

SUBDUCTIVE CITY: INNOVATION CENTER FOR APPLIED RESEARCH

Innovation Center: A crossroads for researchers, students, and the public. This center showcases the various research activities of the islands, higlighting locally developed technologies.



subduct (latin): drawn from below orogenesis (from greek): mountain building conurbation: an aggregation or continuous network of urban communities

Ile Ste Helene and lle Notre Dame are situated at the center of the Montreal metropolitan region, an area destined to become a dense urban conurbation. The design responds to the archipelago's proximity to five university campuses, and proposes a Centre of research. The notion of a subduction zone, whereby one tectonic plate sinks beneath another to create new topographies, inspires this project.

Appealing directly to the site's history and to the innovative and artificial means that are responsible for producing the archipelago's present-day form, this proposal emphasizes invention and innovation.

Referring to Expo 67's inverted pyramid motif, the proposal organizes sub and supra-grade narratives. In order to make the ground plane completely available for healing landscapes such as pedestrian paths and large expanses of agriculture and public spaces of participation, the Centre for Applied Research proper is subterranean or partially subterranean. Subductive City organizes research laboratories below grade while distributing research's fruits above grade. The seams between thematic "plates" buckle and dip, creating a formal language which serves as an initial framework which the programs then articulate further, which is shown best in section.

Data Center: Focused on 'big data' analysis , the data center is a vast repository of information collected from the research facilities, the Montreal region, and abroad.

Ecological Reserve: Evoking the historical outlines of lle Ste Helene, this reserve provides crucial habitat for native species and hides a reservoir at its core.

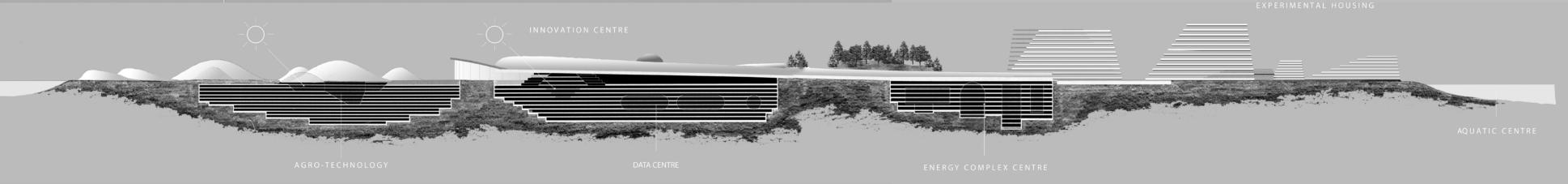
Aquatic center: Water that is channeled

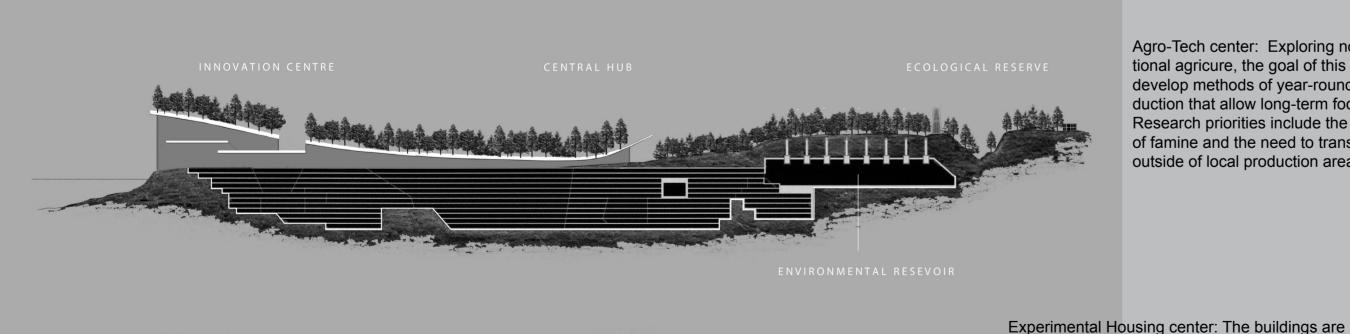
a pool for year-round swimming activities.

through the data and energy centers for cool-

ing re-enters the river at the eastern edge of Ile

Notre Dame as hot water. It is then collected in





Agro-Tech center: Exploring non-traditional agricure, the goal of this center is to develop methods of year-round food production that allow long-term food security. Research priorities include the eradication of famine and the need to transport food outside of local production areas.

extensions of the landscape and apply the most cutting edge materials, methods of construction, and mechanical systems. This center develops new housing typologies that go beyond net-zero while providing subsidized housing to Montrealers.

technologies, not limited to: heat recovery from servers and genetically modifed algae. Surplus energy is redis-

Energy Center: The nucleus of the islands' energy network is fueled by a diverse range of experimental and sewage; hydroelectric, geothermal, piezoelectric, tributed to Montreal and Longeuil.



Proximity to universities:

-Universite de Montreal Longeuil
-Universite de Sherbrooke- Longeuil
-Universite de Quebec a Montreal
-Concordia University
-McGill University
- Universite de Montreal
-Ecole de Technologie Superieure
-CEGEP(s)

