CORRIGENDUM

Effects of Fine Particulate Matter on Daily Mortality for Specific Heart Diseases in Japan

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The author apologizes for errors which appeared in the **Table 1**, page 1249, Vol. 73. The daily max/min numbers for cardiac deaths were those for aged 75 and over, and the daily mean numbers were those by age categories (which were one third of correct numbers). The percentages of age categories in Fukuoka, Kawasaki, Sakai, and Sendai were incorrect. The correct version of **Table 1** is provided below.

Table 1. Demographic Statistics of Mortality From Heart Disease in 9 Areas of Japan, 2002–2004

	Tokyo	Osaka	Nagoya	Kobe	Sapporo	Fukuoka	Kawasaki	Sakai	Sendai
Total no. of cardiac deaths	28,765	9,395	8,256	5,178	4,767	3,146	3,107	2,679	2,604
Rates per 100,000*	115.4	119.8	125.5	114.4	85.8	76.5	80.4	107.6	85.4
Daily mean no. of cardiac deaths (min–max)	26.2 (6–53)	8.6 (1–22)	7.5 (0–25)	4.7 (0–15)	4.3 (0–13)	2.9 (0–12)	2.8 (0–9)	2.4 (0–10)	2.4 (0–10)
Age (%)									
0–64	14.7	16.2	17.4	19.3	13.2	19.8	14.4	16.5	16.0
65–74	18.3	20.8	19.6	17.2	18.4	20.2	17.6	21.3	17.2
75+	67.1	63.0	63.0	63.5	68.4	59.9	68.0	62.2	66.9
Sex (%)									
Men	50.9	50.9	51.9	50.0	47.7	53.8	47.4	50.1	50.8
Women	49.1	49.1	48.1	50.0	52.3	46.2	52.6	49.9	49.2
Specific cardiac deaths (%)									
AMI	20.8	22.4	21.7	27.7	28.7	36.0	30.3	22.5	29.6
HF	22.2	25.9	27.5	33.5	29.8	32.1	29.7	27.7	24.1
CACD	8.2	7.8	18.1	11.6	10.4	8.5	14.9	5.2	20.4

*Average annual mortality rates during 2002–2004 calculated by dividing the average annual number of cardiac deaths by the mean of the 2000 and 2005 populations based on the census data.

AMI, acute myocardial infarction; HF, heart failure; CACD, cardiac arrhythmia and conduction disorders.