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## **Provision of Specific Scientific Database Materials and Tools**

University of Strathclyde

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

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

University of Strathclyde

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#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM82 - Glasgow City

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00113](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00113)

**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**

Provision of Specific Scientific Database Materials and Tools

Reference number

UOS-24484-2022

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 38430000 - Detection and analysis apparatus

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The University of Strathclyde's Library requires specific scientific research database material and tools provided by this platform.

#### **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: £360,000

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

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

- 48160000 - Library software package
- 48611000 - Database software package

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

NUTS codes

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

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

American Chemical Society is the sole agent for its Chemical Abstracts Service Scifinder and owns the intellectual property of its academic publications. The research database material and tools are unique to the Scifinder platform and are unavailable elsewhere. The proprietary academic content is heavily used by the Science Faculty within the University of Strathclyde and the unique and original research content on the site means that no other product or services can meet the specified requirement.

As a result the University intend to make use of The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015, Regulation 33(b)(iii) Use of the negotiated procedure without prior publication

33.—(1) A contracting authority may award a public contract following negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice or prior information notice in any of the following cases—

(b)where the works, supplies or services can be supplied only by a particular economic operator for any of the following reasons—

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

#### **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**

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

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Explanation:

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therefore this purchased is being made under Regulation 33(b)(iii) of The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

#### **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**

### **Contract No**

UOS-25263-2022

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

15 September 2022

#### **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**

University of Strathclyde

Level 6 Graham Hills Building 40 George Street Room GH654

Glasgow

G1 1QE

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £360,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Please note the supplier being awarded is detailed below. As this supplier is not on PCS the University has added them here rather than in the awarded supplier field.

American Chemical Society (CAS)

2540 Olentangy River Road P.O. Box 3012, OH 43202

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[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search\\_Switch.aspx?ID=707090](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=707090).

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

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

Glasgow Sheriff Court

1 Carlton PI

Glasgow

G5 9TU

Country

United Kingdom