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Active faults along the southeastern margin of the Echigo Plain based on tectonic geomorphology and borehole data

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We studied active faults/folds along the southeastern margin of the Echigo Plain based on analysis of tectonic geomorphology and borehole data. The margin east of Nagaoka City is marked by west-facing fold scarps on fluvial terraces for a distance of 10 km that are probably related to an east-dipping reverse fault. Boreholes revealed that the erosional boundaries between the Plio-Pleistocene Uonuma Formation and late Quaternary terrace gravels are higher to the east across the fold scarps. We plan to calculate the slip rate of the east-dipping reverse fault by estimating the ages of the fluvial terraces based on tephrochronology.

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