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## INTRODUCTION

The Research Institute of Logopedics and Phoniatics was established in 1965 by the national government of Japan as a research organization affiliated with the Faculty of Medicine, University of Tokyo. Dr. Ichiro Kirikae, professor of oto-rhino-laryngology at the time, served as the first director. The institute intends to devote its research efforts to the understanding of human beings in speech and language behavior, and to the exploitation of this knowledge for medical applications. We plan to have four research sections, each with a chair for a professor. Of the four, we were granted the first section for research in language and speech science by the government, which I myself as a physicist and linguist have been in charge of. This year, we are happy to announce the addition of the second research section, viz. the section for research in speech physiology. The Faculty of Medicine in the faculty meeting on June 9, 1971, selected Dr. Masayuki Sawashima, who has been serving as associate professor for the first research section, as the new professor in charge of the second section. He is an otolaryngologist by training, and his appointment, for which the official procedure is now underway, will be a formal materialization of the interdisciplinary structure of this organization as intended since the time of its establishment. The remaining two sections will be for auditory and psychological research, and for speech pathology.

We are here reporting in this fifth issue of our annual bulletin, some of our research efforts and their preliminary results. Formal publications may follow these interim reports with full descriptions of the research results. Publications which resulted from research work at this institute during the past year as well as representative past publications of our research staff are sorted and listed at the end of this report. Individual articles included in this issue, and some of the last issue, as well as some of the formal publications, are also available in the form of reprints for those colleagues in the world who are interested. Research groups both domestic and abroad are welcome to exchange their reports with ours.

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