National Graphene Institute

Manchester, United Kingdom

The new building for the National Graphene Institute at the University of Manchester was completed in 2015 and is a state of the art scientific and research facility. Its purpose is to commercialise the use of graphene. From the DesignScape™ collection of metal finishes, the façades to the 5-storey building are clad in Rimex’s ColourTex® black mirror coloured stainless steel alongside glass to stunning effect as specified by Jestico + Whiles Architects. The black ColourTex® coloured material is 2mm thick and is 316 grade stainless steel that was perforated by Architectural Steel Ltd to detail formulae relevant to the graphene product. The liveliness of the product makes it a unique and dynamic material for stainless steel facades.

Environment: Urban
Grade: 316
Surface: Rimex ColourTex®
Architects: Jestico + Whiles
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