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Contract

Vaccine approaches against HEV in pigs

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY

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Scope

Reference

C28850

Description

This project will comprehensively test different vaccine approaches against HEV in pigs, applying a range of methods from measuring Abs to the protective signature in the liver. The hypothesis is that the vaccines may not be able to prevent infection, but to reduce HEV replication to an extent that onward transmission between pigs would no longer be possible. To that extend the approaches to investigate the above concept are as follows: · Use of an oral vaccine, a parantal vaccine, and the combination of the above - as prime/boost approach · In all cases the project will analyse the levels and quality of Abs generated. · The project will further analyse the induction of T cells by the vaccine - such analysis will be undertaken via liver and gut samples (locally) as well as systemically (in blood). The project can use flow cytometry, RNASeq or scRNASeq to demonstrate the full spectrum of functional T cells induced. The most promising candidate approach will then also be used for a challenge study.

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Supplier

- [University of Surrey](#)

Contract value

- £68,894 excluding VAT
- £82,672.80 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Date signed

4 July 2025

Contract dates

- 7 July 2025 to 30 September 2027
- Possible extension to 30 September 2028
- 3 years, 2 months, 25 days

Description of possible extension:

This Agreement shall begin on the Commencement Date and shall continue in force until

the Expiry Date unless terminated or extended by mutual written agreement of the Parties, or otherwise terminated in accordance with this Clause 11.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government