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Oxford Molecular Pathology Institute

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This development builds on the existing research strengths of the University of Oxford by providing state-of-the-art accommodation suitable for world class scientists. We are seeking candidates for three currently vacant chairs at the Sir William Dunn School of Pathology, who will make use of this rare opportunity to develop the areas of Immunity, Infection, Cancer Cell Biology and Stem Cell Biology. Informal enquiries should be addressed to herman.Waldmann@Path.ox.ac.uk

The Oxford Molecular Pathology Institute will be on the site of the obsolescent Leslie Martin Building, and will be functionally integrated into the School of Pathology. The Institute will house strong existing Wellcome Trust-funded programmes in immunology, molecular developmental biology and microbiology, MRC-funded programmes in Immunology. It will also house a new generation of career development and senior research fellows, and new appointees to the vacant Chairs of Chemical Pathology (EPA, vice George Brownlee), Experimental Pathology (Glaxo, vice Siamon Gordon), and Cellular Pathology (vice Gillian Griffiths). Each of these chairs will be given the opportunity to build substantial new research programmes in the molecular and cellular biology underlying disease processes and the prevention and treatment of disease.

The building will comprise five floors, of which the basement is largely assigned to support services. The four above-ground floors each comprise approximately 11,000 sq ft (1,100 m²) of office, primary and secondary laboratory space suitable for up to six research groups, to a maximum capacity of 56 laboratory staff per floor. The design incorporates open-plan, multi-group primary labs that include write-up desks for laboratory staff, and substantial secondary laboratories that can be configured for a variety of specialist purposes. A cluster of PI and support offices and meeting rooms around the main stairway form the interface between each laboratory floor and the School's shared café, common room, library and seminar rooms. We believe the design will reinforce the existing collegial culture, while providing first rate, flexible research accommodation.

