

Life Sciences & Chemical Group Brochure

Griffith Hack's **Life Sciences & Chemical Group** is a multi-disciplinary specialist practice group which has expertise in all fields of chemistry, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, biomedicine, environmental science, cosmetics and food science, including microbiology, immunology, genetics and genomics, bioinformatics, protein chemistry, plant and agricultural biotechnology, polymers, surface chemistry, agrichemistry, and speciality chemicals. Griffith Hack has one of the longest histories of specialist practice in these areas of any patent attorney firm in Australia, and is one of the country's largest patent attorney groups in these fields.

Our team

All of our professionals in the Life Sciences & Chemical Group have particular skills in the protection, management and exploitation of intellectual property relating to the fields of chemistry, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, biomedicine, environmental science, cosmetics and food science. The senior members of the group regularly give presentations on intellectual property issues relevant to these fields to universities, research institutes and companies, and at conferences both in Australia and overseas. The professionals in the Life Sciences and Chemical Group stay up to date with technology developments, and many of the members of the Griffith Hack Life Sciences & Chemical Group have significant research or industry experience which enables us to provide a comprehensive service in protecting our clients' innovations.

Meeting your needs

Our understanding of what a client requires – and expects – is central to the provision of applicable strategies and relevant advice. Our attorneys not only provide expert advice regarding specific inventions, but also on the broad benefits of practical, commercially viable patent protection. Effective communication of these commercial concepts and education of our clients' scientists assists our clients to achieve the best possible protection from a commercial viewpoint.

We have excellent relationships with a wide range of overseas patent attorney firms, particularly in the United States, Europe and Japan, enabling us to provide a seamless service both to our Australian clients doing business overseas and to our international clients seeking intellectual property protection in Australia.

Our Life Sciences & Chemical expertise

As one of the largest patent attorney firms in Australia, Griffith Hack has expertise across a broad spectrum of technologies and industries. The ability to integrate this knowledge can be particularly important when a project involves several complementary disciplines.

- Microbiology
- Biochemistry
- Molecular biology
- Immunology
- Cell biology
- Stem cell technology
- Genetics and genomics
- Bioinformatics
- Protein chemistry
- Plant and agricultural biotechnology
- Pharmaceuticals
- Polymer chemistry
- Organic chemistry
- Inorganic chemistry
- Physical chemistry
- Food science and technology
- Agrichemistry
- Environmental chemistry

Our Services

We provide a comprehensive service to protect and defend our clients' innovations and their substantial investment in generating intellectual property. We take pride in the extremely high standard of our professional service, and fully understand the commercial imperatives under which our clients operate.

Our services include but are not limited to:

- providing opinions on patentability
- drafting, prosecuting and filing new patent applications both in Australia and overseas
- providing strategic advice regarding development, management, enforcement and defence of patent portfolios
- providing infringement advice
- providing advice on freedom-to-operate issues
- due diligence analyses
- strategic and technical management of patent oppositions
- providing patent litigation support to Griffith Hack's Law Group
- advising on patent licensing and other commercialisation issues
- providing patent attorney reports for IPOs and other prospectuses

Working With Clever People

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