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Intellectual property:  
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## Professional expertise, commercial focus

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The firm provides professional expertise and commercially focused advice to business leaders and decision makers in the nanotechnology 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 relevant to nanotechnology, and a significant number have first hand experience of working in relevant research environments in academic institutions associated with research into nanotechnologies.

The practice draws on this breadth of experience and utilises it in a wide range of technical fields including nanomaterials and devices, nanostructures and nanoelectronics. Our nanotechnology team is able to assist you in many diverse ways, such as the protection of new biochip technologies.

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



## Our Skills include

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As well as our extensive experience in, and knowledge of, patent and related matters, we also provide a number of patent and non-patent services to support businesses in these sectors.

### 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
- Prior art searches
- 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

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- Carbon nanotubes
- Nanowires
- Nanomedical devices
- Spintronics
- Nanoscale cages
- Transmission electron and scanned probe microscopes
- Nanoparticles for drug delivery
- Micro and nanoelectro mechanical systems (MEMS/NEMS)
- Single electron devices
- Nanomaterials for filtration and diagnostics
- Biochip devices
- GeneChip® technology
- Sub micron lithography
- Fullerenes
- Magnetic nanoparticles
- Gene therapy
- Microspheres



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