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LIMITING PROPERTIES OF THE OCCURRENCE/ EXPOSURE RATE AND SIMPLE RISK RATE*

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Abstract. In this paper, we study the asymptotic distributions of the functions of the occurrence/exposure rates of several groups of patients as well as Berry-Esseen bound on the distribution function of the occurrence/exposure rate. Asymptotic distributions of functions of the simple risk rates are also derived. The results are useful in not only medical research but also in the area of reliability.

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