



## Alison Care

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Alison brings over 18 years of IP expertise to her position as head of the European Life Sciences and Chemistry practice. She is highly experienced in all proceedings before the European Patent Office, including prosecution and post-grant opposition and appeal matters. She also handles SPC applications at the UKIPO. Alison is equally known for her commercial viewpoint and strategic advice as she is for being friendly and approachable, which is why her long-standing client list includes large multinational pharma companies, growing biotech companies, start-ups and universities.

Alison helps clients determine their IP strategy and build their patent portfolios, acting as pseudo-in-house counsel in some instances. She gets to know all aspects of the client's precise IP landscape, from discussions with scientists to presenting papers to C-suite members. In collaboration with U.S.-based colleagues, Alison produces a coordinated approach to her clients' IP in Europe, the U.S. and other jurisdictions.

Alison has carried out numerous freedom to operate analyses and opinions for new products and biosimilars. She has successfully cleared the way for her clients' products with targeted oppositions to blocking European patents. Alison's specialist areas include immune-oncology (monoclonal antibodies and TCRs), genetic manipulation, mRNA, formulations, and cell and gene therapy. She also has extensive experience in the food tech area, including human and pet foods, beverages and nutraceuticals.

In her spare time, Alison loves to be outdoors, preferably in the sunshine, whether that's skiing, camping, at a festival or relaxing on a beach with her young family.

## Related Practice Areas

- Patent Preparation and Prosecution
- European Patent Prosecution
- Competitive Landscape Analysis
- Due Diligence
- Opinions
- Freedom to Operate/ Third Party Risk Assessment
- Patent Utilization
- European Oppositions

## Related Industries

- Consumer Products

- Medical Devices
- Pharmaceuticals and Chemicals
- Biotechnology

## Bar Admissions

- Chartered Patent Attorney
- European Patent Attorney

## Memberships

- Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys (CIPA)
- The Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (EPI)
- Intellectual Property Owners Association (IPO)

## Education

- BSc Molecular Biology, University of Leicester
- PhD Genetics, University of Sheffield