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**GENDER, INNOVATION AND INVENTORSHIP: EVERY PATENT TELLS A STORY**

Abstract is tricky since the paper is still evolving but the basic premise is that women inventors are disadvantaged by various patent law constructs, which act in concert with women’s second class status in the sciences and in society generally, and by social narratives about inventorship, to discourage women from developing patentable inventions, and from being fully credited when they do.