



## 21 operating theatres for UMC Utrecht

21 new operating theatres have been built for the Vital Functions Department of the University Medical Center Utrecht (UMC Utrecht). The renewal was necessary because more and more equipment is now required during an operation. The new operating theatres are larger in size and equipped with the latest equipment and air handling systems.

### Two surgical departments

In the heart of the UMC in Utrecht there were two obsolete surgical departments. Two new departments were realised to replace these. In the first phase a new surgical department was built (9 theatres for the Surgical Treatment Centre) on the ground floor. The second phase involved the demolition and new construction of the second surgical department (12 theatres for the Innovative Operations Centre) on the fourth floor of the hospital.

### Working in an operational environment

During the construction work, the UMC made use of the Major Incident Hospital and a number of operating theatres were used more frequently so that surgical interventions could continue. As a result, measures have been taken to limit/prevent nuisance with regard to dust, noise, vibrations and logistical flows in order to guarantee the operational continuity of the hospital for staff, patient and visitor flows. Safety, quality and efficiency were of the highest priority during the construction process.

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### Facts and figures

**Site**

Utrecht

**Client**

University Medical Center Utrecht (UMC Utrecht)

**Project management**

4Building

**Status**

On site

**Architect**

Atelier Kempe Thill