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The cesium deception: Why the mainstream media is mostly reporting iodine levels, not radioactive cesium



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(NaturalNews) Virtually all the numbers you're seeing about the radioactivity coming out of Fukushima are based on **iodine-131** which only has a half-life of 8 days, not the far more dangerous **cesium-137** which has a half-life of 30 years. So while the mainstream media reports that "radiation levels are falling rapidly" from the 7.5 million times reading taken a few days ago, what they're not telling you is that the cesium-137 radioactivity will take 30 years just to fall by 50 percent.

It's the great global cover-up in all this: What happens to all the radioactive cesium being dumped into the ocean right now? It doesn't just burn itself out in a few months like iodine-131. This stuff sticks around for *centuries*.

As part of the cover story, the FDA now says it will test "all imported food products coming from Japan" (<http://ecocentric.blogs.time.com/20...>).

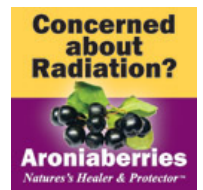
This claim is, of course, ridiculous on its face. Even without this Fukushima emergency in the works, the FDA only tests a tiny fraction of all the food imported into the USA. This agency has no existing infrastructure under which it could test ALL the food being imported from Japan. The very idea is ludicrous.

As this ABC News story reveals, the FDA says it's "really stretched" just to inspect a mere two percent of imported food: <http://abcnews.go.com/Health/radiat...>

The FDA likes radiation!

Even if the FDA could magically test all the food being imported from Japan, what allowable level of radiation would the FDA claim was "safe" in those foods anyway? Remember, this is the agency that has long supported the mass irradiation of the U.S. food supply as a way to kill e.coli and salmonella.

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For all we know, FDA bureaucrats equate radiation with **safety** and might actually declare radioactive **seafood** from Japan to be *safer* than non-radioactive food because, they would say, the radiation "kills salmonella."

Why eating radioactive food is FAR more dangerous than nuclear fallout

The other element in all this that's hardly being reported in the press is that **when you eat radioactive food, the threat to your health increases exponentially**. That's because *internal* radiation is far more deadly to your **body** than *external* radiation. It all comes down to the law of the inverse square of the distance between you and the radiation source.

A speck of radioactive dust that's one meter away from you, for example, is twice as dangerous as that same speck four meters away. But if you eat that radioactive speck (because it's part of a **fish** you're consuming, for example), then suddenly it's *inside your body*. So now it might only be a millimeter away from your internal tissues, meaning you've decreased the distance between you and the radiation source by **one thousand times**. Because if the law of the inverse square of the distance, you have now magnified the radiation intensity by **one million times** (because one million is the square of one thousand).

So a speck of radiation that might have been a "low level" if it were floating around in the air around you can suddenly become fatal if you consume it. And that's what people are now facing with Japan's seafood. Yet everybody is being told that it's all perfectly safe, no problem, no worried, don't even think about it.

Where does the radiation go in your body?

We're all being lied to about the "safety" of radioactive food, you see. And there's more to it than what has been discussed here, actually: If a fish takes in radioactive cesium and it gets distributed throughout the body of that fish in the way that **potassium** would normally get distributed (because cesium follows nearly the same biological pathways as potassium), then the radioactive cesium has become part of the fish flesh.

When you eat that fish, your body breaks down the fish tissues, then reabsorbs the cesium **into your own body**, distributing the cesium into your own muscle tissues where potassium would normally go. You are what you eat, after all. And if you eat radioactive cesium, then you quickly become **a walking radioactive dirty bomb from the inside**.

If it's invisible, it must be safe

They don't tell you that on CNN, folks. I'm willing to bet their "info babe" news models don't even have a clue about the laws of physics in the first place. So while they're all telling you that eating irradiated seafood from Japan is perfectly safe, the truth is that it could very well be quite deadly if you're eating fish that contain high levels of cesium.

So you might wonder, then, are fish being detected with cesium in their tissues? **You bet they are!** You'll find the details in these news stories: <http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/co...> and <http://mdn.mainichi.jp/mdnnews/busi...>

The extremely high levels of radiation even have the local fishermen freaked out. "I can't go out to fish because of the radiation," one Japanese fisherman told ABC News (<http://abcnews.go.com/Health/radiat...>).

But don't worry, we're told. It's all safe to eat. The FDA is in charge, after all.

And remember what governments always say about radiation and chemicals: **If it's invisible, it MUST be safe!**

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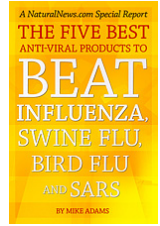


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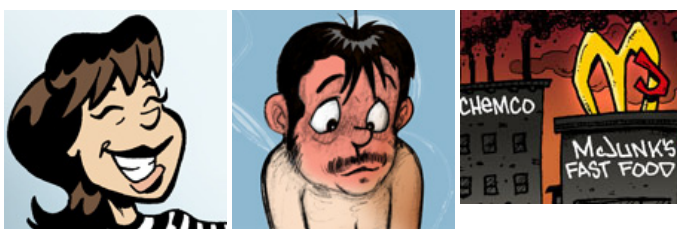
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