

# Workshop on the Next-Generation Liquefaction Database

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# The NGL Database: graphical interface and population status

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Engineer Change.

# Outline

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Introduction

The NGL database graphical interface

Current status of the database

Final remarks and path forward

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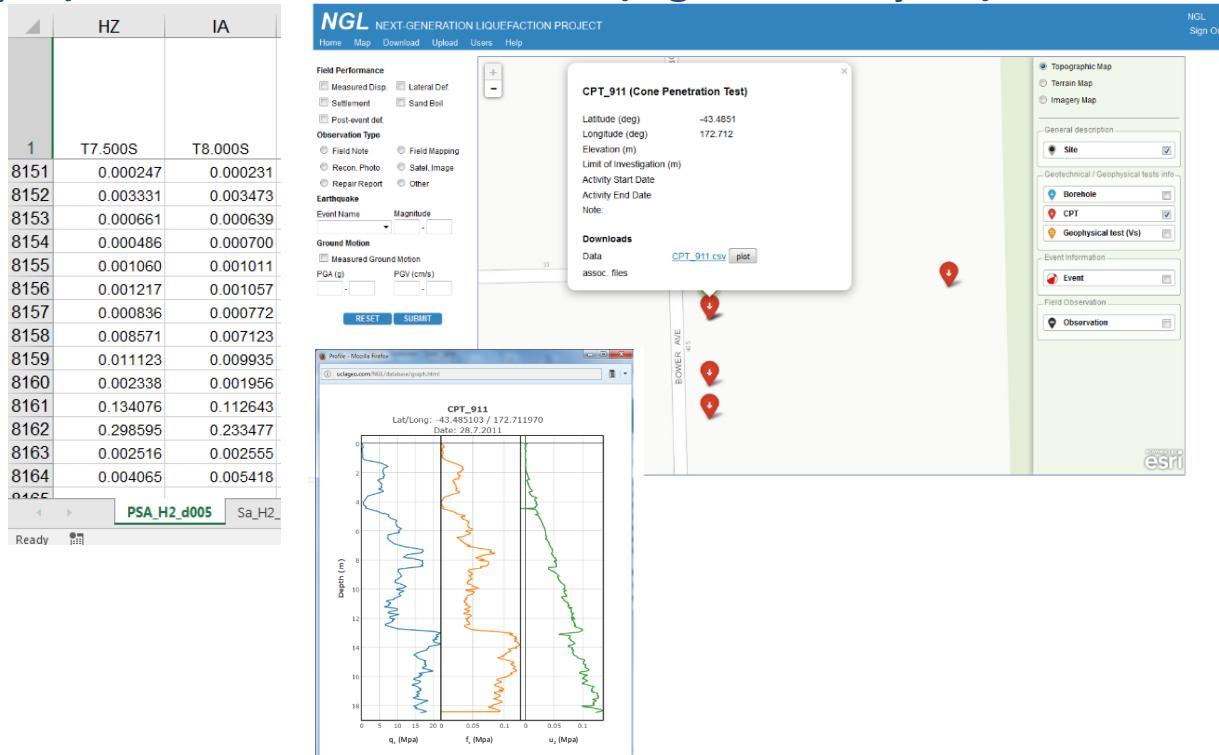


# Traditional vs Next-Generation Databases

**From spreadsheet**  
(Traditional data analysis)

Record Sequence Number	EQID	Earthquake Name	YEAR	MODY	HRMN
2 1	0001	Helena, Montana-01	1935	1031	1838
3 2	0002	Helena, Montana-02	1935	1031	1918
4 3	0003	Humbolt Bay	1937	0207	0442
5 4	0004	Imperial Valley-01	1938	0606	0242
6 5	0005	Northwest Calif-01	1938	0912	0610
7 6	0006	Imperial Valley-02	1940	0519	0437
8 7	0007	Northwest Calif-02	1941	0209	0945
9 8	0008	Northern Calif-01	1941	1003	1614
10 9	0009	Borrego	1942	1021	1622
11 10	0010	Imperial Valley-03	1951	0124	0717
12 11	0011	Northwest Calif-03	1951	1008	0411
13 12	0012	Kern County	1952	0721	1153
14 13	0012	Kern County	1952	0721	1153
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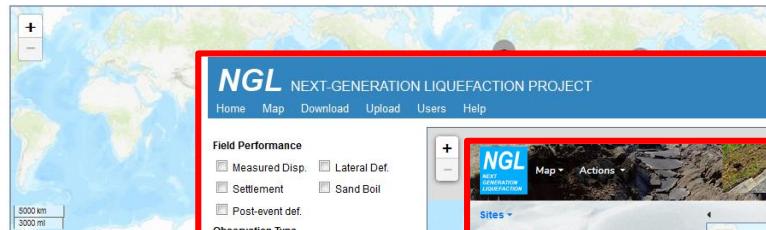
**To relational database**  
(big-data analytics)



# NGL Database GUI development

## Next-Generation Liquefaction Database

### Number of Sites



**NGL** NEXT-GENERATION LIQUEFACTION PROJECT

Home Map Download Upload Users Help

#### Field Performance

- Measured Disp.
- Lateral Def.
- Settlement
- Sand Boll
- Post-event def.

#### Observation Type

- Field Note
- Field Mapping
- Recon. Photo
- Satel. Image
- Repair Report
- Other

#### Earthquake

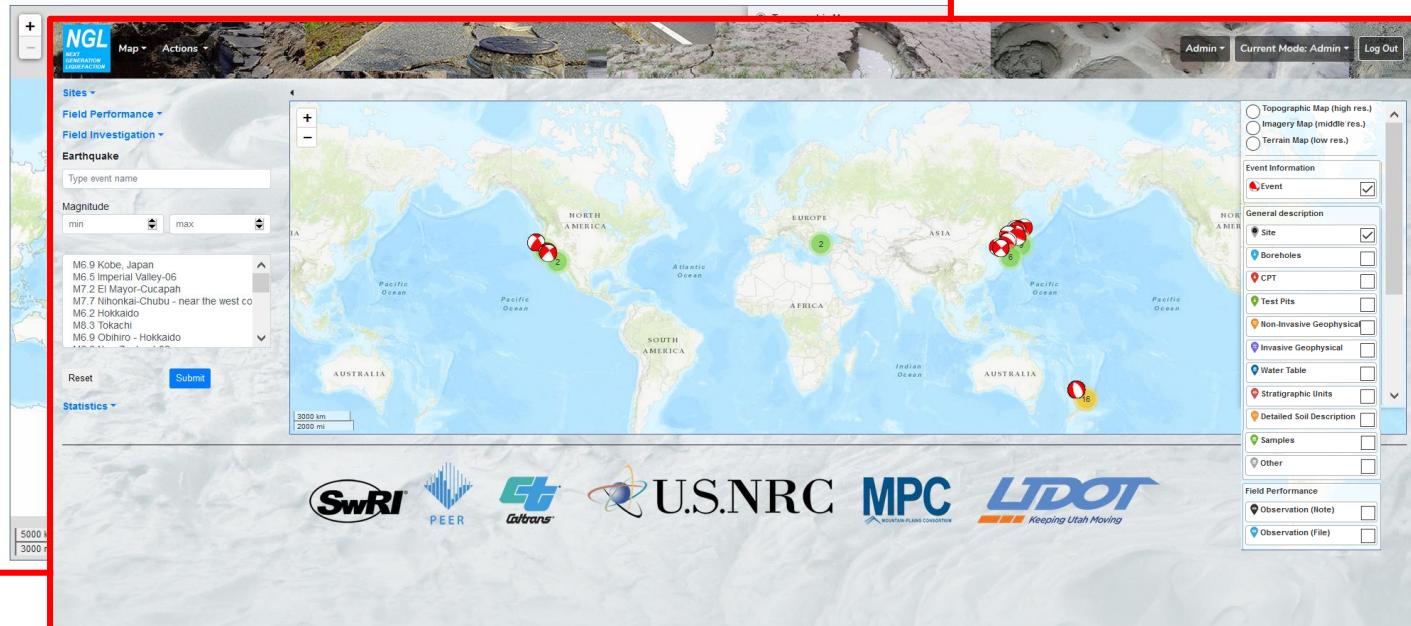
Event Name  Magnitude

#### Ground Motion

- Measured Ground Motion
- PGA (g)
- PGV (cm/s)

**RESET**

**SUBMIT**



**Ver. Beta\_1**  
(csv + SQL)



**Ver. Beta\_2**  
(full SQL)



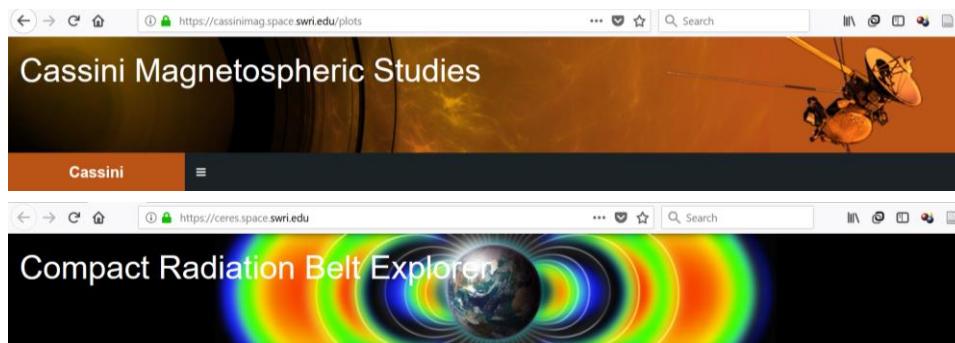
**Official release (ver. 2.04)**  
(full SQL + Review)

# NGL Database GUI development



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***www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org***

**Sites**

**Field Performance**

**Field Investigation**

**Earthquake**

Type event name

Magnitude

min max

MS 9 Kobe, Japan  
MS 5 Imperial Valley-06  
MT 2 El Mayor-Cucapah  
MT 7 Nihonkai-Chubu - near the west co  
MS 6 San Simeon  
MS 3 Tokachi  
MS 9 Obihiro - Hokkaido

Reset Submit

Statistics

Topographic Map (high res.)  
Imagery Map (middle res.)  
Terrain Map (low res.)

Event Information

Event Site Boreholes CPT Test Pits Non-Invasive Geophysical Invasive Geophysical Water Table Stratigraphic Units Detailed Soil Description Samples Other

Field Performance Observation (Note)

Map Actions Admin Current Mode: Admin Log Out



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# NGL Database GUI Earthquake Events

## Liquefaction analysis (at least):

- Magnitude of the earthquake event
- Estimation of intensity measures at the site
- Ground motion characterization
- Analysis of liquefaction sites with ground motion recordings

## Four Tables in the database:

Event information

Recording stations

Finite fault models

Ground motion intensity measures

# NGL Database GUI Earthquake Events

## NGL Event Super-users!

Name	Magnitude	Date	Actions
Tohoku-oki	9	1/13/11 5:46 PM	Edit Delete
Toho-oki - Hokkaido (Kuril Islands)	8.3	10/4/94 1:23 PM	Edit Delete
Tokachi	8.3	9/25/03 7:50 PM	Edit Delete
Tokachi-oki - off the east coast of Honshu	8.2	5/16/68 12:49 AM	Edit Delete
Denali, Alaska	7.9	11/3/02 12:00 AM	Edit Delete
Wenchuan, China	7.9	5/12/08 12:00 AM	Edit Delete
Kaikoura, New Zealand	7.8	11/13/16 11:02 AM	Edit Delete
Nihonkai-Chubu - near the west coast of Honshu	7.7	5/26/83 2:59 AM	Edit Delete
Sitka, Alaska	7.68	7/30/72 12:00 AM	Edit Delete
Chi-Chi, Taiwan	7.62	9/20/99 12:00 AM	Edit Delete



**PEER Ground Motion Database**  
Pacific Earthquake Engineering Research Center

**NGA West 2 Database**  
**NGA Subduction (soon...)**

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# NGL Database GUI Earthquake Events

## *NGL Event Super-users!*

Additional information (and/or missing events) from:

Open literature

### Article Citation:

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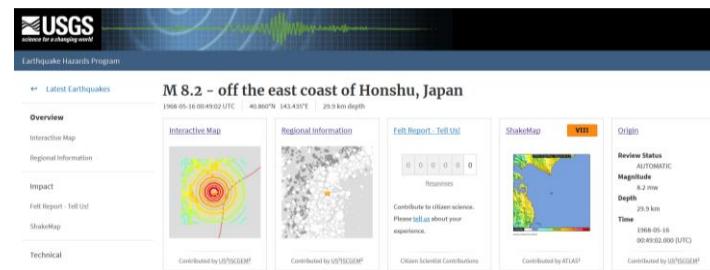
Local networks

Global CMT catalogue



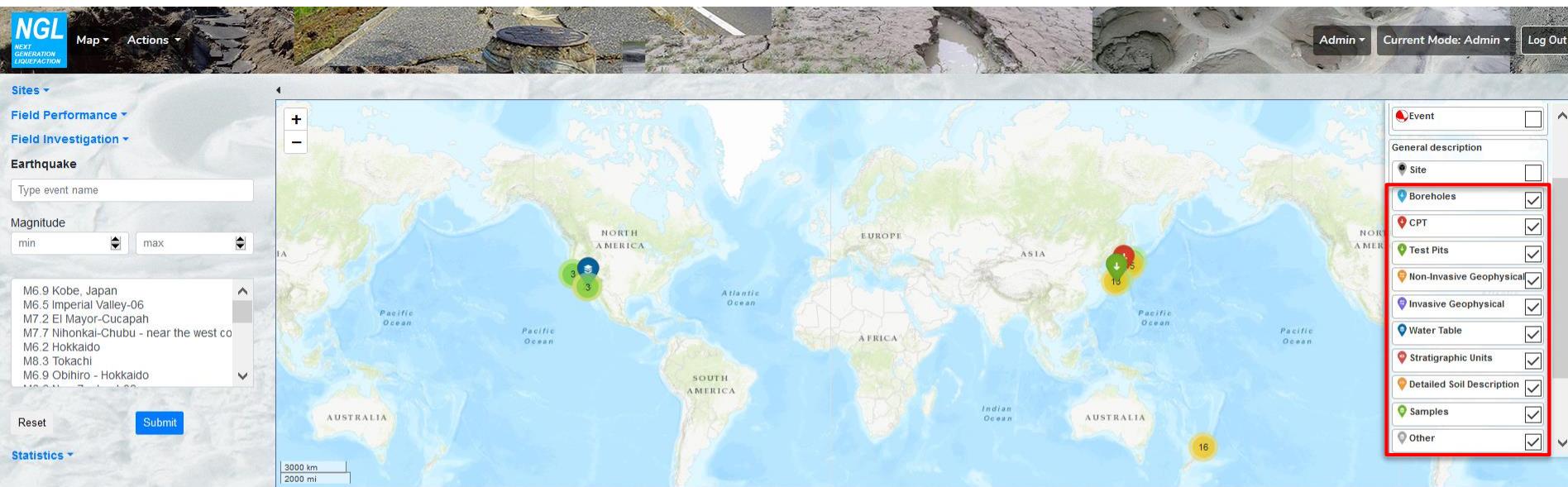
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USGS website



# NGL Database GUI (Map view)

*[www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org](http://www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org)*



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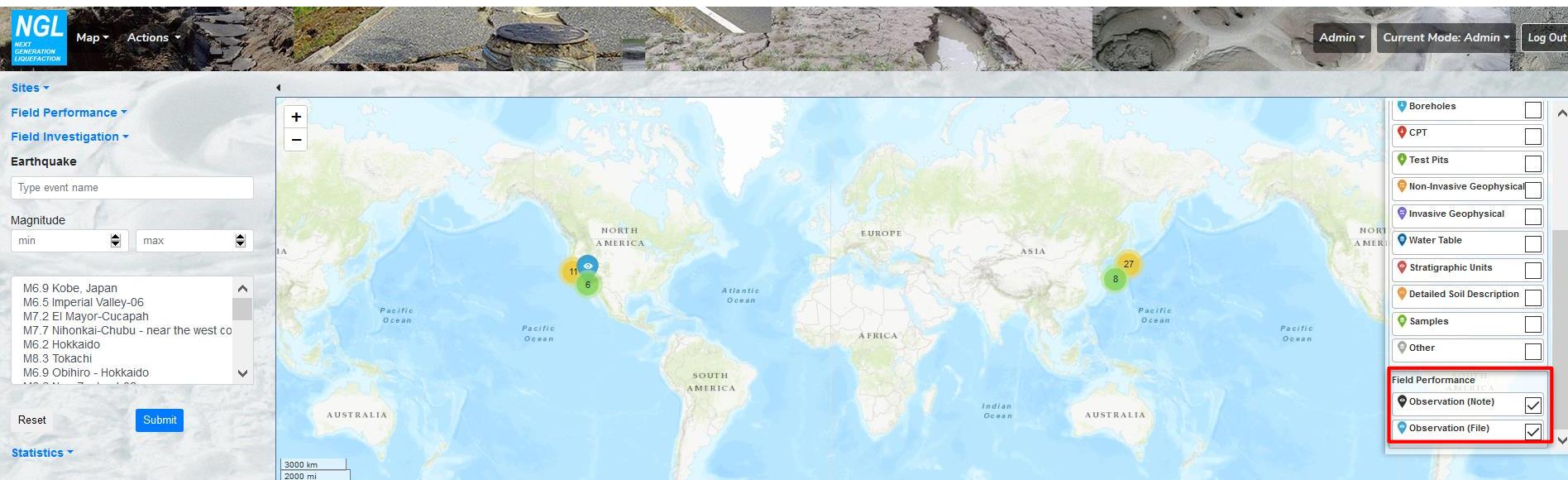


*Earthquake events (that produced observations)*

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# NGL Database GUI (Map view)

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*Post-earthquake observations*

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# NGL Database GUI (List view and functionalities)

***www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org***

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the NGL Database GUI at [www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org/sites](http://www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org/sites). The interface includes a header with the NGL logo, a map, and action buttons. Below the header is a search bar and a main content area titled "Search and select a site". The content area displays a list of site entries, each with a name, edit, delete, and member management buttons, along with dropdown menus for field tests and observations, and buttons for submission and comments.

Site Name	Action Buttons	Field Tests	Field Observations	Submission	Comments
Amagasaki	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
Bonds Corner	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
Hachirogata	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
Higashi-Kobe Bridge	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
Hanshin Expressway	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
HKD086	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
Brady Farm4	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
Edgecumbe Pipe Breakages	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
Gordon Farm1	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
Gordon Farm2	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				
James Street Loop	Edit, Delete, Add Member, Field Tests, Field Observations, Submit for review, Add Comment, View Member Comments				

# NGL Database GUI

## (How to upload a case history?)

***www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org***

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL [www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org/sites](http://www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org/sites). The page title is "Add Site From File". It features a "Browse..." button with "No file selected." and an "Add Site Manually" button. To the right, there's a search bar with "Search" and a "Site" icon, and a "Map" section showing a satellite view of a site. Below the search bar is a "Type a site name to search" input field. At the bottom, there are several buttons: "Edit", "Delete", "Add Member", "Field Tests", "Field Observations", "Submit for review", "Add Comment", and "View Member Comments". The top right corner shows "Admin", "Current Mode: Admin", and "Log Out".

**1. Using the online guided step-by-step procedure**

**2. Using a pre-populated csv template (empty template + example provided)**

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet titled "sites.csv" with data in rows 1 through 29. The columns are labeled A through N. Row 1 contains column headers. Rows 2 through 6 show data for the "GROUP" and "HEADING" levels. Rows 7 through 11 show data for the "SITE" level, including columns for SITE\_ID, SITE\_NAME, SITE\_LAT\_deg, SITE\_LON\_deg, SITE\_GEOL, SITE\_REM, SITE\_STAT, and SITE\_REVW. Rows 12 through 16 show data for the "TEST" level, including columns for TEST\_ID, SITE\_ID, TEST\_NAME, TEST\_TYPE, TEST\_LAT\_deg, TEST\_LON\_deg, TEST\_ELEV\_m, TEST\_REM, TEST\_STAT, and TEST\_REVW. Rows 17 through 21 show data for the "TESF" level, including columns for TESF\_ID, TEST\_ID, TESF\_DESC, and FILE\_ID. The data includes various data types such as INT(6), VARCHAR(100), and DOUBLE.

# NGL Database GUI (How to upload a case history?) - manually

***www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org***

The screenshot shows a web browser window for the NGL Database GUI. The URL in the address bar is [www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org/sites](http://www.nextgenerationliquefaction.org/sites). The page header includes the NGL logo, a map button, an actions dropdown, and user authentication information (Admin mode). Below the header is a large image of a damaged utility pipe on a street.

The main content area has two sections: "Add Site From File" and "Search and select a site". The "Add Site From File" section contains a "Browse..." button and a message "No file selected.". The "Search and select a site" section has a search input field with placeholder text "Type a site name to search".

A list of site entries is displayed below, each with a "View Member Comments" link and a cursor icon pointing to the first entry:

Amagasaki	Edit	Delete	Add Member	Field Tests ▾	Field Observations ▾	Submit for review	Add Comment	View Member Comments
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# NGL Database GUI (How to upload a case history?) csv template

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# NGL Database GUI User Experience

Just something  
that works(?)



Wrong  
design

Something  
better



redundant

A well-  
designed  
product



# NGL Database GUI

## User Experience Design

**Extensive Beta-testing from various user types**

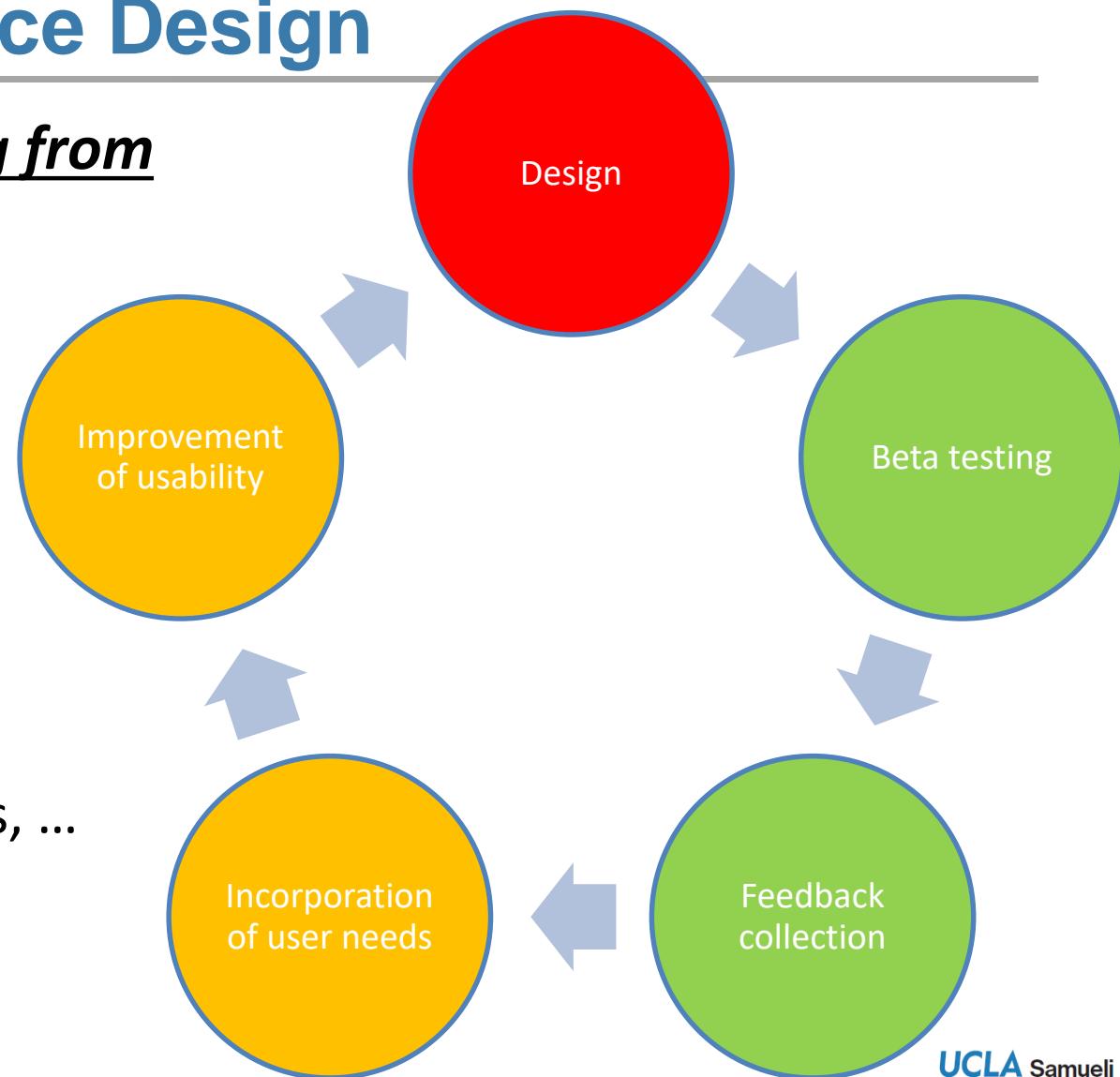
Senior researchers

Practitioners

Junior researchers

Graduate Students

Undergraduate students, ...



# Database Current Status

- Legacy case-histories (used in the past for model development) are in the process of being added (~300 case histories)
- Case histories with co-located recording stations
- Recent case histories
  - Christchurch 2010-2011 sequence (New Zealand)
  - Tohoku 2011 M9.0 earthquake (Japan)
  - Emilia 2012 M5.9 (Italy)
- Total case histories available (and work in progress): ~530
- Stable database GUI officially released on 09/24/2018: **TODAY!**

# Database Current Status

Legacy case-histories (used in the past for model development) include:

- 1964 Niigata (Japan)
- 1979 Imperial Valley
- 1987 Superstition Hills
- 1989 Loma Prieta
- 1995 Kobe (Japan)
- 1999 Chi Chi (Taiwan)
- 1999 Kocaeli (Turkey)
- U. Utah + BYU lateral spread sites
- Etc...

***Total ~300 case histories (work in progress...)***

# Database Current Status

- Christchurch (New Zealand) 2010-2011 sequence:

Green et al. (2014) case histories (VTech Green and Ulmer)

**25 sites, 50 case histories (Complete - under review)**

Tonkin + Taylor case histories (Van Ballegooij and Liu)

**37 sites, 135 case histories (Complete – will be under review soon)**

UC Berkeley sites (Bray and Beyzaei)

**10+ sites/case histories (work in progress...)**



# Database Current Status

- Tohoku (Japan) 2011 M9.0 event – Unpublished

Tohoku + Mihama - UCLA

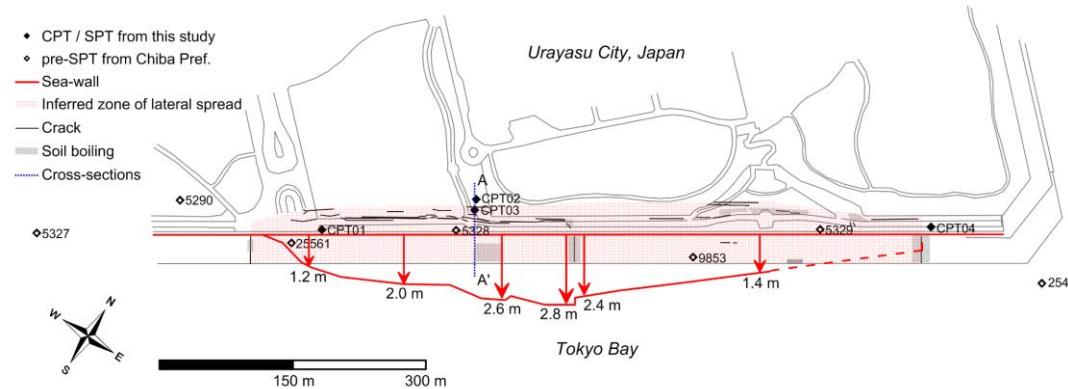
**2 sites/case histories (Complete – will be under review soon)**

Instrumented levee arrays - UCLA

**3 sites/case histories (Complete – will be under review soon)**

Additional lateral spread sites – UCLA-BYU

**3 sites/case histories (work in progress)**



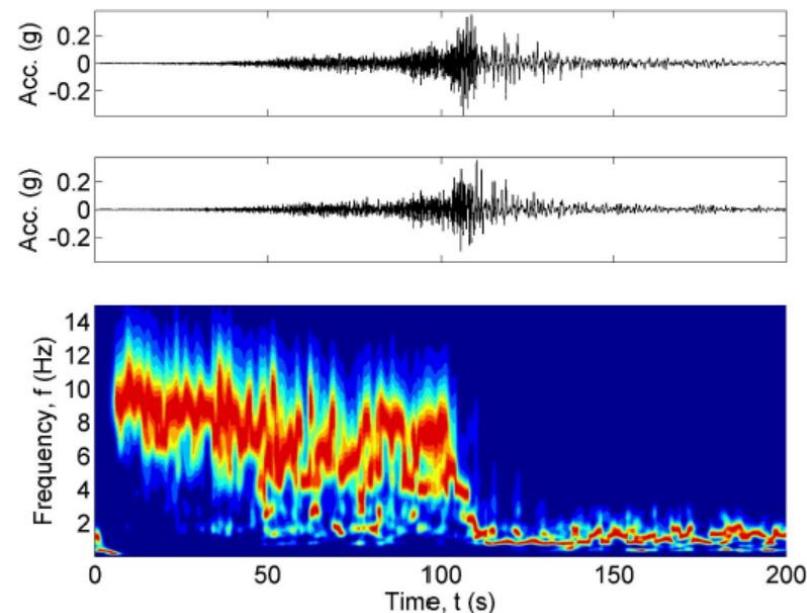
# Database Current Status

- Case histories with co-located recording stations  
(Kramer and Greenfield (U. Washington))

**16 sites, 22 case histories (Complete - under review)**



Ibaraki, Japan (2011 – Tohoku):  
from Kramer et al. (2016) and  
M. Greenfield pers. comm.



- Emilia (Italy) 2012 M5.8 earthquake – UCLA
- 4 sites/4 case histories (Complete - will be under review soon)**

# Review/Vetting Process

**Database working group.** After review, data is marked as reviewed.

Purpose: to verify that required fields are present and the inputs match source materials.

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# Vision for Community Access *(to cloud or not to cloud?)*

- Due to large amount of data, downloading data and processing them on a laptop is inefficient and undesirable (though still possible).
- The database is mirrored onto DesignSafe ([www.designsafe-ci.org](http://www.designsafe-ci.org)). Users will be able to process data on the cloud using SQL queries in Jupyter notebook Python scripts (*off-the-shelf* libraries).



The screenshot shows the DesignSafe-CI Research Workbench interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for "Research Workbench", "Learning Center", "NHERI Facilities", "About", "Help", and a search bar. A "Welcome, Paolo!" message is displayed with a notification count of 6. Below the navigation, there's a map of the Northeastern United States. The main area is titled "PRJ-2032: NEXT-GENERATION LIQUEFACTION (NGL) CASE HISTORY DATABASE". It features a table with columns for "Name", "Status", and "Actions". A blue "Add" button is located at the bottom left of the table. To the right of the table are buttons for "Tag", "Rename", "Move", "Copy", "Preview", "Preview Images", "Download", "Share", and "Move to Trash". At the very bottom, there's a "My Data" button.

# Final Remarks

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- Today's milestone: Release of Stable database GUI:  
***nextgenerationliquefaction.org***
- The NGL relational database (being populated): capabilities for big data analytics
- Vetted database (NGL working group)
- NGL-NGA interaction – earthquake events
- The NGL database is mirrored onto DesignSafe – Cloud-based analytics

# Thank you!

## Questions?

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Database:

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