P01-211 - THE INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE PERSONS EXPOSED IN UTERO: 10-YEARS FOLLOW-UP INVESTIGATION

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Purpose: Prospective investigation of the intellectual development at the age of 6-7 years till age 15-16 years among persons exposed in utero following the Chernobyl accident.

Material and methods: 250 persons from Belarus exposed in utero following the Chernobyl accident and a control group of 250 persons from non- and slightly contaminated regions. Psychological examinations were performed among persons of both groups at the age 6-7 years, 11-12 years, and 16 years as well as dosimetrical analysis.

Results: Mean antenatal internal dose to thyroid gland arising from the intake of ¹³¹I among persons of exposed group is 390 ± 550 mGy (maximal dose - 4100 mGy), in control group - 35 ± 65 mGy. Mean antenatal external dose among persons of exposed group is 10 ± 13 mGy. At the age of 6-7 years the persons in the exposed group had a mean Full Scale IQ lower than the control group (89.6 ± 10.2 vs 92.1 ± 10.5 , P=0.007). At the age of 11-12 years there was no statistically significant difference between the two groups (94.3 ± 10.4 vs 95.8 ± 10.9 , P=0.117). Positive dynamics of intellectual development in persons of both groups has been observed up to age of 16 years (98.7 ± 10.2 v 99.5 ± 10.5 , P=0.171).

Conclusions: No statistically significant correlation was found in exposed group between individual thyroid dose as well as individual antenatal external dose and IQ at the different ages.