

Commonly used or illustrative parameters

Generic parameters	Value
Radioactive half life [1]	6561 Years
Origin [1]	Man made
Principal decay mode [1]	Alpha decay
Specific activity [2]	$8.4 \times 10^9 \text{ Bq/g}$
Freshwater Kd [3]	$2.4 \times 10^5 \text{ L kg}^{-1}$
Marine Kd [4]	$1 \times 10^5 \text{ L kg}^{-1}$

Parameters useful for human assessments	Value
CR Pasture grass [3]	5.5×10^{-4}
CR Freshwater fish (muscle) [3]	$2.1 \times 10^4 \text{ L kg}^{-1}$
CR Marine fish [4]	$1 \times 10^2 \text{ L kg}^{-1}$
F_f Cow meat [3]	$1.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ d kg}^{-1}$
F_m Cow milk [3]	$1.0 \times 10^{-5} \text{ d L}^{-1}$
Human fractional absorption (f_1) [5]	0.0005
Inhalation dose coefficient [6]	$1.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Sv Bq}^{-1}$
Ingestion dose coefficient [6]	$2.3 \times 10^{-7} \text{ Sv Bq}^{-1}$
Biological half life for Human (adult) [7]	a: 40 yrs (0.45) Liver b: 100 yrs (0.45) skeleton
Biological half life for Cow milk	No data available
EU Food intervention limit- Dairy [8]	20 Bq L^{-1} or Bq kg^{-1}
EU Food intervention limit- Baby food [8]	1 Bq L^{-1} or Bq kg^{-1}
EU Food intervention limit- Liquid [8]	20 Bq L^{-1} or Bq kg^{-1}
EU Food intervention limit- Other food [8]	80 Bq L^{-1} or Bq kg^{-1}
EU Food intervention limit- Minor food [8]	800 Bq L^{-1} or Bq kg^{-1}

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Parameters useful for wildlife assessments	Value
Terrestrial EMCL— Soil [9]	$7.94 \times 10^2 \text{ Bq kg}^{-1}$
Freshwater EMCL—Water [9]	$1.69 \times 10^{-2} \text{ Bq L}^{-1}$
Freshwater EMCL— Sediment [9]	$6.58 \times 10^2 \text{ Bq kg}^{-1}$
Marine EMCL — Water [9]	$8.93 \times 10^{-4} \text{ Bq L}^{-1}$
Marine EMCL — Sediment [9]	$2.61 \times 10^1 \text{ Bq kg}^{-1}$
CR Terrestrial mammal (rat) [9]	1.40×10^{-2}
CR Freshwater fish [9]	8.30×10^2
CR Freshwater mollusc [9]	5.50×10^3
CR Marine fish [9]	1.40×10^3
CR Marine mollusc [9]	1.10×10^3
Internal DCC Terrestrial mammal (rat) on soil [9]	$3.00 \times 10^{-2} \mu\text{Gy h}^{-1}/\text{Bq kg}^{-1}$ whole organism
External DCC Terrestrial mammal (rat) in soil [9]	$1.30 \times 10^{-7} \mu\text{Gy h}^{-1}/\text{Bq kg}^{-1}$ soil
External DCC Terrestrial mammal (rat) on soil [9]	$5.90 \times 10^{-8} \mu\text{Gy h}^{-1}/\text{Bq kg}^{-1}$ soil
Internal DCC Marine fish (benthic) [9]	$3.00 \times 10^{-2} \mu\text{Gy h}^{-1}/\text{Bq kg}^{-1}$ whole organism
External DCC Marine fish (benthic) in water[9]	$1.90 \times 10^{-7} \mu\text{Gy h}^{-1}/\text{Bq L}^{-1}$ water
External DCC Marine fish (benthic) at sediment interface [9]	$9.50 \times 10^{-8} \mu\text{Gy h}^{-1}/\text{Bq kg}^{-1}$ sediment
Internal DCC Freshwater fish (pelagic) [9]	$3.00 \times 10^{-2} \mu\text{Gy h}^{-1}/\text{Bq kg}^{-1}$ whole organism
External DCC Freshwater fish in water [9]	$1.40 \times 10^{-7} \mu\text{Gy h}^{-1}/\text{Bq L}^{-1}$ water

All terms used in these tables are described and discussed in underlying documents accessed via the hyperlinks provided

Sources of data [reference list](#)

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