

# Comparative Study on the Committed Dose Equivalent for Adults and Infants

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= Abstract =

Weighted committed dose equivalents( $W_T H_{50}$ ) per intake of unit activity of four nuclides-I-131, I-133, Cs-134 and Cs-137-, which was based on the concepts of ICRP Pub. 30, are calculated for adult who is 70 kg and 25 years old and, for infant who is 10 kg and 1 year old.

Metabolism of iodine taken through oral or inhalation pathway is described by using the three-compartment model which consists of inorganic, thyroid and organic compartment. After intake, the amount of iodine in every compartment is calculated by solving the transfer equations among the these compartments.

As soon as caesium is taken into the body, it is distributed uniformly in the body through the transfer compartment. In this case, the amount of caesium in total body is calculated by using the total body compartment model which is divided into two tissue compartments because of their different biological half-lives of caesium in body.

As a result of calculations, whether oral or inhalation pathway, the values of ( $W_T H_{50}$ ) per intake of unit activity of I-131 for infants are about ten times as much as those of adults.

On the other hand, for Cs-134 and Cs-137, the values of  $W_T H_{50}$  per intake of unit activity show that, whether adults of infants, they have almost the same values.

## 1. Introduction

In 1959, the International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) issued ICRP Pub. 2<sup>1)</sup> which had guided for the control of intakes of radionuclides into the body with the critical organ concept.

Afterward, ICRP Pub. 22(1973)<sup>2)</sup> and Pub. 26(1977)<sup>3)</sup> made great changes in the basic concept of the control of internal dose. ICRP Pub. 22 recommended that the resulting doses are as low as reasonably achievable (ALARA), economic and social considerations being taken into account, In ICRP Pub. 26, the

total risk concept—several organs and tissues, not only critical organ, would be irradiated following the entry of a radionuclide into body—was recommended.

With new informations on the uptake and retention of radioactive materials in body and on radioactive decay scheme, ICRP Pub. 30 (1979)<sup>4)</sup> describes how to calculate the internal dose by means of these new concepts and give a new quantity, committed dose equivalent ( $H_{50}$ ).

In Korea, some radionuclides in gaseous and liquid effluents released from many nuclear power plants are detected in usual

operational circumstances and around power plants site<sup>5)</sup>. Of all radioactive effluents, H<sub>50</sub> for I-131, I-133 Cs-133 and Cs-137 were calculated in this paper. The purpose of this paper is to obtain the H<sub>50</sub> per intake of unit activity for adult who is 70 kg and 25 year old and for infant who is 10 kg and 1 year old<sup>6,7)</sup>.

Johnson<sup>8)</sup> calculated the amount of iodine in a thyroid and in other tissues which are divided into organic and inorganic compartment by using the three-compartment model. By this model, the values of H<sub>50</sub> for I-131 and I-133 can be calculated. Miller and Richmond<sup>9,10)</sup>, et al., experimented on the metabolism of caesium in body and got the empirical equation which describes the metabolism of caesium. But, in this paper, the representing values, which are taken from AECL-6540, for biological half-life of caesium in body are used in calculating H<sub>50</sub>.

Accurate decay schemes of four radionuclides and data for the mass of organs are required to calculate the H<sub>50</sub>. Dillman<sup>11)</sup> gives the decay schemes of I-131 and Cs-137, which inform the energies of secondary radiations originated from  $\gamma$ -rays, appropriate to the internal radiation dosimetry. But the proper decay schemes of I-133 and Cs-134 are not published yet and simple decay schemes of them are used<sup>12)</sup>.

## 2. Basic Concepts for the Control of Internal Dose

### 2.1. Dose Equivalent Limits

For the purpose of radiation protection, two broad categories of radiation induced effects are considered.

1) Stochastic effects: malignant and hereditary disease for which the probability of a somatic effect occurring rather than its

severity is regarded as a function of dose without threshold.

2) Non-stochastic effects: effects such as opacity of the lens and cosmetically unacceptable changes in the skin for which a threshold of dose must be exceeded before the effect is induced.

For stochastic effects Commission's recommended dose Limits is based on the principle that the limit on risk should be equal whether the whole body is irradiated uniformly or non-uniform irradiation.

This condition will be met if

$$\sum_T W_T H_T \leq H_{wb,L}$$

where  $H_T$ : annual dose equivalent in tissue (T).

$H_{wb,L}$ : the recommended annual dose equivalent limit for uniform irradiation of the whole body.

$W_T$ : a weighting factor representing the proportion of the stochastic risk resulting from tissue (T) to the total risk (Table 2.1).

In order to meet the Commission's basic limits for the occupational exposure, the intake of radioactive materials in any year must be limited to satisfy the following conditions.

For stochastic effects

Table 2.1. Dose Equivalent (D) to a Tissue giving same Risk as 0.05 Sv (5rem) to Whole Body and Weighting Factor ( $W_T$ )

Organ or Tissue	D		$W_T$
	Sv	rem	
Gonads	0.2	20	0.25
Breast	0.33	33	0.15
Red bone marrow	0.42	42	0.12
Lung	0.42	42	0.12
Thyroid	1.67	167	0.03
Bone surface	1.67	167	0.03
Remainder	0.83	83	0.3

$$\sum_T W_T H_{50.T} \leq 0.05(Sv) \dots\dots\dots(2.1)$$

For non-stochastic effects

$$H_{50.T} \leq 0.5(Sv) \dots\dots\dots(2.2)$$

where  $H_{50.T}$  (in Sv) is the total committed dose equivalent in tissue (T) resulting from intake of radioactive materials from all sources during the year.

In case of non-occupational exposure the value of annual dose equivalent is recommended as one tenth of that of occupational exposure<sup>3)</sup>.

### 2.2. Committed Dose Equivalent ( $H_{50}$ )

For purposes of planning in radiological protection it is assumed that risk of a given biological effect is linearly related to dose equivalent. In this circumstances, risk of an effect is determined by the total dose equivalent averaged throughout the organ or tissue at risk, independent of the time over which that dose equivalent is delivered. The total dose equivalent averaged throughout any tissue over the 50 years after intake of a radionuclide into the body is termed the committed dose equivalent ( $H_{50}$ ).

$$H_{50} = \sum_i \frac{\int_M D_{50,i} Q_i N_i dm}{\int_M dm} \dots\dots\dots(2.3)$$

where  $i$ : the type of radiation.

$M$ : the mass of the specific organ or tissue.

$D_{50,i}$ : total absorbed dose during a period of 50 years for each type of radiation  $i$ .

$Q_i$ : the quality factor.

$N_i$ : the product of all other modifying factor.

The expression for  $H_{50}$  shown in eqt (2.3) can be simplified to

$$H_{50} = \sum_i Q_i \overline{D_{50,i}}$$

where  $\overline{D_{50,i}}$  is averaged value of  $D_{50,i}$

In this paper, estimates are made of the committed dose equivalent ( $H_{50}$ ) in a number of target organ (T) from the activity in a given source organ (S).

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} H_{50}(T \leftarrow S)_i &= Q_i \overline{D_{50}(T \leftarrow S)}_i \\ &= U_s \times SEE(T \leftarrow S)_i \times 1.6 \times \\ &\quad 10^{-10}(Sv) \dots\dots\dots(2.4) \end{aligned}$$

where  $U_s$ : the number of transformation in source over the 50 years following intake of the radionuclide.

$SEE(T \leftarrow S)_i$ :

the specific effective energy for radiation type  $i$ , suitably modified by quality factor, absorbed in target from each transformation in source. (MeV/g per trans.)

$1.6 \times 10^{-10}$ : the conversion factor.

The masses of target and source organs used in this paper are taken from ICRP Pub. 23 and AECL-6540.

### 3. Calculations of $H_{50}$ for I-131 and I-133

#### 3.1. Metabolism of Iodine

The metabolism of iodine in man has been described by a three-compartment model. These compartments are

- 1) Inorganic compartment; consisting of all extrathyroidal iodine that is not bound to thyroid-produced organic molecules and which may be excreted or taken by the thyroid for conversion into organic iodine.
- 2) Thyroid compartment; consisting of all iodine in the thyroid.
- 3) Organic compartment: consisting of all extra-thyroidal iodine bound to thyroid-produced organic molecules and capable of being excreted or being converted back to inorganic iodine.

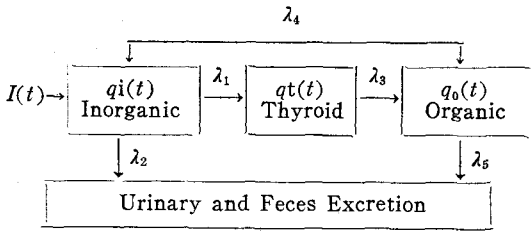


Fig. 3.1. The Compartment Model of Iodine  
 $I(t)$  : The rate of entry of the radionuclide at time  $t$ .  
 $q_n(t)$  : The amount of radionuclide in the compartment  $n$  at  $t$  after intake.  
 $\lambda_i$  : Rate constant ( $i=1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ ).

Metabolic diagram of iodine and clearance rate constants are shown in Fig. 3.1 and Table 3.1.

According to the daily intake and to the content of iodine in the thyroid and the body of adults, the rate constant can be obtained.

The differential equations for this model are

$$\frac{dq_i(t)}{dt} = -(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2)q_i(t) + \lambda_4 q_0(t) + I(t) \dots \dots \dots (3.1)$$

$$\frac{dq_t(t)}{dt} = \lambda_1 q_i(t) - \lambda_3 q_t(t) \dots \dots \dots (3.2)$$

$$\frac{dq_o(t)}{dt} = \lambda_3 q_t(t) - (\lambda_5 + \lambda_4)q_o(t) \dots \dots \dots (3.3)$$

The physical decay of radioiodine dose not include in the eqt. 3.1 to eqt. 3.3. It can be included simply by multiplying all solutions

Table 3.1. Rate Constant

Route	Constant $\lambda_i$ of Adult (days <sup>-1</sup> )
1	0.93
2	1.92
3	0.0087
4	0.053
5	0.005

by  $exp(-\lambda t)$ .

These equations can be solved by using boundary conditions appropriate to a single instantaneous input of radioactive iodine into the inorganic compartment ( $\therefore I(t)=0$ ).

The analytical solutions to these equations using the constant from Table 3.1 are

$$q_i(t) = I_0 [1.000 e^{-2.85t} - 9.9 \times 10^{-4} e^{-0.0609t} + 9.5 \times 10^{-4} e^{-0.0058t}] \dots \dots \dots (3.4)$$

$$q_t(t) = I_0 [-0.327 e^{-2.85t} + 0.0175 e^{-0.0609t} + 0.310 e^{-0.0058t}] \dots \dots \dots (3.5)$$

$$q_o(t) = I_0 [0.001 e^{-2.85t} - 0.0517 e^{-0.0609t} + 0.0507 e^{-0.0058t}] \dots \dots \dots (3.6)$$

Judging from Fig. 3.2, the retention in other compartments excepts the thyroid can be neglected because of their extremely small iodine deposition in body.

In the case of infants, the half-life for removal of iodine from the infant inorganic

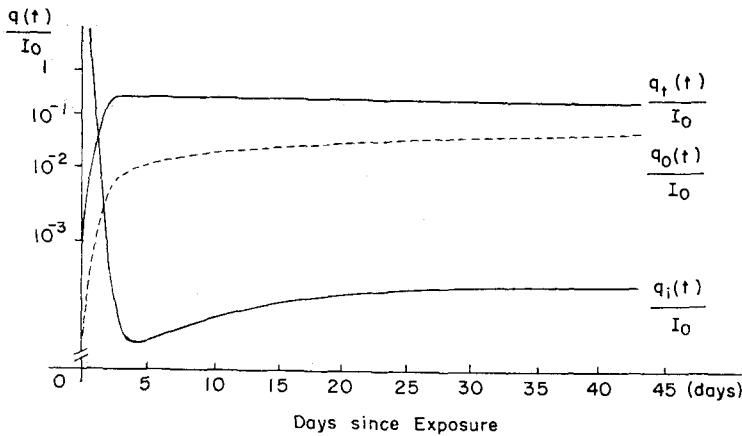


Fig. 3-2. Relative Amount of I-131 and I-133 Deposition in Case of Adult Body.

compartment and the ratio of thyroid uptake to whole body intake are assumed to be the same as that for the adults. This assumption fixes the values of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  at the adult values.

The mass of iodine in the infant's thyroid was calculated to be  $3.0 \times 10^{-7}$  kg from data in ICRP Pub. 23. The daily iodine output of the thyroid (as organically bound iodine) is  $6 \times 10^{-8}$  kg for a 70 kg man and is assumed to be  $8.57 \times 10^{-9}$  kg for a 10 kg infant. Assuming that all the iodine in an infant's thyroid has equal opportunity of leaving the thyroid as organically bound iodine, then  $\lambda_3$  for infant is  $8.57 \times 10^{-9} / 3.0 \times 10^{-7} = 0.0286 \text{ d}^{-1}$ . If the concentration of organically bound iodine in infant's soft tissue is to be equal to that used for adults and the production of thyroid hormones is assumed to be directly proportional to body weight, it seems reasonable to assume that  $\lambda_4$  and  $\lambda_5$  are equal for infants and adults<sup>2)</sup>.

The factors derived here result from an assumed daily iodine intake of 0.2 mg for adults and 29  $\mu\text{g}$  for infants. Using  $\lambda_3$  for infants,  $q_i^{inf}(t)$  can be calculated as follows:

$$q_i^{inf}(t) = I_0 [-0.3317 e^{-2.8479t} + 0.1813 e^{0.0211t} + 0.1522 e^{-0.1217t}] \dots\dots (3.7)$$

### 3.2. Calculations of Us and SEE

#### (1) Us

The value of Us means the total number of transformation in source over the 50 years following intake of radionuclide. This is given as follows:

$$Us(T) = \int_0^{50y} e^{-\lambda_j t} q_j(t) dt \dots\dots (3.8)$$

where  $\lambda_j$ : radioactive decay constant of the radionuclide.

$q_j(t)$ : the amount of radionuclide in the compartment  $j$ . Here, two routes of entry of radioactive materials into

body namely the gastrointestinal (GI) tract (Oral) and the respiratory system (Inhalation) are considered.

In the case of oral intake for adults, substituting eqt. 3.5 into 3.8, the values of I-131 and I-133 can be calculated.

then,  $Us^{131}(\text{oral})$

$$= I_0 \int_0^{50 \times 365} e^{-0.086t} (-0.327 e^{-2.85t} + 0.0175 e^{-0.0609t} + 0.310 e^{-0.00586t}) dt$$

$$= 2.91 \times 10^5 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots\dots (3.9)$$

and  $Us^{133}(\text{oral})$

$$= I_0 \int_0^{50 \times 365} e^{-0.8t} (-0.327 e^{-2.85t} + 0.0175 e^{-0.0609t} + 0.310 e^{-0.00586t}) dt$$

$$= 2.60 \times 10^4 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots\dots (3.10)$$

In the same way, from eqt. (3.7) and eqt. (3.8) the values of Us for infants can be obtained as follows:

$$Us^{131}(\text{oral}) = 2.95 \times 10^5 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots\dots (3.11)$$

$$Us^{133}(\text{oral}) = 2.65 \times 10^4 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots\dots (3.12)$$

The quantities of Us in the inorganic and organic compartment are so small and are not so important compared to that of the thyroid that they can be negligible.

For inhalation intake, it is recognized that after the inhalation of radioactive aerosols the doses receives by various regions in the respiratory system will differ widely, depending on the size distribution of the inhaled material.

In this study, calculations of committed dose equivalents are for aerosol with an AMAD (Activity Median Aerodynamic Diameter) of 1  $\mu\text{m}$ . The fraction of deposition in respiratory system is given as 0.63 from Fig. 3.3 (a).

For adults,

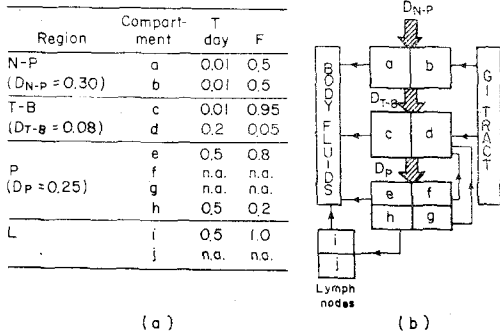


Fig. 3.3. Mathematical Model used to describe Clearance from the Respiratory System with an AMAD of  $1 \mu\text{m}$ .  
*T*: removal half-times.  
*F*: the fraction leaving the region.  
*N-P*: nasopharynx region.  
*T-B*: trachea and bronchial tree region.  
*P*: pulmonary region.  
*L*: lymphatic system.  
 $D_{N-P}$ ,  $D_{T-B}$ ,  $D_P$ : the fraction of inhaled material initially deposited in the *N-P*, *T-B*, and *P* regions.  
*n.a.*: not applicable in this calculation.

$$U_{S^{131}}(\text{inhalation}) = 0.63 U_{S^{131}}(\text{oral}) = 1.83 \times 10^5 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots\dots (3.13)$$

The radioactive half-life of I-133 (20.8h) is not long compared with the removal half-time at pulmonary in respiratory system. Therefore, the radioactive decay of I-133 in pulmonary should be considered.

The removal half-time at region *e* and *h* in pulmonary is given as 12 hours from Fig. 3.3 (a) and after that time, the rest of the initially deposited activity can be obtained by the following formula:

$$Dp e(-\lambda r Tp) = Dp e(-0.693 \times 12/20.8) = 0.67 Dp$$

where

- $Dp$ : the deposition fraction in pulmonary (=0.25)
- $\lambda$ : the physical decay constant of I-133.

$Tp$ : the removal half-time at region *e* and *h* in pulmonary (0.5dy=12hr).

So total deposition fraction for I-133 in respiratory system becomes

$$D_{N-P} + D_{T-B} + 0.67 Dp \times (0.8 + 0.2) = 0.55$$

Therefore, for adults,

$$U_{S^{133}}(\text{inhalation}) = 0.55 U_{S^{133}}(\text{oral}) = 1.43 \times 10^4 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots\dots (3.14)$$

and the values for infants are

$$U_{S^{131}}(\text{inhalation}) = 0.63 U_{S^{131}}(\text{oral}) = 1.86 \times 10^5 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots\dots (3.15)$$

$$U_{S^{133}}(\text{inhalation}) = 0.55 U_{S^{133}}(\text{oral}) = 1.46 \times 10^4 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots\dots (3.16)$$

(2) SEE

SEE ( $T \leftarrow S$ )<sub>*j*</sub> can be defined as follows:

$$SEE(T \leftarrow S)_j = \sum_i \frac{Y_i \bar{E}_i AF(T \leftarrow S)_i Q_i}{M_T} \text{ (MeV } g^{-1} \text{ per trans.)} \dots\dots\dots (3.17)$$

where the summation means overall radiations produced per transformation of radionuclide *j* in source organ *S* and

- $Y_i$ : the yield of radiations of type *i* per transformation of radionuclide *j*.
- $\bar{E}_i$ : the average or unique energy of radiation *i* (MeV)
- $AF(T \leftarrow S)_i$ : the fraction of energy absorbed in target organ *T* per emission of radiation *i* in *S*.
- $Q_i$ : the quality factor appropriate for radiation of type *i*.
- $M_T$ : the mass of the target organ.

For  $\alpha, \beta$  particles, fission fragments and recoil atoms, value of  $AF(T \leftarrow S)_i$  will usually be either zero, when the target is beyond the range of radiations from the source, or unit when target and source organs are the same tissue.

The values of  $AF$  for photons can be estimated by the use of data on Specific Absorbed Fraction (SAF) (absorbed fraction per target mass).

I-131 and I-133 emit  $\beta^-$  particles and  $\gamma$ -rays.  $\beta^-$  particles are directly absorbed in source organs because of its short penetration range. But  $\gamma$ -rays make complicated reactions with target tissues. When  $\gamma$ -rays are emitted into targets, significant  $\gamma$ -ray internal conversions or electron capture processes which give rise to X-rays and Auger electrons occur.

These radiations should be included in the calculation of SEE.

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow S) = & \text{SEE}(S \leftarrow S)_{\beta} + \text{SEE}(S \leftarrow S)_{\beta'} + \\ & \text{SEE}(S \leftarrow S)_{\gamma} + \text{SEE}(S \leftarrow S)_{\text{x}} + \\ & \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow S)_{\gamma} + \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow S)_{\text{x}} \dots\dots (3.18) \end{aligned}$$

where

$\beta'$  :  $\beta$ -like particles caused by  $\gamma$  or X-rays.

X : x-rays.

Here the values of SEE for photons can be neglected because  $\text{SAF}_{\gamma}$  is extremely insignificant compared with the values  $\text{SAF}_{\beta}$  or  $\text{SAF}_{\beta'}$ .

As a result,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow S) = & \frac{Y_{\beta} \bar{E}_{\beta} AF(S \leftarrow S)_{\beta} Q_{\beta}}{M_T} + \\ & \frac{Y_{\beta'} \bar{E}_{\beta'} AF(S \leftarrow S)_{\beta'} Q_{\beta'}}{M_T} \dots\dots (3.19) \end{aligned}$$

where  $Q, AF=1$  for  $\beta$  or  $\beta$ -like particles.

$M_T$  : the mass of thyroid.

From the decay scheme,  $(Y_{\beta} \bar{E}_{\beta} + Y_{\beta'} \bar{E}_{\beta'})$  for I-131 is 0.2 (MeV/trans) and the values of  $M_T$  for adults and infants are 20 g and 2 g, respectively.

So

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow S) \text{ adult} = & \frac{0.2}{20} = 0.01 \\ & (\text{MeV g}^{-1} \text{ trans}^{-2}) \dots\dots (3.20) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow S) \text{ infant} = & \frac{0.2}{2} = 0.1 \\ & (\text{MeV g}^{-1} \text{ trans}^{-1}) \dots\dots (3.21) \end{aligned}$$

The value of  $(Y_{\beta} \bar{E}_{\beta} + Y_{\beta'} \bar{E}_{\beta'})$  for I-133 is given as 0.41 (MeV/trans)

so,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow S)^a = & \frac{0.41}{20} = 0.021 \\ & (\text{MeV g}^{-1} \text{ trans}^{-1}) \dots\dots (3.22) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow S)^i = & \frac{0.41}{2} = 0.205 \\ & (\text{MeV g}^{-1} \text{ trans}^{-1}) \dots\dots (3.23) \end{aligned}$$

### 3.3. The Values of $H_{50}$ for I-131 and I-133

Combining eqt. 3.9. to eqt. 3.16 and eqt. 3.20 to eqt. 3.23 with eqt. 2.4, the results can be obtained as Table 3.1.

Table 3.1. The Values of  $U_s$ , SEE and  $H_{50}$  for I-131 and I-133 in Thyroid

Radionuclide		I-131		I-133	
Age	Pathway	Adult	Infant	Adult	Infant
Us per intake of unit activity(trans. Bq <sup>-1</sup> )	Oral	2.91 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	2.95 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	2.10 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	2.65 × 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Inhalation	1.83 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	1.86 × 10 <sup>5</sup>	1.43 × 10 <sup>4</sup>	1.46 × 10 <sup>4</sup>
SEE(MeV g <sup>-1</sup> trans. <sup>-1</sup> )		0.01	0.1	0.021	0.025
$H_{50}$ per intake of unit activity(Sv Bq <sup>-1</sup> )	Oral	4.7 × 10 <sup>-7</sup>	4.7 × 10 <sup>-6</sup>	8.7 × 10 <sup>-8</sup>	8.9 × 10 <sup>-7</sup>
	Inhalation	2.9 × 10 <sup>-7</sup>	3.0 × 10 <sup>-6</sup>	4.8 × 10 <sup>-8</sup>	4.9 × 10 <sup>-7</sup>
Weighted $H_{50}$ per intake of unit activity(Sv Bq <sup>-1</sup> )(= 0.03 × $H_{50}$ )	Oral	1.4 × 10 <sup>-8</sup>	1.4 × 10 <sup>-7</sup>	2.6 × 10 <sup>-9</sup>	2.7 × 10 <sup>-8</sup>
	Inha · tion	8.8 × 10 <sup>-9</sup>	8.9 × 10 <sup>-8</sup>	1.4 × 10 <sup>-9</sup>	1.5 × 10 <sup>-8</sup>

#### 4. Calculation of $H_{50}$ for Cs-134 and Cs-137

##### 4.1. Metabolism of caesium

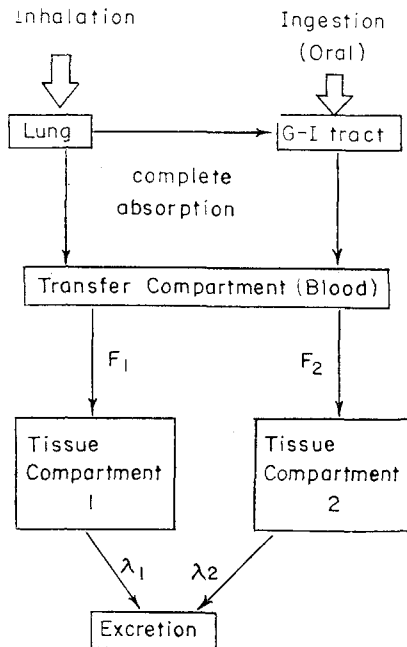
From the experimental data, whether adults or infants, of caesium entering the transfer compartment (blood), the retention fraction 0.1 is translocated to one tissue compartment and the remainder to another compartment. For adult, caesium is retained each compartment with the removal half-life 2 days and 110 days, respectively. Therefore, the retention of caesium for adults is shown as follows:

$$R(t) = q(t)/I_0 = 0.1 e(-0.693 t/2) + 0.9 e(0.693 t/110) \dots \dots \dots (4.1)$$

In the case of infants, it is important to note that infant's removal half-lives of caesium which are 1 day and 20 days respectively is short compared with adult's. So

$$R(t) = 0.1 e(-0.693 t/1) + 0.9 e(-0.693 t/20) \dots \dots \dots (4.2)$$

Metabolic diagram of caesium is shown as follows:



##### 4.2. Calculation of Us and SEE

###### (1) Us

Before caesium enters the transfer compartment (Fig. 4.1), it decays along the G-I tract or lung for the short time. Using the factors in the Fig. 3.3 and the formula in Appendix of ICRP Pub. 30, the value of Us in lung can be calculated as next formula.

$$Us(\text{in lung}) = I_0 \left\{ \frac{D_{Np}F_a}{\lambda_a + \lambda_R} + \frac{D_{Np}F_b}{\lambda_b + \lambda_R} + \frac{D_{Tr}F_c}{\lambda_c + \lambda_R} + \frac{D_{Tr}F_d}{\lambda_d + \lambda_R} + \frac{D_pF_e}{\lambda_e + \lambda_R} + \frac{D_pF_n}{\lambda_h + \lambda_r} + \frac{D_pF_h\lambda_hF_i}{(\lambda_h + \lambda_r)(\lambda_i + \lambda_r)} \right\}$$

where

$$\lambda_n = \frac{0.693}{T_n} \quad (T_n : \text{removal half-time in } n \text{ compartment, } n = a, b, \dots, i).$$

$\lambda_R$  : radioactive decay const.

$F_n$  = the fraction leaving the region  $n$ .

and

$$Us(\text{in G-I tract}) = I_0 \frac{1}{\lambda_{ST} + \lambda_R}$$

Age	Adult	Infant
$\lambda_1 (d^{-1})$	0.347	0.693
$\lambda_2 (d^{-1})$	$6.3 \times 10^{-3}$	0.035
$F_1$	0.1	0.1
$F_2$	0.9	0.9

$\lambda_i$  : Removal constant ( $i = 1, 2$ )

$F_i$  : Retention fraction ( $i = 1, 2$ )

Fig. 4.1. Compartment Model of Caesium.



Table 4.1. The Values of  $Us/I_0$  of Cs-134 and Cs-137(trans, Bq<sup>-1</sup>)

Organ	Radionuclide	Age	Pathway			
			Oral( $\times 10^3$ )	Inhalation( $\times 10^6$ )		
			Adult	Infant	Adult	Infant
Lung	Cs-134		—	—	0.0189	0.0189
	Cs-137		—	—	0.0189	0.0189
Total	Cs-134		10.7	2.22	6.75	1.4
Body	Cs-137		12.4	2.26	7.79	1.42

where

$\lambda_{ST}$ : the biological clearance rate in stomach (=24d<sup>-1</sup>)

From the data in Fig. 3.3, the values of Us in lung or G-I tract are calculated. So

$$Us(\text{lung}) = 1.89 \times 10^4 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots (4.3)$$

$$Us(\text{G-I tract}) = 3.60 \times 10^3 I_0(\text{trans.}) \dots\dots (4.4)$$

Passing through the transfer compartment, caesium is rapidly and completely absorbed in the total body. The value of Us in the total body is obtained by putting eqt. 4.2 into eqt. 3.8. In the same manner as iodine, the fraction of deposition in respiratory system is also given as 0.63.

So

$$Us(\text{inhal.}) = 0.63 Us(\text{oral})$$

The values of  $Us/I_0$  for Cs-134 and Cs-137 are summarized in Table 4.1.

Compared with values of Us in lung or total body, Us in G-I tract is small and negligible.

(2) SEE

Cs-134 and Cs-137 also emit  $\beta^-$  particles and  $\gamma$ -rays which give rise to X-rays and  $\beta$ -like particles when they interact with target organs.

In the case of a lung source for adults,

$$*SEE(T \leftarrow \text{lung})^a = SEE(L \leftarrow L)_\beta^a + SEE(L \leftarrow L)_{\beta'}^a + SEE(T \leftarrow L)_\gamma^a + SEE(T \leftarrow L)_x^a \dots (4.5)$$

$$= \frac{\bar{E}}{M_L} \frac{\bar{E}}{M_L} + \sum_r Y_r E_r \left\{ \text{SAF}(L \leftarrow L)_r + \text{SAF}(O. T \leftarrow L)_r \right\} + \sum_x Y_x E_x \left\{ \text{SAF}(L \leftarrow L)_x + \text{SAF}(O. T \leftarrow L)_x \right\} \dots\dots (4.6)$$

\*Lung and Other tissues will be abbreviated to L and O. T, respectively.

where

$M_L$  = the mass of lung (1,000 g)

SAF = Specific Absorbed Fraction ( $= \frac{AF}{M_T}$ )

The summations  $\sum_r$  and  $\sum_x$  mean the sum of SEE for photons which have various energies and different fractions.

For the total body source,

$$SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)^a = \frac{\bar{E}_\beta}{M_T} \frac{\bar{E}_{\beta'}}{M_T} + \sum_r Y_r E_r \text{SAF}(T \leftarrow T.B)_r + \sum_x Y_x E_x \text{SAF}(T \leftarrow T.B)_x \dots\dots (4.7)$$

Because of the differences between adults and infants in weight and height, the value of AF for adults should be corrected by using factor  $R_m f_r$ .

Therefore, in case of a lung source for infants,

$$SEE(T \leftarrow L)^i = SEE(L \leftarrow L)_\beta^i + SEE(L \leftarrow L)_{\beta'}^i + \left\{ SEE(T \leftarrow L)_\gamma^i + SEE(T \leftarrow L)_x^i \right\} R_m f_r = \frac{\bar{E}_\beta}{M_L} + \frac{\bar{E}_{\beta'}}{M_L} + \left\{ \sum_r Y_r E_r \text{SAF}(T \leftarrow L)_r + \sum_x Y_x E_x \text{SAF}(T \leftarrow L)_x \right\} R_m f_r \dots\dots (4.8)$$

where

$$R_m = \frac{M^{\text{adult}}}{M^{\text{infant}}}$$

$M_L$  = the mass of infant lung (=150 g)

$f_x$  = correction factors for the absorbed fraction of energy in the infant organs compared to the adult organs for photons.

For the total body source,

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{SEE}(T \leftarrow T.B)^i \\ &= \frac{\bar{E}_\beta}{M_T} + \frac{\bar{E}_{\beta'}}{M_T} \left\{ + \sum_\gamma Y_\gamma E_\gamma \text{SAF}(T \leftarrow T.B)_\gamma^i \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_x Y_x E_x \text{SAF}(T \leftarrow T.B)_x^i \right\} \\ & R_m f_x \dots\dots\dots (4.9) \end{aligned}$$

where

Table 4.2. The Value of SEE for Cs-137 (MeV g<sup>-1</sup> trans<sup>-1</sup>)

Radiation Age Source Target	$\beta (\times 10^{-4})$				$\gamma + \beta' + x (\times 10^{-6})$			
	Adult		Infant		Adult		Infant	
	Lung	T.B	Lung	T.B	Lung	T.B	Lung	T.B
Gonads	—	—	—	—	$5.7 \times 10^{-2}$	4.7	0.4	33
Breast	—	—	—	—	2.7	3.9	9.5	19
Red Marrow	—	—	—	—	2.5	4.2	9.4	19
Lung	1.9	$2.7 \times 10^{-2}$	13	0.19	95	4.0	$5.4 \times 10^2$	17
Thyroid	—	—	—	—	2.6	3.9	7.8	16
Bone Surface	—	—	—	—	2.0	3.9	7.0	17
SI Wall*	—	—	—	—	0.59	4.9	1.9	19
ULI Wall	—	—	—	—	0.8	4.8	2.8	20
LLI Wall	—	—	—	—	0.17	4.9	0.54	19
Uterus	—	—	—	—	0.21	4.9	0.84	22
Adrenals	—	—	—	—	4.9	5.2	9.8	17

\* T.B: Total Body

ULI; Upper Large Intestine

SI; Small Intestine

LLI; Lower Large Intestine

Table 4.3. The Value of SEE for Cs-134 (MeV g<sup>-1</sup> trans. <sup>-1</sup>)

Age Source Target	Adult ( $\times 10^{-5}$ )		Infant ( $\times 10^{-5}$ )	
	Lung	Total Body	Lung	Total Body
Gonads	0.014	1.1	0.098	7.9
Breast	0.62	0.9	2.2	4.1
Red Marrow	0.59	1.0	2.2	4.6
Lung	23	0.9	120	4.0
Thyroid	0.61	0.9	1.8	3.8
Bone Surface	0.46	0.9	1.6	4.1
SI Wall	0.14	1.2	0.45	4.6
LLI Wall	0.04	1.2	0.13	4.6
Uterus	0.05	1.2	0.2	5.5
Adrenal	1.3	1.1	2.6	3.9
Bladder Wall	0.039	1.1	0.094	3.9

$M_T$ =the mass of infant total body  
(10,000 g).

Like Cs-137, two sources, lung and total body, should be also considered for Cs-134. The way to calculate the SEE of Cs-134 is just same as that of Cs-137 which was shown in eqt. 4.6 to eqt. 4.9. The difference between them is only energy of emitted radiations. Table 4.2 and Table 4.3 represent the values of SEE for Cs-137 and Cs-134, respectively.

**4.3. The values of  $H_{50}$  for Cs-137 and CS-134**

Eqt. 2.4 should be transformed properly for the calculation of  $H_{50}(\text{oral})$  and  $H_{50}(\text{inha.})$

In the case of Cs-137, for a target  $T$ ,

$$H_{50}^T(\text{oral}) = 1.6 \times 10^{-10} Us(\text{oral}) \{SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_\beta + \{SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_{\beta'} + SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_\gamma + SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_x \times 0.94\} \dots\dots (4.10)$$

Where

0.94 is  $\gamma$  decay fraction of Cs-137.

and

$$H_{50}^T(\text{inhal.}) = 1.6 \times 10^{-10} [Us(\text{lung}) \times \{SEE(L \leftarrow L)_\beta + (SEE(T \leftarrow L)_{\beta'} + SEE(T \leftarrow L)_\gamma + SEE(T \leftarrow L)_x \times 0.94) +$$

$$Us(\text{inha.}) \times \{SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_\beta + SEE(T \leftarrow L)_{\beta'} + SEE(T \leftarrow L)_\gamma + SEE(T \leftarrow L)_x \times 0.94\} \dots\dots (4.11)$$

Inserting the values in Table 4.1. and Table 4.2. into eqt. 4.10 and eqt. 4.11, the calculated results are listed in Table 4.4.

For lack of accurate decay scheme for Cs-134, the SEE of  $\beta'$  particles and X-rays which are occurred by  $\gamma$ -ray can not be calculated. So the simple formula of  $H_{50}$  for Cs-134 are given as follows:

$$H_{50}^T(\text{oral}) = 1.6 \times 10^{-10} \times Us(\text{oral}) \{SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_\beta + SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_\gamma\} \dots\dots (4.12)$$

$$H_{50}^T(\text{inha.}) = 1.6 \times 10^{-10} [Us(\text{lung}) \{SEE(T \leftarrow L)_\gamma + SEE(L \leftarrow L)_\beta\} + Us(\text{inha.}) \times \{SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_\beta + SEE(T \leftarrow T.B)_\gamma\}] \dots\dots (4.13)$$

The results obtained by eqt. 4.12. and eqt. 4.13. are shown in Table 4.5.

Total weighted  $H_{50}$  for Cs-134 and Cs-137 are expressed as follows:

$$\text{weighted } H_{50 \cdot T} = \sum_T W_T H_{50 \cdot T} \dots\dots (4.14)$$

where

$W_T$  : weighting factor of organ  
 $T$ . (Table 2.1)

Table 4.4. The Value of  $H_{50}/I_0$  for Cs-137 for Adult and Infant (Sv/Bq)

Age Pathway Target	Adult( $\times 10^{-8}$ )		Infant( $\times 10^{-8}$ )	
	Oral	Inhalation	Oral	Inhalation
Gonads	1.4	0.88	1.8	1.1
Breast	1.2	0.78	1.3	0.83
Red Marrow	1.3	0.83	1.3	0.83
Lung	1.3	0.88	1.2	1.3
Thyroid	1.3	0.79	1.2	0.77
Bone Surface	1.3	0.79	1.2	0.79
SI Wall	1.4	0.91	1.3	0.83
LLI Wall	1.4	0.91	1.3	0.85
ULI Wall	1.4	0.90	1.3	0.83
Remainder( $W_T : 0.12$ )	1.5	0.95	1.4	0.89

Table 4.5. The Value of  $H_{50}/I_0$  for Cs-134 for Adult and Infant(Sv Bq<sup>-1</sup>)

Age Pathway Target	Adult( $\times 10^{-8}$ )		Infant( $\times 10^{-8}$ )	
	Oral	Inhalation	Oral	Inhalation
Gonads	1.9	1.2	2.7	1.6
Breast	1.6	1.0	1.4	0.86
Red Marrow	1.8	1.1	1.5	0.96
Lung	1.6	1.0	1.3	1.2
Thyroid	1.6	1.0	1.3	0.79
Bone Surface	1.6	1.0	1.4	0.85
SI Wall	2.0	1.3	1.5	0.96
LLI Wall	2.0	1.3	1.5	0.96
Remainder(Wt : 0.18)	2.1	1.3	1.3	0.81

Table 4.6. Total Weighted  $H_{50}/I_0$  for Cs-134 and Cs-137 for Adult and Infant(Sv Bq<sup>-1</sup>)

Age Pathway	Cs-134( $\times 10^{-8}$ )		Cs-137( $\times 10^{-8}$ )	
	Adult	Infant	Adult	Infant
Oral	1.9	1.7	1.4	1.4
Inhalation	1.2	1.1	0.87	0.96

From Table 4.4, 4.5 and Table 2.1, the total weighted  $H_{50}$  per intake of unit activity (Sv/Bq) for Cs-134 and Cs-137 are listed in Table 4.6.

### 5. Discussion and Conclusion

By using the three-compartment model (Fig. 3.1), the values of Us for I-131 and I-133 were calculated. Many organs or tissues scarcely retain iodine (Fig. 3.2) but, only a thyroid is affected by the intake of iodine.

The values of SEE for infants, which is dependent on the mass of target organ (thyroid), are about ten times as much as those of adults. As a result, the values of  $H_{50}$  for infants are also greater than adults' by the factor of 10.

The Us for Cs-134 and Cs-137 were obtained by using empirical equations. The values

of Us for adults are about five times as much as those of infants because biological half-life of infant (20 days) in total body is shorter than that of adult (110 days).

But the values of SEE for adults are by far smaller than those for infants on account of weighting the factor  $R_m f$ , to SEE of adults and the difference of mass between adult's organ and infant's. Consequently,  $H_{50}$  for infants are nearly same as those for adults.

Various metabolic parameters used in this paper quoted directly those of Westerners. They can be changed by the differences in diet, weight of organs and chemical composition of organs and tissues between Westerners and Korean. Therefore, the proper metabolic data for Korean should be established in order that the accurate estimation of internal dose effects for Korean can be done.

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## 預託線量值에서 본 成人과 幼兒와의 比較研究

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### 요 지

국제 방사선 방어위원회(ICRP)에서 새로이 권고한 體內 被曝線量 算定法(ICRP Pub. 30)을 이용하여 I-131, I-133, Cs-134 및 Cs-137 네가지 핵종의 단위 방사능섭취당 荷重 預託線量( $W_{\text{TH}_{50}}$ )을 몸무게 70 kg, 나이 25세의 成人과 10 kg, 1세의 幼兒에 대하여 계산하였다.

經口 또는 吸入 경로를 통해 섭취된 요오드의 新陳代謝를 無機質, 甲狀腺 有機質구역으로 구성된 三段階 區劃型 모델을 이용하여 조사하였다. 이 구역들 사이의 전달방정식을 풀어 섭취후 각 구역들에 있어서 요오드의 양을 계산하였다.

Caesium은 섭취후 곧, 전달구역을 통해 전신에 퍼진다. 이 경우 전신에 있는 caesium의 生理學的 半減期에 의하여 전신을 두 組織구역으로 나눈 全身 區劃型 모델을 이용하여 전신에서의 caesium의 양을 계산하였다.

계산결과, 經口 또는 吸入, 어떤 경로이든지 단위 방사능섭취로 인한 I-131, I-133의 荷重 預託線量( $W_{\text{TH}_{50}}$ )은 幼兒의 경우가 成人보다 10배정도 많은 값을 나타냈다.

한편, Cs-134과 Cs-137에 대해서는 단위 방사능 섭취당  $W_{\text{TH}_{50}}$ 값은 成人과 幼兒가 서로 비슷한 값을 나타내었다.