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David's intellectual property practice focuses on obtaining, evaluating and advising on **patent** protection. He is regularly involved in obtaining patent protection on behalf of corporate, government and academic clients in the life sciences and manufacturing sectors.

David's areas of expertise include:

- patent applications related to biotechnology, life sciences, pharmaceuticals, therapeutics, medical devices, chemistry, and oil and gas
- patentability, validity, infringement and freedom-to-operate issues
- international patent strategies and portfolio management

After graduate school, David worked in Ottawa at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario as a research associate and at a start-up biotechnology company. He has conducted research in the areas of synthetic organic chemistry, cell surface remodelling, and molecular and cellular biology.

## Insights & Events

- Author, "Practical tips on patent term adjustment in Canada", BLG Article, December 2025

- Author, "Changes to Canadian patent examination: delayed and still uncertain", BLG Article, January 2022
- Author, "Upcoming Changes to Canada's Patent Legislation", BLG Article, October 2019
- Co-Author, "Get a Competitive Advantage through Patent Database Mining," Renewable Energy and Cleantech Canada, 2011.
- Contributing Author, Life Sciences & Chemical Patent Practice in Canada: A Practical Guide, 3rd Edition, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, 2011
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- Nauman & Bertozzi, "Kinetic parameters for small-molecule drug delivery by covalent cell surface targeting," *Biochim Biophys Acta*, 2001, 1568(2):147-54.
- Jacobs, Nauman, et al., "Metabolic labeling of glycoproteins with chemical tags through unnatural sialic acid biosynthesis," *Methods in Enzymology*, 2000, 327:260-75.

## Beyond Our Walls

### Professional Involvement

- Member, Intellectual Property Institute of Canada (IPIC)
- Member, joint liaison committee between patent branch management and IPIC patent agents

## Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2024 (and since 2016) in the *IAM Patent 1000 — The World's Leading Patent Practitioners* (Patent Prosecution)
- Recognized as a patent leader for Canada in the 2022 and 2023 editions of *IAM Global Leaders*

## Education

- Registered Canadian Patent Agent, 2009
- Registered U.S. Patent Agent for Canadian applicants, 2009
- PhD (organic chemistry), University of California, Berkeley, 2002
- BSc (chemical engineering), Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1997

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