

May 31 & June 1, 2010, 2 full days
Location: Weggis, Seminarhotel Rigi

Start: 8.53 am on May 31; End: 6.05 pm on June 1, 2010

Patenting in Life Sciences Challenges and Questions

Course for PhD Students of **PSC Program in Plant Sciences** and **Life Science Zurich Graduate School**

Course Description:

What is a patent? How is it obtained? What are the implications of Life Science patents for – my career perspectives? – academic research? – society?

Individual Performance and Assessment: Literature studies are part of the preparatory work of the course (0.5 days). Active participation in case-study work and individual presentation of results on day 2. Group and individual work of good quality and reasonable quantity is a requirement for getting the credit for the course.

Keynotes & Workshops:

Patent Law: Basic Conceptions and Misconceptions, Prof. Dr. H. Müller, Clinical Biochemistry, University of Basel

Block 2 - Ethics and Patenting, Dr. N. Anwander, Institut für Philosophie der Humboldt-Universität Berlin

Block 3 - Questions of Patenting in the Lab, Prof. Dr. E. Hafen, Institute for Molecular System Biology, ETH Zurich

Block 4 - Companies, Dr. Martin Sperrle, Cytos Biotechnology AG, Schlieren

Block 5 - Careers, Dr. Nicolas Favre, Head Patents and Licensing am Friedrich Miescher Institut, Basel

Block 6 - Introduction to Tec Transfer: Dr. Corina Schütt, ETH transfer, ETH Zurich

Workshop and Case-Study Work (Students and all lecturers)

Individual Presentations of Case-Study Work (Students)

Schedule

Monday May 31

Time	Topic
8:53 a.m.	Arrival of boat (departures: Zurich 7:04 a.m., Basel 7:03 a.m., Berne 7:00 a.m.)
9:00 – 9:30 a.m.	Arrival of participants, registration, coffee
9:30 – 9:35 a.m.	Welcome <i>NN</i>

9:35 – 10:20 a.m.	Patent Law: Basic Conceptions and Misconceptions <i>Prof. Dr. H. Müller, Clinical Biochemistry, University of Basel; Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, Berne</i>
10:20 – 10:35 a.m.	Coffee Break
10:35 – 11:35 a.m.	Seminar and discussion on Patent Basics Format to be discussed among speakers
11:35 – 11:40 a.m.	Short break
11:40 – 12:10 a.m.	Ethics: The Ethics of Patenting (working title) <i>Dr. Norbert Anwander, Humboldt-University, Berlin</i>
12:10 a.m.– 1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	Seminar and discussion on Ethics Format to be discussed among speakers
2:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Coffee Break & Check-in
3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Labs: Patenting in Academia (working title) <i>Prof. Dr. E. Hafen, Institut for Molecular System Biology, ETH Zurich</i>
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.	Seminar and discussion on labs Format to be discussed among speakers
4:30 – 4:45	Break
4:45 – 5:15 p.m.	Companies: Cytos Biotechnology AG <i>Dr. Martin Sperrle, Cytos Biotechnology AG, Schlieren</i>
5:15 – 6:15 p.m.	Seminar and discussion on companies Format to be discussed among speakers
6:15 – 7:45 p.m.	Dinner
8:15 – 8:45 p.m.	Careers: Jobs Opportunities in the Patent Field <i>Dr. Nicolas Favre, FMI, Basel</i>
8:45 p.m. open end	Discussions, networking and drinks

Tuesday June 1

Time	Topic
7:00 – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast and checkout
8:30 – 10:00 a.m.	Workshops in Groups <i>Patent Basics/Ethics/Labs</i>
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break
10:30 – 12:00 a.m.	Workshops in Groups <i>Patent Basics/Ethics/Labs</i>
12:00 a.m.– 1:30 p.m.	Lunch

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Presentation of Workshop Results
3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	Coffee Break
4:00 – 4:45 p.m.	Why and How Swiss Academic Institutions Patent and License (working title) <i>Dr. Corina Schütt, ETH transfer, Zurich</i>
4:45 – 5:30 p.m.	General Discussion
5:30 p.m.	Departure of Participants
6:05 p.m.	Departure of boat from Weggis (Arrivals: Zurich 7:56 p.m., Basel 7:53 p.m., Berne 8:00 p.m.)

Credit Point: 1 CP

Course language is in English. The number of participants is limited to 40.

Deadline for registration: February 22, 2010.

Registration Fee: 150 CHF

For further information and registration:

http://www.plantscience.ethz.ch/education/graduate_study/courses_ps/

This course is organized by:

Forum Genforschung (<http://www.geneticresearch.ch>),

Life Science Zurich Graduate School (<http://www.lifescience-graduateschool.ch>)

Zurich-Basel Plant Science Center (<http://www.plantscience.ethz.ch>)

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