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Dr. Jennifer Zhou is a patent agent in the Irvine office of Maschoff Brennan, where she focuses on

intellectual property (IP) law. Her practice has a strong life science focus, and includes patent application drafting and prosecution, freedom to operate analyses, non-infringement and invalidity opinion in the chemistry art.

Prior to joining the firm, Dr. Zhou worked as a Patent Agent at K&L Gates practicing patent law in life science and technology. Dr. Zhou has more than 10 years of medicinal chemistry experience at a number of biotech and pharmaceutical companies, in drug discovery research on several biological targets.

She has various management roles such as Director of Chemistry Department, Project Leader of a 30+ member interdisciplinary drug discovery research team, and was a lead medicinal chemist on four drug discovery programs which resulted in clinical development candidates. She has extensive experience in structure-based ligand design for drug discovery research. Dr. Zhou has published 42 peer reviewed papers in scientific journals, and speaks fluent Chinese.

Education

- Postdoctoral Fellow, Chemistry, Texas A&M University
- Ph.D., Organic Chemistry, Shanghai Institute of Organic Chemistry (SIOC)
- B.S., Chemistry, Suzhou (Soochow) University, Suzhou, China

Technical Experience

- Pharmaceuticals
- Medicinal Chemistry
- Organic Chemistry
- Organometallic Chemistry
- Polymer Chemistry
- Surface Chemistry
- Combinatorial chemistry
- Drug discovery research

Professional Admissions & Associations

- United States Patent & Trademark Office

Second Language

- Chinese

Awards & Recognition

Patexia Insights – Ranked #1, *Best Performing Attorney in Biotech* and Ranked #52, *Most Active Attorney in Biotech*

