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Tender

## **UKRI-5037 Automated Ultramicrotome and Trimming Tool**

UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

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### **Scope**

### **Description**

The LMB are looking at sourcing an automated ultramicrotome system and a rapid trimming tool in order to allow the preparation of samples for imaging on electron and optical microscopes.

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £190,000 excluding VAT
- £228,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 3 October 2025 to 19 March 2026

- Possible extension to 19 March 2030
- 4 years, 5 months, 17 days

Description of possible extension:

Options to extend the contract to included extended warranty period

## **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Options to include extended warranty

## **Main procurement category**

Goods

## **CPV classifications**

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

## **Contract locations**

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

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## **Participation**

## **Particular suitability**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## **Submission**

### **Enquiry deadline**

22 August 2025, 2:00pm

### **Tender submission deadline**

29 August 2025, 2:00pm

### **Submission address and any special instructions**

[https://ukri2.my.salesforce-sites.com/ProSpend\\_\\_CS\\_ContractPage?SearchType=Projects&uid=a1MQH000004kbdT2AQ&searchStr=&sortStr=Recently+Published&page=1&filters=&County=](https://ukri2.my.salesforce-sites.com/ProSpend__CS_ContractPage?SearchType=Projects&uid=a1MQH000004kbdT2AQ&searchStr=&sortStr=Recently+Published&page=1&filters=&County=)

### **Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

### **Languages that may be used for submission**

English

### **Award decision date (estimated)**

1 September 2025

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## Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Price	Price criteria	Price	30.00%
Anti-vibration System	Price criteria	Quality	15.00%
Section Thickness	Price criteria	Quality	10.00%
Cutting and Advance control	Price criteria	Quality	10.00%
User interface memory and data export	Price criteria	Quality	10.00%
Delivery and Installation	Price criteria	Quality	10.00%
Social Value	Price criteria	Quality	10.00%
Warranty, service and training	Price criteria	Quality	5.00%

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## Other information

### Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

### Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

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## Procedure

## Procedure type

Open procedure

## Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

Not Required

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## Contracting authority

### UK Research & Innovation (UKRI)

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDQJ-7126-JDHG

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Region: UKK14 - Swindon

Organisation type: Public authority - central government

