

# Molecular Biology & Laboratory Chemicals Guide for Buyers

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This buyer guide has been created to support public sector buyers, from organisations that take UK SBS managed procurement service and eligible organisations that don't, to access high quality Molecular Biology and Laboratory Chemical products through pre-negotiated agreements with key market suppliers. The following index outlines and provides links to the supporting information.

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Maximum Framework Value: £40m

**Start Date:** 09/07/2019

**End Date:** 08/07/2022

(UK SBS have utilised the first extension period of 12 months)  
(A further 12 months extension period is available on the framework)

## 1. Introduction to the UK SBS Molecular Biology & Laboratory Chemicals agreement

This agreement covers the supply of Molecular Biology & Laboratory Chemical products to the research community – UK Research and Innovation, UK Universities and Other Public Bodies (see section 4 for full list of eligible bodies). The agreement is divided into 9 lots containing 19 sub lots:

Molecular Biology & Laboratory Chemicals		Suppliers
Lot 1 – Nucleic Acid manipulation		
Sublot 1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restriction endonucleases</li> <li>• Modifying enzymes</li> <li>• DNA Labelling</li> <li>• PCR Reagents</li> <li>• qRT-PCR reagents</li> <li>• cDNA synthesis kit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agilent Technologies LDA UK Ltd</li> <li>• Cambridge Bioscience Ltd</li> <li>• Eurogentec Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• New England Biolabs UK Ltd</li> <li>• Promega UK Ltd</li> <li>• Qiagen Ltd</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
Sublot 1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DNA and RNA purification kits and reagents</li> <li>• DNA and RNA extraction kits and reagents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agilent Technologies LDA UK Ltd</li> <li>• Cambridge Bioscience Ltd</li> <li>• Eurogentec Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• New England Biolabs UK Ltd</li> <li>• Promega UK Ltd</li> <li>• Qiagen Ltd</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>

Sublot 1.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DNA ladders</li> <li>• DNA intercalants and stains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cambridge Bioscience Ltd</li> <li>• Eurogentec Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• New England Biolabs UK Ltd</li> <li>• Promega UK Ltd</li> <li>• Qiagen Ltd</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
Sublot 1.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Competent cells</li> <li>• Expression vectors</li> <li>• Cloning vectors and kits</li> <li>• Plasmid mutagenesis vectors and kits</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agilent Technologies LDA UK Ltd</li> <li>• Cambridge Bioscience Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• New England Biolabs UK Ltd</li> <li>• Promega UK Ltd</li> <li>• Qiagen Ltd</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
<b>Lot 2 – Protein Manipulation</b>		
Sublot 2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Precast Gels</li> <li>• Acrylamide</li> <li>• Gel running buffers</li> <li>• Protein Ladders</li> <li>• Protein stains and detections reagents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eurogentec Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• New England Biolabs UK Ltd</li> <li>• Promega UK Ltd</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
Sublot 2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protein extraction kits</li> <li>• Immunoprecipitation kits</li> <li>• Immunoassays</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cambridge Bioscience Ltd</li> <li>• Eurogentec Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• Qiagen Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>

Sublot 2.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Growth Factors</li> <li>• Proteins / Recombinant proteins</li> <li>• DNA intercalants and stains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eurogentec Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• New England Biolabs UK Ltd</li> <li>• Promega UK Ltd</li> <li>• Qiagen Ltd</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
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<b>Lot 3 – Cell &amp; Tissue Culture</b>		
Sublot 3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Culture Media</li> <li>• Cell and Tissue dissociation reagents</li> <li>• Animal serum</li> <li>• Transfection reagents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agilent Technologies LDA UK Ltd</li> <li>• Cambridge Bioscience Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• Promega UK Ltd</li> <li>• Qiagen Ltd</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
Sublot 3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cellular and Biochemical assays</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cambridge Bioscience Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• Promega UK Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
Sublot 3.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flow cytometry</li> <li>• Cell separation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agilent Technologies LDA UK Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• GE Healthcare UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> </ul>

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Sublot 3.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stains and Counterstains</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agilent Technologies LDA UK Ltd</li> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
<b>Lot 4 – Antibiotics for invitro use</b>		
Lot 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Antibiotics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> <li>• Takara Bio Europe SAS</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
<b>Sub Lot 5.1 – Chemicals &amp; Solvents</b>		
Sublot 5.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duty Free products</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> <li>• VWR International Ltd</li> </ul>
<b>Sub Lot 5.2 – Chemicals &amp; Solvents</b>		
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<b>Sub Lot 6 – Fine Chemicals</b>		
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<b>Lot 7 – Controlled Drugs, Schedule 5, Toxins &amp; Bioactive small molecules/Inhibitors</b>		
Lot 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Controlled drugs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• Stratech Scientific Ltd</li> </ul>
<b>Lot 8 – Stable Isotopes</b>		
Lot 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stable isotopes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited</li> <li>• Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd</li> </ul>
<b>Lot 9 – Biological Buffers</b>		
Lot 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biological Buffers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fisher Scientific UK Ltd</li> <li>• Life Technologies Limited</li> <li>• Merck Life Science UK Limited Promega UK Ltd</li> </ul>

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## 2. Background to the agreement

The previous frameworks for both Molecular Biology and Laboratory Chemicals expired on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019. As these two frameworks contained similar supplier products the decision was made with aid from the working group to amalgamate the two frameworks. During the final year of this agreement, a working group agreed a new strategy for the provision Molecular Biology and Laboratory Chemicals under 9 lots containing 19 Sub Lots.

## 3. Benefits

UK SBS worked with key stakeholders to deliver an agreement that provides a responsive, high quality service and easy access to the product ranges needed within the research sector. By using this agreement, your organisation will benefit from:

- Reduced procurement timescales and costs through a pre-competed agreement
- Capped pricing for a minimum of 1 year
- Pricing will be market driven through the use of e-marketplace catalogues, ensuring full competitiveness in a compliant market.
- Access to, and choice of, key market suppliers and products
- Reduced administration through standard contract terms and conditions
- Improved ordering process through e-marketplace
- Greater ability to manage spend through certainty of pricing and delivery terms
- Compliance with EU Procurement Directives and UK regulations
- Access to procurement specialists to source items not on the main catalogue
- Defined lead times on your order

## 4. Who can use this agreement?

This agreement is available to our core customers: Associated Bodies, other organisations, UK universities, Government departments and Non-Departmental Public Bodies. The [full list](#) can be found on our website.

## 5. How to access this agreement

Where a Contracting Body is buying large volumes of Supplies defined within these Lots, sub-lots, the Contracting Body will be encouraged to run a Further Competition to leverage greater discounts even though it is possible to undertake a Direct Award.

Direct award is available via this framework when the purchasing body utilising an online catalogue. To enable a direct award the body must ensure that all suppliers contained within the lots are uploaded onto the internal catalogue. The use of the catalogue drives competition in the market allowing the use of the direct award.

Mini competitions can be carried out but only in-line with the weighting held within the framework, therefore bids would have to be scored on 100% price. No additional criteria can be introduced at this stage.

## **UK Research and Innovation Customers (UKRI)**

UKRI customers can purchase the goods covered by this agreement via the One Advanced portal. You will find the suppliers outlined in section 1 listed in the supplier search.

## **Other UK SBS managed service customers**

UK SBS customers without access to One Advanced can raise a non-catalogue requisition in iProcurement or contact the [Scientific Research](#) team for support with buying goods through this agreement.

## **Non-managed service public sector organisations**

To access this framework the signing of a Non-Disclosure Agreement is required. To request the relevant documentation please contact [scientificresearch@uksbs.co.uk](mailto:scientificresearch@uksbs.co.uk)

UK SBS' Scientific Research team will work with your organisation and the supply chain to facilitate access to this agreement. Contact us via email on [scientificresearch@uksbs.co.uk](mailto:scientificresearch@uksbs.co.uk) or by telephone on 01793 867000 to discuss your requirements.

## **Aftersales Support**

If you need to return goods, where they are faulty, damaged or incorrectly supplied, please contact the relevant supplier account manager or the Scientific Research team. Contact details can be found in section 6.

## **Troubleshooting**

If you have any problems with ordering through this agreement, please contact the UK SBS Scientific Research team for support via [scientificresearch@uksbs.co.uk](mailto:scientificresearch@uksbs.co.uk)



## 6. Support and Contacts

### Contract Management

UK SBS manage the Molecular Biology & Laboratory Chemicals Agreement and relationship with the suppliers on this. Should you have any concerns or queries regarding this agreement or the supplier, please let us know at [scientificresearch@uksbs.co.uk](mailto:scientificresearch@uksbs.co.uk).

### Supplier Account Managers

Supplier	Address	Account Manager	Lots
Agilent Technologies LDA UK Ltd	5500 Lakeside, Cheadle Business park, Cheadle, SK8 3GR	Maggie Blakebrough Phone: 0345 725292 opt 3 opt 1 Email: <a href="mailto:maggi_blakebrough@agilent.com">maggi_blakebrough@agilent.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.4, Sublot 3.1, Sublot 3.3, Sublot 3.4
Cambridge Bioscience Ltd	2 – 3 Munro House, Trafalgar Way, Bar Hill, Cambridge, CB23 8SQ	Martin Aldridge Phone: 07825 417886 Email: <a href="mailto:martin.aldridge@bioscience.co.uk">martin.aldridge@bioscience.co.uk</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2, Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.2, Sublot 3.1, Sublot 3.2, Lot 6
Eurogentec Ltd	The Square Fawley Road, Southampton, Hampshire, SO45 1DD	Alexi Idiculla Phone: 07920 060086 Email: <a href="mailto:a.idiculla@eurogentec.com">a.idiculla@eurogentec.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2 Sublot 1.3, Sublot 2.1, Sublot 2.2, Sublot 2.3, Sublot 2.4
Fisher Scientific UK Ltd	Bishop Meadow Road, Loughborough, LE11 5RG	Ben Skerry Phone: 07876 146208 Email: <a href="mailto:ben.skerry@thermofisher.com">ben.skerry@thermofisher.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2 Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.1, Sublot 2.2, Sublot 2.3, Sublot 2.4, Sublot 3.1, Sublot 3.2, Sublot 3.3, Sublot 3.4, Lot 4, Sublot 5.1, Sublot 5.2, Lot 6, Lot 9
Global Life Science Solutions Operations UK Ltd	19 Jessops Riverside, 800 Brightside Lane, Sheffield S9 2RX	Daksha Ryatt Phone: 07393 242479 Email: <a href="mailto:daksha.ryatt@cytiva.com">daksha.ryatt@cytiva.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2 Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.1, Sublot 2.2, Sublot 3.1, Sublot 3.2, Sublot 3.3,
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Merck Life Science UK Limited	The Old Brickyard, New Road, Gillingham, SP8, 4XT	Alistair Walker Phone: 07584 886566 Email: <a href="mailto:alistair.walker@merckgroup.com">alistair.walker@merckgroup.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2 Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.1, Sublot 2.2, Sublot 2.3, Sublot 2.4,

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New England Biolabs UK Ltd	75 – 77 Knowl Piece, Hitchin, SG4 0TY	Chris Lounds Phone: 07796 695964 Email: <a href="mailto:lounds@neb.com">lounds@neb.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2, Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.1, Sublot 2.3, Sublot 2.4,
Promega UK Ltd	Delta House, Enterprise Road, Southampton Science Park, SO16 7NS	Fiona Marshall Phone: 07585 962913 Email: <a href="mailto:Fiona.Marshall@promega.com">Fiona.Marshall@promega.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2, Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.1, Sublot 2.3, Sublot 2.4, Sublot 3.1, Sublot 3.2, Lot 6, Lot 9
Qiagen Ltd	Skelton House, Lloyd Street North, Manchester, M15 6SH	Hannah Bunten Phone: 07771 388792 Email: <a href="mailto:hannah.bunten@qiagen.com">hannah.bunten@qiagen.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2, Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.2, Sublot 2.3, Sublot 2.4, Sublot 3.1,
Scientific Laboratory Supplies Ltd	Orchard House, The Square, Hessle, East Riding of Yorkshire, HU13 0AE	Steve Roebuck Phone: 07796 171594 Email: <a href="mailto:sroebuck@scientific-labs.com">sroebuck@scientific-labs.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2, Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.1, Sublot 2.3, Sublot 2.4, Sublot 3.1, Sublot 3.4, Lot 4, Sublot 5.1, Sublot 5.2, Lot 6, Lot 8, Lot 9
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Takara Bio Europe SAS	2 Avenue du president John Fitzgerald Kennedy Saint-Germain-en-Laye 78100, France	Gajen Kanesharajah Phone: 07539 669657 Email: <a href="mailto:gajen_rai@takarabio.com">gajen_rai@takarabio.com</a>	Sublot 1.1, Sublot 1.2, Sublot 1.3, Sublot 1.4, Sublot 2.1, Sublot 2.2, Sublot 2.3, Sublot 2.4, Sublot 3.1, Sublot 3.2, Sublot 3.3, Lot 4

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