

Keeping a Smart Lab Smart Requires Metering, Monitoring, and Metrics

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Learning Objectives:

- Identify building operation metrics, and how they are affected by lab practices.
- Understand how UCI uses sub metering and dash boarding to compile data at the building, floor, and zone level.
- How to use data analysis to reduce operating cost and ensure continuous commissioning.

Agenda

1. Smart Lab vs. Previous Best Practice

2. Metering and Monitoring Installed

3. Lab Energy Use, 2001 vs. 2010

4. Smart Continuous Commissioning

Previous Best Practice vs. Smart Lab

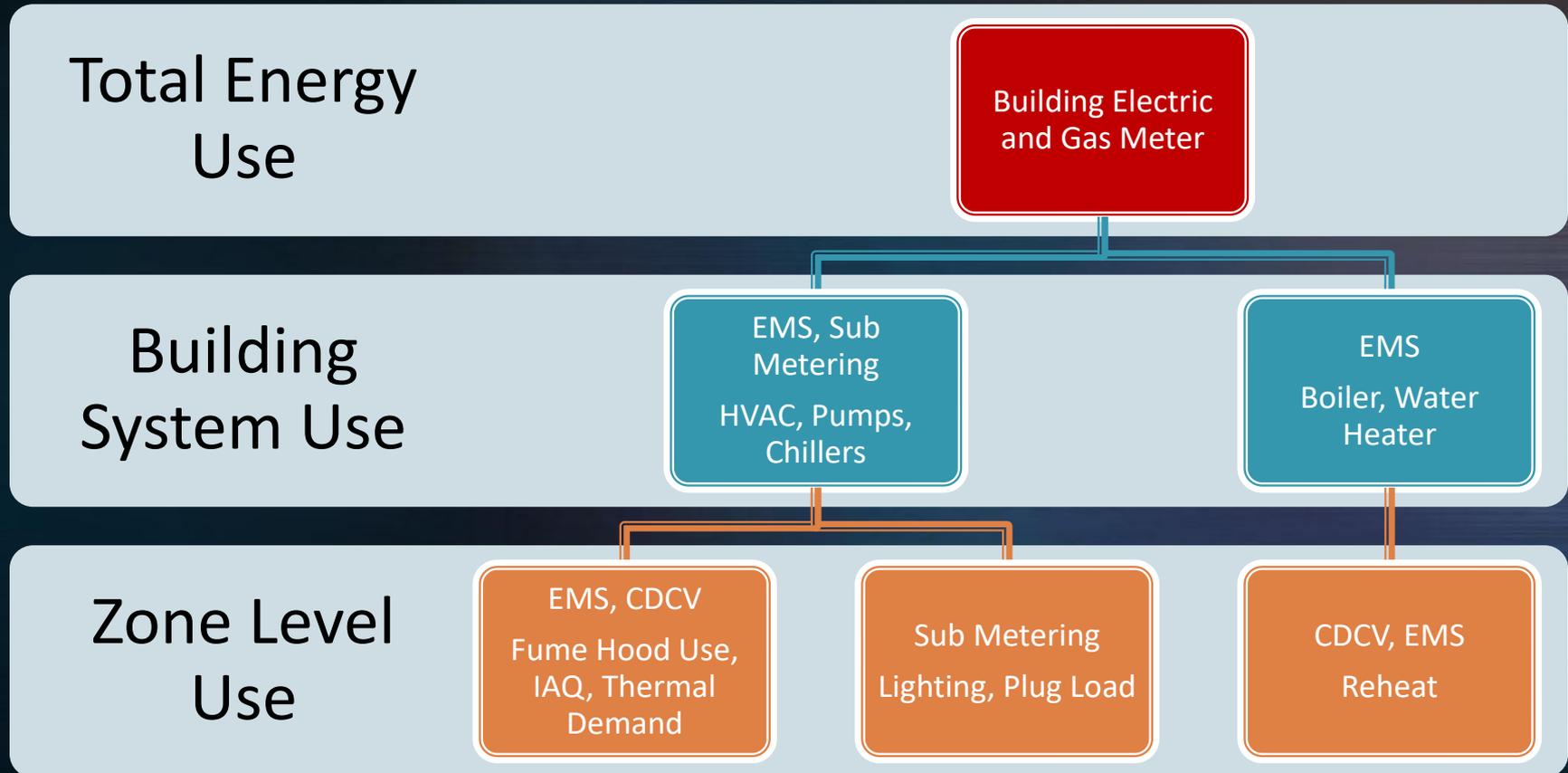
	<u>2001 Best Practice</u>	<u>Gross Hall 2010 Smart Lab</u>
Air-handler/filtration airspeeds	400 ft/min. max	350 ft/min. max
Total system (supply + exhaust) pressure-drop	6 in. w.g.	<5 in. w.g. (incl. dirty filter allow.)
Duct noise attenuators	Few	None
Occupied lab air-changes/hr. (ACH)	6 ACH	4 ACH w/contaminant sensing
Night air-change setback (unoccupied)	No setback	2 ACH w/occupancy + contaminant sensing
Fume hood face-velocities	100 FPM	100 FPM
Fume hood face-velocities (unoccupied)	100 FPM	60 FPM (Zone Presence Sensors)
Exhaust stack discharge velocity	~3,500 FPM	~2,100 FPM Wind Tunnel Modeled
Lab illumination power-density	0.9 watt/SF	0.6 watt/SF w/LED task lighting
Fixtures near windows on daylight sensors	No	Yes
Energy Star freezers & refrigerators	No	Yes
Out-perform CA Title 24	20-25%	50%

Lab Efficiency Cycle

UCI's Goal is to reduce lab energy consumption by 50%



If you can't see where the energy is going, finding savings will be difficult.



At the zone level, measurement and verification resolution are so high you are essentially constantly commissioning the building

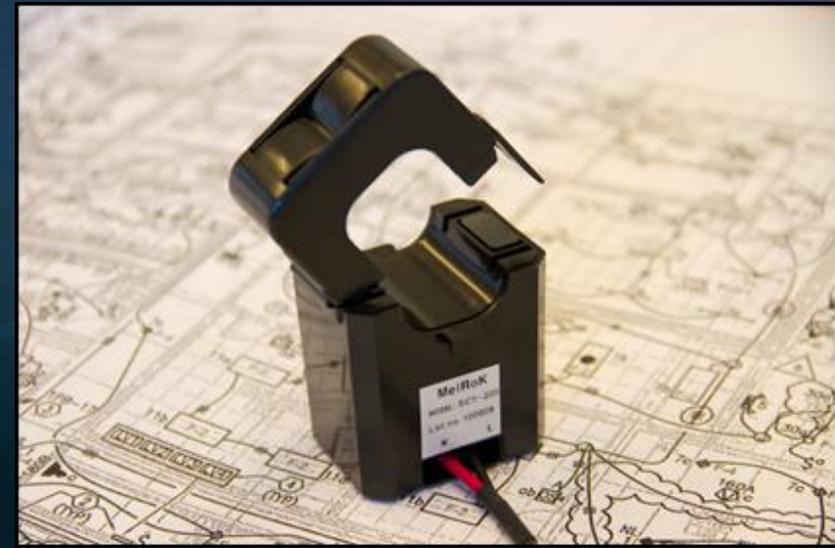
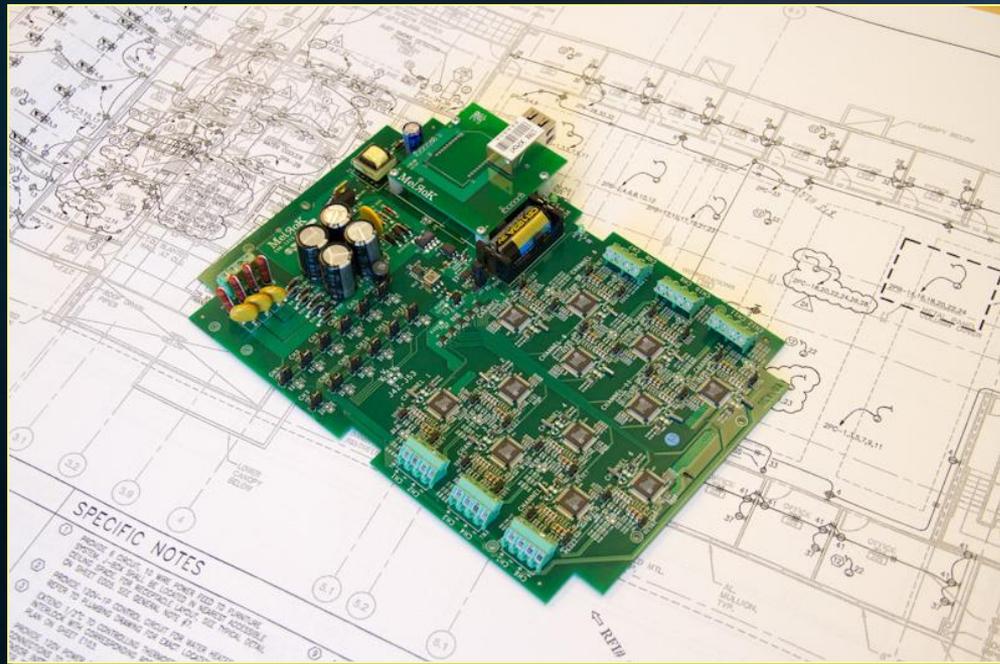
Cost Effective Sub Metering

Meter Specs

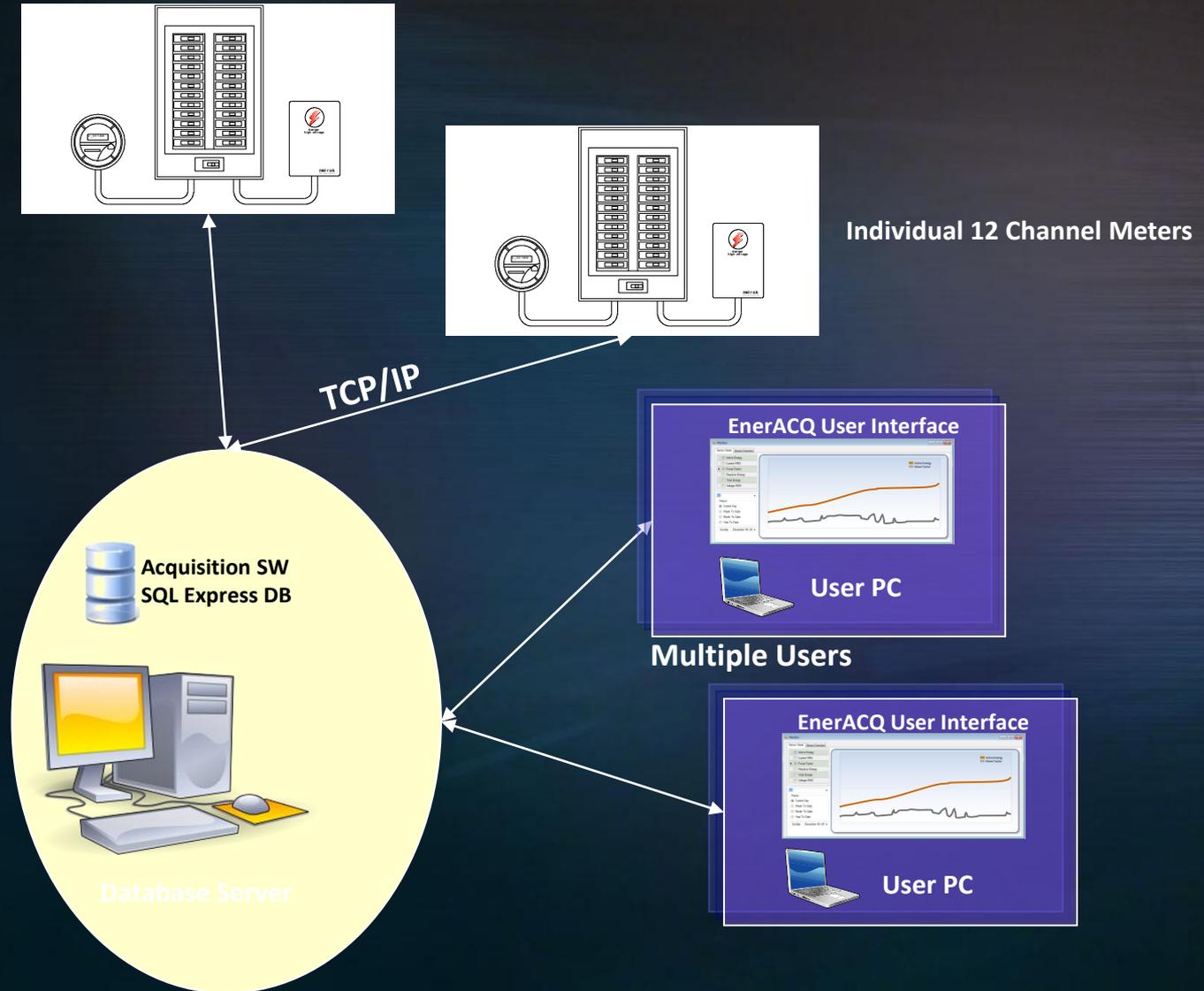
- 12 Channels Per Board
- Meter accuracy: +/- 0.5% (0.25% Typ.)
- V, I, Active Energy, Reactive Energy, Power Factor

Current Transformer Specs

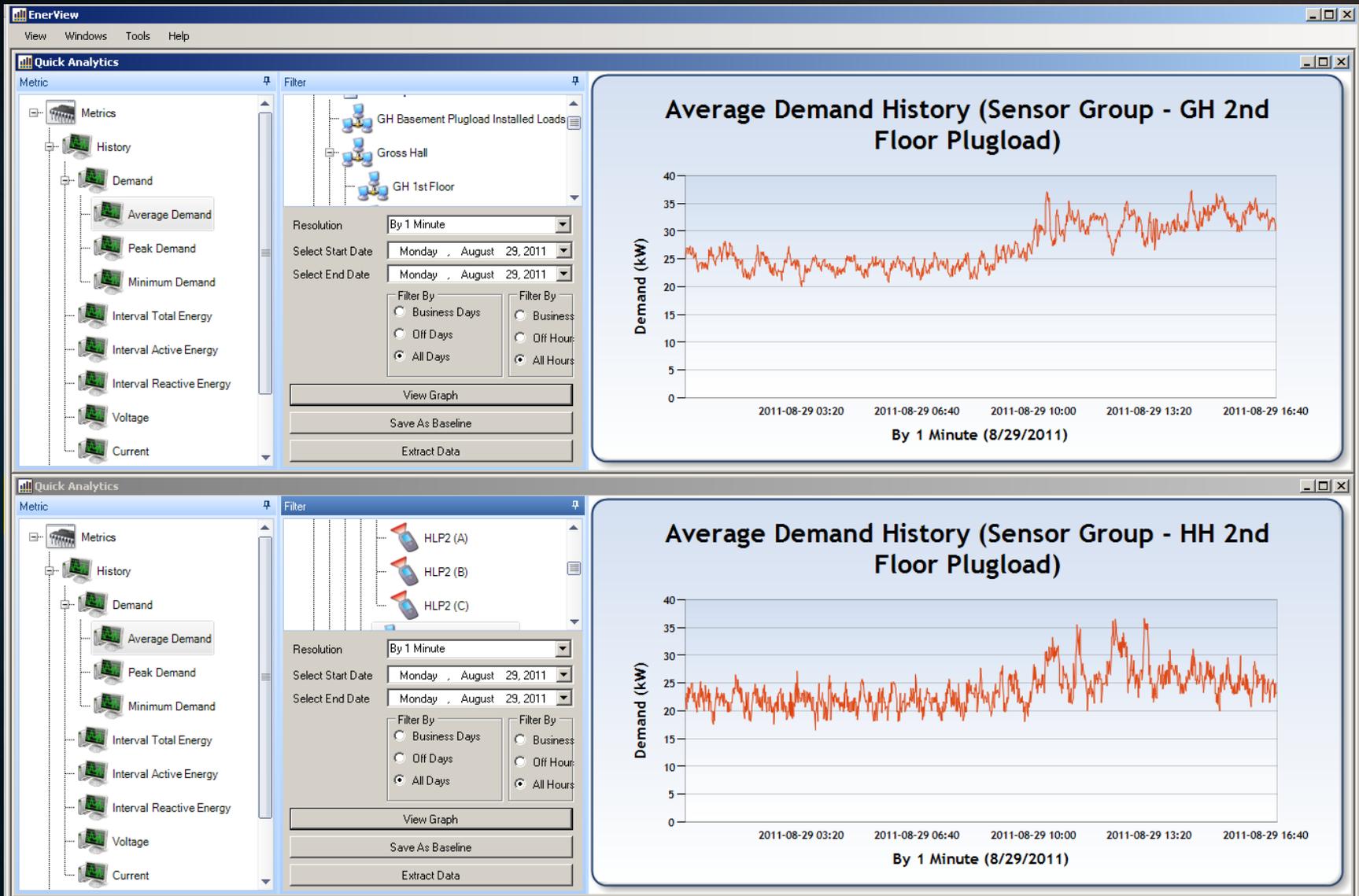
- Sensor Accuracy: +/- 1%
- CT's 60-400 Amps
- Clamp on installation



System Description



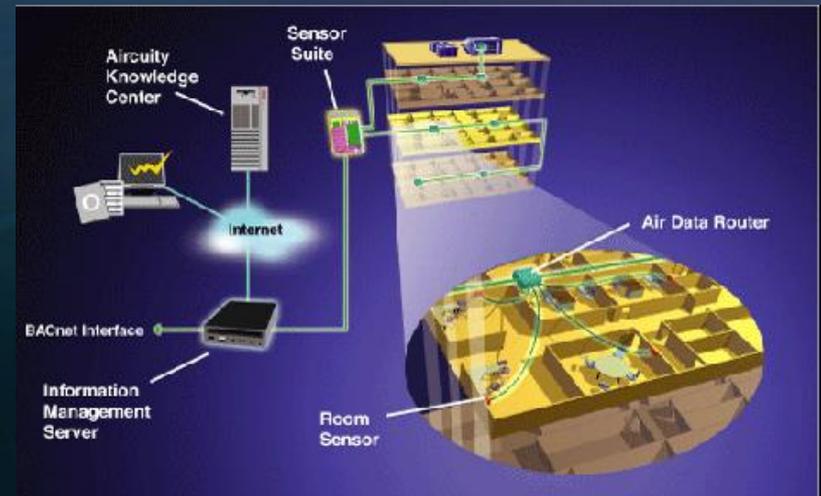
Visualization of lab energy use



CDCV System

Dashboard and Data Trends for each zone:

- Air Change Rates
- IAQ
- Sash position of each fume hood
- Occupancy
- Relative Humidity
- Temperature
- Total Supply
- Total Exhaust

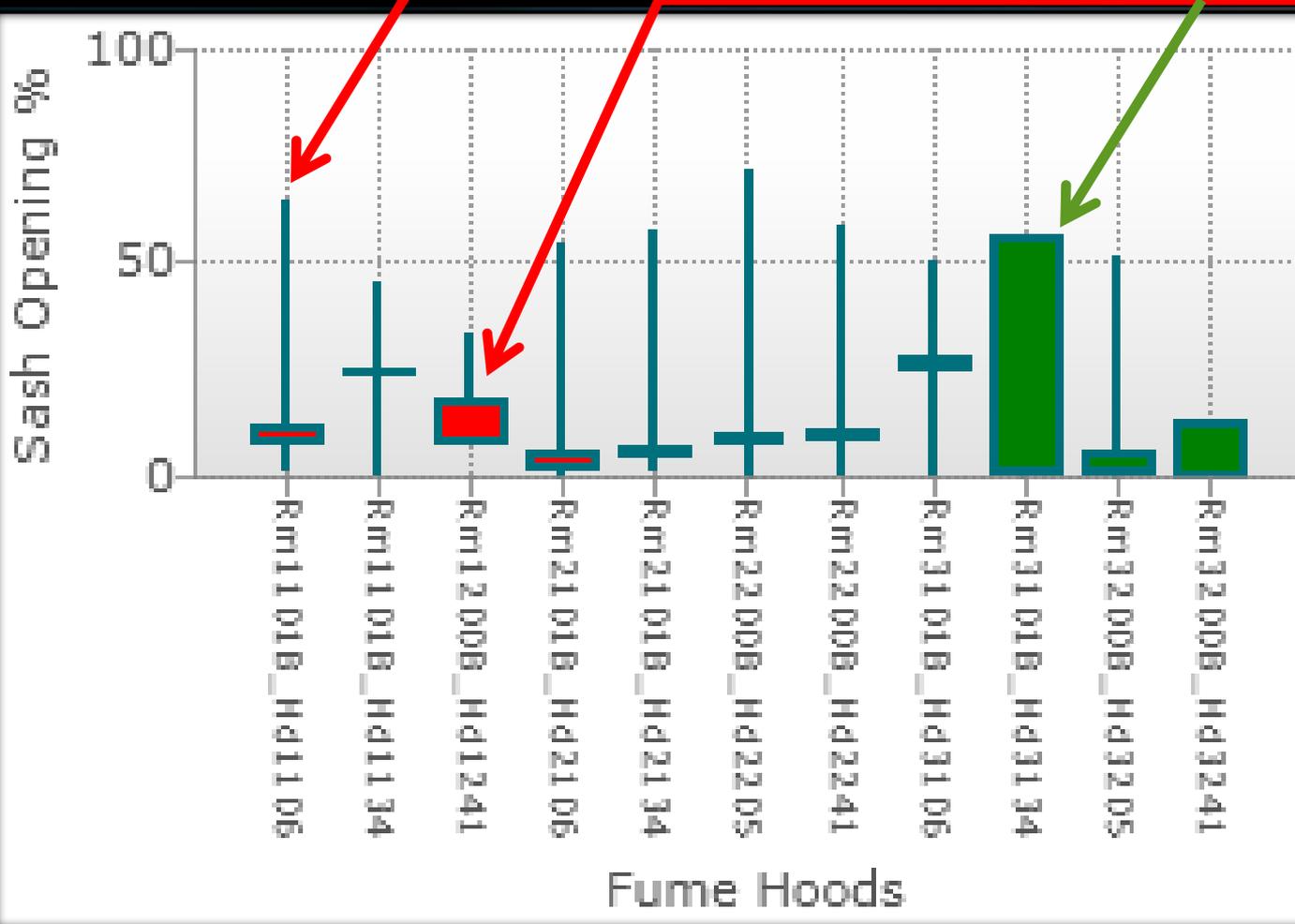


Visualization of lab HVAC use

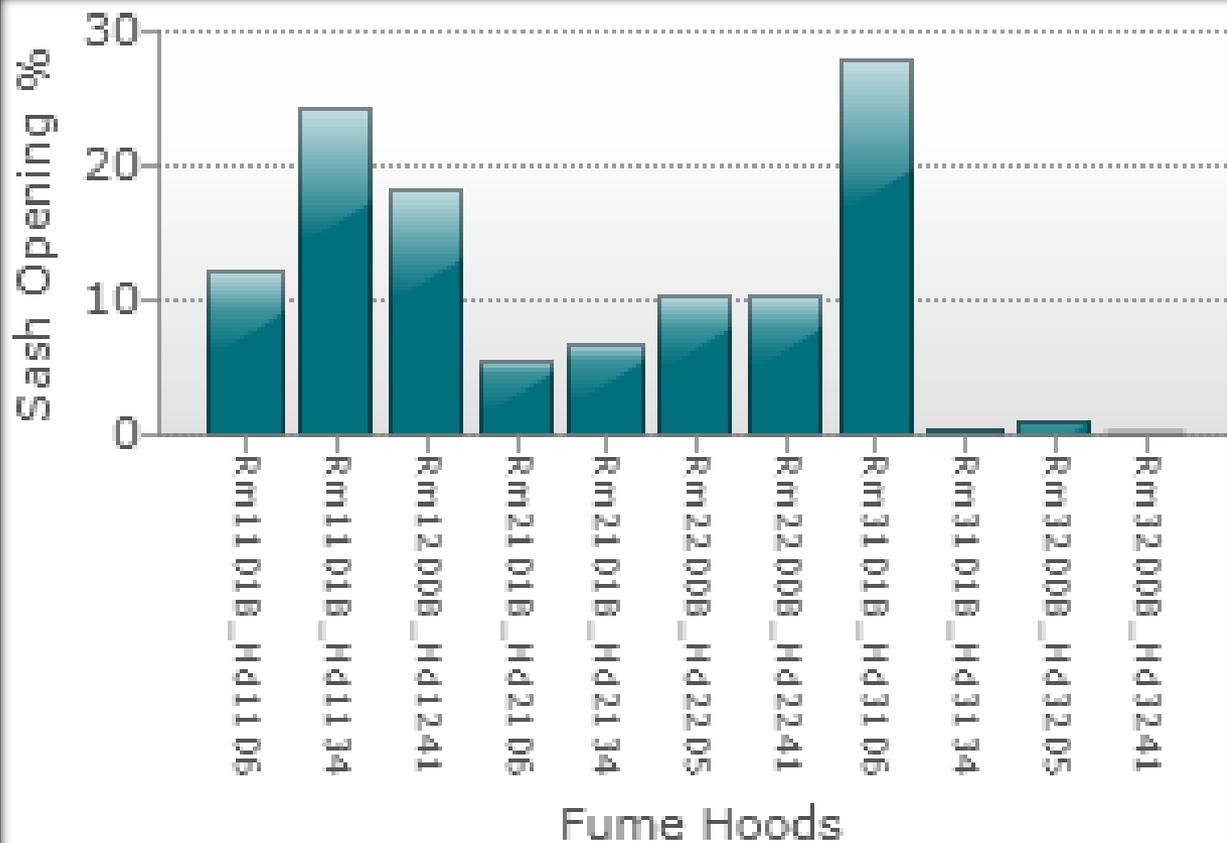


Monitoring Fume Hood Usage

- Fume hood usage range
- Change in average sash position from the month prior
- This hood shows usage between 0% open and 65% open
- Red indicates poorer average green indicates improved average sash management



How many hoods are in use right now in your lab and how far open are the sashes?



Smart Labs are not just controls and sensors.

Smart Labs provide real time feedback as well as monthly reporting data that is actionable.

Return on investment is directly affected by lab practices.

Hewitt Hall

vs.

Gross Hall



Designed in 2001

- Exceeded Title 24 by 23.7%
- Biomedical research
- Lighting upgrade in 2009
- Exhaust Stack Discharge Velocity Reduction in 2009
- Re-Commissioned in 2010
- 76,905 Square Feet

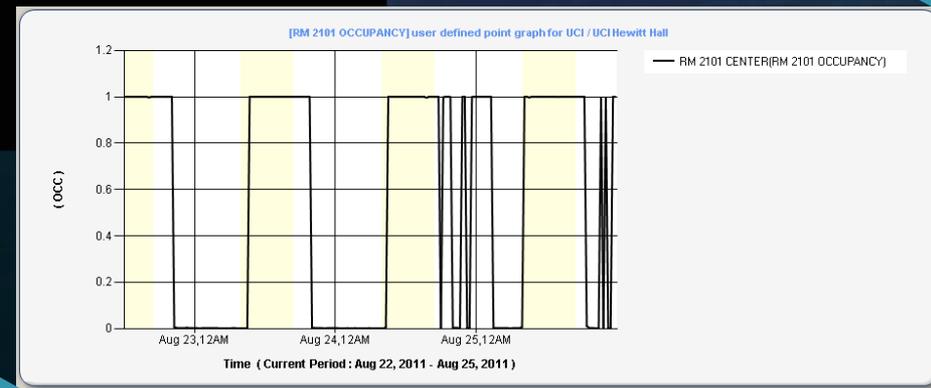
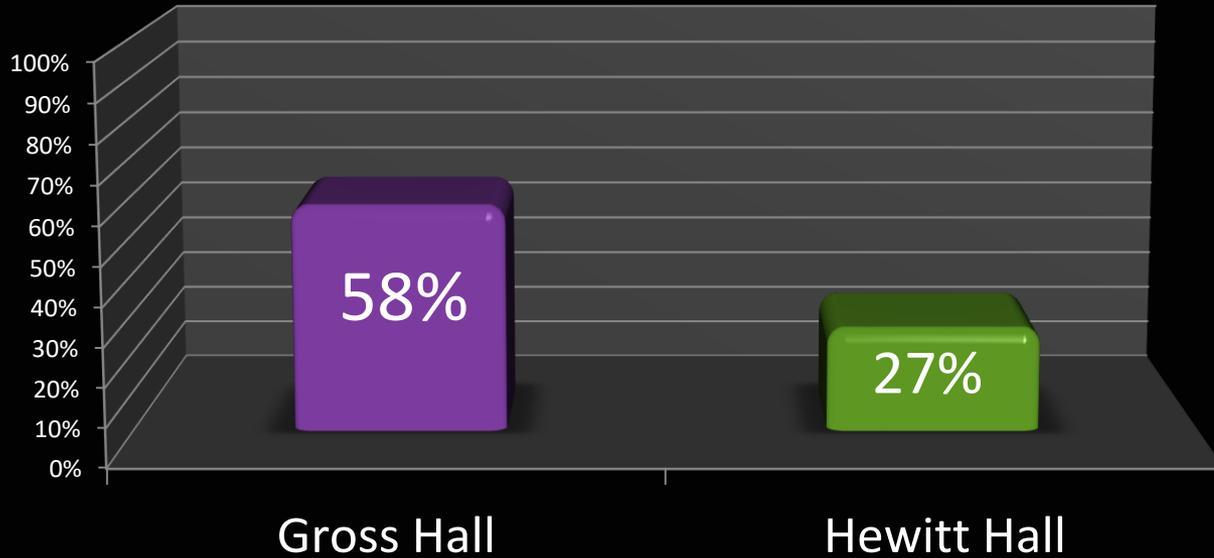


Designed in 2009

- Exceeded Title 24 by 50.4%
- Biomedical Research
- Submitted to USGBC for LEED Platinum certification
- 94,705 Square Feet

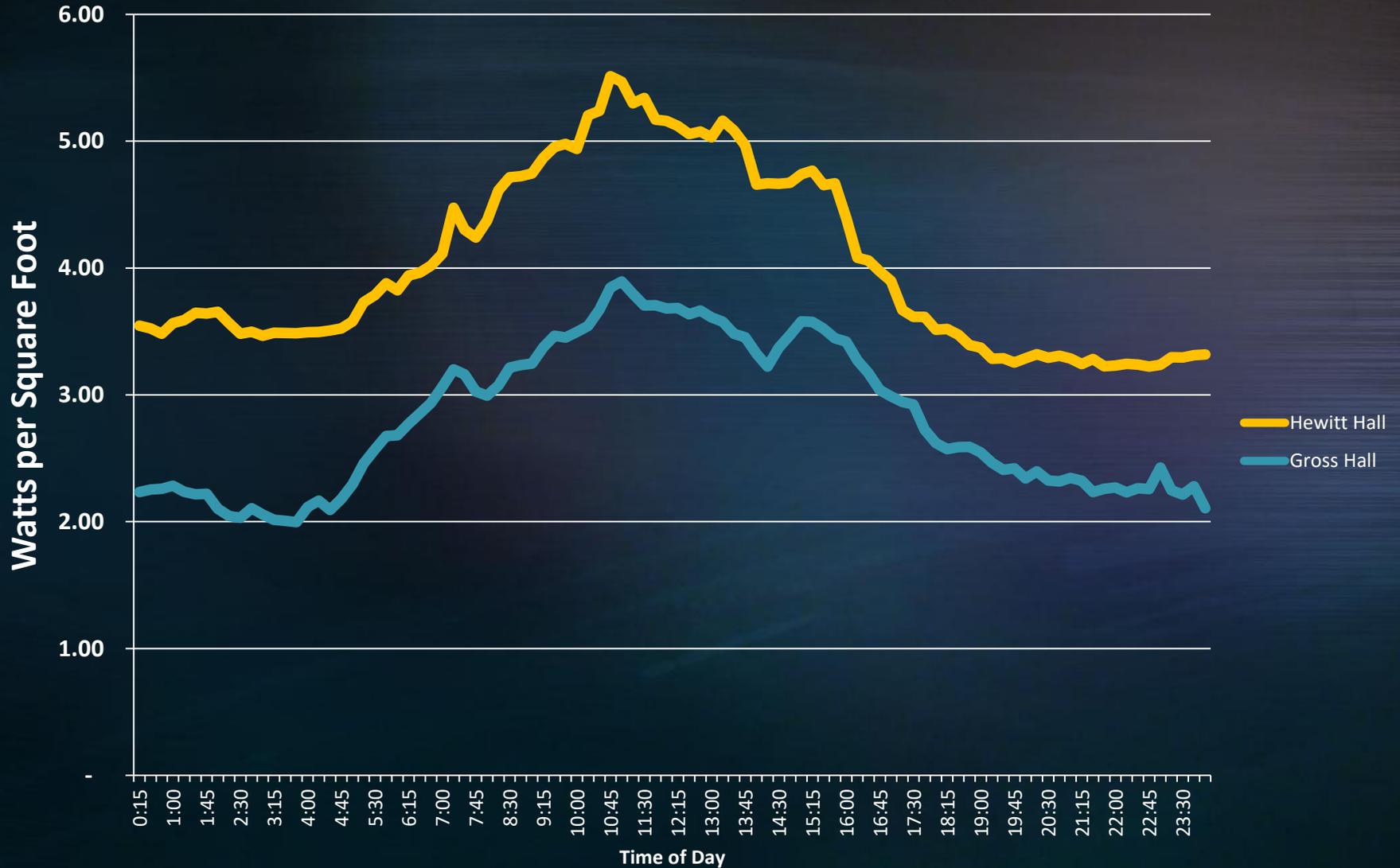
Gross Hall's Lab Utilization Is Nearly Twice Hewitt Hall's

Percent Occupied by Building (7 days)



Building Load Per Square Foot

Watts / Gross Square Foot



Benchmarking

- It is easy to see how campus labs compare to each other but what about across the country?
- <http://labs21benchmarking.lbl.gov/CompareData.php>

benchmarking

Choose Metrics and Filtering Criteria
[More Information](#)

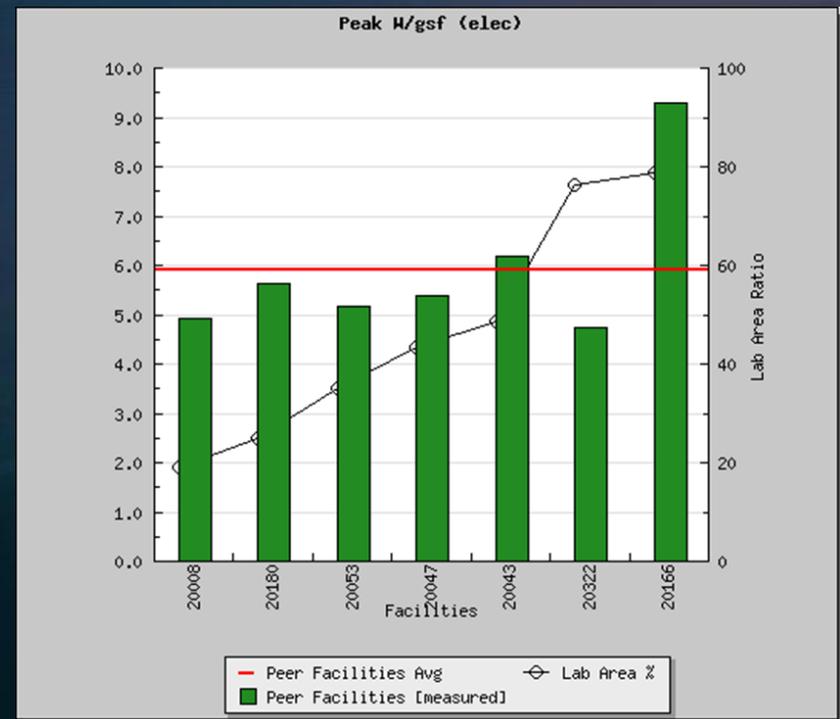
Guest User. (Regular Users log in [here](#))

Select metric:
System: Total Building
Energy / Efficiency Metric: Peak.W/gsf (elec)

Specify data filtering criteria:

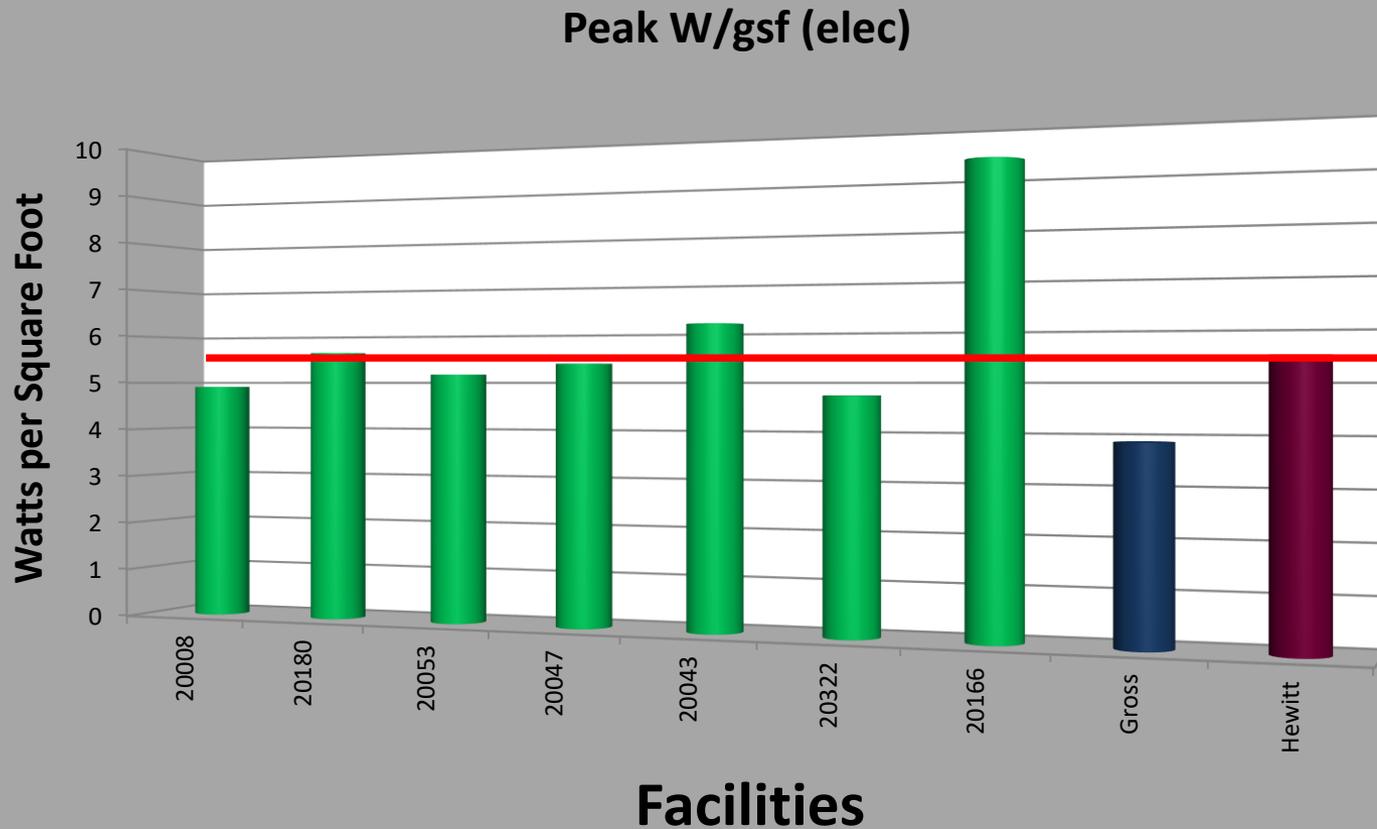
- Lab Area / Gross Area ratio is greater than or equal to 0 and is less than or equal to 1.00
- Occupancy hours per week
 - Standard (≤ 80 hours)
 - High (> 80 hours)
 - Both (all data)
- Lab Type
 - Chemical
 - Biological
 - Chemical/Biological
 - Physical
 - Combination/Others
- Lab Use
 - Research/Development
 - Manufacturing
 - Combination/Others
 - Teaching
- Climate [Climate Code, Climate Type, Representative City]
[Click here to see map of climate zones](#)
 - 1A, Very Hot - Humid (Miami, FL)
 - 2B, Hot - Dry (Phoenix, AZ)
 - 3B, Warm - Dry (El Paso, TX)
 - 4A, Mixed - Humid (Baltimore, MD)
 - 4C, Mixed - Marine (Salem, OR)
 - 5B, Cool - Dry (Boise, ID)
 - 6B, Cold - Dry (Helena, MT)
 - 8, Subarctic (Fairbanks, AK)
 - 2A, Hot - Humid (Houston, TX)
 - 3A, Warm - Humid (Memphis, TN)
 - 3C, Warm - Marine (San Francisco, CA)
 - 4B, Mixed - Dry (Albuquerque, NM)
 - 5A, Cool - Humid (Chicago, IL)
 - 6A, Cold - Humid (Burlington, VT)
 - 7, Very Cold (Duluth, MN)
- Measured and Estimated data
 - Measured
 - Estimated

Reset Values Continue...



Adding Hewitt and Gross Halls

- Hewitt is right at the average
- Gross Hall beats the most efficient lab benchmarked by 18%



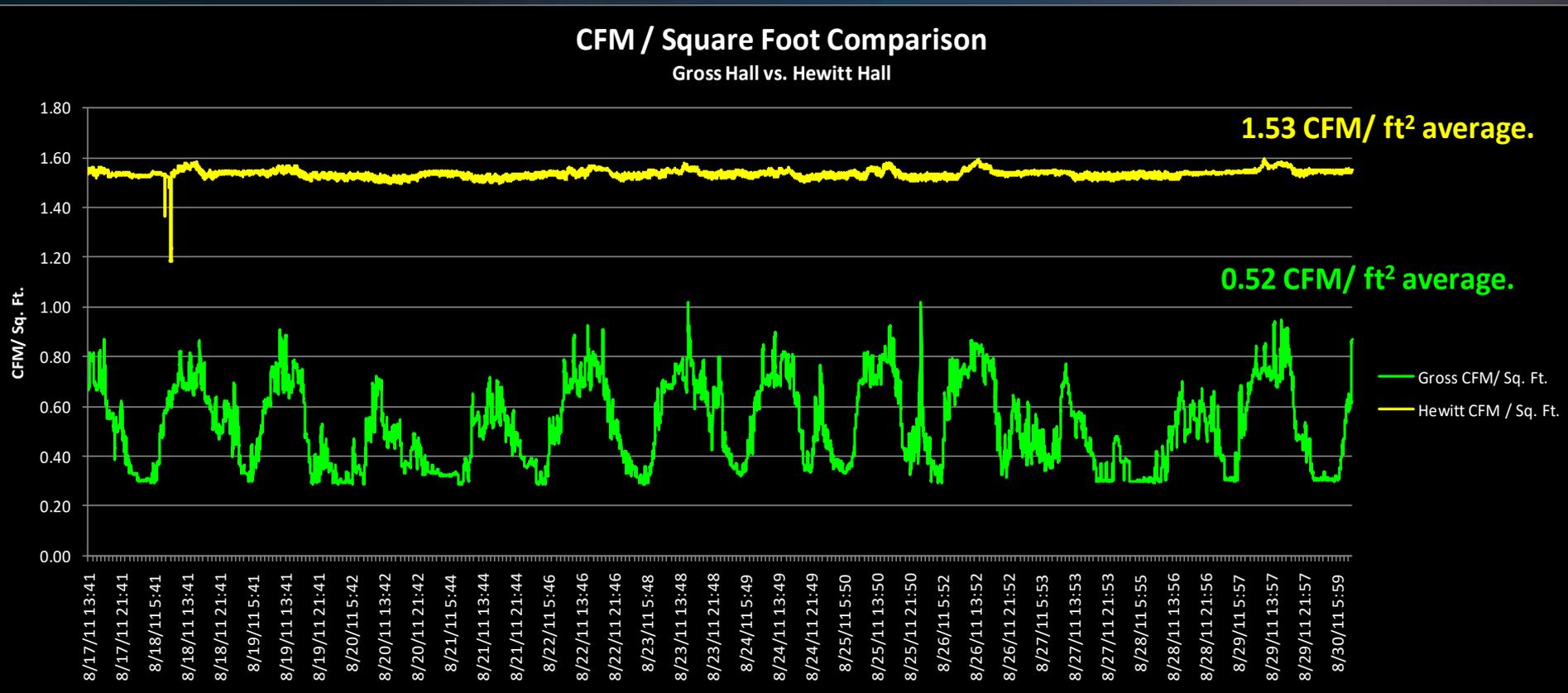
1 Week Fan and Pump Electrical Demand



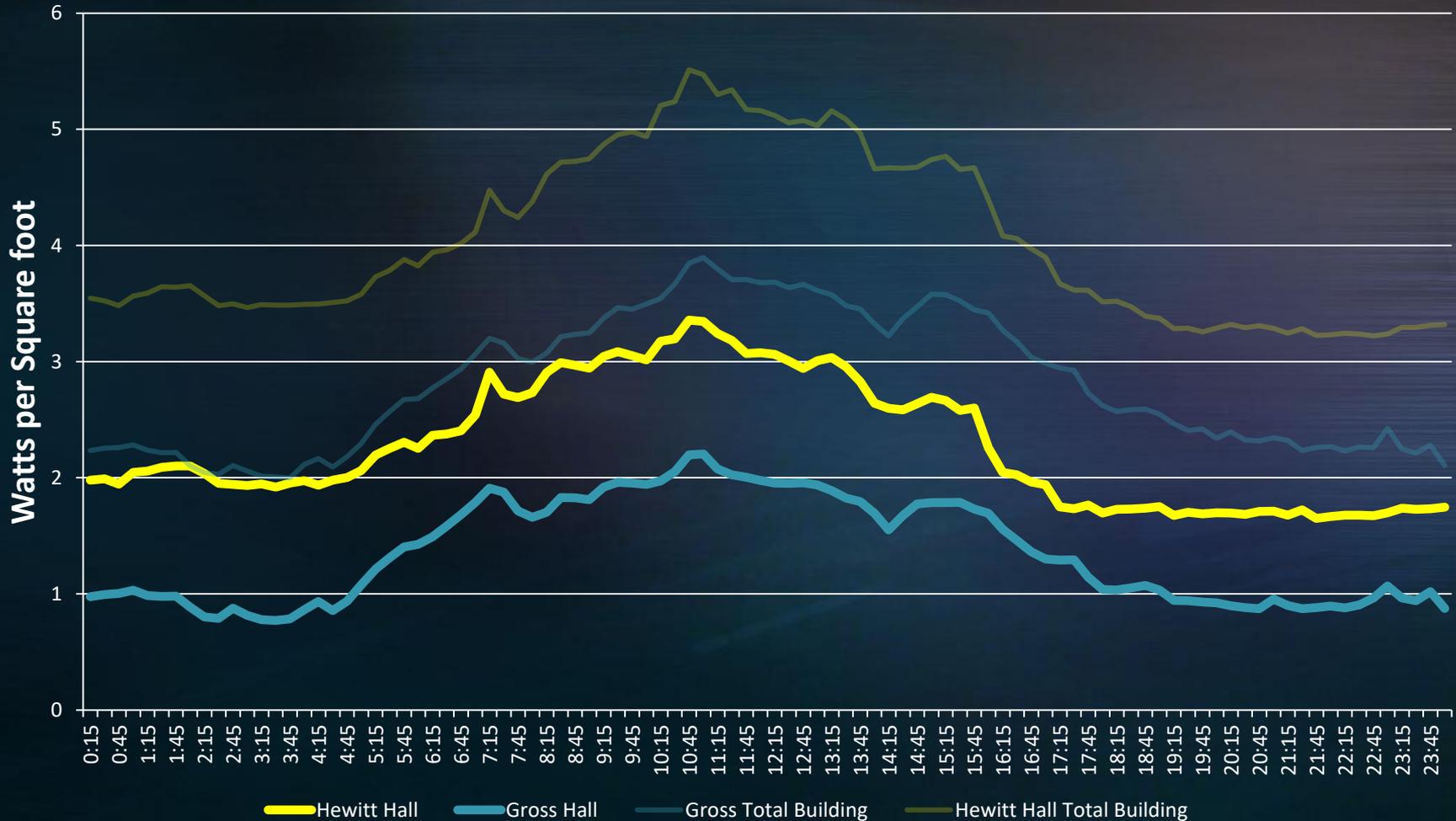
Lab Air Flow vs. Time

The HVAC savings of 1 CFM/ft² at \$4-5 per CFM can reduce operational significantly.

A 1 CFM reduction at Hewitt Hall in just the open lab bays would reduce operational cost by \$83,250 per year

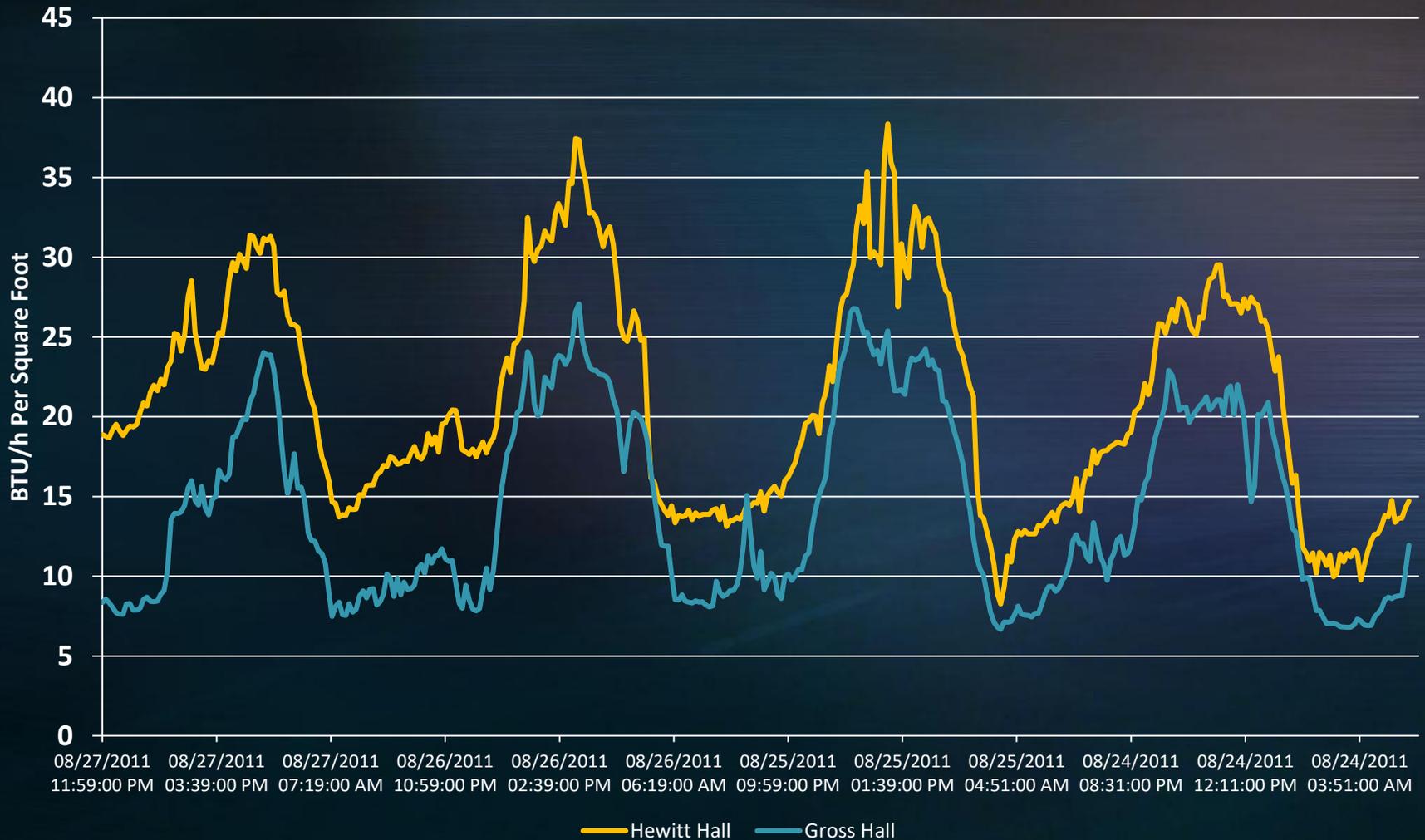


AHU + EF + Pumps + Chilled Water = Building Square Feet

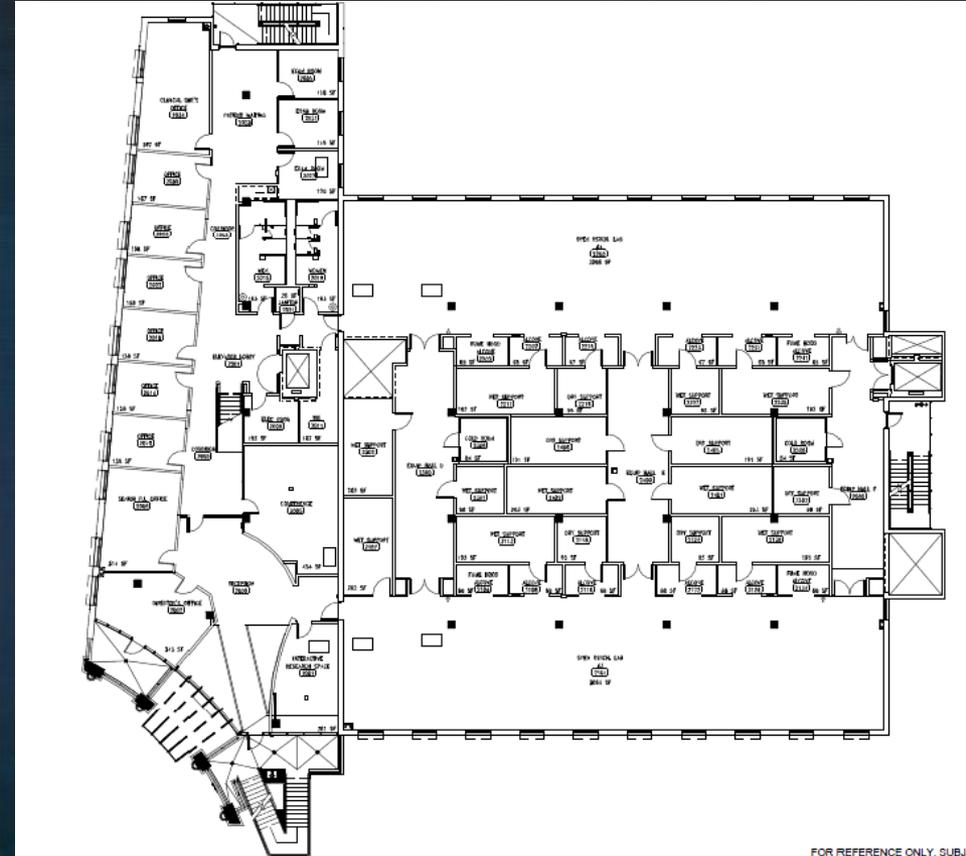


Chilled Water Use

BTU/h Per Square Foot



Comparing 2 Similar Floors



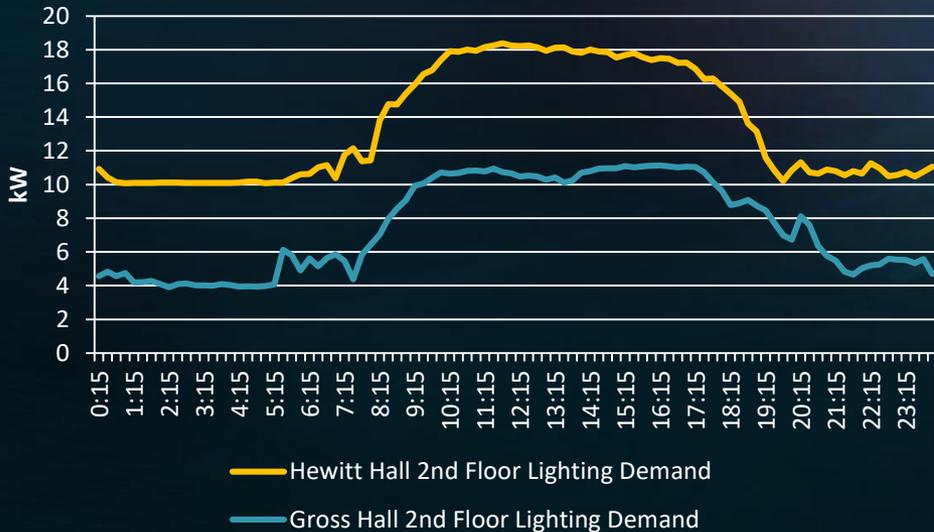
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Hewitt Hall vs. Gross Hall
2nd Floor

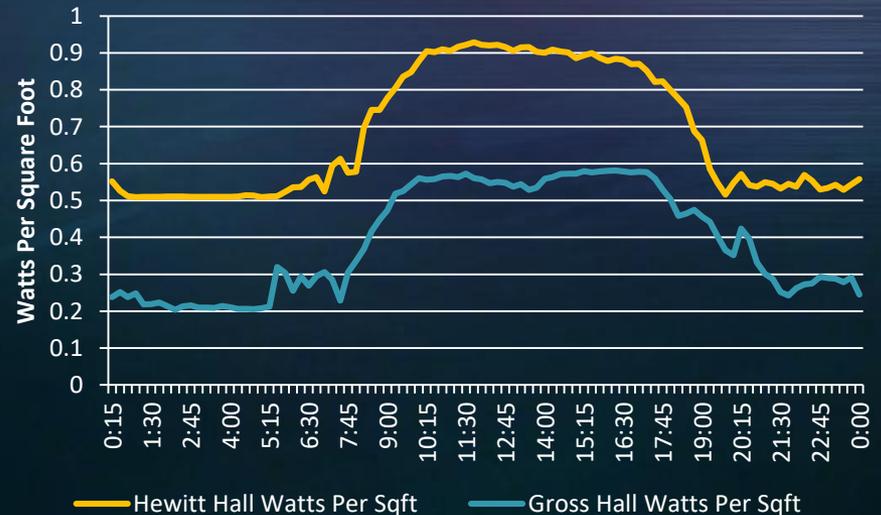
Lighting

Previous Best Practice	Space Type	Gross Hall
0.9 watts/sqft	Offices	0.49 watts/sqft
1.1 watts/sqft	Labs	0.66 watts/sqft
1 watts/sqft	Overall Conditioned Space	0.61 watts/sqft

24 Hour Demand Curves



24 Hour Actual Watts Per SQFT



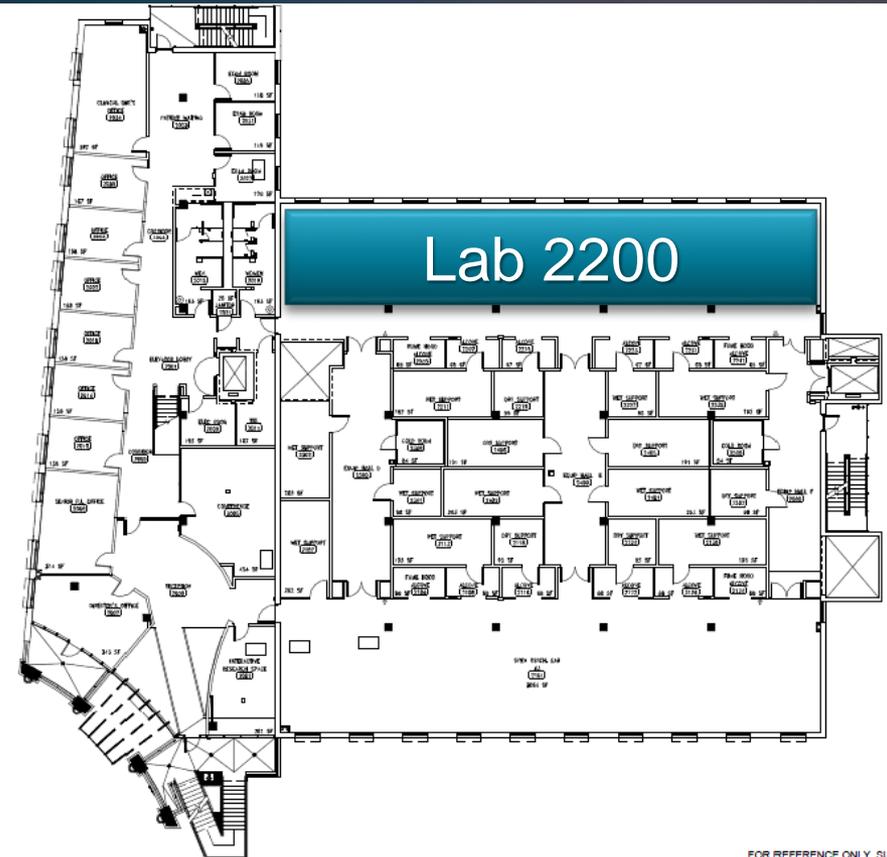
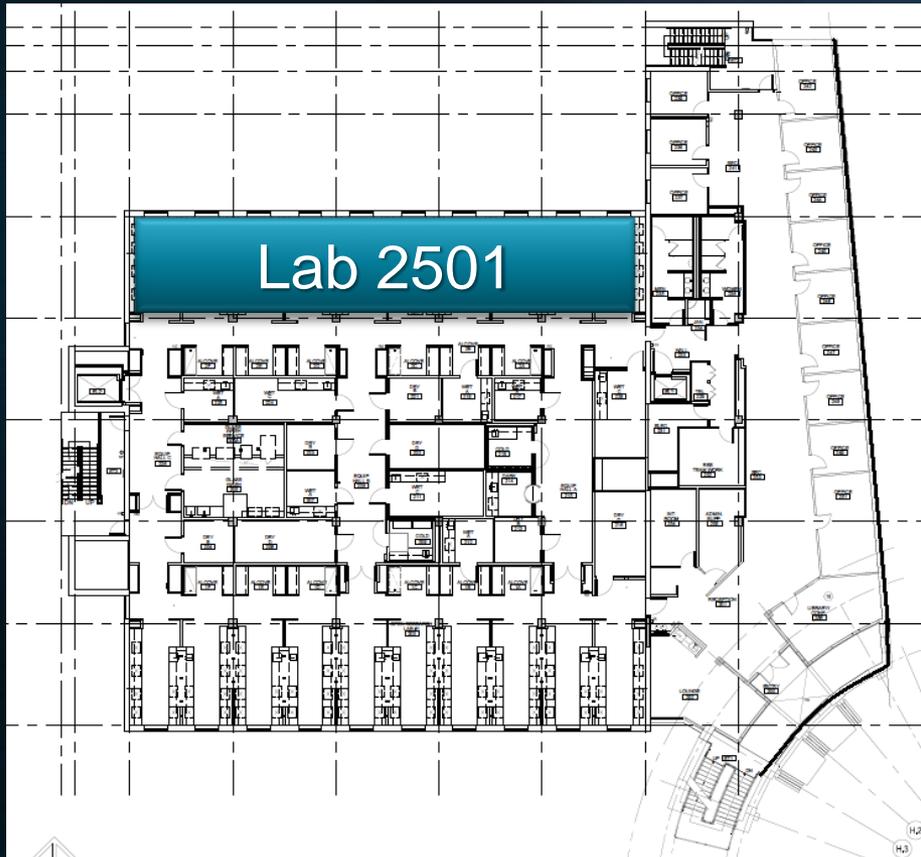
Lab Air Supply and Exhaust

Hewitt Hall 2nd Floor

- 6 Air changes per hour minimum
- No set back during unoccupied periods
- Zone presence sensors on fume hoods

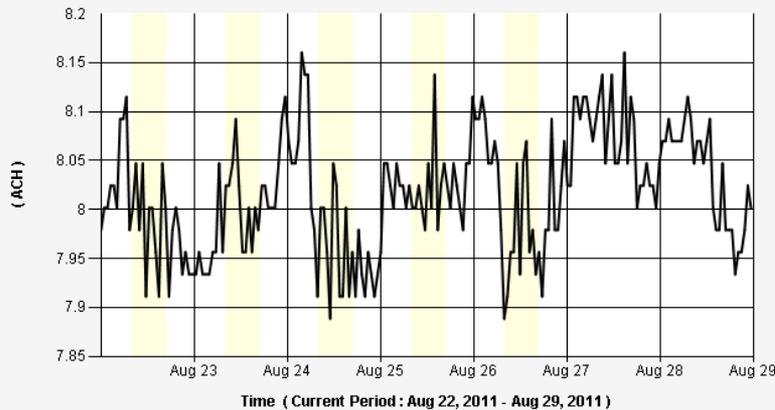
Gross Hall 2nd Floor

- 4 Air changes per hour minimum occupied
- 2 Air Changes per hour minimum unoccupied
- Zone presence sensors on fume hoods
- Centralized Demand Controlled Ventilation system adjusting ACH for indoor air quality.



Evidence of where the buildings HVAC energy savings are achieved

[RM 2501 ACH] user defined point graph for UCI / UCI Hewitt Hall

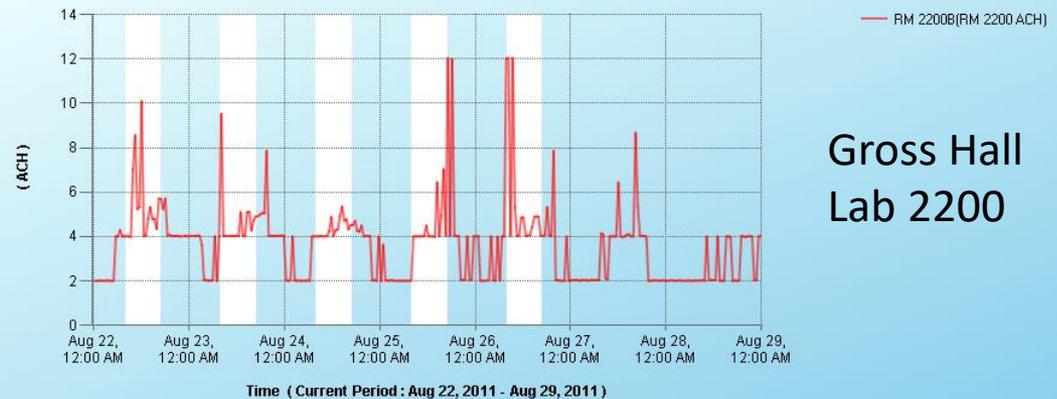


- Air change rates are dependent on sash position and thermal demand.
- Lab 2501 averages 8 air changes per hour

- Air change rates are dynamic responding to occupancy, IAQ, sash position, and thermal demands

- Lab 2200 averages 4 air changes per hour

[RM 2200 ACH] user defined point graph for UCI / UCI Gross Hall



Continuous Commissioning

Continuous Commissioning

- Meaningful Analysis and Reports
- Actionable information
- Verification of Actions Taken Physical and Behavioral

CDCV

- Find failed lab air control valves
- Review of fume hood sash management
- Ensure safe lab air quality
- Find excessive air flows due to point sources of heat

Sub Metering

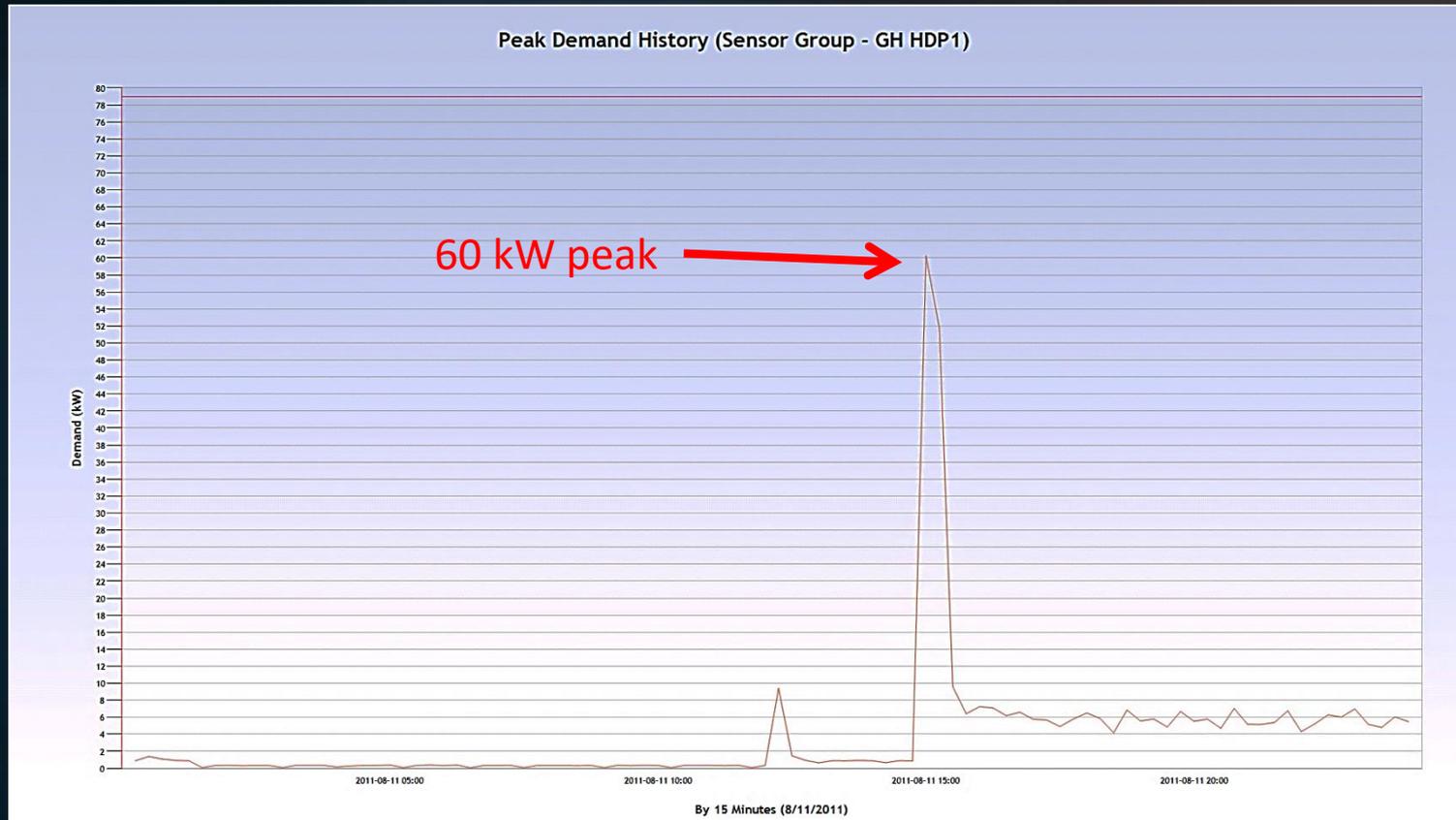
- Monitoring of fans, pumps, and lighting control systems
- Verification of energy retrofits
- Reduce demand charges by modifying operations

BMS

- Locate simultaneous heating and cooling
- Reset of static pressure to minimum required
- Control run times of office areas

Zone level resolution can lead to peak demand savings

Autoclave In Gross Hall



HDP1													
Panel Name	Floor	Parent Panel	MSB Circuit	Voltage	Configuration	VA (A)	VA (B)	VA (C)	VA Detail	I(A)	% of Panel	% Measured	
EQ2	1	HDP1	HDP1	480	Wye	24,942	24,942	24,942	74,825	90	58.4%	100%	
EQ4	1	HDP1	HDP1	480	Wye	10,254	10,254	10,254	30,761	37	24.0%	100%	
EQ3	1	HDP1	HDP1	480	Wye	7,482	7,482	7,482	22,447	27	17.5%	100%	
Total						42,678	42,678	42,678	128,033	154	100%	100%	

HDP1 is a distribution board on the 1st Floor. It is responsible for feeding several equipment loads, autoclave units EQ2, EQ3, and EQ4. HDP1 is fed directly from the main switchboard at 480/277 volts. The board maximum current rating is 225 amps. The largest load on HDP1 is the medium autoclave EQ2, which is rated at 75kVA.

Zone level resolution can lead to peak demand savings

Average Demand History (Sensor Group - GH MSB)



Did running the Autoclave on peak just cost you \$600 in demand charges?

By 15 Minutes (8/6/2011 to 8/14/2011)

Gross Hall average site demand ranges from a baseline of 148kW to an average peak of 205 kW

Troubleshooting a CO2 leak with the CDCV System

Researcher connects 4 tanks of CO2 to the lab distribution system and within 8 hours they are empty.

To find the leak the research staff could have spent hours soaping lines and connections and wasting additional gas listening for the leak.

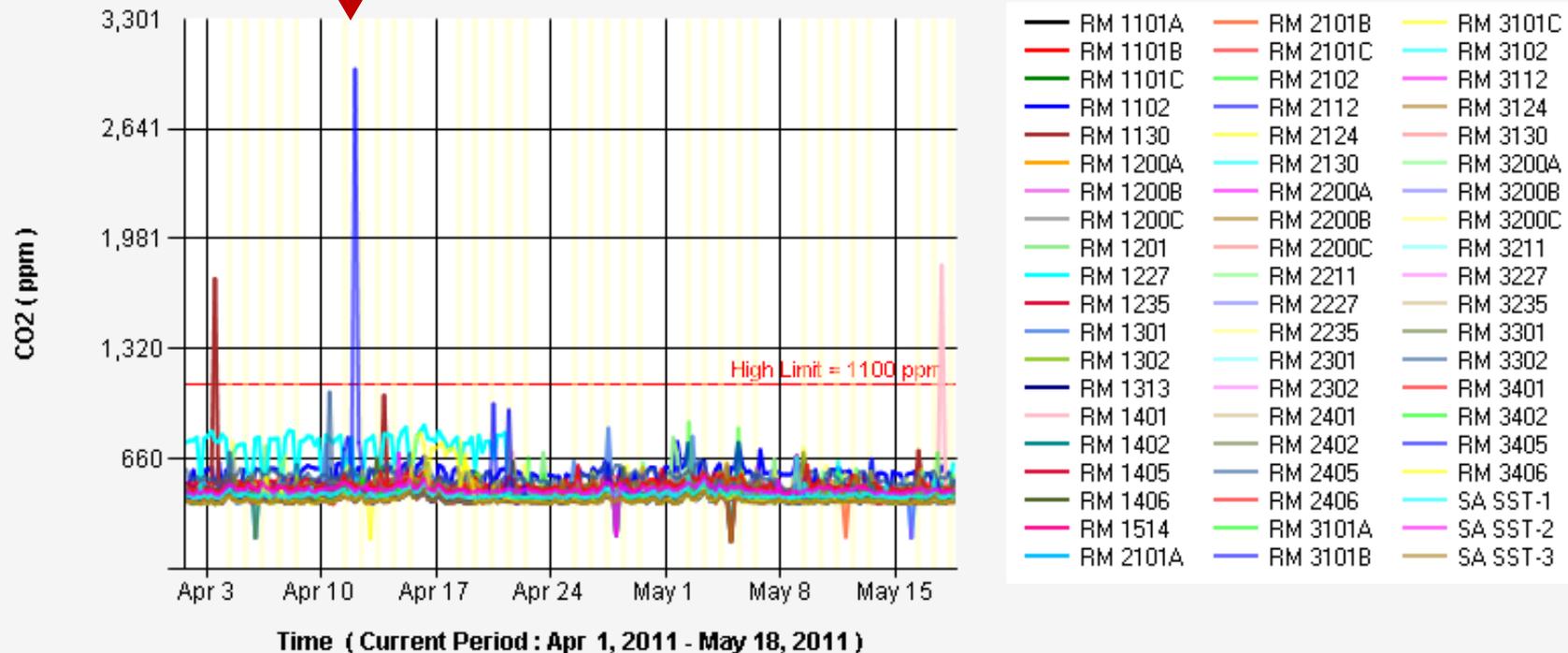


Researcher first plotted all rooms for CO2

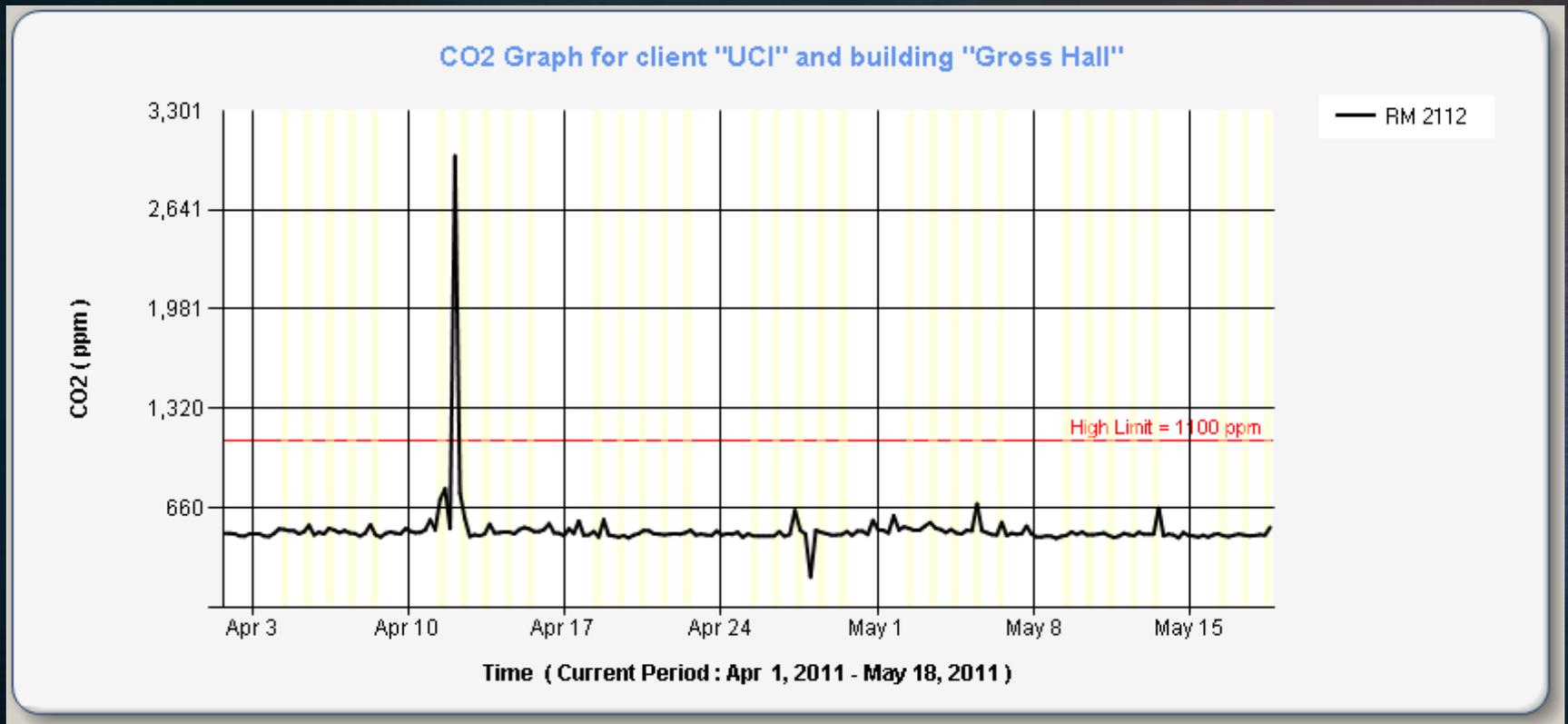
Suspected location of
CO2 leak



CO2 Graph for client "UCI" and building "Gross Hall"

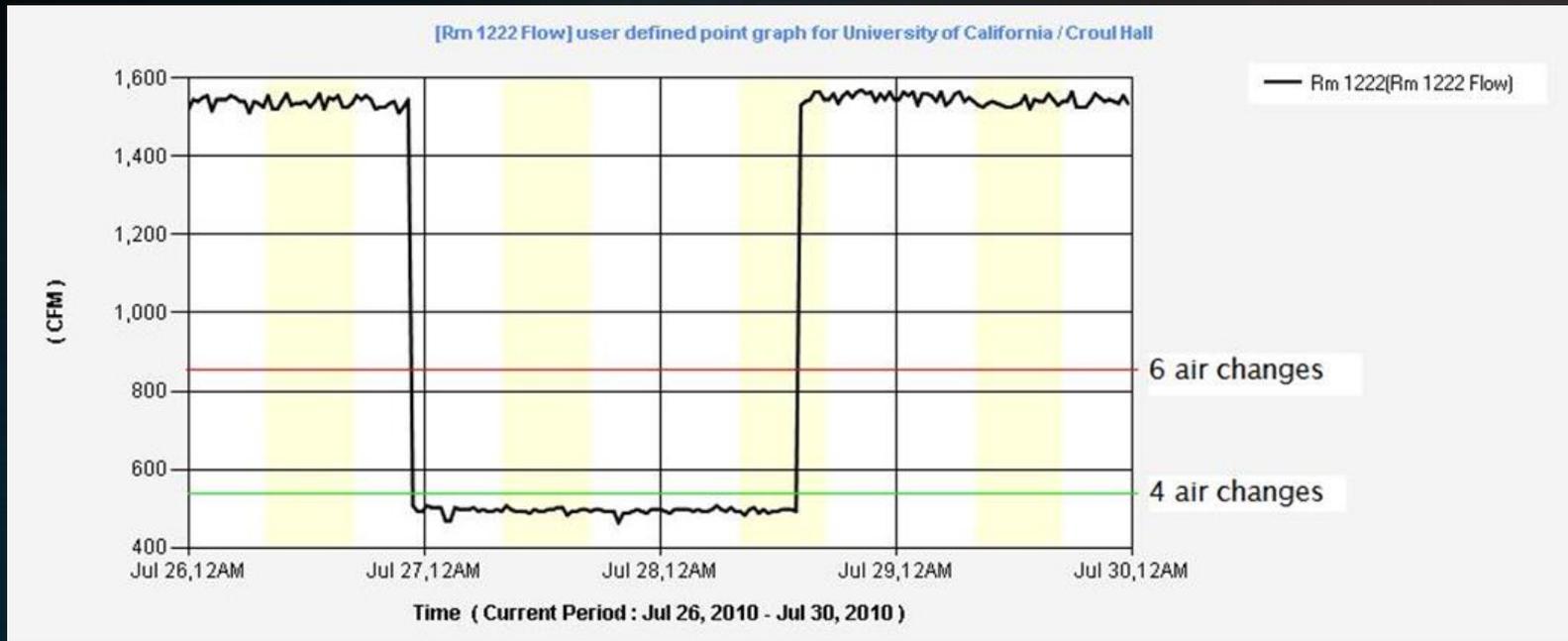


The PI then plotted the room with the suspected CO2 leak:



It was quickly located and repaired

Discovery of Lab Equipment Driving Thermal Demand



The Knowledge Center has been used to locate lab equipment placed too close or under thermostats

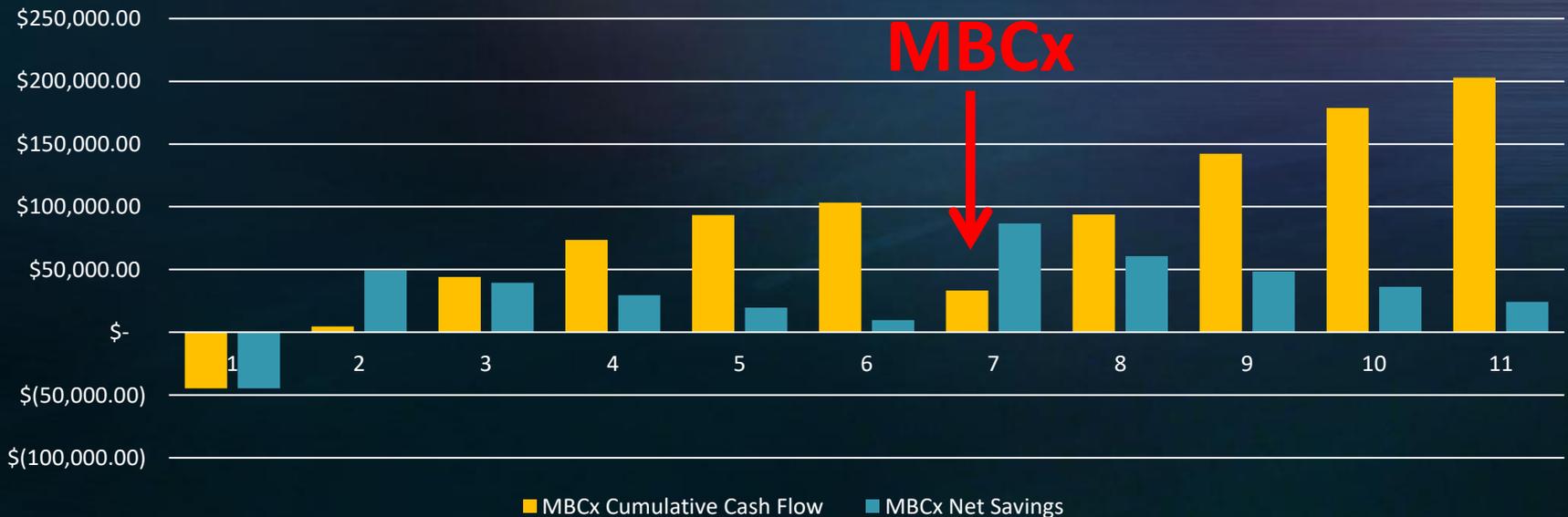


Return on Investment

Commissioning

- Cx, Rx, MBCx is approximately \$2 per SqFt
- Hewitt Hall MBCx \$131,309
- Net present value for 10 years (MBCx every 5 years)
Hewitt Hall \$113,590

Cumulative Cash Flow MBCx Project

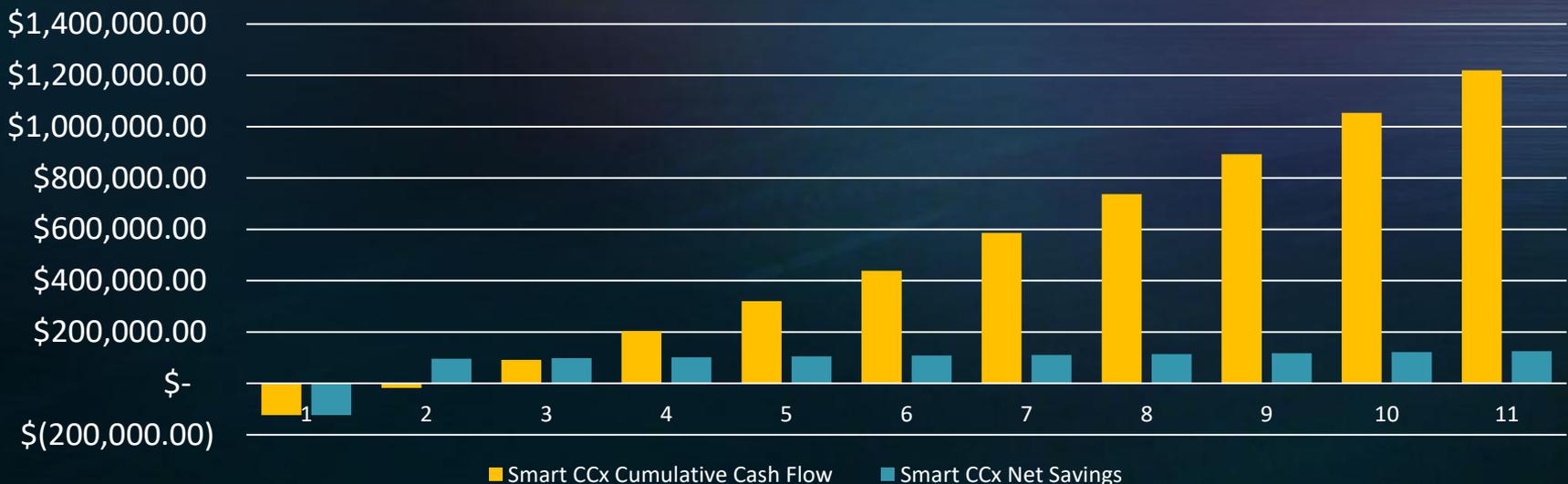


Return on Investment

Sub metering and monitoring your lab can be very competitive with the cost of a single commissioning effort.

- CDCV ~\$3.12 per SqFt
- Sub metering \$0.20 per SqFt
- Hewitt Hall Sub Metering and CDCV \$302,888
- Net present value for Hewitt Hall continuous commissioning (10 years) \$665,903

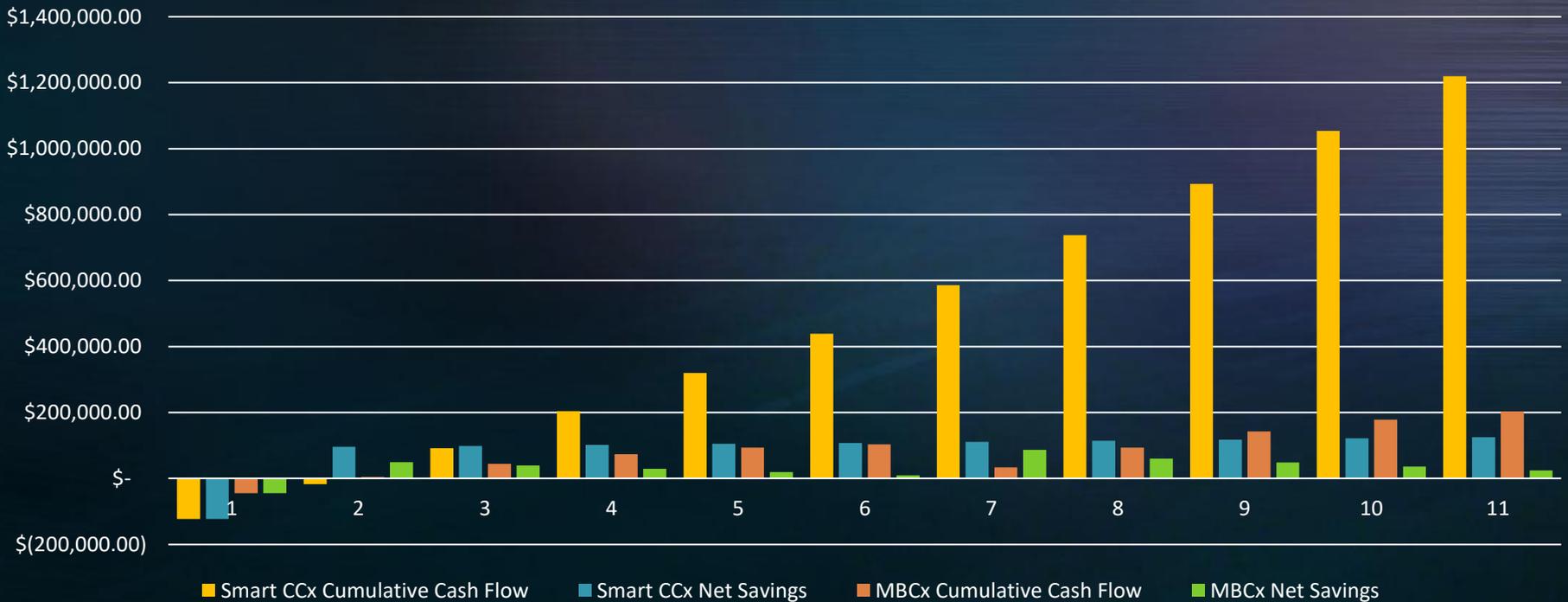
Cumulative Cash Flow



Return on Investment

Smart CCx although a larger initial investment provides for greater long term savings as well as strategic analysis, monitoring, and savings that can not be accomplished with traditional MBCx

Cumulative Cash Flow MBCx vs. SMART CCx



Questions?