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15 Abstract

We analyzed regional distribution of ecological risks of 67 pesticides (commonly used 16 in Japanese paddy fields) in 350 sites of Japanese river water. Region-specific 1718 environmental models and species sensitivity distribution (SSD) were integrated to 19 quantify ecological risks in each site. Environmental model used in this study consists of environmental scenario (property of river basin) and environmental dynamics from 20paddy field to river. The predicted environmental concentrations (PEC) in river water 2122was calculated considering pesticide mass discharge through surface runoff and seepage 23using physico-chemical parameters (soil adsorption constant and half-life in water) and paddy field lysimeter test data. To predict region-specific PEC, the important 2425region-specific parameters of environmental scenario, which are river flow, paddy rice 26cropped area, and pesticide usage ratio in the basin, were organized at 350 river sites in Japan. The calculated region-specific PECs were validated by comparing with measured 27concentrations in a river. Differences between measured and predicted concentrations 2829were within 10-folds for all but one pesticide. The SSDs of the 67 pesticides were also analyzed based on acute toxicity data. To do so, ecotoxicity database was constructed by 30 31collecting acute toxicity data for freshwater organisms. The magnitude of ecological 32risk was quantified as the index of potentially affected fraction (PAF) by jointing SSD and the regional distribution of PEC. Finally, we developed the database of PECs and 33 PAFs and the Google map based visualization tool of the data at the 350 sites in Japan. 34 Several techniques for filling the gaps of fate and effect data were also developed. 35

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