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Contract

## **NCA30946 Micro-array based genotyping, DecodeMe, IGMM**

University Of Edinburgh

F03: Contract award notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

University Of Edinburgh

Charles Stewart House, 9-16 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1HT

#### **Email**

[c.m.brown@ed.ac.uk](mailto:c.m.brown@ed.ac.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/procurement/supplying>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107)

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **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**

NCA30946 Micro-array based genotyping, DecodeMe, IGMM

Reference number

NCA30946

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

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

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

Services

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

Micro-array based genotyping for our UKRI-funded

BLOOM study

### **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: £436,479.60

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

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

Micro-array based genotyping

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

### **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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

To ensure its success, it is essential that the DecodeME project undertakes genotyping of the 20,000 ME/CFS cohort using the Affymetrix Axiom® array, and this is only possible via ThermoFisher who is Affymetrix's parent company. The reason is that the project is only well-powered if – for its UK gender-, age- and ancestry-matched control samples – it takes advantage of the 500,000-strong UK Biobank cohort. Specifically, the project needs the genotypes of its cases (people with ME/CFS) to have been acquired using the exact same array as the controls (UK Biobank) and these were acquired using exactly this technology, i.e. the Affymetrix Axiom® array. Otherwise – if a different array is used – there is potential that technical errors would introduce spurious findings which might lead us to arrive at false scientific conclusions.

#### 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

### Contract No

NCA30946

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

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

15 October 2021

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Life Technologies Ltd

3 Fountain Drive

Paisley

Pa4 9RF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £436,479.60

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

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

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom