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Award

Helix Biotech Biosimilar mRNA Vaccines

UK Health Security Agency

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Scope

Reference

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Description

Vaccine mimic materials-comprising messenger RNA (mRNA) and lipid nanoparticles (LNPs)-from Helix-Biotech.

Contract 1. Helix Biotech Biosimilar mRNA Vaccines

Supplier

- Helix Biotech, Inc.

Contract value

- £150,000 excluding VAT
- £180,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

1 September 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 8 September 2025 to 7 September 2027
- 2 years

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33651600 - Vaccines
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Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Other information

Description of risks to contract performance

A valid and current Cyber Essentials Certificate is required.

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

Helix-Biotech Inc. is the only supplier capable of delivering the required vaccine mimic materials (mRNA encapsulated in LNPs) with validated equivalence to licensed Pfizer-style COVID-19 vaccines. Their proprietary methodology and formulation capability are not available from other suppliers, nor covered under any current public procurement frameworks.

Supplier

Helix Biotech, Inc.

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. Helix Biotech Biosimilar mRNA Vaccines

Contracting authority

UK Health Security Agency

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government