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Contract

Ion Chromatography Systems, Autosampler and 10 Year Preventative Maintenance

Ministry of Defence

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Scope

Reference

715654454

Description

The Environmental and Industrial Hazards (EIH) Laboratory at the Institute of Naval Medicine requires two Ion Chromatography Systems to replace the current Ion Chromatograph which has reached the end of its useful life and to provide additional capability according to new requirements.

The systems will primarily be used for analysis of anions in raw, potable and bottled water samples in accordance with the requirements of service doctrine^{1, 2, 3} and UK drinking water legislation^{4, 5}, but other matrices will include environmental samples such as groundwater, surface water and wastewater.

One Ion Chromatograph must be capable of analysing 9 anions (fluoride, chlorite, chloride, nitrite, chlorate, bromide, nitrate, sulphate and phosphate) using conductivity

detection.

The other Ion Chromatograph must be capable of analysing bromate in samples with elevated levels of chloride with post column derivatisation and absorbance detection. Specifically, post column addition of potassium iodide followed by detection of triiodide using a uv-vis detector.

The systems must meet the requirements for trueness, precision and limit of detection detailed in The Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2018.

See Invitation to Tender for further details.

Contract 1. Ion Chromatography Systems, Autosampler and 10 Year Preventative Maintenance

Supplier

- Thermo Electron Manufacturing Limited t/a Thermo Fisher Scientific

Contract value

- £469,156.36 excluding VAT
- £562,987.63 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Date signed

18 December 2025

Contract dates

- 5 January 2026 to 31 March 2036
- 10 years, 2 months, 27 days

Main procurement category

Goods

Options

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

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The contract will include the option to buy consumables and spare parts for the chromatograph systems throughout the duration of the contract, up to a maximum limit of £20,000 ex VAT per annum. The contract is set at an initial price of £269,156.36 ex VAT (or £322,987.63 inc VAT) for the initial purchase and maintenance service, with the option to increase this to a maximum of £469,156.36 ex VAT (or £562,987.63 inc VAT) for the ad-hoc consumable and spare part purchases as detailed in the contract.

CPV classifications

- 38432200 - Chromatographs

Contract locations

- UKJ - South East (England)

Justification for not setting key performance indicators

KPIs are not mandated for reporting on contracts below £5,000,000 (inc VAT).

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

Thermo Electron Manufacturing Limited t/a Thermo Fisher Scientific

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQNM-6125-XPWL

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Ministry of Defence

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government