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## **Genetics MassArray consumables**

The Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04e9b7

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

The Newcastle Upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Regent Point

NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

NE7 7DN

#### **Contact**

Gillian Wood

#### **Email**

[gillian.wood4@nhs.net](mailto:gillian.wood4@nhs.net)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKC22 - Tyneside

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.newcastle-hospitals.nhs.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.newcastle-hospitals.nhs.uk>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Genetics MassArray consumables

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 33696500 - Laboratory reagents

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4) Short description**

Supply of reagents & associated consumables for use on the Agena MassARRAY4 instrument

**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: £528,410.20

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKC22 - Tyneside

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Supply of reagents & associated consumables for use on the Agena MassARRAY4 instrument

### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The instrument Genetics have is the MassARRAY4 from Agena Bioscience. It is the only mass spectrometer instrument that is able to utilise the difference in mass between each of the bases which form DNA . This allows us to rapidly detect changes in patients DNA which may affect cancer treatments. We used end point PCR to amplify regions of DNA before using a single base extension method to detect the single base changes in DNA. This instrument differs to the traditional Mass spec systems used in microbiology which enable the detection of micro-organisms dependant on their mass. We therefore require the instrument and the reagents for use in order to maintain our rapid clinical delivery of results. Only Agena reagents & consumables can be used with this instrument. The UKHSA National Microbiology Framework was used for this procurement, which allows for direct award.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## **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**

31 January 2025

#### **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**

Agena Bioscience GmbH

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Hamburg

22761

Telephone

+49 0408996760

Country

Germany

NUTS code

- DE5 - Bremen

National registration number

HRB57315

Internet address

[www.agenabio.com](http://www.agenabio.com)

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £528,410.20

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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