

# International Technology Disclosures (TP) Coverage

## Publisher Details

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## Description

*International Technology Disclosures* were defensive-type publications, usually in English, serving scientific and patent communities worldwide. Publication ceased at the end of 1993. The journal was published on a monthly basis and contained abstracts describing new discoveries or inventions. The purpose of the journal was to provide companies and inventors with a vehicle that provided 'freedom of use' rather than legal protection.

In effect, the application of publications barred others from obtaining patent rights on the invention described, as the effective date of publication would establish prior art. Following the publication in a journal, most countries allow up to one year to file for a patent before applicants lose their patent rights.

In some cases companies were known to use publication to supplement the filing of a patent application; or in the event that patent rights were not pursued, but that the publication of the invention was of benefit to society.

Disclosures in the journal were accredited or anonymous and were referenced by Clarivate Analytics as 'patent assignees', but not in the legal sense of the description.

## DWPI Coverage

### Documents included in DWPI

A Scientific literature disclosure

International Technology Disclosures published on the 25<sup>th</sup> of every month and contained all material received by the 20<sup>th</sup> of that month. Clarivate Analytics used the 25<sup>th</sup> of the publication month as the 'publication date' and the 20<sup>th</sup> of that same month as the 'application date'. International technology Disclosures ceased publishing at the end of 1993 with the last publication data of 25 November 1993.

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Bibliographic data, value-add title and abstract	Basics	Basics	Basics
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## Numeration

### Published Journal Documents

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