

Air Distribution for the Modern O.R. Presented by: Kelli Dahl



Agenda

- ASHRAE 170 Requirements
- Operating Room Designs
- Modern Operating Room Challenges
- Modern OR strategies
- Case Study Common plenum
- Ultrasuite

Operating Room Air Distribution Systems



Importance of Air Distribution Systems



Surgical Site Infection (SSI) Event

Introduction: In 2010, an estimated 16 million operative procedures were performed in acute care hospitals in the United States¹. A recent prevalence study found that SSIs were the most common healthcare-associated infection, accounting for 31% of all HAIs among hospitalized patients². The CDC healthcare-associated infection (HAI) prevalence survey found that there were an estimated 157,500 surgical site infections associated with inpatient surgeries in 2011³. NHSN data included 16,147 SSIs following 849,659 operative procedures in all groups reported, for an overall SSI rate of 1.9% between 2006-2008⁴. A 19% decrease in SSI related to 10 select procedures was reported between 2008 and 2013⁵.

While advances have been made in infection control practices, including improved operating room ventilation, sterilization methods, barriers, surgical technique, and availability of antimicrobial prophylaxis, SSIs remain a substantial cause of morbidity, prolonged hospitalization, and death. SSI is associated with a mortality rate of 3%, and 75% of SSI-associated deaths are directly attributable to the SSI⁶.



ASHRAE 170 Requirements for OR

8.4.1 Operating Rooms (ORs), Operating/Surgical Cystoscopic Rooms, and Caesarean Delivery Rooms. These rooms shall be maintained at a positive pressure with respect to all adjoining spaces at all times. A pressure differential shall be maintained at a value of at least +0.01 in. of water (2.5 Pa). Each room shall have individual temperature control. These rooms shall be provided with a primary supply diffuser array that is designed as follows:

- a. The airflow shall be unidirectional, downwards, and the average velocity of the diffusers shall be 25 to 35 cfm/ft² (127 to 178 L/s/m²). The diffusers shall be concentrated to provide an airflow pattern over the patient and surgical team. *Informative Note:* For more information, see Memarzadeh and Manning (2002) and Memarzadeh and Jiang (2004) in Appendix B.
- b. The coverage area of the primary supply diffuser array shall extend a minimum of 12 in. (305 mm) beyond the footprint of the surgical table on each side. Within the portion of the primary supply diffuser array that consists of an area encompassing 12 in. (305 mm) on each side of the footprint of the surgical table, no more than 30% of this portion of the primary supply diffuser array area shall be used for nondiffuser uses such as lights, gas columns, equipment booms, access panels, sprinklers, etc.

- 25-35 CFM/ft² laminar flow
- 70% coverage with diffusers
- 20 ACH



ASHRAE 170 Requirements

- System Sizing Example:
 - 480 ft² O.R.
 - 10ft ceiling
 - 20 ACH = 1600cfm



ASHRAE 170 Requirements

- Maximum of 30% nondiffuser equipment
- (3) 24"x48" diffusers
 - $25 \text{ cfm/ft}^2 = 600 \text{ cfm}$
 - 30 cfm/ft² = 720 cfm
 - $35 \text{ cfm/ft}^2 = 840 \text{ cfm}$
- Need more than just (3) diffusers for 20 ACH and 1600 cfm



CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTS



ASHRAE 170 Requirements

- Need more than just (3) diffusers for 20 ACH and 1600 cfm
- Add 4 additional diffuser for seven total



Operating Rooms

- Laminar Flow Systems
 - Laminar diffuser array concentrated above surgical zone
 - Displace particulates to low-level returns









Operating Rooms

• Laminar Flow Systems



Operating Rooms

• Typical Laminar Diffuser Layout





Operating Rooms

- Diffuser mounted HEPA filters
 - Room-side replaceable with gel seal
 - Eliminates concern of upstream duct cleanliness
 - Lower pressure drop vs. HEPA in Air Handler



Operating Rooms

- Air Curtain Systems
 - Smaller laminar array (30-40% of total airflow)
 - Perimeter slot at 25 to 45 cfm/ft (60-70% of total airflow)

CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTS

Displace particulates to low-level returns





Operating Rooms

• Air Curtain System



Operating Rooms

- Benefits of Air Curtain Systems
 - Smaller laminar array
 - Easier integration with other ceiling equipment



Operating Rooms

• Ductwork simplification with continuous plenum





Operating Rooms

• Avoid gaps in air curtain, pathway for contaminants





Operating Rooms

- Return/Exhaust Grilles
 - Min. two low-level exhaust grilles, 4 recommended
 - Mounted symmetrically in center of walls, or in each corner
 - Optional second set at mid to high level mounting
 - Sized for 500fpm





Operating Rooms

- Laminar System
 - Ideal for smaller OR, moveable tables, and hybrid OR w/ imaging equipment
 - Allows for HEPA filter integration
 - Lower profile design, ideal for low ceiling plenum heights

- Air Curtain Systems
 - Good option for large
 OR, or where large
 airflow is required
 - Reduces overall diffuser sizes in ceiling and frees up ceiling space
 - Reduces tapering effect of center laminar array



Modern Operating Room Challenges



Modern OR Challenges

Operating Room Trends

- Larger rooms
- More equipment and higher cooling loads
- Hybrid surgery/imaging rooms
- Congested ceilings layouts
- Congested ceiling plenums



Modern OR Challenges

- Larger OR spaces, requiring more airflow/diffusers
 - 480 ft² at 20 ACH = 1600 CFM (7 diffusers)
 - $-600 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ at } 20 \text{ ACH} = 2000 \text{ CFM} (9 \text{ diffusers})$
 - $-600 \text{ ft}^2 \text{ at } 25 \text{ ACH} = 2500 \text{ CFM} (11 \text{ diffusers})$
- Hybrid/Imaging OR
 - 1000 ft² at 20 ACH = 3400 CFM (15 diffusers)

*Based on 10ft. Ceiling height and 24x48 diffusers @ 30cfm/ft²

Modern OR Challenges

- Hybrid OR, Interventional Radiology, Catheterization
 - Ceiling level rails or Unistrut[®]
 - Facilitates mounting of C-Arm support tracks







Modern OR Challenges

Additional equipment and congested ceilings



Modern Operating Room Strategies



Operating Room Strategies

- Maintaining room pressure integrity is critical
 - Gasket T-bar grid is a great option
 - Framing for diffusers, lights, infill panels
 - Provides easy access to ceiling plenum and equipment



Ceiling Systems

Patented Ceiling Clip

• Turn every panel into an access panel



Ceiling Systems

• Optimizing layouts, reduce gaps between laminar diffusers



34 framed openings

1 framed opening

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Operating Room Strategies

• Use common plenum to reduce ductwork and height





Operating Room Strategies

• Ships as modular components to site for final assembly







Operating Room Strategies





Operating Room Strategies

• Easy to clean and nice aesthetic with flush face assembly






Operating Room Strategies

Hybrid OR: Custom diffuser sizes are common, maximize size between main horizontal equipment rails





Operating Room Strategies

• Do not cover laminar diffusers with equipment rails





Ceiling Systems



Operating Room Strategies

• Use Engineered ceiling grid between ceiling-level rail



Operating Room Strategies

• Careful coordination with imaging equipment





Operating Room Strategies

UNISTRUT LAYOUT TO SUPPORT PHILIPS ALLURA INTERVENTIONAL RADIOLOGY EQUIPMENT





Operating Room Strategies





Operating Room Strategies

UNISTRUT LAYOUT TO SUPPORT SIEMENS AXIOM ARTIS RADIOLOGY EQUIPMENT





Operating Room Strategies

UNISTRUT LAYOUT TO SUPPORT GE INNOVA IGS INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY EQUIPMENT



Operating Room Strategies

 Integrated Design team; design coordination between Engineers, Architect and equipment suppliers is key









Case Study – Common Plenum



- Challenge:
 - Low ceiling plenum height, 12" height limitation
 - 798 ft², 20 ACH, 2700 CFM
 - 14 laminars, no room for top inlet diffusers
 - Two light booms w/ med gas, one equipment boom
 - 11 perimeter light troffers









- Solution:
 - 11" tall common plenum laminar array, 4 modules, 4 inlets
 - (x10) 24x48 and (x4) 24x36 laminar, 26 CFM/ft²
 - Welded grid for lights and boom locations















Critical Environment Air Distribution

New Innovations



ULTRASUITE®

Operating Room Diffuser System with LED Lighting



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- High performance
 LED lighting
- High performance laminar array
- Fully customizable





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- Equalized lighting where needed above surgical table
- Shadows eliminated





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New Innovations

• Fully equalized laminar airflow for contaminant removal

ENVIRONMENTS

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- 12" low profile common plenum laminar array
- Reduced inlet connections and ductwork complexity





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New Innovations

- Designed to meet 300+ ft-candles at table
- 24x48 Module 17,400 Lumens
- 24x24 Module 10,200 Lumens
- Photometric IES files available, IESNA LM-79



CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTS

New Innovations

- L80 > 60,000 hours
- IP67 rated LED, impervious to dust and liquids
- 100+ Lumens per watt



New Innovations

- Emergency battery backup
- 90 min. operation on critical circuit





Emergency LED Driver 23.1 Watts output power

Product order number: BSL722M (metal case)



Low Voltage Test Switch -IP67 rated ITS



New Innovations

• Optional glare-reducing green surgical lighting





New Innovations

• Color Rendering Index (CRI) 90+



• Selectable colors; 2500k to 6100k, 5100k typical



New Innovations

- Remote LED driver cabinet
 - Normal and Critical Circuit
 - Factory wired for quick installation





Ultrasuite



CERTIFICATIONS

- Ultrasuite is certified to UL1598 "Standard for Safety - Luminaries"
- Engineered polymer face is fire rated to UL94
 "Test for Flammability of Plastic Materials for Parts in Devices and Appliances"
- LED lights certified to UL2108 "Standard for Safety - Low Voltage Lighting System" and UL2043 "Standard for Safety - Fire Test for Heat and Visible Smoke Release for Discrete Products and Their Accessories Installed in Air-Handling Spaces"
- LED light meets UL 8750 "Light Emitting Diode (LED) Equipment For Use in Lighting Products"
- + LED Driver meets UL1310 "Class 2 Power Units"









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• Winnipeg and Atlanta demos



Questions?



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