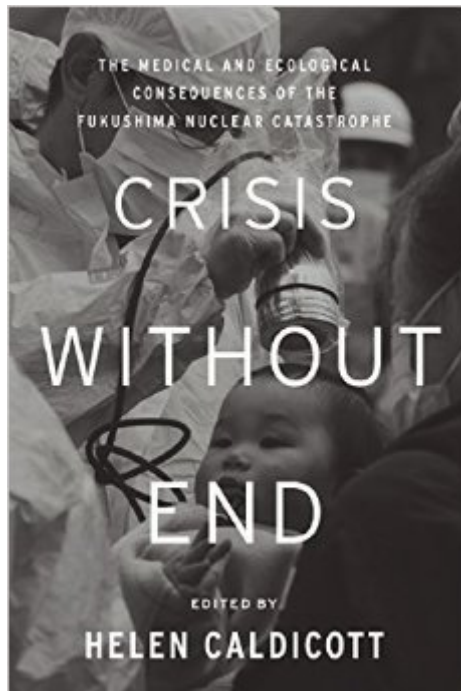


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# Crisis Without End: The Medical And Ecological Consequences Of The Fukushima Nuclear Catastrophe



## Synopsis

On the second anniversary of the Fukushima disaster, an international panel of leading medical and biological scientists, nuclear engineers, and policy experts assembled at the prestigious New York Academy of Medicine. A project of the Helen Caldicott Foundation and co-sponsored by Physicians for Social Responsibility, this gathering was a response to widespread concerns that the media and policy makers had been far too eager to move past what are clearly deep and lasting impacts for the Japanese people and for the world. This was the first comprehensive attempt to address the health and environmental damage done by one of the worst nuclear accidents of our times. The only document of its kind, *Crisis Without End* represents an unprecedented look into the profound aftereffects of Fukushima. In accessible terms, leading experts from Japan, the United States, Russia, and other nations weigh in on the current state of knowledge of radiation-related health risks in Japan, impacts on the world's oceans, the question of low-dosage radiation risks, crucial comparisons with Chernobyl, health and environmental impacts on the United States (including on food and newborns), and the unavoidable implications for the U.S. nuclear energy industry. *Crisis Without End* is both essential reading and a major corrective to the public record on Fukushima.

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This book stems from a conference and is a very nicely presented double-spaced precis of the world-class contributions from the conference. Highlights: HELEN CALDICOTT QUOTE (3): The Fukushima disaster is not over and will not end for many millenia. The radioactive fallout, which has

covered vast swaths of Japan, will remain toxic for hundreds of thousands of years."NAOTO KAN QUOTE (19): Considering the risk of losing half our land and evacuating half our population, my conclusion is that not having nuclear power plants is the safest energy policy.DAVID LOCHBAUM: Fukushima was result of multiple foreseen but dismissed hazards. The cost of the recommended safety measures would have been a tiny fraction of the final cost of the total disaster that will be adding costs for a century into the future.HISAKO SAKIYAMA: Virtually all hospitals included in today's nuclear reaction plans are themselves so close as to be rendered victims themselves in the event of any real nuclear disaster.STEVEN STARR: 13% of the Japanese mainland has been contaminated with cesium-137 while the Pacific Ocean and its seafood have been widely contaminated.AKIO MATSUMURA: Fukushima could explode again and double-down on threat to humanity. Meanwhile, US stands silent, Japanese government is covering everything up, and no reporters, scientists, or other governments are demanding any form of transparency.TIMOTHY MOUSSEAU: Roughly a third of wildlife disappears from radiated areas -- but the studies are not being done or if done not published because no government, no university, no foundation, wants to pay for bad news.

XXXXXâ œThe Fukushima disaster is not over and will not end for many millennia. The radioactive fallout [or release], which has covered vast swaths of Japan, will remain toxic for hundreds of thousands of years. It cannot simply be â ^cleaned up,â ™ and it will continue to contaminate food, humans, and animals.â •The above is found in the introduction of this eye-opening and thorough book edited by Dr. Helen Caldicott. She is a physician, author, and anti-nuclear advocate. Caldicott is the co-founder of Physicians for Social Responsibility, founder of the Nuclear Policy Research Institute (now known as Beyond Nuclear), and a nominee for the Nobel Peace Prize as well as the president of the Helen Caldicott Foundation.For those that are unsure, the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear disaster was an energy accident at the Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant (located in Okuma, Fukushima, Japan) initiated primarily by a tsunami (tidal wave) that was triggered by an earthquake on (March 11, 2011). The damage caused by the tsunami produced equipment failures, and without this equipment, a loss-of-coolant accident followed, resulting in three nuclear meltdowns (that is, the melting of the cores of the nuclear reactors) and the release of radioactive material beginning on (March 12, 2011).It is the largest nuclear disaster since the Chernobyl nuclear disaster of 1986.This book came about from a symposium organized by Caldicott that was held on (March 11-12, 2013) at the New York Academy of Medicine. The symposium was and this book is concerned with the medical and ecological consequences of the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear catastrophe.

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