



## **Biography: Jay M. Brotman** **Partner and Biotechnology Planning Expert**

*“Our sustainable designs embody a sense of well being because people **feel** our architecture. We create open, collaborative environments in which they can interact, conduct business and sensitive research, and generally push the envelope of theoretical and practical science. Our green bioscience spaces not only balance functional needs with human needs, but add critical sustainable elements that support the planet’s future. By bringing the human perspective into a highly technological society, we enable people to build a strong relationship with the world in which they work and live.”*  
– Jay Brotman

An international authority on biotechnology facility planning and design, Jay Brotman leads Svigals + Partners’ team of sustainable design experts.

Since joining the company in 1987 (then known as Svigals Associates), the Texas-born architect has helped to dramatically increase its reputation as an originator of state-of-the-art life science spaces that carefully balance research concerns with human elements. As a result of his vision, insight and environmental consciousness, Svigals + Partners’ innovative “green” designs represent a fascinating amalgam of considerations, including sustainability, safety protocols, ambience, human scale and overall lab productivity.

Consequently, Svigals + Partners’ biotech client portfolio has grown to include 80 percent of the facilities housing the various bioscience start-ups and Yale University-incubated companies now populating Connecticut’s biotech cluster. In addition, Brotman is currently providing consulting services to Queen Mary University in London, England, on a \$40 million biotechnology incubator center.

By virtue of his many contributions and valuable architectural specialties and skills, Brotman was named a company associate in 1988, then partner and principal in 2001 by founder and managing partner, Barry Svigals. To reflect Brotman’s new status as partner, the company changed its name from Svigals Associates to Svigals + Partners.

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As firm partner, Brotman's responsibilities include architectural planning and design, general company management, financial management, and marketing and business development.

In addition to his intimate knowledge of life science research environments, Brotman has overseen a large percentage of the firm's university, elementary school, and office renovation/new constructions projects during his tenure with Svigals + Partners. Prior to joining Svigals + Partners, he worked at several architectural firms in Texas, specializing in laboratory and research environment planning and design.

Brotman graduated with honors from the University of Texas, Austin, Texas, where he earned a bachelor's degree in architecture. He is licensed in Texas and Connecticut, and is a member of the American Institute of Architects and the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards. As an authority in biotech facility planning and design, he has recently presented at three industry conferences: Laboratory Design Conference 2006, Labs21 2005, and Bio04 on the topics "Green Renovation at Yale Using LEED-CI," "Successful Lab Renovation Utilizing Sustainable Design Guidelines" and "Building Cost Effective Laboratories," respectively.

A native of Dallas, Texas, Brotman currently resides with his family in New Haven near the Yale Golf Course. He is a member of the board of directors of the Connecticut Tennis Foundation and the Connecticut Baseball Foundation.

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