

# Gregory LeClaire Wagner



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## Interests

Computational and theoretical fluid dynamics; physical oceanography; turbulence parameterization; ocean modeling and software development

## Education

2010–2016

### PhD in Engineering Sciences

Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

University of California, San Diego

*Advisors—William Young and Eric Lauga*

2009–2010

### MSE in Aerospace Engineering

2005–2009

### BSE in Aerospace Engineering, *magna cum laude*

Department of Aerospace Engineering

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

## Employment

2019–present

### Research Scientist

Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

*Ocean parameterization with the [Climate Modeling Alliance](#)*

*Funded by a consortium led by [Schmidt Futures](#)*

2016–2018

### NOAA Climate and Global Change Postdoctoral Fellow

Department of Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2013–2014, 2016

### Graduate Research Assistant

Scripps Institution of Oceanography

University of California, San Diego

2014–2015

### Teaching Assistant

2010–2013

### Focht-Powell Graduate Fellow

Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering

University of California, San Diego

2009–2010

### Product Engineer

Accio Energy, Ann Arbor, Michigan

*Wind energy technology research and development*

## Publications

*in prep*

### **Near-inertial waves and turbulence driven by the growth of swell**

**Gregory L Wagner**, Ali Ramadhan, Greg Chini, Basile Gallet, and Raffaele Ferrari  
*in preparation for the Journal of Physical Oceanography*

### **Uncertainty quantification of ocean turbulence models**

Andre N. Souza, **Gregory L Wagner**, Ali Ramadhan, Jean-Michel Campin, Chris Hill, John Marshall, and Raffaele Ferrari  
*in preparation for the Journal of Advances in Modeling Earth Systems*

### **Oceananigans.jl: Fast and friendly geophysical fluid dynamics on GPUs**

Ali Ramadhan, **Gregory L Wagner**, Chris Hill, Jean-Michel Campin, Valentin Churavy, Tim Besard, Andre Souza, Alan Edelman, John Marshall, and Raffaele Ferrari  
*submitted to the Journal of Open Source Software*

2019

### **Squeeze dispersion and the effective diapycnal diffusivity of oceanic tracers**

**Gregory L Wagner**, Glenn Flierl, Raffaele Ferrari, Gunnar Voet, Glenn S Carter, Matthew H Alford, and James B Girtor  
*Geophysical Review Letters* 46 (10), 5378-5386

2018

### **Stimulated generation: extraction of energy from balanced flow by near-inertial waves**

Cesar B Rocha, **Gregory L Wagner**, and William R Young  
*Journal of Fluid Mechanics* 847, 417-451

2017

### **An asymptotic model for the propagation of oceanic internal tides through quasi-geostrophic flow**

**Gregory L Wagner**, Gwenäel Ferrando, and William R Young  
*Journal of Fluid Mechanics* 828, 779-811

2016

### **A three-component model for the coupled evolution of near-inertial waves, quasi-geostrophic flow, and the near-inertial second harmonic**

**Gregory L Wagner** and William R Young  
*Journal of Fluid Mechanics* 802, 806-837

### **A tale of two spicy seas**

Jennifer A MacKinnon, Jonathan D Nash, Matthew H Alford, Andrew J Lucas, John B Mickett, Emily L Shroyer, Amy F Waterhouse, Amit Tandon, D Sengupta, Amala Mahadevan, M Ravichandran, Robert Pinkel, Daniel L Rudnick, Caitlin B Whalen, Marion S Albery, J Sreelekha, Elizabeth C Fine, D Chaudhuri, and **Gregory L Wagner**  
*Oceanography* 29 (2), 50-61

### **Acoustically propelled nanoshells**

Fernando Soto, **Gregory L Wagner**, Victor Garcia-Gradilla, Kyle T Gillespie, Deepak R Lakshminipathy, Emil Karshalev, Chava Angell, Yi Chen, and Joseph Wang  
*Nanoscale* 8 (41), 17788-17793

- 2015      **Available potential vorticity and wave-averaged quasi-geostrophic flow**  
**Gregory L Wagner** and William R Young  
Journal of Fluid Mechanics 785, 401-424
- 2014      **Mixing by microorganisms in stratified fluids**  
**Gregory L Wagner**, William R Young, and Eric Lauga  
Journal of Marine Research 72 (2), 47-72
- Bubble-Propelled Micromotors for Enhanced Transport of Passive Tracers**  
Jahir Orozco, Beatriz Jurado-Sanchez, **Gregory Wagner**, Wei Gao, Rafael Vazquez-Duhalt,  
Sirilak Sattayasamitsathit, Michael Galarnyk, Allan Cortes, David Santillan, and Joseph Wang  
Langmuir 30 (18), 5082-5087
- 2013      **Crawling scallop: Friction-based locomotion with one degree of freedom**  
**Gregory L Wagner** and Eric Lauga  
Journal of Theoretical Biology, 324, 42-51
- 2009      **Specific Charge Control for Micro/Nano-Particle Electrostatic Propulsion**  
T Liu, **G L Wagner**, A Gallimore, B Gilchrist, and P Peterson  
45th AIAA/ASME/SAE/ASEE Joint Propulsion Conference, AIAA-2009-5090

## Teaching

*ug: undergrad*

*g: grad*

- Fall 2015      **Teaching Assistant**, Introduction to Mathematical Physics (*ug*)  
*with Prof David Santillan, Mech and Aero Engineering (MAE), UCSD*  
*Recieved MAE Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award*
- Spring 2015      **Teaching Assistant**, Introduction to Mathematical Physics (*ug*)  
*with Prof Stefan Llewellyn Smith, MAE, UCSD*
- Fall 2014      **Teaching Assistant**, Fluid Dynamics II (*g*)  
*with Prof Geno Pawlak, MAE, UCSD*
- Spring 2014      **Teaching Assistant**, Applied Mathematics III (*g*)  
*with Prof William R. Young, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, UCSD*

## Software development

### Oceananigans.jl

A fast and friendly incompressible fluid flow solver in Julia for CPUs and GPUs

🔗 [github.com/climate-machine/Oceananigans.jl](https://github.com/climate-machine/Oceananigans.jl)

### OceanTurb.jl

Framework for testing, optimization, and uncertainty quantification of single column models

🔗 [github.com/glwagner/OceanTurb.jl](https://github.com/glwagner/OceanTurb.jl)

### FourierFlows.jl

Ecosystem for solving partial differential equations with spectral methods on CPUs and GPUs using the [julia](#) language for high-level, high-performance computing

🔗 [github.com/FourierFlows](https://github.com/FourierFlows)

### CliMa

An Earth system model that automatically learns from diverse data sources

🔗 [github.com/climate-machine](https://github.com/climate-machine)

## Service and workshop participation

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| Feb 2020   | <b>Co-Chair</b> —“Turbulent Mixing of the Ocean Surface Boundary Layer: Observation, Simulation, and Parameterization”<br><i>AGU Ocean Sciences 2020 Session, San Diego, California, USA</i>  |
| Since 2016 | <b>Reviewer</b> —Geophysical Research Letters, Journal of Advances in Modeling of Earth Systems, Ocean Modelling, Journal of Physical Oceanography, Journal of Fluid Mechanics, Quarterly Journal of the Royal Meteorological Society |
| Since 2015 | <b>Participant</b> —Woods Hole Program in Geophysical Fluid Dynamics, USA   |
| Feb 2018   | <b>Participant</b> —Banff International Research Station Workshop, Canada<br><i>Modeling imbalance in the atmosphere and ocean</i>  |
| Aug 2017   | <b>Participant</b> —École de Physique des Houches summer school, France<br><i>Fundamental aspects of turbulent flows in climate dynamics</i>  |
| 2013       | <b>Fellow</b> —Woods Hole Program in Geophysical Fluid Dynamics, USA  |
| 2012       | <b>Participant</b> —Cargèse Summer School, France<br><i>Softflow: Biological Complex Fluids</i>   |

<b>Seminars and invited talks</b>	Jun 2019	Los Alamos National Laboratory
	Aug 2018	Woods Hole Program in Geophysical Fluid Dynamics
	Jan 2018	Department of Physical Oceanography, WHOI <i>Physical Oceanography Seminar</i>
	Nov 2017	Department of Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences, McGill University <i>Departmental Seminar</i>
	Nov 2017	Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences, MIT <i>Sack Lunch Seminar</i>
	Sep 2017	Earth, Environmental, and Planetary Sciences, Brown University <i>Lunch Bunch Seminar</i>
	May 2016	College of Atmospheric and Ocean Sciences, NYU <i>Atmospheric Ocean Sciences Colloquium</i>
	March 2016	Department of Mechanical Engineering, MIT <i>MSEAS Seminar</i>
	Feb 2016	College of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences, Oregon State University <i>Physics of Oceans and Atmospheres Seminar Series</i>
	July 2015	Woods Hole Program in Geophysical Fluid Dynamics
	March 2013	Theory Seminar, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, UCSD
<b>Conference and workshop presentations</b>	Nov 2020	AGU Ocean Sciences <i>San Diego, California, USA</i>
	Nov 2019	APS Division of Fluid Dynamics <i>Seattle, Washington, USA</i>
	Jun 2019	Atmospheric and Oceanic Fluid Dynamics <i>Portland, Maine, USA</i>
	Nov 2018	APS Division of Fluid Dynamics <i>Atlanta, Georgia, USA</i>
	Feb 2018	BIRS Workshop <i>Banff, Alberta, Canada</i>
	Feb 2018	AGU Ocean Sciences <i>Portland, Oregon, USA</i>
	June 2017	Atmospheric and Oceanic Fluid Dynamics <i>Portland, Oregon, USA</i>
	Feb 2016	AGU Ocean Sciences <i>New Orleans, Louisiana, USA</i>
	July 2016	Liege Colloquium <i>Liège, Belgium</i>
	Nov 2015	APS Division of Fluid Dynamics <i>Boston, Massachusetts, USA</i>
	Feb 2014	AGU Ocean Sciences <i>Honolulu, Hawaii, USA</i>
	Nov 2013	APS Division of Fluid Dynamics <i>Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA</i>
	April 2013	SoCal Fluids VII <i>Pasadena, California, USA</i>
<b>Research cruises</b>	June 2016	“Flow Encountering Abrupt Topography (FLEAT)” —Western Pacific off Palau <i>With PI's Matthew Alford, Jennifer Mackinnon, Gunnar Voet</i>
	Sep 2015	“Arctic Mix” —Beaufort Sea, Chukchi Sea, and Bering Strait, Arctic Ocean <i>With PI's Jennifer Mackinnon, Matthew Alford, John Mickett</i>

## Accolades

2016–2018	<b>Postdoctoral Fellowship</b> —NOAA Climate and Global Change Program
2016	<b>Award</b> —Outstanding Teaching Assistant, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, UCSD
2013	<b>Fellow</b> —Woods Hole Program in Geophysical Fluid Dynamics
2010–2013	<b>Graduate Fellowship</b> —Focht-Powell Fellowship, Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, UCSD
2009	<b>James B. Angell Scholar</b> —University of Michigan

## References

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Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
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### William R. Young

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