

## **European Patent Attorney** Tumba, Sweden

## THE OPPORTUNITY:

Alfa Laval is a world leader within three key technologies: Heat transfer, Separation, and Fluid Handling, and its products are needed in most industries including food, the environment, engineering, pharmaceuticals, refineries or petrochemicals. Established since 1883, the Company offers you the opportunity to work in a world leading innovation-driven culture where intellectual property has been rooted in the bedrock of its foundation since its inception.

This is an opportunity to come on board and make a real impact in establishing a strong inhouse full-service presence. The site is highly IP-centric in culture so you will find a very willing internal client relying on you to advise and direct them on patent strategy and related matters. You will join a highly experienced and competent patent group and you will have the privilege of working with a wonderful mix of technologies; taking a leading role in managing the full life cycle of a designated patent portfolio.

## THE ROLE:

Located in Tumba, you will be responsible for all patent-related matters for the Separation group. This is carried out predominantly in Tumba but also in Lund. It is expected that the first year will see the you assimilating the technologies and establishing connections with the business. The stakeholders are based on the same site, which will make it easier to engage in regular dialogue and build relations. The first year will also see you settling into the wider patent group and integrating with the team in Lund.

In parallel to navigating through the intricacies of the business, there will also be a requirement to quickly assume the ownership of a portfolio of cases. How this is organized across the team in Tumba, will be dependent on your experience and capacity, and balancing this with the other attorneys on-site in Tumba. A key highlight to this role is the increasing number of opposition cases and litigation to be managed. This is a great opportunity to come into a department where there is a substantial caseload of post-grant patent matters – further evidence of the strategic importance IP has within Alfa Laval.

## **YOUR EXPERIENCE:**

- Your academic qualification includes mechanical engineering or a related degree.
- You will be EPA qualified and will have a good base of substantive patent experience.
- You will have worked on a variety of patent matters including oppositions and litigation cases.
- Your background will be inhouse. Private practice attorneys will also be considered but it is important that you have clients where you engage directly with them and have had some exposure to advising on patent strategy.