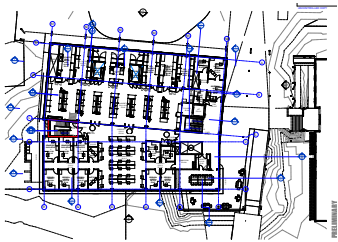




## AITHM Cairns Construction

AITHM has recently commenced construction of a world-class infectious diseases research facility.



**August 2014**  
Architect selected



**February 2015**  
Design selected

**August 2015**  
Construction tendered



**October 2015**  
Groundworks commenced



**August 2016**  
Construction tender awarded

**August 2016**  
Construction commencing

**Mid 2017**  
Completion date

**TBC 2017**  
Official opening

### Key features of the new facility

This new site, adjacent to existing AITHM space, will include a PC2 laboratory that will expand AITHM's capacity to conduct research and training in virology, viral diseases and vector control, and the development of new treatments and vaccines for tropical diseases.

With recent recruitment activity, AITHM has grown its research capacity - this expansion will support ongoing research for existing and new research teams at the Cairns campus.

Funding of \$18M has been provided by the Australian Government, via the Australian Research Council's Special Research Initiative Scheme, and funding of \$6.5M by the Queensland Government, for the construction of these facilities.



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