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Funds are growing for the **Teaching and Research Building** that will be built adjacent to the Veterinary School complex in Philadelphia. The project costs are estimated at \$48 million. The School has raised almost two-thirds: \$30 million!

Recent gifts for the Teaching and Research Building include a \$1.5 million grant from **The Connelly Foundation** of West Conshohocken, Pa. The Foundation stated: "The University is a strong force for economic and intellectual good in the state of Pennsylvania and the Delaware Valley, and the accomplishments of the School of Veterinary Medicine in veterinary research are indeed impressive. Like you, our trustees are convinced that a new academic and research facility is necessary for Penn to compete in the 21st century. By having at its disposal the proper tools to conduct sophisticated genetic research, Penn can surely achieve and maintain a position in the forefront of veterinary medicine in the world."

The **Robert J. Kleberg, Jr. and Helen C. Kleberg Foundation** of San Antonio, Texas, a

long time supporter of **Dr. Ralph Brinster's** research, made a pledge of \$1 million for laboratories in the new building for the **Center for Transgenesis and Germ Cell Research**. A contribution of \$500,000 for the building was received from the **Diane Lenfest Myer Foundation** of West Chester, Pa. In making this gift, the Foundation wished to help the School advance its mission.

The building's ground floor, first floor, and part of the basement will be devoted to spaces for students. Research laboratories, seminar rooms and support offices will occupy the upper three floors.

Two state-of-the-art lecture halls, each accommodating 150 students, will be entered from the ground floor. A student lounge will occupy part of the basement level and the ground floor. The library, extending over two levels, will house not only books and reference material but banks of computers for easy access to online reference and teaching materials. There will be "smart" internet-connected seminar rooms throughout the building, enabling students, researchers and clinicians to gather for small group teaching and discussions.

\$48 million goal

\$30 million raised

Veterinary School Buildings in Philadelphia



Quadrangle Building
1907



Gladys Hall Rosenthal Building
1963



Veterinary Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
1981



Site of Teaching & Research Building Planned Groundbreaking
2003



The Teaching and Research Building site is bounded by 38th Street, Woodland Avenue, and Baltimore Avenue.