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# **Purchase of a Nanoparticle Flow Cytometer**

**MHRA** 

F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

**MHRA** 

10 South Colonnade, Canary Wharf

London

E14 4PU

#### **Email**

purchasing@mhra.gov.uk

## Country

**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UKI31 - Camden and City of London

## Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/medicines-and-healthcare-products-regulatory-agency

Buyer's address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/medicines-and-healthcare-products-regulatory-agency

# I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

# I.5) Main activity

Health

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

### II.1.1) Title

Purchase of a Nanoparticle Flow Cytometer

Reference number

C244466

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

**Supplies** 

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Agency is looking for a nanoparticle flow cytometer capable of detecting biological particles such as extracellular vesicles, lipid nanoparticles, viruses and other biological nanoparticles when fluorescently labelled or not.

The Technical requirements for purchase of nanoparticle flow cytometer will heavily rely on ability of the instrumentation to deliver high level sensitivity for submicron particles. The equipment in question will be supporting many high-profile projects across the Agency, including adequate sizing and quantification of viral particles, viruses, secretome vesicles, phage, and NLPs. Therefore, it is important to put maximal emphasis on the Scientific and Technical ability (65% of overall marking) of the equipment to deliver very sensitive readouts rather than the Commercial value of this project.

# II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 51430000 - Installation services of laboratory equipment

## II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency Blanche Lane South Mimms Potters Bar Hertfordshire EN6 3QG

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Agency is looking for a nanoparticle flow cytometer capable of detecting biological particles such as extracellular vesicles, lipid nanoparticles, viruses and other biological nanoparticles when fluorescently labelled or not.

The Technical requirements for purchase of nanoparticle flow cytometer will heavily rely on ability of the instrumentation to deliver high level sensitivity for submicron particles. The equipment in question will be supporting many high-profile projects across the Agency, including adequate sizing and quantification of viral particles, viruses, secretome vesicles, phage, and NLPs. Therefore, it is important to put maximal emphasis on the Scientific and Technical ability (65% of overall marking) of the equipment to deliver very sensitive readouts rather than the Commercial value of this project.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £185,000

#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

**Duration in months** 

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

We expect to award a contract for a one of purchase of the equipment. For service maintenance and/or purchase of any bespoke kits/consumables and/or any IT related requirements, if applicable, the contract will be for the life of the equipment.

# II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

### 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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

# III.1) Conditions for participation

# III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

# 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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

20 May 2024

Local time

10:00am

#### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

## IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

## IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

20 May 2024

Local time

10:00am

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

# VI.3) Additional information

This procurement exercise is being run via the Health Family 'Atamis' e-tendering portal: Welcome (site.com)

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

MHRA/ NIBSC

EN6 3QG

London

EN63QG

Country

**United Kingdom** 

Internet address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/medicines-and-healthcare-products-regulatory-agency