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Planning

Automated Dissolution Platform for CMAC

University of Strathclyde

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00113

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Automated Dissolution Platform for CMAC

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48921000 - Automation system

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) relates to a project to establish an agreement for the supply of an Automated Dissolution Platform for CMAC.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £310,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48921000 - Automation system

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

CMAC is looking transform its dissolution testing capability with the addition of a fully automated system to our existing world class analytical facilities in the Technology and Innovation Centre at the University of Strathclyde. Dissolution testing is a key part of our overall analytical capability, supporting our extensive research programme and our partnerships with Tier 1 (industrial pharmaceutical) partners.

The new equipment must be able to perform multiple 100 % unattended dissolution runs including media preparation, vacuum de-gassing, gravimetric vessel filling, multiple sample additions, sampling (resident probe and auto-lift), in vessel temperature monitoring, filtration, fast media change in line with USP requirements whilst running a test and self-cleaning. It must also be possible to obtain results in real-time with integrated spectroscopy (eg UV-Vis) and/or collect samples offline for different analytical techniques such as HPLC.

In line with CMAC's digital agenda, the software must be able to communicate with other physical testing equipment like fully automated hardness testers, balances, loss on drying equipment to generate a report of the test runs and store all data in standard formats. It must also be able to connect to an external database and have options for bidirectional OPC (Open Platform Communication) to interface with control software to read data and start runs.

It is anticipated 3 years servicing of the equipment will also be covered.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

6 November 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The University of Strathclyde may conduct further market engagement with interested parties.

As such, all interested parties must register their interest no later than 12 noon on 20th October 2023.

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