

# An Analysis of Emergency Cases Treated at the Department of Otolaryngology, Fukuoka University Hospital in 2004

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**Abstract :** We studied 297 outpatients who had an after-hours emergency medical examination at our department between January 1, 2004 and December 31, 2004. The time they visited, the varieties of diseases and the proportion of patients that required emergency hospitalization were consistent with the reports provided by other clinics ; however, the number of the patients by month was not 81.1 percent of the patients were from within Fukuoka City a western part of the city. Some patients were even from outside of the Fukuoka City ; thus, it is concluded that our department plays a very important role in the field of emergency otolaryngology in the western part of Fukuoka city.

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