EXPRESSION OF SCIENCE

THE DESIGN OF CONTEMPORARY LABORATORY BUILDINGS

Funded by an ARC Discovery Grant, “The Design of Contemporary Laboratory Buildings” is a research project being undertaken within the School of Architecture, University of Queensland in partnership with the University of Sydney.

The laboratory architecture project encompasses two concerns. Firstly, the expression of contemporary bioscience through architectural strategies of transparency, wonder, ornamentation with images and forms drawn from scientific subjects, island-making and enclosed environments, fossilization, animality and wilderness, and the reification of individual scientists. The second strand recognizes the emergence of what we have called, “lifestyle science.” As the funding for scientific research has shifted to the private sector and speculative investment, scientists are under pressure to become more entrepreneurial, collegial, convivial and creative, and their employment more precarious.

Outcomes and Related Publications

Forthcoming publications
S. Kaji-O’Grady and Chris L. Smith, LabOratory, under review.

Book Chapter

Journal Articles

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