

Campus-Vienna-Biocenter 1: Home of first-class science



The Research Institute of Molecular Pathology (IMP) is the seed, heart and flagship of the Vienna Biocenter, a community of 1400 scientists. The new IMP building, opened in 2017, embodies this notion: a 52 million Euro investment that secures the IMP's position among the leading molecular biology research institutes of the world.

From the Francis Crick Institute in London, to the Swiss Cancer Center in Lausanne and the campus of IST Austria at Vienna's doorstep, major developments have recently lifted life science facilities of the 21st century to a new level. In line with this trend, the new IMP building reflects the institute's essence: world-class molecular biology, driven by the curiosity of passionate scientists.

One goal of the architects planning the IMP building was to enhance communication. Open working spaces and meeting points increase opportunities for interaction within labs, and throughout the institute. The building offers state-of-the-art facilities that can be easily adapted

to changing research needs in the future. Advanced air-conditioning, LED-lighting and self-shading electrochromic glass are some of the features that contribute to personal well-being and save costs by using energy efficiently.

The 250 staff members of the IMP benefit from light-flooded offices, generous lab space, individual working-desks on split-level floors, and the biggest lecture hall on campus. The generous dimensions of the cafeteria, bar area and tea kitchen, along with stylish furniture and controlled acoustics support a pleasant work atmosphere in which creativity can thrive. ●

IMP building: Facts & Figures



- Workplace for 250 people
- 3 guiding principles: adaptability, sustainability, communication
- Lot size: 2573 m²
- 8 Levels including utility floor
- 15,000 m² gross floor space, 8,200 m² net area
- 67,000 m³ gross volume
- 3,000 m² laboratories
- 2,000 m² desk and office area
- 275 m² lecture hall with 280 seats
- 6 Seminar rooms
- Construction: ground breaking in March 2015, opening March 2017
- Responsible architects: ATP architekten ingenieure

