

Asclepius Medic Tower

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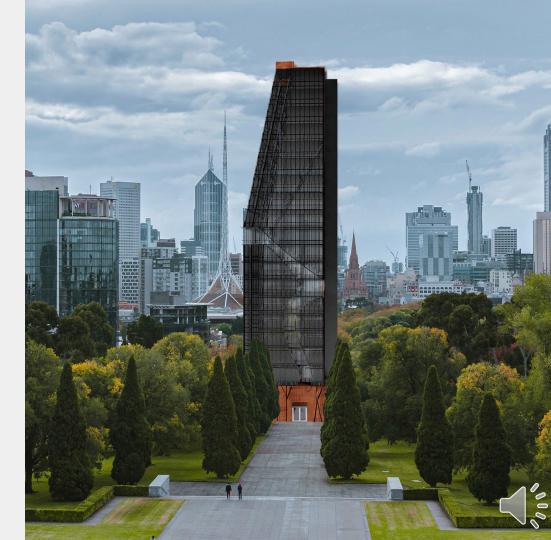






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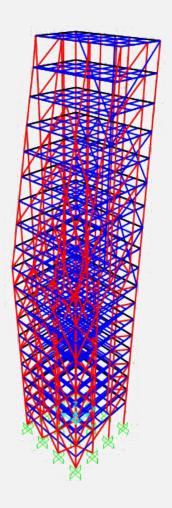
Geotechnical and Structural Details

Soil Classification: Clay

Type of Soil: D

Problems found with the addition of the extension:

- o Torsion Problem
 - Isometric Geometry of the structure
- Axial Load
 - Overloading of Foundations
 - Overloading on Columns
- Shear Load
 - Dynamic Event: Seismic Event







Time Histories	Max. Inter- Story Drift Ratio (in²)	Aver. Inter- Story	Max. Axial Force (pound)	Max. Bending Force (pound- in)	Max. Shear Force (pound)	Member with Peak Force	ASCE Max Load Combination	Weight (pounds)	Max. Rentable Area (in²)
TH 3 (N/S)	0.0049	0.000363	2.46	0.0297	0.0133	Column 1-G	D +0.7E	0.5	2376
TH 3 (E/W)	0.007	0.000153	2.4	0.0295	0.0130	Column 1-G	D +0.7E		

Nonlinear Analysis using SAP 2000



Architecture Design

The main attraction focuses on the negative space created by the curves on the North/South facades which are intended to represent the Rod of Asclepius, this symbol originates from Greek mythology and is associated with healing and medicine.

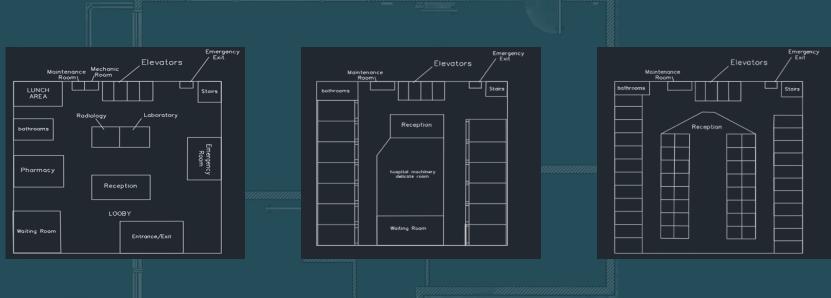


The wooden components at the bottom are intentionally placed in the entrance to evoke a feeling of warmth and coziness for the individuals who are about to enter the building.



Extension of the building parameters in the West/East facades with non rentable space to create the illusion of the building being displaced in its central portion; this extra space is intended to be use for vegetation.

Floor Plans Distribution



Entrance / Emergency Area

Floor 2 / Facility Rooms

Floor 3 - Floor 19

