

**Job experience in the patent field:**

Jan 2011 – present: Senior patent attorney at IPecunia Patents, Geleen, The Netherlands

Jan 2010 – Dec 2010: Senior patent attorney at DSM, Urmond, The Netherlands

Mar 2005 – Dec 2009: Patent attorney at DSM, Geleen, The Netherlands

June 2001 – Feb 2005: Trainee patent attorney at DSM, Geleen, The Netherlands

**Technical fields**

- Life sciences (e.g. fermentation processes & cell cultures, proteins, enzymes, molecular biology, antibodies, DNA, RNA, genes, gene expression, mutagenesis).
- Fine chemicals and Pharmaceuticals (e.g. organic chemistry processes, pharmaceutical intermediates, pharmaceutical compositions, nutraceutical compositions, medical applications).
- Polymer sciences (e.g. thermoplastic elastomers, polyesters, resins and resin compositions, (biomedical) application of these polymers and polymer products).

**Main Qualifications**

Oct 2005 – present: European Patent Attorney and member of the European Patent Institute (epi).

Feb 2005 – present: Dutch Patent Attorney (Nederlands Octrooigemachtigde) and member of the Orde van Octrooigemachtigden.

June 2001: Cum laude MSc Degree in Chemistry from the Rijksuniversiteit Groningen; specialising in biochemistry.

**Experience in:****Patent consultancy**

- Identify inventions, write patent applications and prosecute patent applications.
- Conduct opposition and appeal proceedings before the European Patent Office.
- Manage patent portfolio(s).
- Perform risk assessments of third party patents (infringement, validity studies).
- Advise on the patent portfolio and possible third party patent roadblocks in due diligence cases.
- Draft IP paragraphs in contracts (licensing, confidentiality, joint development, joint venture, open innovation, etc.).
- Set-up of patent strategies and patent policies.

**Role in education and knowledge sharing**

- Mentor patent attorney trainees, train patent attorney trainees for the European Qualifying Examination.
- Give IP workshops: Research & Development, New Business Development and Licensing, Marketing & Sales.