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**The Role of Patents in Repurposing and Rescuing of Old Drugs**

Join us for a discussion with Ken Weber, Ph.D. J.D. where you will hear how

- Patents play a role in protecting drug inventions where the research involves the discovery of an old drug for a new use.
- Different patent strategies are available to university faculty for the protection of inventions having important therapeutic benefit, but where composition patent protection is unavailable.
- This protection is necessary to attract the interest of investors and drug companies allowing for the efficient translation of basic research from the laboratory to the clinic.

**WHEN:** April 5, 2016 at 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm  
**WHERE:** BME 3.206, Biomedical Engineering Building  

*University faculty and staff are invited to attend  
Lunch is provided*

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