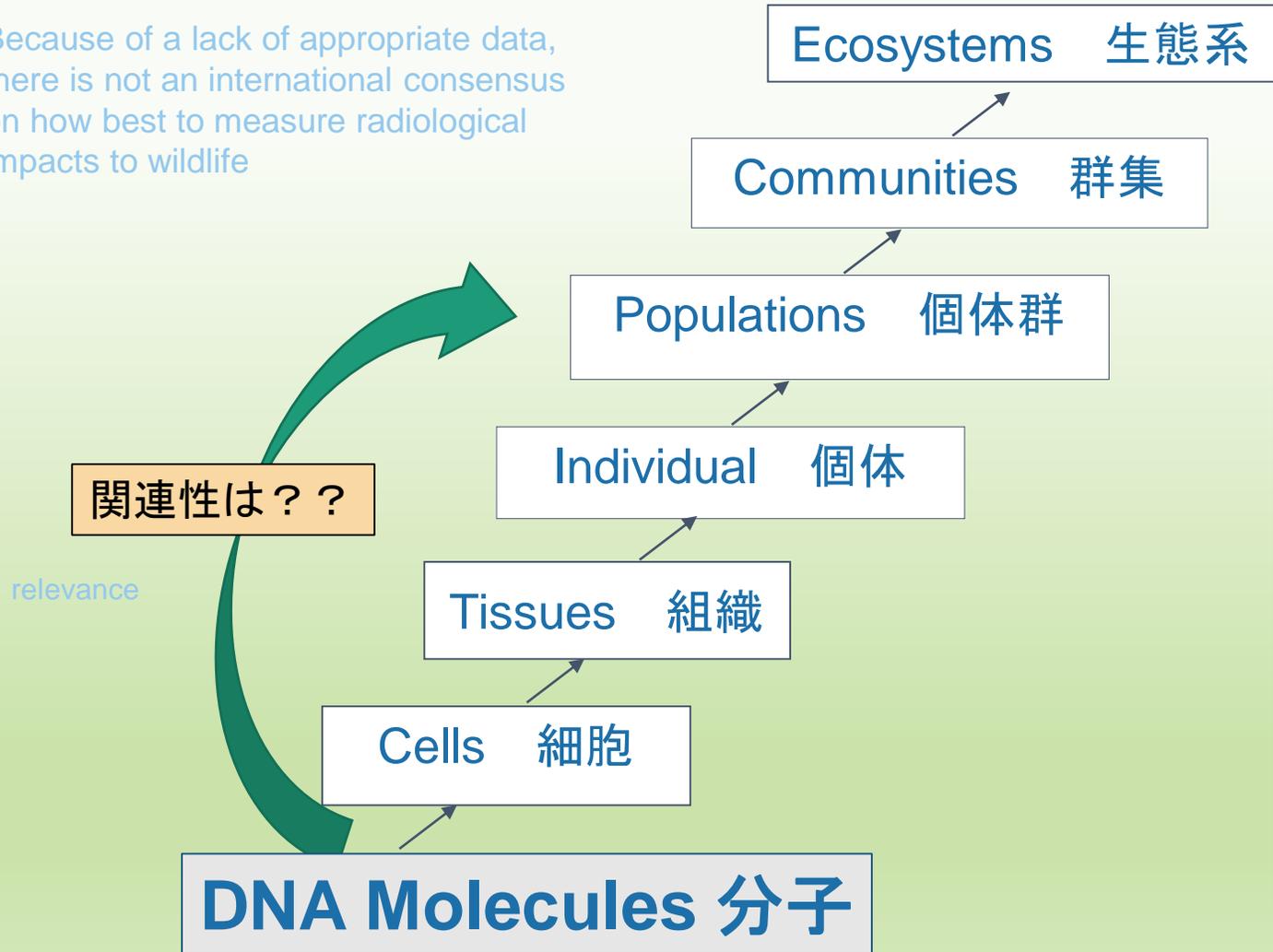
低線量被ばく ;

被ばく無し

野生生物の状況については、ほとんど知られていない

Because of a lack of appropriate data, there is not an international consensus on how best to measure radiological impacts to wildlife

適切なデータがないため、野生生物に対する放射線影響に関する最適な測定方法についての国際的な合意はない



人間と生態系とのリスク分析における基本的な違い

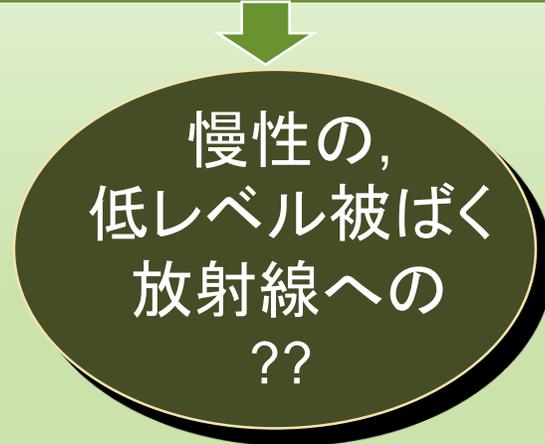
type	unit of observation, what we are trying to protect	endpoint, what we measure	dose-response
<u>タイプ</u> 人間 Human	<u>観測単位</u> 個人 individual	<u>終了点</u> 生涯発癌リスク lifetime cancer risk	<u>線量反応</u> 確立されている relationships established
生態系 Ecological	多様 varies	多様 varies	確立されていない not established



individual, population, community, ecosystem



mortality, reproduction, chromosome damage



for chronic, low level exposure to radiation

Future Work:
Research dose-effects
from chronic exposures
to radiation

