

Table 4 Reasons for prescribing Kampo medicine (n=200)

Motivations	All (n=200)		Palliative care teams(n=149)		PCUs(n=46)		p-value	specialists(n=75)		non-specialists(n=125)		p-value
	frequency	%	frequency	%	frequency	%		frequency	%	frequency	%	
Expansion of alternatives in drug therapy	144	72.0	108	72.5	34	73.9	0.933	55	73.3	89	71.2	1.000
Ineffectiveness by other treatments	129	64.5	98	65.8	27	58.7	0.810	51	68.0	78	62.4	0.631
Unavailability of other appropriate treatments	127	63.5	97	65.1	29	63.0	0.593	52	69.3	75	60.0	0.260
Adverse events can be alleviated	109	54.5	91	61.1	17	37.0	0.010	42	56.0	67	53.6	1.000
QOL can be improved and holistic treatment can be conducted	95	47.5	74	49.7	19	41.3	0.610	34	45.3	61	48.8	0.545
Scientific evidences in Kampo medicine have started being reported	84	42.0	62	41.6	19	41.3	0.177	26	34.7	58	46.4	0.097
Because of increasing in elderly patients who have several diseases	67	33.5	54	36.2	12	26.1	0.572	24	32.0	43	34.4	0.639
Kampo medicine have started being described on the guidelines	56	28.0	42	28.2	13	28.3	1.000	16	21.3	40	32.0	0.102
Patient's demand	46	23.0	34	22.8	11	23.9	0.932	28	37.3	18	14.4	0.000

*Multiple answers allowed