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DIRECTORY

**Richard Ebbink** is “a key player in the life sciences field” who is respected for his fantastic ability to coordinate parallel national proceedings and EPO oppositions.

**Mark van Gardingen** is internationally recognised for his strong patent litigation practice, with one source effusing that he is “one of the best in the field”.

International law firm **HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS** sees two excellent lawyers from its London office recognised.

**Sebastian Moore** is “highly rated” by interviewees and is widely considered “an excellent patent litigator with extensive experience in the life sciences sector”.

**Sophie Rich** is “a great litigator who is excellent with clients” according to one impressed peer. She is highly respected in the international market place thanks to her excellent track record conducting multi-jurisdictional patent litigation for some of the world’s largest originator companies.

#### UK Bar

Specialist IP chambers **8 NEW SQUARE** has proved itself to be a premier patent litigation set, with an impressive 10 barristers recognised for their superb advocacy for major clients in the life sciences industry.

The “outstanding” **Richard Meade QC** is internationally recognised as “unsurpassed” in the market. Sources describe him as being “truly remarkable on his feet”.

**Charlotte May QC** is “a superb silk” who boasts an “excellent” standing for her vast experience handling complex patents and SPC disputes.

**Andrew Lykiardopoulos QC** is a “very well regarded” silk who is one of the biggest names at the intellectual property Bar. He also boasts considerable experience in arbitration proceedings involving patents.

Sources describe **Michael Tappin QC** as “a charming advocate” who excels on the patent litigation stage. He draws effusive praise from commentators, who describe him as “a formidable litigator”.

**Daniel Alexander QC** is “a complete star” according to one international source and draws effusive praise for being “very smooth and articulate” in the courtroom.

**James Whyte** is a top junior at the IP Bar who has “a strong reputation” for his work in the life sciences field.

Six barristers are highlighted from **3 NEW SQUARE**, another leading IP set which ranks prominently in our research thanks to its members’ exceptional patent disputes work in the life sciences sector.

**Tom Mitcheson QC** is “absolutely amazing” according to one impressed commentator. He has vast experience litigating in complex patent and SPC disputes.

The “excellent” **Andrew Waugh QC** is “a star advocate” who regularly litigates for some of the biggest names in the pharmaceutical sector.

**Thomas Hinchliffe QC** is “a superstar” at the IP Bar and wins praise for his outstanding work in many of Europe’s leading pharmaceutical and biotech patent cases.

**Miles Copeland** is a “first-rate” barrister who impresses market commentators with his technical expertise. He is an accomplished advocate who is often called upon to represent major companies in the pharmaceuticals sector.

#### OTHER LEADING INDIVIDUALS

*We highlight individuals at other firms who also scored very highly in our research.*

#### Austria

**Christian Gassauer-Fleissner** at **GASSAUER-FLEISSNER RECHTSANWÄLTE** is “a standout practitioner” with a stellar reputation thanks to his deep knowledge of the intersection between intellectual property and competition law.

#### Belgium

**Christophe Ronse** at **ALTIUS** is a clear leader in the field who is particularly prominent in the fields of pharmaceuticals and biotechnology. One commentator notes that he is “the first port of call for the branded pharma industry”.

#### Denmark

**Nicolai Lindgreen** at **KROMANN REUMERT** is widely recognised for his strong patent litigation practice, with one source highlighting his “calm manner and great strategic insight into complex cases”.

#### England

**Paul Inman** at **GOWLING** is “one of the best patent litigators in England for life sciences mandates” according to impressed

sources, who praise his “extensive knowledge of the sector”.

The “exceptional” **Iain Purvis QC** at **11 SOUTH SQUARE** is a leading silk who garners recognition for being “a great strategist”.

**Nigel Stoate** at **TAYLOR WESSING** has “an excellent reputation in the market”, with one US-based source stating that: “He is my top choice of IP solicitors in the UK.”

**Christopher Stothers** at **ARNOLD & PORTER KAYE SCHOLER** is an experienced litigator with extensive experience handling cross-border patent disputes for key players in the pharmaceutical sector.

The “excellent” **Justin Watts** at **WILMERHALE** is a leading lawyer who draws praise for his expansive experience across the full spectrum of IP litigation.

With more than 30 years’ experience of IP litigation in the life sciences sector, **Nigel Jones** at **LINKLATERS** is a long-standing fixture in the market. He garners respect for his in-depth knowledge of the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries.

#### France

**Sabine Agé** at **VÉRON & ASSOCIÉS** is a prominent name in the sector with a strong reputation for her work in the pharmaceutical, chemistry and medical devices fields.

#### Netherlands

Sources describe **Gertjan Kuipers** from **DE BRAUW BLACKSTONE WESTBROEK** as “a stellar litigator and great strategist”. She is widely considered to be “one of the top life sciences patent litigators in the Netherlands”.

#### Spain

**Miquel Montaña** at **CLIFFORD CHANCE** is “a standout name in the sector” according to peers, who appreciate his extensive experience working on multi-jurisdictional patent disputes in highly regulated industries.

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