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Award

Supply of A high resolution mass spectrometer

CENTRE FOR PROCESS INNOVATION LIMITED

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Scope

Description

The identification and validation of cancer biomarkers requires highly sensitive and robust analytical technologies capable of delivering deep proteome coverage, reproducible quantitation, and confident peptide and protein identification. To support ongoing research in the next generation diagnostic programme at CPI Biologics, Darlington, supporting application to clinical proteomics, there is a need to procure a LC-MS system specifically optimised for advanced proteomics applications.

The LC-MS instrument will underpin discovery-to-validation workflows in cancer biomarker research, enabling both untargeted and targeted proteomics approaches within a single platform. It must demonstrate proven performance in single-cell proteomics, clinical proteomics, host cell protein analysis, and post-translational modification studies, with published evidence supporting its application in these domains. High resolution, sensitivity, dynamic range, and throughput are critical to ensure reliable detection of low-abundance proteins and post-translational modifications that are central to biomarker discovery.

The acquisition of this LC-MS system will provide the necessary technological foundation to accelerate biomarker discovery, improve clinical translation, and strengthen CPIs capabilities in proteomics.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Contract 1

Supplier

- [Thermo Electron Manufacturing Ltd t/a Thermo Fisher Scientific](#)

Contract value

- £2,000,000 excluding VAT
- £2,400,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

16 February 2026

Date assessment summaries were sent to tenderers

17 February 2026

Standstill period

- End: 26 February 2026
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

28 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 March 2026 to 28 February 2030
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 38433100 - Mass spectrometer

Information about tenders

- 1 tender received
- 1 tender assessed in the final stage:
 - 0 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

- 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 0 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Supplier

Thermo Electron Manufacturing Ltd t/a Thermo Fisher Scientific

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQNM-6125-XPWL

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Region: UKH23 - Hertfordshire

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

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Organisation type: Public undertaking (commercial organisation subject to public authority oversight)