

# Cesar B. Rocha

## Curriculum Vitae

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**Research Interests:** observational and theoretical physical oceanography; geophysical fluid dynamics; mesoscale and submesoscale turbulence; internal waves.

**Other Interests:** long-form, literary journalism; science communication.

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### Professional Preparation

- 2018 **Ph.D.**, *Physical Oceanography*.  
Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California San Diego.
- 2013 **M.S. (w/ honors)**, *Physical Oceanography*.  
University of São Paulo, Brazil.
- 2011 **B.S. (w/ honors)**, *Oceanography*.  
University of São Paulo, Brazil.

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### Employment History

- Current **Postdoctoral Scholar**.  
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.
- 2016–2018 **Graduate Writing Consultant**.  
Writing + Critical Expression Hub, University of California San Diego.  
Supervisor: Matthew Nelson.
- 2013–2018 **Graduate Student Researcher**.  
Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California San Diego.  
Advisor: William R. Young.

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### Awards

#### Fellowships

- 2018 WHOI Postdoctoral Fellowship, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.
- 2016 NASA Earth and Planetary Sciences Graduate Fellowship.
- 2015 Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Fellowship, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.
- 2011 Master's Research Fellowship, Fundação de Amparo à Pesquisa do Estado de São Paulo.
- 2010 Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Fundação de Amparo à Pesquisa do Estado de São Paulo.

#### Honors

- 2011 Best Honors Thesis, Oceanographic Institute, University of Sao Paulo

## Other Awards

2017 French-American Doctoral Exchange Program Laureate, Embassy of France in the USA

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## Publications

### Journal Articles

- [1] **Cesar B Rocha**, Gregory L Wagner, and William R Young. Stimulated generation: extraction of energy from balanced flow by near-inertial waves. *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*, 847:417–451, 2018.
- [2] Fabrice Ardhuin, Sarah T Gille, Dimitris Menemenlis, **Cesar B Rocha**, Nicolas Rascle, Bertrand Chapron, Jonathan Gula, and Jeroen Molemaker. Small-scale open-ocean currents have large effects on wind-wave heights. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*, 2017.
- [3] **Cesar B Rocha**, William R Young, and Ian Grooms. On Galerkin approximations of the surface active quasigeostrophic equations. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, 46(1):125–139, 2016.
- [4] **Cesar B Rocha**, Sarah T Gille, Teresa K Chereskin, and Dimitris Menemenlis. Seasonality of submesoscale dynamics in the Kuroshio Extension. *Geophysical Research Letters*, 43(21), 2016.
- [5] **Cesar B Rocha**, Teresa K Chereskin, Sarah T Gille, and Dimitris Menemenlis. Mesoscale to submesoscale wavenumber spectra in Drake Passage. *Journal of Physical Oceanography*, 46(2):601–620, 2016.
- [6] **Cesar B Rocha**, Ilson CA Silveira, Belmiro M Castro, and Jose Antonio M Lima. Vertical structure, energetics, and dynamics of the Brazil Current System at 22 S–28 S. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*, 119(1):52–69, 2014.
- [7] **Cesar B Rocha**, Amit Tandon, Ilson CA Silveira, and Jose Antonio M Lima. Traditional quasi-geostrophic modes and surface quasi-geostrophic solutions in the Southwestern Atlantic. *Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans*, 118(5):2734–2745, 2013.

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## Select Seminars

- 2017 **Laboratoire Météorologie Dynamique Seminar Series**, *École Normale Supérieure*, Paris, France, “Stimulated generation of near-inertial waves”.
- 2017 **Physical Oceanography Seminar Series**, *CICESE*, Ensenada, Mexico, “Stimulated generation of near-inertial waves”.
- 2015 **Oceans and Cryosphere Seminar Series**, *JPL/CalTech*, Pasadena, CA, “Drake Passage wavenumber spectra”.

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## Select Talks

- 2018 **Ocean Sciences Meeting**, Portland, OR, “Stimulated generation: extraction of energy from balanced flow by near-inertial waves”.

- 2017 **French-American Doctoral Exchange Program, European Institute for Marine Studies**, Brest and Villefranche-sur-Mer, France, “Macroturbulence and internal waves in the upper ocean”.
- 2014 **AGU Fall Meeting**, San Francisco, CA, “Drake Passage upper-ocean spectra”.

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## Select Posters

- 2017 **French–American Doctoral Exchange Program, Mediterranean Institute of Oceanography**, Marseille, France, “Stimulated generation of near-inertial waves”.
- 2017 **Munk Symposium on Turbulence, Internal Waves, and the Overturning Circulation of the Ocean**, La Jolla, CA, “Near-inertial waves extract energy from barotropic quasi-geostrophic flow”.

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## Service

- 2018 **Ad hoc referee of journal articles**, Journal of Geophysical Research–Oceans; Journal of Physical Oceanography; Journal of Atmospheric and Oceanic Technology; Geophysical Research Letters.
- 2017 **Ad hoc referee of journal articles**, Journal of Geophysical Research–Oceans; Journal of Physical Oceanography; Journal of Fluid Mechanics.
- 2017 **Member of student committee**, SIO teaching award.
- 2016 **Ad hoc referee of journal articles**, Deep-Sea Research–I; Journal of Fluid Mechanics; Nature Communications; Journal of Geophysical Research–Oceans; Ocean Modelling; Geophysical Research Letters.
- 2016 **Member of student committee**, SIO faculty search in large-scale observational physical oceanography; Teaching award.

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## Mentees

- 2018–2018 **Thomas Bossy**, *University of California San Diego*.  
Intern from ENS Lyon (faculty advisor at SIO: William R. Young).  
Mentorship: co-advised the student on his research project, particularly helping him to set up and run computational simulations of horizontal convection.
- 2015–2016 **Momme Hell**, *University of California San Diego*, Peer-mentoring program.  
SIO Ph.D student.  
Mentorship: assisted the student navigate the first year of graduate school, particularly helping him tailor his coursework and choose an advisor.

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## Software

The codes are open source, written in Python, and distributed under the MIT license.

- `niwqg` QG-NIW coupled model in Python, <https://github.com/crocha700/niwqg>
- `pyqg` Python Quasigeostrophic Model, <http://pyqg.readthedocs.io>
- `pyspec` Spectral Analysis in Python, <https://github.com/pyspec/pyspec>