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Award

Purchase of an Auto Slide Preparation System and Automated Trimming Instrument

MERSEY AND WEST LANCASHIRE TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS TRUST

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Scope

Reference

W204582

Description

AS-410M Auto Slide Preparation System (inclusive of service contract)

AT-192M Automated Trimming Instrument (inclusive of service contract)

Contract 1

Supplier

- AXLAB LIMITED

Contract value

- £938,025 excluding VAT
- £1,125,630 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

30 September 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2030
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33910000 - Pathology dissection instruments and supplies

Contract locations

- UKD - North West (England)
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Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Single supplier - technical reasons

The Trust believes there are no other suppliers able to offer this specialist equipment, the provision of which is unique and exclusive to Axlab Ltd, as the supplier of the equipment.

Supplier

AXLAB LIMITED

- Companies House: 14471643
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQNY-4448-MDCV

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Ipswich

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United Kingdom

Email: order@axlab.co.uk

Website: <http://www.axlab.co.uk>

Region: UKH14 - Suffolk

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

MERSEY AND WEST LANCASHIRE TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS TRUST

- NHS Organisation Data Service: RBN
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRYN-5195-GTQJ

Whiston Hospital, Warrington Rd

Prescot

L35 5DR

United Kingdom

Email: purchasing@merseywestlancs.nhs.uk

Website: <https://www.merseywestlancs.nhs.uk/>

Region: UKD71 - East Merseyside

Organisation type: Public authority - central government