The goal of the 2nd Woods Hole Neuroscience and Healthcare Facilities Workshop was to develop specific hypotheses regarding brain mechanisms through which spaces and places affect cognition, learning, creativity, mood and ultimately productivity. The setting was the stimulating conference facilities of National Academy of Sciences in Woods Hole Massachusetts. The participants consisted of thirteen architects (including several AIA Presidents, past presidents, and executives), seven neuroscientists, and nine participants from the research and academic communities. Eleven participants had attended the first workshop at Woods Hole in August 2002. The combination of participants with complementary expertise and points of view, as well as the setting and weather, all contributed to making this a most successful workshop.

**Workshop Objectives**

- John Eberhard challenged the group to move their thinking beyond the progress made at the first Wood’s Hole Workshop in August 2002, by proposing actual hypotheses that might be tested in neuroscience laboratories.
- The opening session began with introductory remarks by the co-chairs of the workshop – Gordon Chong and Eduardo Macagno.
- The participants were divided into working five groups who spent the rest of the day developing potential hypotheses (and desired outcomes) and then presented their reports on Friday morning.
1. Impact of windows on patient's recovery experiences
Gordon Chong, FAIA, Gordon Chong + Associates, Co-Chair of workshop
Frederick M. Marks, AIA, Earl Walls Associates, San Diego, CA
Randy Peterson, AIA, HMC Group, San Diego, CA
Jane Rohde, AIA, FIIDA, JSR Associates, Ellicott City, MD
Gene Hopkins, FAIA, President of the AIA
Dr. Esther Sternberg, M.D., Director of the Integrative Neural-Immune Program, National Institute of Mental Health

2. Physicians and nurses Experiences with INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE
Joyce Bromberg, Director Space Planning Research, Steelcase Corporation
Dr. Robert Horsburgh, M.D., Chairman of the Department of Epidemiology & Biostatistics, Boston University, School of Public Health
David Allison, AIA, Director Graduate Studies in Architecture + Health, Clemson
Timothy F. Burns, President & CEO, the Vinyl Institute
Eve Edelstein, Ph.D., Consultant to ANFA

3. Visitors experiences with WAYFINDING in architectural settings
Dr. Eduardo Macagno, Ph.D., Dean, Division of Biological Sciences, UDSD, Co-Chair of Workshop.
Roger Goldstein, FAIA, Goody Clancy Associates, Boston
Joseph Sprague, FAIA, Dallas, Texas
Peter Smeallie, Research Opportunities Management, Alexandria, VA
Barbara Sido, CAE, Staff Vice President, the AIA

4. PRIVACY for patients and for physicians in architectural settings
Douglas Steidl, FAIA, First Vice President of the AIA
Thompson Penney, FAIA, Past President of AIA
Frank Pitts, AIA, Past President of the Academy of Architecture for Health
Norman Koonce, FAIA, Executive Vice-President and CEO of AIA
Dr. Carla Shatz, M.D. Chair Neurobiology Department, Harvard
Earl Swensson, FAIA, CEO, Earl Swensson Associates

5. CALMING ENVIRONMENTS for Alzheimer’s patients
Dr. John Zeisel, Ph.D., Hearthstone Alzheimer Care
The Rev. Patrick Russell, Ph.D., former staff member Neuroscience Institute
Pam Milner, AIA, the Smith Group, Washington, DC
Charles Fay, Project Manager, New York State Research and Development Authority
Frederick Noyes, FAIA, Architect, Boston, Mass.

FREE AGENTS John P. Eberhard, David Weiner, Margaret Tarampi

A fully developed workshop report will be available on the webpages of the Academy of Neuroscience for Architecture (www.ANFArch.org) in the near future.