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AN EMERGENCY APPROACH TO THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE GHANA INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE IN THE TIME OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



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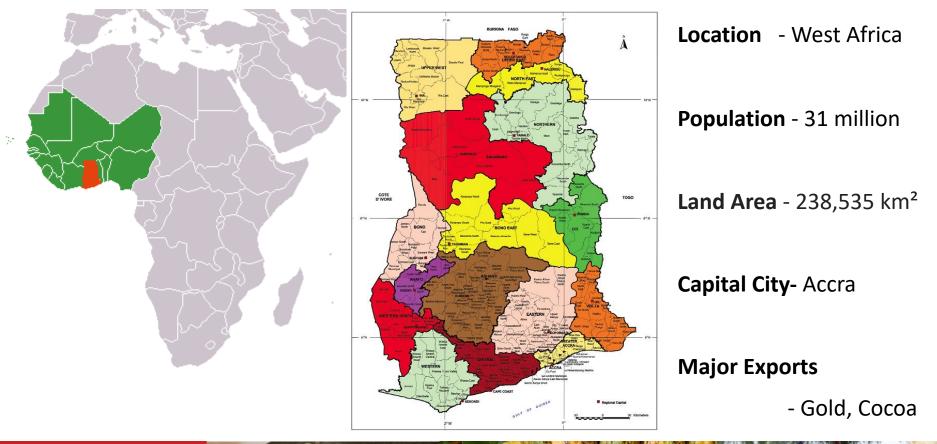
I am the deputy Construction Project Manager and Member of the Design Team for the Ghana Infectious Disease Center (GIDC) situated at Kwabenya, a suburb of Accra, Capital of Ghana.

This facility is a 108 Bed infectious Disease Centre , designed and built within 3 months during the period of lockdown by the Built Environment Professionals and Private Sector players, with support from the Ghana Army and other Government Agencies.

This presentation is based on my personal experience and research whiles working on the project.



A little about my country Ghana......





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BRIEF OVERVIEW.....



The Project is private sector led and was initiated by a philanthropist ,Senyo Hosi and his team of private sector leaders of industry through an SPV...



GHANA COVID-19 PRIVATE SECTOR FUND

In the atmosphere of Patriotism and Volunteerism, the Ghana Institute of Architects offered its services as its Cooperate Social Responsibility and rallied allied professionals in the built environment to participate.



FIRST EVER PROJECT UNDERTAKEN JOINTLY BY THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS!







PROJECT ACCOUNTANTS



MENDANHA&SOUSA

CONSTRUCTION



PROJECT AUDITORS



DESIGN BRIEF / OBJECTIVES

- QUICK CREATION OF A SPACE FOR CONTAINMENT (TEMPORAL STRUCTURES WERE UP FOR CONSIDERATION)
- MINIMISING THE RISK OF INFECTION TO HEALTHWORKERS



- DIGNIFYING PLACE FOR THE SICK





APPROACH – 2 PRONGED STRATEGY - "DESIGNING AND BUILDING"

CORE DESIGN DELIVERY TEAM



CORE CONSTRUCTION DELIVERY TEAM



CONTRACTOR

Mendanha and Sousa Construction Ltd. MENDANHA&SOUSA



CORE DELIVERY/ SUPPORT TEAM....



REFERENCE MATERIALS, RESEARCH AND INSPIRATION...

Many reference materials were sought, But with the **urgent nature of this** assignment, our main reference document was;

'GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19 QUARANTINE AND TREATMENT CENTERS IN THE **ETHIOPIAN CONTEX'**

Produced by the Association of Ethiopian Architects (AEA action against

Covid-19 task force) as a recommendation to the Federal Ministry of Health.





Public Document shared on AUA social media handle

GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19 GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19 QUARANTINE AND TREATMENT CENTERS IN THE ETHIOPIAN CONTEXT

SPATIAL AND ENGINEERING REQUIREMENTS OF THE PHYSICAL STRUCTURE

PRODUCED BY THE ASSOCIATION OF ETHIOPIAN ARCHITECTS 'AEA ACTION AGAINST COVID-19' TASKFORCE AS A RECOMMENDATION TO THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

First Edition 31 March 2020

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1,000 hospital built in 10 Days in Wuhan!!



National Policy and Guidelines for Infection Prevention and Control in Health Care Settings

inistry of Health, Ghana

2015

GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19 QUARANTINE AND TREATMENT CENTERS IN THE ETHIOPIAN CONTEXT



This document was readily useful at this moment due to the following reasons; Summarised and straight to the point, addressed the basics.

The Contents of this guideline largely covers the following areas;

- Nature of the Covid-19 Virus
- Review of existing local and international standards
- Case studies on Covid-19 Quarantine and Treatment Canters
- Spatial and Engineering requirements and recommendations for the physical structure for Cov-19 Quarantine and Treatment makeshift Hospital

PROJECT SITE ...

+Ga East Municipal Hospital

+Defects liability period

+Designated as a centre for isolation and treatment of Covid Cases in the South.



Site Selection....

- Properly Zonned.
- Existing medical facilities to support the IDC.
- Medical staff here had already been trained to handle COVID-19

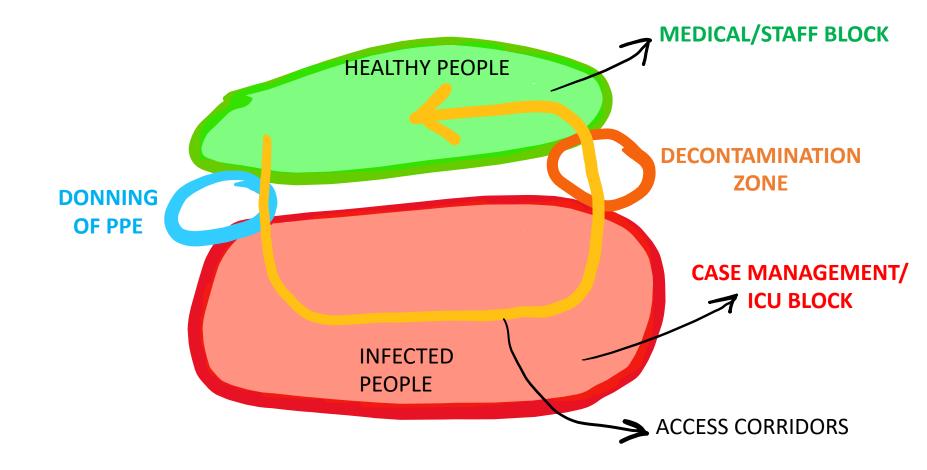
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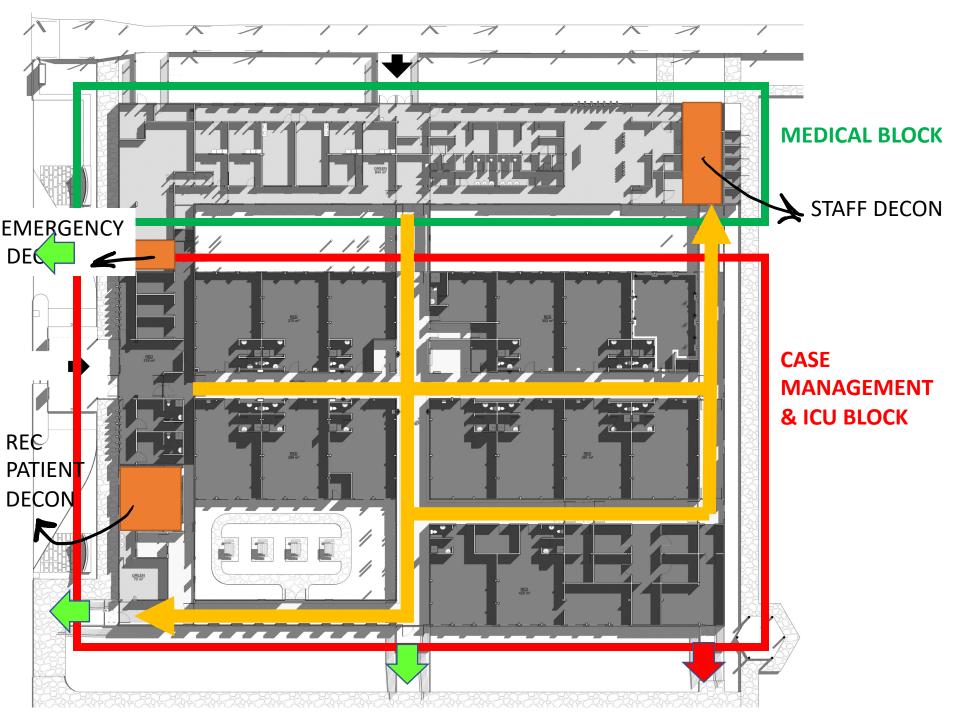
GA EAST MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL

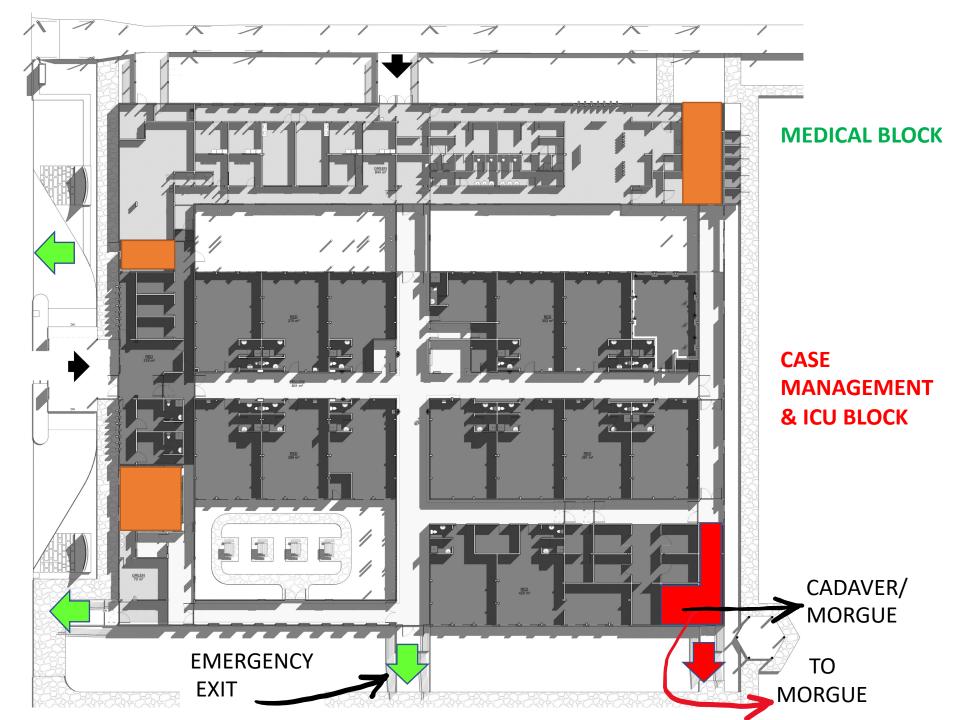
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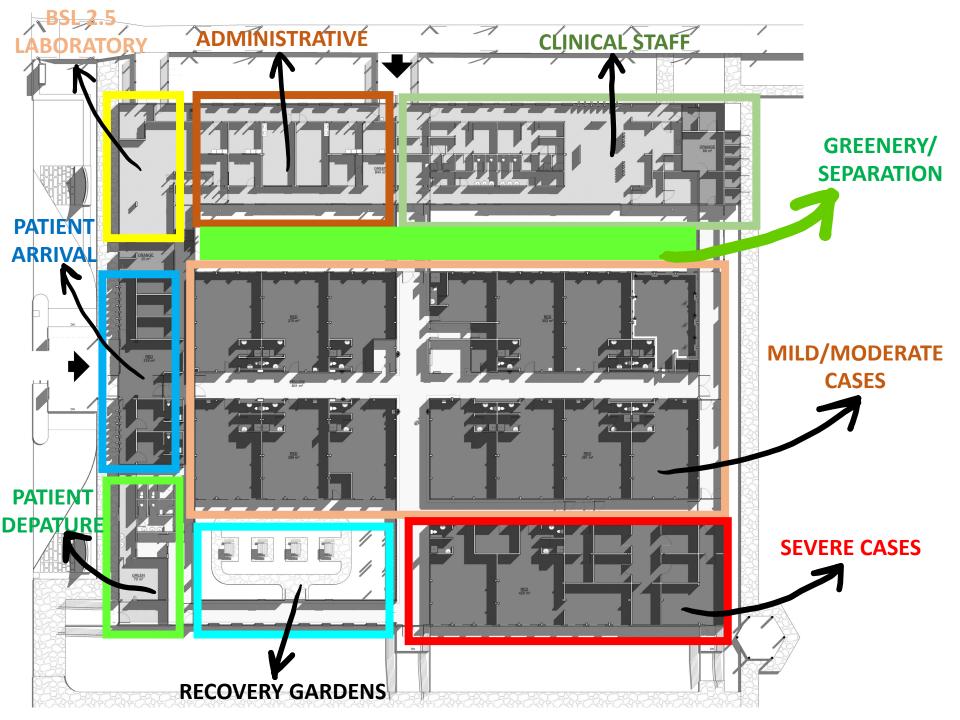
FACILITY USERS - HEALTHY PEOPLE AND INFECTED PEOPLE

NEED TO ZONE THE SPACES and create DEFINED CIRCULATION PATHS according to the HEALTH STATUS OF THE USER











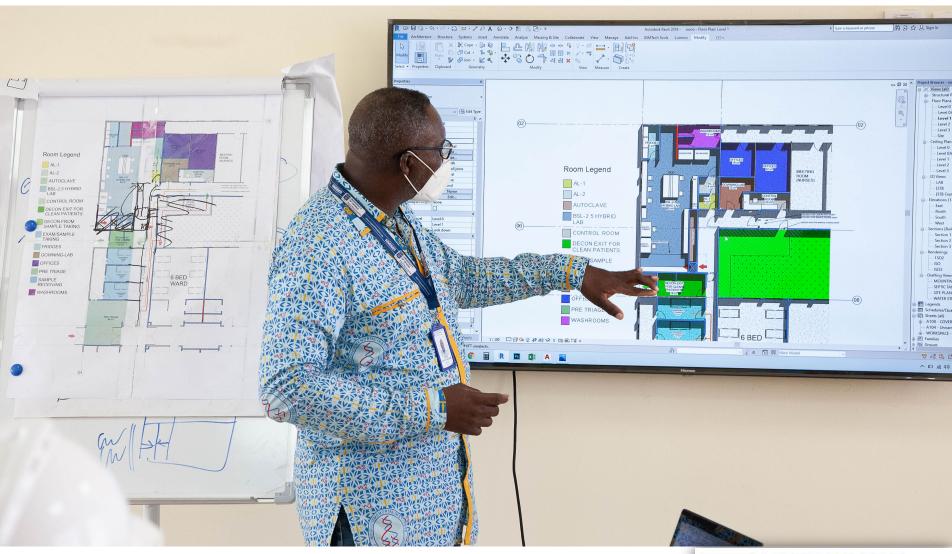


GHANA INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE- ANIMATION



Building Foot Print = 3,870 Sqm





DESIGN REVIEW SESSION - LABORATORY CONSULTANT





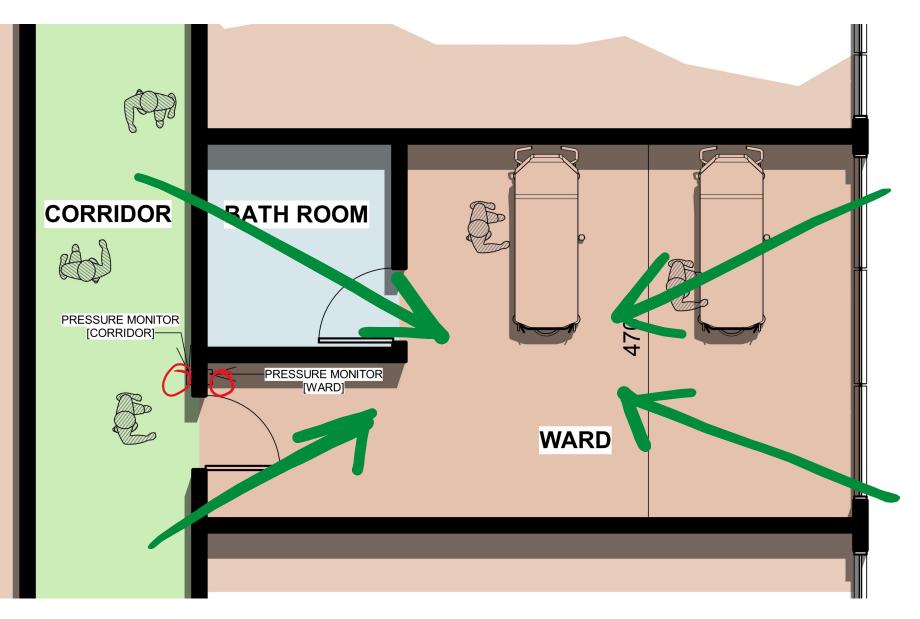
DESIGN/CONSTRUCTION REVIEW SESSION - WHOLE TEAM

COVID-19 Containment- AIRBORNE DISEASE CONTROL BY HVAC SYSTEMS

This portion of the research/Ref. material is by courtesy of Atlabach Consulting with its lead Consultant being **Robert Bachynski P.Eng**, a meber of of **ASHRAE** (American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineering)



CONCEPT OF NEGATIVE PRESSURE

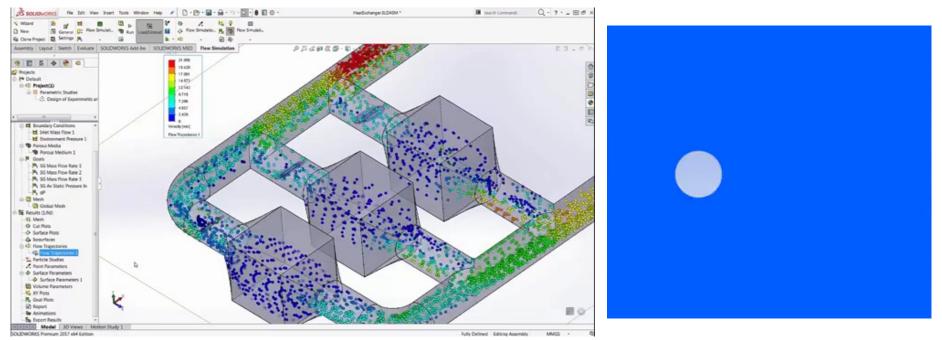


AIRBORNE DISEASE CONTROL BY HVAC SYSTEMS

-Air Change Rate and Dilution

-Relative Humidity (RH)

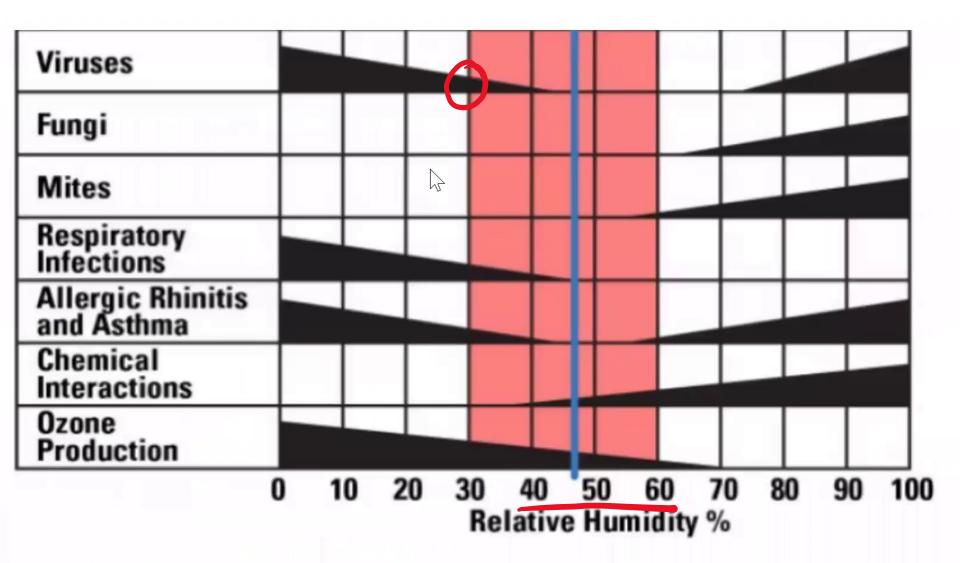
-Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) Modelling



Time to Provide 99% Dilution

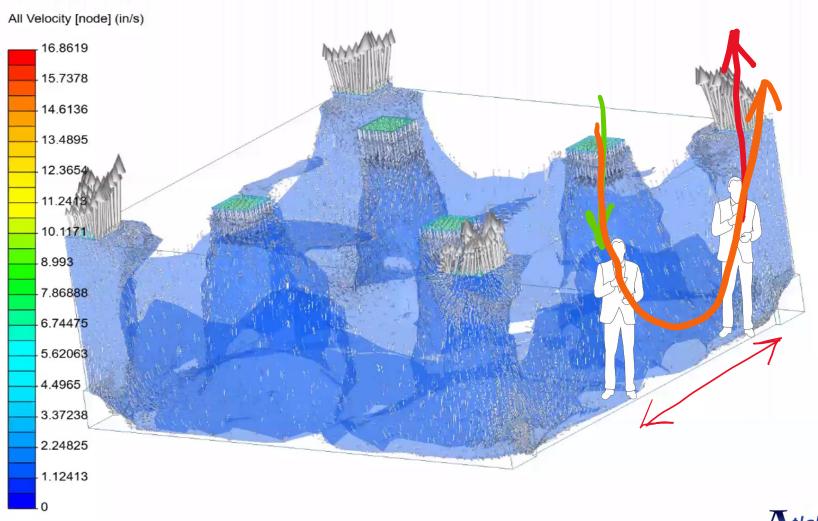
Air Changes Per Hour	Time Minutes
4	104
6	69
8	52
10	41

RELATIVE HUMIDITY- RH



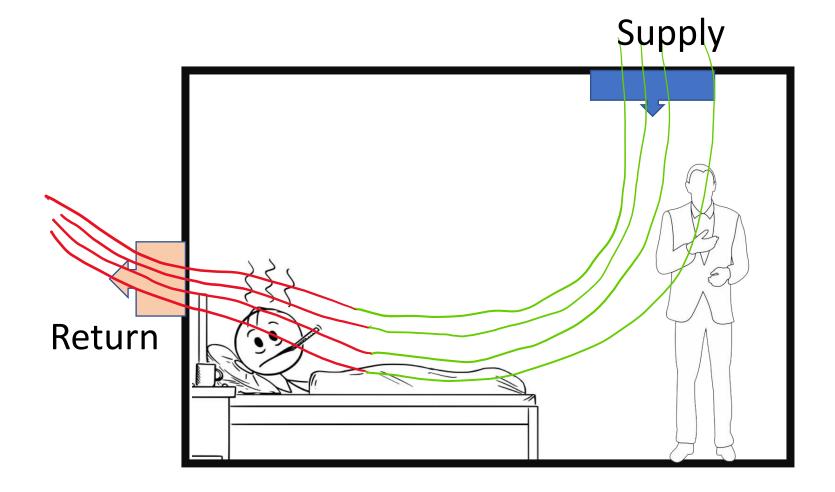
Optimum Humidity Range for Human Comfort and Health [ASHRAE]

CFD Modelling of an HVAC system (6ACH) Ceiling Return

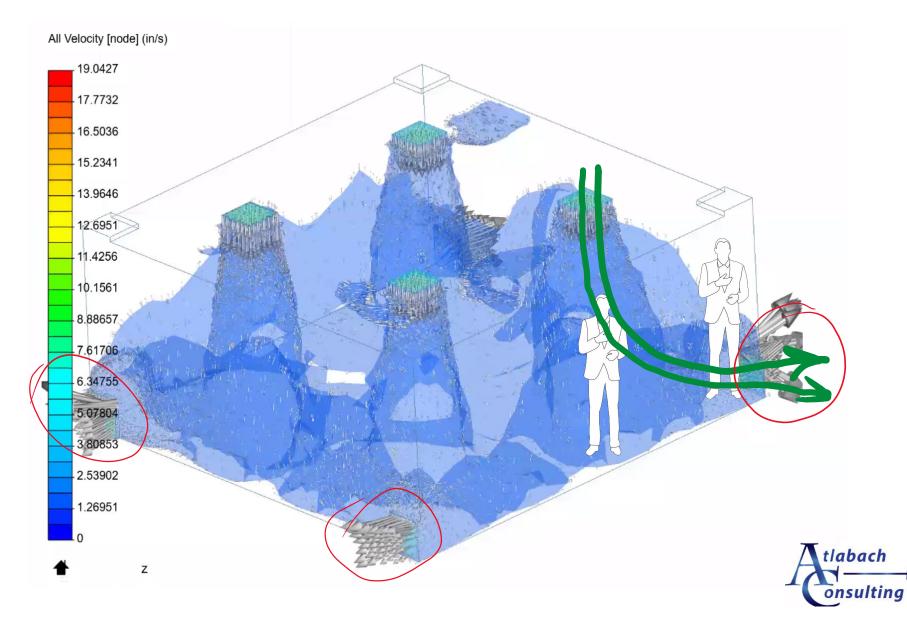




AIRBORNE DISEASE CONTROL BY HVAC SYSTEMS



CFD Modelling of an HVAC system (6ACH) Floor Return



AIRBORNE DISEASE CONTROL BY HVAC SYSTEMS

UVC Lighting and Filtration

- + Radiation with wavelengths between 200 and 290 nm
- + Established to be able to kill the Corona Virus

Corona Virus's Can be filtered and disinfected to 99.99% efficiency with the use of UVC lighting and Merv 15 filtration.

Applications.....



Air Handler Disinfection

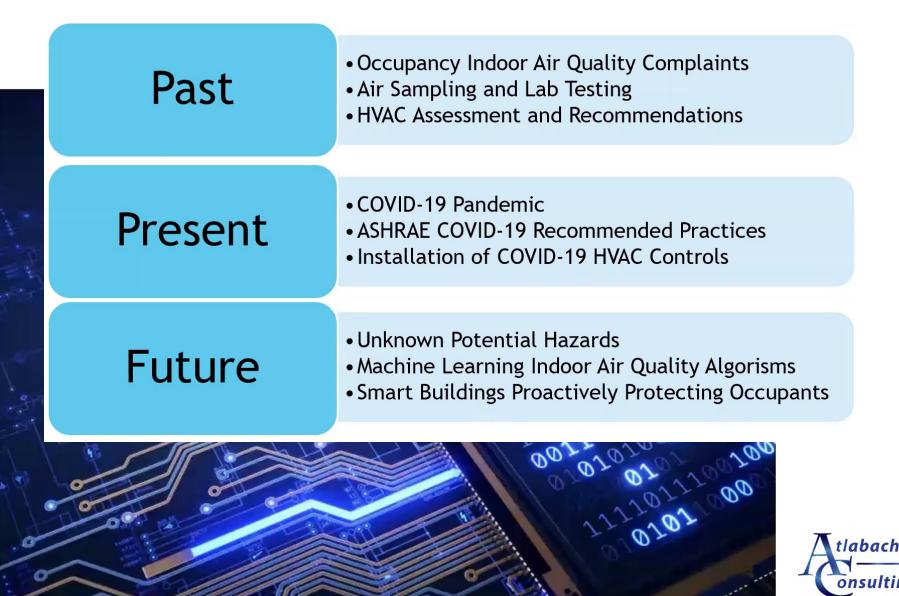
AHU / RTU & Airstream Disinfection

Make-Up Air & Exhaust Disinfection

Room / Surface Disinfection (unoccupied)



HVAC Airborne Disease Control Trends









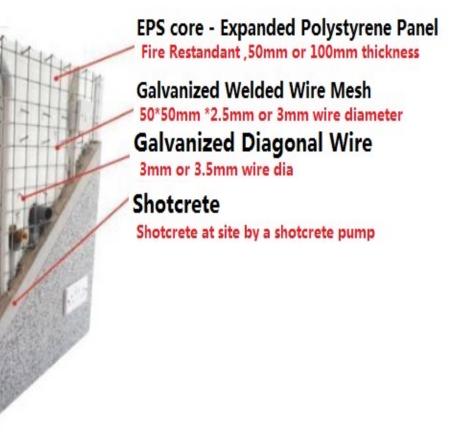
LATE NIGHT WORKS....

GHANA INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE- CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY

EVG 3D CONSTRUCTION SYSTEM

Expanded polystyrene sandwiched in wire mesh and finished with micro concrete

- ✓ Fast and Simple to erect
- ✓ Materials are recyclable
- ✓ No formwork needed
- ✓ Simple installation of utilities
- Elimination of additional beams and columns
- ✓ Less heavy components(easy handling)
- ✓ Provides Excellent thermal insulation
- ✓ Design flexibility
- ✓ Monolithic structure
- ✓ Better Earthquake resistance
- ✓ Lower Construction Costs



GHANA INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE- CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY



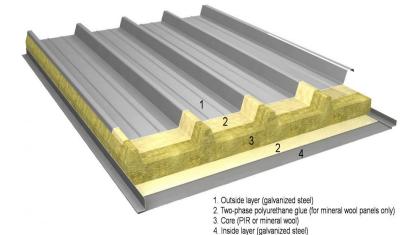




MATERIALS

Floor Slabs - In-Situ Reinforced Concrete Slab Roof Construction - Concrete Filler Slab with Polystyrene

Roof Construction - SteelSheets on Timber Rafters Walls - 3-D Wire Panel with 'Shot-Crete' Both Sides Flooring - Epoxy Flooring





ENERGY MEASURES

Insulation of Roof Insulation of External Walls Air Conditioning with Air Cooled Chiller Energy-Saving Light Bulbs- Internal Spaces

GHANA INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE- NOTABLE FEATURES

Green Building- Edge Certified Exemplary Achievement in

23% Energy Savings28% Water Savings31% Less Embodied Element in Material

Negative Pressure Within the Building

One way traffic for Patients and for staff

Antimicrobial paints

Hands free sensor faucets and doors in certain areas.

TOTAL PROJECT COST = \$7,500,000.00 !!

Building StructureMedical EquipmentAll other running cost expenses.





GHANA INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE CONSTRUCTION MILESTONES



AERIAL VIEW-CONSTRUCTION PERIOD

GHANA INFECTIOUS DISEASE CENTRE CONSTRUCTION MILESTONES



AERIAL VIEW-COMPLETED



VIEW TO MAIN ENTRANCE



NURSES' STATION



TYPICAL 6 BED WARD



CORRIDOR



WAITING LOUNGE

FACTORS LEADING TO THE SUCCESS OF THE PROJECT...

Exigencies of the time

Leadership of the Private Sector

Support of the Government

Commitment of the Consultants

Discipline and Consistency of the Military

Benevolence of the Ghanaian People



CONCLUSION !!...

With our **EMERGENCY APPROACH** to this project, we relied on the

Experience of local health care facilities designers

inputs from health sector **Practitioners.**(Doctors, Lab technicians, Nurses, facilities managers etc.)

Literature/research on the subject matter.----which was our tool for the numerous review sessions during design and construction.



