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FOCUS AREAS

Intellectual Property Life Sciences Patents and Innovations

EXPERIENCE

Julia Minitti is a partner in the Palo Alto office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where she is a member of the patent and innovation strategies practice. Julia counsels clients in the biotechnology, chemical, and pharmaceutical industries on a wide range of intellectual property issues, including patent portfolio development and management, Orange Book listing, patentability, non-infringement, and freedom to operate. She also advises clients in connection with various transactions, such as mergers and acquisitions, licenses, and venture financings.

Julia obtained her Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Brown University, where she worked on synthetic methodology for creating heterocycles and catalyzing conjugate additions. Prior to graduate school, she worked as a medicinal chemist at Albany Molecular Research.

Julia currently serves as co-chair of the Hiring Committee for the firm and the patent and innovations group.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law
- Ph.D., Organic Chemistry, Brown University
- B.S., Chemistry, Union College Cum Laude

Admissions

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

CLIENTS

Select Clients

- Aeovian Pharmaceuticals
- Edgewise Therapeutics
- Orca Biosystems
- Pharmatrophix
- Presage Biosciences

- Silverback Therapeutics
- Unity Biotechnology
- ViewPoint Therapeutics

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- Co-author with W.C. Trenkle, D.A. Sweigart, and S. Son, "Highly Efficient 1,4-Additions of Electron Deficient Aryl Boronic acids with a Novel Rh (I) Catalyst," 25(15) Organometallics 3548-51, 2006
- Co-author with M.D. Faust Jr. and W.C. Trenkle, "Cytosine Analogues from Substituted Acetonitriles via Thorpe Condensation," 5(18) Organic Letters 3333-5, 2003
- Co-author with J.C. Adrian Jr., R.J. Fox, J.E. Chick, A.D. Hunter, and R.A. Nicklow, "Chlorotitanium Enolate Addition to Aldimines: A Stereoselective Route to α-Oxy-β-Substituted β-Amino Esters,"
 65(19) The Journal of Organic Chemistry 6264-7, 2000
- Co-author with J.C. Adrian Jr. and L. Hassib, "β-Amino Acids via the Addition of Reformatsky Reagents to Imines: Restraining Effects of the o-Methoxyphenyl Substituent," 40 Tetrahedron Letters 2457, 1999