

# Risk Management, Traceability and Measuring Productivity with POAS - Point of Act System -

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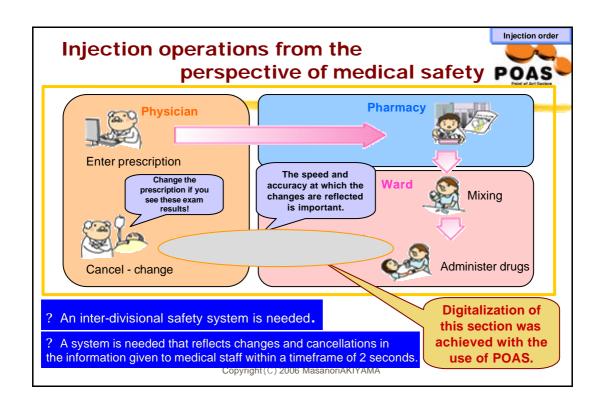
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# A system with the same granularity of paper = paperless POAS



- Electronic medical charts for peace of mind and safety
  - Compliance with the new Pharmaceutical Affairs Law, and traceability of drugs and medical supplies
- 2. Real-time updating within 2 seconds on any terminal in the hospital
  - Prevention of medical accidents and utilization of IT.
  - Realize zero-inventory (to reduce costs)
  - True information sharing
- Material flow, wards, Pharmaceutical Department and ME control room

A system with greater granularity was needed to achiev e process controls for medical procedures.

### How is this different from conventional systems?



### systems

## Conventional Enter schedule

- Before action
  - Digitalize slips
  - Record of action schedules
- After action
  - Record only the fact that the action was considered to have been taken (that insurance claims have been filed).
  - Even "real-time" systems had time lags (from 10 minutes to several hours)
- Is different from actual state.

#### POAS

#### **Enter action**

- Before action
  - To-do list of planned actions
    - Confirm immediately before action (within 2 seconds)
- When action is performed
  - Recorded at the time of confirmation
  - Manage the "alibis" of actions and objects
  - Convert to data used for insurance processes
- Completely consistent with the actual state

#### Slip granularity

Granularity of single items

### Challenges of hospital information systems



#### From a safety standpoint

- Support for sudden changes with injections
- Real-time
- Traceability

A system is needed that supports drug products barcodes.

#### From a management standpoint

- Synch with material flows
- Management support

   (Accurate costs for precision management and other tasks )

A system is needed that synchs with material flow from the moment it is introduced.

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# A system that enables safety measures and improves management efficiency



Real-time management is crucial to ensure safety.

- Medical accounting calculations (eliminate billing omissions)
- Reduce nation waiting times

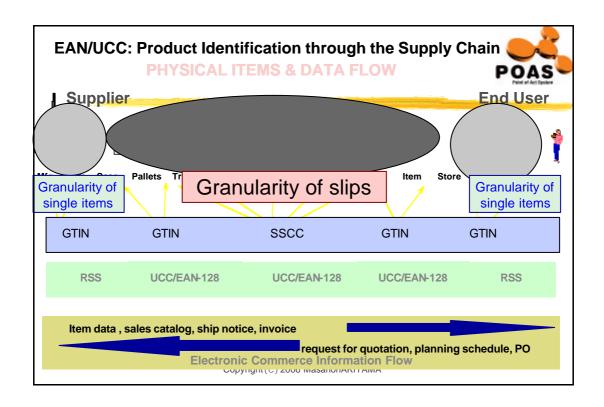
Management must be performed on a per-day basis to ensure safety. This would be impossible using electronic medical chart systems that are merely extensions of medical billing systems.

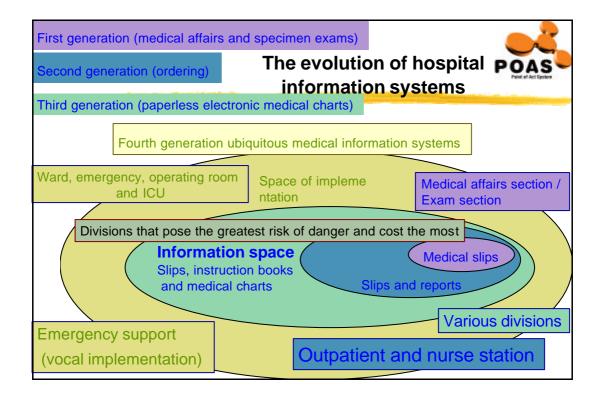
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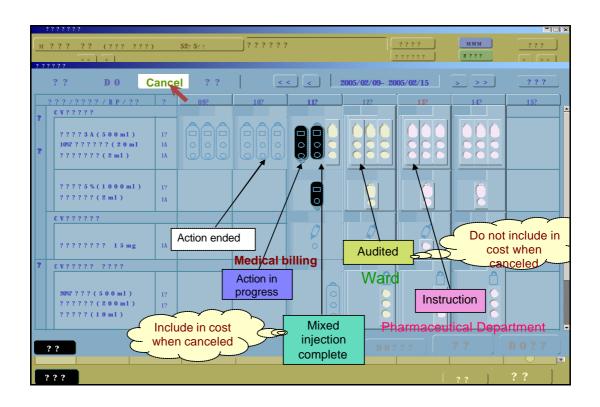
Unable to obtain in paper form (no slips). Information is also obtained automatically.

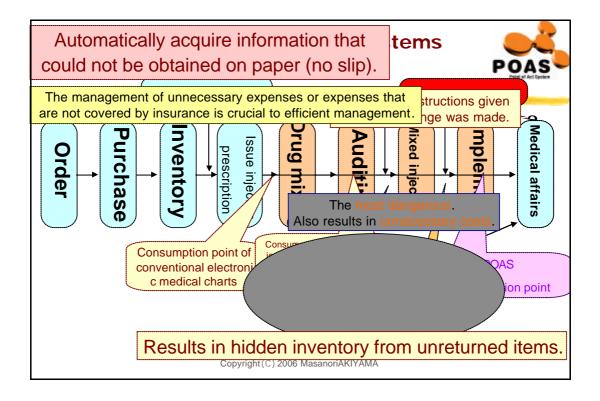
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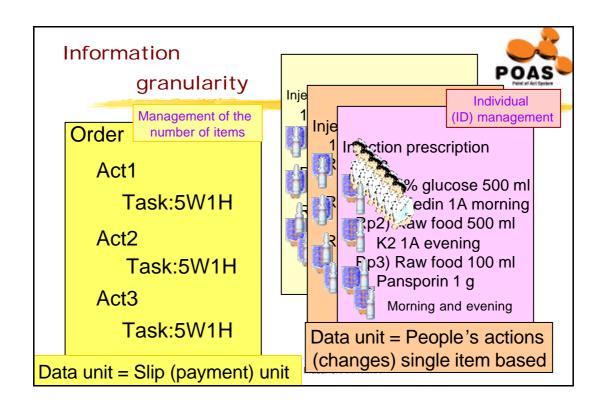
Costs that consequently cannot be covered by insurance. (Unnecessary costs) can be managed.

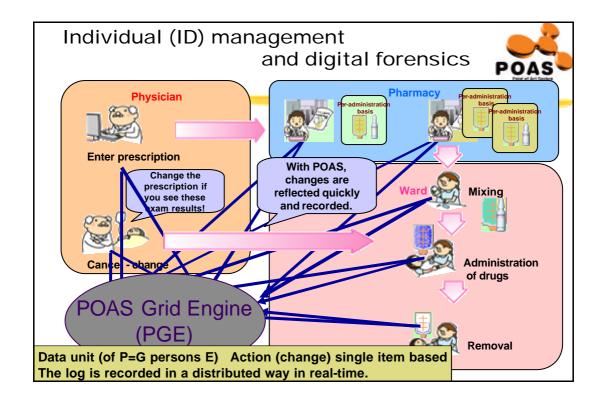


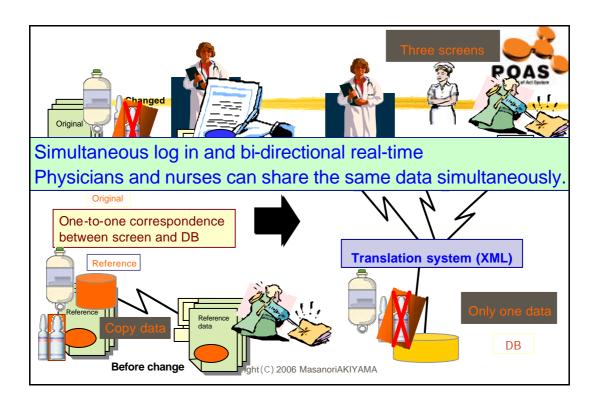


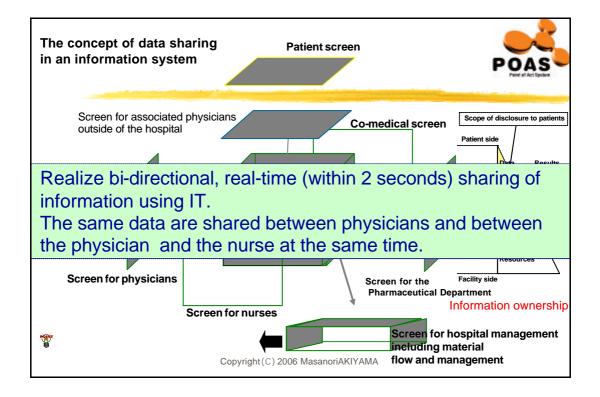












# Capable of analyzing accidents from various perspectives



Provides an accurate picture of not only the person who caused the accident, but of the actions of other medical staff as well as thesituation in the ward and outpatient clinic.

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The problem can be resolved not as an issue of individual responsibility, but as one that relates to the organization.

Planar analysis? Organizational (systemic) issues

## Objective and methods



- Objective: An analysis was performed on treatment information compiled by performing data mining on electronic medical charts. All the admission data at the National International Medical Center for a period of one year from November 2003 was used to extract elements that can be connected to medical safety measures.
- Method: All the treatment information used in this study was based on anonymous personal information obtained from admission data and appropriate security measures were taken to maintain information security. Additionally, a treatment information data warehouse optimized for this study was created. XML-based full automatic registration was used to ensure real-time and accurate entry of data.

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Period in question November 2003 through October 2004

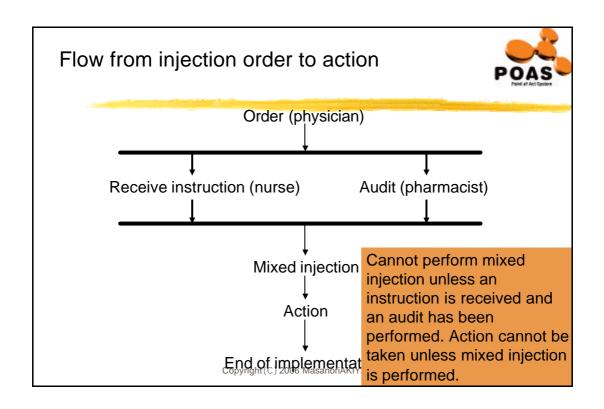
Method of observation Summarized for the entire hospital and for each ward by month, by day of week and by time.

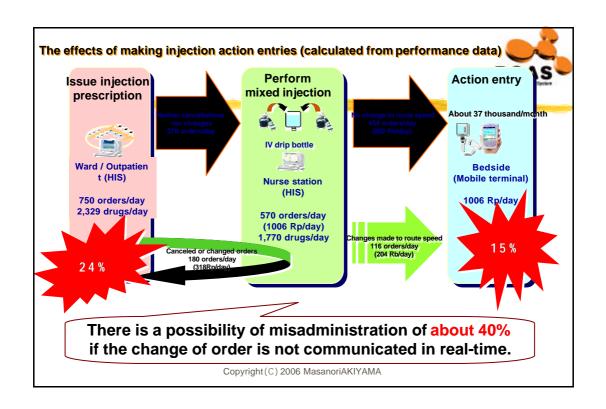
System: The PDA sounds an alarm when there is an attempt to perform an IV drip using a non-mixed injection \*3.

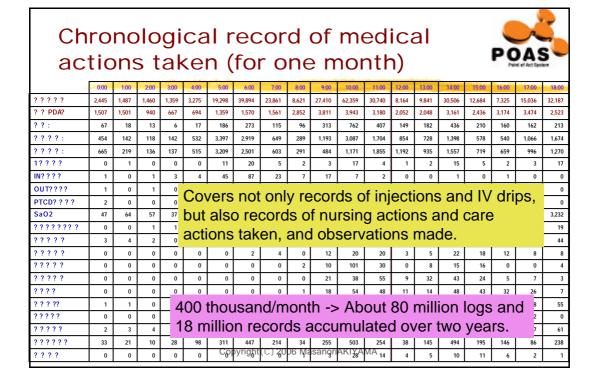
Report: Summary of the number of reports. Comparison of the information contained in reports and information recorded on the system.

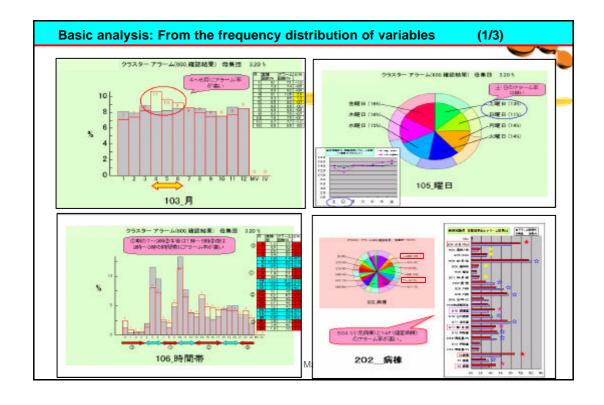
Interview: With wards that exhibited large fluctuations between different days of the week and those with characteristic alarm rates.

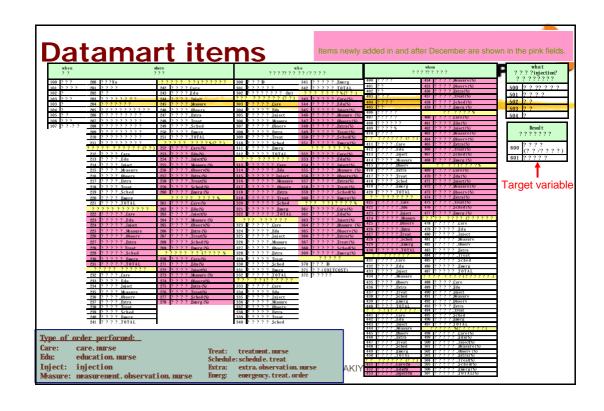
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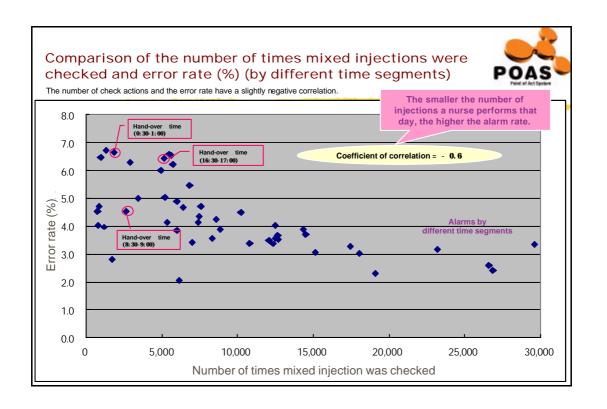


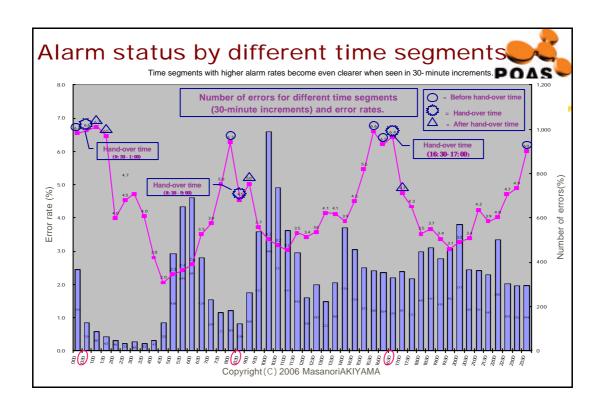


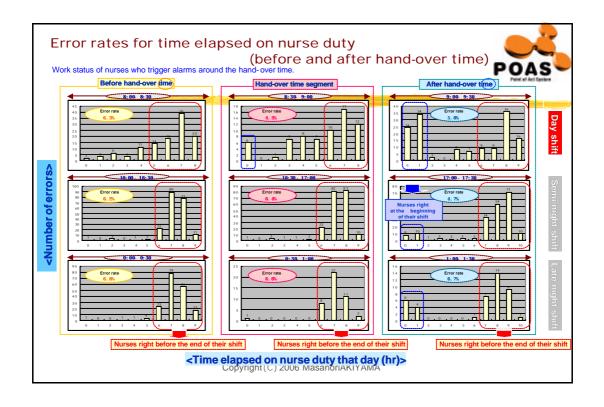


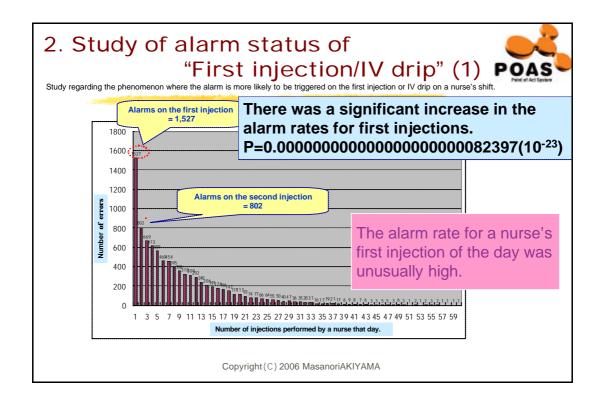


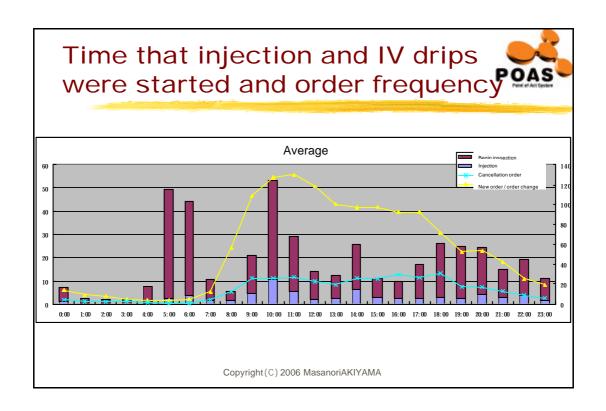


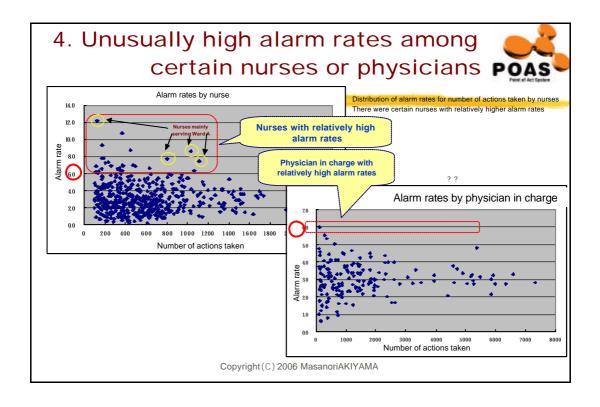














#### Results and discussion

- ? The alarm rate was the highest in April with high rates prevailing through June and declining from July onward.
- ? According to decision tree analysis:
  - ? (1) Alarm rates rose during the late night (24-04), morning (09-09) and afternoon (13-18) time segments.
  - ? (2) Alarm rates for the first injection of the day were high regardless of the time segment.
  - ? (3) Alarm rates rose when the time on duty that day exceeded 6.5 hours. Alarm rates were higher the smaller the number of injections or IV drips performed that day by the nurse. Alarm rates were also higher around shift change times. And the rise in the alarm rate for the first injection was significant (P=8.2x10-23).
- ? High alarm rates before 10 AM.
  - ? High alarm rates during time segments where physicians frequently changed their instructions. Nurses would forget to mix drugs that were placed in cold storage.
- ? From the distribution of alarm rates for the number of actions taken by a nurse, we have discovered that 1-2% of the nurses had consistently high alarm rates or were "repeaters."
- ? While risk management traditionally tended to focus on mental aspects, scientific analysis allows, to identify to ackground elements.

#### **Effects**



- Data mining or the analysis of electronic medical charts contributes not only to statistical analyses performed from a purely medical standpoint, but also to risk management in medical practices.
- It was deduced that a system that accommodated barcodes applied to every single item would be effective.
- Systems using POAS are useful for medical safety and for improving management efficiency.

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### **POAS's characteristics**



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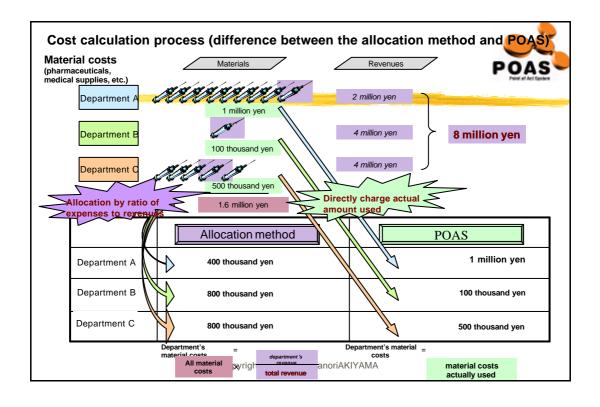
Inventory was cut to a tenth.

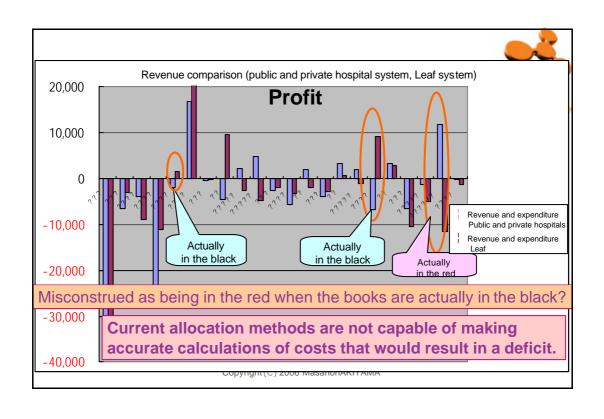
A cost reduction of 225.5 million yen was achieved for pharmaceuticals and 241.62 million yen for medical supplies.

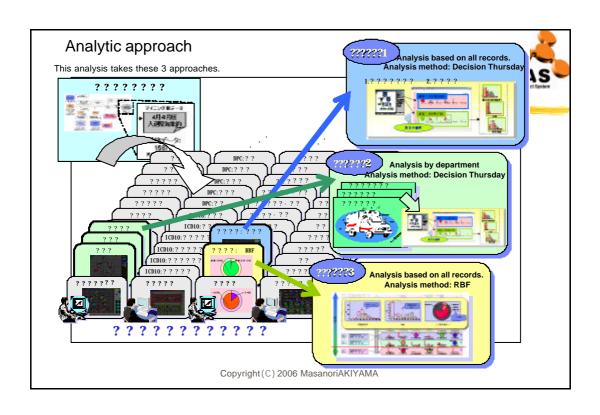
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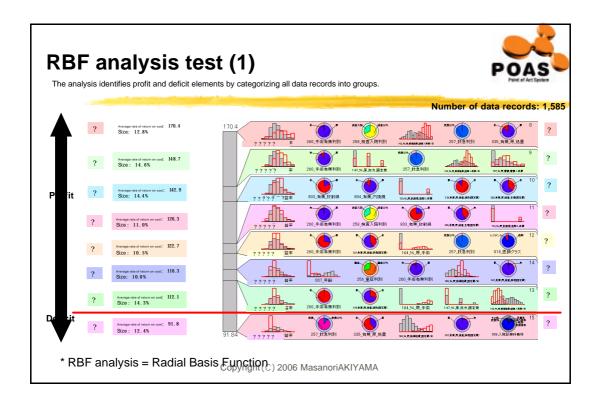


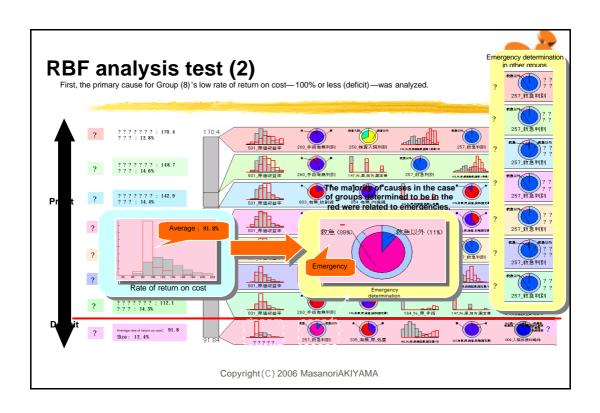
- Prevent medical accidents.
- Thorough inventory management
- Keywords are "real-time entry" and "single item management."
- The accurate acquisition of information on bedside actions is crucial.
- Acquire cancellation and change data.
  - Only about 60% can be acquired in conventional systems.
  - POAS gives an overall picture.
- This improves medical safety and management efficiency.

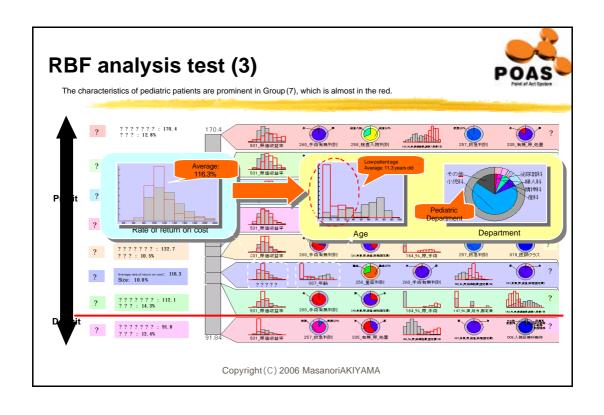






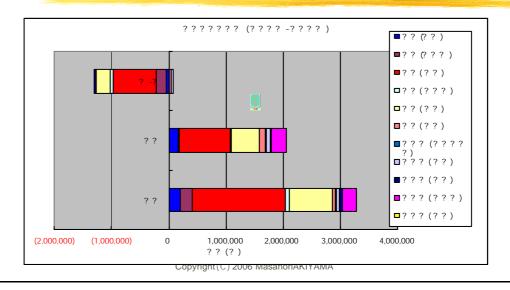






# Cost comparison (Pediatric Department)





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#### Overall characteristics

- > The cost difference for prescriptions, injections and specimen exams is prominent.
- Under the allocation method, costs tend to be distributed proportionately less than what they actually are (direct-charging method).

#### Prescription

> The difference between fixed costs is prominent.

#### **Injections**

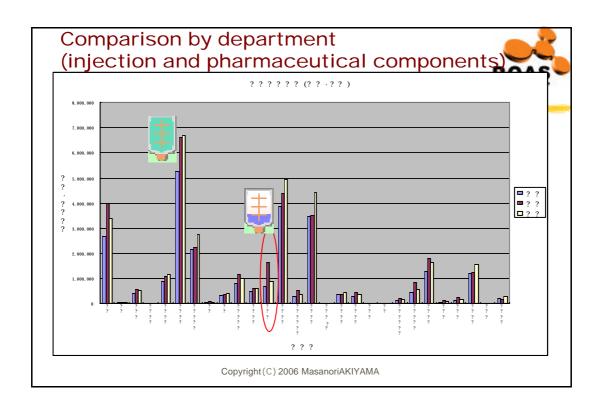
The difference in pharmaceutical costs under the allocation method were the most prominent (-753,508 yen / -46%)

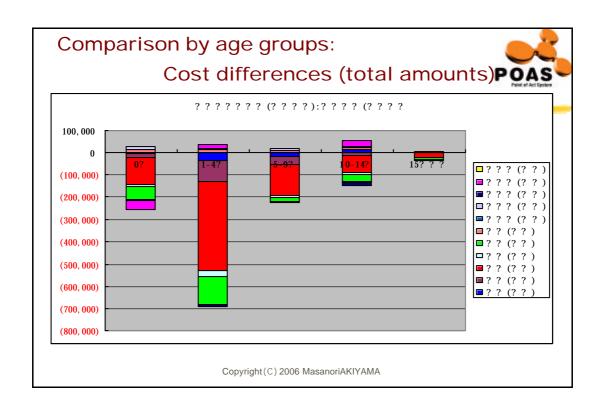
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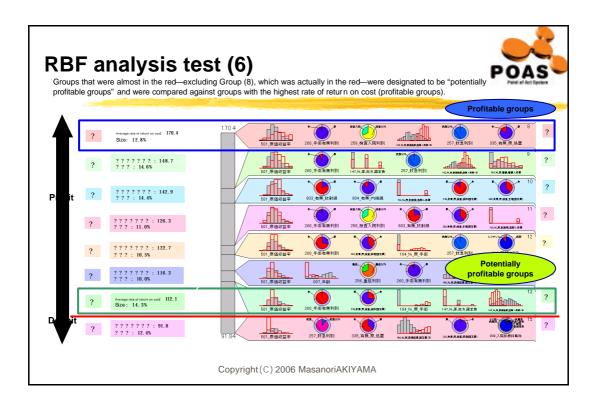
Comparison of costs by account item under the direct-charging and allocation methods. (Pediatric Department) (unit: yen)

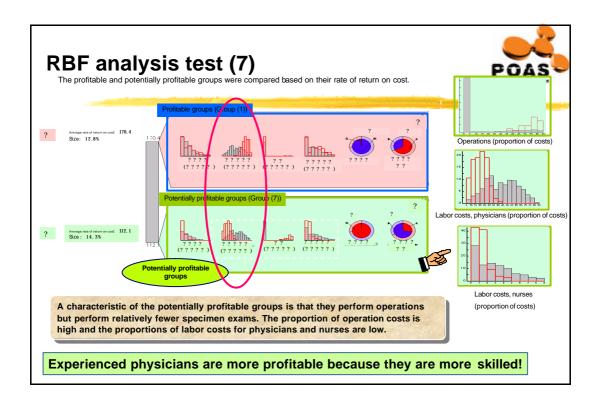
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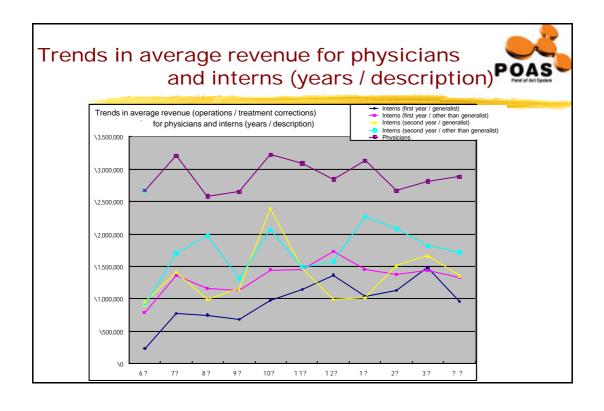
Ward costs, operations, an esthetics, treatments and nurse costs were excluded because these were excluded from the allocation

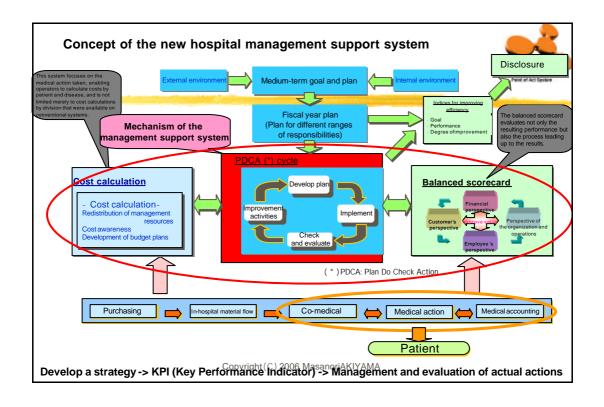


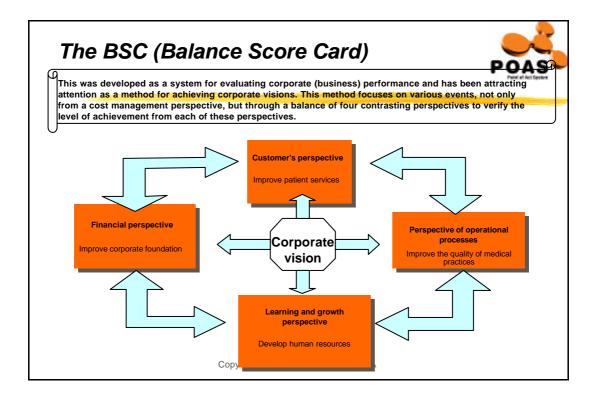


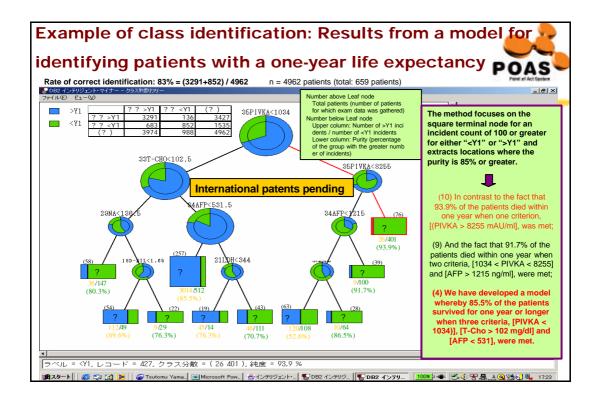


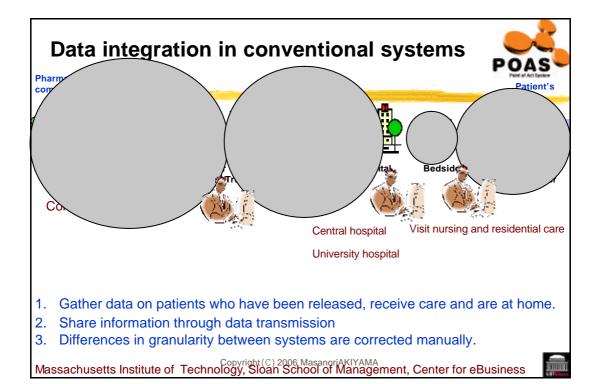


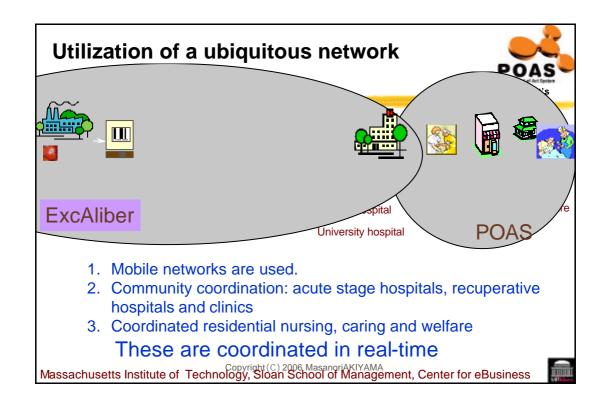


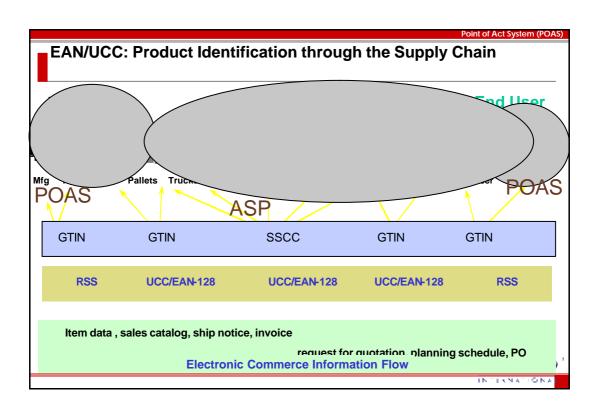


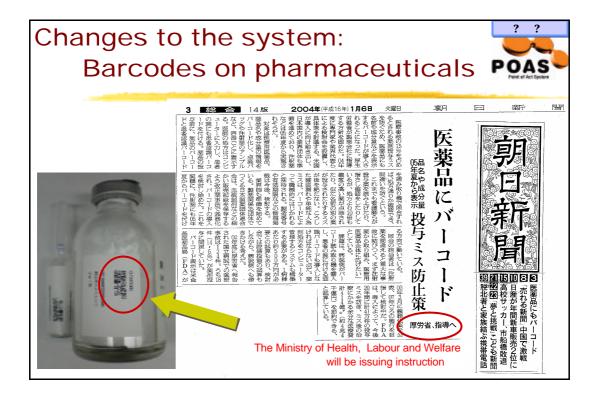












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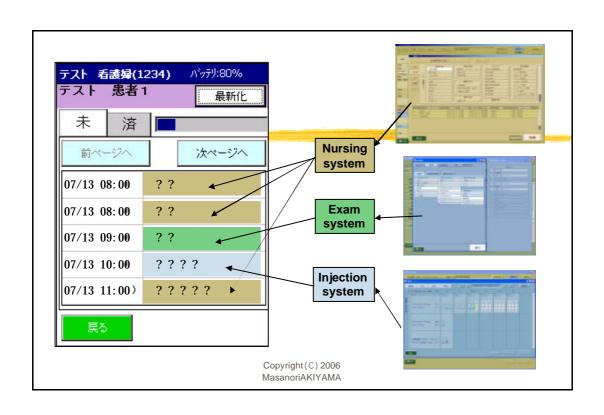
 Introduce barcodes to drugs and medical supplies to protect patients from medical accidents.

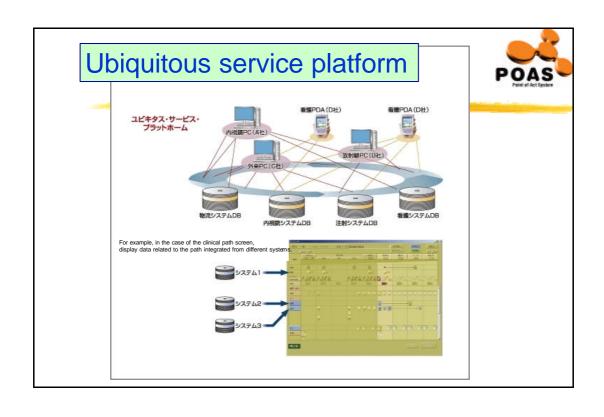
Material flow

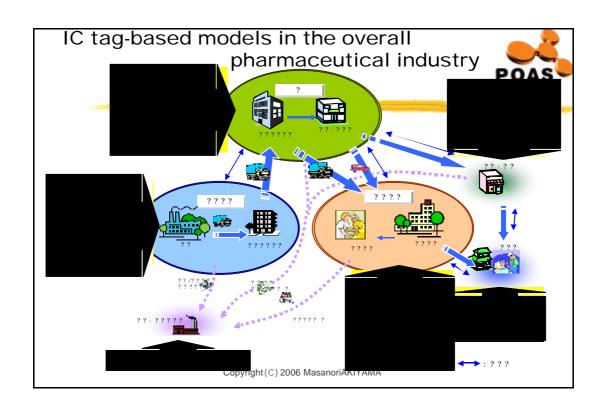
- Begin supplying products with identification labels for unit dosages
   (administration unit: by single tablet, single ampule or single vial of the drug) on
   all drugs.
- The Pharmaceutical Department will be primarily responsible for introducing barcodes for each administration unit.
- The FDA (Food and Drug Administration) has announced the Bar Code Label Requirement for Human Drug Products and Blood in March 2003 to ensure patient safety and drug traceability. This requirement was enacted as a regulation in February 2004.
- This is likely to have a major impact on the Japanese market so we must act quickly.

Study group for the standardization of code labeling.
Safety Measures Section, Bureau of Drugs and Food
Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

















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# Verification of the use of electronic tags in medical applications



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Overview of the research

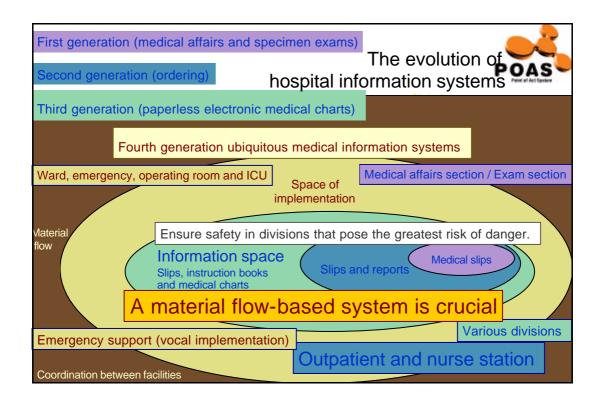
- Develop technologies that enable electronic tag-based traceability schemes for drugs and blood to improve medical safety.
- Measure the affects of electronic tags and readers on pharmaceuticals as well as the affects of radiation and sudden temperature changes on electronic tags, and gather information. Conduct verifications on the traceability of drugs and blood products using electronic tags.
- Verification of security, privacy management and the management of patient condition, status and drug administration records, and traceability.

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# Research organizations



- Tokyo Medical University Overall design of the research and directions. Responsible for blood traceability experiments.
- Tokyo Medical and Dental University Responsible for drug traceability experiments.
- Kanto Medical Center NTT EC Provides the field for drug traceability experiments.
- Hitachi Ltd.
  Assists drug traceability experiments. Provides MUChip technology.
- CSK Assists blood traceability experiments.
- Other executive committee members Provide experiment fields. Give advice from the standpoint of their respective specialties. Participate in discussions on research strategies.



# Thank you for your attention. Any Questions?

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Think!
What kind of system do you want, if your son or daughter were patients?

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