

Patent Attorney/Agent

Job ID: 00413745

Job Function

Other Legal

Schedule

Full-time

Location

United States-California
South San Francisco

Job type

Regular Employee

Company/Division

Pharmaceutical

Job Level

Experienced

Who We Are

At the Roche Group, about 80,000 people across 150 countries are pushing back the frontiers of healthcare. Working together, we've become one of the world's leading research-focused healthcare groups. A member of the Roche Group, Genentech has been at the forefront of the biotechnology industry for more than 30 years, using human genetic information to develop novel medicines for serious and life-threatening diseases. The headquarters for Roche pharmaceutical operations in the United States, Genentech has multiple therapies on the market for cancer and other serious illnesses. Please take this opportunity to learn about Genentech, where we believe that our employees are our most important asset and are dedicated to remaining a great place to work.

The Position

Individual contributor Patent Attorney/Agent to prepare, file and prosecute patent applications, with a primary focus on the protection of inventions and patent prosecution relating to small molecule therapeutics. Maintain a substantial and active prosecution docket of U.S. and foreign patent applications, with interference, reexamination, post-exam, and opposition practices as they may arise with prosecution. Develop in-depth expertise in particular areas of small molecule drug discovery in order to provide guidance on patent law issues to business groups and scientists conducting research in those areas. Position will also involve diligence work (including freedom-to-operate, infringement and validity analyses), agreement support work (including MTAs, CDAs, research collaborations, and licensing agreements), management of external relationships with outside counsel and collaborators, and interactions with global affiliates.

Who You Are

Patent attorney/agent with no fewer than 3 years of experience (but open to those with significantly more) in active small molecule patent prosecution is required (with experience in the past 2 years preferably consisting of at least 50% patent application drafting and prosecution), either in a pharma or biotech therapeutics corporate setting or representing such clients in a law firm. Further required is admission to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. A United States law degree is preferred. An advanced degree in organic or medicinal chemistry is required, with a Ph.D. preferred. Agreement and transactional experience is required. Experience with client counseling and strategic

prosecution of active and complex patent portfolios with respect to small molecule therapeutics in development or being commercialized is highly desirable. Basic knowledge of domestic and international laws, regulations, and processes relating to patents is required. Demonstrated ability to collaborate, as well as to work independently, balancing competing priorities in a fast-paced environment. Strong verbal and written communication skills are required.

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