REQUEST FOR QUOTATION
(THIS IS NOT AN ORDER)

THIS RFQ ☐ IS ☒ IS NOT A SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE

1. REQUEST NUMBER	2. DATE ISSUED	3. REQUISITION/PURCHASE REQUEST NUMBER	4. CERT. FOR NAT. DEF. UNDER BDSA REG. 2 AND/OR DMS REG. 1	RATING
75N98026Q00928	08/03/2026			

5a. ISSUED BY
National Institutes of Health
OD - Office of Logistics and
Acquisition Operations
6100 Executive Blvd., Room 6B05
Bethesda, MD 20892-7511

6. DELIVER BY *(Date)*
Multiple

7. DELIVERY
☒ FOB DESTINATION ☐ OTHER *(See Schedule)*

5b. FOR INFORMATION CALL *(NO COLLECT CALLS)*

NAME	TELEPHONE NUMBER	
	AREA CODE	NUMBER
JADDUA JOHNSTON	+10	000-000000

8. TO:

a. NAME	b. COMPANY

c. STREET ADDRESS

d. CITY	e. STATE	f. ZIP CODE

9. DESTINATION

a. NAME OF CONSIGNEE

b. STREET ADDRESS

c. CITY

d. STATE	e. ZIP CODE

10. PLEASE FURNISH QUOTATIONS TO THE ISSUING OFFICE IN BLOCK 5a ON OR BEFORE CLOSE OF BUSINESS *(Date)*
08/18/2026 1200 ED

IMPORTANT: This is a request for information and quotations furnished are not offers. If you are unable to quote, please so indicate on this form and return it to the address in Block 5a. This request does not commit the Government to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of the submission of this quotation or to contract for supplies or service. Supplies are of domestic origin unless otherwise indicated by quoter. Any representations and/or certifications attached to this Request for Quotation must be completed by the quoter.

11. SCHEDULE *(Include applicable Federal, State and local taxes)*

ITEM NUMBER (a)	SUPPLIES/SERVICES (b)	QUANTITY (c)	UNIT (d)	UNIT PRICE (e)	AMOUNT (f)
	The purpose of this COMPETITIVE COMBINED SYNOPSIS / SOLICITATION is to acquire preventative maintenance services for BluecatBio Blue-washer instruments Period of Performance: 08/31/2026 to 09/30/2026 This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the contracting officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this address: HTTPS://ACQUISITION.GOV/FAR Continued...				

12. DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT	a. 10 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	b. 20 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	c. 30 CALENDAR DAYS (%)	d. CALENDAR DAYS NUMBER	PERCENTAGE

NOTE: Additional provisions and representations ☐ are ☐ are not attached.

13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF QUOTER	14. SIGNATURE OF PERSON AUTHORIZED TO SIGN QUOTATION	15. DATE OF QUOTATION
a. NAME OF QUOTER		
b. STREET ADDRESS	16. SIGNER	
	a. NAME *(Type or print)*	b. TELEPHONE AREA CODE
c. COUNTY		
d. CITY / e. STATE / f. ZIP CODE	c. TITLE *(Type or print)*	NUMBER

NAME OF OFFEROR OR CONTRACTOR

ITEM NO. (A)	SUPPLIES/SERVICES (B)	QUANTITY (C)	UNIT (D)	UNIT PRICE (E)	AMOUNT (F)
	The following FAR clauses and Provisions are applicable to this award. FAR 52.204-13 System for Award Management Maintenance (Oct 2018); FAR 52.204-18 Commercial and Government Entity Code Maintenance (Aug 2020); HHSAR 352.222-70, Contractor Cooperation in Equal Employment Opportunity Investigations (Dec 2015). FAR 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions -In addition to all the applicable commercial Products and Commercial Services (Nov 2023) FAR 52.212-5 Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders/Commercial Products and Commercial Services (Jan 2025) FAR 52.217-8 Option to Extend Services (Nov 1999) FAR 52.252-2 CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE Award enclosure: Quote Statement of Work IPP Invoicing and Payment Provisions To avoid delay in payment, all invoices must be uploaded into the invoicing processing platform (IPP) (https://www.ipp.gov). The invoice must match the line item description on the purchase order. It must also state that payment is to be made using a three-way match. You are reminded that only the contracting officer of record can make any changes to this award any changes made at the direction of the program without an executed modification and null and void and are done at the contractor's own risk.				

COMBINED SYNOPSIS / SOLICITATION (COMPETITIVE)

Title: Preventative maintenance services for BluecatBio Blue-washer instruments

(i) This is a combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial items prepared in accordance with FAR Subpart 12.6, as supplemented with additional information included in this notice. This announcement constitutes only solicitation; proposals are being requested, and a separate written solicitation will not be issued.

(ii) The solicitation number is **75N98026Q00928.** This solicitation is issued as a competitive combined synopsis/solicitation for commercial products or commercial services. The Government intends to award a contract or purchase order resulting from this solicitation using full and open competition.

This acquisition is conducted under the authority of FAR 12.603, *Streamlined Solicitation for Commercial Products or Commercial Services*, and is not expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold (if applicable).

The National Institutes of Health (NIH), Office of the Director, Office of Acquisitions, seeks to award a **(Firm-Fixed-Price)** to the offeror responsible whose proposal represents the best value to the Government.

(iii) The solicitation document and incorporated provisions and clauses are those in effect through Federal Acquisition Circular effective July 8, 2026

(iv) The associated NAICS code is **811210 Electronic and Precision Equipment Repair and Maintenance** and the small business size standard is **$34 Million.**

- This requirement is unrestricted.

(v) **Description of Requirement:**

Period of Performance:

PMs should be completed within 30 days after award.

SCOPE OF WORK

General Requirements:

Independently and not as an agent of the Government, the Contractor shall furnish all the necessary services, qualified personnel, material, equipment, and facilities, not otherwise provided by the Government as needed to perform the Statement of Work below:

Specific Requirements:

The contractor, BlueCatBio NH Inc, shall provide preventative maintenance services for nine (9) BlueWasher units equipped with shared dispensers.
Each preventative maintenance service shall include, at a minimum:

- Replacement of all internal and external tubing and filters
- Inspection, testing, and calibration of liquid dispense volumes
- Inspection and verification of:
    - Door travel
    - Plate carrier travel
- Comprehensive mechanical inspection of:
    - Door assembly
    - Rotor and rotor housing
    - Rotor bearings and motor
    - Fan and associated hardware (e.g., screws and fittings)
- Firmware updates to the latest BlueWasher version
- Updates to the associated laptop graphical user interface (GUI) software
- Review of instrument run history (if available) for identification of error codes
- Audit of cleaning history to ensure compliance with manufacturer-recommended procedures

BlueCatBio will send a certified technician to bring the necessary equipment and materials needed for the service to be completed.
Specific Instruments:

LEVEL OF EFFORT:
BlueCatBio will service the specified units within the indicated costs.

GOVERNMENT RESPONSIBILITIES
NCATS will provide access to the BlueWasher units.

DELIVERY OR DELIVERABLES
The contractor shall provide a written service report for each instrument, including:

- Summary of maintenance performed
- Identification of any issues or error trends
- Recommendations for replacement of components, if applicable

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
N/A

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Travel:

Travel costs are included as separate line items and shall not exceed the quoted amount unless otherwise authorized.

Key Personnel:

Original Equipment Manufacturer trained field service engineers

(vi) **Delivery Location:**

NIH/NCATS- 9808 Medical Center Drive, Rockville, MD 20850

(viii) FAR 52.204-7, *System for Award Management,* applies to this acquisition.

(ix) The provision at FAR 52.212-1, *Instructions to Offerors—Commercial Items*, applies to this acquisition. Add any agency-specific instructions as required.

(x) The provision at FAR 52.212-2, *Evaluation—Commercial Items*, applies to this acquisition.

(a) The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the solicitation represents the best value to the Government, price and other factors considered.

(b) **Evaluation Factors:**

- Price
- Technical capability
- Past performance
- Delivery schedule

(c) A written notice of award or acceptance of an offer, issued within the time specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. The Government reserves the right to accept any offer before the expiration date.

(xi) FAR 52.212-4, *Contract Terms and Conditions—Commercial Items*, applies to this acquisition.

(xii) Additional contract requirements or terms and conditions, as determined necessary by the Contracting Officer and consistent with customary commercial practices:
(Insert if applicable; otherwise state “None.”)

(xiii) The Defense Priorities and Allocations System (DPAS) is (applicable / not applicable).

(xiv) **Submission Requirements:**
Responses must include sufficient information to demonstrate the offeror's capability to provide the required product or service. Quotes shall include, at a minimum:

- Unit and total price
- Shipping and handling costs
- Delivery timeframe after award
- Delivery terms
- F.O.B. point (destination or origin)
- Product or catalog numbers (if applicable)
- Product/service description

Additional evaluation considerations may include past performance, warranty, lifecycle cost, maintenance availability, and environmental or energy efficiency.

Responses must include the Unique Entity Identifier (UEI), Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), and business size certification. All offerors must be actively registered in the System for Award Management (SAM) at www.sam.gov.

All responses must be received by August 15, 12:00P< EST) and must reference solicitation number **75N98026Q00928.** Responses may be submitted electronically to Jaddua.Johnston@nih.gov

(xv) **Point of Contact:** Jaddua Johnston Contracting Specialist,

Phone Number: 240-569-0006

Email: Jaddua.Johnston@nih.gov

STATEMENT OF WORK (SERVICES)
(SOW)

GENERAL INFORMATION

Title of Project:

Preventative maintenance services for BluecatBio Blue-washer instruments

Statement of Need and Purpose:

The National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS), requires preventative maintenance (PM) services for nine (9) BlueCatBio BlueWasher instruments to ensure optimal performance, reliability, and compliance with manufacturer-recommended operating standards.

Background Information and Objective:

Three biology labs in Division of Preclinical Innovation (DPI) have between 2-4 BlueCatBio Blue-washer microplate wash systems to support ELISA and cell-based assays, DNA/RNA prep, and magnetic bead workflows. Traditional plate wash systems utilize aspiration-based cleaning methods, but the Blue-washer cleans through centrifugation which significantly lowers contamination risk, leaves much less residual liquid, and cuts down on consumables. The systems require regular maintenance to ensure they provide cleaner data, fast workflows, and eliminate variability in results.

Period of Performance:

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OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

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Information System Security Plan:

N/A

Data Rights:

N/A

Section 508—Electronic and Information Technology Standards:

N/A

Publications and Publicity:

N/A

Confidentiality of Information:

N/A