

ADVANTEST CORP  
Form 6-K  
March 24, 2009

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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 March, 2009

Commission File Number 1-15236

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

Shin Marunouchi Center Building  
1-6-2, Marunouchi  
Chiyoda-ku  
Tokyo 100-0005  
Japan  
(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.

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Yes  No

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12g3-2(b):



Material Contained in this Report:

1. English translation of a press release dated March 24, 2009, relating to the issuance of stock options of the registrant to the employees of the registrant's foreign subsidiaries.

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/ Yuichi Kurita  
Name: Yuichi Kurita  
Title: Director and Managing  
Executive  
Officer

Date: March 24, 2009