



> IP Information Specialist – Akzo Nobel Arnhem

Akzo Nobel is a Global Fortune 500 company and is listed on both the Euronext Amsterdam and NASDAQ stock exchanges. It is also included on the Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes and FTSE4 Good Index. Based in the Netherlands, we are a multicultural organization serving customers throughout the world with human and animal healthcare products, coatings, and chemicals. We employ around 61,880 people and conduct our activities in these four segments, with operating subsidiaries in more than 80 countries. Consolidated revenues for 2006 totalled EUR 13.7 billion. The financial results for the first quarter will be published on April 24, 2007.

Legal Affairs & Intellectual Property

Akzo Nobel's IP group forms the IP part of Akzo Nobel's Corporate Legal Affairs & Intellectual Property department. This department has approximately 60 lawyers and IP attorneys, and 55 support staff, in 14 offices world-wide. The IP attorneys and IP support staff are responsible for the protection of the Akzo Nobel IP and for providing services in the area of patents, trademarks, trade secrets, copyrights, database rights, trade names, domain names and models. The Information Specialists group provides support to both the Patent and Trademark attorneys.

The position IP Information Specialist

The successful applicant will carry out both chemical literature and trademark searches. A number of different databases/hosts/search languages are utilised in order to obtain the search results. Analysing these results to answer the specific questions posed by the client is a large part of the responsibility. The patent search types range from background information in general through novelty, validity to freedom to operate searches. Literature searches are conducted in all technical areas where Akzo Nobel is active. Examples are paints & coatings, paper chemicals, salt, peroxides, chelates and cellulose derivatives.

The work is carried out autonomously within the group and group members are expected to actively keep up to date with the developments in the field. This can be done through self learning/webex courses offered by the database providers and also contributing in the wider searching community via the PDG workgroups

While no experience is necessary as in-house training will be provided, some knowledge of patents is an advantage.

The ideal candidate

You will be educated to university degree level in Chemistry and have 3-5 years experience in either a research capacity or as an IP Specialist searcher. Strong English skills are essential. Other language skills are an advantage.

Information

More general information can be found on website www.akzonobel.com

For any questions about the position, please contact Dr. H.B. Harvey (Head Section IP Information Specialists) at 026 366 5270 or heather.harvey@akzonobel.com

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