

**General Information**

Country:	JPN
Gender:	F
Handedness:	Right-handed
Date of birth:	1986-07-03
License:	03071986001

**Further Personal Information**

Family	Sons Takumi [2013] and Shun [2017]
Other names	Nozomi Nakano
Residence	Echizen, JPN
Occupation	Athlete, Bank Employee
Languages	Japanese
Higher education	Physical Education - Nippon Sport Science University: Tokyo, JPN

**Sport Specific Information**

When and where did you begin this sport?	She took up the sport in grade nine at high school.
Why this sport?	She practised the Japanese martial art kendo, which her father taught her, before taking up fencing.
Club / Team	Ogaki Kyoritsu Bank: Japan
Coach from which country?	Ukraine
Handedness	Right

**International Debut**

Year	2005
Competing for	Japan

**General Interest**

Injuries	In July 2022 she fractured a finger on her left hand after her son accidentally stepped on it. She was out of action for two months. (sponichi.co.jp, 08 Sep 2022)
Awards and honours	In 2010 and 2016 she received the Citizen's Honour Award in Echizen, Japan. (city.echizen.lg.jp, 09 Feb 2017, 31 Jan 2011)
Milestones	She became the first female fencer representing Japan to win a medal in individual epee at the Asian Games by claiming silver at the 2010 Games in Guangzhou, People's Republic of China. At the same event, she was part of the squad that won Japan's first Asian Games team epee gold medal for either men or women. It was also the first time the country had won women's team fencing gold in any discipline at the Asian Games. (SportsDeskOnline, 15 Apr 2021)
Ambitions	To compete at the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris. (jiji.com, 08 Sep 2022)