

A PATENT PRIMER FOR THE PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENTIST

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This lecture will cover the basics of patent law for scientists including how to obtain U.S. patent protection, how to maintain records to prove inventorship, and how claims are used in patent infringement. We will take a look at patent disputes involving analytical techniques, including X-ray powder diffraction, and how those cases might affect scientists in industry. Finally, I will present a brief discussion of Hatch-Waxman law, which relates to the interface between U.S. patent law and food and drug law.