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Work Areas: Contamination and containment engineering Support

Specialist laboratory and animal facility budget, scope and layout advice

Design, briefing and budgeting Reviews

Specialist containment facility checks, inspections and reports

Compliance checks of documents; compliance reviews and inspections

Animal cage handling scope, capacity and design checks

**Year of Birth:** 1953, Geelong, Australia

Nationality: Australian and British Citizenship

**Languages:** English, Spanish

**Qualifications:** Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering, University of Melbourne 1973

Diploma of Education, Melbourne College 1975

Graduate Diploma of Humanities, University of La Trobe 1991

**Affiliations:** Member, Institute of Engineers, (MIE Aust.), Chartered Professional Engineer

NPER-3 Registered No. 249316, EM 1175, Registered Building Practitioner

Registered Practitioner, Queensland, RPEQ 5291

N.T. Building Practitioners Board - Registered Mechanical Engineer - WAEM 3089 Founding Member and Director, ABSANZ (Association of Biosafety for Australia

and New Zealand

Registered Third Party Assessor, AQIS (Australian Quarantine Inspection Service)

Member, Australian and New Zealand Laboratory Animal Association

Member, American Biological Safety Association

Member American Association for Laboratory Animal Science Committee Member, Australian Standard AS/NZS 2243 part 3: "Safety in Laboratories, Microbiological safety and containment"

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Neil Walls Consulting does not offer exclusive support for individual competitive submissions. However, all support invitations are treated as confidential. Information will not be used to contact potentially competing bidders.

## **Professional Experience:**

April 2002 to Present, Neil Walls Consulting Pty Ltd Director and Sole Practitioner.

## MAJOR ONGOING ROLES:

- Support role for World Health Organization, Western Pacific Region, for the "Stop TB" programme and related advisory and training duties.
- Inspections and reports for AQIS (Australian Quarantine Inspection Service) to support containment and regulatory compliance of institutions working with imported risk organisms.
- Preparation and running of courses in containment in conjunction with "Biosecurity and Biocontainment International Consultants Pty. Ltd. These include design of facilities, laboratory design, animal, plant and invertebrate facility design, waste treatment, decontamination design

#### **MAJOR PROJECT ROLES:**

• Review of quarantine facilities throughout Australia to support modernization project.

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- Review of architectural, engineering and liquid waste systems for aquatic animal facility, SA.
- Compliance support role for CSIRO for PC4 animal and laboratory facilities.
- Support design team and review documents for containment laboratories and animal facility at PC3 level for University of Auckland, NZ.
- Documentation review, advice for regulatory compliance, Swinburne University PC3 laboratory
- Design support for new TB diagnostic laboratory for UPM, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- Advice on glass house containment compliance aspects, Melbourne, Canberra and Adelaide.
- Review of PC3 animal facility, JCSMR, Canberra.
- Advice on upgrade of tuberculosis laboratory, SA Pathology, Adelaide.
- Compliance inspections, Murdoch University, Perth.
- Facility inspection and OGTR PC2 facility compliance report for internal biosafety committee, Bendigo, Victoria.
- Concept support for a small animal facility at Deakin University, Geelong. Work includes layout
  optimization, cage handling and wash areas, clean and contained animal holding layout
  recommendations and staff/material/animal/waste entry and exit considerations.
- Report and recommendations for a small animal facility at ANU, Canberra, including support for the design team to achieve regulatory and standards compliance.
- Review, recommendations for Department of Primary Industry, NSW, related to bacteriology and virology laboratories, diagnostic areas and plant, large animal high containment facilities.
- Reviews of design and installation of containment facilities at KBRB and QHSS Laboratories in Dutton Park and Coopers Plains, Queensland. Inspections for regulatory compliance.
- Review and recommendations related to containment and animal housing for a veterinary facility in Adelaide, South Australia.
- Assistance with design advice and upgrading recommendations for PC3 laboratories in Sydney, Adelaide and New Guinea.
- PC3 upgrade of containment laboratory for VIDRL, Melbourne.
- Support, specialist laboratory and containment facilities, Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne.
- Animal facility cage handling area design brief preparation for TRI, Brisbane.
- Support the preparation of Consultant Briefing for proposed Peter Doherty facility, Melbourne.
- Concept review of PC4 containment waste treatment system for upgraded facilities at QHSS laboratories, Brisbane.
- Concept design and briefing preparation for a large pathology laboratory complex in Perth, Australia.
- Review and assist design team with AQIS compliance issues for animal containment, animal
  handling and cage handling requirements for a neurological sciences precinct at Melbourne
  University.
- AQIS compliance advice and recommendations to design team for a research facility using small and large animals at Royal Children's Hospital, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.
- Undertake microbiological review for CSIRO Animal Health Laboratories, Geelong, Australia.
- Waste treatment review, recommendations and report for a large animal containment facility, Wagga Wagga, New South Wales, Australia.
- Review of proposed layouts and procedures at a plant accelerator facility in South Australia for compliance with standards and regulations
- Inspection, report and liaison with authorities for a Risk Group 3 rodent containment animal facility at IMVS, Adelaide, South Australia.
- Review of an animal facility design for Sunshine Hospital, Melbourne, Australia.
- Preparation of briefing and compliance guidelines for a new research facility for DPI Victoria. This project includes medium and high containment animal, plant and invertebrate areas.
- Assistance with design of PC2 laboratories, animal facilities and PC3 invertebrate facilities for regulatory compliance at WEHI Victoria.
- Review design layouts, services and strategies for a new rodent containment facility at Moss Vale, New South Wales for the Garvan Institute, Sydney, Australia.
- Support, assistance with concept design and review of design team proposals for a new WHO influenza research facility at VIDRL, Melbourne.

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- Development of options, planning proposals for multi-purpose PC3 facility for SA Pathology.
- Design and construction support role for Emergency Response Laboratory to PC3 standard for Royal Darwin Hospital.
- Inspection, capability assessment of PC3 laboratory at Oueen Mary Hospital, Hong Kong.
- Design and preliminary documentation of an avian flu laboratory project in Thailand for the National Institute of Animal Health. This includes a high containment animal facility.
- Review of Department of Defence laboratories at Fishermans Bend, with assessment of procedures for dealing with containment issues of high risk laboratories.
- Upgrade advice and design of PC-4 plant facility at Floreat Park, Perth, WA for CSIRO. Concept
  design of amendments to facility mechanical services, waste treatment systems, revised
  contained glass house enclosures, and improved safety provisions.
- Concept design and construction support role for a high containment research facility for Westmead Hospital, Parramatta. This included client briefing and liaison, development of layout design, with particular emphasis on waste liquid treatment requirements and options.
- Concept study of services and early budget preparations for two research facilities in New Zealand. The work includes large animal holding and research areas, small animal facilities, and laboratories. The laboratory areas include infectious diseases research, parasitology research, general microbiology laboratories, tissue culture preparation, epidemiology laboratories, and special purpose PC-3 laboratories.
- Preliminary design and layouts of a new central rodent facility at Sydney University. This
  included attendance at client meetings, and development of strategies for equipment options
  related to animal cage handling, waste removal, clean materials transfer, and cage filling.
- Audit, to AQIS requirements, of a PC-2 and PC-4 plant facility at DNRE, Frankston.
- Review and inspection of a containment large animal facility for DNRE, Bendigo, and the
  preparation and submission of a report with estimates to upgrade the facility to PC-2 standard for
  OGTR
- Tour of primate facilities in the U.S.A. and provision of a report to Monash University to support the development of a new non-human primate facility at the Churchill campus.
- Concept design of primate holding upgrades for an animal facility at Monash University.
- Upgrade of animal holding architectural and building services for a production facility at Monash University.
- Inspections, reports and recommendations associated with a forensic analysis laboratory for New South Wales Police, Australia.
- Assist design consultant team with waste treatment options for a high containment large and small animal facilities in Queensland, Australia.

## October 1998 - March 2002 S2F Pty. Ltd.

- Combined clean and contained rodent facility at Westmead Hospital, Sydney.
- Vivarium for University of Queensland and CSIRO. Design and documentation of PC-3 areas and central steam sterilizer facilities.
- Concept layouts and animal support facility designs for Phenomics Facility, ANU, Canberra.
- SPF mouse facility at Monash University, Clayton, Victoria, including equipment selections for client and documentation of same, sterilizers and washing units.
- Multiple products facility site services upgrade and manufacturing and packaging upgrade for Smithkline Beecham, Tianjin, PRC.
- Site services upgrade for Johnson and Johnson, Shanghai, PRC.
- Containment liquids manufacturing facility for CSL, Parkville, Victoria
- Biotech "STRIP" laboratories at Monash University, Clayton.
- Blood analysis laboratory for the University of Hong Kong.
- Pilot manufacturing suite for Elastomeric (experimental elastomer developers).
- Liquids manufacturing facility for Pharmacia and Upjohn, Kalamazoo, USA.
- Nicorette plant in Puerto Rico for Pharmacia and Upjohn.

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- Nuclear accelerator facility "Metal Free Laboratory", ANU, ACT.
- Initial concept design of vivarium for small animals at Biopolis, Singapore.
- Site master plan for Arecibo, Puerto Rico for Pharmacia and Upjohn.

#### February 1997 - October 1998

#### WBM Pty Ltd - Building Services Group

- Design and documentation of Aged Care and Mental Health facilities, Prince Charles Hospital, Brisbane. Design of Main Acute Care Facility. Engineer responsible for all mechanical and equipment services, services value \$Aus 25M
- Design of containerized explosives manufacturing facility for Dyno Nobel Asia Pacific Ltd.

#### 1994 - 1997

#### Cleanroom Technologies (Aust) Pty Ltd

Senior Design Engineer - Mechanical Services

- Mechanical Services for Upjohn Suzhou Pharmaceutical development in Suzhou, PRC.
- Design and documentation, Freeze Drier Suite at CSL Limited, Parkville, Victoria.
- Construction stage Process Engineering Services, Sterile Adjuvant process at CSL Limited.
- Process Services for a Sterile Liquids filling plant at Delta West, Perth, Western Australia.
- Pharmaceutical Plant to produce Tablets, Liquids, Cremes, Sterile Infusion Products, Gateway Vimedimex Joint Venture, Hanoi, Vietnam.
- Tablet Packing Facility, Blister Packing, Bottle Packing Lines for Merck Sharp & Dohme, NSW.
- Design and documentation of Quality Control Laboratories and an Enclosed Process Module (tabletting) for Merck, Sharp and Dohme, NSW.
- Design and documentation of new pharmaceutical areas and upgrade of existing facilities at Wyeth, Smithfield Plant, NSW.
- Engineering advice to law firm regarding failures associated with NSW Bowlers Club fire.
   Submission and presentation to the Coroner's Court of NSW.
- Design and documentation of hopper, granulation and tablet compressing suites, packing lines, HVAC, Vacuum facilities and reticulated piped services Parke Davis, Caringbah NSW.

## 1985 – 1994 Irwin Johnston & Partners Engineers Pty Ltd, Melbourne

Senior Engineer - Mechanical Services

- Upjohn Suzhou Pharmaceutical Plant (Process Design)
- Parliament and Law Courts, N.T.
- Museum of Science, Spotswood,
- Spicers Paper manufacturing facility design, Preston
- Red Funnel Fisheries, Ammonia Refrigeration and Piping Systems

# 1981 – 1985 Australian National Antarctic Research Expeditions (ANARE)

• Senior Construction Officer and work programme manager - Davis Base, Antarctica

## 1980 – 1981 Young Austen Young Pty Ltd Hertfordshire - U.K.

• Worked as Project Mechanical Engineer, various projects

#### 1978 – 1980 Drake & Scull Engineering Pty Ltd London - U.K.

Worked as Project Mechanical Engineer, various projects

## 1975 – 1978 Irwin Johnston & Partners Pty Ltd

• Worked as design engineer in multi-discipline consultancy practice.

### 1973 – 1975 PMG and Telecom Australia

Design mechanical engineer for PMG Department and later Telecom Australia (now Telstra).

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