

SINGLE SOURCE CERTIFICATION

Authority is requested to make the following purchase under the provision of USF System Regulation USF4.02010(IV)(A)(2)(b) as a non-competitive purchase available from only one source. By submitting this form, department acknowledges that existing [exemptions](#) will not apply to this purchase. Single source requests exceeding \$150,000 must be signed by a Procurement Director and posted publicly for (3) business days.

DATE: 8/28/2024

ITEM(S): Nikon Ti2-Crest v2 Confocal System

PRICE: \$ 160,000.00 FUND #: 20000

SUPPLIER ID: _____ REQUISITION#: 175075053

SUPPLIER NAME: Coastal Microscopes

FEDERAL GRANT: Y N

In your words, describe the equipment, commodity, or contractual service. Explain how these specifications are essential to the accomplishment of your work:

Competitive quotations are not practical since Coastal Microscopes is the only company able to build out the custom microscope to the Primary Investigators specifications and integrate third party items with an acceptable delivery time frame and price. Coastal Microscopes is also a preferred vendor of third-party ancillary equipment. Coastal Microscopes can provide a cost-efficient and READILY AVAILABLE pathway to build a customized system that allows expansion and flexibility in configuration for current and future research applications.

The system integrates the above components into a single system capable of achieving the researcher's experimental goals. Each component has been specifically selected for its precise role in the overall function of the system. The system as designed can be upgraded for future applications.

In your own words, describe the reason(s) the item is not subject to competition from other sources and how the stated specification(s) restrict the requisition to only one supplier. Description may include unique features/compatibility/specifications/availability/delivery time frame etc. (Note: Price is not a valid reason).

The system is comprised of a current generation Nikon TI2-E frame with perfect focus, select APO objectives, motorized stage, Crest V2 spinning disk, Prime 95B camera, T11-LAPP unit, and Lumencor light sources (Sola, and Celesta 7 line lasers). The integration of these parts meets our application needs. The support team at Coastal is comprised of degreed scientific professionals that are also able to provide application and method development assistance.

This is a custom build out to meet specific application needs. Application and workflow are met specifically by this configuration. The system is deliverable in under 30 days. Any other supplier will have a delivery schedule of 2-4 months at minimum. The camera, light source, and spinning disc are configured to specification and this system can not be duplicated for the price and time frame offered.

In your own words, describe the due diligence conducted to validate this supplier as Single Source. Description SHOULD list all other suppliers with item(s)/service(s) with similar functions, your efforts to identify other suppliers, and why these suppliers would not qualify to submit a competitive quote.

Nikon can supply new quote.
Custom build, may not be able to find another source for this exact configuration.

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Clifton James

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