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Contract

## **QUB/2600/24 Supply of a high throughput nano/microflow liquid chromatography system**

Queen's University Belfast

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04c77c

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Queen's University Belfast

University Road

Belfast

#### **Email**

[shauna.ryan@qub.ac.uk](mailto:shauna.ryan@qub.ac.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKN06 - Belfast

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.qub.ac.uk](http://www.qub.ac.uk)

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

Body governed by public law

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

QUB/2600/24 Supply of a high throughput nano/microflow liquid chromatography system

Reference number

QUB/2600/24

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 38432200 - Chromatographs

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Supply of a high throughput nano/microflow liquid chromatography system for proteomics applications. The system will be optimized for rapid analysis of proteomics samples via online coupling to an existing mass spectrometry system (quadrupole time-of-flight mass spectrometry with nano/low microflow electrospray system and trapped ion mobility separations). The system will be used for high throughput proteomics applications associated with the Future Medicines Institute at QUB and situated within the School of Biological Sciences 19 Chlorine Gardens, Belfast, BT9 5DL.

#### **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: £300,000

**II.2) Description****II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 38432200 - Chromatographs
- 38522000 - Chromatographic scanners

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN06 - Belfast

Main site or place of performance

Belfast

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

The Northern Ireland Precision Biomarkers and Therapeutics Consortium (NIPBT) is an industry-focused partnership of Life and Health Science (LHS) companies and Academia, aligned to NI Health and Economy strategies. By addressing critical commercial gaps, the Consortium's aim is to transform the productivity of each Commercial Partner and the broader LHS sector in NI. NIPBT will deploy the grant funding to collaboratively develop R&D capabilities that industry partners require. Queen's is leading and hosting this research hub, as such is tasked with procuring and installing a high throughput nano/microflow liquid chromatography system for proteomics applications. The system will be optimized for rapid analysis of proteomics samples via online coupling to an existing mass spectrometry system (quadrupole time-of-flight mass spectrometry with nano/low microflow electrospray system and trapped ion mobility separations). The system will be used for high throughput proteomics applications associated with the Future Medicines Institute at QUB and situated within the School of Biological Sciences 19 Chlorine Gardens, Belfast, BT9 5DL. • Please note: - The execution of this tender & contract will be solely dependent on grant funding being received, which is estimated to be confirmed in January 2025. • No award will be made, or orders issued until the grant funding has been confirmed. If grant funding is not secured, the market will be notified, and this procurement exercise will be stood down.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 40%

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 60%

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

option to extend maintenance and the purchase of consumables and ancillary items

### **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**

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 000-040075](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

QUB/2600/24

### **Title**

High Throughput Nano/Microflow Liquid Chromatography System For Proteomics Applications And Associated Consumables

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

17 February 2025

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Fintiede Solutions Ltd

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

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: £275,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £300,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Queen's University Belfast

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom