

Craig Thomson

Craig Thomson is a qualified European, UK and Irish Patent Attorney, and is part of Murgitroyd & Company's Chemical and Life Science team. After completing a Bachelors degree in Physiology and Pharmacology at the University of Dundee (UK), Craig went on to study the Management of Intellectual Property at the University of London (UK). Thereafter, Craig trained as a Patent Examiner in the Pharmaceutical and Life Science Department of the UK Patent Office, where he gained invaluable experience of the handling of Pharmaceutical and Biotechnological related inventions by the UK Patent Office. After leaving the UK Patent Office, Craig trained and qualified as a European and UK Patent Attorney with a leading London firm of Patent Attorneys. Craig now works out of Murgitroyd & Company's Glasgow (UK) and Dublin (Ireland) offices. Craig has experience of advising both industry and universities in Europe on intellectual property related issues, particularly with respect to a broad range of pharmaceutical and life science disciplines; including pharmacology, physiology, neuroscience, and cancer therapy. Craig's experience in these technical areas extends to IP due diligence; having assisted a number of companies to navigate through pre-investment due diligence, which resulted in them successfully obtaining investment (including Venture Capital investment and listing on AIM).

Craig is regularly involved in lecturing and running workshops on IP related issues, including:-

Keynote speaker at The Fifth TEDA-Watson International Forum , Biotechnology and Biomedicine 2006 in TEDA (China) on the topic of Protection of Biotechnology Inventions in Europe.

Chairman of the IBC "IPR in China 2008 Conference", Brussels (Belgium).

Chairman of workshop on How to Maximise Deal Making Potential Using Your IP? at Drug Delivery Partnership Conference 2008, Barcelona (Spain).

Speaker at 2nd Annual Contract Manufacturing in Pharma. Conference, London 2008 on the topic of IP Ownership in a Contract Manufacturing Relationship.

Speaker at the International Conference for IP, 2009, Dublin (Ireland), on the topic of An IPR Perspective on Exploiting the Chinese Market - Advantages and Risks.

Publications include:-

SCRIPS supplement 2008: Partnering in China: the importance of Due Diligence

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