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Jim Yoder has served in his current position since moving to WHOI in 2005. Before coming to WHOI, Dr. Yoder was a Professor at the Graduate School of Oceanography, University of Rhode Island, where he conducted research, taught graduate courses and advised MS and Ph.D. students. He also served 5 years as Associate Dean in charge of the graduate program in oceanography and 1.5 years as Interim Dean of the School. Dr. Yoder has also held temporary positions in the Federal Government including as a Program Manager at NASA Headquarters and as Director of NSF's Division of Ocean Sciences (2001-2004).

Dr. Yoder's recent research projects and scientific publications involve satellite and aircraft remote sensing of the ocean for understanding biological oceanographic processes. He participated in the Joint Global Ocean Flux Study (JGOFS) in the 1980s and 1990s and in other NASA- and NSF-supported projects.

Dr. Yoder has served on many national and international committees and panels and currently serves a member of the NRC's Ocean Studies Board and as a member of NOAA's Ecosystem Sciences and Management Working Group (ESMWG). Dr. Yoder also chairs the international group (IOCCG) that seeks international cooperation for satellite measurements of ocean color radiometry and its application for understanding regional to global ocean patterns in the productivity of the seas.