

Distribution and movement of fallout radionuclides in throughfall, stemflow, and litterfall in a forested area

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Due to the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred on March 11, 2011, radionuclides such as Cs-134 and Cs-137 was released into the atmosphere from the Fukushima nuclear plant. It is important for carrying out the decontamination work to elucidate the dynamics of fallout radionuclides by water and/or soil particles. In this study, we aimed to understand the distribution and movement of fallout radionuclides in a forested area. We collected throughfall, stemflow, litterfall and measured the concentration of Cs-134 and Cs-137 using a Gamma-ray spectrometer.