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EXPERIENCE

Dr. Matt Wheeler is an associate in the patents and innovations practice group in Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati's San Diego office, where he provides strategic patent counseling to clients on a wide variety of technologies. Matt's scientific expertise includes antibodies, biologics, diagnostics, and medical devices.

Matt works with clients at all stages, from start-ups to public companies, to develop and implement global patent strategies. His counseling experience includes freedom to operate analysis; due diligence for mergers and acquisitions, private financings, and public markets; and all stages of preparation and prosecution of patent filings in the U.S. and around the world, including post-grant procedures.

Matt first joined Wilson Sonsini as a patent agent in 2014 and transitioned to an associate role after attending law school at the University of San Diego.

Prior to joining the firm, Matt obtained his Ph.D. in biomedical sciences from UC San Diego, where he studied immunology and antibody engineering. After receiving his Ph.D., Matt conducted postdoctoral studies at The Scripps Research Institute where he studied the role ER stress plays in inflammation and metabolic diseases.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., University of San Diego
Magna Cum Laude, Order of the Coif
- Ph.D., Biomedical Sciences, University of California, San Diego
- B.S., Biological Sciences, University of Missouri

Associations and Memberships

- San Diego Intellectual Property Law Association

Admissions

- State Bar of California
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- Co-author with J. Pitman, D. Lloyd, R. Glynn, J. Walker, and N. Gekakis, "Jack Lalanne, a gain-of-function mutation in mouse adenylate cyclase 3 that protects against diet-induced obesity," 9(10) *PLoS ONE* e110226, October 2014

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- Co-author with Y. Prabhu, E.H. Blanco, M. Liiu, JR. Peinado, N. Gekakis, P. Arvan, and I. Lidberg, "Defective transport of the obesity mutant PC1/3 N222D contributes to loss of function," 155(7) *Endocrinology* 2391-2401, May 2014
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- Co-author with A. Franco, G. Almanza, J.C. Burns, and M. Zanetti, "Endoplasmic reticulum Stress Drives a Regulatory Phenotype in Human T-Cell Clones," 266(1) *Cell Immunology* 1-6, September 2010
- Co-author with M. Rizzi, R. Sasik, G. Almanza, G. Hardiman, and M. Zanetti, "KDEL retained Antigen in B Lymphocytes Induces a Pro-inflammatory Response: A Possible Role for ER Stress in Adaptive T cell Immunity," 181(1) *Journal of Immunology* 256-64, July 2008
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- Co-author with X. Cortez-Gonzalez, I. Pellicciotta, M. Gerloni, P. Castiglioni, P. Lenert, and M. Zanetti, "TLR9 Independent Activation of B Lymphocytes by Bacterial DNA," 25(5) *DNA Cell Biology* 253-61, May 2006
- Co-author with M. Rizzi, M. Gerloni, A.S. Sirvastava, K. Schuler, E. Carrier, and M. Zanetti, "In utero DNA immunisation. Immunity over tolerance in fetal life," 23(33) *Vaccine* 4273-82. July 2005
- Co-author with M. Zanetti, P. Castiglioni, and M. Rizzi, "B lymphocytes as antigen-presenting cell-based genetic vaccines," 199 *Immunology Reviews* 264-78, June 2004
- Co-author with G. Filcai, M. Gerloni, M. Rizzi, M. Castiglioni, H.D. Ghang, R. Fiocca, and M. Zanetti, "Spontaneous transgenesis of human B lymphocytes," 11(1) *Gene Therapy* 42-51, January 2004