

OFFICE OF ACQUISITIONS  
NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NUMBER: N02CM87025-39

Amendment No.: 2

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The above numbered Request For Proposal (RFP) is amended as set forth below. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offerors remains unchanged: 3:00 pm local time on January 30, 2009.

Offerors MUST acknowledge receipt of the amendment prior to the hour and the date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by separate letter, telegram, or Electronic Mail which includes a reference to the RFP and Amendment number(s). For your convenience, the Proposal Intent Response Form is provided in SECTION J - List of Attachments of this RFP, for this purpose.

FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERORS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER.

This Amendment revises the RFP as stated below:

The deadline for submission of questions regarding this solicitation is corrected to read Thursday, January 15, 2009.

The following clarifications are provided for prospective offerors:

**Question 1:** Per Article H.12 (p. 19 of solicitation) of the RFP "POSSESSION, USE OR TRANSFER OF A HIGHLY PATHOGENIC AGENT. The work being conducted under this contract may involve the possession, use or transfer of a Highly Pathogenic Infectious Agent (HPA)," requiring a biocontainment safety level of BSL3 or higher. Is this, in fact, a contract requirement? That is, will this contract require the handling of any BSL3 agents which are also radioactive, requiring that such BSL3 facilities also be Radioactive Materials areas, and designated as such under an NRC license?

**Response 1:** Currently we do not have any pathogenic radioactive materials in our repository and we do not envision any in the near future. The Statement of Work and resultant contract will not require the handling of any BSL3 agents which are also radioactive.

**Question 2:** According to the Statement of Work (pg. 1, SOW): "Synthetic schemes and procedures will be supplied by the Project Officer..." Are these synthetic procedures, batch-specific analytical data sheets/analytical results, lot-specific Certificates of Analysis, etc. to be maintained within a specific database? If so, what are the requirements for such a database? Are such files hardcopy, electronic, or both?

**Response 2:** The reaction sequence utilized in the 'cold' synthesis of the target and the related experimental procedures are generally supplied by the Project Officer (PO). Any other available analytical information including spectral data will also be supplied by the PO.

**Question 3:** According to the Statement of Work (pg. 1, SOW): "The Project Officer will transmit with each request..." Will individual synthesis tasks, aliquotting and shipment tasks, re-analysis and re-certification tasks, etc. be managed as Work Assignments (WAs)? If so, will WAs be forwarded by the PO, the contractor then responds with a work plan (synthesis plan and associated cost estimate), and the work assignment initiated only upon approval of the individual WA by the PO/CO? How will synthesis tasks be initiated, authorized, prioritized?

**Response 3:** Since the resultant contract will be awarded on a cost-reimbursement, completion basis, each task/project may not require an individual cost estimate. It is not anticipated that individual tasks will be managed as Work Assignments (WA). The successful contractor will be assigned the task/projects(s), which are initiated and approved by the PO, and the total effort/hours shall not exceed the total estimated contract amount.

**Question 4:** Is all information regarding requests, requestors, shipments, etc. to be maintained within an electronic database (format/requirements?), or as hardcopy project files, or both?

**Response 4:** All information that will be generated under this contract, regarding requests, requestors, shipments, synthesis etc. is to be maintained both, within an electronic database (PDF and or Word or WordPerfect files) and as hardcopy project files.

**Question 5:** The Statement of Work (pg. 2, SOW) indicates that "approximately 150 labeled compounds" are currently in the inventory. Please provide a breakdown of the approximate total activity (Curies) for each isotope (3H, 14C, others).

**Response 5:** We cannot provide a breakdown of activity for each compound but generally speaking we have from 0.1 mCi up to 50 mCi in stock for each compound.