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Heather DiPietrantonio focuses her practice on patent prosecution, strategic patent portfolio development and life cycle management in the area of biotechnology. She has obtained patent protection for a wide range of areas such as gene editing and genetic engineering, nucleic acid nanotechnology, synthetic gene circuitry, nucleic acid vaccines, and immune and stem cell therapeutics.

Heather also provides strategic legal counseling to clients including landscape, patentability and freedom-to-operate analyses. She counsels startup companies, research and academic institutions, and small to mid-sized biotech companies.

Heather's doctoral research focused on mechanisms of stem cell fate and neuronal axon guidance in the developing brain, and her postdoctoral work focused on retinal axon development.

Education

Skidmore College, BS,
Biology, *magna cum
laude*

Harvard University, PhD,
Genetics

Suffolk University Law
School, JD

Practice Groups

Biotechnology

Activities

- Boston Patent Law Association
- Women Entrepreneurs in Science and Technology
- Women in Bio

Recognition

- Phi Beta Kappa
- Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award