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The protection of patent in Thailand only apply to certain category of inventive work. This is due to the fact that the protection of patent gives an exclusive protection to the inventor and thus affecting the public as a whole and which is why Patent Act B.E. 2522 mandates that certain kind of inventive work may not apply for patent at all i.e. the inventive work of pharmaceutical product.

The objective of this research is to find an appropriate guidelines for the protection of pharmaceutical patent in Thailand so that such protection will benefit the inventor and the public as a whole. In this endeavor, special emphasis is being given to the condition and level of development of the economic, social, and science and technology as a whole.

This research concludes that the extension of protection of patent to pharmaceutical patent product 'per se' may not be adequate and can create a negative impact to the public as a whole in various aspects. It is therefore recommended that if Thailand were to extend the protection of patent to pharmaceutical patent product certain safeguard measures should also be devised in order to ensure that the protection of patent of pharmaceutical product would benefit both the inventor and the public as a whole

This thesis explains the legal principle and the theory on the protection of patent and on the protection of public's interest, including laws or guidelines which can be adopted for the protection of patent of pharmaceutical product and the recommendations on different means which can be used for the protection of patent of pharmaceutical product.