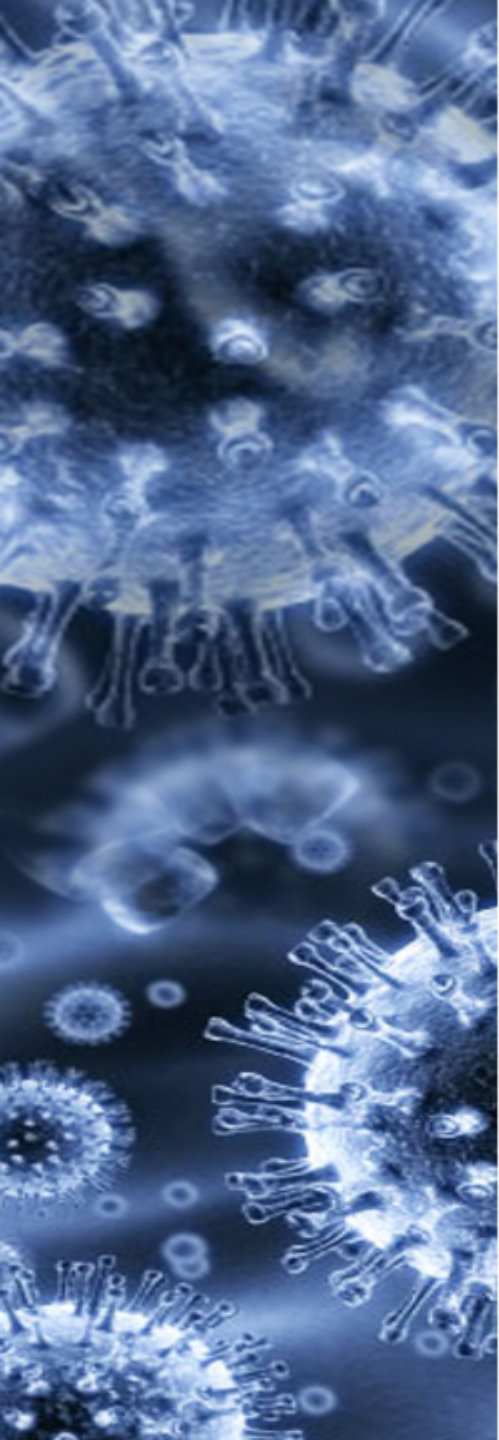




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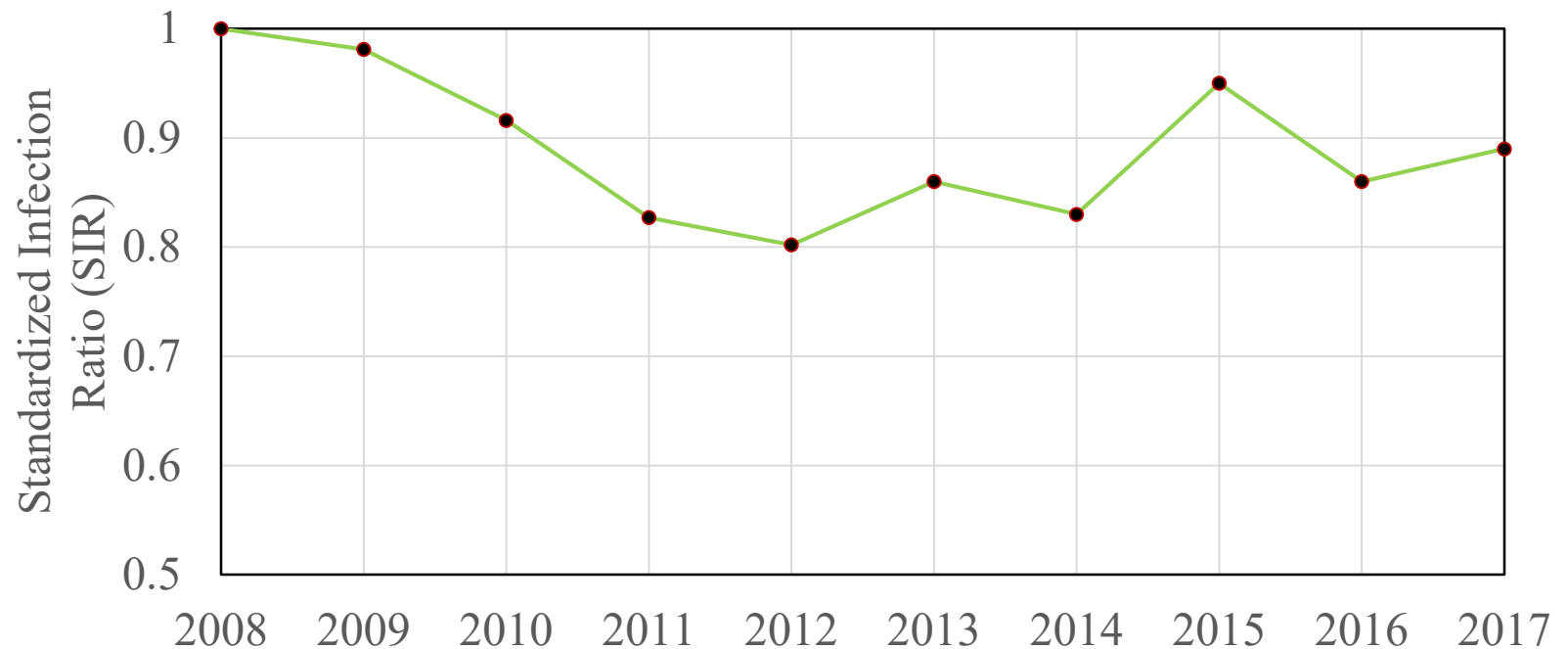


Outline

- Background and Motivation
- Smart Design
- Next Levels of Smart

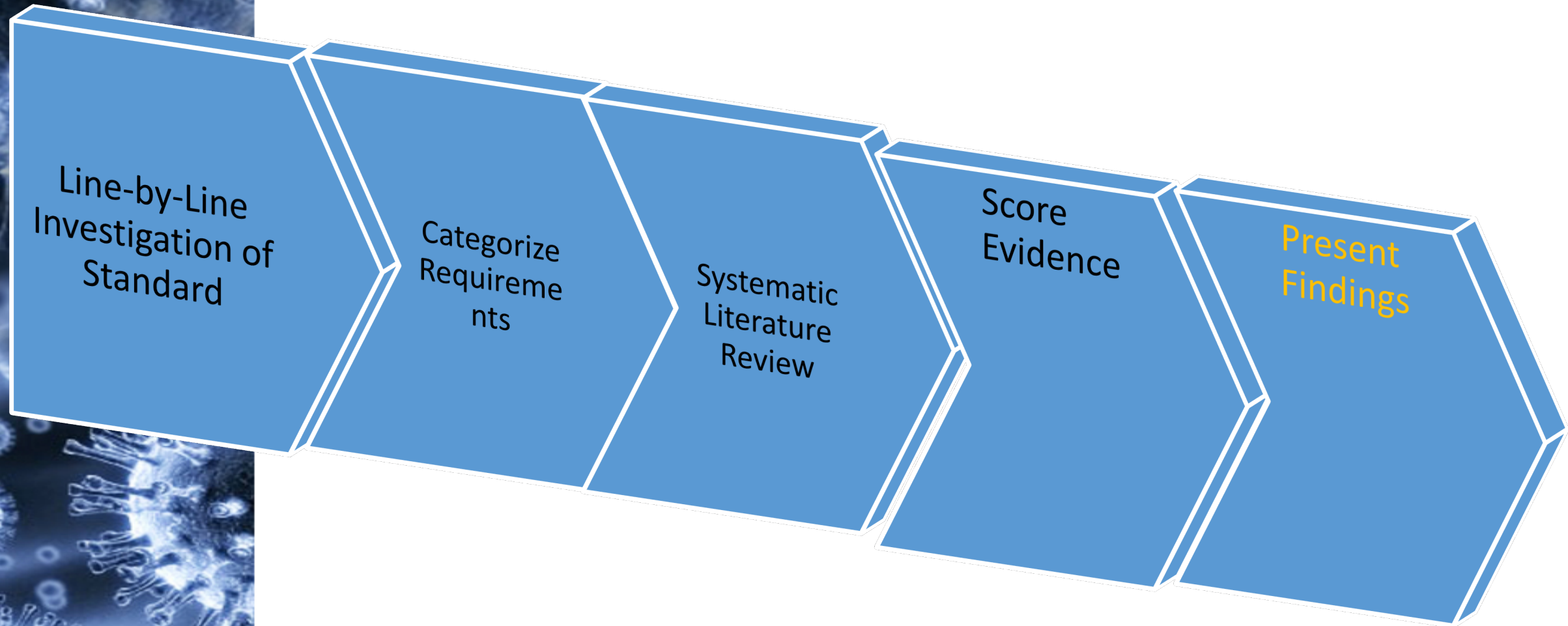
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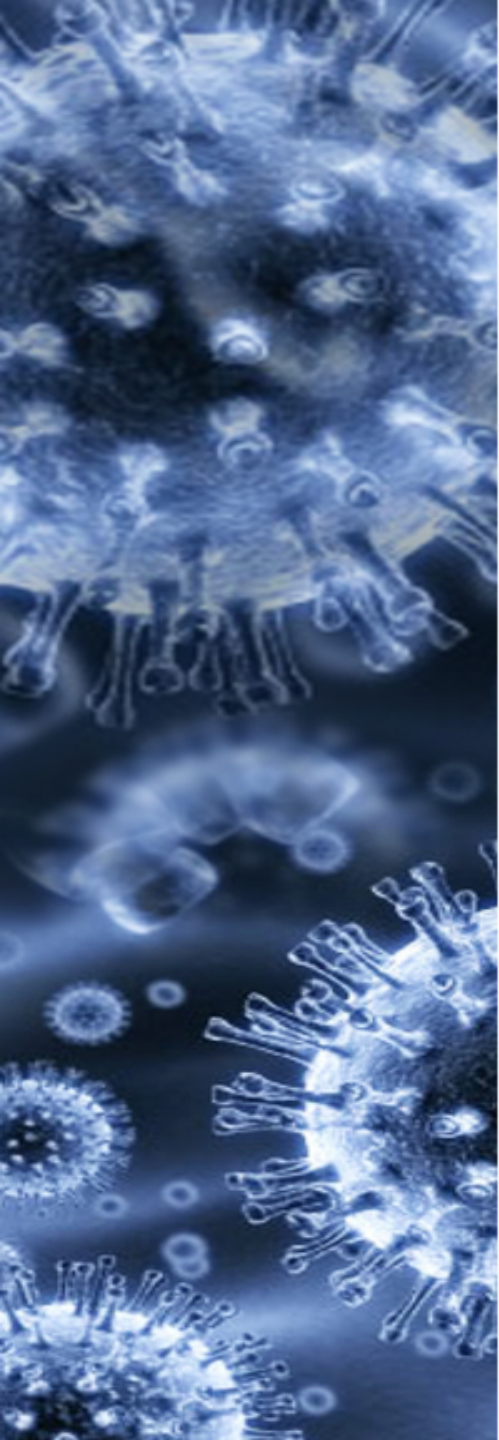
- Status-quo of Healthcare HVAC Design
 - HCF consume x5 office buildings
 - The design is generally not load driven
 - Infection transmission is not declining



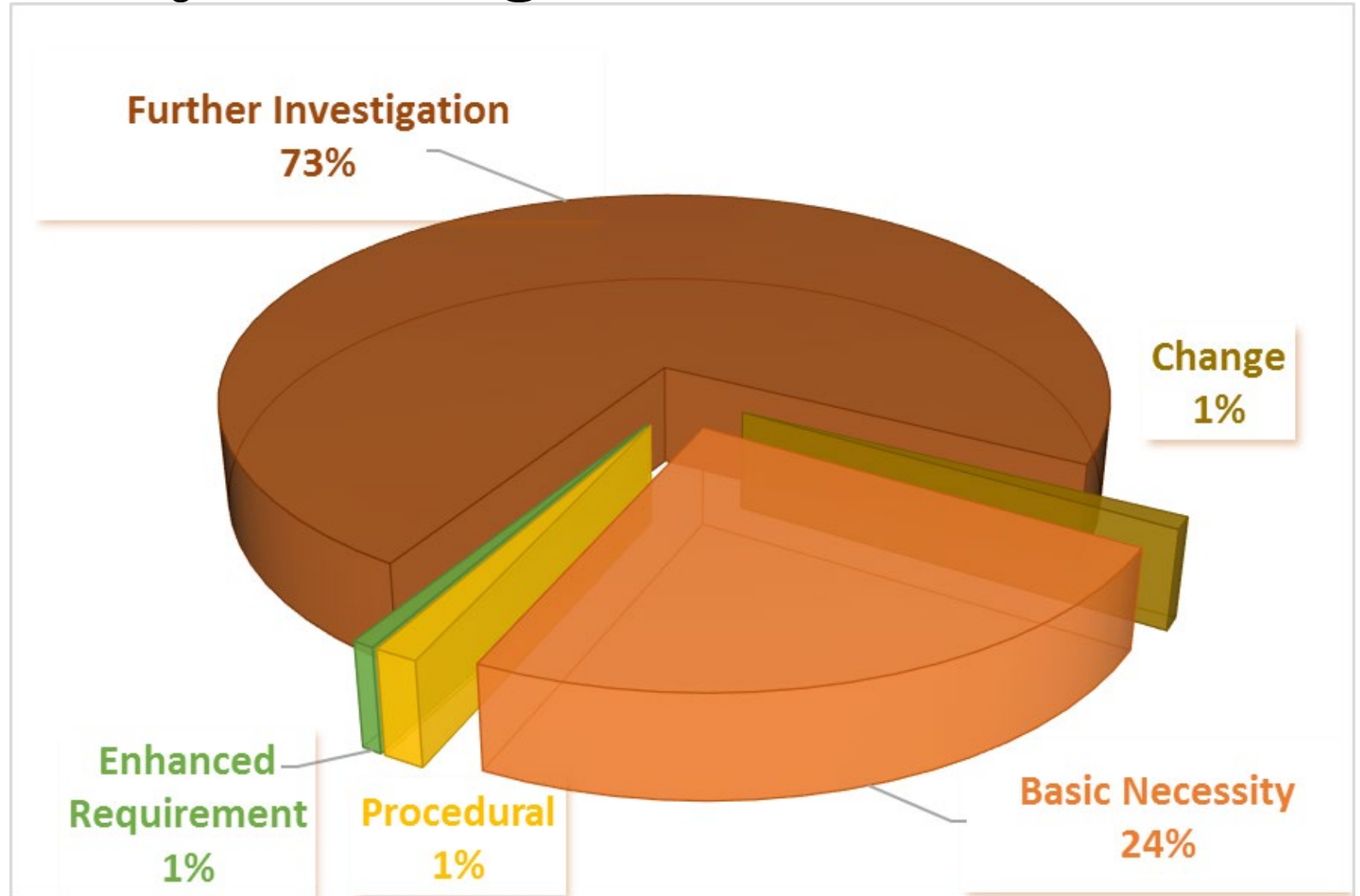
National and State Associated Infections Progress Report, CDC, 2008 thru 2017

ASHRAE Research Project





Major Finding

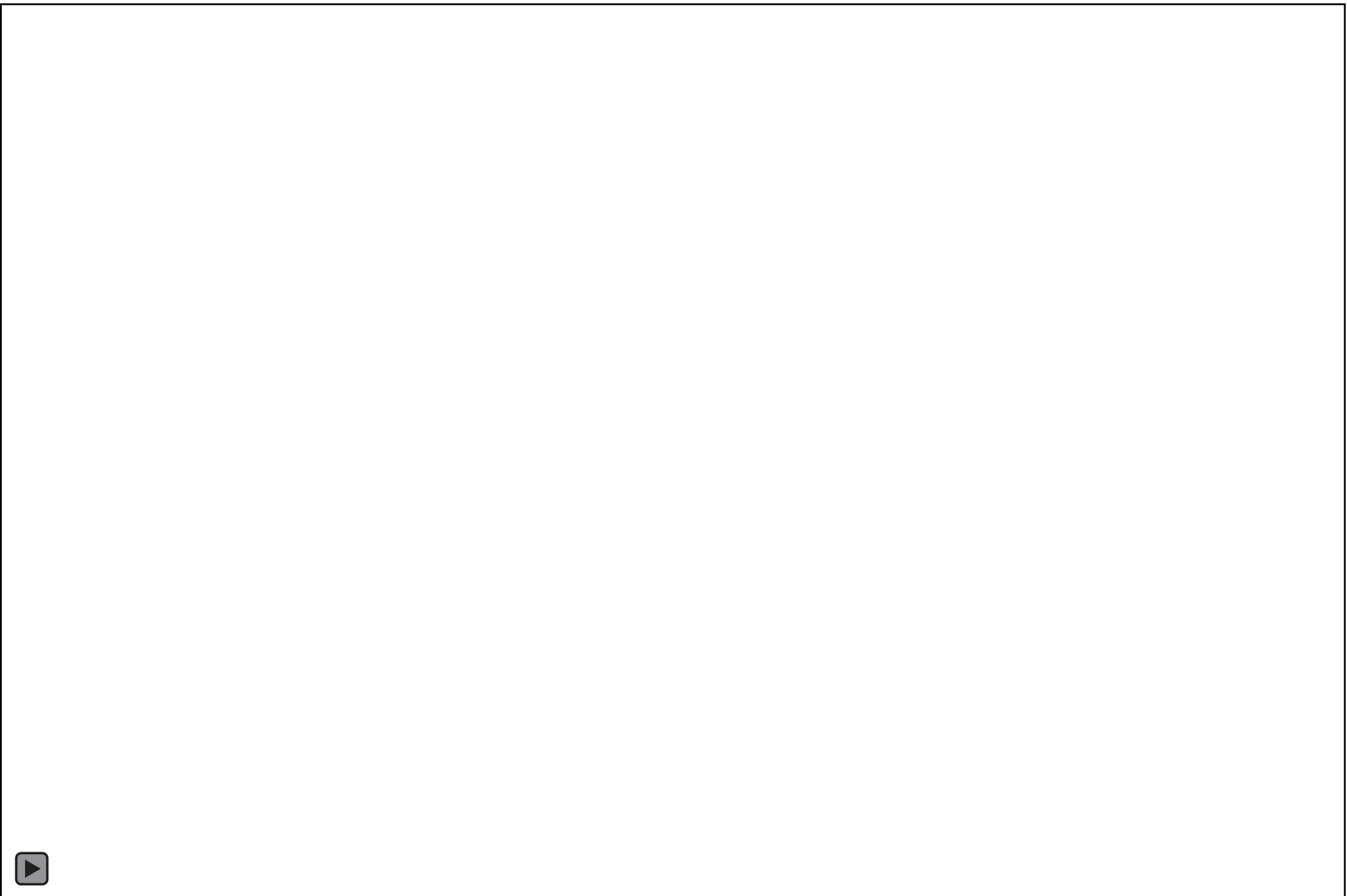
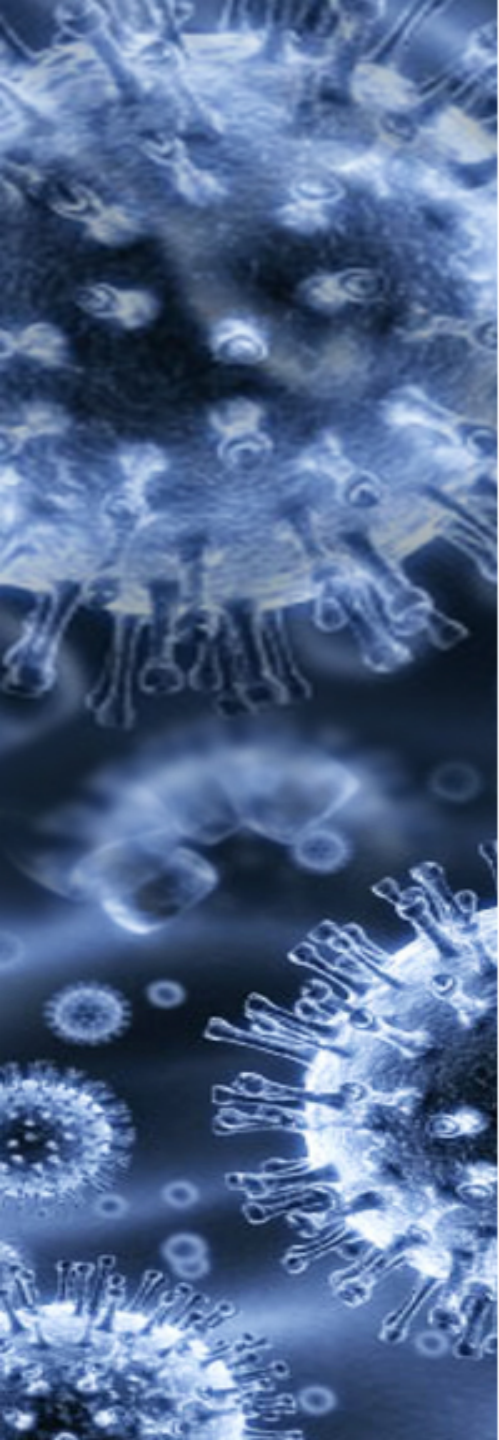


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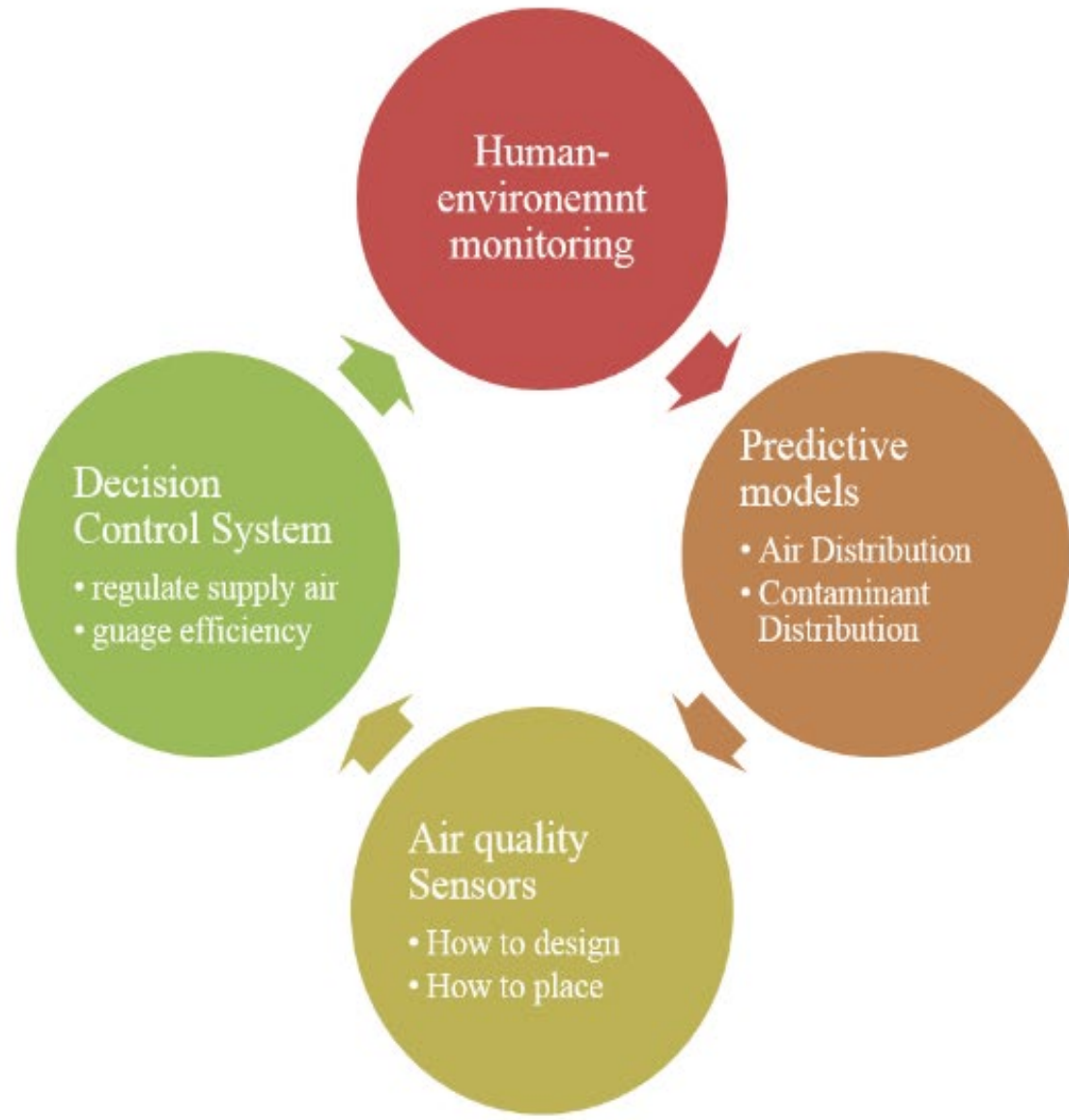
Event Based Modeling

- A *National Science Foundation* (NSF) project in collaboration with the *Center for the built environment* (CBE) at UC Berkeley.
- **EBM** is a numerical tool aiming to *approximate* realistic indoor airflow patterns (subsequently pathogen movement patterns) when *human-environment interactions* are not ignored.

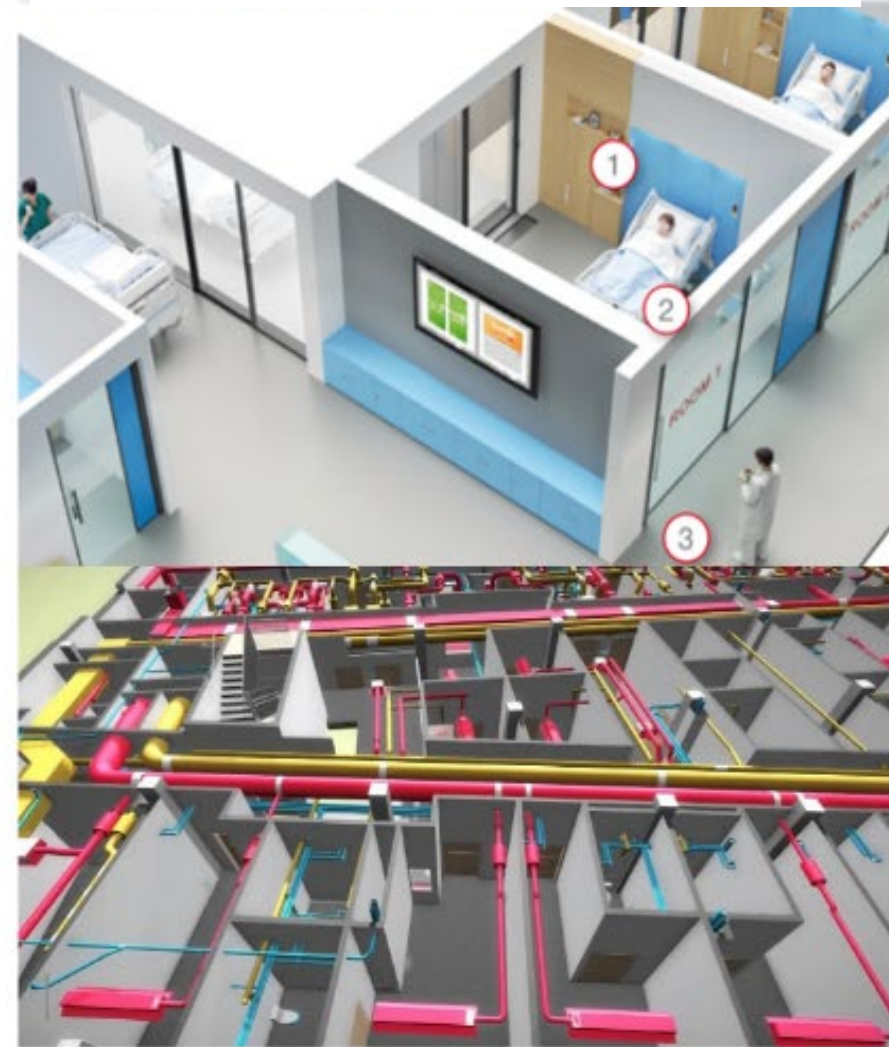




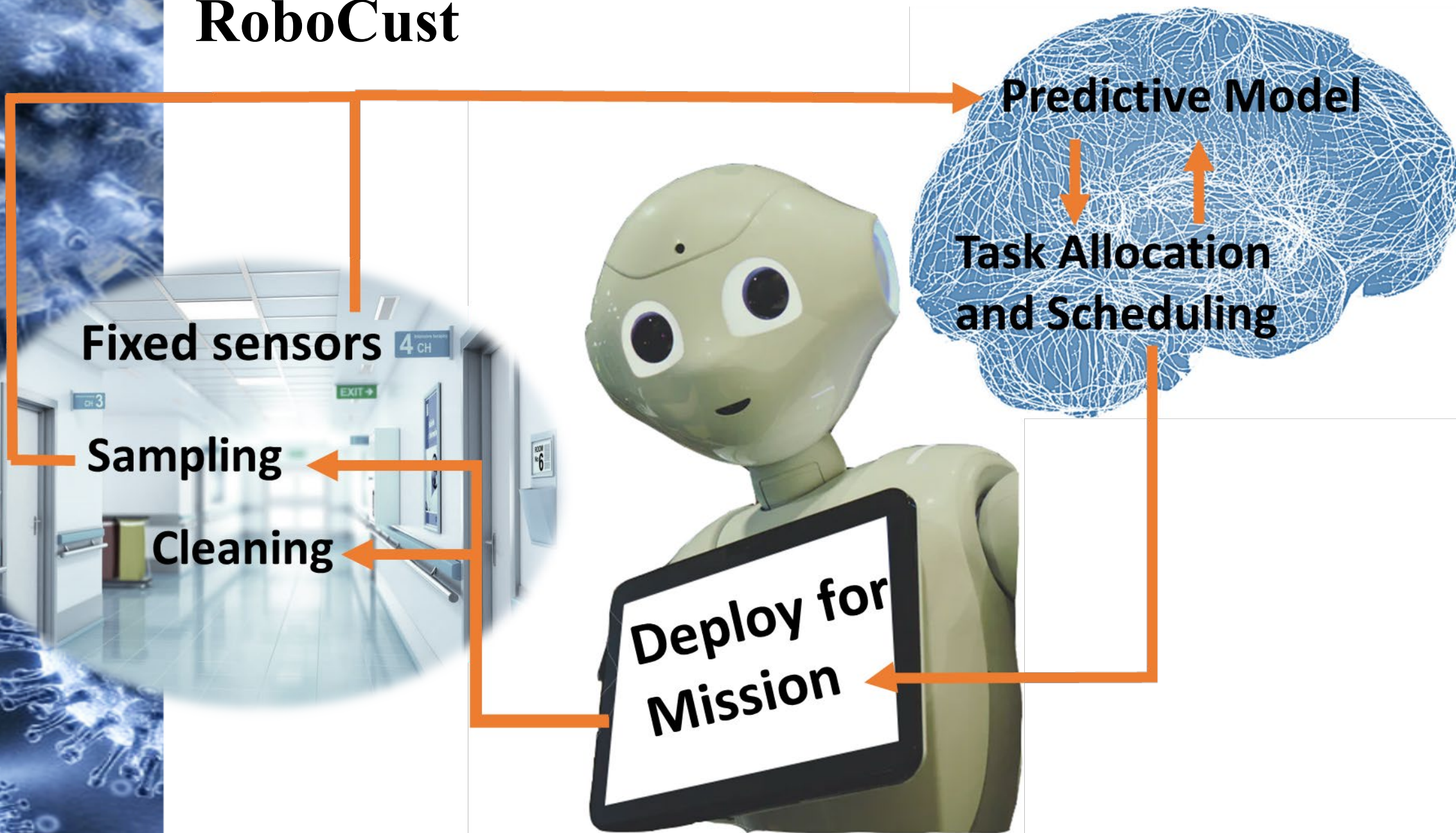
Wishful thinking -What is the future like



Smart HVAC Design



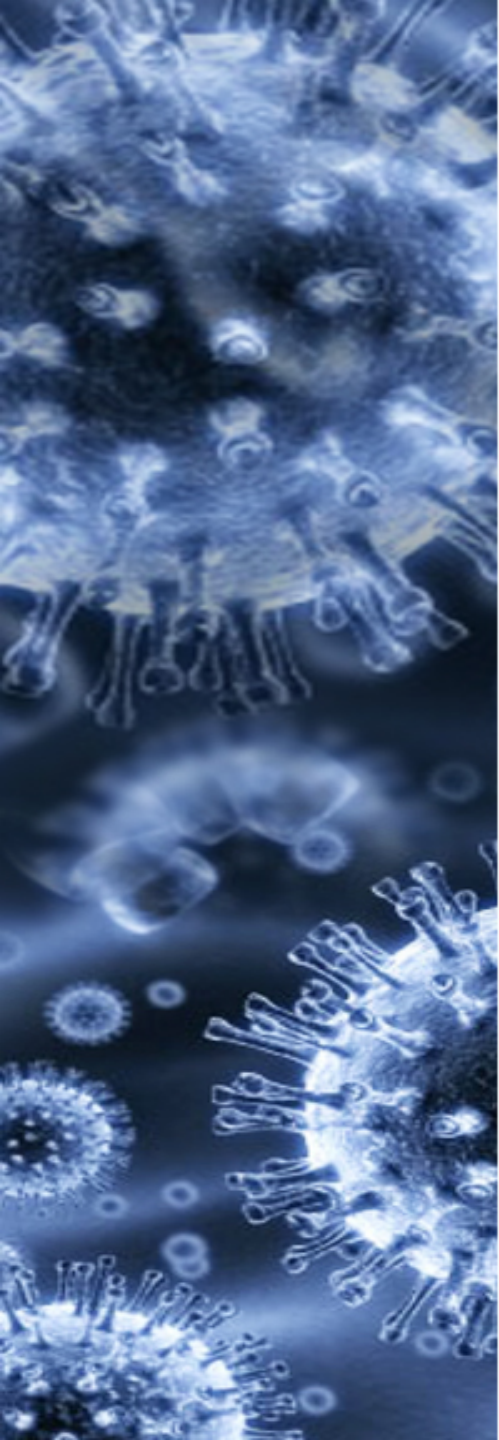
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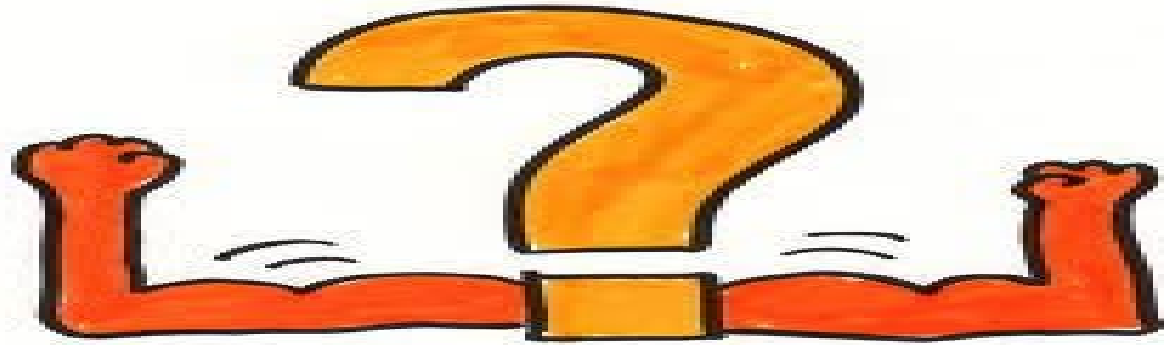


Takeaways

- We need to work *collaboratively across discipline* for achieve the desired results.
- Current Technology accounts for *room geometry*, but can we take this to the next level
 - *Contamination probability*
 - *Optimizing performance*
- New disinfection techniques can (*and should*) help us *save energy*.



Thank you 😊



**CHALLENGING
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