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## **Update of equipment within the Stoller Biomarker Discovery Centre (SBDC).**

UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

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

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

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MANCHESTER

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKD33 - Manchester

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.procurement.manchester.ac.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/manchesteruniversity/>

**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**

Update of equipment within the Stoller Biomarker Discovery Centre (SBDC).

Reference number

2022/1878/SBDC/DK/MW

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 38433100 - Mass spectrometer

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4) Short description**

The SBDC requires the update of mass spectrometry, chromatography, sample preparation automation and associated equipment and software in a manner compatible

with the existing infrastructure.

#### **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: £875,150

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

Main site or place of performance

The University of Manchester

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

The Stoller Biomarker Discovery Centre (SBDC) was opened in 2016 as a result of funding by a philanthropic gift from the Stoller Charitable Trust, the Medical Research Council (MRC) and in partnership with SCIEX, to help to industrialise the process of identifying biomarkers. The Centre was stocked with a large suite of high-end SCIEX mass spectrometers, including TripleTOF® 6600 Systems and QTRAP® 6500+ Systems and associated equipment for clinical proteomics and metabolomics applications. The Centre works to a quality system and has a dedicated IT infrastructure for the management and assessment of the data produced. We are now looking to update the mass spectrometry, chromatography and sample preparation equipment to allow for the relocation of the Centre to a new location with a smaller footprint whilst maintaining the function and infrastructure as much as possible.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

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

Options: No

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- 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:

- absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation: The SBDC was created in partnership with SCIEX and substantial work has been done to configure custom workflows and software tools with the equipment in SBDC. We have very short timeframes for this work and all equipment must be on-site and functioning by the end of July 2022. Hardware and software must therefore be compatible with existing SCIEX technologies.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

### Contract No

2022/1878/SBDC/DK/MW

### Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract/concession

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

7 April 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**

AB Sciex UK Limited

Suite 21F18, 21 Mereside, Alderley Park

MACCLESFIELD

SK10 4TG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD6 - Cheshire

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: £875,150

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The High Court of Justice of England

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<http://www.procurement.manchester.ac.uk/>

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar days standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Applicants who are

unsuccessful shall be informed by the authority as soon as possible after the decision has been made as to the reasons why the applicant was unsuccessful. If an appeal regarding the

award of the contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of

harm by breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must generally be brought within 3 months. If a declaration of

ineffectiveness is sought, any such action must be brought within 30 days where the authority has communicated the award of the contract and summary of reasons to tenderers or otherwise within 6 months of the contract being entered into. Where a contract has not been entered into, the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the

contract has been entered into the Court may, depending on the circumstances, award damages, make a declaration of ineffectiveness, order the authority to pay a fine and/or order the duration of the contract to

be shortened. The purpose of the standstill period referred to is to allow the parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into.

**VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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