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War or Co-operation: Implications of COVID-19 Vaccine Patents

January 12, 2021 by Khristoff Browning

Winter is here, and while this chilly season should feel like a jolly period filled with the promise of the new year, such feelings are not as apparent for 2021, with COVID-19 lurking among us. Paired with decreasing temperatures of the Canadian climate, [the number of cases](#) for the novel COVID-19 virus across Canada has risen at a pace exponentially faster than ever before. Such a rise in case numbers has resulted in the re-implementation of [public health restrictions](#) and increased demand for the availability of a vaccine. However, the implications of COVID-19 vaccine manufacturing may not be as simple as many believe, given that patent protection and enforcement serve as prime objectives for biotech manufacturers.

Written by Khristoff Browning, IPilogue Editor and a first-year JD candidate at Osgoode Hall Law School.

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Biopiracy and the Global Intellectual Property Regime: The Appropriation of Indigenous Peoples' Knowledge for Profits

January 14, 2021 by Bonnie Hassanzadeh

As pharmaceutical research and agricultural practices become more advanced in the West, there is an increasing desire by researchers and corporations to extract bio-resources from the developing world's flourishing biodiversity and use indigenous peoples' knowledge in order to put those bio-resources to [commercial use](#). The search and extraction of naturally-occurring materials and compounds for application in medicine and agriculture is called '[bioprospecting](#)'. Although the practice of bioprospecting may not seem problematic at first glance, a more cynical version of it – [biopiracy](#) – is consistently used to appropriate plants, indigenous culture and traditions to generate profits for western corporations with little to no benefit to indigenous communities that live in developing countries.

Written by Bonnie Hassanzadeh, IPilogue editor and Clinic Fellow at Osgoode Innovation Clinic.

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29 January 2021

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For more information and to register please click [here](#).

International Patent Protection and Software and Business Methods Patents Workshop

21 January 2021

An IP strategy is crucial for a company for achieving its business objectives. Join Tony Orsi and Ray Kovarik from Bereskin & Parr LLP to learn about International Patent Protection and Software and Business Methods Patents. During this workshop you will learn techniques to determine whether patent protection applies to innovations in the software and business method fields.

Visit the [website](#) for more details.

IP Picks of the Week

Despite an unpredictable market and changing consumer needs, the alcoholic beverage industry continues to flourish on a global scale. [Clarivate](#) IP experts explore how an increase in demand for craft drinks has resulted in a boom of online trade. Visit the [website](#) to learn more.

[Montreal MLS team](#) rebrands as Club De Foot Montreal. Along with the new name, the club has replaced the Impact's shield logo with a round black badge rimmed with blue and featuring a grey snowflake. Designer Justin Kingsley said the creative team wanted to harken back to some key Montreal moments with their work, including the 1976 Montreal Olympics and Expo 67. Click [here](#) to read more about the new changes to the beloved Montreal team.



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