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## SUMMARY

The technical factors used during radiological examinations performed in Hiroshima and Nagasaki medical institutions were analyzed. The most frequently performed examination was chest radiography, followed by upper GI series. More than half the radiographic exposures were from upper GI series due to the many spot films made during fluoroscopy.

Comparison of the present survey results with those of a previous one showed that relatively high kVp, low mAs and mA, and smaller field sizes are now more widely used. Though there have been decreases in fluoroscopy times and tube currents over the past 10 years, the numbers of spot films used have increased. Based on these technical factors, tables of organ doses from fluoroscopic examinations were compiled.

## INTRODUCTION

The continuing studies by ABCC/RERF for late effects of ionizing radiation from the atomic bombs have included numerous assessments of doses which survivors and comparison subjects have received during medical and dental X-ray examinations.<sup>1-8</sup>

During two-week periods in 1974, the records of medical X-ray examinations conducted in Hiroshima and Nagasaki medical institutions

## 要 約

広島・長崎両市の医療機関で実施されたX線検査の技術条件を解析した。最も頻度の高い検査は胸部X線検査で、次いで上部胃腸管検査であった。透視中に数多くの狙撃撮影が行われるため、X線撮影の半数以上は上部胃腸管検査によるものであった。

前回の調査結果と今回の調査結果を比較して、今回は、比較的高いkVp、低いmAs及びmA、そして更に狭い照射野がより多く使われていることがわかった。過去10年間に透視時間は短縮し、管電流は低くなっているが、狙撃撮影の枚数は増加している。これらの技術条件に基づいて透視検査による臓器線量の表を作成した。

## 緒 言

原爆放射線の後影響に関するABCC/放影研の継続調査では、被爆者及びその対照者が、医療用及び歯科用X線検査中に受けた線量に関して多くの評価を行っている。<sup>1-8</sup>

1974年の2週間について、広島・長崎の医療機関で行われた医療X線検査の記録を調査し、検査頻度と検査の種類を検討し、それによって対象者の報告した

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were reviewed to confirm that exposures reported by the subjects were actually made, to ascertain the technical exposure factors used, and to estimate the doses incurred — by examination frequency and type. The frequencies of radiological examinations among RERF and the general populations have already been reported.<sup>9</sup>

The present investigation consisted of an analysis of the technical factors used to perform phantom dosimetry for estimating doses received by the subjects of that study<sup>9</sup> and the preparation of tables of doses to assign to RERF subjects.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

The subjects and medical institutions surveyed, the area involved, and the methodology used, have been described in detail.<sup>9</sup> All large hospitals (18 in Hiroshima and 13 in Nagasaki) and a 40% random sample of all relatively small institutions (180 in Hiroshima and 113 in Nagasaki) were selected from rosters of hospitals and clinics which were using X-ray apparatus as of 31 December 1970. Consequently, 138 Hiroshima and 97 Nagasaki institutions were included in the present study. Records of all X-ray examinations conducted at each institution during a two-week period in 1974 were collected. The technical data were transcribed onto forms and were subsequently stored on computer tapes.

The radiological examinations conducted were categorized as 1) plain radiography, 2) tomography, 3) tomography with contrast media, 4) fluoroscopy, 5) fluoroscopy with contrast media, and 6) radiography with contrast media; each category for 63 body sites, by age, sex, and city.

In the study by Sawada et al,<sup>9</sup> analysis included radiological examinations for patients over 30 years of age, since no A-bomb survivors were less than that age. The technical factors were analyzed by age in 1974 from 0-2, 3-7, 8-15, and 16 years of age and over, because the type and frequency of examination, body site, etc., varied by age and RERF sample, but the technical factors of examination did not vary appreciably by age for those 16 years or older.

#### RESULTS

The numbers of examinations performed by sex, age, and city are shown in Tables 1a and 1b.<sup>9</sup>

撮影が実際に行われているかどうかを確認し、使用した技術条件も確認して、受けた線量を推定した。放影研及び一般の調査集団におけるX線検査の頻度は既に報告されている。<sup>9</sup>

今回の調査では、本調査シリーズ<sup>9</sup>の対象者が受けた線量を推定するためのファントムによる線量測定に使用する技術条件の解析をし、放影研対象者に適用するための線量表の作成をした。

#### 材料及び方法

調査した対象者及び医療機関、調査区域、並びに使用した方法については、別に報告されている。<sup>9</sup> 1970年12月31日現在X線装置を使用している病・医院名簿から、すべての大病院(広島18、長崎13)と、比較的小規模な医療機関の40%任意抽出群(広島180機関、長崎113機関)を選んだ。したがって、本調査では広島138、長崎97の医療機関を対象とした。1974年の2週間に各医療機関で行われたすべてのX線検査の記録を収集した。技術データを書式に転写し、次いでコンピューター・テープに収録した。

実施されたX線検査を1)通常X線撮影、2)断層撮影、3)造影剤を用いた断層撮影、4)透視、5)造影剤を用いた透視、及び6)造影剤を用いたX線撮影の各区分に類別し、その区分を63の部位につき、年齢、性、及び都市別に分類した。

澤田ら<sup>9</sup>の調査では、30歳未満の原爆被爆者はいなかったので30歳以上の患者のX線検査について解析が行われた。検査の種類及び頻度、部位などは年齢別及び放影研調査集団別に異なったが、検査の技術条件は、16歳以上の対象者については年齢別にあまり変わらなかったので、1974年の年齢を、0—2歳、3—7歳、8—15歳、及び16歳以上の各年齢に分け技術条件の解析を行った。

#### 結果

実施検査数の性、年齢、及び都市別分布を表1a及び1bに示した。<sup>9</sup>

TABLE 1a NUMBER OF EXAMINATIONS BY SEX AND AGE, HIROSHIMA  
 表1a 検査数、性別及び年齢別、広島

| Body site       | Male |     |      |      | Female |     |      |      | Total |     |      |       |
|-----------------|------|-----|------|------|--------|-----|------|------|-------|-----|------|-------|
|                 | Age  |     |      |      | Age    |     |      |      | Age   |     |      |       |
|                 | 0-2  | 3-7 | 8-15 | 16+  | 0-2    | 3-7 | 8-15 | 16+  | 0-2   | 3-7 | 8-15 | 16+   |
| Head, Neck      | 18   | 29  | 65   | 317  | 20     | 21  | 38   | 272  | 38    | 50  | 103  | 589   |
| Spine           | 1    | 6   | 19   | 963  | 2      | 3   | 25   | 721  | 3     | 9   | 44   | 1684  |
| Pelvis          | 1    | 3   | -    | 66   | 2      | -   | 2    | 131  | 3     | 3   | 2    | 197   |
| Upper Extremity | 18   | 37  | 67   | 379  | 19     | 22  | 43   | 226  | 37    | 59  | 110  | 605   |
| Lower Extremity | 46   | 47  | 58   | 464  | 122    | 96  | 62   | 451  | 168   | 143 | 120  | 915   |
| Thorax          | 1    | 1   | 1    | 88   | 1      | -   | 2    | 100  | 2     | 1   | 3    | 188   |
| Chest           | 168  | 176 | 131  | 3252 | 159    | 158 | 127  | 1982 | 327   | 334 | 258  | 5234  |
| Abdomen         | 12   | 16  | 15   | 909  | 5      | 9   | 16   | 721  | 17    | 25  | 31   | 1630  |
| Upper GI series | 1    | 1   | 7    | 1492 | 3      | -   | 3    | 917  | 4     | 1   | 10   | 2409  |
| Whole Body      | 8    | 3   | 1    | 27   | 6      | -   | -    | 19   | 14    | 3   | 1    | 46    |
| Total           | 274  | 319 | 364  | 7957 | 339    | 309 | 318  | 5540 | 613   | 628 | 682  | 13497 |

TABLE 1b NUMBER OF EXAMINATIONS BY SEX AND AGE, NAGASAKI  
 表1b 検査数、性別及び年齢別、長崎

| Body site       | Male |     |      |      | Female |     |      |      | Total |     |      |      |
|-----------------|------|-----|------|------|--------|-----|------|------|-------|-----|------|------|
|                 | Age  |     |      |      | Age    |     |      |      | Age   |     |      |      |
|                 | 0-2  | 3-7 | 8-15 | 16+  | 0-2    | 3-7 | 8-15 | 16+  | 0-2   | 3-7 | 8-15 | 16+  |
| Head, Neck      | 14   | 21  | 32   | 191  | 13     | 16  | 16   | 170  | 27    | 37  | 48   | 361  |
| Spine           | 1    | 2   | 11   | 451  | 2      | 3   | 4    | 410  | 3     | 5   | 15   | 861  |
| Pelvis          | 1    | 1   | 1    | 36   | -      | 1   | 1    | 62   | 1     | 2   | 2    | 98   |
| Upper Extremity | 8    | 33  | 53   | 226  | 11     | 19  | 26   | 142  | 19    | 52  | 79   | 368  |
| Lower Extremity | 26   | 30  | 57   | 333  | 85     | 23  | 33   | 269  | 111   | 53  | 90   | 602  |
| Thorax          | 1    | -   | -    | 52   | -      | -   | -    | 46   | 1     | -   | -    | 98   |
| Chest           | 66   | 52  | 71   | 1765 | 48     | 50  | 52   | 1510 | 114   | 102 | 123  | 3275 |
| Abdomen         | 7    | 7   | 5    | 536  | 9      | 4   | 7    | 459  | 16    | 11  | 12   | 995  |
| Upper GI series | -    | 1   | 3    | 417  | -      | -   | 4    | 249  | -     | 1   | 7    | 666  |
| Whole Body      | -    | 2   | -    | 2    | 1      | -   | 1    | 5    | 1     | 2   | 1    | 7    |
| Total           | 124  | 149 | 233  | 4009 | 169    | 116 | 144  | 3322 | 293   | 265 | 377  | 7331 |

The numbers of exposures by age and city are shown in Table 2. Among the total 85,729 exposures, 94% were for persons 16 years of age or older.

表2は年齢及び都市別の照射件数を示したものである。合計85,729回の照射数のうち、94%は16歳以上の対象者に関するものであった。

TABLE 2 RADIOLOGICAL EXPOSURES BY AGE AND CITY  
表2 X線撮影数、年齢別及び都市別

| Age     | Hiroshima |       | Nagasaki |       | Total |       |
|---------|-----------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------|
|         | No.       | %     | No.      | %     | No.   | %     |
| 0-2     | 995       | 1.16  | 505      | 0.59  | 1500  | 1.75  |
| 3-7     | 971       | 1.13  | 672      | 0.78  | 1643  | 1.92  |
| 8-15    | 1458      | 1.70  | 791      | 0.92  | 2249  | 2.62  |
| 16+     | 54779     | 63.90 | 25487    | 29.73 | 80266 | 93.63 |
| Unknown | 49        | 0.06  | 22       | 0.03  | 71    | 0.08  |
| Total   | 58252     | 67.95 | 27477    | 32.05 | 85729 | 100   |

The numbers of exposures per examination, by type of institution, are shown in Table 3. In both cities, chest radiography was the type of examination most frequently performed, followed by upper GI series, and spine radiography. More than half of the radiographic exposures were from upper GI series, a reflection of much spot filming during fluoroscopy. In general, the numbers of exposures at relatively large institutions exceeded those at smaller ones.

Technical exposure factors of posteroanterior (PA) chest radiography and upper GI series were studied because of their relatively high frequencies. These data were compared with those of a 1964-65 survey<sup>10</sup> in which both of these types of examinations were analyzed.

The distributions of tube voltages, mAs, field sizes, and focus-film distances (FFD) for PA chest radiography are shown in Tables 4-7. In both cities, relatively high kVp and low mAs were used in the larger institutions as compared with the smaller ones. Relatively high kVp was used more frequently by Hiroshima than by Nagasaki institutions. Unnecessarily large beam sizes exceeding the effective areas of films were encountered more frequently in relatively small institutions. The majority of films used measured 11×14 and 14×17 inches. There were no obvious differences in FFD by type of institution or city.

医療機関の種類別の検査当たり照射数を表3に示す。両市とも、最も頻度の高い検査は胸部X線検査で、次いで上部胃腸管X線検査及び脊髄X線検査であった。X線撮影の半数以上は上部胃腸管X線検査によるものであり、これは透視中に数多くの狙撃撮影が行われたことを示す。一般に、比較的大規模な医療機関における検査当たりの照射数は小規模な医療機関のそれを上回っていた。

背腹方向胸部X線検査及び上部胃腸管X線検査は、比較的頻度が高かったので、その撮影条件について検討した。これらのデータを、この両検査について解析を行っている1964-65年の調査<sup>10</sup>のデータと比較した。

背腹方向胸部X線検査の管電圧、mAs、照射野の大きさ、及び焦点-フィルム間の距離(FFD)の各分布を表4～7に示した。両市とも、大規模な医療機関では、小規模な医療機関よりも比較的高いkVp及び低いmAsを使用していた。広島の医療機関では、長崎の医療機関よりも比較的高いkVpを使用する頻度が高かった。比較的小規模な医療機関では、フィルムの有効面積を超える必要以上に大きい線束をより頻繁に用いていることが認められた。使用フィルムの大多数は11×14インチ及び14×17インチのものであった。医療機関の種類別又は都市別にはFFDに明白な差はなかった。

TABLE 3 EXAMINATIONS, EXPOSURES, AND EXPOSURES PER EXAMINATION,  
CITIES AND SEXES COMBINED

表3 検査、撮影、及び検査当たりの撮影数、広島・長崎合計及び男女合計

| Examination<br>(No.) | Large Hospitals |      |       |      | Small Hospitals |      |       |      | Total |      |       |      |
|----------------------|-----------------|------|-------|------|-----------------|------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|------|
|                      | 0-2             | 3-7  | 8-15  | 16+  | 0-2             | 3-7  | 8-15  | 16+  | 0-2   | 3-7  | 8-15  | 16+  |
| <b>Skull</b>         |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                | 45              | 36   | 57    | 302  | 14              | 33   | 21    | 116  | 59    | 69   | 78    | 418  |
| Expos.               | 110             | 88   | 139   | 835  | 26              | 71   | 44    | 220  | 136   | 159  | 183   | 1055 |
| Rate                 | 2.44            | 2.44 | 2.44  | 2.76 | 1.86            | 2.15 | 2.10  | 1.90 | 2.31  | 2.30 | 2.35  | 2.52 |
| <b>C-Spine</b>       |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                |                 | 7    | 8     | 421  |                 | 1    | 13    | 314  |       | 8    | 21    | 735  |
| Expos.               |                 | 23   | 21    | 1741 |                 | 2    | 29    | 874  |       | 25   | 50    | 2615 |
| Rate                 |                 | 3.29 | 2.63  | 4.14 |                 | 2.00 | 2.23  | 2.78 |       | 3.13 | 2.38  | 3.56 |
| <b>Chest</b>         |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                | 286             | 313  | 257   | 4473 | 7               | 31   | 69    | 1926 | 293   | 344  | 326   | 6399 |
| Expos.               | 491             | 428  | 395   | 6782 | 8               | 31   | 71    | 2301 | 499   | 459  | 466   | 9083 |
| Rate                 | 1.72            | 1.37 | 1.54  | 1.52 | 1.14            | 1.00 | 1.03  | 1.19 | 1.70  | 1.33 | 1.43  | 1.42 |
| <b>L-Spine</b>       |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                |                 | 14   | 717   |      |                 | 8    | 693   |      |       | 22   | 1410  |      |
| Expos.               |                 | 42   | 2468  |      |                 | 16   | 1638  |      |       | 58   | 4106  |      |
| Rate                 |                 | 3.00 | 3.44  |      |                 | 2.00 | 2.36  |      |       | 2.64 | 2.91  |      |
| <b>Hip Joint</b>     |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                | 170             | 79   | 25    |      | 8               | 4    | 3     |      | 178   | 83   | 28    |      |
| Expos.               | 254             | 98   | 40    |      | 9               | 4    | 3     |      | 263   | 102  | 43    |      |
| Rate                 | 1.49            | 1.24 | 1.60  |      | 1.13            | 1.00 | 1.00  |      | 1.48  | 1.23 | 1.54  |      |
| <b>Chest Tomo.</b>   |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                |                 |      | 354   |      |                 |      | 127   |      |       | 481  |       |      |
| Expos.               |                 |      | 1675  |      |                 |      | 932   |      |       | 2607 |       |      |
| Rate                 |                 |      | 4.73  |      |                 |      | 7.34  |      |       | 5.42 |       |      |
| <b>UGI spots</b>     |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                |                 | 9    | 1750  |      |                 | 7    | 1258  |      |       | 16   | 3008  |      |
| Expos.               |                 | 146  | 24617 |      |                 | 88   | 15806 |      |       | 234  | 40423 |      |
| Rate                 |                 | 16.2 | 14.1  |      |                 | 12.6 | 12.6  |      |       | 14.6 | 13.4  |      |
| <b>Barium enema</b>  |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                |                 |      | 135   |      |                 |      | 57    |      |       | 192  |       |      |
| Expos.               |                 |      | 1410  |      |                 |      | 492   |      |       | 1902 |       |      |
| Rate                 |                 |      | 10.4  |      |                 |      | 8.63  |      |       | 9.91 |       |      |
| <b>Gallbladder</b>   |                 |      |       |      |                 |      |       |      |       |      |       |      |
| Exam.                |                 |      | 166   |      |                 |      | 90    |      |       | 256  |       |      |
| Expos.               |                 |      | 1013  |      |                 |      | 473   |      |       | 1486 |       |      |
| Rate                 |                 |      | 6.10  |      |                 |      | 5.26  |      |       | 5.80 |       |      |

Rate: Exposures/Examination

TABLE 4 PA CHEST RADIOGRAPHY

表 4 背腹方向胸部X線検査

Number of Exposures by kVp, Age 16 years and over 照射数, kVp 別, 16歳以上

| kVp     | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)   |
|---------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|-------------|
|         | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |             |
| 1- 54   | 17                  | 28     | 45     |                    | 36     | 36     | 81 (1.2)    |
| 55- 64  | 444                 | 384    | 828    | 6                  | 526    | 532    | 1360 (19.4) |
| 65- 74  | 111                 | 185    | 296    | 114                | 354    | 468    | 764 (10.9)  |
| 75- 84  | 27                  | 102    | 129    | 396                | 93     | 489    | 618 (8.8)   |
| 85- 94  | 136                 | 17     | 153    | 528                | 20     | 548    | 701 (10.0)  |
| 95-104  | 321                 | 44     | 365    | 408                | 7      | 415    | 780 (11.1)  |
| 105-114 | 362                 | 5      | 367    | 107                | 3      | 110    | 477 (6.8)   |
| 115-124 | 838                 | 12     | 850    | 19                 | 1      | 20     | 870 (12.4)  |
| 125-134 | 492                 | 57     | 549    | 7                  |        | 7      | 556 (7.9)   |
| 135-144 | 660                 | 84     | 744    |                    |        |        | 744 (10.6)  |
| 145+    | 37                  | 14     | 51     | 2                  |        | 2      | 53 (0.8)    |
| Total   | 3445                | 932    | 4377   | 1587               | 1040   | 2627   | 7004 (100)  |
| (%)     | (49.2)              | (13.3) | (62.5) | (22.7)             | (14.8) | (37.5) | (100)       |

TABLE 5 PA CHEST RADIOGRAPHY

表 5 背腹方向胸部X線検査

Number of Exposures by mAs, Age 16 years and over 照射数, mAs 別, 16歳以上

| mAs         | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)   |
|-------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|-------------|
|             | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |             |
| 1- 5        | 1270                | 37     | 1307   | 157                | 8      | 165    | 1472 (21.0) |
| 6- 14       | 838                 | 189    | 1027   | 1196               | 348    | 1544   | 2571 (36.7) |
| 15- 24      | 81                  | 632    | 713    | 197                | 319    | 516    | 1229 (17.5) |
| 25- 34      | 466                 | 37     | 503    | 26                 | 309    | 335    | 838 (12.0)  |
| 35- 44      | 1                   | 8      | 9      | 7                  | 24     | 31     | 40 (0.6)    |
| 45- 54      | 3                   |        | 3      | 3                  | 14     | 17     | 20 (0.3)    |
| 55- 64      |                     | 5      | 5      | 1                  | 4      | 5      | 10 (0.1)    |
| 65- 74      |                     |        |        |                    | 5      | 5      | 5 (0.1)     |
| 75- 84      |                     | 2      | 2      |                    |        |        | 2 (0.0)     |
| 85- 94      |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |             |
| 95-104      | 1                   |        | 1      |                    |        |        | 1 (0.0)     |
| 105-200     | 2                   | 2      | 4      |                    |        |        | 4 (0.1)     |
| 200+        | 2                   | 1      | 3      |                    |        |        | 3 (0.0)     |
| Photo Timer | 781                 | 19     | 800    |                    | 9      | 9      | 809 (11.6)  |
| Total       | 3445                | 932    | 4377   | 1587               | 1040   | 2627   | 7004 (100)  |
| (%)         | (49.2)              | (13.3) | (62.5) | (22.7)             | (14.8) | (37.5) | (100)       |

TABLE 6 PA CHEST RADIOGRAPHY

表 6 背腹方向胸部X線検査

Number of Exposures by Field Size, Age 16 years and over 照射数, 照射野の大きさ別, 16歳以上

| Field Size<br>(cm) | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)   |
|--------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|-------------|
|                    | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |             |
| Length             |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |             |
| 23-27              | 5                   | 1      | 6      |                    |        |        | 6 (0.1)     |
| 28-32              |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |             |
| 33-37              | 19                  | 50     | 69     | 2                  | 28     | 30     | 99 (1.4)    |
| 38-42              | 2640                | 689    | 3329   | 1468               | 712    | 2180   | 5509 (78.7) |
| 43-47              | 643                 | 6      | 649    | 108                | 20     | 128    | 777 (11.1)  |
| 48-52              |                     |        |        |                    | 1      | 1      | 1 (0.0)     |
| 53+                | 138                 | 186    | 324    | 9                  | 279    | 288    | 612 (8.7)   |
| Total              | 3445                | 932    | 4377   | 1587               | 1040   | 2627   | 7004 (100)  |
| Width              |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |             |
| 18-22              | 5                   | 1      | 6      |                    |        |        | 6 (0.1)     |
| 23-27              | 18                  | 50     | 68     | 2                  | 28     | 30     | 98 (1.4)    |
| 28-32              | 1583                | 618    | 2201   | 331                | 620    | 951    | 3152 (45.0) |
| 33-37              | 11                  |        | 11     |                    | 1      | 1      | 12 (0.2)    |
| 38-42              | 1692                | 79     | 1771   | 1245               | 297    | 1542   | 3313 (47.3) |
| 43-47              | 1                   | 1      | 2      |                    |        |        | 2 (0.0)     |
| 53+                | 135                 | 183    | 318    | 9                  | 94     | 103    | 421 (6.0)   |
| Total              | 3445                | 932    | 4377   | 1587               | 1040   | 2627   | 7004 (100)  |
| (%)                | (49.2)              | (13.3) | (62.5) | (22.7)             | (14.8) | (37.5) | (100)       |

TABLE 7 PA CHEST RADIOGRAPHY

表 7 背腹方向胸部X線検査

Number of Exposures by FFD, Age 16 years and over

照射数, FFD 別, 16歳以上

| FFD in cm | Hiroshima | Nagasaki | Total (%)   |
|-----------|-----------|----------|-------------|
| ~50       |           | 1        | 1 (0.0)     |
| 51- 70    |           | 3        | 3 (0.0)     |
| 71- 90    | 10        |          | 10 (0.1)    |
| 91-110    | 27        | 19       | 46 (0.7)    |
| 111-150   | 489       | 859      | 1348 (19.3) |
| 151-190   | 559       | 577      | 1136 (16.2) |
| 191-210   | 3274      | 1105     | 4379 (62.5) |
| 211+      | 17        | 63       | 80 (1.1)    |
| Unknown   | 1         |          | 1 (0.0)     |
| Total     | 4377      | 2627     | 7004 (100)  |
| (%)       | (62.5)    | (37.5)   | (100)       |

FFD: Focus-film distance 焦点-フィルム間距離

Tables 8-11 show the technical factors used for fluoroscopy. A few apparatus utilizing automatic kV or mA control to compensate for varying densities encountered during examinations of various parts of the body were in use in each city. The milliamperage used with conventional fluoroscopy apparatus was about twice that of fluoroscopy apparatus equipped with image intensifiers. The average fluoroscopy time was 4.5 minutes in Hiroshima and 5.1 minutes in Nagasaki. The fluoroscopy time most frequently used in both cities was 2-4 minutes. No significant differences were observed in FFD by type of institution or city, similar to chest radiography.

The data for spot filming are shown in Tables 12-15. Similar trends were observed for PA chest radiography. Higher kVp and lower mAs were more often used in relatively large institutions.

Phantom dosimetry was performed and organ doses were calculated according to these technical factors. For chest radiography, dose tables have been compiled for various kVps, field sizes, and added filtrations.<sup>11</sup> Since doses from fluoroscopy are, in general, higher than those for other examinations, and fluoroscopic examination techniques vary by institution, dose tables were compiled according to city, apparatus, and institution. These are shown in Tables 16-18.

表 8～11は透視に使用された技術的条件を示している。いずれの市においても、体の各部位の検査中に認められる密度の違いを補正するために kV 又は mA の自動制御を利用する装置が二、三使用されている。従来の透視装置で使用されているミリアンペア値は、イメージ・インテンシファイナーを装備した透視装置のミリアンペア値の約 2 倍であった。平均透視時間は広島で 4.5 分、長崎で 5.1 分であった。両市で最も多く利用されている透視時間は 2～4 分であった。胸部 X 線検査と同様、医療機関の種類又は都市別では、FFD に有意差は観察されなかった。

狙撃撮影のデータは表 12～15 に示した。同様な傾向が背腹方向胸部 X 線検査にも見られた。比較的大規模な医療機関では、比較的高い kVp 及び低い mAs がより多く使用されている。

これらの技術条件に基づいてファントム線量測定を実施し、臓器線量の算定を行った。胸部 X 線検査については、種々の kVp、照射野の大きさ、及び付加渦過板について線量表が作成されている。<sup>11</sup> 透視による線量はおむねその他の検査による線量より高く、透視検査技術は医療機関により異なるので、都市、装置、及び医療機関に応じて線量表を作成した。これらは表 16～18 に示した。

TABLE 8 UPPER GI SERIES, FLUOROSCOPY

表 8 上部胃腸管 X 線検査、透視

Number of Examinations by kVp, Age 16 years and over 検査数、kVp 別、16 歳以上

| kVp     | Hiroshima |        |        | Nagasaki |        |        | Total (%)   |
|---------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-------------|
|         | Conv.     | Image  | Total  | Conv.    | Image  | Total  |             |
| 51- 60  | 10        | 15     | 25     |          | 3      | 3      | 28 (0.9)    |
| 61- 70  | 48        | 211    | 259    | 3        | 29     | 32     | 291 (9.5)   |
| 71- 80  | 106       | 905    | 1011   | 11       | 159    | 170    | 1181 (38.5) |
| 81- 90  | 65        | 697    | 762    | 58       | 277    | 335    | 1097 (35.8) |
| 91-100  | 5         | 158    | 163    | 2        | 105    | 107    | 270 (8.8)   |
| 101-120 |           | 165    | 165    |          | 5      | 5      | 170 (5.5)   |
| Auto    | 19        |        | 19     | 10       |        | 10     | 29 (1.0)    |
| Total   | 253       | 2151   | 2404   | 84       | 578    | 662    | 3066 (100)  |
| (%)     | (8.3)     | (70.2) | (78.4) | (2.7)    | (18.9) | (21.6) | (100)       |

TABLE 9 UPPER GI SERIES, FLUOROSCOPY  
表9 上部胃腸管X線検査、透視

Number of Examinations by mA, Age 16 years and over 検査数、mA別、16歳以上

| mA                | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)   |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|-------------|
|                   | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |             |
| Conventional      |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |             |
| ~1.5              | 1                   | 101    | 102    |                    | 2      | 2      | 104 (30.9)  |
| 1.6-2.5           |                     | 66     | 66     |                    | 22     | 22     | 88 (26.1)   |
| 2.6-3.5           |                     | 85     | 85     | 39                 | 13     | 52     | 137 (40.7)  |
| 3.6-4.5           |                     |        |        | 7                  | 1      | 8      | 8 (2.4)     |
| Total             | 1                   | 252    | 253    | 46                 | 38     | 84     | 337 (100)   |
| (%)               | (0.3)               | (74.8) | (75.1) | (13.7)             | (11.3) | (24.9) | (100)       |
| Image Intensifier |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |             |
| ~0.2              | 3                   | 3      | 6      | 19                 | 23     | 42     | 48 (1.8)    |
| 0.3-0.7           | 59                  | 201    | 260    | 138                | 105    | 243    | 503 (18.4)  |
| 0.8-1.2           | 702                 | 230    | 932    | 106                | 141    | 247    | 1179 (43.2) |
| 1.3-1.7           | 268                 | 195    | 463    | 15                 | 1      | 16     | 479 (17.6)  |
| 1.8-2.2           | 243                 | 29     | 272    | 28                 |        | 28     | 300 (11.0)  |
| 2.3-2.7           | 2                   | 49     | 51     | 2                  |        | 2      | 53 (1.9)    |
| 2.8-3.2           | 3                   |        | 3      |                    |        |        | 3 (0.1)     |
| Auto              | 164                 |        | 164    |                    |        |        | 164 (6.0)   |
| Total             | 1444                | 707    | 2151   | 308                | 270    | 578    | 2729 (100)  |
| (%)               | (52.9)              | (25.9) | (78.8) | (11.3)             | (9.9)  | (21.2) | (100)       |

TABLE 10 UPPER GI SERIES, FLUOROSCOPY

表10 上部胃腸管X線検査、透視

Number of Examinations by Fluoroscopy Time, Conventional and Image Intensifier Types Combined  
検査数、透視時間別、従来の透視装置とイメージ・インテンシファイア装置の合計

| Time in Minutes   | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)   |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|-------------|
|                   | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |             |
| Conventional      |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |             |
| ~2.0              | 134                 | 118    | 252    | 23                 | 6      | 29     | 281 (9.2)   |
| 2.1- 4.0          | 683                 | 538    | 1221   | 132                | 178    | 310    | 1531 (49.9) |
| 4.1- 6.0          | 403                 | 185    | 588    | 94                 | 80     | 174    | 762 (24.9)  |
| 6.1- 8.0          | 135                 | 55     | 190    | 43                 | 20     | 63     | 253 (8.3)   |
| 8.1-10.0          | 54                  | 51     | 105    | 23                 | 16     | 39     | 144 (4.7)   |
| 10.1-20.0         | 26                  | 12     | 38     | 34                 | 8      | 42     | 80 (2.6)    |
| 20.1-30.0         | 9                   |        | 9      | 5                  |        | 5      | 14 (0.5)    |
| 30.1+             | 1                   |        | 1      |                    |        |        | 1 (0.0)     |
| Total             | 1445                | 959    | 2404   | 354                | 308    | 662    | 3.066 (100) |
| (%)               | (47.1)              | (31.3) | (78.4) | (11.6)             | (10.0) | (21.6) | (100)       |
| Image Intensifier |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |             |
| ~2.0              | 3                   | 3      | 6      | 23                 | 23     | 46     | 48 (1.8)    |
| 2.1- 4.0          | 59                  | 201    | 260    | 138                | 105    | 243    | 503 (18.4)  |
| 4.1- 6.0          | 702                 | 230    | 932    | 106                | 141    | 247    | 1179 (43.2) |
| 6.1- 8.0          | 268                 | 195    | 463    | 15                 | 1      | 16     | 479 (17.6)  |
| 8.1-10.0          | 243                 | 29     | 272    | 28                 |        | 28     | 300 (11.0)  |
| 10.1-20.0         | 2                   | 49     | 51     | 2                  |        | 2      | 53 (1.9)    |
| 20.1-30.0         | 3                   |        | 3      |                    |        |        | 3 (0.1)     |
| 30.1+             | 164                 |        | 164    |                    |        |        | 164 (6.0)   |
| Total             | 1444                | 707    | 2151   | 308                | 270    | 578    | 2729 (100)  |
| (%)               | (52.9)              | (25.9) | (78.8) | (11.3)             | (9.9)  | (21.2) | (100)       |

TABLE 11 UPPER GI SERIES, FLUOROSCOPY

表11 上部胃腸管X線検査、透視

Number of Examinations by FTD, Age 16 years and over 検査数、FTD別、16歳以上

| FTD in cm         | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)  |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|------------|
|                   | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |            |
| Conventional      |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |            |
| ~37               |                     | 84     | 84     |                    |        |        | 84 (24.9)  |
| 38-42             |                     | 116    | 116    |                    | 23     | 23     | 139 (41.3) |
| 43-47             |                     | 38     | 38     |                    | 15     | 15     | 53 (15.7)  |
| 48-52             |                     | 8      | 8      | 46                 |        | 46     | 54 (16.0)  |
| 53-57             | 1                   |        | 1      |                    |        |        | 1 (0.3)    |
| 58-62             |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |            |
| 63+               |                     | 6      | 6      |                    |        |        | 6 (1.8)    |
| Total             | 1                   | 252    | 253    | 46                 | 38     | 84     | 337 (100)  |
| (%)               | (0.3)               | (74.8) | (75.1) | (13.7)             | (11.3) | (24.9) | (100)      |
| Image Intensifier |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |            |
| ~37               |                     |        |        | 22                 |        | 22     | 22 (0.8)   |
| 38-42             | 504                 | 231    | 735    | 59                 | 129    | 188    | 923 (33.8) |
| 43-47             | 63                  |        | 63     | 52                 | 6      | 58     | 121 (4.4)  |
| 48-52             | 379                 |        | 379    |                    | 20     | 20     | 399 (14.6) |
| 53-57             | 296                 | 223    | 519    |                    |        |        | 519 (19.0) |
| 58-62             |                     | 60     | 60     | 53                 | 26     | 79     | 139 (5.1)  |
| 63+               | 202                 | 193    | 395    | 122                | 89     | 211    | 606 (22.2) |
| Total             | 1444                | 707    | 2151   | 308                | 270    | 578    | 2729 (100) |
| (%)               | (52.9)              | (25.9) | (78.8) | (11.3)             | (9.9)  | (21.2) | (100)      |

FTD: Focus-table distance 焦点—テーブル間距離

TABLE 12 UPPER GI SERIES, SPOT FILMING

表12 上部胃腸管X線検査、狙撃撮影

Number of Exposures by kVp, Age 16 years and over 照射数、kVp別、16歳以上

| kVp     | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)    |
|---------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------------|
|         | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |              |
| 55- 64  | 17                  | 42     | 59     | 16                 | 4      | 20     | 79 (0.2)     |
| 65- 74  | 487                 | 1626   | 2113   | 355                | 533    | 888    | 3001 (7.4)   |
| 75- 84  | 4152                | 5297   | 9449   | 224                | 2301   | 2525   | 11974 (29.6) |
| 85- 94  | 3547                | 1989   | 5536   | 1900               | 648    | 2548   | 8084 (20.0)  |
| 95-104  | 6280                | 1433   | 7713   | 1655               | 963    | 2618   | 10331 (25.6) |
| 105-124 | 1760                | 926    | 2686   | 838                | 10     | 848    | 3534 (8.7)   |
| 125+    | 559                 | 34     | 593    | 53                 |        | 53     | 646 (1.6)    |
| Auto    | 2774                |        | 2774   |                    |        |        | 2774 (6.9)   |
| Total   | 19576               | 11347  | 30923  | 5041               | 4459   | 9500   | 40423 (100)  |
| (%)     | (48.4)              | (28.1) | (76.5) | (12.5)             | (11.0) | (23.5) | (100)        |

TABLE 13 UPPER GI SERIES, SPOT FILMING  
表13 上部胃腸管X線検査, 狙撃撮影

Number of Exposures by mAs, Age 16 years and over 照射数, mAs 別, 16歳以上

| mAs         | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)    |
|-------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------------|
|             | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |              |
| ~10         | 1627                | 861    | 2488   | 676                | 213    | 889    | 3377 (8.4)   |
| 11-20       | 6498                | 3517   | 10015  | 2120               | 2686   | 4806   | 14821 (36.7) |
| 21-30       | 1385                | 2345   | 3730   | 209                | 545    | 754    | 4484 (11.1)  |
| 31-70       | 129                 | 455    | 584    | 994                | 277    | 1271   | 1855 (4.6)   |
| 71-100      | 18                  | 6      | 24     |                    |        |        | 24 (0.1)     |
| 100+        | 4                   |        | 4      | 1                  |        | 1      | 5 (0.0)      |
| Photo Timer | 9915                | 4163   | 14078  | 1041               | 738    | 1779   | 15857 (39.2) |
| Total       | 19576               | 11347  | 30923  | 5041               | 4459   | 9500   | 40423 (100)  |
| (%)         | (48.4)              | (28.1) | (76.5) | (12.5)             | (11.0) | (23.5) | (100)        |

TABLE 14 UPPER GI SERIES, SPOT FILMING

表14 上部胃腸管X線検査, 狙撃撮影

Number of Exposures by FTD, Age 16 years and over 照射数, FTD 別, 16歳以上

| FTD in cm | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)    |
|-----------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------------|
|           | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |              |
| ~37       | 3                   | 1021   | 1024   | 302                |        | 302    | 1326 (3.3)   |
| 38-42     | 5543                | 3932   | 9475   | 824                | 2346   | 3170   | 12645 (31.3) |
| 43-47     | 702                 | 469    | 1171   | 802                | 222    | 1024   | 2195 (5.4)   |
| 48-52     | 6271                | 78     | 6349   | 533                | 286    | 819    | 7168 (17.7)  |
| 53-57     | 3877                | 2652   | 6529   |                    |        |        | 6529 (16.2)  |
| 58-62     |                     | 803    | 803    | 930                | 336    | 1266   | 2069 (5.1)   |
| 63+       | 3180                | 2383   | 5563   | 1650               | 1269   | 2919   | 8482 (21.0)  |
| Unknown   | 9                   | 9      | 9      |                    |        |        | 9 (0.0)      |
| Total     | 19576               | 11347  | 30923  | 5041               | 4459   | 9500   | 40423 (100)  |
| (%)       | (48.4)              | (28.1) | (76.5) | (12.5)             | (11.0) | (23.5) | (100)        |

TABLE 15 UPPER GI SERIES, SPOT FILMING

表15 上部胃腸管X線検査, 狙撃撮影

Number of Exposures by Field Size, Age 16 years and over 照射数, 照射野の大きさ別, 16歳以上

| Field Size in cm | Hiroshima Hospitals |        |        | Nagasaki Hospitals |        |        | Total (%)    |
|------------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------------|
|                  | Large               | Small  | Total  | Large              | Small  | Total  |              |
| Length           |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |              |
| 11-15            | 9600                | 4815   | 14415  | 1692               | 1650   | 3342   | 17757 (43.9) |
| 16-20            | 2                   | 1306   | 1308   | 662                | 505    | 1167   | 2475 (6.1)   |
| 21-25            | 2322                | 877    | 3199   | 566                | 558    | 1124   | 4323 (10.7)  |
| 26+              | 7652                | 4348   | 12000  | 2121               | 1746   | 3867   | 15867 (39.3) |
| Unknown          | 1                   | 1      | 1      |                    |        |        | 1 (0.0)      |
| Total            | 19576               | 11347  | 30923  | 5041               | 4459   | 9500   | 40423 (100)  |
| (%)              | (48.4)              | (28.1) | (76.5) | (12.5)             | (11.0) | (23.5) | (100)        |
| Width            |                     |        |        |                    |        |        |              |
| 11-15            | 12453               | 6593   | 19046  | 3318               | 2844   | 6162   | 25208 (62.4) |
| 16-20            | 1355                | 549    | 1904   | 199                | 145    | 344    | 2248 (5.6)   |
| 21-25            | 2969                | 1309   | 4278   | 820                | 589    | 1409   | 5687 (14.1)  |
| 26+              | 2799                | 2895   | 5694   | 704                | 881    | 1585   | 7279 (18.1)  |
| Unknown          | 1                   | 1      | 1      |                    |        |        | 1 (0.0)      |
| Total            | 19576               | 11347  | 30923  | 5041               | 4459   | 9500   | 40423 (100)  |
| (%)              | (48.4)              | (28.1) | (76.5) | (12.5)             | (11.0) | (23.5) | (100)        |

TABLE 16 DOSE FROM UPPER GI SERIES BY INSTITUTION AND CITY

表16 上部胃腸管X線検査による線量、医療機関及び都市別

| Apparatus         | Institution              | Total Dose / Exam. in mrad |             |       |        |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------|-------|--------|
|                   |                          | Skin                       | Bone Marrow | Gonad |        |
|                   |                          |                            |             | Male  | Female |
| Hiroshima         |                          |                            |             |       |        |
| Conventional      | (All Physicians)         | 13000                      | 340         | 34    | 640    |
| Image Intensifier | Small Hospital & Clinics | (Radiologists)             | 9000        | 230   | 21     |
|                   |                          | (Others)                   | 8600        | 180   | 14     |
| Large Hospitals   | A                        | 12000                      | 160         | 7.0   | 230    |
|                   | B                        | 9800                       | 150         | 5.1   | 180    |
|                   | C                        | 9200                       | 140         | 5.3   | 180    |
|                   | D                        | 10000                      | 160         | 5.6   | 190    |
|                   | E                        | 13000                      | 190         | 7.6   | 250    |
|                   | F                        | 12000                      | 170         | 6.7   | 220    |
|                   | G                        | 11000                      | 180         | 6.0   | 200    |
|                   | H                        | 10000                      | 160         | 5.7   | 200    |
|                   | I                        | 10000                      | 160         | 5.8   | 200    |
|                   | K                        | 8900                       | 130         | 5.2   | 170    |
|                   | L                        | 7600                       | 120         | 4.3   | 140    |
|                   | M                        | 15000                      | 220         | 9.3   | 310    |
|                   | O                        | 14000                      | 200         | 8.3   | 280    |
|                   | P                        | 11000                      | 160         | 5.8   | 200    |
|                   | Q                        | 10900                      | 160         | 6.2   | 210    |
|                   | R                        | 10900                      | 160         | 6.2   | 210    |
|                   | S                        | 10900                      | 160         | 6.2   | 210    |
| Nagasaki          |                          |                            |             |       |        |
| Conventional      | (All Physicians)         | 17000                      | 440         | 43    | 780    |
| Image Intensifier | Small Hospital & Clinics | (Radiologists)             | 13000       | 360   | 32     |
|                   |                          | (Others)                   | 8400        | 220   | 19     |
| Large Hospitals   | A                        | 12000                      | 180         | 6.9   | 230    |
|                   | B                        | 12000                      | 180         | 6.6   | 220    |
|                   | C                        | 9600                       | 150         | 5.0   | 180    |
|                   | D                        | 8800                       | 140         | 4.7   | 150    |
|                   | E                        | 6000                       | 92          | 3.2   | 110    |
|                   | F                        | 7100                       | 110         | 3.6   | 130    |
|                   | G                        | 12000                      | 170         | 6.9   | 230    |
|                   | H                        | 9900                       | 150         | 5.3   | 180    |

Conventional: Fluoroscopy apparatus without image intensifier.

従来の装置: イメージ・インテンシファイサーのない透視装置

Image Intensifier: Apparatus which intensifies light gathered from fluoroscopic screen, and transmits the latter to optical system.

イメージ・インテンシファイサー: 透視スクリーンから集められた光を増幅し、そのスクリーンを光学系へ移す装置

TABLE 17 DOSES FROM BARIUM ENEMAS BY INSTITUTION AND CITY  
表17 バリウム注腸X線検査による線量、医療機関及び都市別

| Apparatus                     | Institution | Total Dose/ Exam. in mrad |             |       |        |  |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------|--------|--|
|                               |             | Skin                      | Bone Marrow | Gonad |        |  |
|                               |             |                           |             | Male  | Female |  |
| Both Cities                   |             |                           |             |       |        |  |
| Conventional (All Physicians) |             | 7300                      | 330         | 191   | 1920   |  |
| Hiroshima                     |             |                           |             |       |        |  |
| Image Intensifier             | Small       | (Radiologist)             | 3200        | 200   | 77     |  |
|                               |             | (Others)                  | 6800        | 410   | 160    |  |
| Large                         | A           | 4300                      | 260         | 100   | 1200   |  |
|                               | B           | 3600                      | 220         | 94    | 1000   |  |
|                               | C           | 2300                      | 140         | 58    | 630    |  |
|                               | D           | 6400                      | 420         | 260   | 1800   |  |
|                               | E           | 4900                      | 320         | 160   | 1500   |  |
|                               | F           | 4900                      | 290         | 120   | 1400   |  |
|                               | G           | 5200                      | 310         | 130   | 1500   |  |
|                               | H           | 7400                      | 460         | 170   | 2100   |  |
|                               | I           | 3900                      | 230         | 96    | 1100   |  |
|                               | (Others)    | 4600                      | 290         | 127   | 1310   |  |
| Nagasaki                      |             |                           |             |       |        |  |
| Small (All Physicians)        |             | 3200                      | 200         | 86    | 860    |  |
|                               | Large       | A                         | 6000        | 330   | 180    |  |
|                               |             | B                         | 3700        | 230   | 100    |  |
|                               |             | C                         | 3700        | 250   | 260    |  |
|                               |             | D                         | 3300        | 210   | 120    |  |
|                               |             | F                         | 3000        | 190   | 77     |  |
|                               |             | G                         | 7200        | 450   | 210    |  |
| (Others)                      |             | 4600                      | 280         | 160   | 1280   |  |

TABLE 18 DOSES FROM CHEST FLUOROSCOPY BY INSTITUTION, CITIES COMBINED  
表18 胸部透視検査による線量、医療機関別、両市合計

| Apparatus         | Institution | Total Dose/Exam. in mrad |             |       |        |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------|--------|
|                   |             | Skin                     | Bone Marrow | Gonad |        |
|                   |             |                          |             | Male  | Female |
| Conventional      | All*        | 990                      | 28          | 0.28  | 1.2    |
| Image Intensifier | Small       | All                      | 470         | 17    | 0.25   |
|                   | Large       | All                      | 140         | 7.9   | 0.19   |

\*All physicians. 医師全員

## DISCUSSION

Cumulative doses incurred during fluoroscopy at community institutions are being assigned to the Adult Health Study subjects.<sup>12</sup> The dose tables compiled in this study are the basis for such dose assignments.

Although factors such as the types and frequencies of examinations and body sites vary by age, the technical factors of examinations do not vary appreciably for subjects 16 years of age or older or by RERF samples. They vary by height, body size, and body thickness.

Comparison of the current data with those of the 1964-65 survey<sup>10</sup> reflected revisions in technical factors which in turn may have affected the doses received by patients. Relatively high kVp, low mA and mAs, as well as smaller field sizes, are now more widely used.

Between the previous<sup>10</sup> and the current surveys, there have been decreases in fluoroscopy times and increases in numbers of spot films used per examination. The earlier survey<sup>10</sup> which included 159 fluoroscopy examinations, disclosed an average fluoroscopy time of 6.7 minutes, and an average of 5.0 spot film exposures per examination. During the 1974 survey,<sup>9</sup> the corresponding figures were 4.3 minutes and 13 exposures, respectively. In a 1979 survey of two large Hiroshima hospitals,<sup>12</sup> the average fluoroscopy time was 3.4 minutes and the average number of radiographic exposures was 17.2. Regarding the fluoroscopy examinations, this does not necessarily indicate a large reduction of patients' doses, because significant dose reductions were accomplished mainly by decreasing the milliamperage during fluoroscopy, and not reducing the numbers of spot films or field sizes.

## 考 察

成人健康調査の対象者には、地域の医療機関で透視中に受けた集積線量が割り出されている。<sup>12</sup> 今回の調査で作成した線量表は、このような線量割り当ての基礎資料である。

検査の種類及び頻度並びに体の部位などの因子は年齢により異なるが、検査の技術条件は、16歳以上の対象者について、あるいは放影研調査集団別にはさほど変わらない。技術条件は、身長、体の大きさ、及び体の厚みにより異なる。

現在のデータと1964-65年の調査<sup>10</sup>のデータを比較したところ、技術条件の改善が認められたが、これはまた患者が受けた線量にも影響を及ぼした可能性がある。現在では、比較的高いkVp、低いmA及びmAs、並びにより狭い照射野が広く使用されている。

以前の調査<sup>10</sup>から現在の調査までの間に透視時間は減少し、1検査当たりに使用された狙撃撮影フィルム数は増加している。159件の透視検査を扱った先の調査<sup>10</sup>では、平均透視時間は6.7分、検査当たりの平均狙撃撮影数は5.0回であった。1974年の調査<sup>9</sup>ではそれに相当する値はそれぞれ4.3分、及び13回であった。広島の二つの大病院に関する1979年の調査<sup>12</sup>においては、平均透視時間は3.4分、X線撮影の平均回数は17.2であった。透視検査に関しては、このことは必ずしも患者の線量の大幅な減少を示すものではない。なぜなら、著明な線量の減少は、主として透視検査中のミリアンペアの減少によるものであって、狙撃撮影数や照射野の大きさの減少によるものではなかったからである。

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