

LIFE SCIENCES









A LEADING CANADIAN LIFE SCIENCES PRACTICE

Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (BLG) truly speaks your language. Our team includes many individuals who hold PhDs or Master's degrees in the life sciences, and bring an in-depth understanding of the science and technology on which your business is built. A number of our professionals also have relevant industry related positions, which provides us with working knowledge and a genuine comprehension of this sector — both where it has been and where it is heading. In addition, we maintain a close involvement to the life sciences community, and have partnered with leading members to create or support central organizations where members can come together, share knowledge and gain valuable insights.

- More than 70 life science lawyers and patent agents across offices in Calgary, Montréal, Ottawa, Toronto and Vancouver
- MDs, PhDs, and other advanced degrees in medicine, life sciences, and engineering
- · Professionals with experience working in the industry sector

WORKING IN ALL FACETS OF LIFE SCIENCES

- Intellectual Property Protection and Litigation
- The Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations
- Food and Drug Law
- Financings and Capital Markets
- Licensing, Research Collaborations and other Strategic Alliances
- Mergers, Acquisitions and Divestitures
- Federal Patented Medicine Pricing and Provincial Price Reimbursements

- Government Relations
- Advertising and Promotion
- Competition
- · Labour and Employment
- Privacy
- Tax
- Product Liability
- Class Actions
- Dispute Resolution





ADVISING ON

- product development, promotion, wholesaling and distribution arrangements
- manufacturing and supply agreements
- clinical trial agreements involving all phases of clinical research
- product (formulary) listing agreements with provincial health authorities
- regulatory requirements of Health Canada including clinical trials, new drug submissions, Notices of Compliance and Drug Identification Numbers, packaging, labelling, advertising clearances, marketing, audits and product recalls
- provincial pharmacy requirements including payments of rebates, incentives and professional allowances
- federal and provincial privacy and document retention requirements including compliance reviews and drafting compliance programs
- dealings with the Patented Medicine Prices
 Review Board, including interpretation of
 Excessive Price Guidelines, negotiations of
 Voluntary Compliance Undertakings and
 administrative proceedings before the Board
- practice standards and ethical codes of conduct
- private and public merger and other acquisition transactions including due diligence

- venture capital, institutions investment and public market financing transactions, acting either on behalf of investors, agents or the investee companies
- public policy including advice on government relations, regulatory affairs and strategic communications
- intellectual property protection, including preparing and prosecuting patent and trademark applications, obtaining patents and trademarks, copyright protection, and preparing, prosecuting and obtaining plant breeders' rights, issues surrounding data protection and litigation under the NOC Regulations
- intellectual property portfolios and management, including advising on Health Canada Patent Register
- competitors' intellectual property
- freedom to operate, validity and infringement analysis and opinions
- Litigation support, including IP, product liability, administrative proceedings, contract and licensing disputes, etc.
- the application of the NOC Regulations and data protection system to subsequent entry biologicals

INTEGRATED BUSINESS LEGAL SERVICES

Clients can expect to find a team of professionals at BLG that is entrepreneurial and business minded. We have extensive experience assisting clients in structuring and documenting standard and unique business structures, including mergers, divestitures, acquisitions, joint ventures, licenses and partnerships. Our Competition, Advertising, Government Relations, Labour and Employment and Tax Groups also regularly serve clients of the Life Sciences Group. With such a cross-disciplinary practice, you can look to BLG to act as your trusted and well-connected advisor.

FOOD AND DRUG REGULATORY ADVICE

At BLG, we are among the leaders in the food and drug regulatory community in Canada, and assist clients in navigating through the highly complex environment of federal and provincial regulations. We provide strategic advice under the Food and Drug Regulations as well as the *Patented Medicines* (*Notice of Compliance*) *Regulations*, and consult on drug reimbursement strategies for dealing with provincial formularies and the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board. We also assist clients in all aspects of the legislative process, including helping clients conceive and implement effective advocacy strategies to achieve their public policy objectives, including changes to statutes and regulations.

About Borden Ladner Gervais

For clients looking for a strategic partner in the life sciences sector, BLG has one of the largest and most comprehensive practices in Canada.

Our lawyers and registered patent and trademark agents work within cross-disciplinary teams to understand and assist as you balance marketing, regulatory and intellectual property concerns with successful financing and business strategies. Also, a well versed litigation team is available to act on your behalf in a wide variety of matters relevant to this sector, including intellectual property disputes, products liability litigation, contract and licensing disputes, administrative proceedings and class actions. Regardless of the issue, our Life Sciences Group works with you, as part of your team, to achieve your goals.

