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## Section I - Overview

This document provides a statistical overview of the administration of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*, data protection under the *Food and Drug Regulations*, and Certificates of Supplementary Protection under the *Patent Act* and the *Certificate of Supplementary Protection Regulations*. These three regimes are administered by the Office of Patented Medicines and Liaison within the Office of Submissions and Intellectual Property, Resource Management and Operations Directorate, Health Products and Food Branch, Health Canada.

### *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*

The *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* came into force in March 1993 and were amended in 1998, 1999, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2015 and 2017. According to the Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement published in Canada Gazette, Part II on October 18, 2006, the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* help to balance effective patent enforcement over patented drugs with the timely entry of lower priced competitors. On one end of the balance lies subsection 55.2(1) of the *Patent Act*, known as the “early-working” exception. Early-working allows a subsequent-entry (generic or biosimilar) drug manufacturer to use a patented drug for the purpose of seeking regulatory approval to market a competing version of that drug. The *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* represent the other half of the balance by linking Health Canada’s ability to approve a subsequent-entry drug to the patent status of the drug that is being copied. As such, a drug manufacturer that makes a direct or indirect comparison with, or reference to, another drug in respect of which there are patents listed on the Patent Register, must either agree to await patent expiry before obtaining market authorization, obtain consent from the patent owner, or make an allegation in respect of the patent that is either accepted by the innovator or upheld by the Court.

Under the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*, the Office of Patented Medicines and Liaison maintains a Patent Register (<http://pr-rdb.hc-sc.gc.ca/pr-rdb/index-eng.jsp>) that consists of patent lists submitted by drug manufacturers in respect of drugs for which market authorization has issued in the form of a Notice of Compliance. Each patent list is evaluated in order to determine its eligibility under the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*.

Detailed information on the administration of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* can be found in the guidance document: *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* (<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/drug-products/applications-submissions/guidance-documents/patented-medicines/notice-compliance-regulations.html>).

### Data Protection

The data protection provisions in section C.08.004.1 of the *Food and Drug Regulations* came into force in September 1995. They were amended in 2006, 2011 and 2014 in order to clarify and effectively implement Canada’s trade obligations with respect to the protection of undisclosed test or other data necessary to determine the safety and efficacy of a pharmaceutical product which utilizes a new chemical entity. In keeping with those obligations, innovative drugs are provided with an internationally competitive, guaranteed minimum period of market exclusivity of eight years. An additional six-month period is available for innovative drugs that have been the subject of clinical trials designed and conducted for the purpose of increasing the knowledge of the use of the drug in pediatric populations.

Innovative drugs are listed on the Register of Innovative Drugs (<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/drug-products/applications-submissions/register-innovative-drugs/register.html>) after the issuance of the Notice of Compliance.

Additional information on the administration of data protection is available in the guidance document: Data Protection under C.08.004.1 of the *Food and Drug Regulations* (<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/drug-products/applications-submissions/guidance-documents/guidance-document-data-protection-under-08-004-1-food-drug-regulations.html>).

## Certificates of Supplementary Protection

The Certificate of Supplementary Protection regime came into force on September 21, 2017 through amendments to the *Patent Act* and the introduction of the Certificate of Supplementary Protection Regulations. A Certificate of Supplementary Protection provides an additional period of protection for drugs containing a new medicinal ingredient, or a new combination of medicinal ingredients, protected by an eligible patent. This implements Canada's obligation under the Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement to provide an additional period of protection for patent-protected pharmaceutical products.

Information regarding applications and Certificates of Supplementary Protection is maintained on the Register of Certificates of Supplementary Protection and Applications (<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/drug-products/applications-submissions/guidance-documents/register-certificates.html#a1>).

Additional information on the administration of Certificates of Supplementary Protection is available in the guidance document: Certificates of Supplementary Protection (<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/drugs-health-products/drug-products/applications-submissions/guidance-documents/register-certificates/supplementary-protection-regulations-profile.html>)

## Intellectual Property Hold

Upon completion of the review of a submission, a final intellectual property 'check' is performed. At this stage, Health Canada has completed the scientific assessment of the safety, efficacy and quality of the drug under the *Food and Drug Regulations*. If the Notice of Compliance would be issuable but for the operation of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* and/or data protection, the drug manufacturer is so notified, and informed of the date on which the submission would have been eligible to receive a Notice of Compliance. The submission is then placed on an administrative hold called "Intellectual Property Hold" until all the relevant requirements of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* and/or data protection have been met.

## Section II - Statistics: *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*

### Patent Lists Received

Table 1 displays the number of patent lists received in each fiscal year. Data regarding the actual number of patent lists submitted are available only for the past three fiscal years. While a patent list is required for each Drug Identification Number in a drug submission, decisions with respect to a patent are typically the same for all associated Drug Identification Numbers. As such, the number of patent lists counted by patent per submission is also provided in order to reflect the number of requests for patent listing decisions received.

**Table 1 - Patent Lists Received**

Fiscal Year	2015/ 2016	2016/ 2017	2017/ 2018	2018/ 2019	2019/ 2020
Patent Lists - Actual	-	-	2019	1495	1478
Patent Lists - Patent per Submission	846	835	898	736	762

### Additions to Patent Register

Table 2 displays the number of patent lists added to the Patent Register in each fiscal year under the applicable section of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*. While a patent list is required for each Drug Identification Number in a drug submission, decisions with respect to a patent are typically the same for all associated Drug Identification Numbers. As such, patent lists in this table are counted by patent per submission to reflect the number of decisions underlying the additions to the Patent Register. Note that patent lists may have been received in one fiscal year but not added to the Patent Register until the following fiscal year.

**Table 2 - Additions**

Fiscal Year	2015/ 2016	2016/ 2017	2017/ 2018	2018/ 2019	2019/ 2020
New Drug Submission, s. 4(2)	177	161	121	131	112
Supplement to a New Drug Submission, s. 4(3)	18	22	23	20	10
Supplement to a New Drug Submission, s. 4.1(2)	495	611	521	627	434
Total	690	794	665	778	556

### Rejections of Patent Lists

Table 3 displays the number of rejections for listing in each fiscal year under the applicable section of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*. While a patent list is required for each Drug Identification Number in a drug submission, decisions with respect to a patent are typically the same for all associated Drug Identification Numbers. As such, patent lists in this table are counted by patent per submission to reflect the number of decisions underlying the rejections.

Patent lists counted in the “Other” category include those received in respect of submissions that have been withdrawn or cancelled. Note that patent lists may have been received in one fiscal year but rejected the following fiscal year.

**Table 3 - Rejections**

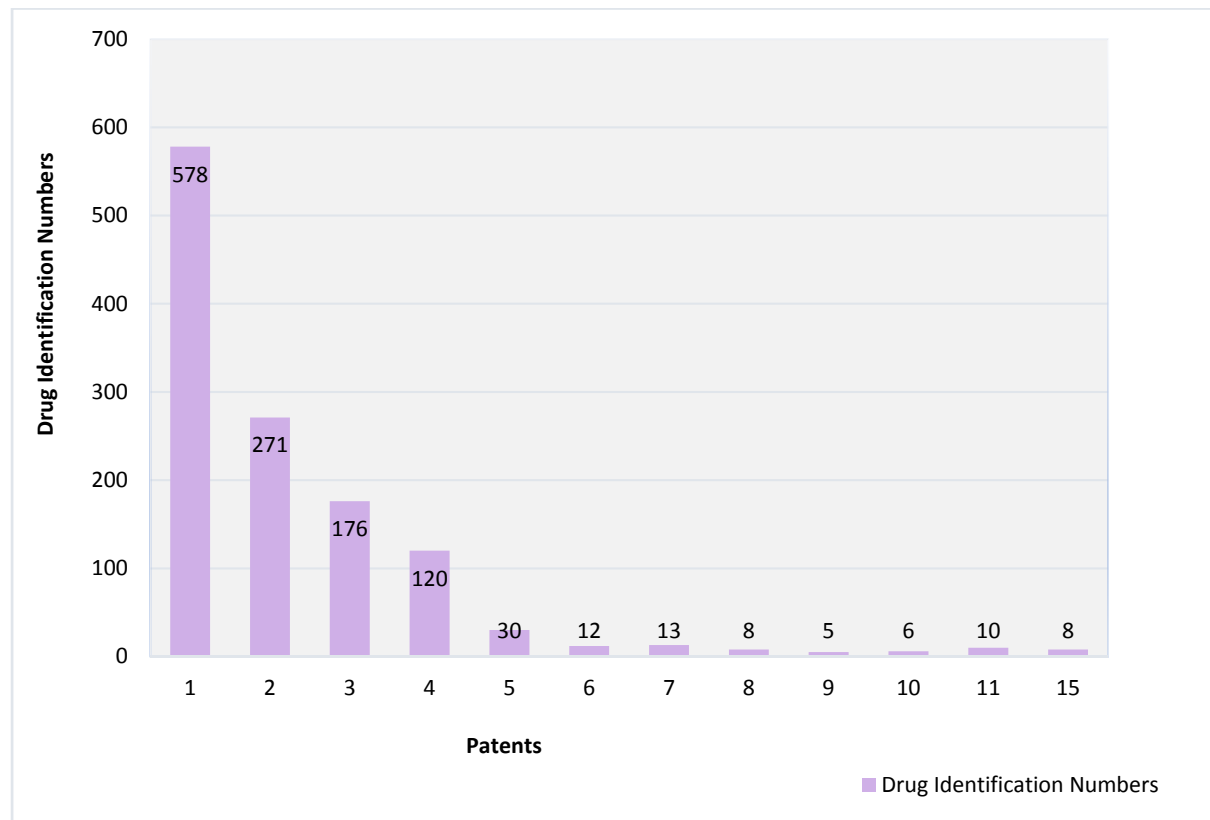
<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>2015/ 2016</b>	<b>2016/ 2017</b>	<b>2017/ 2018</b>	<b>2018/ 2019</b>	<b>2019/ 2020</b>
<b>New Drug Submission, s. 4(2)</b>	15	15	46	32	29
<b>Supplement to a New Drug Submission, ss. 4(3) and 4.1(2)</b>	49	45	99	106	54
<b>Timing, ss. 4(5) and 4(6)</b>	20	9	7	3	4
<b>Other</b>	1	5	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	85	74	153	141	88



## A Snapshot of the Patent Register as of March 31, 2020: Number of Patents per Drug Identification Number on the Patent Register

Graph 1 and Table 4 represent the number of patents that a second person is required to address when seeking a Notice of Compliance for a subsequent-entry version of a patented drug with a particular Drug Identification Number. As of March 31, 2020 there were 1,237 Drug Identification Numbers listed on the Patent Register, representing 626 different drugs. Patents may apply to more than one Drug Identification Number (e.g. more than one strength, route of administration or dosage form of a medicinal ingredient). The numbers in the below graph do not include patents that were removed from the Patent Register nor do they include patents that expired.

**Graph 1 - Patents per Drug Identification Number on the Patent Register**



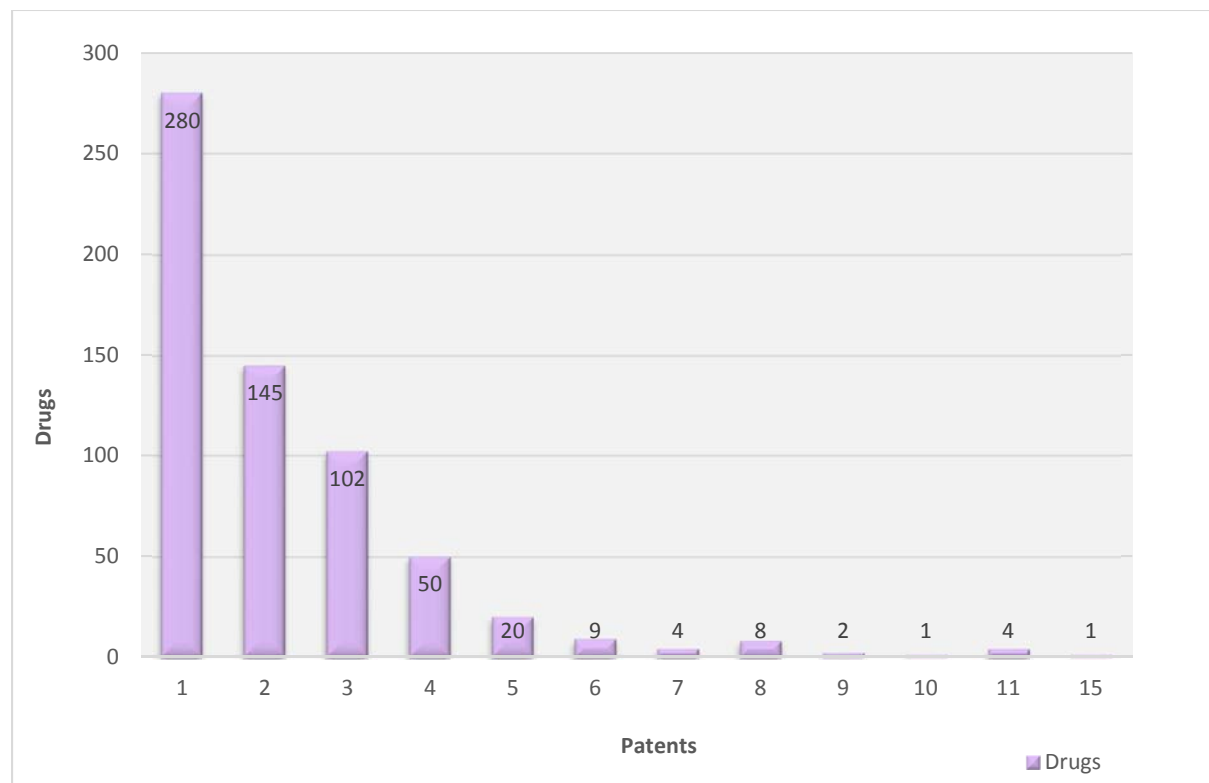
**Table 4 - Patents per Drug Identification Number on the Patent Register**

Patents	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	15
Drug Identification Numbers	578	271	176	120	30	12	13	8	5	6	10	8

## A Snapshot of the Patent Register as of March 31, 2020: Number of Patents per Drug on the Patent Register

Graph 2 and Table 5 represent the number of patents that a second person is required to address when seeking a Notice of Compliance for a subsequent-entry version of a patented drug. There are currently 626 different drugs listed on the Patent Register. Some drugs have multiple strengths, routes of administration or dosage forms listed on the Patent Register while others do not. The numbers in the graph do not include patents that were removed from the Patent Register nor do they include patents that expired.

**Graph 2 - Patents per Drug on the Patent Register**



**Table 5 - Patents per Drug on the Patent Register**

Patents	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	15
Drugs	280	145	102	50	20	9	4	8	2	1	4	1

## Form V: Declaration re: Patent List (Form V)

Table 6 displays the number of submissions containing at least one Form V received during each fiscal year. A drug manufacturer that makes a direct or indirect comparison with, or reference to, a drug in respect of which there are patents listed on the Patent Register, must file a Form V, agreeing to await patent expiry before obtaining market authorization, indicating that consent has been obtained from the patent owner, or making an allegation in respect of the patent.

**Table 6 - Submissions containing Form Vs**

Fiscal Year	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
Submissions	200	126	126	96	153

## Prohibition Applications concerning section 6 of the pre-September 21, 2017 version of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*

The *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* were amended on September 21, 2017. Under the pre-September 21, 2017 version of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*, a first person could commence a legal proceeding (commonly referred to as a prohibition application) for an order prohibiting Health Canada from granting a Notice of Compliance for a subsequent-entry version of a patented drug.

## Notices of Allegation

The pre-September 21, 2017 version of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* continues to apply in respect of any matter that relates to a Notice of Allegation served on a first person before September 21, 2017. Table 7 displays the number of such Notices of Allegation reported in the fiscal year received by the Office of Patented Medicines and Liaison.

**Table 7 - Notices of Allegation**

Fiscal Year	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019
Notices of Allegation	176	105	51	3

## Prohibition Applications

Table 8 summarizes the outcome of prohibition applications filed as a result of Notices of Allegation served on first persons before September 21, 2017. The break-down of subsequent appeals for each possible application conclusion - granted, dismissed, partially granted - is also included. The filing date of the application determines the year in which the outcome is reported.

**Table 8 - Prohibition Applications**

Fiscal Year		2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018
<b>Applications Filed</b>		18	32	41
<b>Applications Discontinued</b>		10	23	37
<b>Applications Granted</b>		5	3	3
	Appeals Filed	2	1	1
	Discontinued	0	0	0
	Granted	0	0	0
	Dismissed	2	0	0
	Partial	0	0	0
	Pending	0	1	1
<b>Applications Dismissed</b>		3	5	1
	Appeals Filed	2	0	0
	Discontinued	1	0	0
	Granted	0	0	0
	Dismissed	0	0	0
	Partial	1	0	0
	Pending	0	0	0
<b>Applications Partially Granted</b>		0	1	0
	Appeals Filed	0	0	0
	Discontinued	0	0	0
	Granted	0	0	0
	Dismissed	0	0	0
	Partial	0	0	0
	Pending	0	0	0
<b>Applications Pending Resolution</b>		0	0	0

## Average Time to Resolution

Table 9 displays the average resolution times of closed prohibition applications. The filing date of the application determines the fiscal year in which it will be reported. The average time to resolution is calculated from the filing date to the close date of the application in the Federal Court. Appeals and discontinued cases are not included.

The 24-month period was prescribed by the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* and could be varied by the Federal Court under the pre-September 21, 2017 version of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*.

**Table 9 Average Time to Resolution**

Fiscal Year	Applications Filed	Applications Closed	Average Resolution Time (months)	Range (months)
2015/2016	18	8	15.9	8.3-23.9
2016/2017	32	9	13.7	1- 3.9
2017/2018	41	4	19.5	9.9-23.7

## Actions concerning section 6 of the post-September 21, 2017 version of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*

The September 21, 2017 amendments to the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* replaced prohibition applications with full actions resulting in final determinations of patent infringement and validity.

### Notices of Allegation

Table 10 displays the number Notices of Allegation served on or after September 21, 2017 reported in the fiscal year received by the Office of Patented Medicines and Liaison.

**Table 10 - Notices of Allegation**

Fiscal Year	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
Notices of Allegation	31	65	78

### Actions

Table 11 summarizes the outcome of actions for declarations of infringement filed as a result of Notices of Allegation served on the first person on or after September 21, 2017. The break-down of possible action conclusion - granted, dismissed, partially granted - is also included. The filing date of the action determines the year in which the outcome is reported.

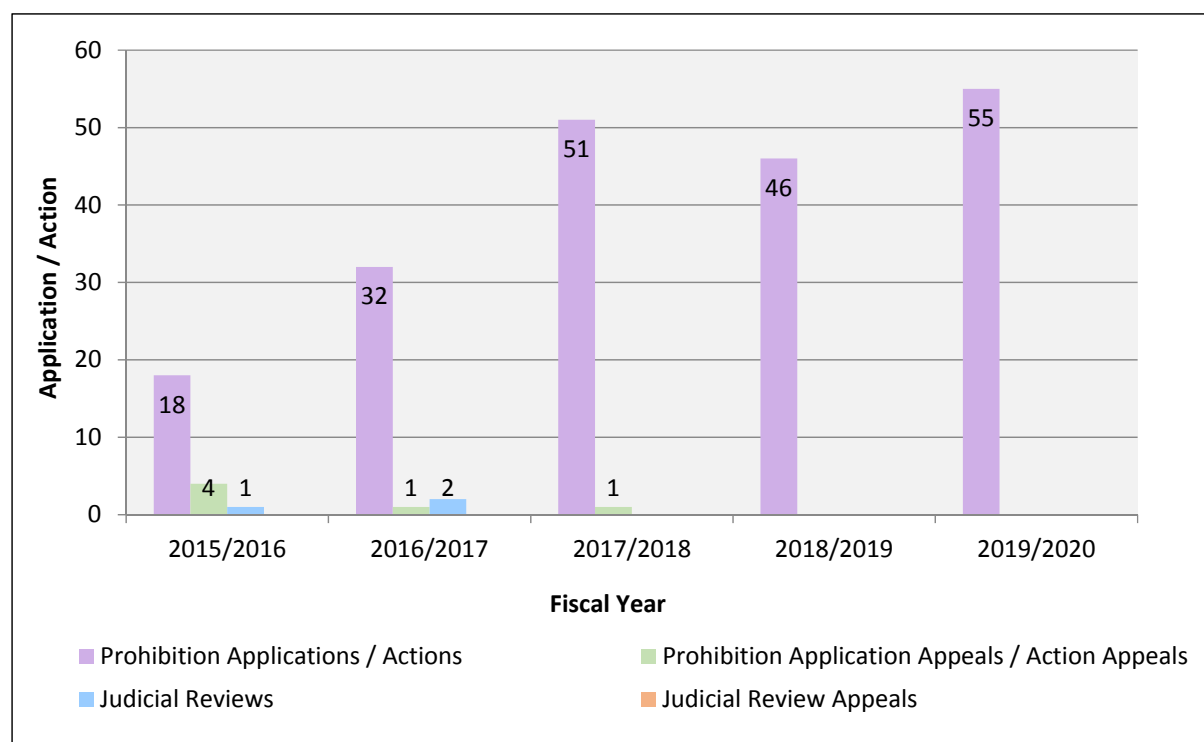
**Table 11 - Actions**

Fiscal Year	September 21, 2017 to March 31, 2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
Actions Filed	10	46	55
Actions Discontinued	9	26	8
Declaration of Infringement (granted)	0	0	0
Actions Dismissed	0	2 <sup>1</sup>	0
Declaration of Infringement (partially granted)	0	0	0
Actions Pending Resolution	1	18	47
<sup>1</sup> Actions dismissed on consent			

## Prohibition Applications, Actions and Judicial Review Applications concerning the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*

Graph 3 and Table 12 compare the number of applications for judicial review of final decisions under the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* with the number of prohibition applications and actions under section 6 of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*. The filing date of the application or action determines the fiscal year in which the court proceeding is reported.

**Graph 3 - Prohibition Applications, Actions and Judicial Review Applications**



**Table 12 - Prohibition Applications, Actions and Judicial Review Applications**

Fiscal Year	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
Prohibition Applications / Actions	18	32	51	46	55
Prohibition Application Appeals / Action Appeals	4	1	1	0	0
Judicial Reviews	1	2	0	0	0
Judicial Review Appeals	0	0	0	0	0

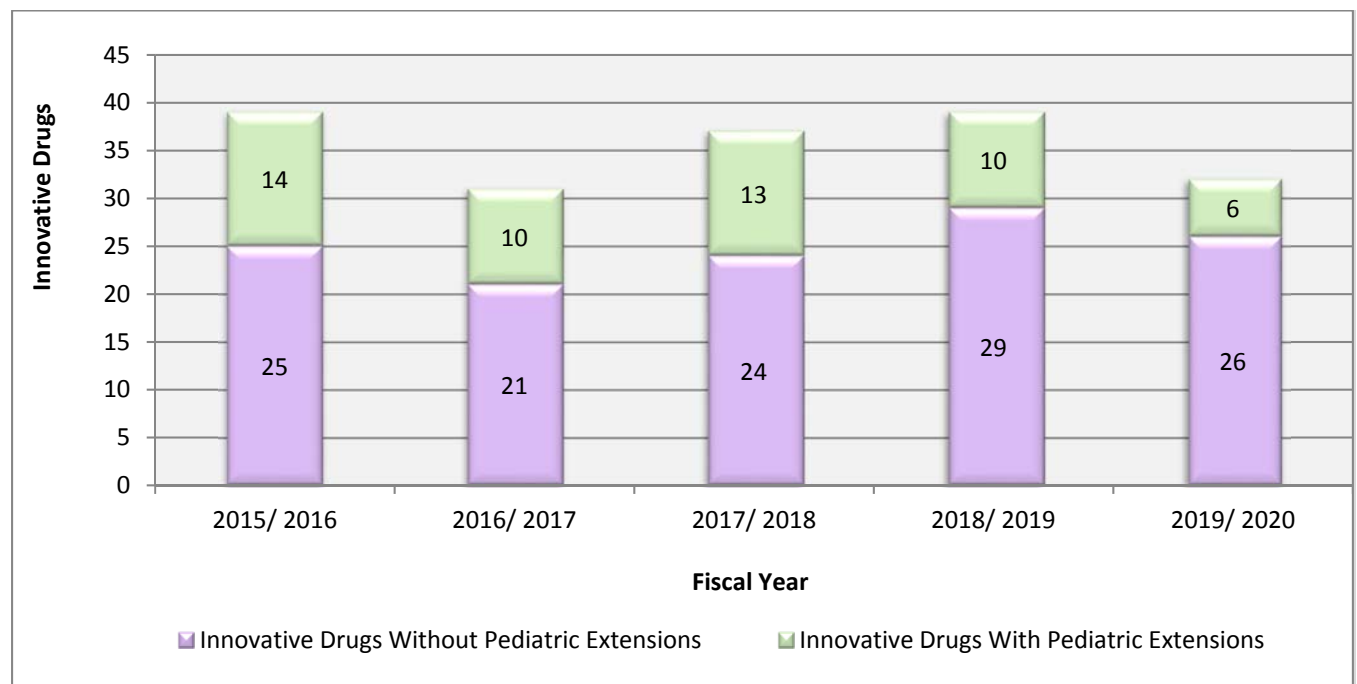
## Section III - Statistics: Data Protection (C.08.004.1 of the *Food and Drug Regulations*)

### Register of Innovative Drugs

#### Human Drugs

Graph 4 and Table 13 display the number of human drugs that were added to the Register of Innovative Drugs by fiscal year in which the product received a Notice of Compliance. Pediatric extensions for previously listed drugs may be added up to 6 years after the issuance of the Notice of Compliance. Graph 5 and Table 14 display the number of human drugs added to the Register of Innovative Drugs by product type.

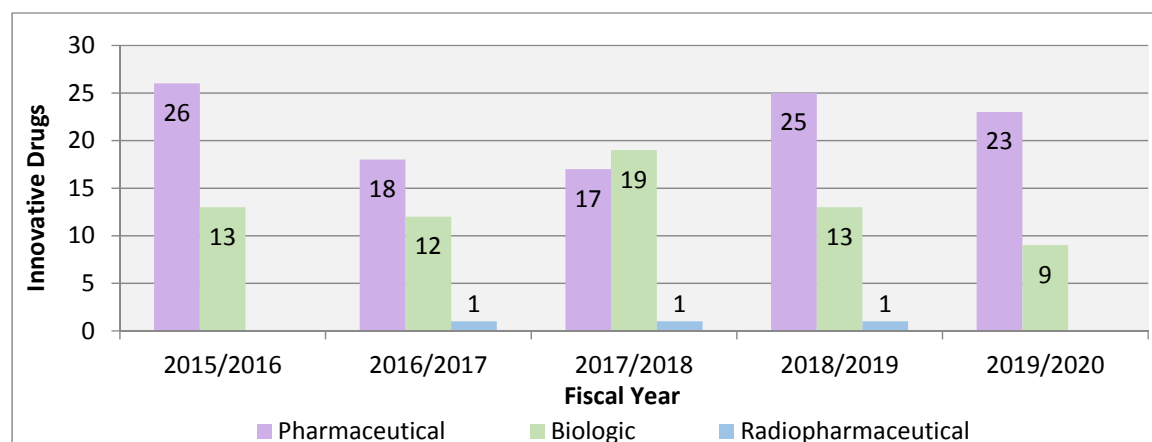
**Graph 4 - Human Drugs added to the Register of Innovative Drugs**



**Table 13 - Human Drugs added to the Register of Innovative Drugs**

Fiscal Year	2015/ 2016	2016/ 2017	2017/ 2018	2018/ 2019	2019/ 2020
Innovative Drugs with Pediatric Extensions	14	10	13	10	6
Innovative Drugs without Pediatric Extensions	25	21	24	29	26
Total	39	31	37	39	32

**Graph 5 - Human Innovative Drugs by Product Type**



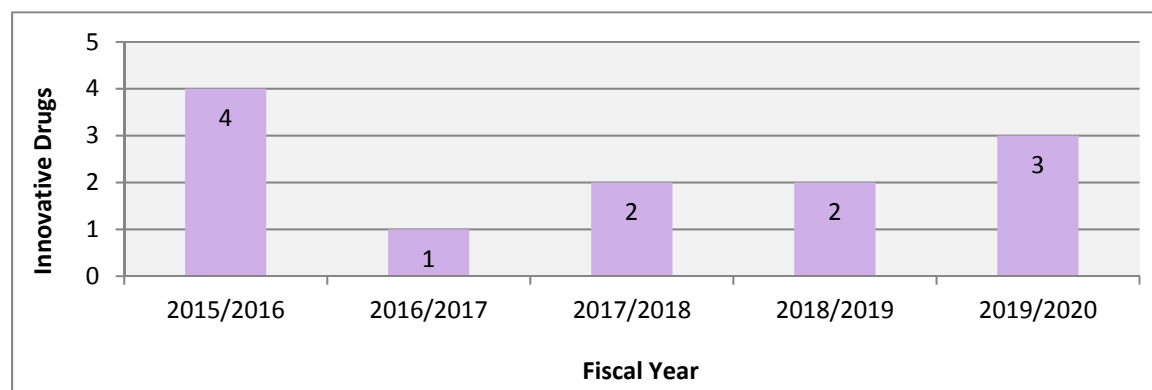
**Table 14 - Human Innovative Drugs by Product Type**

Fiscal Year	2015/ 2016	2016/ 2017	2017/ 2018	2018/ 2019	2019/ 2020
Pharmaceutical	26	18	17	25	23
Biologic	13	12	19	13	9
Radiopharmaceutical	0	1	1	1	0

## Veterinary Drugs

Graph 6 and Table 15 display the number of veterinary drugs that were added to the Register of Innovative Drugs by fiscal year in which the product received a Notice of Compliance. Pediatric extensions are not available for veterinary drugs.

**Graph 6 - Veterinary Drugs added to the Register of Innovative Drugs**



**Table 15 - Veterinary Drugs added to the Register of Innovative Drugs**

Fiscal Year	2015/ 2016	2016/ 2017	2017/ 2018	2018/ 2019	2019/ 2020
Innovative Drugs	4	1	2	2	3



## Judicial Review Applications concerning Data Protection

Table 16 displays the number of judicial review applications and appeals that have been filed over the past five years. The filing date of the application determines the fiscal year in which the court proceeding is reported.

**Table 16 - Judicial Review Applications and Appeals**

Fiscal Year	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
Judicial Reviews	1	1	0	1	2
Judicial Review Appeals	0	0	0	0	0

Table 17 summarizes judicial review applications with respect to data protection that were active over the past fiscal year. New cases and changes to ongoing cases that occurred during the fiscal year are presented in bold.

**Table 17 - Judicial Review Applications concerning Data Protection**

Federal Court/ Federal Court of Appeal	Style of Cause	Medicinal Ingredient(s)	Filing Date	Close Date	Summary of Issue
T-827-19	Janssen Inc – and - the Minister of Health	esketamine hydrochloride	2019-05-22		Ineligibility for data protection on the basis that the medicinal ingredient is a variation (enantiomer) of a previously approved medicinal ingredient
T-1353-19	Natco Pharma (Canada) Inc - and - the Minister of Health, and Gilead Sciences Canada Inc	tenofovir alafenamide hemifumarate / emtricitabine	2019-08-21		Submission not accepted for filing

## Section IV - Statistics: Certificates of Supplementary Protection

### Applications

Table 18 displays information regarding the applications for Certificates of Supplementary Protection that were filed since the coming into force of the regime on September 21, 2017. Applications may be filed before the end of a 120-day period that begins on either the day on which the patent at issue was granted, or the day on which the Notice of Compliance for the underlying submission was issued, as applicable.

**Table 18 - Applications**

Fiscal Year	September 21, 2017 to March 31, 2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
<b>Total Applications</b>	12	26	15
<b>Median Days to File</b>	46	85	63
<b>Range of Days to File</b>	1-118	3-119	17-114

### Issuances and Refusals

Table 19 summarizes the outcomes of the applications for Certificate of Supplementary Protection. A Certificate of Supplementary Protection may be issued or refused in a different fiscal year from that in which the application was filed. The refusals counted in this table represent final decisions.

**Table 19 - Issuances and Refusals**

Fiscal Year	September 21, 2017 to March 31, 2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
<b>Issuances (full term)</b>	0	24	12
<b>Issuances (less than 2-year term)</b>	0	2	1
<b>Refusals</b>	1	6	1
<b>Total Decisions</b>	1	32	14

### Performance

Health Canada's performance in meeting the service standard is displayed in Table 20. The service standard is 60 calendar days (average) for the first eligibility decision beginning on the day there are no conflicting applications of the highest priority and the time for filing an application having the same or higher priority has ended. According to this standard, Health Canada will inform the applicant either that the Certificate of Supplementary Protection has been issued or that the application has been preliminarily refused with an opportunity to provide representations, within an average of 60 calendar days. If the Certificate of Supplementary Protection is issued, this represents a first and final decision regarding eligibility. If the application is refused, this represents a first decision regarding eligibility.

**Table 20 - Performance**

Fiscal Year	September 21, 2017 to March 31, 2018	2018/2019	2019/2020
<b>Average Days for First Decision</b>	44	40	22

## Reasons for Refusal

Table 21 provides a summary of the reasons for refusal of applications between April 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020.

**Table 21 - Reasons for Refusal**

Application Number	Drug (Medicinal Ingredient(s))	Patent Number	Reasons for Refusal
900038	BELSOMRA (suvorexant)	2,670,892	There was no authorization for sale that met the requirements of the <i>Patent Act</i> .

## Judicial Review Applications concerning Certificates of Supplementary Protection

Table 22 summarizes judicial review applications with respect to decisions concerning the eligibility of applications for Certificate of Supplementary Protection that were active over the past fiscal year. New cases and changes to open cases that occurred during the fiscal year are presented in bold.

**Table 22 - Judicial Review Applications concerning Certificates of Supplementary Protection**

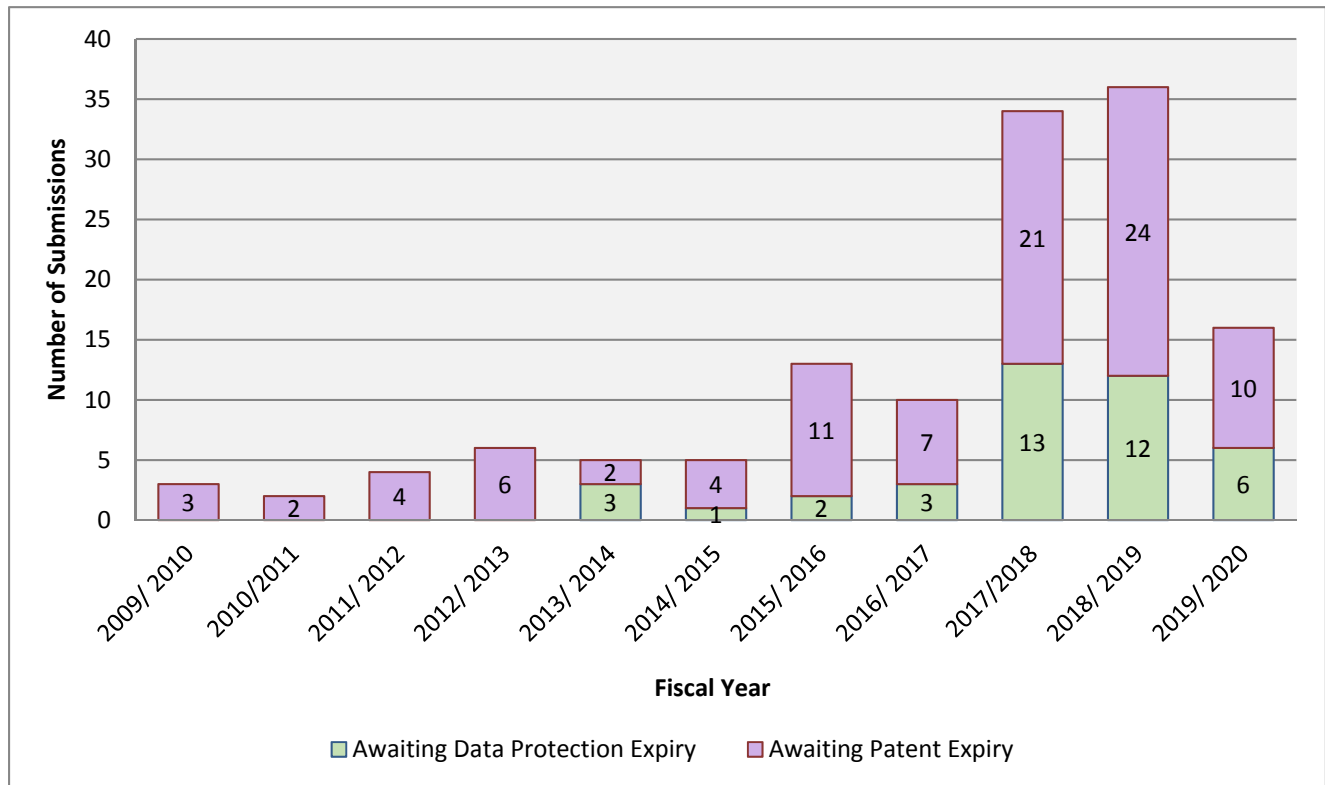
Federal Court/ Federal Court of Appeal	Style of Cause	Medicinal Ingredient(s)	Filing Date	Close Date	Summary of Issue
<b>T-1603-18 (Allowed)</b>	GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals SA- and - The Minister of Health	varicella zoster virus glycoprotein E	2018-08-31	<b>2020-03-20</b>	Refusal on the basis that the patent does not pertain to the medicinal ingredient
T-353-19	Viiv Healthcare ULC - and - The Minister of Health	dolutegravir sodium / rilpivirine hydrochloride	2019-02-22		Refusal on the basis that the patent does not pertain to the combination of medicinal ingredients
<b>T-1471-19</b>	<b>Merck Canada Inc – and - The Minister of Health</b>	<b>suvorexant</b>	<b>2019-09-06</b>		<b>Refusal on the basis that there was no authorization for sale that met all of the requirements</b>

## Section V - Statistics: Intellectual Property Hold

### A Snapshot of Submissions Remaining on Intellectual Property Hold as of March 31, 2020

Graph 7 and Table 23 display the number of submissions filed by fiscal year that were still on IP Hold as of March 31, 2020.

**Graph 7 - Submissions Remaining on Intellectual Property Hold**



**Table 23 - Submissions remaining on Intellectual Property Hold**

Fiscal Year	2009/ 2010	2010/ 2011	2011/ 2012	2012/ 2013	2013/ 2014	2014/ 2015	2015/ 2016	2016/ 2017	2017/ 2018	2018/ 2019	2019/ 2020
Awaiting Data Protection Expiry	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	3	13	12	6
Awaiting Patent Expiry	3	2	4	6	2	4	11	7	21	24	10
Total	3	2	4	6	5	5	13	10	34	36	16

## Appendix A - Definitions

### **Court:**

The Federal Court of Canada or any other superior court of competent jurisdiction.

### **Declaration of Infringement Granted:**

A declaration by the Federal Court that the making, constructing, using or selling of a drug in accordance with a submission or supplement would infringe all patents and certificates of supplementary protection at issue in an action brought under subsection 6(1) of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*.

### **Declaration of Infringement Partially Granted:**

A declaration by the Federal Court that the making, constructing, using or selling of a drug in accordance with a submission or supplement would infringe one or more, but not all, patents and certificates of supplementary protection at issue in an action brought under subsection 6(1) of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*.

### **Discontinued:**

The cessation of court proceedings where the applicant voluntarily puts an end to the case, with or without leave of the court.

### **Dismissed:**

The removal of a case from court, the termination of a case before trial or before a complete trial. In the case of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*, however, the dismissal indicates a decision at any point in the matter, either summary, as a result of a motion, or at the end of the proceeding.

### **Drug Identification Number:**

A computer-generated eight digit number assigned by Health Canada to a drug product prior to being marketed in Canada. It uniquely identifies all drug products sold in a dosage form in Canada and is located on the label of prescription and over-the-counter drug products that have been evaluated and authorized for sale in Canada.

### **Fiscal Year:**

The period of time beginning on April 1 and ending on March 31 of the following calendar year.

### **First Person:**

The person referred to in subsection 4(1) of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*, typically a brand name drug manufacturer.

### **Innovative Drug:**

A drug that contains a medicinal ingredient not previously approved in a drug by the Minister and that is not a variation of a previously approved medicinal ingredient such as a salt, ester, enantiomer, solvate or polymorph.

### **Intellectual Property Hold:**

The period of time when, upon completion of the review of a submission, a Notice of Compliance would be issuable but for the provisions of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* and/or data protection provisions under section C.08.004.1 of the *Food and Drug Regulations*.

### **Notice of Allegation:**

A notice served under section 5 of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*. Such notices set out the nature of the second person manufacturer's challenge to a patent listed on the Patent Register.

**Notice of Compliance:**

Market authorization issued under section C.08.004.01 or C.08.004 of the *Food and Drug Regulations*.

**Patent List:**

Form IVs submitted by the first person pursuant to section 4 of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*.

**Patent Register:**

The register of patents and other information maintained by the Minister in accordance with subsection 3(2) of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*.

**Pending:**

A court case awaiting judgment.

**Prohibition Granted:**

An order of prohibition which prevents the Minister from issuing a Notice of Compliance.

**Prohibition Partially Granted:**

An order of prohibition applying to one or more but not to all patents that are the subject of a case under section 6 of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations* where more than one patent is at issue.

**Register of Innovative Drugs:**

The register maintained by the Minister in accordance with section C.08.004.1(9) of the *Food and Drug Regulations*.

**Second Person:**

The person referred to in section 5 of the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations*, typically a generic drug manufacturer.

**Submission:**

Any or all of: a new drug submission, an abbreviated new drug submission, an extraordinary use new drug submission and supplements to those submissions.