



James Smythies

Associate, European and UK Patent Attorney

James is a European and UK Patent Attorney based in our London office.

James drafts, files and prosecutes UK and European patent applications, whilst also handling large patent families across many other countries. He also has experience in opposition and appeal proceedings before the European Patent Office.

James' work spans the full scope of life sciences, although he has particular experience handling cases relating to genomics, CRISPR, antibodies, diagnostics, bioinformatics, and sequencing technologies.

Whilst many of his clients are large companies, James also enjoys working with smaller companies and technology transfer organisations. James has expertise working closely with scientists in order to understand technical aspects of new inventions. He also has experience advising clients in relation to global patent portfolios and on how to use patents strategically to achieve commercial objectives.

He obtained a BSc in Biochemistry from the University of Manchester (his degree included a year spent at Thomas Jefferson University in the USA) and a DPhil from the University of Oxford. James' DPhil studies centred on the investigation of transcription factor binding site selection through the utilisation of cutting-edge next-generation sequencing technologies and bioinformatic analysis.

James joined J A Kemp in 2017 and became an associate in 2022.

Services & Specialisms

Patents, Freedom to Operate, Invention Discovery, IP Strategy, Patent Drafting, Filing and Prosecution, IP Review, Portfolio and Cost Management

Location

London

Education

University of Manchester, Honours Degree in Biochemistry; University of Oxford, DPhil in Molecular Biology

Qualifications

European Patent Attorney; UK Chartered Patent Attorney

Membership of Professional Bodies

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys (CIPA); Member of the Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (EPI)

Contact

Email: j Smythies@jakemp.com

Tel: +44 20 7406 6880

80 Turnmill Street
London
EC1M 5QU