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INTRODUCTION

This is the eleventh issue of the annual reports from the Research Institute of Logopedics and Phoniatics. The Institute was established in 1965 in the Faculty of Medicine, University of Tokyo, starting with one research section for speech science. The second section, for speech physiology, was begun in 1971. We are proposing two more research sections to complete this organization: one for research in speech and language pathology, another for perceptual and psycholinguistic studies.

Our research results are reported here in preliminary form for exchange of information and cooperative technical discussions with other research groups all over the world. Most of the projects reported on here will appear in more formal publications later, but quotations are welcome strictly for research purposes, with the understanding of the preliminary nature of these reports. It is advisable, therefore, to contact the author(s) beforehand, since more recent or corrective information may be available, perhaps as a more formal publication in preparation.

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