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Dear Readers,

The Richmond Journal of Law and Technology is proud to present its final issue of the 2007–2008 academic school year. Our authors tackle a number of emerging issues in ways we think you’ll find especially interesting.

Two of our articles discuss human embryonic stem cell research. Professor Greg Hagen and Sébastien A. Gittens discuss the uncertain application of the biological criteria that are currently used in the United States, Canada, and Europe to distinguish between patentable and unpatentable subject matter in their article, “Patenting Part-Human Chimeras, Transgenics, and Stem Cells for Transplantation in the United States, Canada, and Europe.”

Then, authors Yi-Chen Su and Albert Wai-Kit Chan take a close look at the United States’ positions on stem cell research. The authors explain how certain measures taken by Congress and the Bush Administration have resulted in a ban on human embryonic stem cell research despite direct legislation on point.

Finally, author Christina M. Mulligan addresses ways in which technology can be utilized to enforce law. In her article, “Perfect Enforcement of Law: When to Limit and When to Use Technology,” Ms. Mulligan discusses the potential pitfalls of using technological measures to enforce legal rights.

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