The Center for Life Sciences Wyss Institute LEED-CI project is comprised of 23,115 square feet of space located on the second floor of the Center For Life Sciences Building (a LEED Gold Core and Shell Building) in Boston. Renovated by Harvard Medical School, the second floor space accommodates the Wyss Institute’s expansion from the fifth floor of the Center for Life Sciences Building. The second floor lab and research space is used to further the Institute’s mission to “develop biologically inspired materials and device technologies capable of solving critical medical and environmental problems.”

The design and fit-out of the Wyss Institute—CLSB project supports a high-risk, science-driven approach to research based on innovation, collaboration, and technology translation by bringing together diverse academic, clinical, and industrial partners in Collaboratories.

The Wyss Institute—CLSB project sought a LEED Platinum certification and prioritized healthy and productive work spaces for occupants while reducing their carbon footprint and minimizing the Institute’s use of non-sustainable resources. To that end, the fit-out also focused on reducing energy and water consumption, using sustainable construction materials, and designing a space layout that maximized natural daylight and occupant interaction.

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### Project Metrics

- **26%** reduction in lighting power density (watts/square foot) compared to the baseline standard (ASHRAE 90.1-2007)
- **48%** reduction in water use compared to the EPAct 1992 baseline.
- **38%** regional manufactured materials value as a percentage of total materials cost
- **14%** recycled content value as a percentage of total materials cost
- **90%** Of all construction waste and debris was diverted from land-fills.

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The Center for Life Sciences Building (CLSB) is a 700,000+ square feet, 18 story research building located in the center of Boston’s Longwood Medical area surrounded by Harvard Medical School, Brigham and Women’s Hospital, the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, and Merck Research Laboratories Boston. Built in 2008 and managed by BioMed Realty Trust, the building earned a LEED Core and Shell Gold certification. CLSB base building sustainable features include:

- A central location with convenient pedestrian access to public transportation and community services
- A previously redeveloped brownfield site
- A stormwater runoff and grey water reuse system for all building flush fixtures
- A glass envelope and shallow floor plate to maximize views and natural daylight in tenant spaces
**ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

Harvard Medical School and the Wyss Institute have committed, along with Harvard University as a whole, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions 30% below 2006 levels by 2016, inclusive of growth. Therefore minimizing energy consumption was a main goal of this fit out project.

**HEATING/Cooling Systems**

**ECM 1: Variable Air Volume Control (VAV)** - Supply and make up air is delivered to the project space by the base building air handling units and exhaust systems delivering variable air volumes as needed. Zoning for the VAV system was determined by grouping areas with similar cooling loads.

**ECM 2: Increased Ventilation & Demand Control** - The mechanical system has been designed to provide the Wyss Institute space 30% more fresh outdoor air than required by ASHRAE ventilation standards to improve occupant and inhabitant comfort. CO₂ sensors monitor air quality and modulate outdoor air as necessary to save conditioning energy.

**ECM 3: HVAC Occupancy Controls** - VAV boxes, fan coil units and air valves are wired to occupancy sensors allowing turndown and standby modes.

**ECM 4: Efficient Equipment** - High performance fume hoods receive supply air from VAV terminal boxes exhausted by a variable volume exhaust air valve. Controlled by a sash sensor, the exhaust valve adjusts based on the sash height to maintain a safe but minimum face velocity. The supply and exhaust VAV boxes modulate in cooperation to maintain the space design system pressurization.

**Electrical Systems**

**ECM 1: Lighting Fixtures** - Energy-efficient and low-mercury fluorescent lamps were carefully chosen and strategically placed to reduce electricity consumption while maintaining adequate lighting. Task lighting was integrated into the cabinetry to improve occupant comfort and control.

**ECM 2: Light Controls** - Occupancy sensors are located throughout the project to reduce power consumption. Fixtures in close proximity to exterior windows are fitted with integrated daylight sensors and dim automatically to take advantage of naturally day lit spaces.

**ECM 3: Energy Star Equipment** - Energy Star equipment was selected for all new eligible equipment in the project space, including the kitchen appliances and information screens.

**ECM 4: Renewable Energy** - Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) were purchased from Renewable Choice equivalent to 100% of the anticipated electricity use over 2 years.
Materials installed in the Wyss Institute CLSB project were selected in accordance with sustainable attributes:

- Flooring choices include Green Label certified Atlas broadloom carpet, tile made of 42% pre-consumer recycled content, and 100% regionally manufactured sheet flooring.
- Built-in casework is easily reconfigured for future renovations and manufactured regionally from FSC wood and 60% recycled steel (pre & post-consumer).
- The Armstrong Architectural ceiling is manufactured from 67% pre-consumer recycled content, and the USG gypsum walls are made of 95% recycled content.

Water Efficiency

The Center for Life Sciences grey water system provides 69% of the total flush water requirement for the buildings occupants including the Wyss Institute. The water is tinted blue to indicate the non potable water source.

The Wyss Institute project reduced total potable water consumption by 48.3% by taking advantage of the base building storm water reclamation system for flush fixtures and retrofitting the flow fixtures with efficient alternatives.

Energy Efficient Equipment

- Project lighting power density was reduced 26% by using efficient, yet appealing indirect fluorescent T5 linear fixtures fitted with built-in day lighting sensors and automatic dimming ballasts.
- Installed equipment is Energy Star rated to reduce energy consumption
- Building automation sensors and CO₂ monitors modulate the HVAC system based on demand and occupancy.
- High performance VAV fume hoods modulate exhaust and make up air to reduce energy needed to heat and cool the lab space.
- Utility consumption metering and display visible to all occupants and visitors through the Lucid project kiosk and utility dashboard.

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PROCESS AND INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Careful design attention has been paid to the Wyss Institute CLSB project to ensure overall indoor environmental quality including:

- LED task lighting integrated into lab benches that allows the occupant and user to control lighting to suit specific task needs
- Access to day-lighting and views throughout
- Collaborative seating spaces and systems furniture to enhance occupant interaction
- Centrally located storage for lab equipment including freezers, dishwashers, autoclaves, and a heavy equipment machine shop to minimize noise and share equipment resources.
- Strict adherence to a construction IAQ plan to protect HVAC ductwork and equipment as well as the long term health of future occupants by installing an Aircuity air quality system measurement device throughout.

PROJECT TEAM

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- Harvard Medical School Sustainability: [http://green.harvard.edu/hms](http://green.harvard.edu/hms)
- Harvard Green Building Services: [http://green.harvard.edu/green-building-services](http://green.harvard.edu/green-building-services)
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LEED FOR COMMERCIAL INTERIORS (V2009)

ATTEMPTED: 95, DENIED: 1, PENDING: 0, AWARDED: 93 OF 110 POINTS

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