

## Tectonic geomorphology and subsurface geology of active folds in the Nagaoka Plain, Niigata Prefecture, central Japan

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