



## Icon Clinical Research move on time

*ITC completes Category 6 installation in prestigious new HQ*



Recommended by one of the UK's leading Design & Build companies, ITC won a highly competitive tender to provide complete voice & data infrastructure for Icon's new prestigious HQ in Eastleigh, Southampton. This central site replaces Icon's several UK locations, offering major business and cost advantages of centralised research.

Icon Plc, a contract research organization, provides clinical research and development services on a global basis to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. With current annual net revenues of \$200M, Icon has offices in North America, Europe and the Pacific Rim, and is listed on both the NASDAQ and Dublin stock markets.

Acting as consultants and installers, ITC worked closely with Icon to select the most appropriate infrastructure able to meet their business demands throughout long-term occupancy at the site. ITC subsequently recommended Molex Category 6 infrastructure, allowing Icon to reap the cost-effective future proof qualities of this new cabling standard.

### *Tough timescales*

Although the installation presented itself as a traditional one, the timescale did not! ITC were initially required by the Design & Build Company to fully install the LAN within a three-week window. In the eleventh hour before initial deployment, this already tight timescale was changed to two weeks.

Through careful planning, substantial out-of-hours deployment, and liaison with all parties involved, ITC were able to successfully complete the installation on time and within budget. ITC maintained high quality control throughout, delivering a network that far exceeded Icon's expectations.

### Technical Overview:

- Category 6 cabling network
- Communication Room build & active hardware
- 25-year product Warranty

### HQ installation

- 4 floors, 500 people
- 900 Molex PowerCat6 points to desktop
- Multimode Fibre & Voice Backbones; linked to remote cabinets for loop diversity Cat 6 Copper links
- Used existing risers, trunking, basket tray; horizontal cabling within Ceiling Voids
- New communications room - servers and routing hardware installed, with inter-cabinet link cables for neater patching; fire suppression
- Installation time: 2 weeks; tight deadline due to build requirements

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