

18/01/2026

* Installed Zotero → Reference manager

20/01/2026

Required;

- ① distilled literature evidence table.
- ② turbulence scale target (ϵ)
- ③ Design configurations.
- ④ clear concept selection plan.

Evidence table (min. 10-12 papers)

Define limnological turbulence scale target (ϵ).

Summary on,

→ Turbulence intensity quantified by ϵ

→ Typical limnological Σ spans orders of magnitude.

→ Proposed design target : adjustable Σ range.

Create 3 concept configurations +
selection matrix

1. Oscillating grid
2. Jet array / perforated pipe manifold
3. Paddle / flapping grid (moving rods)

→ sketch

→ pros/cons → 3 each

concept selection matrix.

1. Turbulence quality (low mean flow)
2. controllability
3. fabrication feasibility.
4. installation in flume.
5. Safety.

why? → low mean flow generation (compared to impellers)

→ controllability (frequency / stroke)

→ relatively homogeneous turbulence region

→ strong literature base for ϵ & turbulence statistics.

most common reference

Method landscape

quantitative selection

- * 1. Oscillating grid
2. impeller / stirred tank (rotating propeller)
3. jet array / multi-jet injection.
- * 4. Rotating disks / rotating cylinders
5. Paddle / flapping grid / moving rods
6. Active grid (wind tunnel style, if applicable)
7. Roughness elements / baffles (passive)

standard used in biological / limnological turbulence work.

fit, → qualitative selection.

- how turbulence is generated
- turbulence nature (isotropic? mean flow?)
- controllability
- suitability for flume.
- Typical validation matrices.

Why oscillating grid?

For limnological studies, the turbulence generators should ideally provide,

1. High turbulence intensity with minimal mean flow (avoid strong bulk currents)
2. Repeatability & controllability (tunable turbulence)
3. Uniform turbulence region in a defined test section.
4. Low shear "hot spots" near moving parts (organism safety / experimental integrity)
5. Compact & mountable in a flume.
6. Simple validation using standard turbulence metrics (ϵ , u' , etc.)

7. Mechanical feasibility (fabrication & maintenance).

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→ Ongoing week → 7th week.

* phase 1 → Literature review
(1-7) weeks +
identification of turbulence scales

* phase 2 → conceptual design
(5-8) weeks +
Selection of turbulence generator configuration.

fresh water
zooplankton

Questions :-

→ daphnia

Oscillation grid turbulence →



Zooplankton \rightarrow (copepods)



10^{-7} to $10^{-3} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-3}$

\rightarrow Back calculation \rightarrow disc speed.
Assumption \rightarrow disc size,

KE per mass $\rightarrow \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2$

dissipation rate (per time) $\rightarrow \text{m}^2/\text{s}^3$
(E)

\rightarrow Simulation \rightarrow Ansys.

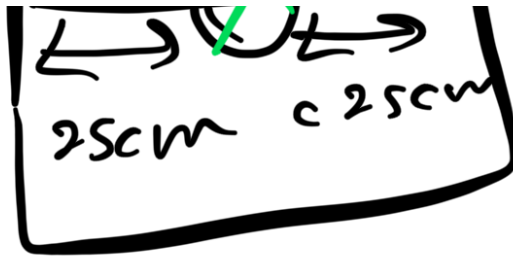
\hookrightarrow 2/3 meters
tank.

50cm \rightarrow 55cm. \rightarrow 2D



find

field of
view



dissipation
rate at the
corner.