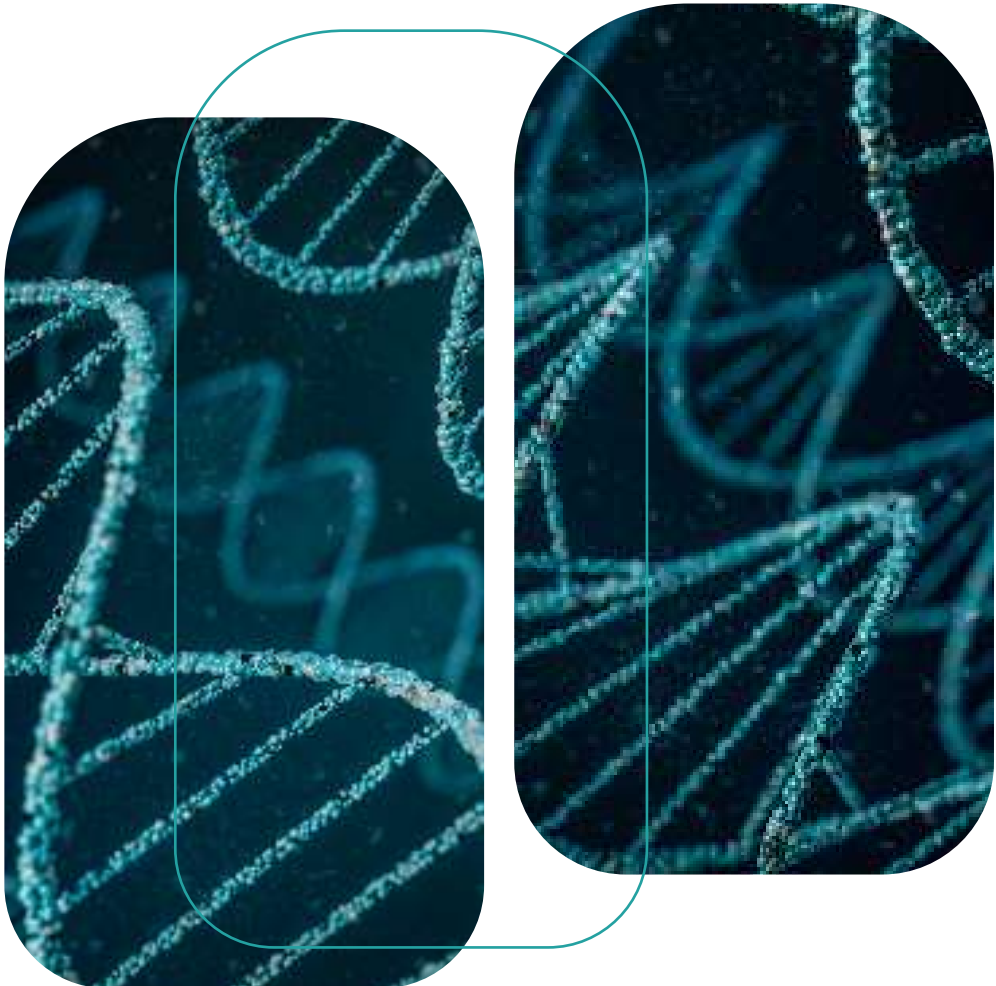


Di Blasi, Parente & Asociados

# Life Sciences

Our solutions



## Our expertise in Life Sciences

We are specialized in topics related to patent protection, offering comprehensive technical and legal solutions for companies seeking to protect, manage, and enforce their patent rights at both national and international levels.

We offer our full expertise in patents, delivering results in the processing, management, and filing of patent applications for our clients.

Our commitment is to provide high-quality, specialized technical advice tailored to each client's needs, helping to protect and enhance their intellectual property assets.

**“They are very good at what they do. They are highly responsive and efficient, delivering quality services. They are always punctual for meetings and focused on their tasks.”** – Chambers and Partners

Our team is highly qualified and experienced, composed of professionals with years of expertise working with market-leading clients.

Our **multidisciplinary team**—composed of professionals such as biologists, biomedical scientists, biotechnologists, pharmacists, chemists, biochemists, among others—**can design optimal strategies** for protecting inventions, addressing the sector's challenges from the outset.

Our deep knowledge of the industries in which our clients operate enables us to achieve **high performance** and **outstanding results** in the filings we lead.

The extensive experience and dedication of our team ensure **personalized service**, focusing on individual client needs and offering **innovative** and **effective** patent protection solutions.



## Our services

With a personalized and consultative approach, our teams work together to ensure the effective and secure protection of our clients' intellectual property.

Our commitment to excellence, professionalism, and innovation allows us to offer a complete and efficient service tailored to each client's specific needs.

We are prepared to assist clients at every stage of the patent protection process, ensuring legal security and safeguarding their intellectual property rights.

### Patent monitoring

- Patentability assessment
- Strategies for protecting your invention
- Guidance on patent laws and regulations, especially regarding legal prohibitions under Brazil's Industrial Property Law

### Patent search and analysis

- Prior art search
- Analysis of identified documents and their implications for technology protection
- Freedom-to-Operate analysis
- Competitor patent portfolio analysis

### Patent drafting and filing

- Patent application drafting
- Sequence listings preparation
- Filing of national and international patent applications
- Biological material deposit under the Budapest Treaty on the international recognition of the deposit of microorganisms
- Patent application compliance with law 13.123 of May 20, 2015, governing access to Brazilian genetic resources

### Patent filing review and monitoring

- Initial review to ensure all necessary documents and information are submitted
- Compliance check to Brazilian or foreign legal requirements

### Examination process monitoring

- Deadline tracking and payment of annual maintenance fees

- Interaction with BPTO and examiners
- Centralized control of processes across Latin America

### Patent amendment

- Amendments before examination to ensure regulatory compliance
- Amendments to reduce examination fees

### Response to office actions

- Office action analysis
- Detailed and reasoned responses to office actions, including amendments if necessary
- Direct interaction with examiners to address objections and expedite approval

### Accelerated examination requests

- Eligibility check and strategy selection
- Preparation and monitoring of the request

### Record keeping and documentation

- Communication logs
- Document storage

### Client updates

- Regular reports
- Consultations and strategic recommendations for action during the examination process

### Patent grant procedures

- Fee payment
- Patent letter review

### Post-grant support

- Patent maintenance

- Rights defense, including legal and technical advice for infringement, nullity, or other disputes

### Patent portfolio management

- Strategic portfolio planning
- Intellectual property asset valuation
- Governance

### Patent intelligence services

- Technological trend analysis
- Competitive intelligence reports
- Technological landscape mapping

### Training and education

- Workshops and seminars on patents and intellectual property
- Internal team training
- Intellectual property awareness programs

### Infringement analysis

### Technical briefs and administrative nullity procedures

### Legal services

#### Rights protection and enforcement

- Judicial measures involving all forms of patent-related actions, such as declaratory actions of non-infringement, infringement actions, patent nullity actions, and patent term review actions
- Dispute resolution and mediation
- Rights enforcement across jurisdictions

#### Licensing and commercialization

- Negotiation of licensing agreements

## Complementary intellectual property services

### Industrial design registration

The protection of industrial designs for packaging, containers, medication capsules, equipment, and medical devices covers the aesthetic and visual characteristics of the

product, such as shape, contours, patterns, and ornaments. This protection does not extend to technical or functional aspects but aims to ensure exclusivity over visible elements that make up the design.

In the case of packaging and containers, industrial design protects the originality of shape and external appearance, preventing copies that replicate these distinctive characteristics. For medication capsules, protection can cover aspects like shape and color combinations, which are registered as part of the design. In equipment and medical devices, industrial design safeguards the unique appearance of the product, including features such as ergonomics and visual profile, as long as these are not exclusively determined by their function.

#### Some services:

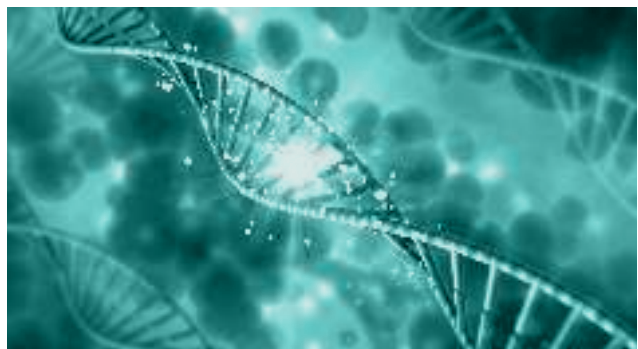
- Filing and management of industrial design registrations
- Prior art search and state-of-the-art analysis
- Freedom-to-operate analysis
- Competitor portfolio monitoring

### Plant variety protection

- SNPC plant variety protection

### Genetic resources and associated traditional knowledge

- SisGen registration for access to genetic resources and traditional knowledge



## Why invest in intellectual property protection?

### 1. Effective innovation protection

Life Sciences companies frequently develop innovative technologies, from new molecules and treatments to advanced medical devices. We offer comprehensive advice to protect these innovations, ensuring your inventions are well-guarded against potential infringements and your intellectual property rights are maximized.

### 2. Navigating regulatory requirements

The Life Sciences sector faces unique regulatory challenges that directly impact patent protection. Products such as pharmaceuticals and medical devices undergo rigorous pre-market approval processes, reducing the effective time of exclusivity. Additionally, clinical data protection, compulsory licensing in public health emergencies, and specific regulations for biosimilars and generics vary widely between jurisdictions, requiring tailored strategies. Patent extensions, labeling, product compliance, and the influence of agencies like the FDA, EMA, and ANVISA further complicate patent acquisition and defense in this sector, affecting the viability and exclusivity period across different markets.

### 3. Monitoring and defense against infringements

Keeping a close watch on the market and identifying potential infringements is essential to protect your patents. We offer continuous monitoring services and a swift response to safeguard your rights, whether through litigation or strategic negotiations, ensuring that your company maintains its competitive advantage in the face of potential patent violations.

### 4. Strategic guidance for expansion

As your business grows, so do your intellectual property needs. We provide strategic guidance to adapt and expand your patent portfolio, facilitating market entry and safeguarding new innovations.

### 5. Maximizing intellectual property value

Beyond protection, we help maximize the value of your patents through licensing opportunities, strategic partnerships, and asset sales, ensuring a return on your R&D investments.

## Our experience as an international hub

We act as a correspondent hub in Latin America, offering an unparalleled strategic platform for companies seeking to expand their presence in the region. Through a robust and well-integrated local partner network, we provide quick access to diverse markets while efficiently managing each country's regulatory and legal complexities.

This capability allows companies to focus on innovation and growth while we ensure compliance, intellectual property protection, and the implementation of advantageous commercial strategies. We not only facilitate market entry but also support ongoing success in this dynamic and evolving industry.



## About our firm

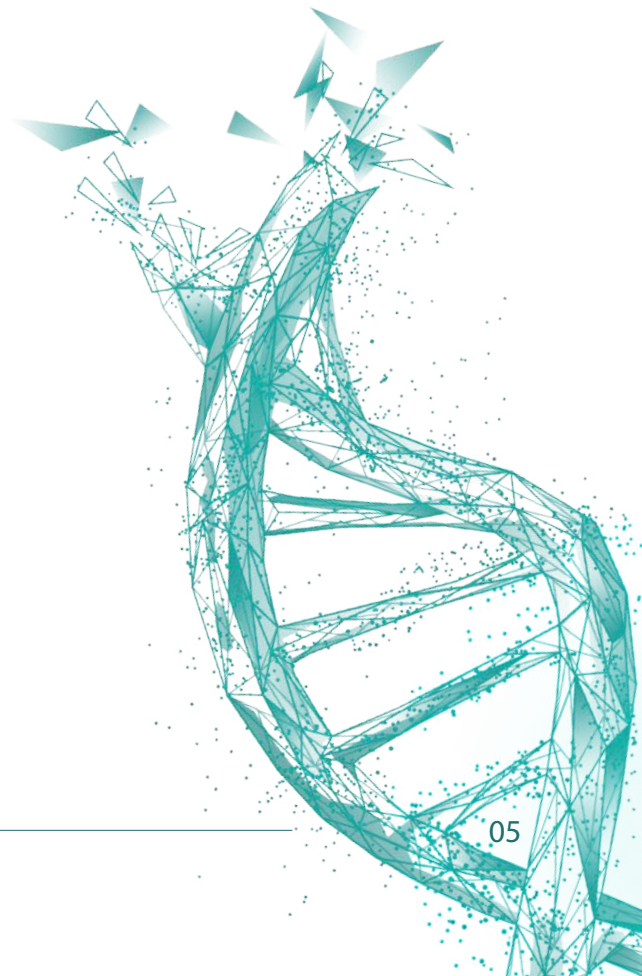
Di Blasi, Parente & Asociados is a well-established, internationally recognized intellectual property law firm. We excel in assisting clients and protecting intellectual property across various industries. With a highly skilled team, we serve both national and international companies.

Our extensive experience in advising biotechnology, pharmaceutical, and healthcare companies allows us to provide strategic and technical support on complex matters, including patents for medicines, biotechnology, and health regulations.

In addition to technical expertise, we maintain a strong commitment to innovation, staying up-to-date with changes in Life Sciences legislation and the latest inventions. Continuous training ensures our clients receive the best legal advice in this highly regulated field.

Custom service is another cornerstone of our firm. Each client receives individualized

attention, with strategies tailored to their specific needs. This approach not only strengthens client relationships but also leads to more effective and satisfactory solutions



## Our team



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Gabriel Di Blasi is the founding partner of Di Blasi, Parente & Associados, with 38 years of experience as a lawyer, industrial property agent, and industrial engineer. Gabriel has extensive experience in both national and international matters, including patents, industrial designs, trade secrets, plant varieties, licensing and franchise agreements, as well as technology and innovation management. His legal and litigation work spans various sectors such as agribusiness, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, animal health, agrochemicals, green technology, biotechnology, telecommunications, mechanics, oil and gas, among others.

He has been recognized by Chambers Global, Chambers Latin America, Who's Who Legal, IAM 1000, IP Stars, The Legal 500, WIPR, LACCA, and others.

Diana Marcondes is a Chemical Engineer with a specialization in Intellectual Property Law. At the firm, she works on the protection of patent applications in the fields of Chemistry, Agriculture, Cosmetics, Mechanics, and related areas. Her practice includes, but is not limited to, patent and industrial design prosecution, patentability searches and analyses, technical opinions, patent drafting, and technical support in litigation.

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She is currently pursuing a master's degree in Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer for Innovation (PROFNIT – UFRJ), holds a postgraduate degree in Intellectual Property Law from PUC Rio, a pharmacy degree from Centro Universitário Celso Lisboa, and also completed a sandwich program in Pharmacy at the University of Montana (USA).

Paulo is a specialist in Civil Procedural Law with strong experience in intellectual property matters relevant to the life sciences sector. He advises clients in all phases of litigation, including high-impact cases involving pharmaceutical patents, regulatory strategies, and complex enforcement of IP rights. He has participated in international legal forums and regularly supports foreign clients navigating the Brazilian legal landscape.

Currently pursuing a Master's degree in Philosophy and General Theory of Law at the University of São Paulo (USP), Paulo also holds a postgraduate degree in Civil Procedural Law from the Rio de Janeiro State Magistrates School (EMERJ) and a Law degree from the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ). He is a frequent legal writer and is often cited in academic works and judicial decisions.



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Paula has extensive experience assisting international clients in the life sciences industry, with a focus on complex IP litigation involving pharmaceutical and agrochemical patents, trademarks, and regulatory frameworks. She is well-versed in handling matters related to ANVISA, patent linkage, and technology transfer agreements, and regularly advises on R&D-related projects and IP licensing.

She is currently pursuing a postgraduate degree in Civil and Civil Procedural Law at FGV Law School (FGV DIREITO SP), holds a postgraduate degree in Intellectual Property Law from PUC Rio, and earned her Law degree from PUC Rio. Her practice combines litigation expertise with strategic advisory services tailored to the demands of highly regulated sectors.

Isabelle is an attorney with a strong focus on strategic IP litigation and advisory in the life sciences and healthcare industries. She has experience managing disputes and providing legal counsel on trademark and patent issues, including those involving biotechnology and pharmaceutical products. Her work includes handling administrative proceedings before the Brazilian PTO (INPI).

Isabelle holds a Law degree from the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ) and a specialization in Intellectual Property Law from PUC Rio. Her background supports innovative clients seeking to protect and enforce IP rights in a competitive and regulated environment.



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