



## Design Research and Innovation

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Nightingale Associates is an award-winning architectural practice specialising in the design of healthcare, education and science buildings. Our international reputation for thought leadership is underpinned by a strong design research ethos supported by the work of Nightingale THINK.

Initially inspired by the desire to create successful patient-centred environments in new and existing healthcare settings it now focuses on all sectors, including places for learning and working. The work of Nightingale THINK highlights the important link between research and practice. Its activities encompass innovations in clinical planning, product and furniture design, as well as explaining through gathered evidence and experience the impact of the built environment on the human condition. Sharing this knowledge with our clients and partners through formal networks, advice and guidance is an essential element of the work of Nightingale THINK.

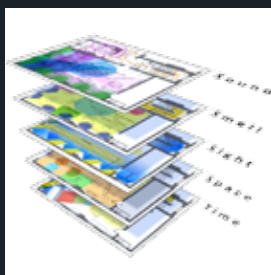
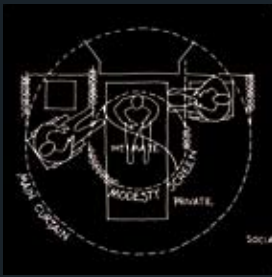
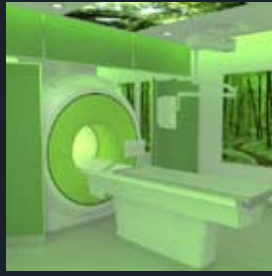
We understand that collaboration and the sharing of ideas is an essential ingredient for innovation. As such we have a successful track record of collaborating and assisting research institutions and universities.

Nightingale THINK is also working with industry partners including Philips, Ecophon, British Gypsum, Forbo Nairn, Olympus and SAS International to develop new products and systems to benefit the users of our buildings. It also supports the work of key institutions focused on the importance and quality of the built environment, such as the King's Fund, Architects for Health, Macmillan Cancer Relief, The Wellcome Trust, Department of Health and the Design Council.

As well as supporting our research and industry partners Nightingale THINK initiates its own research, funding pilot studies to collate first-hand evidence to help improve the quality, efficiency and sustainability of the built environment.



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