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Economist working in empirical industrial organization, econometrics, and market design. My research combines Japanese platform, healthcare, and procurement data with structural estimation and counterfactual policy analysis.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Yokohama City University, Lecturer (tenured) April 2026-present
University of Tokyo, Research Assistant Professor at UTMD 2025-2026

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, New York University 2020-2025
MA in Economics, The University of Tokyo 2018-2020
BA in Economics, The University of Tokyo 2013-2018

WORKING PAPERS

Policy Learning by a Magician

Remembering the Shogun Era: Long-Run Effects of a Catastrophe on Policymaking over 160 years

with Hikaru Kawarazaki

Supplemental Appendix

Who Is Shown to Whom? Sorting, Screening, and Exposure Design on a Two-Sided Matching Platform

Accepted for *WINE 2026*

Caps vs. Prices: Regulating Matching Markets with Distributional Disparities

with Atsushi Iwasaki, Akira Matsushita, and Kyohei Okumura

EC 2025 (Exemplary Paper Award, Empirics Track)

Joint Venture Formation in Procurement Auctions

with Ken Onishi and Naoki Wakamori

PUBLICATIONS

Competition-Driven Physician-Induced Demand

Kei Ikegami, Ken Onishi, and Naoki Wakamori

Journal of Health Economics, Vol. 79, September 2021

A Simple, Fast, and Safe Mediator for Congestion Management

Kei Ikegami, Kyohei Okumura, and Takumi Yoshikawa

AAAI 2020 (Oral and Poster presentation)

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Signal Magician: Online Allocation with Imperfect Screening (with Shuhei Otani and Yuta Nakamura)

Bargaining over Leasing Contracts

Wage Stagnation in Daycare Industry: A Two-Sided Market Perspective (with Kan Kuno)

Recommendation and Long-run Matching Outcomes (presented at SWET 2026)

Procuring Hunting Effort

RESEARCH AND INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

CyberAgent , Research Intern	2023
Center for Research and Education in Program Evaluation (CREPE) , Trainee	2018-2020
Preferred Networks , Intern and Part-time Engineer	2018-2019

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Upcoming

2026: The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) seminar; WINE 2026; APIOC 2026

Recent

2026: SWET, SSCW, MATCH-UP, IIOC

2025: ESWC, EC 2025, HKUST(GZ), Penn State, IIOC

2024: UTMD Rising Stars in Market Design, APIOC, JEMIOW, NYU seminars, AEA Annual Meeting

2023: Yokohama National University, Otaru University of Commerce, JEMIOW, KCL (QPE Workshop), NYU Student Econometrics Lunch

2022: APIOC, Waseda University Applied Econometrics Conference

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer, ACM Conference on Economics and Computation (EC)

TEACHING

Current Courses

Econometrics (Undergraduate), Yokohama City University

Econometrics (Graduate), Yokohama City University

Previous Teaching

Teaching Assistant, Econometrics (PhD), New York University, 2021-2022

Teaching Assistant, Econometrics (MS in Quantitative Economics), New York University, 2022-2023

GRANTS

JSPS KAKENHI, Grant-in-Aid for Early-Career Scientists

Principal Investigator, April 2026-March 2029

Understanding Firm and Consumer Behavior in the Healthcare Industry, Grant No. JP26K16347

IPA MITOU Advanced Program

FY2019, JPY 10,000,000 (project total)

Development of CRAB: A Congestion Control System Using Mechanism Design and Machine Learning
with Akira Matsushita and Kyohei Okumura

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

MacCracken Fellowship, 2020-2025

CREPE Scholarship Program, 2018-2020

Distinguished Graduation Thesis

SKILLS

Programming: Python, R, Julia, Stata

Languages: Japanese (native), English (fluent)

Citizenship: Japan