Contract

Honey authenticity -DNA + SORS methods for the authentication of Chinese honey

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Scope

Reference

C394638

Description

The FSA required the Supplier to validate and optimize the DNA-based qPCR and SORS methods that were developed in the first feasibility study. This should be done on Chinese honey representative of UK imports and to further investigate the suitability of qPCR, digital PCR and metabarcoding methodologies for honey authenticity purposes.

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Supplier

- Cranfield University

Contract value

- £75,955.26 excluding VAT
- £91,146.31 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Date signed

26 October 2025

Contract dates

- 27 October 2025 to 27 March 2026
- 5 months, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

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