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<b>Positions</b>	International Tenure Track assistant professor University of Tsukuba	06/2019–Present
	Visiting Scholar University of California, San Diego / Mentor: Wenyan Fan	11/2022–12/2022
	Visiting Professor University of Leeds / Mentor: Tim Wright	03/2020–03/2022
	Cooperative Research Fellow Geological Survey of Japan, AIST	09/2019–03/2020
	Visiting Scholar Florida State University / Mentor: Wenyan Fan	09/2019–12/2019
	Research Fellow (PD) Japan Society for the Promotion of Science Geological Survey of Japan, AIST / Mentor: Takahiko Uchide	04/2019–06/2019
	Research Fellow (DC1) Japan Society for the Promotion of Science University of Tsukuba / Mentor: Yuji Yagi	04/2016–03/2019
	Visiting Scholar University of California, Los Angeles / Mentor: Lingsen Meng	09/2016–10/2016
<b>Grants</b>	ERI Joint Research program (Principal coordinator) Earthquake Research Institute, the University of Tokyo “Source Inversion Workshop” (2022-W-03)	2022-04-01 – 2023-03-31
	JSPS Grant-in-Aid for Scientific Research(C) (Co-PI) Development of geodetic data analysis and viscoelasticity data assimilation toward robust detection and forecast of postseismic deformation (21K03694) Budget amount: 4,160,000 JPY (Direct cost: 3,200,000 JPY, Indirect cost: 960,000 JPY)	2021-04-01 – 2025-03-31
	JSPS Grant-in-Aid for Early-Career Scientists (PI) Unraveling unconventional seismic sources using dense seismic arrays (20K14570) Budget amount: 3,770,000 JPY (Direct cost: 2,900,000 JPY, Indirect cost: 870,000 JPY)	2020-04-01 – 2024-03-31
	Grant-in-Aid for JSPS Fellows (PI) Rupture evolution during the mega and large earthquakes resolved by multi-scale source analyses (19J00814)	2019-04-01 – 2022-03-31*

Budget amount: 4,420,000 JPY (Direct cost: 3,400,000 JPY, Indirect cost: 1,020,000 JPY)  
 \*Budgets for FY2020 and FY2021 have been declined due to resignation of JSPS fellow to accept tenure-track position at University of Tsukuba

Grant-in-Aid for JSPS Fellows (PI) 2016-04-01 – 2019-03-31  
 Irregular rupture evolution during the large/great earthquakes: resolved by high-frequency radiation sources and co-seismic slip distribution (16J00298)  
 Budget amount: 2,500,000 JPY (Direct cost: 2,500,000 JPY, Indirect cost: 0 JPY)

Young Researcher Travel Support 2018  
 10th ACES (APEC Cooperation for Earthquake Science) International Workshop, Awaji Island Japan, ACES

Travel Grant 2015  
 The 3rd international summer school on Earthquake Science, Lake-Yamanaka Japan, Earthquake Research Institute of the University of Tokyo and Southern California Earthquake Center

Travel Grant 2014  
 The 2014 VISES Summer School, Oxnard CA, Southern California Earthquake Center and Earthquake Research Institute of the University of Tokyo

Travel Grant 2014  
 The 2014 Annual Meeting of Seismological Society of America, Anchorage Ak, Seismological Society of Japan

## Education

Ph.D. (Science), University of Tsukuba 03/2019  
 M.Sc. (Science), University of Tsukuba 03/2016  
 B.Sc. (Science), University of Tsukuba 03/2014

## Awards

2022 Young Faculty Award, University of Tsukuba 2022  
 AGU 2021 Editors' Citation for Excellence in Refereeing - JGR-Solid Earth 2022  
 Excellent Reviewers for 2020, Earth, Planets and Space 2021  
 President Prize, University of Tsukuba 2019  
 Outstanding Student Presentation Award, JpGU Meeting 2018 2018  
 Outstanding reviewer, Earth and Planetary Science Letters 2018  
 Best Student Award, Doctoral Program in Earth Science Evolution, University of Tsukuba 2017  
 Outstanding Student Presentation Award, JpGU-AGU Joint Meeting 2017 2017  
 Best Poster Presentation Award, Tsukuba Global Science Week 2015 2015  
 Outstanding Student Presentation Awards, Seismol. Society of Japan 2014 Fall Meeting 2014  
 Outstanding Student Award (Provost Prize), University of Tsukuba 2014

## Service

### Journal editor

Seismica - Editorial Board member, Editor of *Fast Reports* 2022–

### Journal referee

Earth and Planetary Science Letters, Earth, Planets and Space, Geophysical Journal International, Geophysical Research Letters, Journal of Asian Earth Sciences, Journal of Geophysical Research - Solid Earth, Nature Geoscience, Progress in Earth and Planetary Science, Physics of the Earth and Planetary Interiors, Pure and Applied Geophysics, Scientific Reports, Tectonophysics

### Conference convener

- Co-convenor 2022  
 with Zhe Jia, Théa Ragon, and Elisa Tinti  
 AGU Fall Meeting 2022, S001: Advancements in imaging earthquake source processes

- Co-convenor 2022  
with Makiko Ohtani, Keishi Okazaki, and Shunya Kaneki  
JpGU Meeting 2022, S-SS07: Fault Rheology and Earthquake Physics
- Co-convenor 2022  
with Saeko Kita  
JpGU Meeting 2022, U-07: Study abroad during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Co-convenor 2020  
with Théa Ragon, Wenyuan Fan, and Dara Goldberg  
AGU Fall Meeting 2020, S036/S037/S042/S043: Modeling and imaging complex earthquake ruptures
- Co-convenor 2019  
with Théa Ragon, Wenyuan Fan, and Harsha Bhat  
AGU Fall Meeting 2019, S42B/S51E: Resolving the complexity of earthquake processes
- Co-convenor 2019  
with Saeko Kita, Tomohiro Ohuchi, and Marcel Thielmann  
JpGU Meeting 2019, S-CG50: Intralab and intraplate earthquakes
- Primary convenor 2018  
with Wenyuan Fan, Valère Lambert, and Zacharie Duputel  
AGU Fall Meeting 2018, S41A/S42A/S43C: Earthquake Source Physics: Unified perspectives from Kinematic Source Imaging, Physics-based Modeling, Laboratory Experiments, and Earthquake Geology

#### Organizer

- Source Inversion Workshop 2022  
Earthquake Research Institute, the University of Tokyo, Joint Research Program  
<https://rokuwaki.github.io/SIW/>
- SOLIST (SOLId-earth Seminar of Tsukuba) seminar series 2021–  
<https://www.geol.tsukuba.ac.jp/~rokuwaki/solist/>

**Research interests**      Geophysics, Seismology, Earthquake seismology, Earthquake-source kinematics and physics, Earthquake source imaging (backprojection, finite-fault modeling), Earth’s subsurface phenomena, Environmental seismology, Array seismology

**Invited talks**      Envisioning the Future of Geophysics: A Celebration of the Centennial of the Seismological Laboratory, Caltech, Pasadena CA 2022  
American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting 2021, S44C-04, New Orleans LA (online) 2021  
Imperial College London, Earth and planets seminars, London UK (online) 2021  
JpGU Meeting 2018, Session: Intralab and intraplate earthquake, Chiba JP 2018  
SCEC-ERI, The 3rd international summer school on Earthquake Science, Yamanashi JP2015

**Publications**

- Hu, Y., Yagi, Y., **Okuwaki, R.**, Yamaguchi, R., & Gao, H., Restricted rupture evolution of the 2022 Mw 6.7 Luding China earthquake (submitted).  
doi:10.31223/X5QS7H
- Ohara, K., Yagi, Y., Yamashita, S., **Okuwaki, R.**, Hirano, S., & Fukahata, Y., Complex evolution of the 2016 Kaikoura earthquake revealed by teleseismic body waves (submitted).  
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32. Fang, J., Ou, Q., Wright, T. J., **Okuwaki, R.**, Amey, R., Craig, T. J., Elliott, J. R., Hooper, A. J., Lazecky, M., & Maghsoudi, Y., Earthquake Cycle Deformation Associated with the 2021 Mw 7.4 Maduo (Eastern Tibet) Earthquake: An Intraplate Rupture Event on a Slow-Slipping Fault from Sentinel-1 InSAR and Teleseismic Data (accepted). *J. Geophys. Res. Solid Earth*, , –, .

31. Yamashita, S., Yagi, Y., **Okuwaki, R.**, Shimizu, K., Agata, R., & Fukahata, Y., Potency density tensor inversion of complex body waveforms with time-adaptive smoothing constraint. *Geophysical Journal International*, 231, 91–107, May 2022.  
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26. **Okuwaki, R.**, & Fan, W., Oblique convergence causes both thrust and strike-slip ruptures during the 2021 M 7.2 Haiti earthquake. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 49, e2021GL096373, January 2022.  
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25. **Okuwaki, R.**, Hicks, S. P., Craig, T. J., Fan, W., Goes, S., Wright, T. J., & Yagi, Y., Illuminating a Contorted Slab with a Complex Intralab Rupture Evolution during the 2021 Mw 7.3 East Cape, New Zealand Earthquake, *Geophysical Research Letters*, 48, e2021GL095117, December 2021.  
doi:10.1029/2021GL095117
24. Hu, Y., Yagi, Y., **Okuwaki, R.**, & Shimizu, K., Back-propagating rupture evolution within a curved slab during the 2019 Mw 8.0 Peru intraslab earthquake, *Geophysical Journal International*, 223, 1602–1611, December 2021.  
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23. **Okuwaki, R.**, Fan, W., Yamada, M., Osawa, H., & Wright, T. J., Identifying landslides from continuous seismic surface waves: a case study of multiple small-scale landslides triggered by Typhoon Talas, 2011, *Geophysical Journal International*, 226, 729–741, August 2021.  
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18. **Okuwaki, R.**, Hirano, S., Yagi, Y., & Shimizu, K., Inchworm-like source evolution through a geometrically complex fault fueled persistent supershear rupture during the 2018 Palu Indonesia earthquake, *Earth and Planetary Science Letters*, 547, 116449 (1–8), October 2020.  
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  3. Yagi, Y., **Okuwaki, R.**, Enescu, B., & Fukahata, Y., Unusual low-angle normal fault earthquakes after the 2011 Tohoku-oki megathrust earthquake, *Earth, Planets and Space*, 67, 7 pages, June 2015.  
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