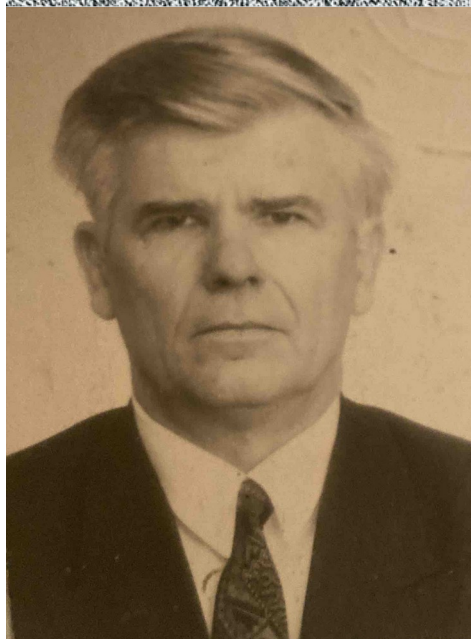




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**CONCEPTUAL ISSUES OF ORGANIZING INFORMATION SUPPORT FOR
THE BRANCHES OF AGRO-INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION OF UKRAINE
IN THE FLOW OF PUBLICATIONS 1991–2020**

Summary

Analysis of the structure of the flow of publications on conceptual issues of the organization of information support of the agro-industrial production branches of Ukraine during 1991–2020 was carried out using a specially developed methodological approach based on the publishing formalization of the character of the problems studied in them. It allowed, according to external signs of the degree of fundamentality of the issues under study, to divide the general specialized publication flow into two separate streams – scientific papers on fundamental problems and

publications of an applied character. Both the multifacetedness of the conducted fundamental thematic studies and the situational surges in the intensity of the development of some conceptual foundations to the detriment of the intensity of the development of others, by equal degrees of relevance with them, were revealed. Therefore, as a result of this kind of intensification, there was a discrete and insignificant increase in the overall activity of publications of the results of specialized fundamental research. Also, a significant predominance of scientific papers on specific fundamental problems over publications dedicated to the implementation of the results of the development of these fundamental problems has been established. This point, based on the results of the analysis of the dynamics of the sources of the researched publication flow, made it possible to draw conclusions about the inertia of the process of developing conceptual issues of the organization of information support for agroindustry in Ukraine during the studied period, which led to the loss of the obtained results of their relevance. The main reason for this was the spontaneous emergence and organizational disformalization of a structure specializing in specialized fundamental research, which did not allow sufficient concentration of relevant scientific resources and determining the current vector of their orientation. Thus, during 1991–2020, in Ukraine, it was not possible to create the proper conditions either for an independent timely assessment of qualitative changes in the prospective problems of the organization of information support for agroindustry, or for ensuring the required speed of response on the part of the domestic profile-oriented research structure to the detection of such changes by the world scientific community. At the same time, this informal structure itself has developed into an optimal, although fully not implemented, scheme for the distribution of scientific resources, which becomes another argument in favor of statements about the self-organization inherent in science.

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