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Contract

(NU/1433-40) Transdermal Drug Delivery: The Provision of Business Consultancy to Assist Commercialisation of University Research.

Newcastle University

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-001055

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-039727

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.ncl.ac.uk>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

(NU/1433-40) Transdermal Drug Delivery: The Provision of Business Consultancy to Assist Commercialisation of University Research.

Reference number

DN638711

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Northumbria University team have developed a new technology to move drugs into the body from a layer in a patch stuck to the skin.

This is an alternative to using needles. Current drug delivery patches don't work for a large proportion of drugs because of their chemistry characteristics mean they don't absorb through skin well. This technology can move 'difficult' molecules through the skin.

The initial brief of the executive will be to:

- (1) Produce a viable 5 year business plan;
- (2) Obtain university approval for the venture;
 - a. Act for the company in the spin-out legal process and address all company formation matters;
 - b. Provide to the appropriate university all matters necessary for Research England reporting requirements;
- (3) Secure a Medical Device Manufacturer partnership
- (4) Engage with investors in securing funding

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £30,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Ability to meet the required programme / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Quality criterion - Name: Quality: Ability to meet the Job description / Weighting: Pass/Weighted and 60%

Quality criterion - Name: Equity / Weighting: 15%

Price - Weighting: 25%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

Northern Accelerator programme involving funding from both the European Regional Development Funding (ERDF) and Research England

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

(NU/1433-40)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Dr Peter Arnold

Chapel House, Shepherds Hill

NE663NG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC - North East (England)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £30,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £30,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Newcastle University

Tyne and Wear

NE1 7RU

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Newcastle University

Newcastle University, Procurement Services, Kingsgate

NE1 7RU

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The University will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the

contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days,

provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who

have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland) within 30 days of knowledge or constructive knowledge of breach.

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Newcastle University

Newcastle University, Procurement Services, Kingsgate

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United Kingdom