

## Mid-term assessments of seismic hazards on Sakhalin Island using the LURR method: new results

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### Abstract [Резюме RUS](#)

A retrospective analysis of seismic regime in the central part of Sakhalin Island within the period from 1997 to 2005 by the LURR (load/unload response ratio) method is presented. Estimates were not earlier conducted for the outlined period due to a lack of data in the rated sampling of this part of the island. In the present work, additional information from two independent catalogues is adduced. Seismicity behaviour prior to the Uglegororsk earthquake of 4 August 2000 ( $M_w = 6.7$ ) was considered according to the LURR method. This earthquake was up till now considered as a missed target in the series of 7 predictive assessments of Sakhalin earthquakes having a magnitude above 5.5. The computation results revealed the LURR parameter anomaly to be a precursor, on which basis the location and time of the conditionally predictable event were accurately determined. The LURR parameter anomaly was noted in the rated area in the February of 2000, 6 months prior to the earthquake's occurrence.

### Keywords

seismicity, seismic events, LURR method, earthquake precursor, retrospective analysis

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