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Patent and Trade Mark
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Intellectual property:
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Professional expertise, commercial focus

The firm provides professional expertise and commercially focused advice to business leaders and decision makers in the chemistry field. Our practice is built up of expert technology teams covering a number of defined specialisms.

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. In effect, this is an IP 'health check' 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 major national and international companies, research organisations, research based universities, government funded organisations, and a number of smaller organisations.

Many of our senior attorneys have both degrees and postgraduate qualifications in the life sciences including chemistry, biochemistry, pharmacology and biotechnology disciplines and a significant number have first hand experience of working in research environments in academic institutions and industry. The practice draws on this breadth of experience and utilises it in a wide range of chemical applications. Our chemical team is able to assist you in many diverse ways, such as the protection of new chemical entities, novel formulations and polymorphic forms, new medical uses for therapeutics, and process and development issues.

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 fine chemicals and process development, medical devices and diagnostic tools, and specialist technical materials for use in the healthcare industry such as alloys, ceramics, and polymers. We also provide a number of patent and non-patent services to support businesses in the chemistry 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
- Oppositions and appeals

Our technical reach includes

- Advanced materials
- Nanotubes
- Nanoparticles
- Nuclear reprocessing technologies
- Semiconductors
- Alloys and steels
- Ceramics
- Plastics and polymers
- Fine chemicals
- Chemicals for food, beverages and cosmetic industries
- Complex catalysts
- Fuel cells and alternative forms of energy
- Chemical processing and process optimisation
- Environmental chemistry



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