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TRIALS OF SKIN CANCER SCREENING FOR THE EARLY DETECTION IN SEVERAL INSTITUTES OF JAPAN

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Japanese skin type is not susceptible to photocarcinogenesis in general; however, as the increase of elderly people, the number of skin cancer is also increasing in parallel. Additionally, multi skin cancers are also observed in the same individuals. Because we often see such progressive cases as surgical operation is not indicated at the time of the first visit, it is important to detect skin cancers earlier.

To date, there are only several reports of skin cancer screening in Japan. We attempted to conduct a survey of skin cancer in local area, Fukushima city. We herein report our trial for early detection of skin cancer in Fukushima, and also present several problems for conducting such medical examination intended for the general citizens.

