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Contract

Manufacture of the C100 sensor

UK Research & Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02dfc4

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKK14 - Swindon

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.ukri.org>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research and innovation

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Manufacture of the C100 sensor

Reference number

UKRI-1639

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 35125100 - Sensors

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

C100 is a CMOS sensor designed by STFC, in collaboration with Rosalind Franklin Institute (RFI) and the Laboratory of molecular biology (LMB) of the Medical Research Council (MRC)

The purpose is to deliver a wafer scales sensor optimised for cryo electron microscopy at 100keV

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: £244,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Oxfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

The process to fabricate such pixel represents a piece of IP which is the property of Tower Semiconductor. This justifies an SSA under Section 32 the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 since Tower Semiconductor own the IP of the manufacturing process, and no one else can supply a pixel IP of this performance which is compatible with existing STFC IP that can only be manufactured in the Tower Semiconductor process.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 August 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

ETESIAN SEMICONDUCTOR LTD

Haoren 5

Yishai

3004205

Country

Israel

NUTS code

- IL - Israel

National registration number

1315036

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £244,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £244,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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