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Contract

Cytek Aurora Cell Sorter - IRR

University Of Edinburgh

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05aa52

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.ed.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Cytek Aurora Cell Sorter - IRR

Reference number

NCA31120

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 30132300 - Sorters

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Researchers at the Institute for Regeneration & Repair (IRR) at the University of Edinburgh, the world's largest institute dedicated to research in inflammation, regeneration, and repair, aim to understand the cellular and molecular basis of human disease to identify novel therapeutic targets. IRR brings together three centres: Inflammation Research, Regenerative Medicine, and Reproductive Health.

The IRR Flow Cytometry and Cell Sorting Facility is one of the UK's leading cytometry facilities and Scotland's first adopter of spectral flow cytometry. Spectral cytometry enables high-parameter analysis without compromising data quality. The facility currently operates two 4-laser Cytek Aurora analysers, which are widely used by researchers across the University of Edinburgh and the BioQuarter campus.

The facility now seeks to complement their analysers with a Cytek Aurora Cell Sorter (CS) to expand functionality and provide users with a complete high-dimensional workflow, from identification to isolation and downstream analysis.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £384,357.02

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

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IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NCA31120

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 October 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Cytek Biosciences B.V

Paasheuvelweg 25, Tower C5 | 1105 BP

Amsterdam

1105 BP

Country

Netherlands

NUTS code

- NL - Netherlands

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £384,357.02

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:812492)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

27 Chambers Street

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EH1 1LB

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