Intellectual property: Release its potential

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chemistry
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life sciences
nanotechnologies
pharmaceuticals
trade marks
The firm provides professional expertise and commercially focused advice to business leaders and decision makers in the pharmaceutical and healthcare fields. Our practice is built up of expert technology teams covering a number of defined areas in the pharmaceutical, biotech and chemical areas.

We can help shape your IP strategy and assist in identifying how the IP affairs of your business are prioritised. We can also deal with the creation, identification and protection of IP, and enhance its value to the business by appropriate management, exploitation and enforcement.

Furthermore, we can audit your registered and unregistered IP, which will highlight strengths and weaknesses in, and threats to, your portfolio, thus enabling you to make informed business decisions.

We add value to businesses by securing and defending intellectual property rights for clients that include global leaders, spin-outs, research organisations, research based universities and government funded organisations, and a number of smaller organisations.

Many of our senior attorneys have both degrees and postgraduate qualifications in the life sciences. Many of our team have first hand experience of working in research environments in academic institutions and pharmaceutical and healthcare companies.

The practice draws on this breadth of experience and utilises it in a wide range of pharmaceutical, chemical and biological subject matter covering the medicine and healthcare, agriculture, food biotechnology, industrial and enviroinmental and the skincare and cosmetics industry.

We also provide clients with full online access to their IP records through our innovative OCIS (Online Client Information System) system.
Our Skills include

Our extensive experience in, and knowledge of, patent and related matters also covers, small molecule therapeutics, processes development, medical devices and diagnostic tools, and specialist technical materials for use in the healthcare industry. We also provide a number of patent and non-patent services to support businesses in the life sciences sector.

These include:

- Registration of patents worldwide
- Patent opposition proceedings
- Providing infringement and validity advice on patent and design rights
- Portfolio management and strategic advice
- IP law and litigation
- Technology transfer
- Performing competitor intelligence and searches
- Monitoring and payment of renewal fees
- Registration of designs worldwide
- Advice on copyright and unregistered design rights
- Registration of trade marks worldwide
- UK and EU (OHIM) trade mark oppositions and appeals
- Multi-jurisdictional and trade mark searches and watching
- Trade mark infringement, clearance and opinion work
- Internet and domain name issues

Our technical reach includes

- Bioinformatics
  - Genomics
  - Proteomics

- Biologics
  - Protein/peptide therapeutics
  - Antibody-based therapeutics

- Devices
  - Medical
  - Diagnostic
  - Microfluidics
  - Nano

- Diagnostics & testing
  - Human medical
  - Veterinary
  - Foodstuffs
  - Environmental
  - Genetic

- Immunology
  - Vaccines
  - Immunomodulatory agents

- Nutrition
  - Health foods
  - Dietary supplements

- Molecular Biology
  - Novel genes and constructs
  - RNAi
  - Probes
  - Sequencing
  - Gene therapy
  - Protein expression

- Cell Biology
  - Stem Cells
  - Therapeutic use of cells
  - Fermentation processes

- Indications
  - Neurology / CNS diseases
  - Pain and inflammation
  - Anti infectives
  - Respiratory diseases
  - Cardiovascular disease
  - Diabetes
  - Oncology
  - Sexual health and fertility
  - Urology
  - Veterinary medicine
  - Wound healing