

Construction Specialties Lightshelves

Project: Texas A&M Interdisciplinary Life Sciences Building (ILSB), College Station, TX
Architect: Perkins + Will
Atlanta, GA
Products: C/S Lightshelves



Texas A&M's ILSB is Certified to LEED® Gold. As the first sustainable building on the A&M campus, the ILSB serves as a benchmark for the University. As part of an overall day-lighting system, Perkins + Will incorporated C/S Lightshelves onto the oversized windows throughout the labs to help draw-in yet diffuse the natural sunlight. This system reduces lighting costs while creating a more comfortable environment for its world-class researchers. The ILSB was designed for research investigation in many different areas of interest in the life sciences. Currently, the facility focuses on three general subject areas—bioinformatics, neuroscience, and structural biology.



The ILSB includes approximately 220,000 gross square feet of space for research laboratories, teaching, and related activities. The building houses around 30 flexible laboratories, meeting, seminar, and lecture rooms, core support facilities, computational equipment, a 285-seat auditorium, associated auxiliary space and space to house operational staff.

At a Glance

- C/S lightshelves are incorporated into oversized windows
- Natural but diffuse light is drawn into building
- Lightshelves bring the sunlight deeper into the building
- Daylight system reduces costs and makes environment more comfortable



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