

# **Stacey Ivanchuk**

**Director, Intellectual Property at MaRS Innovation**

Toronto, ON, CA

Experienced and strategy-minded director with extensive experience managing commercially driven programs

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## **Description**

Stacey obtained both her BSc, Honours (biology) and MSc (cancer genetics) from Queen's University, and her PhD (molecular cancer biology) from the University of Toronto. After graduate studies, she worked as a scientific advisor in the Intellectual Property (IP) group of a leading Canadian law firm where she gained experience drafting and prosecuting patent applications, focusing on life sciences and biotechnology patent protection. Prior to joining MaRS Innovation in 2009, she worked as IP manager and strategist for a Montreal-based biotechnology startup and also as IP scout/advisor for a Toronto teaching hospital.

Stacey's role at MaRS Innovation includes the development of IP strategy and commercialization plan for projects across a variety of sectors including therapeutics, biotechnology, imaging and healthcare IT.

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## **Availability**

Keynote, Moderator, Panelist

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## **Industry Expertise**

Biotechnology, Pharmaceuticals, Research

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## **Topics**

Intellectual Property Strategy, Access to Essential Medicines, Biotechnology Patent Protection, Early Stage Commercialization

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## **Affiliations**

Canadian Cancer Society volunteer, Terry Fox Run volunteer

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## **Past Talks**

**Intellectual Property and Commercialization**

IP Osgoode Intellectual Property Law and Technology Program

**Research Commercialization: Primer on Health Technology**

cMIP-CREATE Training Program in Molecular Imaging Probes

## **Introduction to Intellectual Property and Commercialization**

St. Michael's Hospital Research Institute Retreat

## **Intellectual Property: What is it and how can you use it to build a business?**

8th Connections ECE Graduate Symposium

## **Improving Access to Medicines with a Pharmaceutical Patent Pool: Legal/Business and Antitrust Considerations"**

Drug Patents in Canada conference

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## **Education**

### **University of Toronto**

Ph.D. Molecular Biology

### **Queen's University**

M.Sc. Cancer Genetics

### **Queen's University**

B.Sc. Biology

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## **Accomplishments**

### **National Brain Tumor Foundation Basic Science Award (2003)**

Selected as recipient of the Society for Neuro-Oncology and National Brain Tumor Foundation basic science award for PhD thesis work exploring the interaction between p14ARF tumor suppressor and Transcription Termination Factor-1 (TTF-1).

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