Los Rios Community College District

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Accounting Ops: (916)568-3065 * FAX (916) 286-3636 Acctg-ops@losrios.edu

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Supplier: 0000045829 AMPLYUS LLC DBA miniPCR

1770 MASSACHUSETTS AVE STE 167

CAMBRIDGE MA 02140

Phone: (781) 990-8727

email: orders@minipcr.com

PURCHASE ORDER NO 0001113824

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United States

Bill To: LRCCD

Invoice to: acctg-ops@losrios.edu

1919 Spanos Court Sacramento CA 95825-3981

United States

Tax Exempt? N

Line-Sch	Item/Description	Quantity UOM	PO Price	Extended Amt	Due Date
1- 1	MINIPCR MINI8 THERMAL CYCLER	4.00EA	650.00	2,600.00	12/10/2020
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All shipments, invoices, and correspondence must be identified with our Purchase Order Number. Overshipments will not be accepted unless authorized by Buyer prior to shipment. Authorized Signature

Notice to vendor: You are responsible for delivering good and delivery documents to the Receiving Department at the site. Failure to so do will delay payment processing. Vendor is responsible for obtaining verification of delivery by authorized Receiving Room personnel. Receipt of good by other parties and failure to obtain authorized signatures may also delay payment. NOTE: PAYMENT TERMS NET 30 MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS (MSDS) must be provided with the delivery of product as required by law.

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ATTENTION VENDORS:

EL DORADO CENTER RECEIVING HOURS ARE CURRENTLY MONDAY ONLY 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, AND

CAMPUS RECEIVING WILL BE CLOSED FOR ALL DELIVERIES - DECEMBER 18, 2020 - JANUARY 3, 2021

 Sub Total Amount
 5,020.00

 Sales Tax Amount
 361.79

 Total PO Amount
 5,381.79

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http://www.losrios.edu/purchasing/povalidation

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PURCHASE ORDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. APPLICABLE LAW: The contract resulting from this order shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.
- 2. COMPLETION OF ORDERS: LRCCD reserves the right to withhold payment until order is completed.
- 3. DISCOUNTS: Please show cash payment discount offered on your invoice in connection with any discount offered, time will be computed from date of delivery of the supplies or equipment, or from date correct invoices are received in the office specified by LRCCD if the latter date is later than the date of delivery. Payment is deemed to be made for the purpose of earning discount, on the date payment is mailed or on behalf of LRCCD.
- 4. INVOICES: Invoices shall be prepared and submitted in duplicate unless otherwise specified. Invoices shall contain Purchase order number, date, description of items, sizes and quantities, unit prices, extended totals, place and date of delivery. Invoices or vouchers not on printed bill heads shall be signed by the CONTRACTOR or person furnishing the supplies or services. Every invoice shall be properly itemized. If LRCCD has not received billing for product or services within a one year period LRCCD will not be held responsible for satisfying the debt.
- 5. CHANGES: No change or modification in terms, quantities, or specifications may be made without express authorization in writing from the LRCCD Purchasing Office and signed by the parties hereto, and no oral understanding or agreement not incorporated herein shall be binding on any of the parties hereto. If unit cost of any item exceeds the amount shown by 10% or \$250.00 whichever is less do not ship. Contact LRCCD Purchasing at the phone number provided
- 6. BILL OF LADING: If Bill of Lading is applicable to this order, send originals to "Ship to" address and duplicate Bill of Lading with invoices to "Bill to" address. All correspondence, invoices, bills oflading, shipping memos, packages, etc., must show purchase order number. If factory shipment, advise factory to comply.
- 7. TRANSPORTATION CHARGES: Invoices for prepaid transportation charges must be supported by original receipted expense bills
- 8. FOB POINT AND FREIGHT CHARGES: Unless otherwise specified on this order, all items shall be delivered FOB Destination. No charge for delivery, drayage, express, parcel post, packing, cartage, insurance, license fees, permits, or for any other purpose will be paid by LRCCD unless expressly included and itemized in the order. Unless otherwise shown, on "FOB Shipping Point" transactions, CONTRACTOR shall arrange for lowest cost transportation, prepay and add freight to invoice and furnish supporting freight bills if the amount exceeds \$50.00. On "FOB Shipping Point" transactions, should any shipments under this purchase order be received by LRCCD in a damaged condition and any related freight loss and damage claims filed against the carrier or carriers be wholly or partially declined with the inference that damage was the result of the act of the shipper such as inadequate packaging or loading or some inherent defect in the equipment and/or materials was properly constructed, manufactured, packaged, and secured to withstand normal transportation conditions. Shipments that are California intrastate in nature and where freight is to be borne by LRCCD shall be tendered to carriers with written instructions that rate and charges may not exceed the lowest lawful rates on file with the California Public Utilities Commission.
- 9. PATENT INDEMNTIY: The CONTRACTOR shall hold LRCCD, its officers, agents and employees harmless from alleged liability of any nature or kind, including costs and attorney fees and expenses, for infringement or use of any copyrighted or uncopyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in connection with the contract or purchase order.
- 10. TAXES: Certain articles sold to LRCCD are exempt from certain Federal excise taxes. LRCCD will reimburse the CONTRACTOR for, or pay directly, all California State and local sales and use taxes applicable to this purchase.
- 11. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPWYER: The acceptance of this purchase order by a supplier of goods and services is a certification that such supplier complies with all provisions of executive order 11246 and is an equal opportunity
- 12. GENERAL SAFETY ORDERS: All materials, supplies and services sold to LRCCD shall conform to the general safety orders of the State of California. All materials, except as otherwise specified, must be new and of the best quality of their respective kinds.
- 13. INDEMNIFICATION: CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless LRCCD, its trustees, officers, agents, employees and volunteers, from any and all claims, demands, suits, causes of action, damages, penalties, breaches of this agreement, infringement of patent rights, costs, expenses, violations of employee occupational health and safety laws, attorney fees, losses or liability, property damage, personal injuries to or death of per arising out of, alleged to have arisen out of, or relating in any way to CONTRACTOR's work to be performed under this agreement, except if caused solely by the negligence of LRCCD.
- 14. TERNAINATION: LRCCD may terminate this agreement and be relieved of the payment of any consideration to CONTRACTOR should CONTRACTOR fail to perform the covenants herein contained at the time and in the manner herein provided. In the event of such termination LRCCD may proceed with the work in any manner deemed proper by LRCCD. The cost to LRCCD shall be deducted from any sum due the CONTRACTOR under this agreement and the balance if any, shall be paid the CONTRACTOR upon demand.
- 15. ASSIGNMENT: Without the written consent of LRCCD, this agreement is not assignable by CONTRACTOR either in whole or in part.
- 16. PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS: CONTRACTOR must comply with Public Contract Code
- 17. CA LABOR CODE: Pursuant to Section 1700, and following, the CONTRACTOR shall pay not less than the prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations.

 Copies of such prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file at the Business Office of the Los Rios Community College District, 1919 Spanos Court, Sacramento, CA 95825. Those copies shall be made available to any interested party upon request. The CONTRACTOR shall forfeit, as penalty to the LRCCD, Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for each calendar day or portion thereof, for each workman paid less than the stipulated prevailing rates for any work done under the contract by him/her or by any subcontractor under him, in violation of the provisions of such Labor Code.
- 18. NOTICE: Your employees may be exposed to hazardous substances during the course of their work while on LRCCD property. For additional information on the hazardous substances that your employees may be exposed to contact to LRCCD General Services Department at (916) 568-3048.
- 19. INSURANCE: CONTRACTOR shall, at all times, maintain in full force and effect the following insurance: Workers' Compensation, Commercial General Liability, Auto Liability, and Professional Liability, if licensed professional. Policy limits for each shall be at least \$1,000,000 AND \$1M, \$2M, or \$3M AGGREGATE as prescribed by DISTRICT requirements for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage. Any combination of General Liability and Excess Coverage can be combined to meet the Aggregate. LRCCD shall be named as an additional insured on CONTRACTOR's policies. The CONTRACTOR shall provide a certificate of insurance and required endorsements to comply with this section at least 15 days prior to commencement of work under this contract. The certificate shall state that LRCCD will be given 30 days notice of any material change or cancellation in coverage. LRCCD insurance req can be viewed on the following website www.losrios.edu/purchasing.
- 20. DISQUALIFIED EMPLOYEES: CONTRACTOR shall ensure that persons who perform services on LRCCD property have not been convicted of any felony, or any controlled substance offense or any sex offense as defined by Education Cod section 87008-87010. IfLRCCD determines that any person employed by CONTRACTOR to work on LRCCD property is incompetent, unfaithful, intemperate, disorderly, abusive or is otherwise unsatisfactory, CONTRACTOR shall cause that employee to be removed from working on LRCCD property immediately, and that person shall not be employed again on LRCCD property.
- 21. WORK AUTHORIZATION: Prior to LRCCD's acceptance of this Agreement, CONTRACTOR's who are not U.S. citizens must provide verification of(a) work authorization status from the appropriate U.S. Department of State; (b) a copy of their U.S. visa; (c) the number of days present in the U.S.; and (d) tax treaty status. LRCCD shall not make any payments to CONTRACTOR unless CONTRACTOR bolds the appropriate U.S. visa. CONTRACTOR is responsible for ensuring they are in possession of the appropriate visa.
- 22. WARRANTY: CONTRACTOR expressly warrants thii.t all materials, goods, equipment, services, and/or labor shall conform to the requirements set forth or incorporated into this order and any applicable industry standards or requirements, shall be merchantable and free from defects in workmanship, materials and/ or design (including latent defects), and shall perform as specified. CONTRACTOR further warrants that all materials, goods, equipment, services, and/or labor will be fit and sufficient for the particular purposes intended by LRCCD. Unless agreed upon otherwise between LRCCD and CONTRACTOR, the warranty period shall be the longer of: (a) any express warranty included in this service agreement; (b) one year after the materials, goods, equipment, services, and/or labor are accepted by LRCCD; or (c) any warranty period provided under any applicable California law. CONTRACTOR further represents and warrants that any software/ hardware/ communications system/ equipment provided under this Agreement (collectively 'technology') adheres to the standards and/or specifications as may be set forth in the Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 standards guide and is fully compliant with WCAG 2.0 AA standards for accessibility and compliant with any applicable FCC regulations. If portions of the technology or user experience are alleged to be non-compliant or non-accessible, LRCCD will provide CONTRACTOR with notice of such allegation and CONTRACTOR shall use its best efforts to make the technology compliant and accessible. CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless LRCCD from and against any and all claims, allegations, liabilities, damages, penalties, fees, costs (including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees), arising out of or related to allegations the technology is not accessible.
- 23. CERTIFICATION: CONTRACTOR warrants that it is not debarred or suspended, proposed for debanilent or declared ineligible for award of contracts by any Federal, State or local Agency

Requisition

Supplier: MISCELLANEOUS

***** CA 95825 United States

email:

Ship To: RECEIVING

6699 CAMPUS DR PLACERVILLE CA 95667 0000003680

Req ID: Date Page 0001028052 11/16/2020 1
Requisition Name: MINIPCR BIO AMPLYUS LLC - EDC Requester Kimberly Zwerenz Requester Signature

Buyer: Brenda Haney

Approved:

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5,020.00 Sub-total 361.79 Est. tax

Total Requisition Amount: 5,381.79

QUOTE 202001-2541 DTD 10/27/20

PERKINS CHECKLIST ATTACHED

VENDOR NAME:'
AMPLYUS DBA MINIPCR
1770 MASSACHUSETTS AVE STE 167
CAMBRIDGE MA 02140

SOLE SOURCE FORM & LETTER ATTACHED

<u>BU</u> <u>Acct</u> <u>Fd</u> <u>Org</u> <u>Prog</u> <u>Sub</u> <u>Proj</u> <u>Amount</u> GENFD 4300 12 FL.VI.VTEA 12050 00000 314A 5,020.00

Approval Signature	Approval Signature	Approval Signature

Requisition

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***** CA 95825 **United States**

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Requisition Name:

MINIPCR BIO AMPLYUS LLC -

Requester

Kimberly Zwerenz Requester Signature

Buyer: Brenda Haney

Approved:

Entered By: ZWERENZK 16-NOV-2020

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Purchases Charged to Catagorical Programs, Grants or Special Project.

Program Name: VTEA 314A Project Grant:

VICTORIA MARYATT Program Director: PERKINS GOALS 1,3,5 C 7 Program Goal:

Approval Signature	Approval Signature	Approval Signature

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Quote

1770 Massachusetts Avenue Suite 167 Cambridge, MA 02140

Date	Quote #		
10/27/2020	202001-2541		

Name / Address

Folsom Lake College - El Dorado Center Kim Zwerenz

Item	Description		Qty	Rate	Total
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		Subtotal			\$5,020.00
		Sales Tax	(0.0%)		\$0.00
		Total			\$5,020.00

Perkins V Expenditure Checklist 2020-21

Requisition/PO/CBR/BPO/Travel Authorization Number: <u>0001028052</u>

Date: 11/12/20

Six Activity Categories that Apply to this Expenditure Request

<u>Directions:</u> Select the Activity Category(ies) you indicated in the Perkins plan that relates to the expenditure. For example, if you wrote an activity for Quality Class Theatrical Projects and indicated that this activity applied to Activity Categories 3, 4, and 5, check those boxes.

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Is this a <u>permissible</u> expenditure (see other side of this form for a list of impermissible uses)? \square Yes \square No

LOS RIOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Sole/Single Source Purchase Justification

Vendor:			Requisition No: _	
Commodity/S	Service:			
Estimated an	nual expenditure for the above	commodity or se	rvice: \$:	
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justification	tries below that apply to the memo as described below (I rices for purchase requested).			
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September 1st, 2020

Amplyus (DBA miniPCR) 1770 Massachusetts Avenue Suite 167 Cambridge, MA 02140 United States of America

Re.: miniPCR Sole Source

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to confirm that the P51[™] - Molecular Fluorescence Viewer, blueGel[™] Electrophoresis, miniPCR Starter Classroom Pack, miniPCR DNA Discovery System, Lab in a Box[™], miniPCR Premium Classroom Pack, miniPCR Biotech Classroom Pack, Lab Companion Kit, and miniPCR Learning Labs[™] are sole source products, developed, sold and distributed exclusively by Amplyus. No division of Amplyus, nor any other company, makes a similar or competing product. These products must be purchased directly by institutions from Amplyus at the address listed above. There are no agents or dealers authorized to represent these products.

If you desire additional information, don't hesitate to contact me at (781) 990-8727 at any time or visit our website at www.minipcr.com.

Thank you for your interest in our products.

Sincerely,

Sebastian Kraves

Co-founder and Managing Partner



Case Study



"We want to inspire that curiosity, that raw passion for science, [the miniPCR] really meets all of our needs and then some."

Sara Shayesteh, High School Biology Teacher, South San Francisco Unified School District

miniPCR™: Bringing Real-World STEM Experiences to the Classroom

Sara Shayesteh was enjoying the time she'd spent so far as a high school teacher in the South San Francisco Unified School District (SSFUSD), but as the years passed she'd noticed something that worried her. The teens in her biology class at El Camino High School regularly performed labs that included building models of organic molecules or dissecting a froq—all part of the state curriculum. But those

activities bore little resemblance to the kind of biology that occurs in industry and academia today, and Shayesteh was concerned that her students were losing their passion for science.

Just as these thoughts were beginning to materialize, however, Shayesteh and SSFUSD received a proposal from Genentech. The biotech giant, almost as if to address Shayesteh's concerns, sought to revitalize science education by bringing real-world STEM experiences to the classroom at the elementary, middle, and high school levels—and it wanted her to kick off the program in SSFUSD high schools by designing a curriculum for a biotechnology unit to be taught in ninth grade biology classes.

Pleased to oblige, Shayesteh turned to her prior experience as a researcher to decide which technologies to include in the unit, eventually settling on PCR and gel electrophoresis based on the dual



criteria of simplicity and workplace relevance. But she envisioned more for her students than what the standard research PCR machine, a 96-well thermal cycler, could give them. She wanted each student to be able to touch the machine, program it, learn how it worked—something that wouldn't be possible with thirty students working out of one complicated device. But at first she saw no alternative.

Fortunately, it was then that Shayesteh heard from a colleague working on a similar program in nearby San Mateo of a portable thermal cycler produced by biotech startup Amplyus. The miniPCR, as the company called it, retailed for just a fraction of the cost of a traditional machine, had a user-friendly interface and software, produced reliable results, and was durable enough to survive repeated handling from students.

It was a revelation for Shayesteh. Seeing an opportunity for every student in her classroom to experience PCR in a hands-on way, she quickly purchased—at the same cost of a single bench-top machine—enough miniPCRs for students to operate them in small groups. Before long, the biotech unit was in full swing, and students were using the devices in the classroom in conjunction with reagents and protocols derived from Amplyus' narrative-driven Learning Labs.

The experiments, Shayesteh says, have been a runaway success: the students love visualizing the science they've learned and are particularly thrilled about being able to handle the machines themselves. "Up until now we've only been able to lecture. We've never had the...opportunity to create something hands-on,"



Case Study

she says. "So this has really been a fantastic opportunity for our students, [who] had no idea what biotech even was and are now more exposed to the field and the careers available to them."



Indeed, though her students themselves may not know it yet, Shayesteh recognizes how important it is that they are interacting with biology in much the same way they would in the "real world." It's through these means, she says, that they will be able to develop an interest and an involvement in STEM. "We want to inspire that curiosity, that raw passion for science," she says. "[The miniPCR] really meets all of our needs and then some."

Victoria Lin

About miniPCR™

miniPCR™ is a groundbreaking miniaturized thermal cycler offering fully-featured PCR performance for a fraction of the price.

- Powerful: miniPCR thermal cyclers deliver high-end performance.
- Simple: Our unique, easy to use, software interface allows users to control and visualize their PCR reactions from their Windows, Mac or Android devices.
 Students can follow experiments in real time, analyze, and understand the data.
- Engaging: The transparent design allows students to engage with the technology on an intimate level, eliminating the "black box" effect.
- Open: miniPCR is fully compatible with standard PCR tubes and reagents, making it ready for any classroom curriculum.



Feature	Specification
Sample format	8 x 0.2ml PCR tubes (strip compatible)
Max heating ramp rate	3.2°C / sec
Heated lid	Independent lid heater up to 120°C with PID control
Max cooling ramp rate	2.2°C / sec
Program sharing and backup	Unlimited libraries, .pdf file format
Temperature control	Resistive heating; forced air cooling
Control system	Embedded thermistors and PID algorithm
Temperature range	20°C − 99°C
Operating range	9°C to 40°C ambient temp.
Dimensions	2" x 5" x 4"
Power supply	AC 100-240V, 50-60hz, 70W
Battery operation	4h – 6h uninterrupted run time on Li-Ion battery

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The miniPCR team of molecular biologists, engineers, and educators is dedicated to miniPCR's mission of making science accessible to everyone, everywhere