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Contract

Determination of the bioavailability of cyanogenic glycosides on consumption

Food Standards Agency

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-007922

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04919e

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Food Standards Agency

YO1 7PR

York

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Email

fsa.commercial@food.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Determination of the bioavailability of cyanogenic glycosides on consumption

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Tenders are invited to carry out an investigation using an in vitro gut model and/or in silico research methods to determine the bioavailability of hydrogen cyanide in bitter apricot kernels, linseed, almonds, cassava root, marzipan, persipan and tapioca following consumption.

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: £249,619.58

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Commercial / Weighting: 20

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

Notice number: [2024/S 000-026248](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 February 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Fera Science Limited

York Biotech Campus Sand Hutton York

York

YO411LZ

Email

tracker@fera.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

09413107

Internet address

<http://www.capita.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £249,619.58

Total value of the contract/lot: £249,619.58

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Food Standards Agency

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