

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

**Justification for Single Source Awards IAW [FAR 13.106-1](#)  
For  
Over Micro-Purchase Threshold but Not Exceeding the SAT (\$150K)**

**Acquisition Plan Action ID: [VA247-18-AP-7963](#)**

- 1. Contracting Activity:** Department of Veterans Affairs, VISN 07, Charlie Norwood VA Medical Center, Augusta, Georgia.

**Transaction#: [509-18-3-528-0087](#)**

- 2. Brief Description of Supplies/ Services required and the intended use/Estimated Amount:**  
The estimated value of the proposed action is \$ 59,960.00

**\*BRAND NAME ONLY**

New equipment purchases for Histology microtomes- Sakura SRM 300 LT catalog number1300N  
Each microtome is \$14,990.00 and four need to be purchased with a total cost of \$59,960.00.

- 3. Unique characteristics that limit availability to only one source, with the reason no other supplies or services can be used:** The Sakura SRM 300 LT has complete manual usage for better durability and control. No computers and complicated electronics to fault. The specimen holder back light is a unique and very desirable feature for allowing the microtome to see small biopsies for better safety and ease. Light changes color and intensity. Small biopsies are 90% of the workload at the CNVAMC. The sound construction, debris collection tray and excellent customer service. This microtome is made in the USA for better quality assurance and part accessibility. Microtome has an ergonomic design for comfort and precision orientation for precise block alignment on 3 axis (X,Y &Z). Built in blade guard to prevent injury during microtomy for added safety.

Accu-Cut SRM 300 LT Manual Microtomes which are absolutely unique to the product are as follows:

- First and only manual Rotary Microtome with a Patented LED backlit chuck to illuminate paraffin embedded tissue
- User selectable LED color options: white, red, green and blue or turned off to match tissue type
- Independent adjustable intensity for each color allowing contrast to color and thickness of tissue
- Ability to mix colors and intensities to select for appropriate tissue type
- First and Only brake lock indicator provides users assured safety
- Universal Blade holder can moved laterally on its base to avoid having to touch the blade
- Red blade guard can be set in the UP position while sectioning to avoid accidental sectioning

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Attachment 1: Single Source Justification for SAP under \$150K

- Precision orientation for precise block alignment with precise fine angle adjustments on all 3 axes
  - Dial indicators display the angle position of the chuck (+or -8)
  - First and Only Microtome with space saving Tool Organizer allowing for more bench space
- 4. Description of market research conducted and results or statement why it was not conducted:** An RFI was posted seeking potential sources that could demonstrate microtomes. Five vendors participated and it was determined that the Sakura SRM 300 LT was the best fit for the governments need.
- 5. Contracting Officer's Certification:** *Purchase is approved in accordance with FAR13.106-1(b). I certify that the foregoing justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.*  
*Note: COs are required to make a determination of price reasonableness IAW FAR 13.106-3. See the [S19 Open Market \(FAR13\) Award Documentation Form with Abstract](#) to document price reasonableness.*

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Date