

PCT Updates and Tips from the Office Perspective

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Today's Talking Points

- Changes in the Patents Team
- Office Updates
- ePCT Tips and Tricks
- Question Time





Changes in the Patents Team

- Patents and Designs Manager Simon Pope
- Patents Team Leaders:
 - Neroli Ayling (Chemistry)
 - Gaby Cowcill (Biotechnology)
 - Warren Coles (Electrical, ICT, Designs, PCT Receiving Office)
 - Richard Butterfield (Mechanical)
 - Jenny Jebson (Training and Support)

Patent and Designs

- Patent Examiners (52)
- Design Examiners (4)
- Patent Support Officers/PCT receiving Officers (2)





Office Updates

- ePCT and receiving Office more to come on this
- Acceded to the <u>Budapest Treaty</u> 17 March 2019
- Fees Review

Benefits of work sharing





ePCT - Updates and Tricks

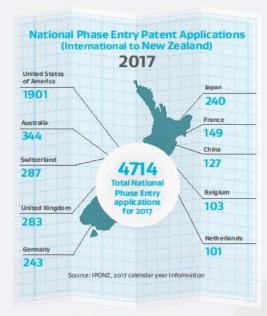
- Reorganisation to improve resourcing Warren Coles
- New performance measure proposed 3 working days
- Tips and Tricks for smoother filing epct@IPONZ.govt.nz
- By the numbers 2017 Patents infographic

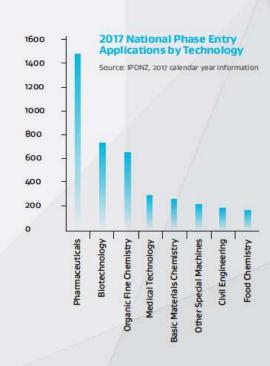


How innovators are **protecting their inventions** in New Zealand and around the world









International Patent Applications (from New Zealand)



1. Medical Technology 2. Pharmaceuticals Top 5 Technologies 3. Biotechnology 4. Gvil Engineering from New Zealand 5. Other special machines

Source: WIPO Data Centre, 2016 calendar year information

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Question Time

• What would you like to talk about?