



CTLES Extension

Bussy Saint Georges, France

Originally designed by Dominique Perrault, the Technical Centre for Books of Higher Education (CTLES) is responsible for preserving the documents of various French universities and research centers. A recent extension saw the addition of a pair of enormous mirrored-steel boxes connected to the original structure via a glazed bridge. Although designed to echo the style of Perrault's aluminum building, the extension is purposely detached so as not to distort the original building. The extension's use of ribbed panels of reflective stainless steel (Uginox Bright) reflects the sky and the greenery of the surrounding rural landscape while also offering a nice contrast the original building's matt appearance.

Environment:	urban
Material:	Aperam 304L with Uginox Bright finish
Manufacturer:	Aperam
Architects:	Antonini Darmon
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More information:	aperam.com or uginox.com

