

# Royal Society of Chemistry Law Group's IP Case Law Seminar

Thursday, 29 November 2012  
Burlington House, Piccadilly, London

Our annual and highly popular seminar will focus on recent high profile patent law developments in the UK, Europe and the US in the field of chemistry and pharmaceuticals. The seminar will be held at the RSC's offices at Burlington House and will be chaired by Alex Rogers, Patent Attorney, Haseltine Lake LLP. Registration will open at 1:00 pm.

We are delighted to have six excellent speakers who will be able to provide us with a real insight into the legal and technical issues.

- 1:00-1:30      **Registration**
- 1:30-2:00      **SPCs – Implications of Medeva and Neurim cases**  
Graham Burnett-Hall, Partner, Marks & Clerk Solicitors
- 2:00-2:30      **Evidently Plausible: post-published evidence (and more) in Mylan v Yeda**  
Joseph Lenthall, Patent Attorney, Mewburn Ellis LLP
- 2:30-3:00      **Moving targets – Liversidge v Abbott Laboratories in the Patents County Court**  
Stuart Jackson, Partner, Kempner and Partners
- 3:00-3:30      **Refreshment break**
- 3:30-4:00      **A year at the EPO - Board of Appeal review**  
Jennifer Harris, Partner, Kilburn & Strode LLP
- 4:00-4:30      **Crossing Borders - Update on National Case Law in Europe**  
Leythem Wall, Patent Attorney, ExxonMobil Chemical Europe
- 4:30-5:00      **Recent Developments in the US**  
Don Lewis, Partner, Lewis Kohn & Fitzwilliam LLP
- 5:00-6:00      **Drinks reception**

The cost of attending the seminar is £65 for RSC members and £80 for non-RSC members. The event has been very well attended in past years, and capacity is limited, so please book early if you wish to secure a place.

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### **Alex Rogers**

Alex gained a Chemistry degree from Oxford University, which involved a final year working for Professor Steve Davies devising new synthetic routes to certain amino acids. Alex is now a partner and patent attorney at the firm Haseltine Lake. Alex drafts and prosecutes UK and European patent applications in the chemical field, with a particular emphasis on pharmaceuticals and medical technologies. He also works on European Opposition and Appeal cases. Alex's clients include a number of universities, high-technology SMEs and multi-national companies.

### **Graham Burnett-Hall**

Graham studied chemistry at Oxford University and is now a partner in the specialist intellectual property law firm Marks & Clerk Solicitors LLP. He advises on all aspects of intellectual property law, with a particular emphasis on patent litigation and dispute resolution in areas with a high level of scientific or technical content. He advises clients in a wide range of fields, including the chemicals, biotechnology, medical, electronics and TMT sectors. Graham's patent work has included cases on pharmaceutical formulations, insulin-like growth factors and binding proteins, single chain antibodies, stent valves and occluders, wound dressings and artificial sweeteners. His cases include leading authorities on priority rights and contributory patent infringement. He also conducts proceedings relating to other IPRs, such as trade marks, designs, trade secrets and confidential information, as well as advising on commercial and transactional matters.

### **Joseph Lenthall**

Joseph gained a Chemistry degree from Durham University. During and after his degree, Joseph gained experience of IP law by working for the technology transfer offices of Oxford University and the Medical Research Council. Joseph returned to Durham University to complete a Ph.D. working on selective recovery of platinum group metal catalysts from mixed metal solutions (sponsored by BP Chemicals). Joseph is now a European and UK patent attorney at the firm Mewburn Ellis LLP. Joseph drafts and prosecutes UK and European patent applications, with an emphasis on pharmaceuticals and polymers.

### **Stuart Jackson**

Stuart Jackson gained a degree in Chemistry from Imperial College, after which he pursued research at Oxford involving enzyme mechanisms. After a few years in the brewing industry, he subsequently spent 15 years as a chemist and project manager in the health care industry, principally in the field of wound healing. He qualified as a solicitor in 1996, and now specialises in intellectual property law, particularly patent law, undertaking both litigation and non-contentious work such as licensing.

### **Jennifer Harris**

Jennifer gained a Double Honours degree in Chemistry and Biochemistry from the University of Southampton, and during the course of her degree spent time gaining practical experience in the areas of medicinal and combinatorial chemistry at BioFocus. Since 2001 she has been working in the patent profession, qualifying as both a UK and European Patent Attorney in 2005 and working with Kilburn & Strode LLP since 2006. Jennifer's practice focusses on the drafting and prosecution of patent applications before the EPO, UKIPO and worldwide, representing clients in hearings at the EPO and providing infringement and validity opinions. She works with companies ranging from start-ups and university technology transfer offices to multinational companies. Her work has a particular emphasis on pharmaceuticals, but she also works in many diverse areas of chemistry, including glass, ceramic and composite material technology and process chemistry.

**Leythem Wall**

Leythem has a degree in Chemistry from Oxford University, which involved a final year working for Professor Peter Edwards FRS investigating the dielectric catastrophe in high temperature superconducting systems. Having trained as a patent attorney in the Biotechnology and Chemical departments of a private practice in London, he is now in-house intellectual property counsel for a large multinational company and is based in Brussels, Belgium. Leythem is a Chartered UK Patent Attorney, a European Patent Attorney and a European Trademark and Design Attorney. He specialises in patent drafting, prosecution as well as Oppositions and Appeals, including representation in Oral Proceedings before the European Patent Office in Munich and The Hague.

**Don Lewis**

Don Lewis is a partner with Lewis Kohn & Fitzwilliam, LLP, a San Diego law firm specializing in issues relating to technology and innovation. Don has law degrees from both the US and the UK and is a practising attorney-at-law in California. He is also licensed to practise before both the USPTO and the Canadian IPO. He is admitted to the WIPO roster of arbitration neutrals and remains on the Law Society Roll as a non-practising solicitor. He was a founding member of the American Chemical Society (ACS) Division of Chemistry and the Law (CHAL) and helped found the RSC Law Group, which he presently chairs. He has a PhD in biophysics and was elected a Fellow of the RSC, in part, for his contributions to the early development of Click Chemistry.