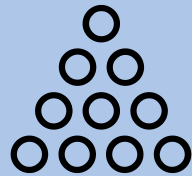




The Wands Factors for Consideration of Enablement under 35 U.S.C. 112(a)

*To formulate a proper enablement rejection, the examiner must evaluate whether there is undue experimentation, which is determined by considering the **Wands factors**. While the examiner must evaluate undue experimentation via these factors, there is no requirement that the examiner consider every single factor in the determination.*

In re Wands, 858 F.2d 731 (Fed. Cir. 1988)



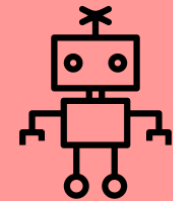
The quantity of experimentation necessary



The amount of direction or guidance presented



The presence or absence of working examples



The nature of the invention



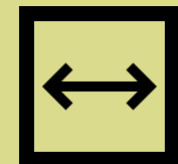
The state of the prior art



The relative skill of those in the art



The predictability or unpredictability of the art



The breadth of the claims