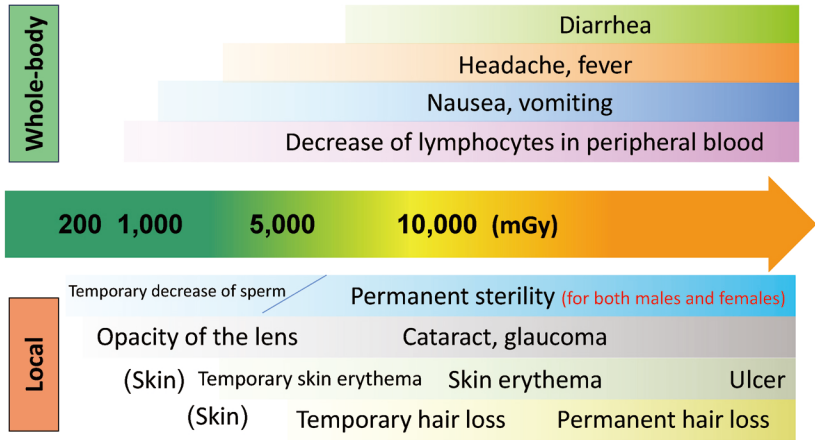


Whole-body Exposure and Local Exposure



Acute Radiation Syndromes

Time when acute radiation
syndrome appears

Time of exposure

Lapse of time

Prodromal phase
- 48 hours

Incubation phase
0 - 3 weeks

Onset phase

**Convalescent
phase (or death)**

Nausea and vomiting (1 Gy
or more)

Headache (4 Gy or more)
Diarrhea (6 Gy or more)
Fever (6 Gy or more)
Disturbance of
consciousness (8 Gy or
more)

No symptom

Skin injury (3 Gy or more)
Hematopoietic disorders (infection, bleeding) (3 Gy or
more)

Gastrointestinal tract disorders (8 Gy or more)

Nerve and blood vessel disorders (tens of Gy or more)

* Acute radiation syndromes observed in the case of a single whole-body exposure to radiation exceeding 1 Gy (1,000 mGy)

Gy: Grays

Source: Prepared based on "Basic Knowledge on Radiation" (a text for the Emergency Exposure Medical Treatment Training), Nuclear Safety Research Association

Prodromal Phase of Acute Radiation Syndrome and Exposure Doses

Prodromal phase and exposure dose

Symptom	Mild (1-2 Gy)	Moderate (2-4 Gy)	Severe (4-6 Gy)	Very severe (6-8 Gy)	Lethal (> 8 Gy)
Vomiting	2 hours or later after exposure (Rate of incidence) Up to 50%	1 to 2 hours 70 to 90%	Within 1 hour 100%	Within 30 minutes 100%	Within 10 minutes 100%
Diarrhea	None	None	Moderate	Severe	Severe
Headache	Very mild	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Severe
Consciousness	Unaffected	Unaffected	Unaffected	Affected	Loss of consciousness
Body temperature	Normal	Slight fever	Fever	High fever	High fever

Threshold Values for Various Effects

Threshold acute absorbed doses of γ -rays

Disorders	Organs/Tissues	Incubation period	Threshold value (Gy)*
Temporary sterility	Testis	3 to 9 weeks	Approx. 0.1
Permanent sterility	Testis	3 weeks	Approx. 6
	Ovary	Within 1 week	Approx. 3
Deterioration of hemopoietic capacity	Bone marrow	3 to 7 days	Approx. 0.5
Skin rubor	Skin (large area)	1 to 4 weeks	3 to 6 or lower
Skin burn	Skin (large area)	2 to 3 weeks	5 to 10
Temporary hair loss	Skin	2 to 3 weeks	Approx. 4
Cataract (failing vision)	Eyes	20 years or longer	Approx. 0.5

* Threshold doses for symptoms with clear clinical abnormalities (doses causing effects on 1% of people)