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Dr. Okuda's current research focuses on improving our diagnostic capabilities in multiple sclerosis. He is both nationally and internationally recognized for his work in defining and investigating the radiologically isolated syndrome and currently directs scientific strategies within the Radiologically Isolated Syndrome Consortium (RISC), a multi-national working group aimed at advancing the science in the very early forms of multiple sclerosis. In addition to this work, his background also involves translational research specific to therapeutics aimed at symptom management. He has also designed highly successful novel technological applications, devices, and platforms for research and patient care.

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