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Irene Patzak is in the **Business Development** team, focussing on **Clinical Partnerships** since 2018. Her team is responsible for search and evaluation as well as commercial interactions with new partners for the Clinical Development Partnership model, where oncology therapeutics from industry are developed through preclinical and Phase I/IIa clinical studies in collaboration with CRUK's Centre for Drug Development. Irene is responsible for the management of those active, clinical partnerships with commercial partners. Before, since 2013, she was sourcing, patenting, marketing and commercialising science within the Commercial Partnerships team, CRUK's Technology Transfer arm.

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