

Case Study

Centre for Auditory Research



Delivered for University College London

Auditory Research Facility featuring Specialist BSU Category 3 labs and audio sound booths
Value: £9.8 million | February 2004



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Introduction Part funded by the Wellcome Trust, the facility provides a much needed resource for the development of auditory research and features specialist BSU category 3 laboratories, experimental audio sound booths and highly serviced office areas to achieve Home Office certification to undertake research.

Details This project involved the demolition of the existing building and construction of a new four storey concrete framed building, housing new research laboratories and office facilities. The site was adjacent to the existing Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital, which remained fully occupied throughout the works. A new atrium and a feature facade entrance have a considerable impact on the Grays Inn Road elevation.

There were particular logistical challenges associated with the UCL project works and they can be summarised accordingly:

- Proximity of the adjacent existing occupied buildings, services and drainage.
- Safety of members of the public, adjacent occupiers, construction staff, construction operatives and site visitors.
- Maintenance of the highway and footpaths whilst undertaking demolitions and new construction works immediately adjacent to those areas.

Our logistics regime for the project had been designed to meet these challenges, and were based upon:

- Frequent Team meetings to continually update, advise and coordinate construction.
- Continual daily liaison and dialogue with the designated Client's representative.
- Deliveries to the project utilising 4 suspended parking bays on Britannia Street.
- Adjacent roads and accesses will be maintained to a high standard throughout the Project duration.
- All material and equipment deliveries organised and scheduled on a "just in time" basis and will be subject to 24 hours pre-arranged delivery scheduling.

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