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Consumables and Maintenance for High Throughput Sonication Systems (Covaris)

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

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Scope

Reference

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Description

Cardiff and Vale University Health Board, acting on behalf of the All Wales Genomics Service, intends to award a contract to Covaris, Inc. for the provision of maintenance services and consumables associated with a high-throughput sonication system supporting Next Generation Sequencing (NGS) workflows. The consumables and maintenance are essential to ensure consistent performance and reliability of the system, which is used to process samples in plate formats for downstream NGS library preparation. This supports the expansion of somatic cancer testing services across Wales. Covaris is the sole provider of consumables and maintenance for instruments utilising its patented Adaptive Focused Acoustics (AFA) technology. No alternative suppliers were identified during market engagement, and these items are not available via national procurement frameworks. The contract will cover the supply of consumables and maintenance for a period of three years (inclusive of warranty), with an option to extend

for up to two additional years. This notice is issued in accordance with procurement transparency obligations and to ensure compliance with public procurement regulations.

Contract 1. Consumables and Maintenance for High Throughput Sonication Systems (Covaris)

Supplier

- Covaris

Contract value

- £109,416 excluding VAT
- £131,299.20 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

3 November 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 January 2026 to 31 December 2029
- 4 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 50400000 - Repair and maintenance services of medical and precision equipment

Contract locations

- UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

Covaris

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PTCN-6529-GMQY

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Brighton

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Region: UKJ21 - Brighton and Hove

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. Consumables and Maintenance for High Throughput Sonication Systems (Covaris)

Contracting authority

NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership-Procurement Services (hosted by Velindre University NHS Trust)

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPPR-7969-BTJG

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Region: UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales

Other organisation

These organisations are carrying out the procurement, or part of it, on behalf of the contracting authorities.

NHS wales shared service partnership (hosted by Velindre)

Summary of their role in this procurement: The NWSSP is a collaborative organisation that provides a range of professional, administrative, and technical services to all NHS bodies in Wales. It was established to centralise and streamline services that were previously managed individually by Health Boards and Trusts.

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PXWV-6492-CGMN

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Region: UKL15 - Central Valleys

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