

DIALOG

TORONTO METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY -
RESEARCH LABORATORIES AT MARS

New research laboratories at the epicentre of Toronto's Discovery District



Science + Technology

LOCATION

Toronto, ON

CLIENT

Toronto Metropolitan University

COMPLETION

2016

COLLABORATORS

Mayhew Inc.

Smith + Andersen

DIALOG SERVICES

Laboratory Design

Perched high in the MaRS II building, this research facility for Toronto Metropolitan University's Department of Chemistry and Biology capitalizes upon panoramic views of Queen's Park and the University of Toronto campus. By placing the CL2 biocontainment zones and support spaces at the building core, we opened up the laboratory benches, offices, and collaboration areas to perimeter walls of floor-to-ceiling glass. Specialized facilities include culture rooms for standard and viral vector tissue cultures, a radioisotope lab, advanced microscopy, and an NMR spectrometer. As well as contributing to an airy and energizing workplace, the generous natural light and inspirational views encourage social interaction among researchers and foster connections to the surrounding life sciences community.