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UKRI-2020 Direct Electron Detector

UK Research & Innovation

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-2020 Direct Electron Detector

Reference number

UKRI-2020

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 38511000 - Electron microscopes

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Direct Electron Detector optimised for 100 keV imaging in electron microscopes

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: £180,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

Main site or place of performance

Cambridgeshire CC

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This VEAT notice is to notify of our intention to award a contract for the supply of a direct electron detector optimised for 100 keV imaging in electron microscopes. The Quantum C100 detector is a novel direct electron detector optimised for 100 keV imaging in electron microscopes. This equipment is unique as it has 4 x as many pixels as the current best detector, allowing better sub-pixel localisation. The LMB requires detectors of this specification to carry on research for our on-going CyroEM 100 project. UKRI intends to award a contract to Quantum Detectors as the only provider of equipment capable of meeting our requirements and considers that award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition is justified under regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the PCR 2015 because competition is absent for technical reasons.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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: No

II.2.14) Additional information

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Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The Quantum C100 detector is a novel direct electron detector optimised for 100 keV imaging in electron microscopes. This equipment is unique as it has 4 x as many pixels as the current best detector, allowing better sub-pixel localisation. The LMB requires detectors of this specification to carry on research for our on-going CyroEM 100 project. UKRI intends to award a contract to Quantum Detectors as the only provider of equipment capable of meeting our requirements and considers that award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition is justified under regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the PCR 2015 because competition is absent for technical reasons.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

22 February 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Quantum Detectors

R103, RAL

Harwell

OX11 0QX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

National registration number

05575019

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £180,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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