

Figure 1. Study sequence. Nasal symptom scores and Japanese version of the Rhinoconjunctivitis Quality of Life Questionnaire scores were recorded before administration of the study agents at 10 AM on day 1.

and placebo were administered for 2 days to clarify the early effects on suppression of nasal symptoms, as evaluated by total symptom scores, and on improvement in scores on the Japanese version of the RQLQ (JRQLQ).

## PARTICIPANTS AND METHODS

### Participants

Eighty-five men and 92 women were recruited to the study from the general public through the Clinical Research Center of Osaka Medical College. For inclusion, individuals had to experience moderate or worse nasal symptoms of SAR between February and April 2002 and had to exhibit Japanese cedar specific IgE. Individuals with upper respiratory tract infections and sinusitis were excluded. Finally, 52 men and 61 women aged 20 to 57 years (mean, 34 years) were selected. All the participants resided in Osaka. Informed consent was obtained from each patient before entry into the study, which was approved by the ethics committee of Osaka Medical College.

### Study Agents

Patients were randomly assigned to receive cetirizine hydrochloride, 10 mg daily; fexofenadine hydrochloride, 120 mg daily (administered as two 60-mg doses); loratadine, 10 mg daily; or placebo (lactose), twice daily. The medication doses used in this study are the standard daily doses used in Japan. All test agents, including placebo, were prepared at the Department of Pharmacologic Research Graduate School, Nihon University (Funabashi, Japan). Patients were not allowed to take any antiallergic agents beginning 3 days before the start of the study. However, the use of clemastine fumarate as a rescue drug was permitted on an as-needed basis between 3 PM and midnight on the first day of the study. Patients were instructed not to use antiasthma medications, antibiotics, H<sub>1</sub>-antagonists, or decongestants for the duration of the study.

### Methods

This was a 2-day, randomized, double-masked, parallel-group study conducted during the peak of the Japanese cedar

pollen season (March 8 and 9, 2003) at Osaka Expo Park. The study sequence is outlined in Figure 1. All eligible patients visited the study site at 9 AM on day 1 and were questioned concerning their nasal symptoms and QOL during the baseline period. Individuals were given the first dose of study agent at 10 AM, and then they were asked to walk around the park without wearing a hat or cap, accompanied by a guide. Patients recorded their symptoms in diaries hourly between 11 AM and 3 PM while in the park and at 6, 8, and 10 PM at home. Individuals in the fexofenadine group took their second dose of fexofenadine and the others took placebo at 10 PM.

The next morning, all the patients returned to the park and took their third dose of study medication, including placebo, at 10 AM. Patients were then asked to complete their nasal symptom diaries hourly between 10 AM and 3 PM in the park. At the end of the study, patients completed their second JRQLQ.

### Recording and Assessing Symptoms and QOL

The numbers of paroxysmal sneezes and occasions when patients blew their noses were recorded on nasal symptom forms. Nasal congestion, nasal itching, eye itching, and watering of the eyes were recorded on an analog scale from 0 (none) to 10 (very severe). In addition, QOL was surveyed in accordance with the JRQLQ.<sup>7</sup> This questionnaire includes 17 questions in 6 domains designed to measure the effects of rhinoconjunctivitis symptoms on disease-specific QOL. The JRQLQ was developed from the original 28-item RQLQ with permission from the Japan Academic Association for Copyright Clearance (Tokyo, Japan) and the Copyright Clearance Center Inc (Danvers, MA). An overall JRQLQ score was computed by taking the mean scores of the 17 items in the instrument; scores, therefore, ranged from 0 to 4, with higher scores indicating poorer QOL, which is different from the original RQLQ (7-point scale from 0 to 6).<sup>7</sup>

### Airborne Japanese Cedar Pollen Count

A Durham pollen collector<sup>8</sup> was set up in the park to measure the amount of pollen during the study. In addition, the amount of airborne pollen in Osaka was measured at 8 locations on the study days.

### Statistical Methods

Nasal symptom scores at 10 AM on day 1 in the 4 treatment groups were compared using the Tukey test. Baseline comparability of the 4 groups was analyzed using longitudinal analysis of variance. Evaluation of change in QOL status between baseline and the end of the study in each group was compared using the Wilcoxon signed rank test. Comparisons among the 4 groups were made using nonparametric methods (Mann-Whitney *U* test).

## RESULTS

### Participants

Seven individuals did not participate because of sickness on the study days. Background characteristics of the study groups are given in Table 1. No significant differences were observed among the 4 groups in terms of the number of

Table 1. Patient Background Characteristics

	Treatment group			
	Cetirizine (n = 30)	Fexofenadine (n = 28)	Loratadine (n = 28)	Placebo (n = 27)
Sex, No.				
Male	14	13	14	11
Female	16	15	14	16
Age, mean, y	34.1	34.1	32.5	34.6
Total symptom score, mean	12.1	11.7	10.0	12.3
Overall QOL score, mean	1.11	1.12	0.94	1.18

Abbreviation: QOL, quality of life.

paroxysmal sneezes, the number of times patients blew their noses, nasal congestion, nasal itching, eye itching, and watering of the eyes before administration of the study agents at 10 AM on day 1 (Table 2).

#### Airborne Japanese Cedar Pollen Count

The mean pollen counts at 8 facilities located in different areas of Osaka were 43.6 grains/cm<sup>2</sup> on day 1 and 40.9

grains/cm<sup>2</sup> on day 2. At Osaka Expo Park, the mean pollen counts were 34 grains/cm<sup>2</sup> between 9 AM and 3 PM on day 1 and 18 grains/cm<sup>2</sup> during the morning of day 2.

#### Changes in Symptom Scores

Reduction rates of mean values of total symptoms recorded by patients at all times by drug group are shown in Figure 2. Cetirizine use produced a 45% to 48% mean reduction in total

Table 2. Changes in Rhinoconjunctivitis Symptom Scores During the Study

Date and time	Change in symptom score						
	Sneeze	Nose blow	Stiffness	Nasal itch	Eye itch	Eye watering	Total
<b>Cetirizine Group</b>							
March 8							
10:00	0.50	1.63	2.79	2.15	2.75	2.26	<b>12.08</b>
12:00	0.13	0.63	1.49	1.16	1.85	0.99*	<b>6.25</b>
15:00	0.66*	1.20	1.78*	1.37	1.74*	1.32*	<b>8.07</b>
March 9							
12:00	0.03	0.80	2.21*	1.03	1.51*	1.14*	<b>6.72</b>
15:00	0.26*	0.83	1.93*	0.98	2.27*	1.19*	<b>7.46</b>
<b>Fexofenadine Group</b>							
March 8							
10:00	0.61	1.18	2.66	2.79	2.88	1.60	<b>11.72</b>
12:00	0.07	0.36	1.49	1.37	1.79	0.90*	<b>5.98</b>
15:00	0.25*	1.43	2.11	1.69	2.12*	1.39*	<b>8.99</b>
March 9							
12:00	0.21	0.71	2.68	1.70	2.25	1.12*	<b>8.67</b>
15:00	0.25*	1.14	2.91	1.88	1.65*	0.82*	<b>8.65</b>
<b>Loratadine Group</b>							
March 8							
10:00	0.82	1.21	1.88	1.91	2.37	1.82	<b>10.01</b>
12:00	0.36	0.64	1.80	1.80	1.70	0.92*	<b>7.22</b>
15:00	1.43	1.43	2.41	2.75	2.58	1.60*	<b>12.20</b>
March 9							
12:00	0.29	0.61	2.01*	1.94	1.33*	0.74*	<b>6.92</b>
15:00	0.75	0.82	2.09	1.73	1.56*	0.96*	<b>7.91</b>
<b>Placebo Group</b>							
March 8							
10:00	0.67	1.29	2.77	2.19	2.87	2.52	<b>12.31</b>
12:00	0.15	0.74	2.41	1.81	2.56	2.34	<b>10.01</b>
15:00	2.14	2.14	3.48	2.66	4.03	3.70	<b>18.15</b>
March 9							
12:00	0.48	1.04	3.98	2.02	3.33	2.59	<b>13.44</b>
15:00	1.00	1.78	4.11	2.61	4.05	2.58	<b>16.13</b>

\*  $P < .05$  compared with baseline.

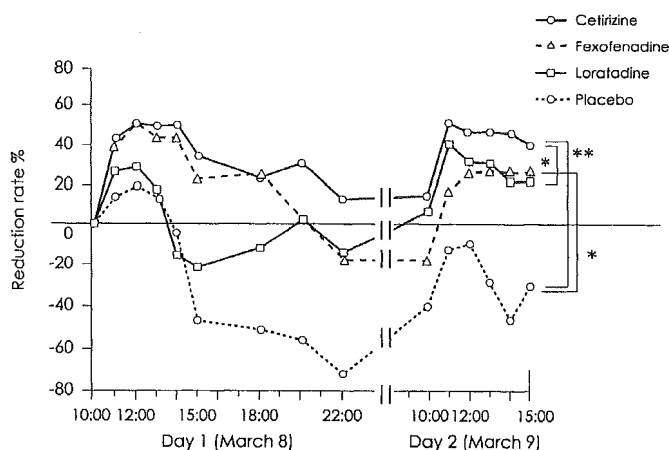


Figure 2. Mean hourly reductions in total symptom scores vs baseline. Asterisk indicates  $P < .05$  (cetirizine vs loratadine and fexofenadine vs placebo); double asterisk,  $P < .01$  (cetirizine vs placebo).

symptom scores compared with baseline 1 to 3 hours after administration on both days (Table 2). Mean percentage reductions with cetirizine use were consistently larger than those with fexofenadine, loratadine ( $P = .04$ ), and placebo ( $P = .006$ ) use.

Fexofenadine use produced a 42% to 48% mean reduction in total symptom scores within 1 to 3 hours of administration on day 1, but the reduction rate on day 2 was much lower than that observed on day 1 (Table 2). However, fexofenadine therapy significantly reduced total symptom scores compared with placebo use ( $P = .04$ ). Loratadine use produced no significant reductions in total symptom scores overall compared with placebo use, although a 30% to 40% mean reduction was observed in this group on day 2 (Table 2). The effect of the first dose of loratadine on nasal symptoms disappeared within 4 hours on day 1. However, the second administration of loratadine continued to suppress nasal symptom through 3 PM on day 2.

The checkpoint analysis obtained at 3 PM on day 1 showed greater reductions in total symptom scores with cetirizine (34.0%;  $P = .001$  vs baseline) and fexofenadine (22.8%;  $P = .03$  vs baseline), whereas loratadine (-21.9%) and placebo (-47.5%;  $P = .008$ ) showed significant increases compared with baseline. Similarly, the end point analysis obtained at the end of the study revealed the greatest reductions in total symptom scores in the cetirizine group (38.9%;  $P = .005$  vs baseline), followed by the fexofenadine (25.9%) and loratadine (20.9%) groups. Aggravation of symptoms was noted in the placebo group. Total symptom scores in the 4 groups at 4 checkpoints are given in Table 2.

#### Group Comparisons by Symptom

Each symptom was compared at all times in the 4 groups. Cetirizine therapy significantly reduced the number of times the nose was blown (Fig 3) and nasal congestion (Fig 4) relative to placebo use and suppressed nasal itching more

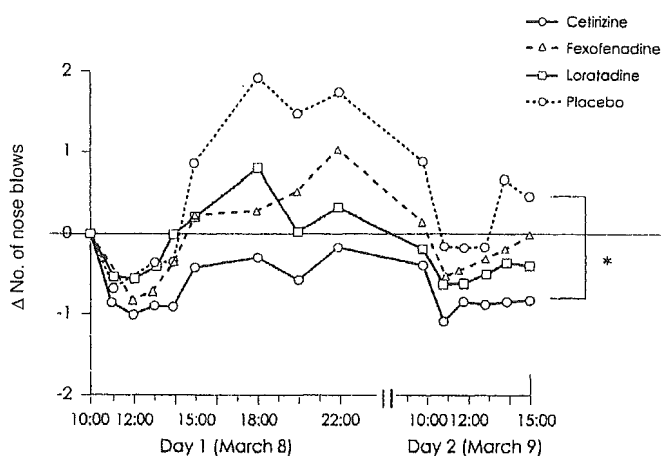


Figure 3. Change in the number of nose blows from baseline. Asterisk indicates  $P < .05$  (cetirizine vs placebo).

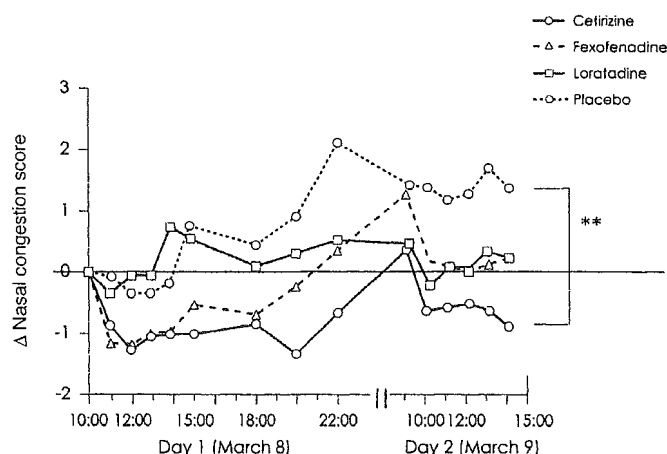


Figure 4. Change in visual analog scale scores for nasal congestion. Double asterisk indicates  $P < .01$  (cetirizine vs placebo).

than loratadine and placebo use (Fig 5). Fexofenadine therapy was significantly more effective at reducing nasal itching than was placebo use. The 3 active treatments were better than placebo use in terms of reducing sneezing, eye itching, and eye watering. No differences were observed among the 3 active treatment groups in reducing these symptoms.

The onset of action of cetirizine, fexofenadine, and loratadine was observed as a reduction in eye watering within 2 hours of administration. Sneezing and eye itching in the cetirizine and fexofenadine groups and nasal congestion in the cetirizine group were significantly reduced compared with in the placebo group at 3 PM on days 1 and 2. Loratadine therapy significantly reduced nasal congestion and eye itching compared with placebo use at midnight on day 2 (Table 2).

#### Use of Rescue Drug

The use of rescue drug in the cetirizine, fexofenadine, loratadine, and placebo groups was calculated to be 7% (2/30),

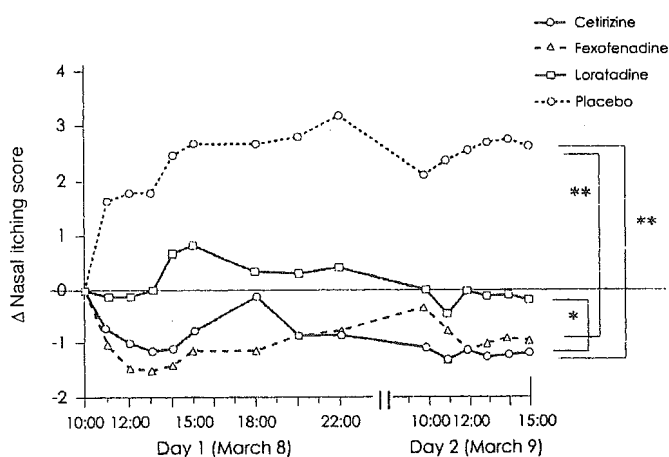


Figure 5. Changes of visual analog scale scores for nasal itching. Asterisk indicates  $P < .05$  (cetirizine vs loratadine); double asterisk,  $P < .01$  (cetirizine vs placebo and fexofenadine vs placebo).

18% (5/28), 21% (6/28), and 22% (6/27), respectively. Although use of rescue medication was not statistically different among the 4 groups, use in the cetirizine group was markedly lower than that in the other groups. The use of clemastine as a rescue drug decreased total symptom scores for several hours. The time of peak plasma concentration after a single oral administration of clemastine was 3 hours. The rescue drug was administered on day 1 to 2 patients in the cetirizine group (at 4:35 PM or 11:20 PM), 5 patients in the fexofenadine group (at 3:05 PM, 3:15 PM, 5:00 PM, 8:30 PM, or 12:00 AM), 6 patients in the loratadine group (at 3:05 PM, 3:15 PM, 4:00 PM, 11:00 PM, 11:00 PM, or 12:55 AM), and 6 patients in the placebo group (at 3:00 PM, 3:30 PM, 4:30 PM, 5:15 PM, 11:15 PM, or 12:00 AM). The effect of clemastine therapy may have disappeared by morning (10 AM) on day 2. If clemastine use was still effective at the beginning of day 2, a reduction in nasal symptom scores would have been expected in the fexofenadine, loratadine, and placebo groups. However, only patients in the cetirizine group showed a significant improvement.

#### Changes in QOL Scores

No significant differences were observed in total QOL scores in the 4 study groups at baseline (Table 1). At the end of the study, overall QOL was significantly improved from baseline in all 3 active treatment groups, whereas patients in the placebo group exhibited significant QOL impairment. Reductions in mean total QOL scores at the end of the study were 24.7%, 19.3%, 33.2%, and -12.9% in the cetirizine, fexofenadine, loratadine, and placebo groups, respectively. No differences in QOL scores were observed among the 3 active treatment groups at the end of the study.

Observed changes in each of the 6 domains of the JRQLQ are shown in Figure 6. Administration of cetirizine on days 1 and 2 led to significant improvement in 3 items of physical functioning, 2 of activity limitations, and 1 of satisfaction

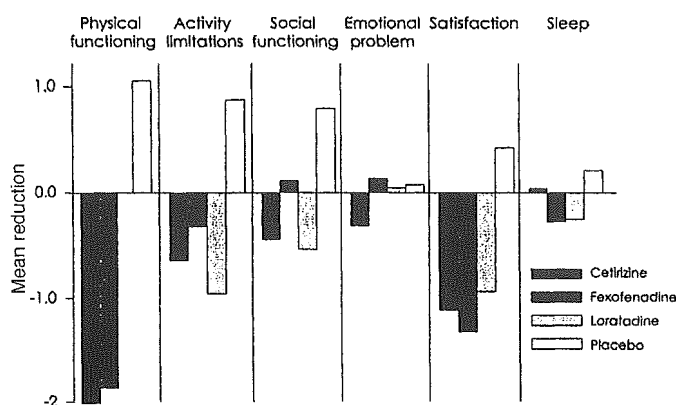


Figure 6. Mean reductions in 6 item scores in the Japanese version of the Rhinoconjunctivitis Quality of Life Questionnaire during the double-masked study with the administration of cetirizine, fexofenadine, loratadine, or placebo.

with treatment compared with baseline. Administration of fexofenadine produced significant improvement in 2 items of physical functioning, 2 of activity limitations, and 1 of satisfaction. Administration of loratadine produced significant improvement in 1 item each of activity limitations and satisfaction.

#### Safety

All study medications were well tolerated. No serious adverse effects were reported during the study. The most frequently reported adverse effect was drowsiness, experienced by 7 participants (2 each in the cetirizine, fexofenadine, and loratadine groups and 1 in the placebo group).

#### DISCUSSION

The purpose of this study was to compare the efficacy, with special focus on the onset of action, and safety of cetirizine, fexofenadine, and loratadine vs placebo in Japanese patients with JCP. The results suggest that cetirizine is the most effective of these medications overall given its ability to suppress individual symptoms, improve JRQLQ scores in several domains, and reduce the need for rescue medication.

Second-generation oral antihistamines are believed to act fast. Pharmacokinetic studies of the 3 drugs used in this study demonstrate rapid absorption rates after single and multiple oral doses. Times to peak plasma concentration after single oral administrations of cetirizine, fexofenadine, and loratadine are 1, 2, and 1.4 to 1.6 hours, respectively.<sup>9</sup> Oral antihistamines have been demonstrated to be highly effective against eye symptoms occurring when pollen counts are high.<sup>10-14</sup> In the present study, a significant reduction in eye watering was found within 2 hours of administration of the first dose in all 3 active treatment groups. Antihistamines have also been reported to be highly effective against paroxysmal sneezing and nasal discharge as well as eye and nasal itching in general.<sup>10-14</sup> However, in the present study, only

cetirizine suppressed sneezing, nasal discharge, and nasal itching compared with placebo.

There is little reported effect of these drugs on nasal congestion. However, we demonstrated that cetirizine therapy significantly decreases nasal congestion compared with placebo use. This finding may be supported by indirect evidence; for example, it has been shown that administration of cetirizine in patients with allergic rhinitis results in a significant decrease in serum RANTES (regulated upon activation, normal T-cell expressed, and secreted), a major chemoattractant protein for eosinophils, and MCP-1.<sup>15</sup> Furthermore, eosinophil infiltration was significantly reduced by cetirizine treatment in patients with SAR after allergen-specific challenge.<sup>16</sup> In vitro, cetirizine has been shown to inhibit eotaxin-induced eosinophil transendothelial migration.<sup>17</sup> Furthermore, administration of cetirizine in mice reduced not only interleukin 4 (IL-4) and IL-5 expression but also eosinophil infiltration in nasal mucosa.<sup>18</sup> These results seem to support the effect of cetirizine on the improvement in nasal congestion observed in this study.

Intercellular adhesion molecule 1 is a transmembrane glycoprotein that promotes adhesion in inflammatory reactions. All 3 antihistamines reduce the expression of intercellular adhesion molecule 1 on epithelial cell membranes, as shown by in vitro<sup>19,20</sup> and in vivo<sup>21</sup> studies. Fexofenadine and loratadine possess anti-inflammatory properties. Treatment with fexofenadine in vitro reduces the eosinophil-induced release of IL-8 and granulocyte-macrophage colony-stimulating factor from human nasal epithelial cells<sup>22</sup> and inhibits the production of IL-4 and thymus- and activation-regulated chemokine by human peripheral blood lymphocytes.<sup>23</sup> In addition, fexofenadine treatment of sensitized mice in vivo prevented tissue eosinophilia and T<sub>H</sub>2 cytokine production.<sup>24</sup>

Loratadine treatment inhibited histamine-induced P-selectin expression and IL-6 and IL-8 secretion by human endothelial cells.<sup>25</sup> Incubation of loratadine in vitro attenuated the nitric oxide-induced release of RANTES by human bronchial epithelial cells<sup>26</sup> and leukotriene B<sub>4</sub> production by neutrophils.<sup>27</sup> However, the effects of fexofenadine and loratadine on nasal congestion were not found. This result might be due to the medication period. It is possible that prolonged administration of fexofenadine and loratadine results in a more comfortable nasal passage.

Natural exposure to an allergen by walking in a park is a clinical research method first used by Meltzer et al.<sup>10</sup> The obvious advantage of this method is that it replicates the real-life situation of patients with pollinosis. However, a disadvantage is that the drug effects can only be evaluated for short durations. The main concerns in the present study were the weather and the amount of airborne pollen. Average amounts of airborne pollen for the time of year were present (90 grains/cm<sup>2</sup> for >2 days). Consequently, sufficient natural exposure for assessing this study was obtained. A characteristic of JCP is that it can easily be aggravated owing to Japan's long pollen season and the large amount of airborne pollen. Nonetheless, in terms of treatment planning, screen-

ing of fast-acting drugs is an extremely important point of clinical research. In this regard, cetirizine's onset of action occurred at 1 hour, and maximum effects were seen at 2 hours, suggesting that cetirizine is a highly useful antihistamine for patients with JCP.

Recently, environmental exposure units have been used not only to provide constant exposure to pollen but also, more accurately, to determine experimental conditions rather than going outdoors during the peak pollen season.<sup>28,29</sup> Although innovations in outdoor park study design and methods have proved successful in the rating of antihistamines, environmental exposure units provide reproducible exposure environments for testing at any time. The onset of action and the efficacy of cetirizine therapy observed in this study are consistent with those observed in other multidrug comparative studies<sup>28,29</sup> using environmental exposure units and park tests.

Improving patient well-being and health-related QOL is widely recognized as an important goal in the treatment of patients with JCP. Cetirizine therapy provided the greatest number of improved items in the JRQLQ. The 3 antihistamines tested in this study provided safe and effective symptomatic relief, as shown by JRQLQ scores. Although moderate correlations between symptom severity and RQLQ score have been found in several studies,<sup>30-32</sup> the nasal symptom score may be more sensitive than the JRQLQ score to compare the effectiveness of anti-JCP medications in short-term studies. One reason is the duration of such studies; reliable improvement in the QOL score usually requires 1 or more weeks of treatment.<sup>33</sup> Another reason apparently is problems of recording symptoms using the visual analog scale used in the JRQLQ, at least in our study population. Similar studies conducted in Japanese patients using the original RQLQ, with scores ranging from 0 to 7, suggested that these patients hesitated to check the mark. Therefore, we reduced the range to 0 to 4 for the JRQLQ used in this study. Total score represented as a number seems easier for Japanese patients.

Ranking of antihistamines is important for patients with JCP and physicians in primary care. We rank cetirizine as having the best effectiveness, followed by fexofenadine and then loratadine. This supports the trend already observed by other research groups.<sup>10,11,13,14,28,29</sup> It is possible that in the present study the duration was too short to observe benefits in the loratadine group. However, it has been reported that cetirizine performed better than loratadine in a 7-week, double-masked study, although the results were not significant.<sup>34</sup> Several other reports have found that cetirizine is superior to loratadine in the suppression of nasal symptoms in patients with SAR.<sup>10,11,28,29</sup> In Europe, it has been reported that there are no differences in efficacy between fexofenadine and cetirizine in patients with SAR.<sup>35,36</sup> Furthermore, fexofenadine has been demonstrated to be significantly more effective than loratadine in relieving nasal congestion and eye symptoms and in improving QOL.<sup>13,14</sup>

In this study, patients treated with cetirizine hydrochloride and loratadine received the full dose of medication in the

morning, whereas those taking fexofenadine hydrochloride received 60 mg at 10 AM and 10 PM. In the United States, the customary dose of fexofenadine hydrochloride is 180 mg once daily. In general, Japanese people are of smaller stature than American people, and it has not been established whether 180 mg of fexofenadine hydrochloride once daily can be taken safely by Japanese patients. Further studies are needed to determine the optimal dose of fexofenadine in the Japanese. In this study, all 3 antihistamines tested were well tolerated. Although there were no significant differences among the treatment groups regarding adverse effects, significant differences were seen in terms of time to onset of action, duration of effect, and efficacy. This study provides some insights into the clinical responses to 3 antihistamines that may prove helpful in the management of JCP.

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### Ⅲ. 調査概要

## 街頭QOLアンケート調査

## ■ 調査概要

■ 調査目的 本調査は、今シーズンの花粉症(アレルギー性鼻炎)の発症状況と、発症者が花粉症に対し、どのような認識・対処をしているかを把握する事により、今後の花粉症治療の参考資料とする事を目的とした。

■ 調査手法 街頭リクルートによる自記式アンケート

■ 調査対象と  
サンプル設計 計 200サンプル

・花粉症アレルギーを持っている人(対象者の自己申告)

※その時症状が出ていなくても「花粉症持ち」の人であれば可

※自分が「花粉症」だと思っていれば、医者の診断がなくても可

※今シーズンの発症の有無は問わない

→花粉の飛散状況を考慮し、2回にわけて実施(各回100sずつ)

→性別・年代によりサンプル割付

	計	10代	20代	30代	40代	50代 以上
全体	100	20	20	20	20	20
男性	50	10	10	10	10	10
女性	50	10	10	10	10	10

■ 調査日時 1回目: 3月1日～5日のうち、晴れた日(1日間) →3月2日(水)実施  
2回目: 3月22日～25日のうち、晴れた日(1日間) →3月25日(金)実施  
花粉飛散状況を考慮し、実査時間帯は15時～19時を中心とした

■ 調査地点 新宿駅周辺 (調査条件を同一にするため、2回とも同じ地点で実施した)

■ 調査実施機関 株式会社 リサーチ・アンド・ディベロプメント  
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調査結果の要約・まとめ

1. 3年間の比較

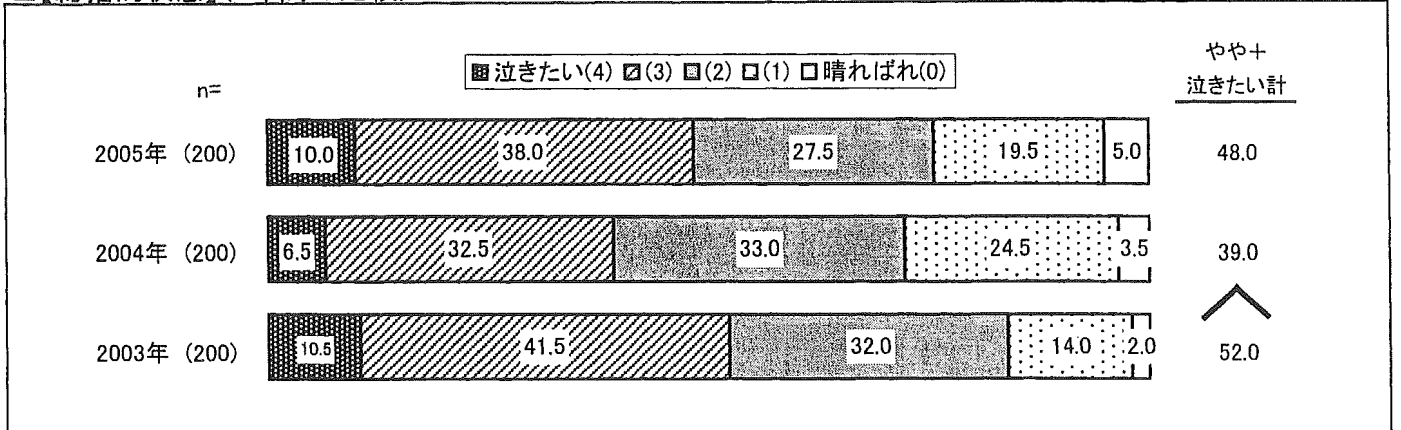
◇昨年(2004年)と比べて、今年は症状は重く(ただし「泣きたい計」の割合で統計的有意差はない)、一昨年(2003年)のレベルに近い。

◇同様に、「今年、治療のために通院している」割合も昨年に比べると高く、また一昨年も上回っている。

■【総括的状态】(3年間の比較)

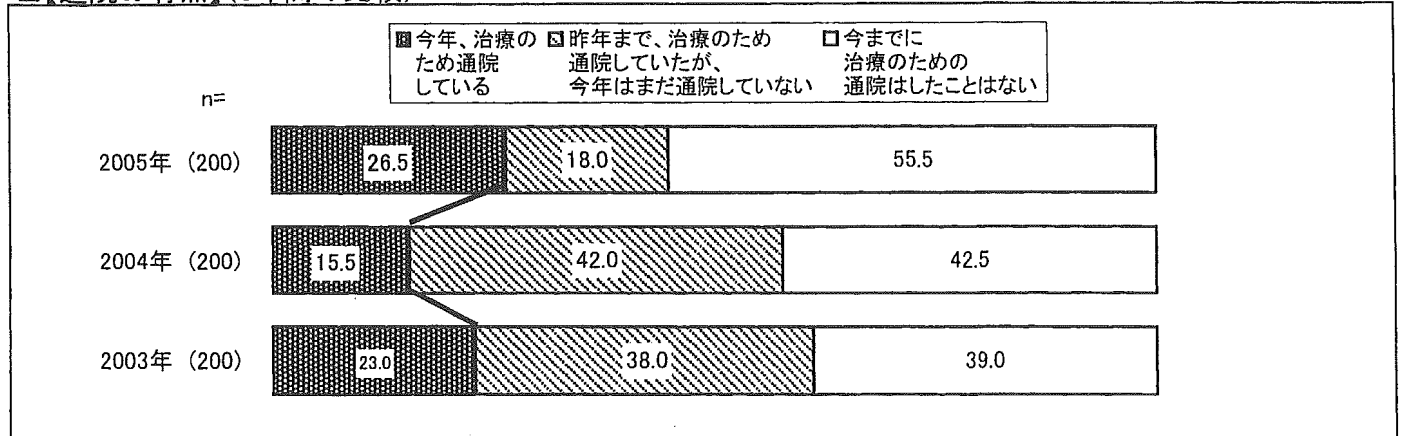
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(%)



■【通院の有無】(3年間の比較)

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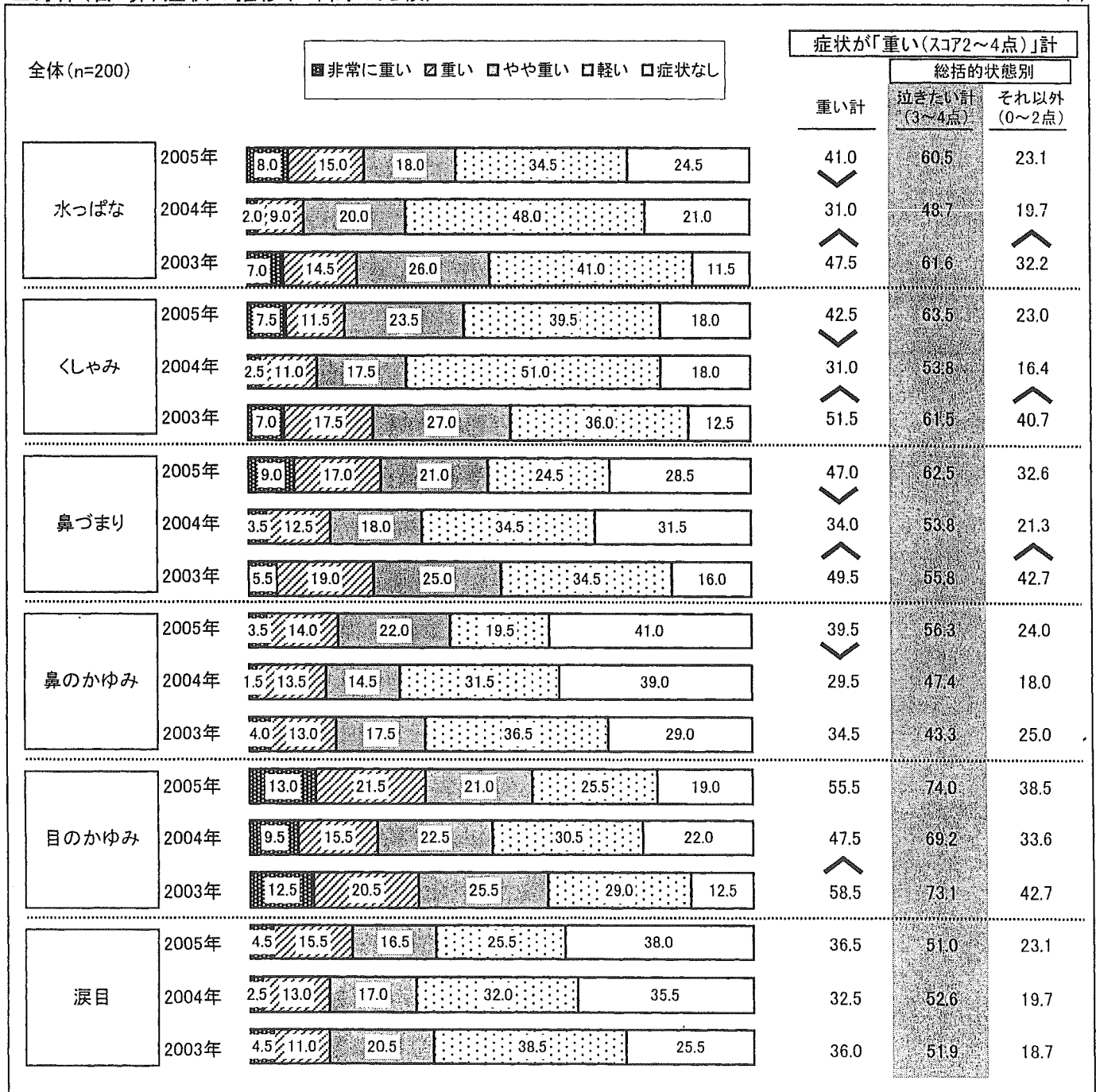
◇「目のかゆみ」の症状が最も重く、「症状が重い」(非常に重い+重い+やや重い)とした割合が5割を超えている。次いで「鼻づまり」の症状が重い。

◇昨年に比べると、全ての症状で「症状が重い」とした割合が高い。その中で、統計的な有意差がみられたのは、「水っぱな」「くしゃみ」「鼻づまり」「鼻のかゆみ」。

	総括的状态	
	泣きたい計	それ以外
2005年	(96)	(104)
2004年	(78)	(122)
2003年	(104)	(96)

\* < 統計的有意差あり (%)

■ 身体(目・鼻)症状の推移(3年間の比較)



◇「気分が晴れない」の症状は、「症状がひどい」(とてもひどい+ひどい+ややひどい)割合が5割で最も高い。

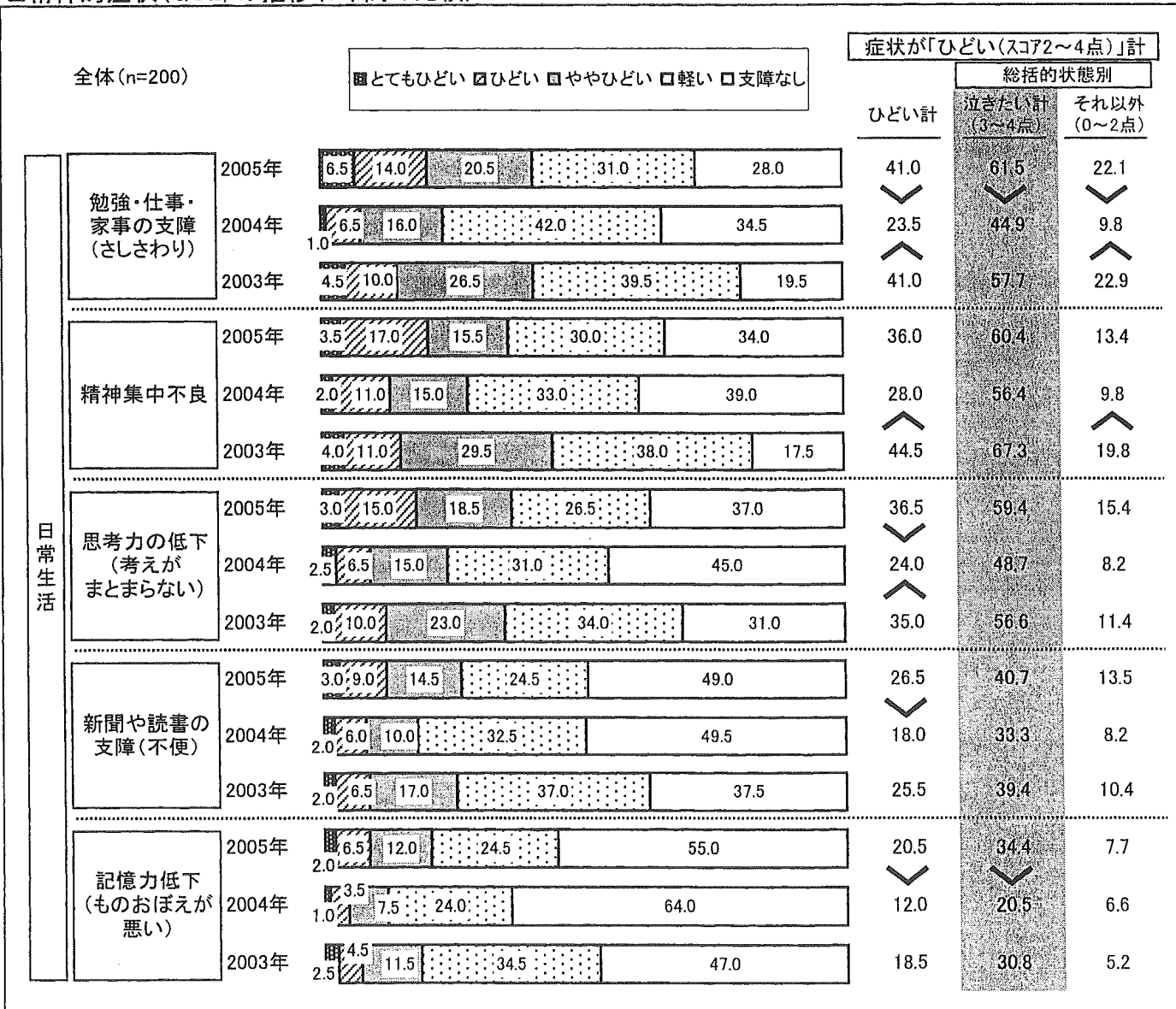
◇昨年に比べると、全ての症状で「症状がひどい」とした割合が高くなっている。  
 その中で、統計的な有意差がみられたのは、「勉強・仕事・家事の支障」「思考力の低下」「新聞や読書の支障」「記憶力低下」「スポーツ、ピクニックなど野外生活の支障」「外出の支障」「人とつぎ合いの支障」「睡眠障害」「気分が晴れない」「いらいら感」「ゆううつ」「生活に不満足」。  
 特に、「外出の支障」「気分が晴れない」は20ポイント以上高くなっている。

◇総括的状态別に症状をみると、『泣きたい計』層は昨年より「倦怠感」「疲労」の症状が悪くなっている(統計的有意差はある)のに対し、『それ以下』層は症状が良くなっており、症状の変化にギャップが見られる。

	総括的状态	
	泣きたい計	それ以外
2005年	(96)	(104)
2004年	(78)	(122)
2003年	(104)	(96)

■精神的症状(QOL)の推移(3年間の比較)

\* <統計的有意差あり (%)

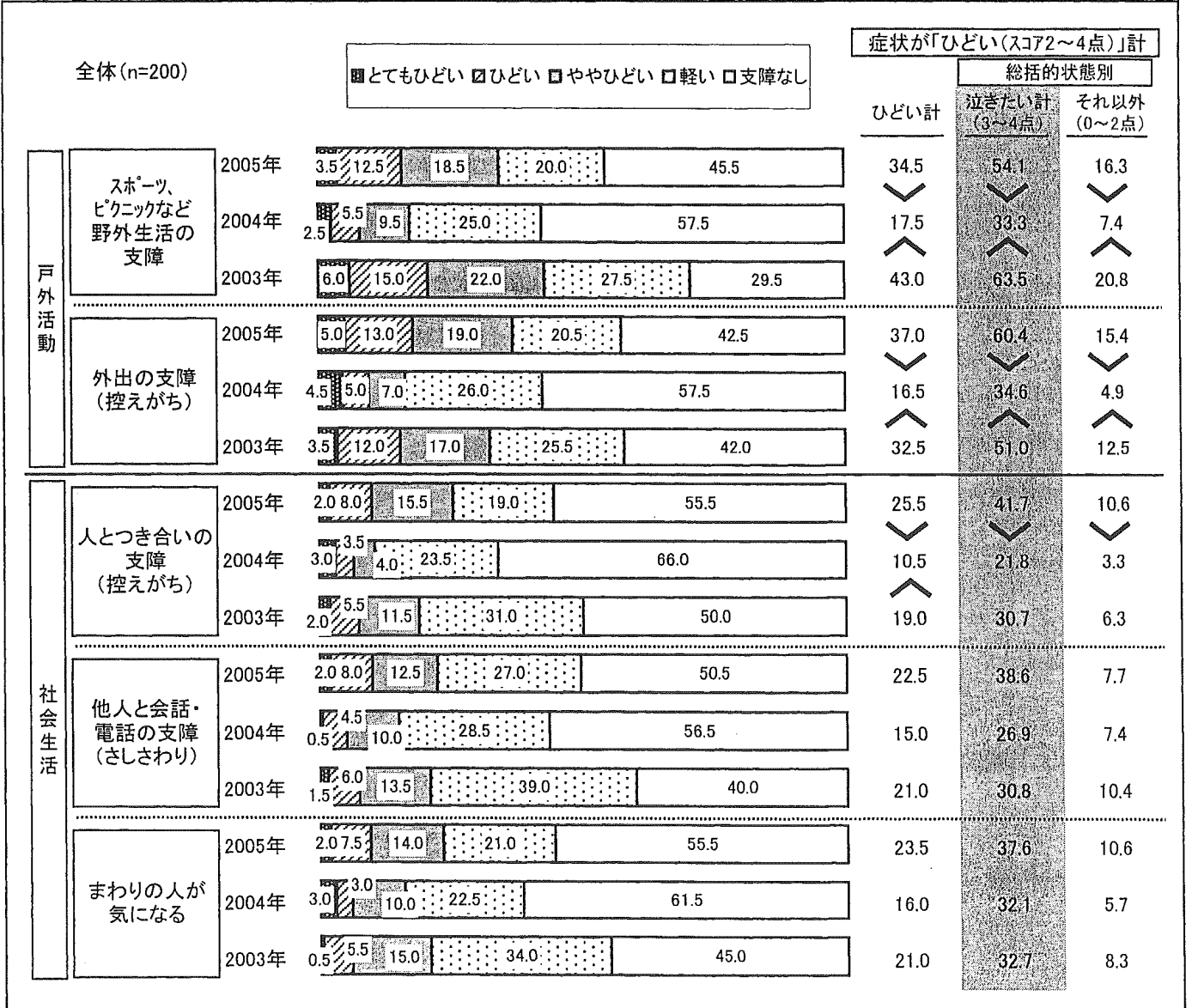




■精神的症状(QOL)の推移(3年間の比較)

総括的状态		
	泣きたい計	それ以外
2005年	(96)	(104)
2004年	(78)	(122)
2003年	(104)	(96)

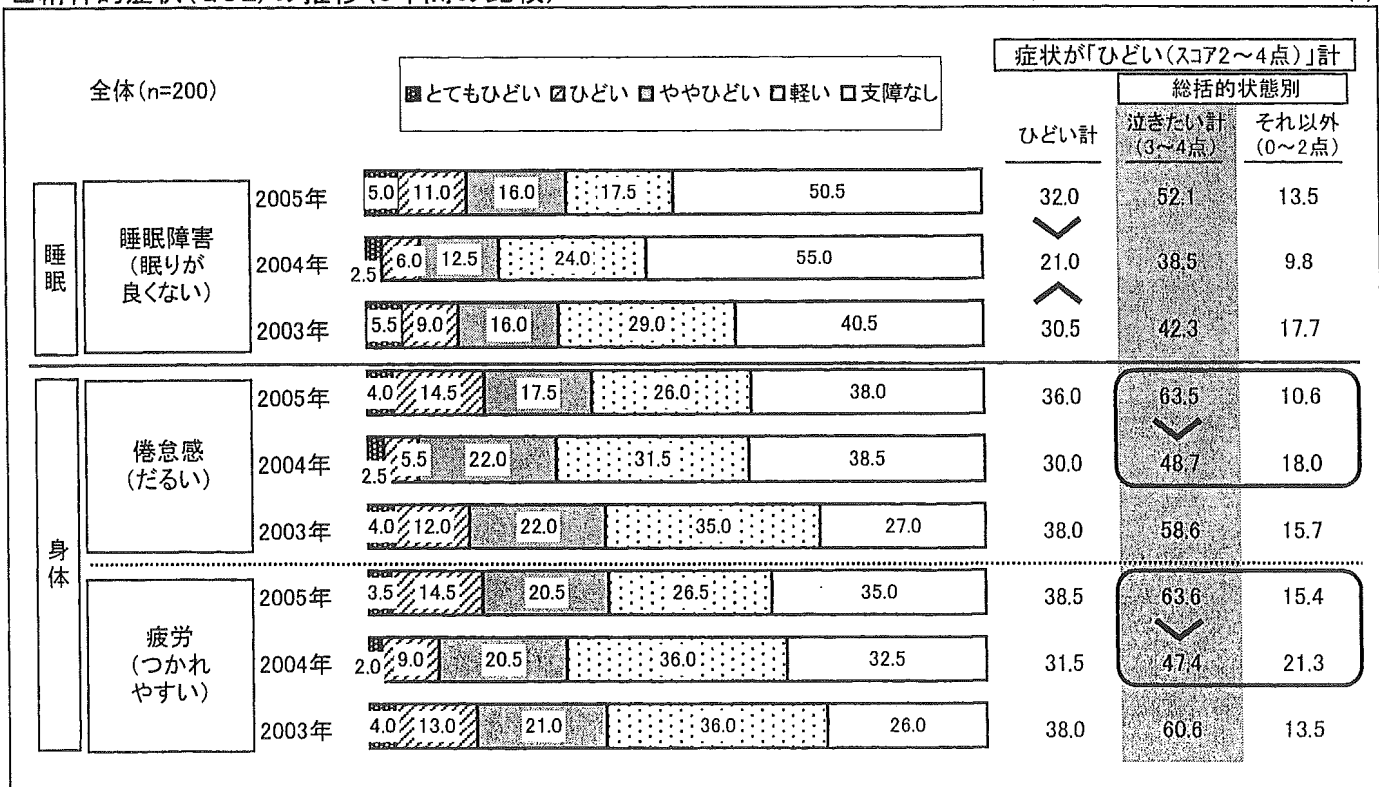
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総括的状态		
	泣きたい計	それ以外
2005年	(96)	(104)
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■精神的症状(QOL)の推移(3年間の比較)

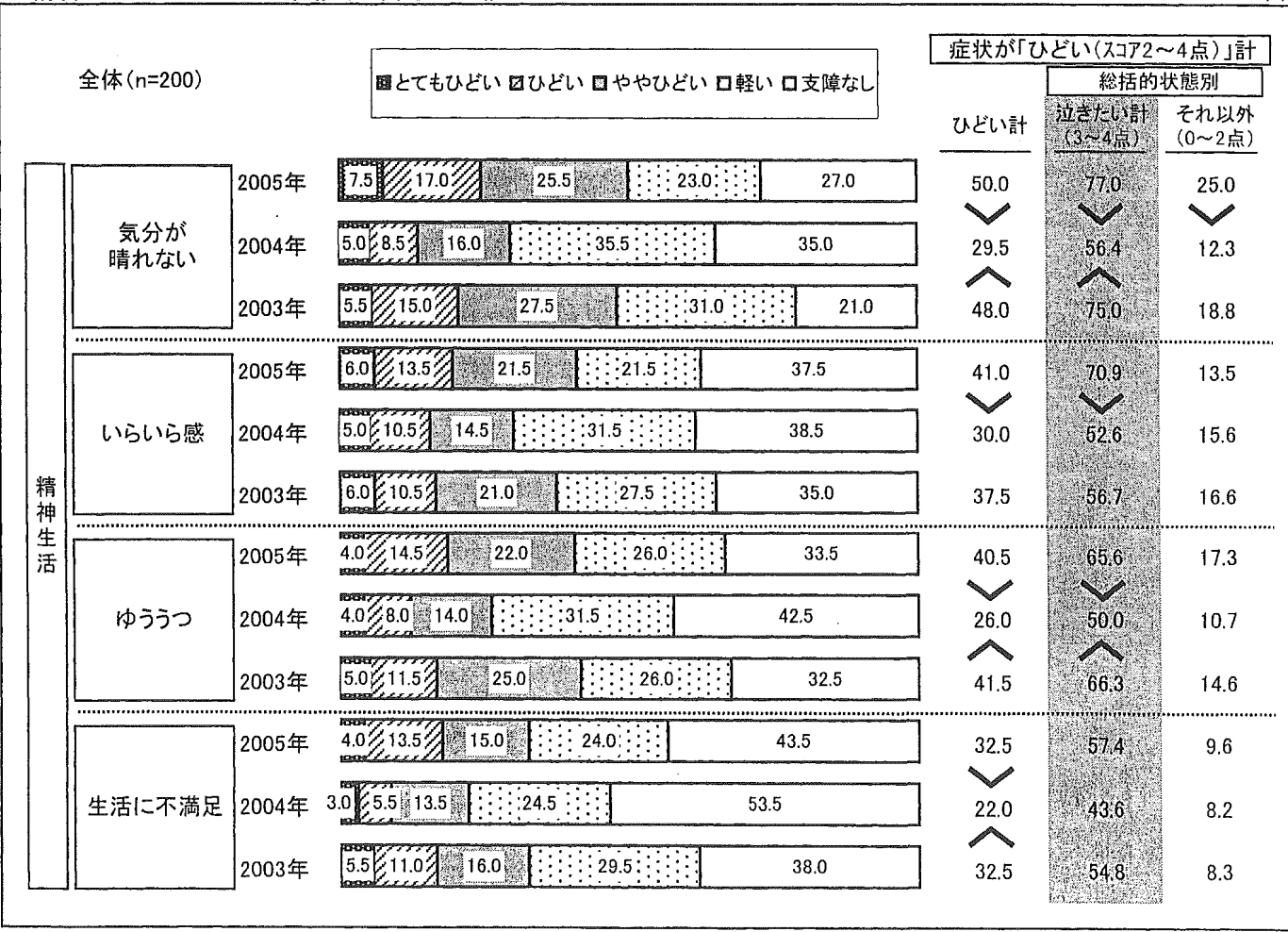
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総括的状态		
	泣きたい計	それ以外
2005年	(96)	(104)
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■精神的症状(QOL)の推移(3年間の比較)

\* <統計的有意差あり (%)



## 2.総括的状态との相関係数

◇総括的状态と身体症状の相関係数(影響度合い)をみると、昨年に比べ「くしゃみ」「目のかゆみ」「水っぱな」の相関が強くなっているものの、影響度合いのレベルはさほど強くない。

◇総括的状态と精神的症状(QOL)の相関係数をみると、「精神生活スコア」の相関が最も高い。次いで高いのが「身体スコア」「日常生活スコア」。  
昨年に比べると、「身体スコア」との相関が強くなっており、2003年に近いレベルとなっている。

### ■総括的状态と身体症状の相関係数

\*濃い網掛け:相関係数0.6以上、薄い網掛け0.5以上 (相関係数)

		2005年	2004年	2003年
身体 症状	水っぱな	0.3914	0.3333	0.3627
	くしゃみ	0.4585	0.3917	0.3570
	鼻づまり	0.3467	0.3691	0.2331
	鼻のかゆみ	0.3469	0.4067	0.2460
	目のかゆみ	0.4373	0.3909	0.3700
	涙目(なみだめ)	0.3994	0.4078	0.3820

### ■総括的状态と精神的症状(QOL)の相関係数

(相関係数)

		2005年	2004年	2003年
領域別 スコア	①日常生活スコア	0.5008	0.5314	0.5323
	②戸外活動スコア	0.4416	0.4430	0.5247
	③社会生活スコア	0.4676	0.4610	0.4607
	④睡眠スコア	0.3972	0.3514	0.3734
	⑤身体スコア	0.5128	0.4027	0.5477
	⑥精神生活スコア	0.6032	0.6108	0.6484
精神的 症状 (QOL)	勉強・仕事・家事の支障	0.4345	0.4977	0.4579
	精神集中不良	0.4737	0.5427	0.4518
	思考力の低下	0.4566	0.4384	0.4557
	新聞や読書の支障	0.4315	0.4065	0.4100
	記憶力の低下	0.3620	0.3125	0.4032
	スポーツ等野外生活支障	0.3423	0.3908	0.4775
	外出の支障	0.4603	0.4186	0.4676
	人とつき合いの支障	0.4505	0.3781	0.4727
	他人と会話・電話の支障	0.4009	0.3769	0.3752
	まわりの人が気になる	0.3893	0.4590	0.3404
	睡眠障害	0.3972	0.3514	0.3734
	倦怠感	0.4891	0.4227	0.5223
	疲労	0.4901	0.3426	0.5315
	気分が晴れない	0.5354	0.5993	0.5963
	いらいら感	0.5636	0.5213	0.5044
	ゆううつ	0.5406	0.4787	0.6402
生活に不満足	0.5159	0.5602	0.5535	

### ■領域別スコア(合計の平均)

(スコア/合計の平均点)

		QOL スコア計	① 日常生活 スコア	② 戸外活動 スコア	③ 社会生活 スコア	④ 睡眠 スコア	⑤ 身体 スコア	⑥ 精神生活 スコア
2005年	(200)	18.99	5.55	2.26	2.46	1.03	2.46	5.24
2004年	(200)	14.45	4.24	1.44	1.82	0.77	2.14	4.05
2003年	(200)	19.84	5.84	2.50	2.51	1.10	2.64	5.25