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Awarded contract

11C]PBR28 PET and MRI scanning, radioligand production, LPS (lipopolysaccharid) supply and biomarker analysis

University of Exeter

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

11C]PBR28 PET and MRI scanning, radioligand production, LPS (lipopolysaccharid) supply and biomarker analysis

Reference number

UOE/2021/034/SB

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 85150000 - Medical imaging services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

PET and MRI scanning, radioligand production, LPS (lipopolysaccharid) supply and biomarker analysis

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: £726,480

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 73111000 - Research laboratory services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

PET and MRI scanning, radioligand production, LPS (lipopolysaccharid) supply and biomarker analysis

- Only UK provider of PET tracers [11C]BU90008, [11C]SA4503, and [18F]BCPP-EF, that are currently used for our studies.
- Invicro is located within the Hammersmith Hospital Campus, its location accommodates research participants for image and clinical assessments without increased burden and travel for the participants. While also reducing cost and time to conduct the studies.
- [11C] tracers (with short half-life of about 20 minutes) and of [18F] radiotracers (with half-life of about 120 minutes) are produced in house and the short half-life of the [11C] tracers means Invicro's two in-house cyclotron's must be used. Their radioligand development platform means implementation of new tracers is not available at other facilities.
- Invicro has the equipment and facilities to collect arterial blood samples during the scans and analyze the quantity of the radioactive metabolites on site.

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 IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- 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:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

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

6 July 2021

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

Invicro

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKI - London

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £726,480

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Court of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom