

IP Manager

Permanent position, full-time.

What is Force Oncology?

Force Oncology is a challenger in the Tumor Treating Fields (TTFields) market. TTFields is a medical device approach to treating cancer tumors, approved for brain tumor and lung cancer treatment, with brain tumors alone a \$580M global market today. Currently available products have limited product-market fit and most patients opt out of starting treatment (one representative study found only 36% accepted). By engineering an improved and more mature product, it is likely that more patients will accept treatment and stick with it for longer, potentially extending their lives. Force Oncology is on a mission to develop the TTFields equipment that extends life the longest and that is preferred by patients. Getting medical devices to market is both a marathon and a sprint, and every day matters as we work to bring improvements to patients. We carry that urgency always. Cancer can't wait.

IP at Force Oncology

Intellectual property is at the core of what we do. Patents can put constraints on the features and benefits we can bring to patients. Protecting our innovations is key to our success. We are building our own portfolio of patents, with a number of currently pending families and with more to be filed. TTFields is a contested, global IP market, and extensive research has already been performed by Force Oncology to understand the IP landscape (thousands of pages of original analysis). We aim to punch above our weight on our way to becoming a large player, with a sophisticated strategy based on both volume and quality of IP-related work, and to act strongly to ensure our freedom to operate.

What to expect

Force Oncology is a small organization, with the pros and cons that come with that. We are building something new, and it is important that you too are a hands-on problem solver with a strong focus on the mission.

The role includes

- Work with our engineers to craft patent protections for our innovations
- Identify and mitigate any potential freedom-to-operate obstacles related to our designs
- Monitoring the TTFields field to identify new IP-related threats and opportunities
- Research and develop plans for dealing with competitors' IP, and implement actions as required
- Interacting with patent attorneys to further our IP agenda

Who you are

You have previous experience of working with patents, e.g., as a patent attorney. You want to work with innovations that truly matter, and you want to be able to have real impact doing so. You play to win, and thinking creatively, obsessing about the details and daring to be bold when needed is how your winning happens.

We look forward to receiving your application at jobs /at/ forceonco.com.