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Partner
German Patent Attorney
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Annelie advises and represents companies in prosecuting patent and utility model applications and defending and challenging acquired IP rights in the areas of biochemistry, biotechnology and pharmaceuticals. In particular, she advises and supports public research institutes and biotechnology companies in building patent portfolios and advises generics companies on market entry. Further key activities relate to the support of due diligence projects and the acquisition of supplementary protection certificates. Annelie spent several months on secondment to a publicly listed biotechnology company in helping establish a patent portfolio in the area of immune therapy. Before entering the world of patent law, she gained valuable experience in industry from working in a pharma concern in the field of therapeutic antibodies, and in an optics and medical technology concern developing microscopy software.

CAREER

since 2021	Partner at Maiwald
since 2014	Patent attorney at Maiwald
2011 - 2014	Patent attorney trainee at Maiwald

EDUCATION

2024	Admitted to practice before the UPC
2016	Admitted to practice as European patent attorney
2014	Admitted to practice as German patent attorney
2011 - 2013	Studied law for patent attorneys at the University of Hagen
2007 - 2011	Doctoral degree in the field of cell biology from Heidelberg University (doctoral research at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory Heidelberg (EMBL) with research stint at the Research Institute of Molecular Biology (IMP))
2002 - 2007	Studied biology at the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich

PRACTICE AREAS

- Pharma & Biotech
- Organic Chemistry & Polymers
- Food & Agriculture
- Patents & Utility Models

- Supplementary Protection Certificates

SERVICES

- Patent prosecution and portfolio management
- Supplementary protection certificates proceedings
- Opposition and nullity proceedings
- Patent litigation
- Freedom-to-operate and validity analysis
- Filing strategies and drafting patent applications
- Authorized to represent before the Austrian Patent Office

RECOGNITIONS

- Recommended in Legal 500 EMEA 2023, 2024
- MIP IP – Rising Star 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
- Recommended in Legal 500 Deutschland 2023, 2024
- Doctoral Scholarship of the European Molecular Biology Laboratory

PUBLICATIONS

- Rechtshandbuch Chemie-, Pharma- und Life-Science-Patente, C.H. Beck – 2023
- Pharmaceutical, Biological and Chemical Patents, C.H.BECK – 2023
- Enlarged Board of Appeal Rules on Double Patenting, 2021
- Forum Shopping Is Becoming More Difficult, 2020
- CJEU Rules on SPCs for Combination Products, 2018
- CJEU asked to clarify functional definition issue, 2018
- SPCs for medical devices, 2016

MEMBERSHIPS

- German Patent Attorney Association
- epi

LANGUAGES

- German
- English