

Embracing Life – Challenges and Questions in Patenting for Life Sciences
Gwatt-Zentrum, November 9 and 10, 2006**Schedule****Thursday November 9**

Time	Topic
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.	Arrival of participants, registration
9:45 – 9:50 a.m.	Welcome <i>S. Nussbaum, Forum for Genetic Research</i>
9:50 – 10:40 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>
10:40 – 11:00 a.m.	Coffee Break
11:00 – 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> Looking for patent information: databases and search techniques <i>Dr. E. Künnemann, 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 p.m. – open end	Patents: Who wins, who loses? <i>Case study Hoodia. Introduction by the movie "The Anti-Fat Pill and the Bushmen" by Tom Mangold, BBC</i> Followed by an open-end Discussion with <i>Tina Goethe, Swissaid, Zurich</i> <i>Dr. Walter Smolders, Syngenta Foundation, Belgium</i>

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Friday November 10

Time	Topic
8:30 – 09:10 a.m.	Patents & Ethics <i>Dr. J.-H. Heinrichs, Universität Erfurt (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.	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 – 3:15 p.m.	General Discussion
3:15 p.m	Departure of participants