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## **Flow Cytometry Analyser**

University of Exeter

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Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-025303

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03f796

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK - South West (England)

**National registration number**

RC000653

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.exeter.ac.uk>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Flow Cytometry Analyser

Reference number

UOE.2023.066.MB

**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**

Provision of a flow cytometry analyser.

#### **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: £298,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 38434510 - Cytometers

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)

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

Provision of a flow cytometry analyser.

#### **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

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## **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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The University has a requirement for a Cytex Aurora Spectral Flow Cytometer 5L with Enhanced Small Particle (ESP) detection option. This instrument uniquely combines speed, sensitivity, quantity, and multi-color cytomics approaches with patent-pending innovative technologies. It has the capability to measure the entire emission spectra of fluorescent dyes excited by multiple lasers installed on the instrument. The Cytex Aurora is the only spectral flow cytometry analyser that uses avalanche-photodiodes (APD) detector arrays to efficiently capture and detect light across a wide range of wavelengths.

The ESP detection option is particularly valuable as it enables improved detection and analysis of submicron-sized biological particles, such as extracellular vesicles, nanoparticles, or viral particles, which are challenging to detect using conventional flow cytometry techniques.

Therefore, the Cytex Aurora Spectral Flow Cytometer 5L with ESP detection option is the only solution that can fulfill all of the University's research needs

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **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**

29 August 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**

Cytek Biosciences B.V

Paasheuvelweg 25, Tower C5

Amsterdam

Country

Netherlands

NUTS code

- NL - Netherlands

National registration number

Cytek Biosciences B.V

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £298,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

royal Court of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Royal Court of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Royal Court of Justice

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