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# (NU/1840) The Supply and Installation of a Long-Read Single-Molecule Sequencing Platform for Scalable Genomics, Transcriptomic, Epigenomic and Single-Cell Analysis

**Newcastle University** 

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

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#### Region code

UKC22 - Tyneside

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.ncl.ac.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.ncl.ac.uk

# I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

https://procontract.due-north.com/

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://procontract.due-north.com/

# 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

(NU/1840) The Supply and Installation of a Long-Read Single-Molecule Sequencing Platform for Scalable Genomics, Transcriptomic, Epigenomic and Single-Cell Analysis

Reference number

DN644232

#### 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

Newcastle University's Genomics Core Facility (GCF) is a state-of-the-art Next-Generation Sequencing laboratory that specialises in single-cell and spatial transcriptomics applications and supports a wide range of sequencing-based research within the Faculty of Medical Sciences (FMS) and beyond. The sequencing technology currently available within the facility is based on a clonally amplified short-read approach. As part of an MRC equipment award the University are seeking to purchase a high-throughput, scalable, long-read single-molecule sequencer. The scope of the contract is for the supply of the equipment and proprietary consumables, delivery, installation, training, 4 years of maintenance and servicing cover to begin once the 12-month warranty period has expired and proprietary consumables for 5 years post installation (to be purchased as and when required). The sequencer will be operated by dedicated and experienced NGS staff and will play a central role in large-scale discovery and translational research programmes involving genomic, transcriptomic, epigenomic and single cell analysis.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £350,000

# II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

# II.2) Description

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

• 51430000 - Installation services of laboratory equipment

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKC22 - Tyneside

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

The Genomics Core Facility (GCF) is a state-of-the-art Next-Generation Sequencing laboratory that specialises in single-cell and spatial transcriptomics applications and supports a wide range of sequencing-based research within the Faculty of Medical Sciences (FMS) and beyond. The sequencing technology currently available within the facility is based on a clonally amplified short-read approach. As part of an MRC equipment award the University are seeking to purchase a high-throughput, scalable, long-read single-molecule sequencer. The scope of the contract is for the supply of the equipment and proprietary consumables, delivery, installation, training, 4 years of maintenance and servicing cover to begin once the 12-month warranty period has expired and proprietary consumables for 5 years post installation (to be purchased as and when required). The sequencer will be operated by dedicated and experienced NGS staff and will play a central role in large-scale discovery and translational research programmes involving genomic, transcriptomic, epigenomic and single cell analysis.

# II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

# II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £350,000

# II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

**Duration in months** 

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### 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

Open procedure

# IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

The contract is for the purchase of capital equipment but includes a framework agreement to purchase any proprietary consumables required for the running of the equipment.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

# IV.2) Administrative information

## IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

22 December 2022

Local time

12:00pm

## IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

# IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

# IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

22 December 2022

Local time

2:00pm

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

**Newcastle University** 

Newcastle upon Tyne

Country

**United Kingdom** 

Internet address

https://www.ncl.ac.uk

# VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Newcastle University will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing before the contract is entered into. Applicants have 2 working days from notification of the award decision to request additional debriefing and 4 / 4 that information has to be provided a minimum of 3 working days before expiry of the standstill period. Such additional information should be requested from the address referred to in part 1.1 above. If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any such action must be brought promptly. Where a contract has not been entered into the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the contract has been entered into the Court may only award damages