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FOCUS AREAS

Artificial Intelligence and
Machine Learning

Diagnostics, Life Science
Tools, and Deep Tech

Intellectual Property

Life Sciences

Patents and Innovations

EXPERIENCE

Hin Au is a partner in the Palo Alto office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where he is a member of the patents and innovations practice. Hin provides IP strategy and counseling services to clients in a wide range of technical fields, including MedTech, digital health, biotech, medical/diagnostic devices, software, robotics, autonomous vehicle technologies, and clean energy. He has assisted many clients with building their patent portfolios and securing key strategic patents. Hin has hands-on engineering industry experience, having previously worked as an R&D engineer for six years at large U.S. semiconductor corporations. A native of Singapore, Hin is also fluent in Mandarin and Cantonese.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- J.D., Santa Clara University School of Law
- M.S., Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- B.S., Mechanical Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Admissions

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

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- Co-author with M. Skubatch, "Chapter 16: Patent Strategy – Patent Types and Considerations," *Innovation in Nephrology*, November 2024
- Co-author, "Bipartisan Legislation Seeks to Clarify the Inventions That Are Patent Eligible," *Intellectual Property & Law Journal*, February 9, 2024

TECHNICAL FLUENCY

Diagnostics and Medical Devices

- Bioinformatic
- Biomedical devices
- Biomedical engineering
- Biosensors
- Diagnostics
- Digital pathology
- Medical devices
- Medical imaging

- Point-of-care testing (POCT)
- Telemedicine technology
- Wearable analyte sensors

Engineering and Technology

- AI
- Computer science
- Electrical engineering
- Machine learning
- Materials science
- Mechanical engineering
- Microfluidics
- Nanorobotics
- Robotics

Miscellaneous

- Biostatistics in clinical trials
- Design patent
- Fluorescence microscopy