

## **Designing and planning space with IPM in mind - The Darwin Centre phase two**

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### **Abstract**

The Natural History Museum, London sought to replace the Entomology building on the South Kensington site with an iconic state of the art building to link to the historic Waterhouse building. Following a comprehensive consultation process with architects, designers, conservators, researchers and collection management staff, in 2005 demolition work began on the old Entomology building to make way for the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the Darwin Centre, DC2 that would house botanical and entomological collections as well as provide research and administrative areas and a significant public space offer. The IPM group was therefore able to ensure that the new facility would be constructed and designed in a way that would reinforce the IPM principles adopted by the NHM by excluding or at least limiting the possibility of contamination and infestation by pests.

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