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Tender

## Next Generation Sequencing Testing (NGS)

NHS Blood and Transplant

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## Scope

## Reference

C362396

## Description

NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) are seeking a provider for Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) QC testing requirements for the Cellular and Molecular Therapies (CMT) directorate, namely the Clinical Biotechnology Centre (CBC). CBC handle a number of products in the production of Advanced Therapeutic Investigational Medicinal Products (ATMPs) and starter material master cell banks (MCBs). These require NGS QC testing services that meet specific regulatory requirements.

## Total value (estimated)

- £600,000 excluding VAT
- £660,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027
- Possible extension to 31 March 2028
- 2 years

Description of possible extension:

One (1) year optional extension

### **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

One (1) year optional extension

### **Main procurement category**

Services

### **CPV classifications**

- 72225000 - System quality assurance assessment and review services

## **Contract locations**

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

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## **Participation**

### **Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation**

As detailed in tender documents ( <https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/> - C362396

### **Technical ability conditions of participation**

As detailed in tender documents ( <https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/> - C362396. Must be EU Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) Licensed.

### **Particular suitability**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## **Submission**

### **Enquiry deadline**

29 January 2026, 12:00pm

### **Submission type**

Tenders

**Tender submission deadline**

9 February 2026, 12:00pm

**Submission address and any special instructions**

<https://atamis-1928.my.site.com/>

**Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

**Languages that may be used for submission**

English

**Award decision date (estimated)**

30 March 2026

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**Award criteria**

Name	Type	Weighting
Price	Price	60.00%
Quality	Quality	30.00%
Social Value	Quality	10.00%

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## **Other information**

### **Payment terms**

30 days

### **Description of risks to contract performance**

Regulatory Changes: Future amendments to applicable laws, regulations, or industry standards may require adjustments to processes, compliance obligations, or service delivery models. Such changes could necessitate contract modifications to ensure continued compliance and operational effectiveness.

Authority Requirements: The Authority's operational priorities or service requirements may change during the contract term. These changes could affect contract usage volumes, scope, or delivery expectations, either positively (increased demand) or negatively (reduced demand). Where such changes occur, the contract may need to be varied to reflect revised requirements.

### **Applicable trade agreements**

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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### **Procedure**

## **Procedure type**

Competitive flexible procedure

## **Competitive flexible procedure description**

It is the intention of the Authority to follow a two-stage process under this procedure as follows. However, the Authority retains the right to amend the stages if required throughout the process. This includes amending the number of stages or re-running any stage of the process.

Tender Stage 1:

- Publish tender notice and tender documents
- Receive tenders
- Assess tenders to shortlist those to be invited to Stage 2
- Notify shortlisted suppliers and invite to Stage 2

Tender Stage 2:

- Conduct presentations

Award Stage:

- Notify suppliers and issue assessment summaries
- Publish contract award notice and commence standstill
- Award contract

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## **Contracting authority**

## **NHS Blood and Transplant**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDBY-6395-VWBP

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Region: UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Organisation type: Public authority - central government