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December 15, 2004

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of December, 2004

Commission File Number 1-15236

Advantest Corporation  
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(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

Shin Marunouchi Center Building  
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1-6-2, Marunouchi  
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Chiyoda-ku  
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Tokyo 100-0005  
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Japan  
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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F. Form 20-F  Form 40-F

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If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): \_\_\_\_\_

Materials Contained in this Report:

1. Executive summary of the registrant's Japanese-language Interim Securities Report, which was submitted to the Chief of the Kanto Local Finance Bureau

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of the Ministry of Finance of Japan on December 15, 2004.

2. English-language translation of the registrant's Interim Consolidated Financial Statements for the six-month period ended September 30, 2004, which was filed with the Chief of the Kanto Local Finance Bureau as part of the registrant's Interim Securities Report.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Advantest Corporation

By: /S/ HITOSHI OWADA

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Name: Hitoshi Owada  
Title: Director and  
Managing Executive Officer

Date: December 15, 2004