Atmospheric depositional fluxes of marine radiotracers ³²P, ³³P and ⁷Be in Sevastopol region

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Short-lived cosmogenic radionuclides are used as tracers for the study of processes in the ocean and the atmosphere more than 60 years. The most interesting are radionuclides with half-lives of less than 100 days – ^{7}Be , ^{32}P , ^{33}P , ^{35}S allow to study processes occurring with high intensity. For modeling ^{32}P , ^{33}P and ^{7}Be in the ocean necessary to know their arrival with atmospheric deposition.

The depositional fluxes of ${}^{32}P$, ${}^{33}P$ and ${}^{7}Be$ were studied in wet atmospheric deposition at Sevastopol region from February 2016 to December 2016. It was shown that the values of specific activity range from 1.26 to 5.18 dpm L⁻¹ for ${}^{32}P$ and ${}^{33}P$, and from 136 to 534 dpm L⁻¹ for ${}^{7}Be$. The average monthly flux of ${}^{32}P$ and ${}^{33}P$ is 12.51 and 13.95 dpm·m² day⁻¹, respectively, the average monthly ratio of ${}^{33}P/{}^{32}P$ is 1.1. The average monthly flux of ${}^{7}Be$ is 1395. Radiochemical yields values for ${}^{32}P$ and ${}^{33}P$ were determined by steps of preparation. Analyzed the possible reasons of decreasing in the chemical yield and errors in radiochemical preparation.



Fig. 1 Daily fluxes of ³³P, ³²P and ⁷Be.

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