

Embracing Life – Challenges and Questions in Patenting for Life Sciences
Gwatt-Zentrum, November 3 and 4, 2005**Schedule****Thursday November 3**

Time	Topic
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.	Arrival of participants, registration
9:45 – 9:50 a.m.	Welcome Prof. J.-P. Zryd, Member of the Forum for Genetic Research
9:50 – 10:35 a.m.	Patent Law: Basic Conceptions and Misconceptions <i>Dr. L. Bühler, Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, Berne</i>
10:35 – 10:55 a.m.	Coffee Break
10:55 – 12:00 a.m.	Workshop on Patent Basics
12:00 – 12:30 a.m.	Plenary Discussion
12:30 a.m.– 1:45 p.m.	Lunch
1:45 – 3:15 p.m.	Patents, Volatile Assets for Biotech Spinoffs <i>Dr. Barbara Frösch, The Genetics Company Inc., Schlieren</i> The Role of Intellectual Property Management Today <i>Dr. B. Hostettler, Head of Intellectual Property Management, Prionics Ltd., Schlieren</i>
3:15 – 3:50 p.m.	Coffee Break & Check-in
3:50 – 5:15 p.m.	Workshop on Practical Patenting Issues
5:15 – 6:15 p.m.	Plenary Discussion
6:15 – 8:00 p.m.	Dinner
8:00 – 8:30 p.m.	Movie: "Why are Warangal Farmers Angry With Bt Cotton?"
8:30 p.m. – open end	Open-end Discussion with <i>Dr. A. Einsele, Internutrition, Zurich</i>

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Friday November 4

Time	Topic
8:30 – 09:10 a.m.	Patents on Life: Will They Serve All of Us? <i>U. Gröhn-Wittern, BUKO Agrar Koordination, Hamburg (D)</i>
09:10 – 10:10 a.m.	Workshop on Patents and Society
10:10 – 10:40 a.m.	Plenary Discussion
10:40 – 11:00 a.m.	Coffee Break
11:00 – 12:15 a.m.	Joining the Dark Side: Careers in Patent Law for Biotechnologists <i>Dr. I. Galli, European Patent Office, Rijswijk (NL)</i>
12:15 a.m.– 1:45 p.m.	Lunch
1:45 – 2:30 p.m.	Why and How Swiss Academic Institutions Patent and License <i>Dr. A. Richardson, Swiss University Technology Transfer, University of Geneva</i>
2:30 – 3:30 p.m.	What's Special About Genes? Some Philosophical Considerations <i>Prof. M Weber, Science Research and Philosophy, University of Basel</i>
3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	General Discussion
4:00 p.m	Departure of participants