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### activities of IWG are focused primarily at evaluating:

<u>the predictive capability of environmental models</u>, in relation to assessing the thyroid exposure due to radioiodine <sup>131</sup>I via inhalation and ingestion pathways

### main targets of IWG

check models applicability to evaluating the effectiveness of countermeasures Countermeasures:

- iodine prophylaxis
- *limitation of fresh milk consumption*
- restriction of cows pasturing



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### main targets of IWG

check models performance in the assessment of <sup>131</sup>I doses in situations where of <sup>137</sup>Cs deposition have been used as the basis for <sup>131</sup>I concentration in air and fallout reconstruction

### additional aspect of IWG activity

The credible assessment of radiation doses to the thyroid in areas affected by the release of radioiodine is important:

- **in the short term after a release** for providing confirmation that special medical aid to the affected population and measures of social protection is required
- in the longer term after a release to provide basis for epidemiological studies and for informing the public of the impact of the release



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### the IWG activities are focused on:

- 1. collection of measurement data sets
- 2. quality checking of data for use in the modeling and evaluation of appropriate scenarios for model validation purposes
- 3. comparison of model outputs with independent data sets, including ,,blind testing" (without disclosing observed data),
- 4. assessement of discrepancies in predictions and identification of the most important sources of bias and uncertainty.

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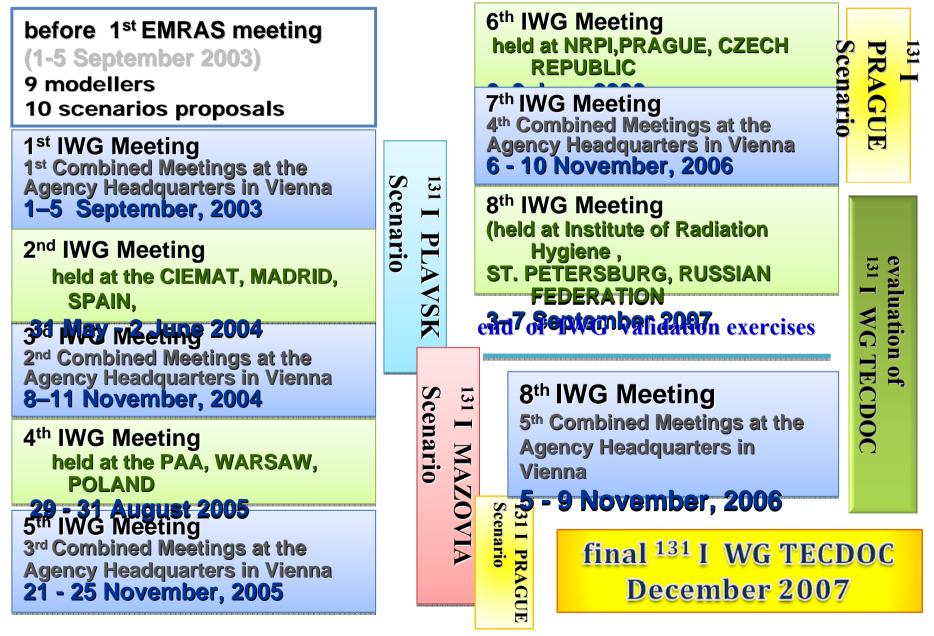
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### milestones





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in the period 2003 – 2007 three scenario have been evaluated

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The Chernobyl I-131 release: model validation and assessment of the countermeasure effectiveness

Report of the Working Group on Chernobyl I-131 release of EMRAS Theme 1

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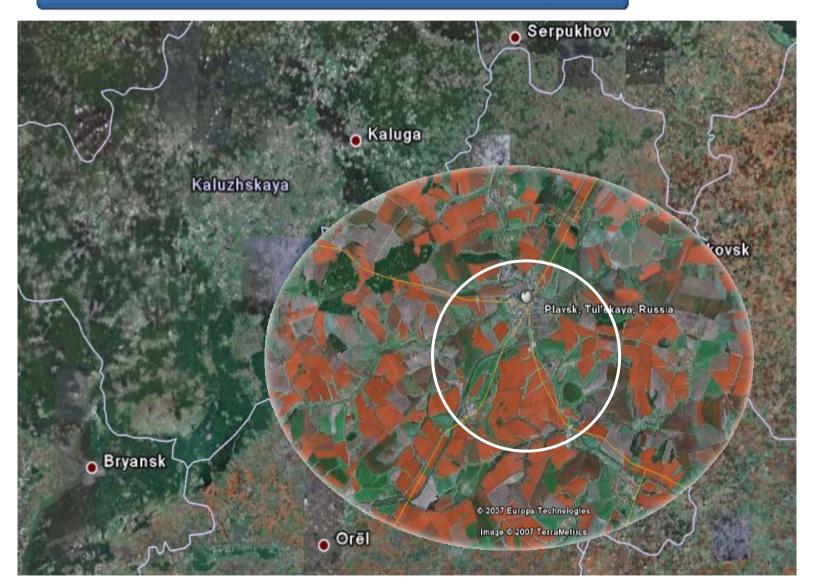


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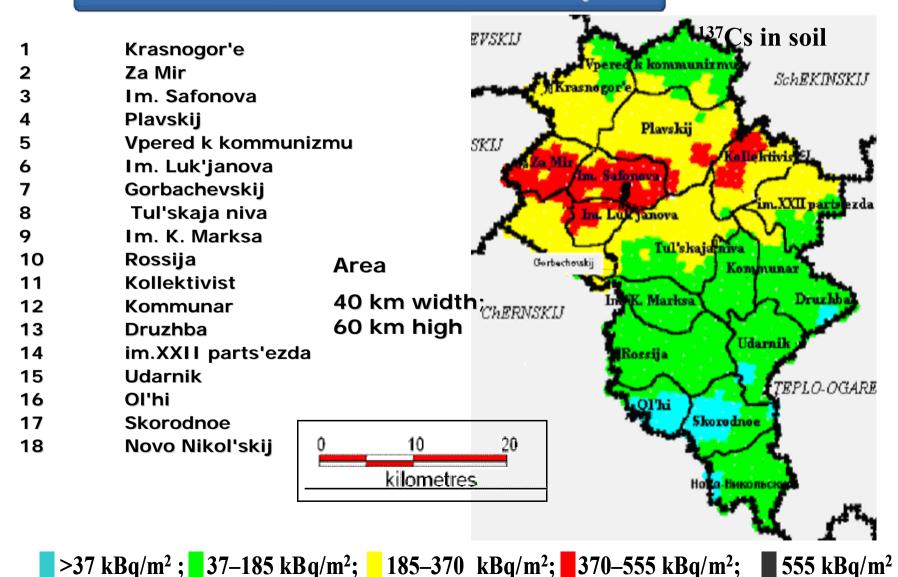


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The participants of IWG has been asked to provide uncertainty analysis of thyroid doses when relatively short time of rain during the cloud passage yielded the mixed (dry&wet) and consequently inhomogeneous <sup>137</sup>Cs deposition and when the time when cows had been put on pasture was not exactly known.

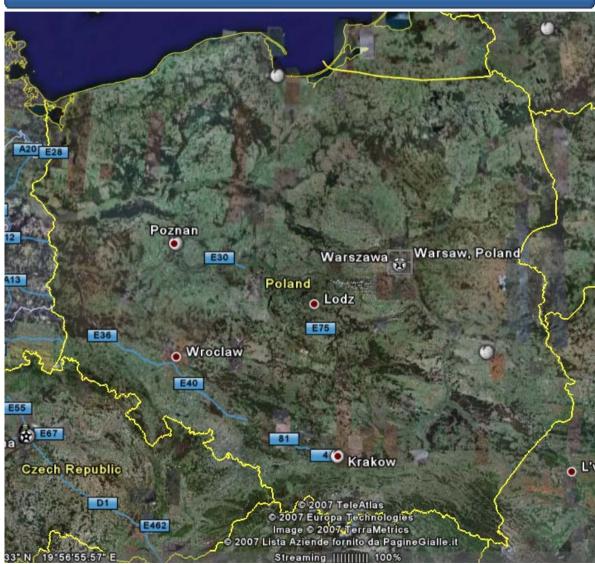


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### crucial points for model validation!

□ effectiveness of thyroid blocking!

□ inhomogeneous <sup>131</sup>I deposition

### end points considered for model testing:

□<sup>131</sup>I concentration in milk

 $\Box^{131}$ I thyroid burden for different age groups for two specified location

### effectiveness countermeasures

- **administration of stable iodine solution**,
- □ limitation of fresh milk consumption
- **restriction of cows pasturing**

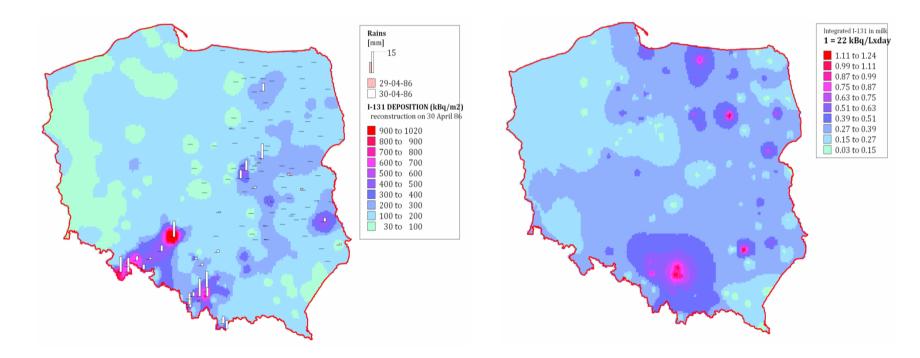


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**Reconstruction of <sup>131</sup>I deposition** (calculated on 30 April 1986) from <sup>137</sup>Cs surface contamination **Effect of countermeasures** Spatial distribution of <sup>131</sup>I integrated concentration in milk averaged with IDW Shepard interpolator

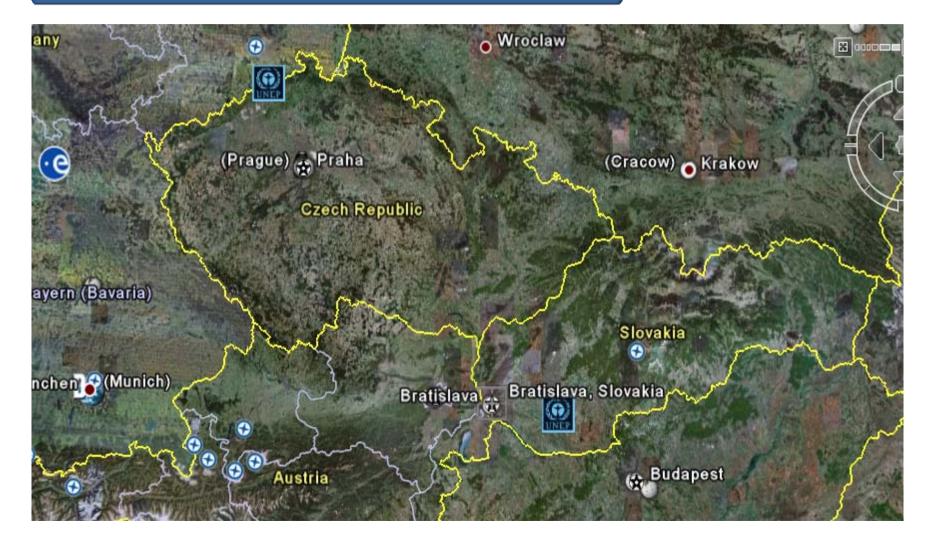


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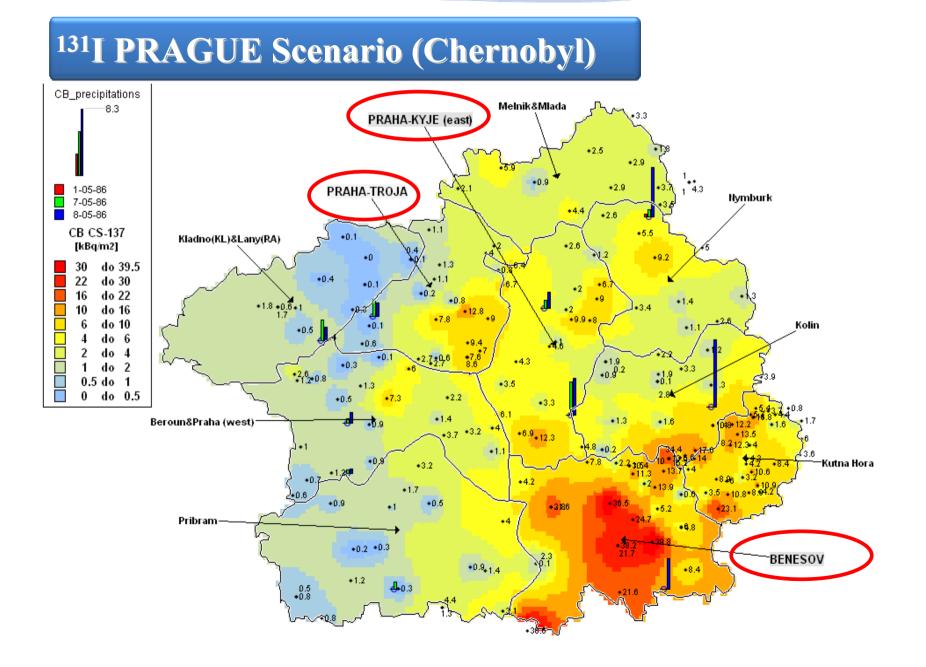
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The third Prague Scenario has been focused on several aspects of the internal 1311 dose evaluation in a case where a special cow feeding regime was applied.

This regime consists in keeping cows in cowsheds and feeding them by silage mixture

In addition, the IWG participants were asked to estimate the 1311 concentration in milk for the hypothetical situation in which cows were pastured on open grassland near Prague..



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# **GENERAL CONCLUSIONS**

- 1. significant improvement in the performance of models compared with previous radioiodine assessment exercises
- 2. more than 60% of predictions of the various models were with in a factor of three of the observations of <sup>131</sup>I concentration in milk and <sup>131</sup>I content of the thyroid
- 3. discrepancies between the estimates of average doses to the thyroid produced by most participants did not exceed a factor of ten.
- 4. however, estimated doses differed by up to two orders of magnitude when the participants attempted to evaluate the effectiveness of applied countermeasures using different methods and conceptual approaches.



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# Thanks for your attention

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Most of the IWG documents are on the html analogue of ftp server:

http://www-ns.iaea.org/downloads/rw/fileshare/wss/default.asp?lg=a&fd=161