

Offshore Marin Survey

○Sample Seawater
 Fish
 Plankton

ONuclides to measure Radioactive Cesium · Strontium90 · Tritium

○Sampling Site

- 4 sites in 1.5 km offshore of the Fukushima Daiichi NPP (Point A, B, C and D)
- If no fish can be caught above the sites, the skipper may change locations to fish.









O Sampling Seawater

• Seawater is collected from 2 depths (from the surface and the lower layer)

• The surface layer is collected using a bucket, and the lower layer is collected with a van dorn

water sampler. (For cesium = 20 L, for strontium = 20 L, for tritium = 2 L)

OSampling Fish

- Obtain fish by fishing.
- Ichthyology researcher collects blood from the fish on board.

O Sampling Plankton

• Pump seawater by the ship's large-capacity pump and pass it through a plankton net to collect.



Coastal Marin Survey

⊖Sample ONuclides to measure

Fukushima Daiichi

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Nuclear Power Plant

Outline of Offshore Marin Survey

Seawater

Kaibama Beach

Ukedo Port

Marin House Futaba

Kumagawa Coast

Tomioka Port

Ostation Soma Port

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Radioactive Cesium
 Strontium90
 Tritium

○Sampling Site

- From Soma Port to Onahama Port, Twice a year
 - Soma Port
 - Kaibama, Murakami Beach
 - Ukedo Port
 - Futaba Beach
 - Kumagawa Coast
 - Tomioka Port
 - Iwasawa Beach
 - Onahama Port

Hirono Thermal Power Station

- **OSampling Seawater**
- Sample seawater from the surface.
- Collect it with a bucket.
 - For Cesium = 20L, for Strontium = 20L, for Tritium = 2L









• Measurement data of radioactive cesium-137 in seawater and fish sampled from 1.5km offshore of Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant in November 2022, May/August 2023 and May 2024.

- Radioactive cesium is removed from 20L of seawater by adsorption on ammonium molybdophosphate before measurement.
- \cdot Cs-137 is detected in most of the fish sample collected.

Cs-137 Measurement Results in Seawater (Bq/L)

	Point A Surface	Point A Lower	Point B Surface	Point B Lower	Point C Surface	Point C Lower	Point D Surface	Point D Lower	Tomioka Port Surface
2022/11/9	0.004±0.0005	0.004±0.0006	0.003±0.0005	0.003±0.0005	0.002±0.0005	0.003±0.0005	0.005±0.0006	0.003±0.0005	0.012±0.0007
2023/5/31	0.003±0.0005	0.003±0.0005	0.004±0.0005	0.005±0.0005	0.004±0.0006	0.003±0.0005	0.004±0.0005	0.003±0.0006	0.01±0.0007
2023/8/2	0.002±0.0005	0.008 ± 0.001	0.003±0.0005	0.003±0.0006	0.003±0.0005	0.003±0.0005	0.003±0.0005	0.004±0.0006	0.008±0.0006
2024/3/5	0.004±0.0005	0.005±0.0005	0.004±0.0005	0.004±0.0005	0.003±0.0005	0.004±0.0005	0.024±0.0008	0.020±0.0007	0.063±0.001

Cs-137 Measurement Results in Fish (Bq/kg raw)

	2022/11/9		2023/5/31		2023/8/2		2024/3/5
Red sea bream	1.0 ± 0.1	Goldeye rockfish	1.3±0.1	Shark	1.7±0.1	Crimson seabream	0.4±0.1
Flounder	0.9±0.04	Blowfish	0.7±0.1	Flounder	0.9±0.1	Roundnose flounder	0.3±0.1
Blowfish	1.3±0.1	White rockfish	1.0 ± 0.1	Black sebastes	0.3±0.1	Goldeye rockfish	1.2±0.1
White rockfish	1.8±0.1	White rockfish	1.4±0.1	White rockfish	0.7±0.05	White rockfish	1.0±0.07
Greenling	0.9±0.1	Fox jacopever	0.3±0.1	Fox jacopever	0.4±0.05	Greenling	1.1±0.06

Measurement Results: Radioactive Cesium-137 in Seawater and Fish



- Measurement data of Strontium-90 in seawater and fish sampled from 1.5km offshore of Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant in November 2022 and May/August 2023.
- Strontium-90 was detected in the different points depending on the sampling date.
- \cdot For fish, analysis was performed mainly on the head and bones.

Sr-90 Measurement Results in Seawater (Bq/L)

	Point A Surface	Point A Lower	Point B Surface	Point B Lower	Point C Surface	Point C Lower	Point D Surface	Point D Lower	Tomioka Port Surface
2022/11/9	0.001±0.0003	0.0008±0.0003	0.0015±0.0003	0.0012±0.0003	0.0019±0.0004	0.0011±0.0004	0.001±0.0003	0.0012±0.0003	0.0008±0.0003
2023/5/31	0.0005±0.0003	0.0006±0.0003	0.0009±0.0003	0.0006±0.0003	0.0008±0.0003	0.0009±0.0003	0.0009±0.0004	ND<0.0005	0.0005±0.0002
2023/8/2	0.0005±0.0003	ND<0.0004	ND<0.0004	0.0007±0.0003	ND<0.0004	ND<0.0004	ND<0.0004	ND<0.0004	0.0005±0.0003

Sr-90 Measurement Results in Fish (Bq/kg dry)

	2022/11/9		2023/5/31		2023/8/2
White rockfish	ND<0.14	White rockfish	ND<0.13	Flounder	ND<0.14
Flounder	ND<0.1	Blowfish	ND<0.60	Black sebastes	ND<0.12
Red sea bream	ND<0.12	White rockfish	0.46±0.13	White rockfish	ND<0.25
Greenling	ND<0.11	Fox jacopever	ND<0.12		

Measurement Results: Strontium-90 in Seawater and Fish





- Measurement data of Tritium in seawater and fish sampled from 1.5km offshore of Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant in May and August and November 2022 and May 2023.
- From August 2022 we started using liquid scintillation counters specialized to measure tritium, which allowed us to lower the detection limit.
- Free-water Tritium and Organically Bound Tritium in fish was not detected (ND) at this stage.

Tritium Measurement Results in Seawater (Bq/L)

	Point A Surface	Point A Lower	Point B Surface	Point B Lower	Point C Surface	Point C Lower	Point D Surface	Point D Lower	Tomioka Port Surface
2022/5/10	ND<0.11	ND<0.11	ND<0.11	ND<0.12	ND<0.11	ND<0.11	ND<0.11	ND<0.12	ND<0.11
2022/8/24	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.05	ND<0.05	ND<0.05	ND<0.05
2022/11/9	ND<0.04	ND<0.05	ND<0.05	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04
2023/5/31	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	0.05±0.04	0.05±0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04

Free-water Tritium Measurement Results in Fish (Bq/L)

	2022/5
White rockfish	ND<0.37
White rockfish	ND<0.37
White rockfish	ND<0.37
Greenling	ND<0.36
Fox jacopever	ND<0.36

	2023/8
Flounder	ND<0.34
Black sebastes	ND<0.35

Flounder

Black sebastes

Offshore Marine Survey Measurement Results: Tritium in Seawater and Fish

Organically Bound Tritium Measurement Results in Fish (Bq/kg raw)

2022/5	
ND<0.09	
ND<0.09	
2023/8	
ND<0.09	
ND<0.09	





- Seawater measurement data of Fukushima coast.
- Concentrations of radioactive cesium tend to be higher at points closer to the nuclear power plant.
- Strontium-90 in seawater was detected at different sampling sites depending on the date of sampling.
- Tritium was also detected, but at the stage before the contaminated water was discharged, there was no significant difference from the normal seawater concentration.

Cs-137 Measur	ement Results	in Seawater (Bq	/L) North 🔶			South		
	Soma Port	Murakami Beach	Ukedo Port	Futaba Beach	Kumagawa Coast	Tomioka Port	Iwasawa Beach	Onahama Port
2023/5,6	0.005±0.0006	0.005±0.0005	0.01±0.0007	0.004±0.0006	0.02±0.0008	0.01 ± 0.0007	0.008±0.0006	0.001 ± 0.0006
2023/12	0.007±0.0006	0.005±0.0005	0.009±0.0006	0.012±0.0006	0.013±0.0004	0.010 ± 0.0007	0.006±0.0006	0.003±0.0005
Sr-90 Measurement Results in Seawater (Bq/L)								
	Soma Port	Murakami Beach	Ukedo Port	Futaba Beach	Kumagawa Coast	Tomioka Port	Iwasawa Beach	Onahama Port
2023/5,6	0.0011±0.0003	0.0005±0.0003	0.0012±0.0003	0.0009±0.0003	0.0006±0.0003	0.0005±0.0002	0.001±0.0003	0.001±0.0003
2023/12	ND<0.0003	ND<0.0008	ND<0.0008	0.0011±0.0003	0.0006±0.0003	0.0008±0.0003	ND<0.0003	ND<0.0005
Tritium Measu	rement Results	in Seawater (Be	q/L)					
	Soma Port	Kaibama Beach	Ukedo Port	Futaba Beach	Kumagawa Coast	Tomioka Port	Iwasawa Beach	Onahama Port
2022/12	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	0.07±0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	0.05±0.04	Missing data
2023/5	0.06±0.04	0.06±0.04	0.09 ± 0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	ND<0.04	Missing data



Measuring Radiation levels in Ookuma Town

TARACHINE conducted surveys on environmental radioactivity in Ookuma Town in the fall of 2022. NPO Mothers' Radiation Lab Fukushima – TARACHINE https://tarachineiwaki.org/

[Reason for the Surveys]

- The evacuation order for the designated 860-hectare reconstruction and revitalization zone was lifted, and the standard value for returning home was set 20 millisieverts (mSv) as an annual dose limit. This standard value is the upper value recommended by International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP)[*]. This means the standard value for the general population of Okuma including children and annual exposure limit for the nuclear industry workers are the same.
- "Manabiya Yumenomori" (a comprehensive school for 0~15year-olds) will be opened in Okuma Town. It's expected health concerns will arise in the future as children will be studying and living under such high radiation levels permitted as 20 mSv/y. We believe it's important to know the correct values of radiation levels in the environment in order to protect ourselves from the radiation exposure scientifically.

[*] ICRP recommended in 2007 that in the event of large-scale radioactive contamination due to a nuclear power plant accident, the standard value should be adopted from [the lower values of 1 to 20 mSv/y], to protect the people living in the contaminated area. However, [the uppermost value of 1-20 mSv/y] was adopted.

[The background and reason why 20 mSv was set as the annual dose reference level for Ookuma Town] Previously, the reference value was 1 mSv/y, or 0.23 microsieverts per hour (µSv/h). Decontamination measures were implemented accordingly. However, due to subsequent media reports and the indifference of the town residents, 20 mSv/y, or 3.8μ Sv/h seemed to be accepted as the reference value which is on par with the nuclear power plant premises. It's obviously abnormal that the reference value for the area where children live, learn, and play. * From the minutes of the Okuma Town Decontamination Investigation Committee *

- "For the areas such as Oogawara and Nakayashiki where evacuation order was lifted, I think we'd been basically considering things with 0.23µSv/h as the base. But this time around 3.8μ Sv/h is set as the base, there are still some areas remained with a radiation dose of 2 ~ 3 μ Sv/h. The decontamination work is said to be done, even though the dose is still high this time. The standards for around here are quite different from that of the areas the evacuation order had already been lifted."
- We had been discussing about 1mSv, or 0.23µSv/h for the decontamination work in Oogawara area, when I first heard that it has become 20mSv, or 3.8µSv/h, I thought 'Huh? However, after that, the media kept reporting 3.8µSv/h was the standard, so the residents probably had that image, I think the previous standard of 0.23µSv/h or 1mSv has been diminishing in our mind."



【 Regarding Air Dose Standards 】	
Annual dose limit for the general public	
Criteria for Terminating Evacuation Order of Okuma Town	
General dose before the nuclear accident	
Onahama Yokomahi Park, Iwaki City as of 2023	
Fukushima Railway Station West Exit "Corasse Hiroba" as of 2023	

The annual exposure dose is calculated assuming 8 hours spent outdoors and 16 hours spent indoors per day. The assumption was made that radiation would be reduced by 60% indoor. The values do not include natural background radiation.

【Regarding Dose standards in Soil】					
Clearance criteria	Designated Wast				
Values that were considered unnecessary to treat as radioactive waste	Values that must be handled in an appropriate manner under the governmental responsibility				
	Unit: Radioactive Cesium Concentration (E				
Less than 100	More than 8,000				

Air Dose	Annual Exposure Dose
(µSv/h)	(mSv/y)
0.23	1.00
3.80	19.76
0.04	0.00
0.06	0.11
0.12	0.42

te (after the nuclear accident)						
e	Values that need to be disposed of at a disposal site with a stricter shielding structure					
Bq/kg)						
	More than 100,000					



[Survey Method]

Using Nippon Shahei Giken's "GPS-linked air dose rate automatic recording system, Hot Spot Finder", we carried out measuring at a point 1 m above the ground.

Detail measurement of the soil. Collecting 5 cm of top soil from the ground surface and dried it, and the concentration of radioactive cesium was measured. Strontium-90 was measured in the half of the 12 locations. In addition, the air dose rate of the ground surface at those locations were also measured.

The survey points were not special hotspots such as under rain gutters or deep in the forests where people wouldn't usually go in, but the points were roadside and shrubbery where there is a good possibility that children would walk or stay in their daily lives.

[Consideration on TARACHINE's Measuring Survey Results]

We detected over 8,000 Bq/kg radioactive cesium in the soil at 19 out of 24 locations, and 6 locations out of them exceeded 50,000 Bq/kg. Furthermore, over 100,000 Bq/kg was detected in 3 locations. The highest radiation dose was 200,818 Bq/kg in the hill behind the planned construction site for the school "Manabiya Yume no mori" in the Oogawara area.

As for cesium levels in the soil, the result shows there are observation points with highly contaminated soil and also with less contaminated soil in both Oogawara area and the designated reconstruction and revitalization zone. We collected samples from several locations that were thought to have been decontaminated by stripping or adding soil, however, all but one location exceeded thousands of Bg/kg.

On the other hand, the air dose rate on the ground surface exceeded 3.8 μ Sv/h at 5 out of 24 locations. We were unable to find such spots by the vehicle-borne survey. We'd like to emphasis that these surveys were not aimed at particularly concentrated hotspots.

It is noteworthy that several thousands to several hundreds of thousands of contaminated soils still remains in the places such as the hills behind the school and the rice paddies of Oogawara Minaidaira area where children pass by to go to school or play around.

Ookuma Town Futaba District

Sampling Points of Measuring Soil

The sampling points were not known hotspots such as under rain gutters or deep in the forests where people don't usually go in, but **the points were along roadside and shrubbery where there was a good possibility children would walk or stay in their daily lives.**

Vlothers' Radiation Lab



Air dose measured 1m above soil surface Measured with a hotspot finder (unit: μ Sv/h)

- (1) Air dose on the ground surface Measured with a survey meter (unit: μ Sv/h)
- ② Soil: Total Value of Cs-137and Cs-134 Measured with a germanium semiconductor detector (unit: Bq/kg dry)
- **③** Soil: Strontium-90 Measured with a liquid scintillation counter (unit: Bq/kg dry)



Survey in November and December 2022 Around Okuma Town Hall



Survey in November and December 2022

Shimonogami Okuma Town

Air dose measured 1m above soil surface Measured with a hotspot finder (unit: µSv/h)

1 Air dose on the ground surface Measured with a survey meter (unit: µSv/h)

 2 Soil: Total Value of Cs-137and Cs-134 Measured with a germanium semiconductor detector (unit: Bq/kg dry)

③ Soil: Strontium-90
 Measured with a liquid scintillation counter (unit: Bq/kg dry)



Survey in November and December 2022

Shimonogami Okuma Town

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 Air dose on the ground surface Measured with a survey meter (unit: µSv/h)

 2 Soil: Total Value of Cs-137and Cs-134 Measured with a germanium semiconductor detector (unit: Bq/kg dry)

③ Soil: Strontium-90
 Measured with a liquid scintillation counter (unit: Bq/kg dry)

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ry) Survey in November and December 2022 Around Kuma, Ookuma Town



Area	Sampling Site	Air Dose Rates (uSv/h)	Cesium Total of 137 and 134(Bq/kg-dry)	Strontium-90 (Bq/kg-dry)
Oogawara Area	①Wooded area in Oogawara Minamidaira	1.00	11,528	
	②Near Ookuma Post Office	0.31	3,772	
	③Near Oogawara Minamidaira Garbage Dump	0.13	191	
	The mountain behind Manabiya Yumenomori school	4.29	200,818	23.22
	⑤North side of Oogawara Minamidaira rice field	2.55	32,451	7.87
	South side of Oogawara Minamidaira rice field	6.16	63,728	8.59
	⑦Behind the Ookuma Town Office	1.07	15,440	
	[®] Forest southeast of Ookuma Town Hall	1.35	19,644	6.37
		2.96	27,795	
Shimonogami Area①	In front of Shotoku Taishi Hall	2.75	49,523	2.66
	⁽¹⁾ North side of former Ono Hospital	4.18	3,384	
	12 West side of former Ono Hospital	3.04	47,710	5.41
	³ South side of former Ono Hospital	1.04	6,984	
	Shrubbery in front of Ookuma Library	2.44	101,372	11.74
Shimonogami Area②	In front of Tsuruha drug store	2.22	56,620	5.19
	Wear Futaba Shoyo High School	0.74	10,981	
	⑦Near former Ono Elementary School	2.70	23,742	ND<1.51
	BShimonogami, near the newly built garage	1.83	24,206	2.73
	In the strawberry factory In the strawberry In the strawberry	0.38	8,792	
	②Near the Highway 6 Central Storage Center	3.85	57,460	7.04
Ookuma	②Hill behind Tokyo Power Technology	2.21	8,874	
Kuma	②Next to Asahidai Sekisui Heim	1.15	4,354	
neighborhood	West side of Joban Line, next to Asahidai private house	1.23	19,477	
	Pield next to Prefectural road 251	5.00	150,490	20.82

List of Measurement Results

Ookuma Town, Futaba District, Fukushima Prefecture

Environmental Radioactivity Survey

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