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## **UKRI-2624 LMS Mass Spectrometer**

UK Research & Innovation

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

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

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Main address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Research

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

UKRI-2624 LMS Mass Spectrometer

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

- 38433100 - Mass spectrometer

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

Supplies

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

Two Benchtop quadrupole mass spectrometers

#### **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: £718,092

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKI3 - Inner London – West

Main site or place of performance

Inner London – West

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

This VEAT notice is to notify of our intention to award a contract for the supply of two Xevo TQ-XS Systems. The multi-steroid assays that are critical for the research and important for further translation and innovation have been developed on the Waters Xevo TQ-XS platform in partnership among Institutes. The further development, application and

translation of these assays is critically dependent on cross-validation across platforms. Therefore, LMS needs specifically the Waters platform. UKRI intends to award a contract to Waters as the only provider of equipment capable of meeting our requirements and considers that award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition is justified under regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the PCR 2015 because competition is absent for technical reasons.

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

Price

#### **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

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

UKRI intends to award a contract to Waters Limited as the only provider of equipment capable of meeting our requirements and considers that award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition is justified under regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the PCR 2015 because competition is absent for technical reasons.

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

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#### 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**

23 November 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**

Waters Limited

Stamford Avenue, Altrincham Road, Wilmslow

Cheshire

SK9 4AX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD6 - Cheshire

National registration number

02912366

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: £718,092

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £718,092

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £718,092

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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**

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