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# Laser Flow NanoAnalyzer

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

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**SHEFFIELD** 

S102TN

Contact

James Noble

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Country

**United Kingdom** 

Region code

UKE32 - Sheffield

#### **Companies House**

RC000667

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/

## 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

Laser Flow NanoAnalyzer

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 38400000 - Instruments for checking physical characteristics

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

The University of Sheffield with funding from the BBSRC are purchasing a NanoAnalyzer from NanoFCM Co, Ltd with the research goal of using an emerging technology to analyse life at the nanoscale.

#### 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: £242,400

### II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKE32 - Sheffield

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

A flow nano-analyser instruments based on flow cytometry technology capable of measuring extracellular vesicles as small as 40nm, and up to 1?m by light scattering and fluorescence simultaneously. The combined measurement of size, concentration and of biomarkers is obtained by the interrogation of 10,000 individual particle events in only 1 minute. For use in research to analyse life at the nanoscale.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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:

Regulation 32 is being applied as in 32(2) (b)

(ii) competition is absent for technical reasons

and

(iii) the protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

The technology required for this research grant and its outcomes can only be found in the NanoFCM system. This technology and its unique features are protected by patents in the USA (US2015/0233812A1) and in Europe (EP2908119A1).

#### 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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

27 June 2023

#### 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

NanoFCM Co. Ltd

Building D6, Thane Road

Nottingham

NG90 6BH

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKF14 - Nottingham

Companies House

11542620

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: £242,400

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

University of Sheffield

Sheffield

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Country

United Kingdom