Designed as a serene place for healing, the new GHESKIO Tuberculosis Hospital is a replacement for the previous facility that was destroyed when Port-au-Prince was hit by an earthquake in 2010. This natural disaster exacerbated the region’s already fragile health infrastructure and number of patients.

Such a highly infectious disease needed strategic design decisions that would consider infection control and patient trauma as driving factors for successful patient recovery. From passive ventilation, to having a central courtyard flanked with gardens and greenery, these are simple, yet effective ways that prevent contagion and promote a sustainable environment.