

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO, RAY AND DAGMAR DOLBY REGENERATION MEDICINE BUILDING
San Francisco, California, USA

RAFAEL VIÑOLY ARCHITECTS



In 2005, the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) issued an RFP for a stem cell and developmental biology research center, one that would put the institution at the forefront of the promising, yet controversial, field of human embryonic stem cell research. The university chose a narrow, steeply sloped site on its Parnassus Campus for the Regeneration Medicine Building, which was to include

open wet labs, lab support spaces, and offices. Given that the building was to be located on a steeply sloped site at the foot of Mount Sutro, the client expected a vertically organized structure, which could have led to the creation of a series of small, stacked floor plates that might not have been well-suited to the Institute's research needs.

April 2016

FACTS + FIGURES

Completion
2010

Size
7,430 gsm

Sustainability Rating
LEED Gold

Awards
International Architecture Award,
Chicago Athenaeum, 2012
San Francisco Chapter
Design, Architecture Merit
Award, American Institute
of Architects, 2011
Architecture Merit Award, Society
for College and University
Planning (SCUP), 2011
Honor Award for Architecture,
American Institute of
Architects, California
Council, 2011

Media Coverage
Architectural Record, "Rafael
Viñoly Is Designing a Stem
Cell Lab for a California
University," July 2008

Client
University of California,
San Francisco

Consultants
Architect of Record
SmithGroup

MEP / FP Engineer
Gayner Engineers
ACCO Engineered Systems, Inc.

Structural Engineer
Design: Nabih Youssef Associates
Of Record: Forell/Elsesser
Engineers, Inc.

Civil Engineer
Design: Cammisa and Wipf
Of Record: Cupertino
Electric, Inc.

Landscape Architect
Design: CMG Landscape
Architecture
Of Record: Carducci &
Associates, Inc

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