

INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA - SAN FRANCISCO



Project Description

The UCSF Institute for Regenerative Medicine is a cutting edge research program with an equally ground-breaking facility, located on an almost 'un-buildable' site at the Parnassus campus in San Francisco.

The building floats above an incredibly steep hillside on a series of trusses. CMG provide site and landscape design to address challenging site conditions, site access, and most importantly, a half acre series of green roof and terrace areas.

The green roof program will provide a visual amenity for office suites and adjacent towers as well as 'break-out' space for researchers. The design is based on concepts from Japanese gardens combined with an ecological approach based on coastal bluff systems which are well suited to the wind swept and dry conditions presented by a green roof.

A common design vocabulary and materials palette are utilized to create a cohesive landscape for the entire roof, while providing variation in the layout and experience of each terrace level.

Architect

Rafael Vinoly Architects

Client

University of California San Francisco

