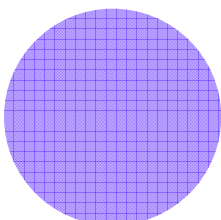
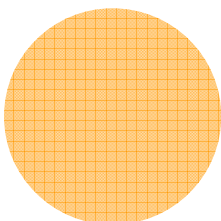
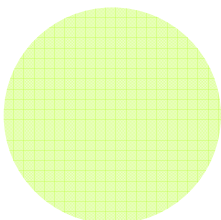




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Snapshot Analysis

For statistical analysis and visualisation of patenting trends

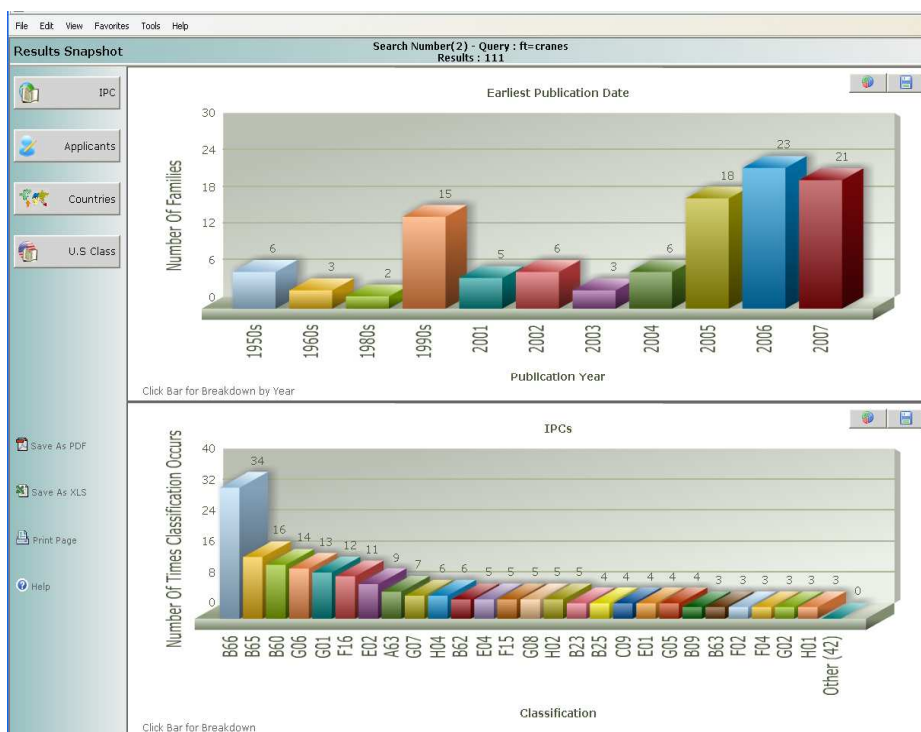


‘Snapshot’ compliments the VizPat Advanced Statistical Analysis which was introduced to PatBase last year and, as the name suggests, offers PatBase users a quick visual statistical breakdown of results. The option to view global patenting trends at a glance with respect to key areas of interest such as Publication year, Country Code, International Patent Classifications, Assignees/Applicants and US Classifications highlights to users key areas of interest for potential further analysis, which can be carried out using the VizPat

Advanced Statistical Analysis software.

The graphical images within the Snapshot view are interchangeable and interactive. By clicking on areas of interest within the graphical image itself it is possible to ‘drill down’ and get a further statistical breakdown of results.

Consistent with PatBase analysis tools it is also possible to export/save results and download images in a presentable format which can be incorporated into documents and/or presentations.





Modified 'Scan' display format

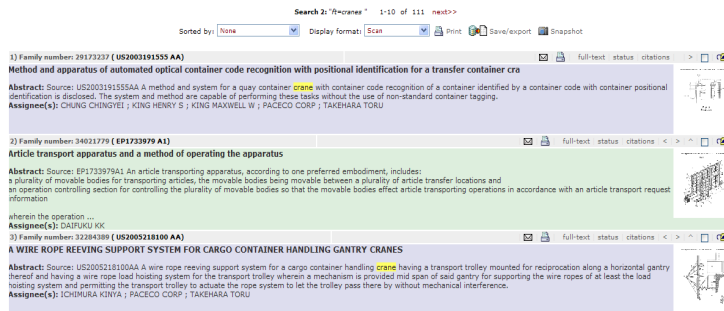
The 'Scan' display format of results in PatBase has been modified to resemble the popular display format available in PatBase Alert Viewer. The use of alternate colours makes it easier to distinguish between listed families. A highlighted summary of key information such as Title, Abstract and Assignees enables users to sift through results quickly and click through to 'full text' for further information of relevant results.



New at Minesoft: Harithra Chadrapal joins with a Science & IP Law degree after several years with CPA & Phil Allan joins with a Chemistry degree and prior experience with Thomson and US Online and Software Publishers. Phil is bilingual in French.



"Now PatBase Users can search patent documents in Japanese and other non-Latin languages."



New Non-Latin text available in PatBase

PatBase now supports Non-Latin text searches so users can benefit from searching for keywords in non-Latin languages including Chinese, Korean, Japanese and Russian.

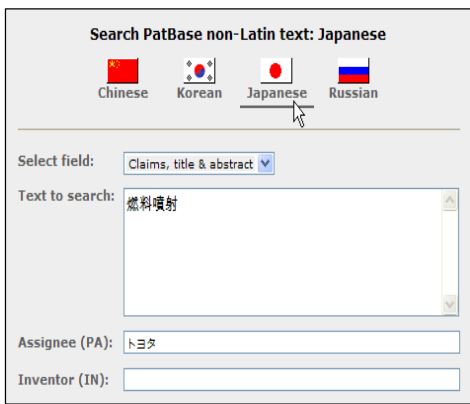
Results from a Non-Latin search will be returned as standard PatBase families and users can then combine these results with any other type of query to refine or broaden a search.

When searching in Japanese, Users can search the Assignee and Inventor fields in the original language, avoiding any mis-translations.

Legal Status links added to Chinese and Japanese Patent Office sites allowed us to add direct click-through access to the corresponding legal status record on the Patent Office site.



New at Tempus IP: Lisa Peregory joins the US Tempus IP Team as Manager of IP Services (see back page)





Keyword Analysis tool to enhance the in-built VizPat software in PatBase

A new keyword analysis tool has been added to PatBase:- VizPat Keyword Analysis.

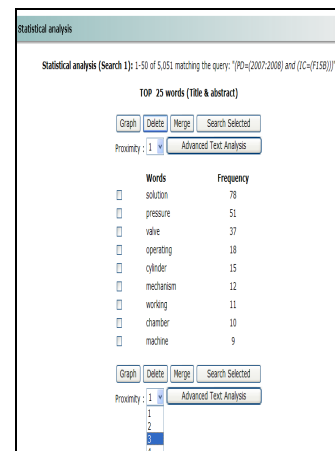
The Keyword Analysis facility computes and displays a ranking count for keywords and for keywords in proximity to each other in a retrieved set of records.

Users also have the option to manipulate the data set, merging or deleting keywords before the analysis is performed, which can give a clearer picture.

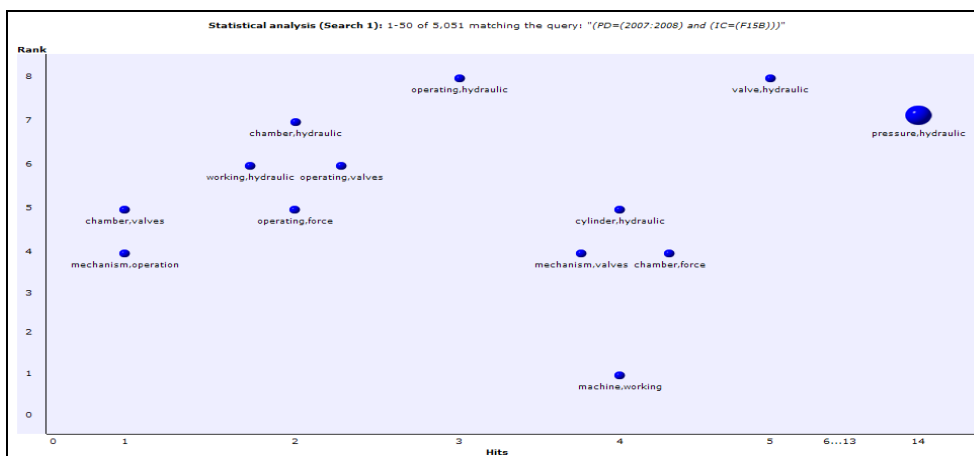
Users could therefore carry out a class search and use Keyword analysis to find the most relevant keywords for further searches.

What is more, the analysis can be restricted to French, German or US claims to obtain a keyword list in French, German or English, whichever language is preferable for the User.

Keyword Analysis then benefits from the VizPat graphical display of results.



Keyword Analysis



German Text Searching

Left hand truncation has been introduced to enhance keyword searching for German text. The use of left hand truncation will allow users to find 'Compound words' in German, where several words are strung together to form one longer word without spaces - making it tricky to search German text! The text search results can then be combined with other criteria, improving searching of German publications within PatBase.



PatBase searching 'Tips and Tricks'

Minesoft and RWS continuously work towards improving the search and display functionality within PatBase. New features are constantly introduced with the goal of reducing effort on the part of the user whilst maximising the systems capability of providing relevant results.

Keyboard shortcuts have been introduced allowing for easier and speedier navigation within PatBase.

Searchable Agent data - it is now possible to search text within the 'Agent/Representative' field for US, EP and PCT publications.

For example: AG=Cohen

Folder options: The new RF

(Results Folder) command enables users to combine folder results more easily in searches simply by using the exact name of the relevant folder after the command in the command line.

For example: RF= (folder 1) and PA= (philips)

When sharing folders between several User IDs it is also possible to limit access to selected users.

New sorting options: To improve display and analysis of results two new sorting options have been added to PatBase when viewing/browsing results. The 'Most Cited' sort option indicates the number of times family members have been cited in other families (i.e. number of forward citations) and displays results according to families with the most citations.



Please keep your ideas coming in as we maintain a "Wish List" and constantly review what we can do to add value to your searching and to our services, says Ann Chapman, Director and co-Founder of Minesoft



New German Office support for Minesoft product range



Jochen Lennhof, Regional Business Manager, is opening a brand new office in Duesseldorf, from which Minesoft will be able to keep close contact with clients in Germany. *Minesoft will be located at Kirchfeldstrasse 69a, 40217 Duesseldorf.*

"Minesoft delighted to offer more local service with a new office location in Duesseldorf"



English language Machine Translations for Asian documents

Minesoft's patent document delivery service PatentOrder can now retrieve English language Machine Translations for Chinese patent documents at no extra cost.

PatentOrder now offers users the option to request machine translations of Chinese patent documents from 1986 onwards. This latest development compliments the existing function in PatentOrder to obtain English machine translations for Japanese documents dating from 1993.

In addition, PatentOrder users now have access to Korean PDFs - currently available in the original language.

Searchable PDFs

Minesoft has introduced a new option for their document delivery service PatentOrder. Customers who subscribe to the Web version of PatentOrder hosted by Minesoft will now be able to order text-readable/searchable PDF copies of patent documents.

PatentOrder users will have the option to OCR a document on the fly, or the option can be set as a default so that any new documents downloaded will automatically be made searchable.

Minesoft is currently in the process of converting by OCR their substantial archive of patent documents to provide text-readable PDFs that will be available at no extra cost to customers.

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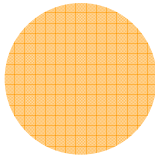
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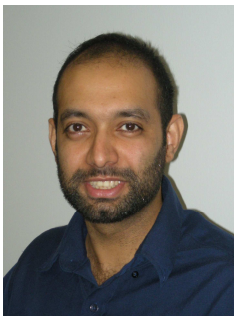
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RWS News – new staff & office in China

New appointments

Increasing demand for RWS patent services in the US has led to us reinforcing our sales presence in North America. **Keith Patterson** has been appointed as Senior Account Executive for the north-central states territory.

With a BS in electrical engineering and an MS in Industrial Management, Keith has many years' experience in the computer and medical equipment industry, including 17 years' sales and strategic account management with NERAC Inc of Connecticut.

The continuing global success and interest in PatBase has enabled us to expand our PatBase team with the

appointment of an additional software developer. **Girish Narang** has joined the division and will be working on the processing of textual data which includes further development of our patent-specific OCR techniques.

Girish has a degree in Computer Science and has several years' commercial experience in systems analysis and software development.

New China office

RWS' China operation, based in Beijing, is growing and as from mid March we will be relocating to larger offices just to the east of the Olympic village. The new address will be:

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