**Summary**

**Start date:** 9th March, 2020  
**End date:** 8th March, 2023  
**OJEU Number:** 2019/S 223-546516  
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**Suppliers Awarded**
- Antibodies.com  
- Appleton Woods  
- Beckman Coulter  
- Becton Dickinson  
- Biolegio  
- Biorad  
- Bioserv  
- Enzo  
- Eurogentec  
- Generon  
- Illumina  
- Insight Bio  
- Life Technologies  
- Merck Life Sciences UK  
- New England  
- Oxford Biosystems  
- PCR Biosystems  
- PerkinElmer  
- Promega  
- SLS  
- Stratech  
- Takara Bio  
- Tebu Bio  
- Tecrea  
- Thermo Fisher Scientific  
- VWR

**Scope**

This Framework is the provision of Life Sciences Reagents, Kits and Consumables  
(Excluded from scope is the provision of Antibodies and Sera and/or General Lab Consumables, both of which have been awarded under IRLA Frameworks let by SUPC)

If you are at all unsure about the scope of this Framework, NEUPC Category Manager will be able to assist.

**UNSPSC Codes In Scope**
Please see list of codes in Documents section

**Agreement Benefits**
To assure potential agreement users of the Framework’s integrity, this Framework has been implemented using NEUPC’s innovative Lead Institution approach to tender working party management. The procurement strategy, tender documentation and evaluation have been undertaken by the tender working party which consisted of experienced technical staff managers and purchasing experts from institutions within the NEUPC membership and across the wider HE consortia.

- Cash savings are calculated at Framework level, based upon the difference between general market list price and the price being offered via the Framework agreement. Additional savings are also possible through further competition and committed aggregated spend.
- Compliance to all relevant legislation
- Provision to manage sustainable impacts via the Net Positives supplier action tool.
- Flexible call-off options
- Direct control of contract management and reviews at consortia level.

Choice
- **Leading suppliers on contract** - providing enhanced range and value from a single source.

More savings
- **Leave your tendering to us** - spend less time and money on tendering and let our procurement specialists undertake it on your behalf.

Peace of mind
- **Framework agreement** - awarded in accordance with PCR 2015 legislation
- **Sustainable procurement** - we are working with all suppliers on a range of initiatives to make a positive impact on the environment, from recycling and consolidation of deliveries, to reduction of packaging and single use plastics

### USING THE FRAMEWORK

### SUPPLIERS


### SUSTAINABILITY

Successful Bidders who are awarded to the Framework are required to register with [https://supplierengagementhe.net-positive.org/](https://supplierengagementhe.net-positive.org/) and produce their organisation’s Sustainability Action Plan within one month of contract award, and to regularly update this action plan in line with the Framework KPI’s.

Modern Slavery is also a key concern for the HE sector, and your attention is drawn to your obligations under section 28 of the Framework Agreement. Suppliers may be asked to support NEUPC with supply chain mapping and/or audit visits to demonstrate that Modern Slavery is not an issue and that the principles of the Ethical Trade Initiative (ETI) base code are upheld.

### NEXT STEPS