

News Bulletin	Issue 27	Date 25/11/2011
<u>Procurement Office Web Pages</u> These web pages provide up to date information on university procurement processes, guidance notes, terms and condition, latest news etc.	<u>CuPID/GeM (Supplier Database)</u> This is the supplier database for details of the contracted suppliers. Searches can be made for the product you wish to buy or the supplier name.	<u>Insurance Office Web Pages</u> To keep you informed of matters relating to insurance for staff and students.

Latest news and information.

1. Changes to the University of Manchester Preferred Supplier Database

University Preferred Supplier Database Information – CuPID to GeM

During August and September 2011 work has continued on behalf of the HE Sector to replace CuPID by a new Contracts Repository. GeM is a Higher Education initiative, and is funded from the Universities Modernization Fund (UMF) as administered by HEFCE, and will be owned by JISC Procureweb and therefore JISC Advance.

It is intended that this system will provide a more intuitive search facility for finding out about the University's suppliers and contracts. You should still be able to access the contracts information through the CuPID link on staffnet, or through the Central Procurement Office site.

More information regarding the new site will be available shortly. If you have any questions about the changes outlined above please contact the Central Procurement Office on 0161 275 3912.

2. Newly added eMarketplace suppliers.

In the last number of weeks there have been 3 new suppliers added to the University's eMarketplace. These are R & D Systems Europe Ltd, Roche Diagnostics Ltd and Vector Laboratories Ltd. Please note that R & D Systems Europe Ltd no longer charge delivery on any of their orders.

3. Laboratory and Medical Suppliers

Greiner Bio-One Limited (Supplier of General Laboratory Plasticware and Tissue Culture Plasticware), are now providing their catalogue in DVD format rather than paper. You can view their products on line, or contact Greiner for a DVD copy by contacting Greiner Bio-One Limited.

Greiner is part of the General Laboratory Consumables & Chemicals Agreement. All supplier details belonging to this agreement, including contacts can be found on GeM.

4. End of Year Special Offer from Sigma

There are a number of end of year offers from Sigma-Aldrich. Just to confirm, these are all active now and will run until Dec 31st. The promotions cover the following general areas:

1. Labware Promotion - 35% off Sigma-Aldrich labware (excludes Buchi, Eppendorf, Whatman and Corning items)
2. Probe Promotion - Dual labelled probes for qPCR from as little as £66
3. PCR Campaign - Up to 85% off PCR Enzymes, PCR ReadyMix, dNTP's and Agarose
4. RPE Price List - Discounts on selected products for Protein Extraction (33%), Protein Inhibitors (33%), Protein Detection (Flag) Systems (15%), HIS-Select System (30%), Protein Quantitation (30%), Protein Electrophoresis (33%) and Stains & Dyes (30%)

Please see other attachments for any further details.