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Colm is a European Patent Attorney, European Patent Litigator and Chartered Patent Attorney with a practice covering a broad range of IP matters in the life sciences arena. He has over 20 years' experience advising clients in relation to biochemical, pharmaceutical and medical device patents.

Colm's practice includes drafting and prosecuting patent applications to EPO Oppositions and Appeals; freedom-to-operate clearances; as well advising on IP portfolio/ risk management strategies; and IP exploitation. His approach is to build strong collaborative relationships with clients in order to be able to provide proactive and commercial solutions.

Colm has particular expertise advising clients in contentious matters including Opposition and Appeals at the European Patent Office. He acts in this area as European counsel for a global gene sequencing company and has successfully defended and invalidated many European patents on their behalf.

He is independently recognised as a leading practitioner. The Legal 500 2012 states that "Colm Murphy is highlighted for his excellent advice and knowledge" while UK Chambers & Partners has ranked him in Band 1 for patent attorneys. Colm is also recognised as an IP Star by Managing IP and by IAM Patent 1000 as a leading patent professional.

### Education

Nottingham Law School  
LLM, 2007

Queen Mary University of London  
MSc, 1993

Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin  
BA, 1992

### Admissions & Credentials

European Patent Office

UK Intellectual Property Office

Representative before Unified Patent Court

### Rankings & Accolades

Legal 500 UK: Brand Management, Intellectual Property, and Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology

Who's Who Legal Patents: Agents

## Memberships & Affiliations

Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys, fellow

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Member, CIPA Biotechnology Committee