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Award

LUV01414 Purchase of C Trap Dymo 400 by direct award

University of Leicester

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Scope

Reference

LUV01414

Description

The University of Leicester, School of Chemistry, is expanding its capabilities for studying the dynamics of single biomolecules. To support this work, funding has been secured from BBSRC to procure a highly specialised instrument: the C-Trap Dymo 400 Optical Tweezers-Fluorescence Microscope, manufactured by Lumicks B.V.. This instrument integrates cutting-edge optical trapping, confocal fluorescence microscopy, and laminar flow microfluidics into a single, coherent system.

The C-Trap® Dymo 400 will be installed at the University to support high-precision, realtime studies of molecular interactions, particularly in areas involving DNA-protein complexes, RNA structures, ubiquitin structures and cytoskeletal filament dynamics. It includes multi-colour confocal fluorescence (488, 561, 638 nm), dual force detection (x,y), short tether capabilities, microfluidics, and full system integration with proprietary Bluelake software, all required to maintain the scientific edge of our ongoing biophysical and molecular biology research.

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Contract 1

Supplier

- Lumicks B.V.

Contract value

- £988,570 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

14 November 2025

Standstill period

- End: 25 November 2025
- 8 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

28 November 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 December 2025 to 31 July 2026
- 8 months

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33100000 - Medical equipments

Contract locations

- UKF21 - Leicester

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Supplier

Lumicks B.V.

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PMQC-7912-PDQN

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Amsterdam

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Netherlands

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

University of Leicester

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government