



## Glaxo - Building 2

Following transfer of the Chemistry Research Department to the new Stevenage site, GWRD required a major refurbishment of Building 2 at their Ware site.

The building, constructed in the 1970's, was to provide 8000m<sup>2</sup> of laboratory and write up space in a £19m contract. The construction programme included nine phased handovers to allow continued occupation by key departments.

Parallel constant volume and variable volume ring main ventilation systems provided for adaptable space planning. GWRD recognized that the complexity of these systems, together with other laboratory services,

meant that the planning and application of services commissioning would be a critical element of the construction process

RPA were appointed as commissioning managers in June 1996 and retained a full-time site presence until the completion of the project in December 1997. The service included detailed design reviews with preparation and monitoring of a 500+ activity, critical path commissioning programme.

All nine phases of the project we completed to programme with full commissioning records incorporated in the operation and maintenance manuals. RPA have been retained by GWRD to provide design services on further refurbishment in the building.