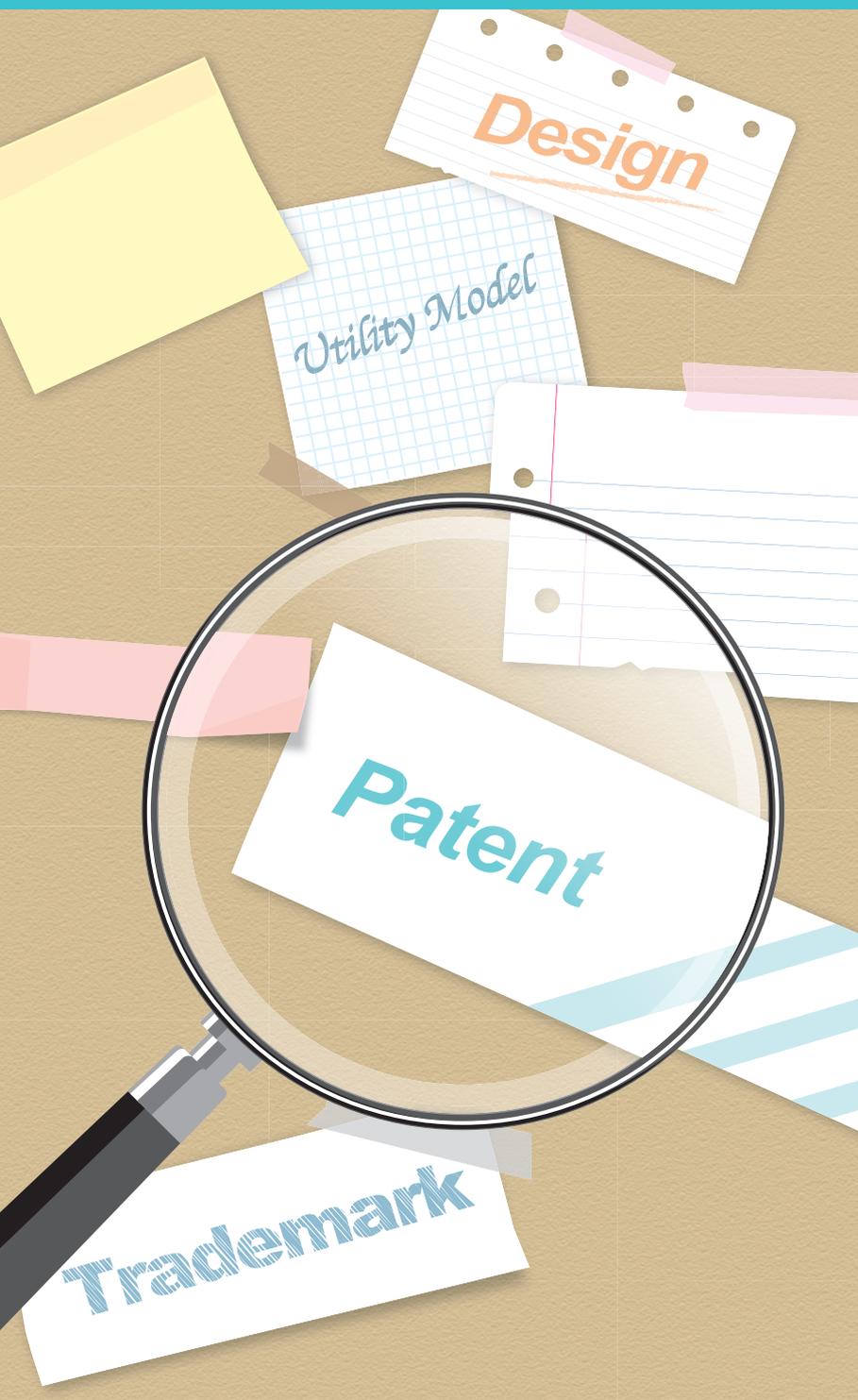




Japan Platform for Patent Information

# Operation Manual



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# What you can do with J-PlatPat

**You can check whether the same idea has already been applied for.**

For example, before applying, you want to check the patent information that has already been published and decide whether to continue with your application.

First, let's try performing a simple search using keywords to check whether a similar idea has already been applied for.

Reference >>

2.2 Searching Industrial Property Rights Information [Simple Search]

**You can check the contents of an application using the application number found on goods.**

For example, you saw the words "Patent Pending XXXX-XXXXXX" on goods, and you want to check what kind of patent it is.

Let's try searching for the contents of the patent using the application number.

Reference >>

3.1 Searching for Patents and Utility Models by Document Number [Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD]

**You can check the summaries of ideas that have already been published.**

For example, you want to check the recent trends in your field of development.

Let's try narrowing down the results using a combination of multiple search items, such as the date and the theme.

Reference >>

3.2 Searching Patents and Utility Models by Keyword [Patent/Utility Model Search]

**You can check the examination status and results for patent applications by other companies.**

For example, you want to see the status of a patent application that was applied for by a rival company (the status of request for examination, provision of information, examination results, and so on).

Let's try checking the examination status in the history information.

Reference >>

2.3 Viewing a Range of Information [Document Coverage Information]

## **You can check whether a new design for goods infringes on the rights of another company.**

For example, before starting the production of new goods, you want to check whether the design for your goods is similar to the registered design of another company. Let's try searching publications by the name of the goods you want to check.

Reference >>

4.2 Searching Designs by Keyword  
[Design Search]

## **You can check whether a goods name is already a registered trademark.**

For example, when deciding on a name for new goods, you want to check whether it is the same as a trademark owned by another company.

Let's try checking whether the name for the new goods has already been applied for or registered.

Reference >>

5.2 Searching Trademarks by  
Keyword [Trademark Search]

## **You can confirm the current status of appeals by rival companies and understand the reasons for refusal.**

For example, you want to know what happened when a rival company made an appeal against examiner's decision of refusal. Let's try searching for trial decisions with the trial decision search.

Reference >>

2.5 CSV Output of Search Result List

## **You can check the patent classifications provided with the FI and F-terms in published patent gazettes.**

For example, you want to check the details for the patent classification assigned to your own patent application.

Let's try searching for the details of the FI or F-term.

Reference >>

3.4 Searching for Patent and  
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# How to Use This Manual

## Intended Audience

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This manual is designed for parties who wish to use J-PlatPat to search for information on industrial property rights.

## Required Knowledge

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The following knowledge is necessary for using this manual.

- Basic knowledge of using a computer or a mobile device
- Basic knowledge of executing searches using typical search sites

## Manual Organization

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The J-PlatPat manual contains the following items.

### **J-PlatPat Operation Manual (this document)**

Provides an overview of and explains how to operate J-PlatPat. Details for items to be entered can be found in Help on each screen.

### **J-PlatPat Help**

Explains screens, items to be entered, and so on in J-PlatPat.

## About Notation

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This manual uses the following notations.

- "Japan Platform for Patent Information" is referred to as "J-PlatPat".
- The four areas of law, that is, "patents", "utility models", "designs", and "trademarks", are collectively referred to as "four law categories".
- "Personal computer" is referred to as a "computer".
- The [xxxx] appended to the ends of titles indicate screen names.
- Italicized text strings such as *xxxx* indicate that the display changes depending on the situation.

- Numbers in the screen examples correspond to step numbers.

Screen Example

**5.1 Searching Trademarks by Document Number [Trademark Number Search]** ← [Screen Name]

This section explains how to search trademark publications by entering document numbers such as application numbers.

**Operation Example**  
Search for trademark registration number "5052317".

**Step Number** → **1.** Select "Trademark" - "Trademark Number Search" from the global navigation.  
⇒ The Trademark Number Search screen appears.

**Corresponding Step Number** → 1.

**2.** Enter the search criteria.  
In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target type", select "Publication".
- In "Input type", select "Number".
- In "Number type", select "Registration number".
- In "Number", enter "5052317".

Marks used in this manual indicate the following details.

◆ **Attention** ◆ indicates points to note when using J-PlatPat.

▶ **Tip** introduces information that is useful to know when using J-PlatPat.

**Operation Example** indicates an example used when explaining operations.

**Glossary** indicates guidance for referring to "Appendix C Glossary" (P.154).

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## About Screen Examples

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Please note the following points about the screen examples used in this manual.

- The screen examples used in this manual assume that the screens are displayed on a typical computer screen (with a horizontal resolution of 1,080 px or higher).

Note that the screen examples used in this manual may have differences from the actual screens.

## How to Read This Manual

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This manual should be read in the following order.

- For first-time users of J-PlatPat
  - (1) ["Chapter 1 About J-PlatPat" \(P.13\)](#)
  - (2) ["Chapter 2 Common Operations" \(P.29\)](#)
  - (3) Operation of law-specific service menus
    - Patents/Utility Models: ["Chapter 3 Patents and Utility Models" \(P.61\)](#)
    - Designs: ["Chapter 4 Designs" \(P.97\)](#)
    - Trademarks: ["Chapter 5 Trademarks" \(P.113\)](#)
- For users of previous J-PlatPat
  - (1) ["1.5 Revisions from the Previous J-PlatPat" \(P.23\)](#)
  - (2) ["Chapter 2 Common Operations" \(P.29\)](#)
  - (3) Operation of law-specific service menus
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## Viewing PDFs

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A PDF viewer such as Adobe® Acrobat® Reader is required to view PDFs. See the manual of your PDF viewer for how to operate the viewer.



# About J-PlatPat



This chapter provides an overview of J-PlatPat.

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## 1.1 About J-PlatPat

National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training (INPIT) provides "J-PlatPat (Japan Platform for Patent Information)" as a service where anyone, at any time, anywhere can search industrial property information for free over the Internet.

J-PlatPat provides industrial property information such as publications and foreign gazettes on all the patents, utility models, designs, and trademarks issued by JPO since the Meiji era. Additionally, it provides the history information, which allows you to easily see the current progress of applications going through the examination process.

J-PlatPat also plays a role as a new information infrastructure that provides industrial property information through enhanced search functions and user interface, as well as a link to the JPO system, which enables users to efficiently find the industrial information they are seeking.

Our goal with J-PlatPat is to provide a user-friendly service where users can simply drop in and find the information immediately.



### Tip

#### **About industrial property information**

Industrial property information refers to the information released in publications by JPO and the history information thereof. This information relates to applications that have been submitted for inventions and ideas (patents and utility models), designs, and trademarks. Industrial property information is useful when you have a new idea, when you need information about the newest technology, when you come up with a great design, or when you need to name a new product. Does it already exist? Has it been registered? Looking up this information can be highly valuable.

 **Tip****Benefits of utilizing industrial property information**

You can benefit from utilizing industrial property information in the following ways:

- **Checking rights**

The most important feature of industrial property information is that it is information about rights. If your business carries on without checking rights information, you could suddenly find yourself sued for infringement and ordered to pay compensation.

- **Preventing waste in development**

If you have a firm grip on the patents held by other companies, you can avoid developing products within the scope of those rights, and instead focus on research and development and business expansion that will benefit your business. In this sense, industrial property information is absolutely essential for determining your business's objectives for technological development.

- **Obtaining information on the newest technology**

Applications for patents on new technology are continually applied for, and the information on that technology is, after a certain period of time, released. Therefore, by obtaining information on new cutting-edge technology and using it to your advantage, you can improve the efficiency and pertinence of your research, development, and expansion into new fields of business.

## 1.2 How to Use J-PlatPat

According to the aforementioned purpose and intended usage of J-PlatPat, a few general rules have been laid out for using the service. Before using the service, we ask that you please read the following information and cooperate with our guidelines for appropriate usage of the service.

### Searching with J-PlatPat

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J-PlatPat is intended only for standard search/usage of basic information related to industrial property rights. Therefore, the provided information and search functions are limited to standard usage purposes only. For advanced searches or information with a high added value (i.e. professional use), it is recommended to use other services such as those offered by commercial patent information service providers.

### Notes Regarding Browser Settings

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In order to use J-PlatPat, the following browser settings must be enabled.

- Enable display of pop-ups (set J-PlatPat as a trusted site)  
For how to configure the settings, see "FAQ" on the top page of J-PlatPat.
- Enable JavaScript  
This is enabled in the default settings of the browser, so if you are still using the default settings of the browser, it is not necessary to change the settings.  
For how to configure the settings, see Help for the browser you are using.
- Enable TLS1.2  
This is enabled in the default settings of the browser, so if you are still using the default settings of the browser, it is not necessary to change the settings.  
For how to configure the settings, see Help for the browser you are using.
- Enable cookies  
This is enabled in the default settings of the browser, so if you are still using the default settings of the browser, it is not necessary to change the settings.  
For how to configure the settings, see Help for the browser you are using.
- Enable local storage  
This is enabled in the default settings of the browser, so if you are still using the default settings of the browser, it is not necessary to change the settings.  
For how to configure the settings, see Help for the browser you are using.

Additionally, when using Firefox®, you may not be able to display PDFs within the browser.

In order to display PDFs within the browser, access "Tools" - "Options", and in "Program" change the handling method of PDF documents (PDF) to "Preview in Firefox".

## Restrictions on excessive access/access by robots

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Information about industrial property rights is available on J-PlatPat for public use. However, data collection for the sole purpose of data collection such as downloads of large volumes of data and access by robots (periodic automatic data collection by computer programs) which may interfere with the usage of normal users is prohibited. If the aforementioned inappropriate conduct or other similar conduct is discovered, your access to J-PlatPat will be restricted without prior notice, so please take note of this fact.

## About Links

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Generally, creating a link to J-PlatPat is permitted, however please contact the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training before creating a link.

TEL: 03-3581-1101 (Extension) 2413

e-mail: ip-jh05@inpit.go.jp

However, for websites whose contents or operations correspond to any of the following, we ask that you do not link to our service.

- Websites which are in violation of public policy
- Websites which are in violation of laws or ordinances, including contents which are at risk of being deemed violations
- Websites which create links which do not make it clear that J-PlatPat is a free-of-charge service provided by the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training (for example, links which display the contents of J-PlatPat as part of a frame within a website or which include a link to J-PlatPat as part of a paid service)

Furthermore, when creating a link to J-PlatPat, clearly state that the link is a link to the website of the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training.

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For non-patent documents (excluding the Journal of Technical Disclosure) retrieved during the patent/utility model search, the primary documents that are published are materials for which permission has been obtained from the copyright holder. Similarly, for design publication materials, the corresponding image data of the designs published are materials for which permission has been obtained from the copyright holder. Providing information to third parties (including publication to large parties) or otherwise enabling usage of the materials without prior confirmation of its terms may constitute to copyright infringement so please be careful.

## Disclaimer

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The National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training makes every effort to ensure that the information provided by J-PlatPat is accurate and up-to-date, however there may still be some typographical errors or omissions, incorrect or missing information, or a gap in time between the date when publications are issued and the date when the contents of those publications are provided by J-PlatPat. For the aforementioned reasons, JPO and the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training do not take responsibility for any damage or injury caused as the result of using the information provided by J-PlatPat.

## Changes to the Content

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Please note that the contents provided by J-PlatPat may be changed at any time without prior notice.

## 1.3 Accessing J-PlatPat

The URL of J-PlatPat is as follows.

<https://www.j-platpat.inpit.go.jp/>

You can also access J-PlatPat from the banner on the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training homepage (<https://www.inpit.go.jp/>).

The top page is displayed in Japanese. Select [English] at the top of the top page to switch to English.

National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training Home Page

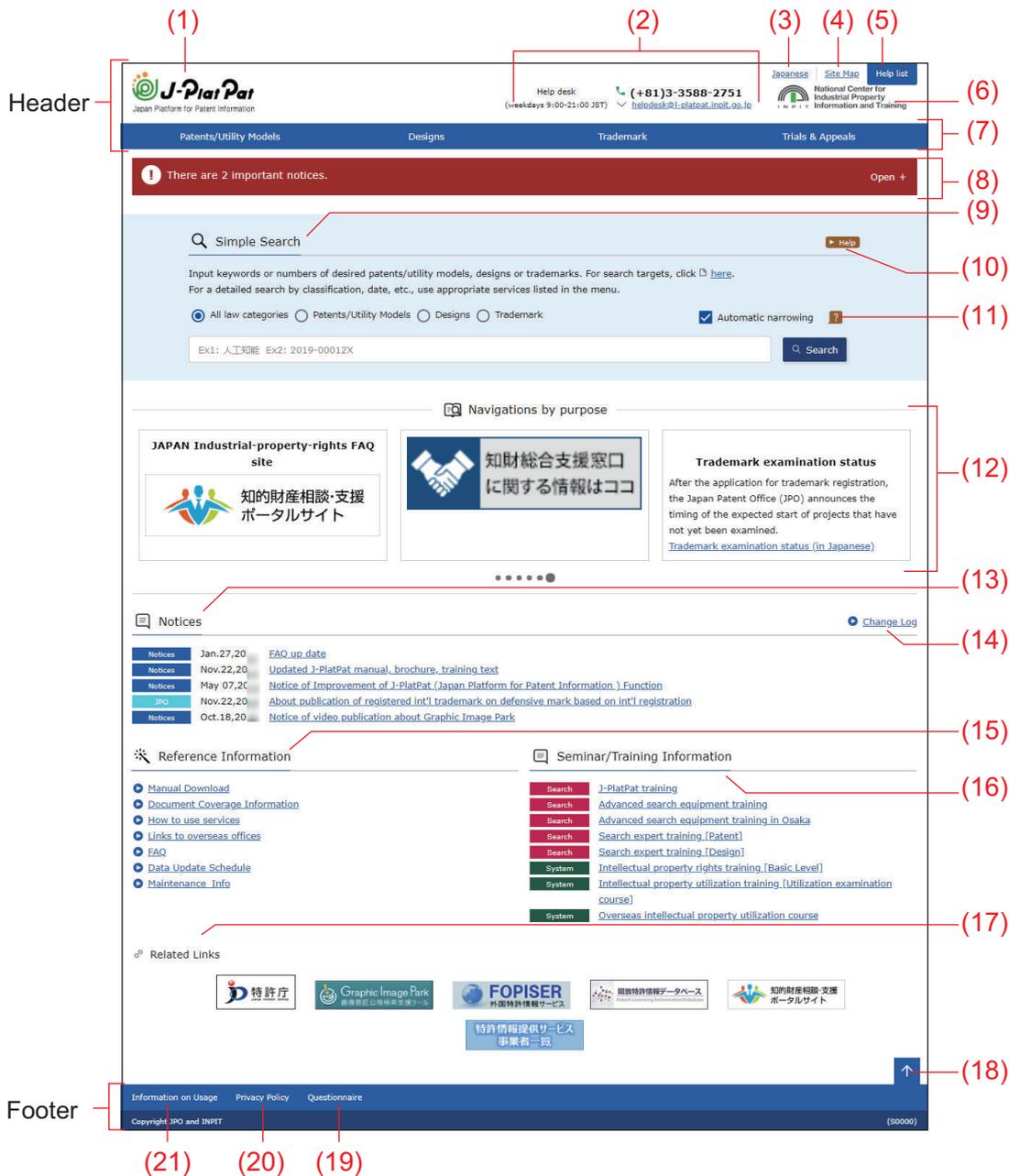


J-PlatPat Top Page



# 1.4 Layout of the Screen

This section describes the J-PlatPat screen using the top page as an example. The header and footer are the same across all services. For an explanation of the items on the screen for each service, see Help.



(1) Click the J-PlatPat logo to display the top page.

(2) Contact information for the "Help desk".

Additionally, there is a "FAQ" page available in the "Reference Information" section at the bottom of the top page. Please see "FAQ" before contacting the help desk. You may be

able to resolve the problem yourself by referring to the information in "Frequently Asked Questions".

- (3) Select "English" to switch to English display mode.  
When using English display mode, "Japanese" is displayed and can be used to switch to Japanese display mode.
- (4) Select "Site Map" to display the site map.
- (5) Select "Help list" to display the table of contents for the Help.
- (6) Click the logo for the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training (INPIT) to display the home page of National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training.
- (7) This is the global navigation. Select a service from the menu to switch to the corresponding screen for each service.
- (8) Maintenance information and other important notices are displayed here.
- (9) This is the name of the screen. In this case, "Simple Search" is displayed.
- (10) Click  to display the Help for the screen currently being displayed. In this case, the Help for "Simple Search" is displayed.
- (11) Click  to display hints about the items on the screen. In this case, hints about "Automatic narrowing" are displayed.
- (12) Helpful information and other recommendations for using J-PlatPat are displayed here.
- (13) Events, plans, and other notices are displayed here. Select a link to confirm the details of the notice.
- (14) Select "Change Log" to confirm the history of the articles published in the "Notices" section.
- (15) Document coverage information and other reference information for using J-PlatPat is displayed here. Select a link to confirm the details.
- (16) Seminar/training information related to J-PlatPat is displayed here. Select a link to confirm the details of the event.
- (17) This is a collection of links to home pages that can be used as references for the usage of industrial property rights information.
- (18) Click  to return to the top of the screen.

- (19) Select "Questionnaire" to display a questionnaire page about your usage of J-PlatPat. This questionnaire is provided in order to improve the J-PlatPat service in the future. We thank you for your cooperation.
- (20) Click "Privacy Policy" to confirm our privacy policy. Please read this information before using the service.
- (21) Select "Information on Usage" to confirm important information about using J-PlatPat. Please read this information before using the service.

### Attention

- Do not use the back button on your browser.

If you want to return from the search result list to the main search screen, click  in the bottom right of the screen. The main search screen is at the top of the search result list.

- The gray text displayed in the keyword field is an input example. It is not necessary to erase the gray text from fields with no input (they are automatically recognized as having no input).
- Depending on the size of the screen you are using, **(2)**, **(3)**, **(4)**, **(5)**, and **(7)** may be

displayed as  MENU .

## 1.5 Revisions from the Previous J-PlatPat

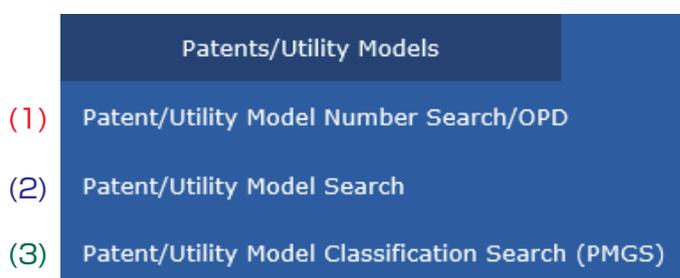
The main revisions from the previous J-PlatPat are as follows.

- **The global navigation menu has been simplified, and now various different kinds of information can be displayed with one search.**

### Patents/Utility Models

- (1) The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD" menu option.
  - "1. Patent & Utility Model Number Search"
  - "4. Foreign Gazette DB"
  - "6. One Portal Dossier (OPD) Search"
  - "7. Chinese and Korean Document Number Search (links to JPO-affiliated site)"
- (2) The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Patent/Utility Model Search" menu option.
  - "2. Patent & Utility Model Search"
  - "8. Chinese and Korean Document Text Search (links to JPO-affiliated site)"
- (3) The "3. Patent Map Guidance (PMGS)" menu option has been changed to the "Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS)" menu option.
- (4) The "5. Examination Document Search" menu option has been removed. You can view the information by using the "Details" button on each Search Result List screen or Document Display screen.

### Current J-PlatPat Global Navigation

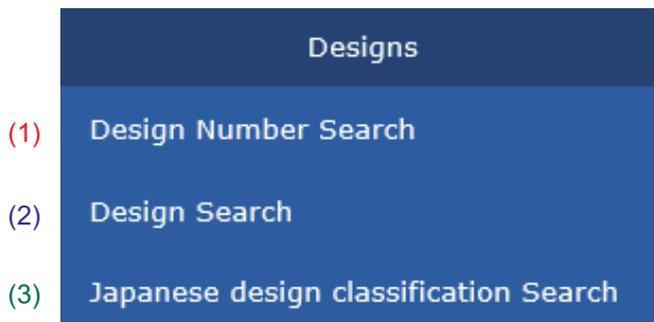


- (4) You can view the information by using the  button on each Search Result List screen or Document Display screen.

## Designs

- (1) The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Design Number Search" menu option.
  - "1. Design Number Search"
  - "4. Design Publication Material Search"
- (2) The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Design Search" menu option.
  - "2. Design Gazette Text Search"
  - "3. Japanese Design Classification/D-term Search"
  - "5. Design Publication Material Text Search"
- (3) The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Japanese design classification Search" menu option.
  - "6. Japanese Design Classification List (links to JPO homepage)"
  - "7. Foreign Design Classification List (links to JPO homepage)"

Current J-PlatPat Global Navigation



## Trademarks

- (1) The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Trademark Number Search" menu option. With Trademark Number Search, you can search publications and applications/registration information.
  - "1. Trademark Number Search"
  - "2. Trademark Application/Registration Information"

- (2) The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Trademark Search" menu option. With Trademark Search, you can search publications and applications/ registration information.
  - "2. Trademark Application/Registration Information"
  - "3. Pronunciation Search"
  - "4. Searching Figure Trademarks or Non-traditional Marks"
- (3) The "5. Table of the Classification of Figurative or Other Elements of Marks" menu option is left as it is.
- (4) The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Goods/Services Name Search" menu option.
  - "6. Searching Goods & Services"
  - "7. International Classification Table of Goods and Services"
- (5) You can view the content of the "8. Regarding Reclassification System for Designated Goods (links to JPO homepage)" menu option (available only in Japanese) on the JPO homepage.
- (6) The "9. Japanese Well-known Trademarks" menu option is left as it is.

(7) The "10. Unregistered Mark Search" menu option is left as it is.

Current J-PlatPat Global Navigation



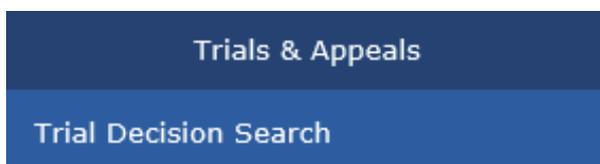
- (5)  Refer to the JPO website (regarding the reclassification system for designated goods) (available only in Japanese) from the JPO banner at the bottom of the top page.

## **Trials & Appeals**

The following menu options have been consolidated into the "Trial Decision Search" menu option.

- "1. Publication DB of trial & appeal decisions"
- "2. Trial Decision Bulletin"

Current J-PlatPat Global Navigation



## Details

The "Details" menu has been removed. You can now display the history information from the search results of patents and utility models, designs, trademarks, and trials and appeals (from Search Result List screens or Document Display screens). You can view the information by using the "Details" button each Search Result List screen or Document Display screen.

For the types of search under "2. Search Specified Range", you can search for the extended registrations of patent terms and preliminary registrations by specifying the dates in the search options for each category of law.

For how to display the history information, refer to ["2.3 Searching History Information" \(P.36\)](#).

### ■ The number of search results that can be displayed at once has increased to 3,000. **New!**

In the past, with certain services, when the number of search results exceeded 1,000, the results could not be displayed. Now the results can be displayed if the number of search results is under 3,000.

### ■ The limit on number of input characters has been standardized for each input item. **New!**

Input method has been standardized by service or item, such as the input method of dates, removing the distinction between contracted and non-contracted sounds in Japanese, removing the distinction between full-width and half-width characters, and removing the distinction between upper and lowercase characters.

For more information about the limit on number of input characters, refer to Help.

### ■ The same services are now available in both Japanese display mode and English display mode. **New!**

For example, up to this point "Trademark Number Search" was not available in English display mode, but now it can be used in English display mode as well.

### ■ CSV Output is now available for search result lists. **New!**

Search result lists can now be output in CSV format, which can be used by spreadsheet software. For how to perform this operation, refer to ["2.5 CSV Output of Search Result List" \(P.40\)](#).

### ■ You can now search by number in Simple Search. **New!**

Enter the document number into the input field of Simple Search on the top page and press the "Search" button. For details about entering your search, refer to Help.

■ You can now search by keyword in Trial Decision Search. **New!**

You can search by name of demandant, name of opponent, or conclusion of judgment rather than just by trial or appeal number.

For how to perform this search, refer to "2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes [Trial Decision Search]" (P.52).

■ You can now view the examination document information of designs and trademarks.

**New!**

You can view it under "Examination Records" on the "History Records" tab on the "Inquiry of history information" screen. For how to display the "Inquiry of history information" screen, refer to "2.3 Searching History Information" (P.36).

■ You can now view the divisional application information on the "Inquiry of history information" screen. **New!**

On the "Divisional Application Information" tab on the "Inquiry of history information" screen, you can view which application is the parent Patent application of the divisional application and any related applications, allowing you to easily grasp the overall situation. For how to display the "Inquiry of history information" screen, refer to "2.3 Searching History Information" (P.36).

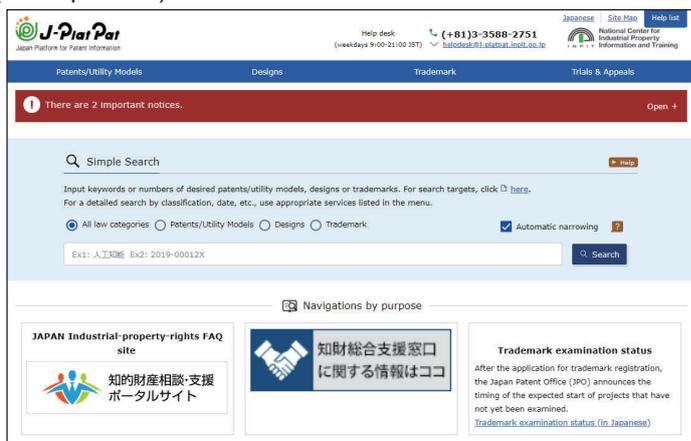
■ You can now access J-PlatPat from smartphones, tablets, and other mobile devices.

**New!**

The width of the screen is automatically adjusted for optimal display on your screen.

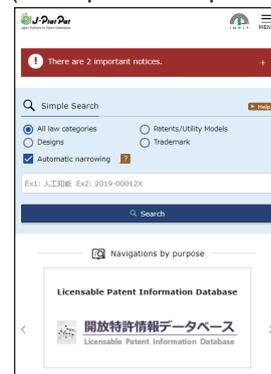
Horizontal resolution of 1080px or higher

(Example: PC)



Horizontal resolution of 767px or lower

(Example: Smartphone)



# Common Operations

# 2

This chapter explains operations common for the four law categories.

See Help for a description of each item in the screen. For how to display Help, see "[Viewing Help](#)" (P.33).

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## 2.1 Viewing the Manual/Help

This manual is available as a booklet and in PDF and HTML formats. A description of each item in the screen can be found in "Help" (HTML).

### Viewing and Downloading the PDF Version of This Manual

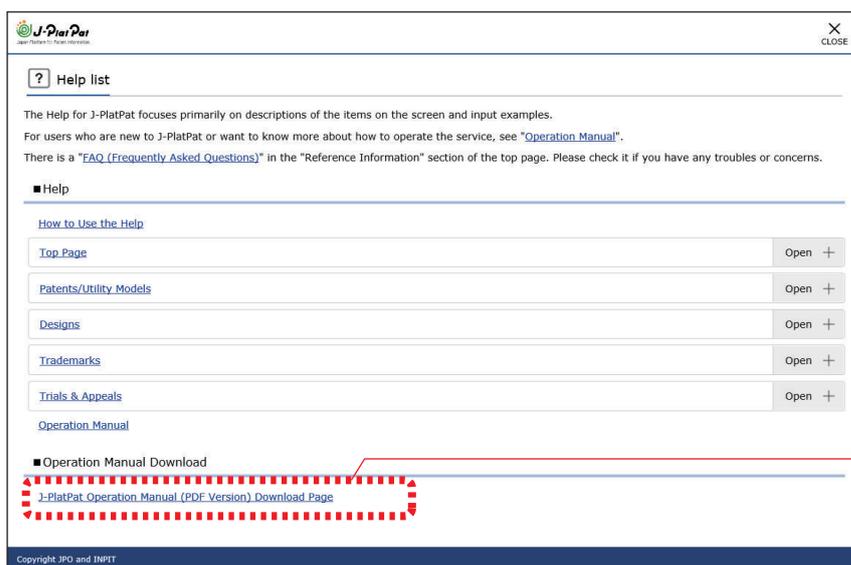
This section explains how to view and download the PDF version of this manual.

1. Click "Help list" at the top of the top page.



⇒ The "Help list" appears.

2. Select "J-PlatPat Operation Manual (PDF Version) Download Page".



⇒ The download page appears.

### 3. Select the PDF you wish to download.

The screenshot shows the website of the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training (INPIT). The page is titled "Introduction of Japan Platform for Patent Information". The main content area includes a "Contents List" with the following items:

- Notice of the launch of Japan Platform for Patent Information
- Notice on Usage
- Help Page
- **Manual [PDF : 1MB]**

The "Manual [PDF : 1MB]" link is highlighted with a red dashed box, and a red arrow points to it from the right. A red "3." is also visible on the right side of the page, indicating the step number.

⇒ The PDF appears.

When downloading the PDF, use your PDF viewer (such as Adobe® Acrobat® Reader) to save the PDF in the location you desire. See the manual of your PDF viewer for how to save PDFs.

## Viewing the HTML Version of This Manual

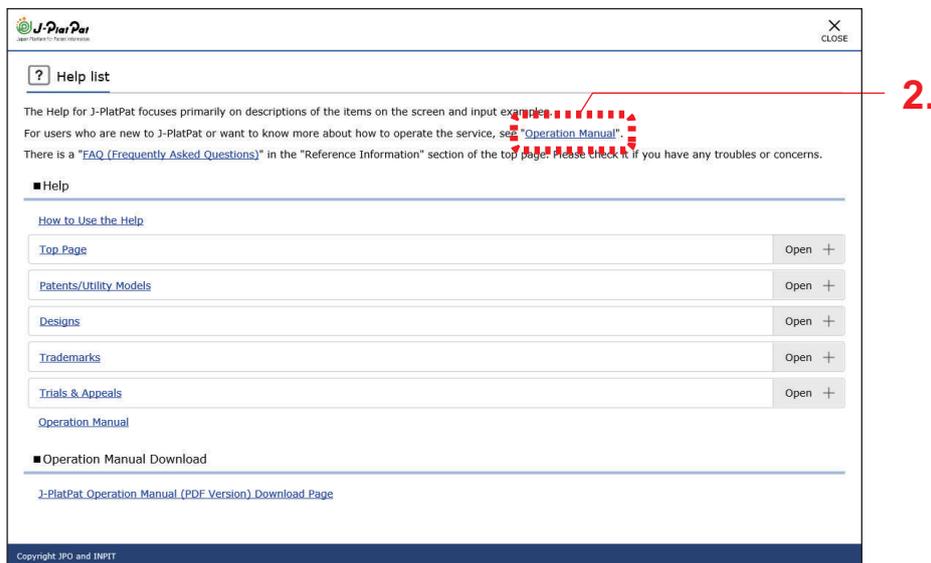
The following explains how to view the HTML version of this manual.

1. Click "Help list" at the top of the top page.



⇒ The "Help list" appears.

2. Select the "Operation Manual" link.



⇒ The HTML version of this manual appears.

## Viewing Help

This section explains how to view Help.

1. Click "Help list" at the top of the top page.



⇒ The "Help list" appears.

2. Select a help topic to view.

### ▶ Tip

#### How to easily display Help in the current screen

To open Help directly from the current J-PlatPat screen, click the "Help" icon  next to the title of the screen.

## 2.2 Searching Industrial Property Rights Information [Simple Search]

This chapter explains how to perform a simple search using keywords or numbers, rather than specifying advanced criteria.

Searches using advanced criteria should be made by selecting the desired service from the global navigation.

Details for the number entry format, search targets when using the simple search, and the like can be found in Help.

### Operation Example

Search for industrial property rights information pertaining to "風鈴".

**1.** Enter the search criteria in "Simple Search" on the top page.  
In this example, enter the following criteria.

- Select "All law categories".
- Enter "風鈴" in the keyword field.
- Check "Automatic narrowing".

Searching with "Automatic narrowing" checked automatically adds search criteria so that search results exceeding an upper limit of 3,000 are automatically narrowed down to the most recent 3,000 results.

The screenshot shows the J-PlatPat Simple Search interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Japanese, Site Map, and Help list. Below this is a header with contact information for the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training. The main content area features a search bar with the keyword "風鈴" entered. The search options are set to "All law categories" and "Automatic narrowing" is checked. A red dashed box highlights the search bar area, and a red arrow points to the "Search" button. Another red arrow points to the "Automatic narrowing" checkbox. A notice at the top of the search area states: "There are 1 important notices. Feb.26,20... Publications after 20... may not be able to display documents as they are in the process of migrating differential data." The page also includes a "Help" button and a "Change Log" link.

## 2. Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

🔍 Search Result List
Help

Patents/Utility Models  
(1)

Designs  
(16)

Trademark  
(18)

Search list options

Close

By publication years : All | [2005\(1\)](#)

By FI : All | [A63\(1\)](#)

Display option of list page ? :  Prioritized and earliest published applications  Prioritized publication/registration

Display format of document display page :  Text  PDF

Classification Code Ranking
Print List
CSV Output

No.	Document number ▲	Application number ▲	Filing date ▲	Publication date ●	Title of the invention ▲	Applicant/Right holder	FI	Options
1	<a href="#">JP_2005-287741.A</a>	JP,2004-106468	Mar.31,2004	Oct.20,2005	音と光を同時に発する無電源型発光装置	独立行政法人産業技術総合研究所	<a href="#">A63H5/00@A</a> <a href="#">A63H5/00@Q</a> <a href="#">A63H33/22@A</a>	<div style="text-align: right; padding-right: 5px;"> <span>Details</span>  <span>OPD</span>  <span>URL</span> </div>

Selecting "All law categories" for the search target makes it possible to switch the law category to be searched using the tabs in the Search Result List screen. Clicking the link in the "Search Result List" for the document number whose details you wish to view brings up the corresponding publication.

Details on the Search Result List screen can be found in Help.

## 2.3 Searching History Information

History information such as the state of examinations, rights, and other application information can be viewed from the search results in each category of law. This section explains how to view history information.

### Attention

The history information is not a substitute for publications.

### Operation Example

Search for examination records or registration information for patent application number "2011-176674".

#### 1. Search for the document in question.

For how to search, see the following:

- "2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes [Trial Decision Search]" (P.52)
- "Chapter 3 Patents and Utility Models" (P.61)
- "Chapter 4 Designs" (P.97)
- "Chapter 5 Trademarks" (P.113)

In this example, search for patent application number "2011-176674" in the "Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD".

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Search Result List' interface. At the top, there are tabs for 'Domestic Documents (1)', 'Foreign Documents (-)', and 'Non-patent document (-)'. Below this, there is a 'Search list options' section with a 'Close' button. The options include 'Display format of list page' (radio buttons for 'Number only' and 'Simple bibliography') and 'Display format of document display page' (radio buttons for 'Text' and 'PDF'). There are also buttons for 'Download Multiple PDFs', 'Print List', and 'CSV Output'. Below the options, there is a table with the following columns: No., Application number, Publication number, Publication number of examined application, Registration number, Appeal or trial number, Other, and Options. The first row contains the following data: No. 1, Application number JP,2011-176674, Publication number JP,2012-081735.A, Publication number of examined application -, Registration number JP,5165783.B, Appeal or trial number -, Other -, and Options containing 'Details', 'OPD', and 'URL' buttons. A red dashed box highlights the 'Details' button, with a red arrow and the number '2.' pointing to it.

No.	Application number ▲	Publication number ▲	Publication number of examined application ▲	Registration number ▲	Appeal or trial number	Other	Options
1	JP,2011-176674	JP,2012-081735.A	-	JP,5165783.B	-	-	<input type="button" value="Details"/> <input type="button" value="OPD"/> <input type="button" value="URL"/>

## 2. Click the "Details" button in the Search Result List screen.

⇒ The Inquiry of history information screen appears.

For examination records, clicking the link for each document brings up the content of that document.

If the file size of the document is very large, a compressed file is downloaded.

The screenshot shows the 'Inquiry of history information' interface. At the top, it identifies the document as 'PatentsApplication 2011-176674' with a 'Publication2012-081735' link. Below this, there are tabs for 'History Records', 'Application Information', and 'Registration Information'. The 'Display format' is set to 'Display by Category'. A blue header bar for 'Examination Records' is visible, with a 'Close' button. A sidebar menu on the left lists various document types, with 'Description' highlighted and a red arrow pointing to it. The main content area displays the 'Description (PatentsApplication2011-176674)' with a search bar and a 'Print' button. The description text includes sections for [Document Name], [Title of the invention], [Technical field], [Background of the invention], [Prior art documents], and [Patent document].

Note that history information can also be searched by clicking the "Details" button in the Document Display screen that appears after clicking the document number link in the Search Result List screen.

## 2.4 Copying Document URLs

This section explains how to copy a document URL to the clipboard.

URLs copied to the clipboard can be pasted in emails, set as browser bookmarks, and the like.

The following services permit the copying of document URLs.

- Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD
- Patent/Utility Model Search
- Design Number Search
- Design Search
- Trademark Number Search
- Trademark Search

Aside from trial decisions, fixed addresses (URLs) copied from the previous J-PlatPat can be used as-is with the current J-PlatPat.

### Operation Example

Copy the URL of the document with patent application number "2004-106468".

#### 1. Search for the document in question.

For how to search, see the following:

- ["2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes \[Trial Decision Search\]" \(P.52\)](#)
- ["Chapter 3 Patents and Utility Models" \(P.61\)](#)
- ["Chapter 4 Designs" \(P.97\)](#)
- ["Chapter 5 Trademarks" \(P.113\)](#)

In this example, search for patent application number "2004-106468" in the "Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD".

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search Result List

Domestic Documents (1) Foreign Documents (-) Non-patent document (-)

You can check the relationship between the entered number and the search results. ([Matching list](#))

Search list options Close

Display format of list page :  Number only  Simple bibliography

Display format of document display page :  Text  PDF Download Multiple PDFs Print List CSV Output

You can select documents at most for the multiple PDF download.

No.	Application number ▲	Publication number ▲	Publication number of examined application ▲	Registration number ▲	Appeal or trial number	Other	Options
1	JP,2004-106468	<a href="#">JP,2005-287741,A</a>	-	<a href="#">JP,4182222,B</a>	-	-	<input type="checkbox"/> Details <input type="checkbox"/> OPD <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> URL

**2.** Click the "URL" button in the Search Result List screen.

⇒ The URL is copied to the clipboard and the URL Copy screen appears.

URL Copy

The URL information for JP,2004-106468 has been copied.

<https://www.j-platpat-dev.inpit.go.jp/c1800/PU/JP-2004-106468/819629CCCC8B549BC92E117195622B33EC997622E3B027034FE2419140F7A4A4/10/en>

Close

The URL displayed in the URL Copy screen is the URL that was copied to the clipboard.

**3.** Click the "Close" button.

⇒ The URL Copy screen closes.

The URL has been copied to the clipboard and can thus be pasted as desired.

## 2.5 CSV Output of Search Result List

This section explains how to output a search result list as a file in CSV format.

The CSV format can be used by software that supports CSV files, such as Microsoft® Excel®.

### Attention

- Advance application is required for outputting files in CSV format. This section will also explain registration for authentication.
- CSV format files can only be output when there are 500 or fewer search results. If there are 501 or more search results, revise the search criteria so that only 500 or fewer results are returned.

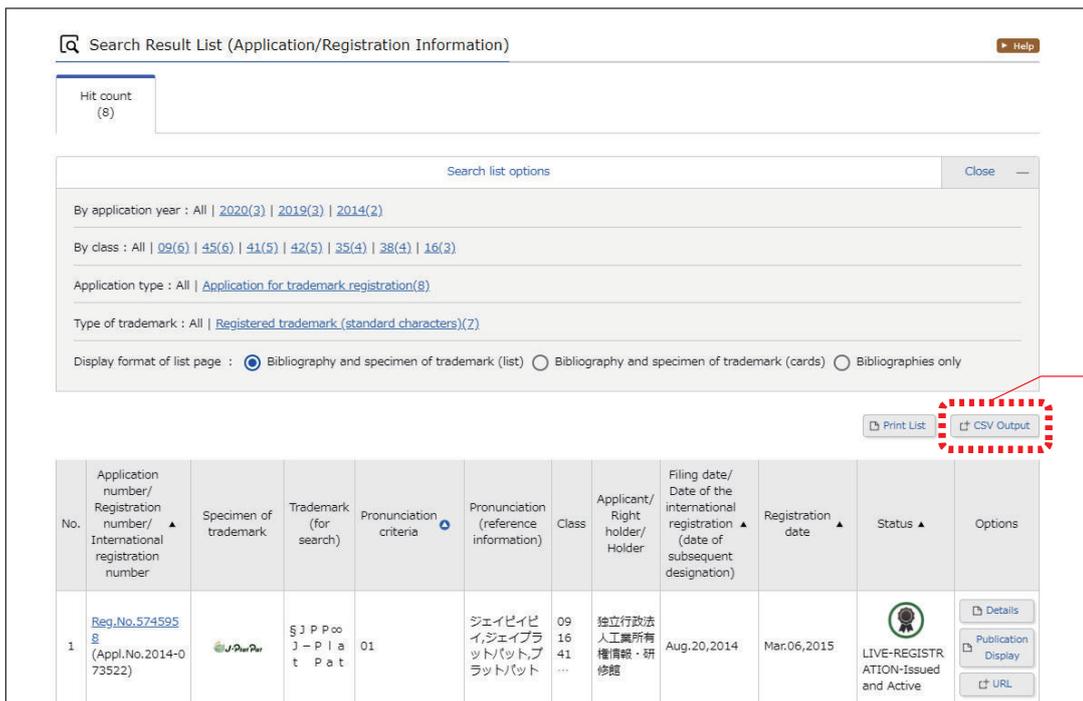
### Operation Example

Output the similar readings to "プラットパット" displayed in the Search Result List screen (trademarks) in CSV format.

1. Search for the document in question.  
For how to search, see the following:
  - "Chapter 3 Patents and Utility Models" (P.61)
  - "Chapter 4 Designs" (P.97)
  - "Chapter 5 Trademarks" (P.113)

In this example, search for "プラットパット" in the Trademark Search.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.



Search Result List (Application/Registration Information) Help

Hit count (8)

Search list options Close

By application year : All | [2020\(3\)](#) | [2019\(3\)](#) | [2014\(2\)](#)

By class : All | [09\(6\)](#) | [45\(6\)](#) | [41\(5\)](#) | [42\(5\)](#) | [35\(4\)](#) | [38\(4\)](#) | [16\(3\)](#)

Application type : All | [Application for trademark registration\(8\)](#)

Type of trademark : All | [Registered trademark \(standard characters\)\(7\)](#)

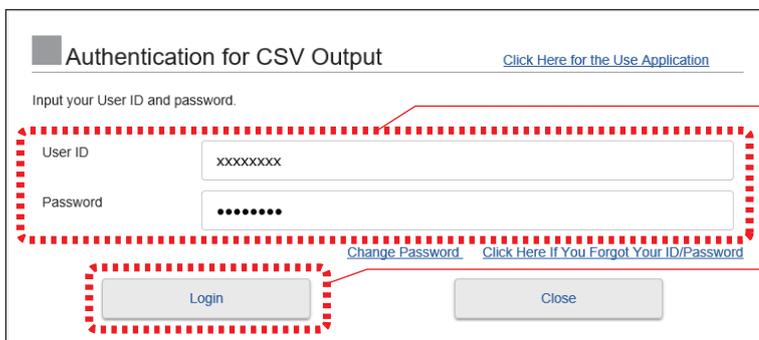
Display format of list page :  Bibliography and specimen of trademark (list)  Bibliography and specimen of trademark (cards)  Bibliographies only

[Print List](#) [CSV Output](#)

No.	Application number/Registration number/International registration number	Specimen of trademark	Trademark (for search)	Pronunciation criteria	Pronunciation (reference information)	Class	Applicant/Right holder/Holder	Filing date/Date of the international registration (date of subsequent designation)	Registration date	Status	Options
1	<a href="#">Reg.No.5745958</a> (Appl.No.2014-073522)		§ J P P ∞ J - P   a t P a t	01	ジェイビビ イ,ジェイブ ラット/パット,ブ ラット/パット	09 16 41 ...	独立行政法 人工業所有 権情報・研 修廳	Aug.20,2014	Mar.06,2015	 LIVE-REGISTRATION-issued and Active	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">Publication Display</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

**2.** Click the "CSV Output" button in the Search Result List screen.

⇒ The Authentication for CSV Output screen appears.



Authentication for CSV Output [Click Here for the Use Application](#)

Input your User ID and password.

User ID

Password

[Change Password](#) [Click Here if You Forgot Your ID/Password](#)

**3.** Enter your "user ID" and "password".

If this is your first time using the CSV output service, apply by selecting "Click Here for the Use Application" in the upper-right part of the Authentication for CSV Output screen. An email containing your user ID will be sent to the registered mail address.

**Attention**

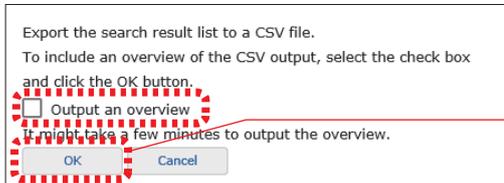
If ten minutes have passed after applying for CSV output use and you still have not received your user ID, check the following:

- Whether the correct mail address was used in the application.  
Confirm your mail address and try applying again.
- Whether the email was incorrectly marked as spam.  
Check your spam folder. To prevent the email from being sent to the spam folder, mark "@j-platpat.inpit.go.jp" as safe in your email settings.

If you have forgotten your password, reset your password by selecting "Click Here If You Forgot Your ID/Password".

**4.** Click the "Login" button.

⇒ A message confirming whether to output abstracts appears. Select "Output an overview" to include abstracts in the CSV output.



**5.** Click the "OK" button.

⇒ In the event of a successful login, the "CSV download" button appears in the lower-right part of the screen.



**6.** Click the "CSV download" button.

⇒ The CSV output process starts. Follow the prompts in your browser to save the file.

## 2.6 Downloading PDFs of Documents

This section explains how to download the PDF of a document.

A downloaded PDF can be printed or saved.

### Operation Example

Download a PDF of design registration number "1568234".

#### 1. Search for the document in question.

For how to search, see the following:

- ["Chapter 3 Patents and Utility Models" \(P.61\)](#)
- ["Chapter 4 Designs" \(P.97\)](#)
- ["Chapter 5 Trademarks" \(P.113\)](#)
- ["2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes \[Trial Decision Search\]" \(P.52\)](#)

In this example, search for design registration number "1568234" in the "Design Number Search".

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

#### 2. Select the link for the number (in this case, the registration number) of the document to display in the Search Result List screen.

⇒ The publication appears.

No.	Registration number ▲	Application number ▲	International registration number+ Design number ▲	Appeal or trial number	Other	Options
1	<a href="#">JP_1568234_S</a>	JP, 2016-009212	-	-	- Fundamental de sign -	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">References</a> <a href="#">Related designs</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

**2.**

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**Document Display** Help

< Previous document 1 of 1 Display Next document >

**JP, 1568234, S** 
[Details](#) [References](#) [URL](#) [Mistranslation](#)

Display format of document display page :  Text  PDF

Design gazette

**\* NOTICES \***

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- 1.This document has been translated by computer. So the translation may not reflect the original precisely.
- 2.\*\*\*\* shows the word which can not be translated.
- 3.In the drawings, any words are not translated.
- 4.In case of the gazette having an international registration number, "Article to Design" and "Description of Design" may not be machine-translated in some parts.

As the original gazette has English description of those untranslated items here, please click "Image" button and confirm the correct information in the original gazette.

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(19)[Publication country/region]Japan Patent Office (JP)

(45)[Publication date]Heisei 29(2017) January 30 (2017.1.30)

(12)[Kind of official gazette]Design Gazette (S)

(11)[Registration number]D1568234

(24)[Registration date]Heisei 28(2016) December 22 (2016.12.22)

(54)[Article to the design]Passenger car

(52)[Japanese design classification][G2-2100](#)

Drawings Close —

[\[Perspective view 1\]](#) | [\[Perspective view 2\]](#) | [\[Perspective view 3\]](#) | [\[Perspective view 4\]](#) | [\[Front view\]](#) | [\[Rear view\]](#) | [\[Left side view\]](#) | [\[Right side view\]](#) | [\[Top view\]](#)

[Enlarge and Rotate](#)

**3.**

### 3. In "Display format of document display page", select "PDF Display".

⇒ The PDF appears.

The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Document Display" with a search icon and a "Help" button. Below the title bar, there are navigation links: "< Previous document", "1 of 1", "Display", and "Next document >". The main content area displays the document ID "JP, 1568234, S" and three buttons: "Details", "References", and "URL". Below this, there is a section for "Display format of document display page" with two radio buttons: "Text Display" (unselected) and "PDF Display" (selected). Underneath, it says "Design gazette". The main content area is a large white box containing a list of document details in Japanese, such as:
 

- (19) 【発行国】 日本国特許庁 (JP)
- (45) 【発行日】 平成29年1月30日 (2017. 1. 30)
- (12) 【公報種別】 意匠公報 (S)
- (11) 【登録番号】 意匠登録第1568234号 (D1568234)
- (24) 【登録日】 平成28年12月22日 (2016. 12. 22)
- (54) 【意匠に係る物品】 乗用自動車
- (52) 【意匠分類】 G2-2100
- (51) 【国際意匠分類】 Loc (10) C1. 12-08
- (21) 【出願番号】 意願2016-9212 (D2016-9212)
- (22) 【出願日】 平成28年4月27日 (2016. 4. 27)
- (72) 【創作者】
- 【氏名】
- 【住所又は居所】
- (73) 【意匠権者】

 At the bottom of the page, there are navigation links: "< Previous document", "1 of 1", "Display", and "Next document >".

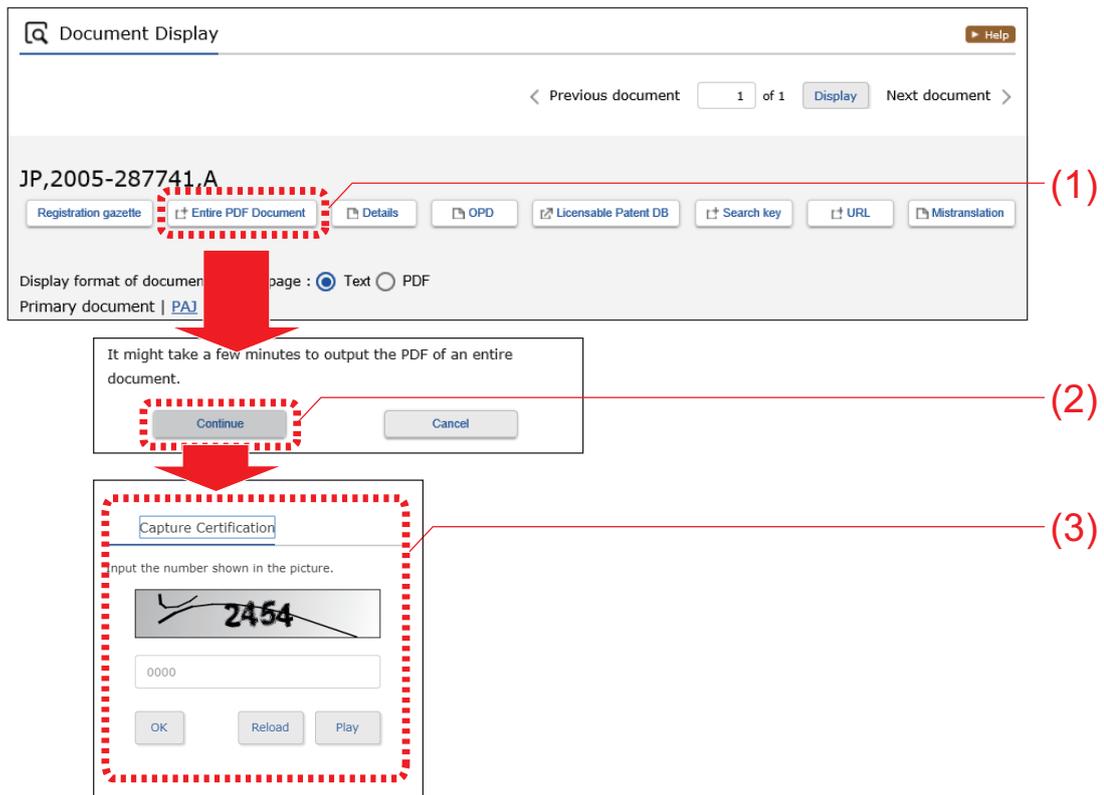
### 4. Save the PDF.

See the manual of your PDF viewer for how to save PDFs.

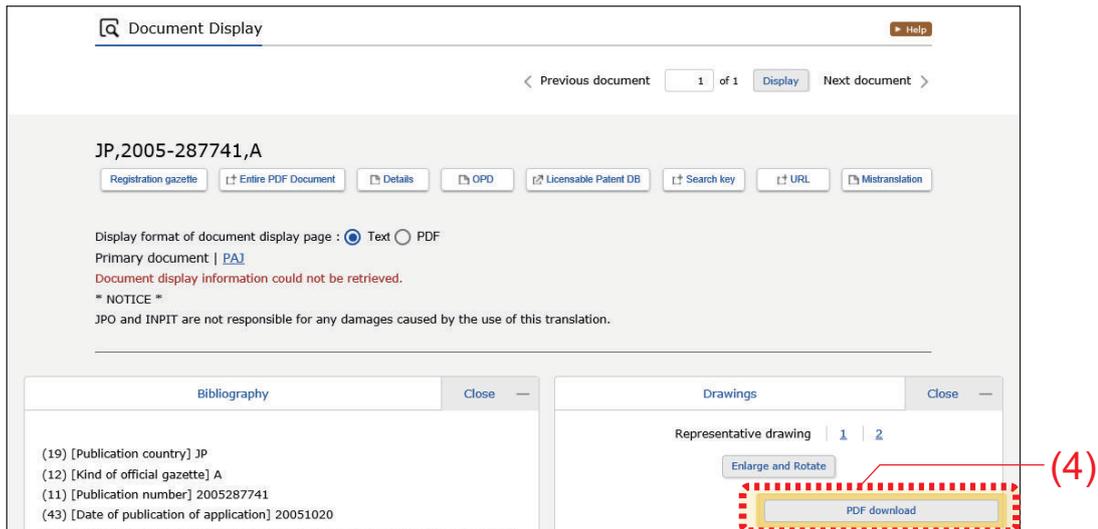
**Tip****Downloading entire patent and utility model documents as PDFs**

For patents and utility models, clicking the "Entire PDF Document" button in the Document Display screen allows PDF files of domestic documents, foreign documents, or non-patent documents to be downloaded.

- (1) Click the "Entire PDF Document" button in the Document Display screen.  
A warning pertaining to outputting the entire PDF document appears.



- (2) Check the message and click the "Continue" button to open a CAPTCHA authentication screen.
- (3) Input the 4-digit authentication number that is displayed in the image into the input field in half-width characters and click the "OK" button.  
If authentication is successful, the "PDF download" button appears in the lower-right part of the Document Display screen.



If there are multiple PDFs or the document is divided into multiple parts, the Entire PDF Document screen appears, and the documents to be downloaded can be selected from the list of files.

- (4) Click the "PDF download" button.

The PDF appears. See the manual of your PDF viewer for how to save PDFs.

The downloaded PDF may be divided into several files if the PDF is very large.

For details about combining files, refer to the "[When the downloaded PDF is divided into multiple files](#)" (P.47).

### Tip

#### When the downloaded PDF is divided into multiple files

The downloaded PDF may be divided into several files if the PDF is very large.

This section describes how to combine divided downloaded files. Note that combining files cannot be performed on mobile devices such as smartphones. To combine files, use a computer.

- (1) Check the extension of the downloaded file.

Correct extensions:

```
XXXX-merge.zip (combining program) XXXX.zip.0001 XXXX.zip.0002
XXXX.zip.0003
```

File extensions are sometimes changed by the browser used to download the file. Confirm that the files aside from the combining program have the extension format "xxxx.zip.nnnn".

If the file extension has changed to "xxxx.zip.0001.zip", "xxxx.zip.zip", "xxxx.zip.", or the like, return the file name to the format indicated above in "correct extensions" (that is, "xxxx.zip.nnnn").

- (2) Double-click the downloaded combining program (xxxx-merge.zip).  
The file is decompressed and the combining batch file "xxxx.bat" is created. You may need archiving software to decompress the compressed file. See the manual of your archiving software for how to decompress files.  
Make sure all the downloaded "xxxx.zip.nnnn" files are stored in the same folder as the combining batch file "xxxx.bat".
- (3) Double-click the combining batch file "xxxx.bat".  
This creates a compressed file "zzzz.zip".
- (4) Double-click the compressed file "zzzz.zip".  
The file is decompressed and the combined PDF "zzzz.pdf" is created.

## 2.7 Batch Downloading PDFs of Multiple Documents

This section explains how to download the PDFs of multiple documents in a batch. However, this function can only be used for the following document types.

<b>Patents/utility models</b>	Domestic documents
<b>Designs</b>	Domestic gazette
<b>Trademarks</b>	Publication
<b>Trials and appeals</b>	Publication

### Operation Example

Download the PDFs of multiple documents pertaining to technical information published as of October 2005 for "風鈴".

#### 1. Search for the document in question.

For how to search, see the following:

- ["Chapter 3 Patents and Utility Models" \(P.61\)](#)
- ["Chapter 4 Designs" \(P.97\)](#)
- ["Chapter 5 Trademarks" \(P.113\)](#)
- ["2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes \[Trial Decision Search\]" \(P.52\)](#)

In "Patent/Utility Model Search", find out what kind of technical information has been published as of October 2005 for "風鈴".

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search Result List

Domestic Documents (4) Foreign Documents (-) Non-patent document (-)

Search list options

By publication years : All | 2005(4)

By FI : All | A63(2) | A44(1) | B44(1) | H04(1)

Display option of list page ? :  Prioritized and earliest published applications  Prioritized publication/registration

Display format of document display page :  Text  PDF

Classification Code Ranking **Download Multiple PDFs** Print List CSV Output

You can select 1 documents at most for the multiple PDF download.

No.	Document number ▲	Application number ▲	Filing date ▲	Publication date ▼	Title of the invention ▲	Applicant/Right holder	FI	Options
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> JP.2005-287741. A	JP.2004-106468	Mar.31,2004	Oct.20,2005	音と光を同時に発する無電源型 発光装置	独立行政法人産業技術総合 研究所	A63H5/00@A A63H5/00@Q A63H33/22@A	Details OPD URL

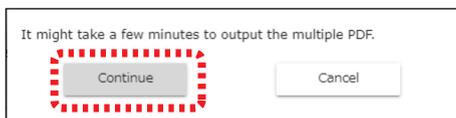
**2.** In "No.", select the number of a document whose PDF is to be downloaded.

**Attention**

Documents can no longer be selected if the number of selectable documents is exceeded.

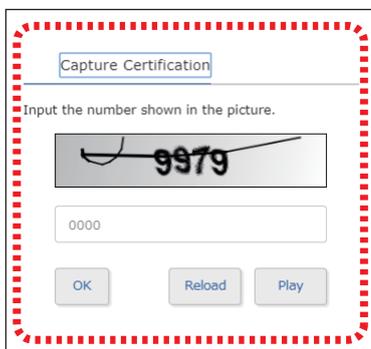
**3.** Click the "Download Multiple PDFs" button.

⇒ A warning pertaining to outputting multiple PDF files appears.



**4.** Check the message and click the "Continue" button.

⇒ A CAPTCHA authentication screen appears.



**5.** Input the 4-digit authentication number that is displayed in the image into the input field in half-width characters and click the "OK" button.

⇒ If authentication is successful, a compressed file including multiple PDFs (PDFDL\_ZZ\_yyyyMMddhhmmss.zip) is downloaded. ZZ indicates the law category code, and yyyyMMddhhmmss indicates the file creation date.

The law category code represents one of the following.

PU : Patents/utility models

D : Designs

T : Trademarks

J : Trials and appeals

**6.** Save the compressed file (PDFDL\_ZZ\_yyyyMMddhhmmss.zip) and then decompress the file.

- The contents of the compressed file (PDFDL\_ZZ\_yyyyMMddhhmmss.zip) after decompression are as follows.

PDFDL\_ZZ\_yyyyMMddmmss.csv : Catalog file

Folder named by document number

└ XXXXXXXX.pdf

Folder named by document number

└ XXXXXXXX.pdf

⋮

The catalog file gives the document number, publication type, relative path of the PDF file, and error information for each document that was selected.

If a PDF file for the publication does not exist, "The specified publication does not exist." is displayed in the error information.

- The downloaded PDF may be divided into several files if the PDF is very large. For details about combining files, refer to the "[When the downloaded PDF is divided into multiple files](#)" (P.47).

## 2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes [Trial Decision Search]

This section explains how to search various documents related to trial decisions (appeal against examiner's decision, inter partes trial/appeal), opposition decision documents, and judgment gazettes.

The following method can be used for trial decision searches.

- ["Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes by Keyword" \(P.52\)](#)
- ["Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes by Appeal or Trial Number" \(P.56\)](#)

### Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes by Keyword

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This section explains how to search trial decisions and judgment gazettes using keywords.

#### Operation Example

Search ex parte trial/appeals in which "国立研究開発法人産業技術総合研究所" is the demandant.

1. From the global navigation, select "Trials & Appeals" - "Trial Decision Search".

⇒ The Trial Decision Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Trial Decision Search' page. At the top, the navigation bar includes 'Patents/Utility Models', 'Designs', 'Trademark', and 'Trials & Appeals'. The 'Trials & Appeals' menu is highlighted with a red dashed box and labeled '1.'. Below the navigation, the page title 'Trial Decision Search' is shown with a search icon and a 'Help' button. A brief description of the search capabilities is provided. The main search area is enclosed in a red dashed box and labeled '2.'. It contains an 'Input type' section with radio buttons for 'Input keyword' (selected) and 'Number'. Below this is a 'Document types' section with a dropdown menu set to 'all' and checkboxes for 'Ex parte trial/appeal' (checked), 'Opposition', 'Inter partes trial/appeal', and 'Judgment Gazette'. The 'Search keywords' section includes a 'Search item' dropdown set to 'IPC (sub-class)' and a 'Keyword' input field containing 'EX: B22F'. An 'Add' button is located below the keyword field. At the bottom of the search area, there is a 'Search options' section with a dropdown menu set to 'Options : Not specified' and an 'Open +' button. A red dashed box around the 'Search' button is labeled '3.'. A 'Clear' button is also present next to the 'Search' button.

## 2. Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Input type", select "Input keyword".
- In "Document types", select "Ex parte trial/appeal".
- In the "Search item" field of "Search keywords", select "Demandant".
- In the "Keyword" field of "Search keywords", enter "国立研究開発法人産業技術総合研究所".

## 3. Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search Result List

Ex parte trial/appeal (76) | Opposition (-) | Inter partes trial/appeal (-) | Judgment Gazette (-)

Search list options

By four law categories : All | [Patents\(76\)](#)

By trial decision years : All | [2019\(5\)](#) | [2018\(11\)](#) | [2015\(16\)](#) | [2017\(18\)](#) | [2016\(21\)](#)

By conclusion of trial decision : All | [WYF\(50\)](#) | [Z\(10\)](#) | [WY\(6\)](#)

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No.	Four law categories ▲	Kind ▲	Appeal or trial number	Appeal or trial decision date ▲	Classification/ Class ▲	Name/Trademark(for search) ▲	Demandant	Conclusion of trial decision	Options
1	Patents	Refusal		Nov.11,2019	A01K			WY:Patent (register)	<a href="#">Details</a>
2	Patents	Refusal		Sep.25,2019	G01N			Z:Patent (do not register)	<a href="#">Details</a>
3	Patents	Refusal	<a href="#">JP2017-009343</a>	Dec.04,2017	C23C,C30B	単結晶ダイヤモンドの製造方法	国立研究開発法人産業技術総合研究所	WYF:Patent (register)	<a href="#">Details</a>

## 4. Select the link in the "Appeal or trial number" column you wish to view.

⇒ The document appears.

## Tip

### What is a trial decision bulletin?

Information regarding inter partes trial/appeal decisions, ex parte trial/appeal decisions, decisions made for oppositions, and the like leading up to the publication of those decisions is called a "trial decision bulletin". Trial decision bulletins can be searched through the Trial Decision Search screen.

**Bulletin** is displayed in the search result list for documents subject to trial decision bulletins.

When the document number link is selected, the trial decision bulletin appears.

No.	Four law categories ▲	Kind ▲	Appeal or trial number	Appeal or trial decision date ▲	Classification/ Class ▲	Name/Trademark(for search) ▲	Demandant	Conclusion of trial decision	Options
1	Patents	Refusal	JP2017- Bulletin	Dec.04,2017	C23C,C30B			WYF:Patent (register)	<a href="#">Details</a>

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Rejection2001- [redacted] [Print](#) [Details](#)

[Mistranslation](#)

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3.In the drawings, any words are not translated.

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Trial and Appeal Decision

Appeal 2001- [redacted]

(Abbreviation)  
Demandant: [redacted]

(Abbreviation)  
Representative patent attorney: [redacted]

[redacted] has resulted in the following appeal decision:

**Conclusion**  
The appeal of the case was groundless.

**Reason**  
[1] History of the procedures this application is application on [redacted], and in view of the description of the Description whose full text was amended by the Written Amendment on [redacted] and the corrected Drawings, the invention according to claim 5 was described in Claim 5 of the scope of the claim, and is acknowledged as follows. (Hereinafter, it is called the "present invention".) "

## Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes by Appeal or Trial Number

This section explains how to search trial decisions and judgment gazettes using appeal or trial numbers.

### Operation Example

Search for the appeal or trial number "2017-009341".

**1.** From the global navigation, select "Trials & Appeals" - "Trial Decision Search".

⇒ The Trial Decision Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Trial Decision Search' interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for 'Patents/Utility Models', 'Designs', 'Trademark', and 'Trials & Appeals'. The 'Trials & Appeals' tab is selected, and a sub-tab 'Trial Decision Search' is visible. Below the navigation bar, there is a search bar with the text 'Trial Decision Search' and a 'Help' button. A paragraph of text explains the search capabilities: 'You can search various decision-related documents (ex parte appeals, inter partes trial/appeal), documents related to decision on opposition, judgment gazettes. Select the search items and input search keywords. (An OR search is performed when you separate search keywords with a space.) For more information about case record symbols, see [Record symbol list](#).' Below this text is a form with two main sections: 'Input type' and 'Search keywords'. The 'Input type' section has two radio buttons: 'Input keyword' (unselected) and 'Number' (selected). The 'Search keywords' section has a 'Search item' dropdown menu with 'Appeal or trial number' selected, and a 'Keyword' text input field containing '2017-009341'. At the bottom of the form, there is a 'Search' button and a 'Clear' button. Three red dashed boxes with numbered callouts (1, 2, 3) highlight the 'Trials & Appeals' navigation bar, the search form area, and the 'Search' button respectively.

**2.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Input type", select "Number".
- In the "Search item" field of "Search keywords", select "Appeal or trial number".
- In the "Keyword" field of "Search keywords", enter "2017-009341".

### 3. Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search Result List

Number inquiry (1)

Search list options

By four law categories : All | [Patents\(1\)](#)

By trial decision years : All | [2018\(1\)](#)

By conclusion of trial decision : All | [WYF\(1\)](#)

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No.	Four law categories ▲	Kind ▲	Appeal or trial number	Appeal or trial decision date ▲	Classification/ Class ▲	Name/Trademark(for search) ▲	Demandant/Opponent	Conclusion of trial decision	Options
1	Patents	Refusal	P.2017-009341	Feb.19,2018	C30B,C01B,C23C	単結晶ダイヤモンドの製造方法	国立研究開発法人産業技術総合研究所	WYF:Patent (register)	<a href="#">Details</a>

4. Select the "Appeal or trial number" link you wish to view.

⇒ The document appears.

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### Rejection2017-009341

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- 4.Information on [Name (in original language)] is the original description filed by applicant.

[Management number]No. 1337605  
 [Total volume number]No. 220  
 (19)[Publication country]Japan Patent Office (JP)  
 (12)[Kind of official gazette]Decision-in-trial-to-patent gazette  
 [Publication date]Heisei 30(2018) April 27 (2018.4.27)  
 [Kind]The appeal/trial decision of a Decision-of-Refusal appeal  
 [Appeal or trial number]Complaint 2017-9341 (P2017-9341/11)  
 [Date of demand for trial]Heisei 29(2017) June 27 (2017.6.27)  
 [Fixed date]Heisei 30(2018) March 6 (2018.3.6)  
 [Kind of appeals or trials]  
 P18 .113-WYF(C30B)  
 P18 .121-WYF(C30B)  
 P18 .537-WYF(C30B)  
 [Demandant]  
 [Name]National Research and Development Agency National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology  
 [Representative]  
 [Patent attorney]  
 [Name] ██████████  
 [Display of case]  
 The Japanese Patent Application No. 2013-205146 "manufacturing method of single crystal diamond" the case of appeal against the examiner's decision of refusal [Heisei 27(2015) April 13 publication of unexamined application and provisional-publication-of-a-patent 2015- 67516 and the number of claims (5)] has resulted in the following appeal decision:  
 [Conclusion]  
 The examiner's decision is revoked.  
 The invention of the present application shall be granted a patent.  
 [Reason]  
 This application is Heisei 25(2013). It is application on September 30 and it is admitted that invention concerning the Claims 1-5 is a thing as the matter described in the Claims 1-5 of the scope of the claim corrected by the Written Amendment as of Heisei 30(2018) January 25 specifies.  
 And about this application, even if it examines any of the reason for refusal of the examiner's decision, and the reason for refusal from a the body, it shall not refuse for the Reason.  
 In addition, beyond that, no reasons for refusal were found.  
 Therefore, the appeal/trial decision shall be made as described in the conclusion.  
 [Appeal or trial decision date]Heisei 30(2018) February 19 (2018.2.19)  
 [Chief administrative judge][JPO administrative judge] ██████████  
 [JPO administrative judge] ██████████  
 [JPO administrative judge] ██████████  
 (21)[application number]Japanese Patent Application No. 2013-205146 (P2013-205146)  
 (22)[Filing date]Heisei 25(2013) September 30 (2013.9.30)  
 (54)[Title of the invention]  
 (51)[International Patent Classification(Reference)]  
 C30B 29/04  
 C01B 32/26  
 C23C 16/27  
 C30B 29/04  
 C01B 32/26  
 C23C 16/27  
 (65)[Publication number]  
 (43)[Date of publication of application]Heisei 27(2015) April 13 (2015.4.13)  
 [Final decision]Formation  
 [Number of claims at the time of an appeal/trial decision (number of invention)]5  
 [Examiner involved in prior decision] ██████████  
 [Reconsideration by examiner before appeal]Y

## 2.9 Viewing a Range of Information [Document Coverage Information]

The range of information provided by each service can be confirmed through document coverage information. This section explains how to view document coverage information.

### Operation Example

Search a range of domestic documents, namely "Publication of unexamined patent application (A)", which can be searched in "Patents/Utility Models".

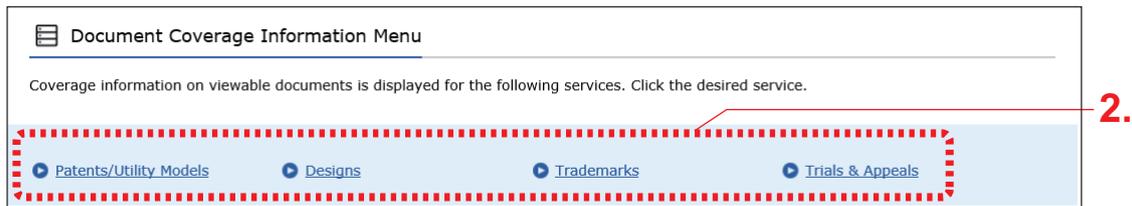
1. Select "Document Coverage Information" in the "Reference Information" section of the top page.

The screenshot shows the J-PlatPat website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Patents/Utility Models', 'Designs', 'Trademark', and 'Trials & Appeals'. Below this is a search bar with the text 'Simple Search' and a search button. A red notification banner at the top left says 'There are 2 Important notices.' Below the search bar, there are several sections: 'JAPAN Industrial-property-rights FAQ site', '知財総合支援窓口' (Intellectual Property Support Center), and 'Trademark examination status'. A 'Reference Information' section is highlighted with a red dashed box and a red arrow pointing to the 'Document Coverage Information' link. The 'Reference Information' section contains a list of links: 'Manual Download', 'Document Coverage Information', 'Links to overseas offices', 'How to use services', 'Data Update Schedule', 'FAQ', and 'Maintenance Info'. The 'Document Coverage Information' link is the one being highlighted.

⇒ The Document Coverage Information Menu screen appears.

**2.** Select a service to view.

In this case, select "Patents/Utility Models".



⇒ A range of information provided by the service appears.

The document coverage information is updated as needed.

For example, if the coverage range of "A:Publication of unexamined patent application" is "1971-000001 to 2018-161056", the search range used when searching "Publication of unexamined patent application (A)" corresponds to documents from "1971-000001" to "2018-161056".

National literature		2019/04/22	Close -
Document Types	Coverage Range		
A:Publication of unexamined patent application	2014-118634	~	2020-206237
A:Publication text of unexamined patent application (paper)	1971-001614	~	1992-362924
A:Publication of PCT application(patent)	2015-511463	~	2020-550001
A:Publication text of PCT application(patent) (paper)	1981-500530	~	1995-509461
B:Publication of examined patent application		~	
B:Publication text of examined patent application (paper)	1970-013375	~	2015-139370
B:Publication of granted patent application	5629867	~	6424381
C:Patent specification		~	
H:Corrected patent specification		~	
U:Publication of unexamined utility model application	1973-027312	~	1990-042939
U:Publication text of unexamined utility model application (paper)	1972-017702	~	1992-119330
U:Publication of PCT application(utility model)		~	
U:Publication text of PCT application(utility model) (paper)	1980-500001	~	1980-500009
U:Publication of registered utility model application	3141035	~	3219765
U1:Unexamined utility model specification	1972-001920	~	1991-029599

**Tip**

**How to easily display document coverage information related to the current screen**

- (1) Click the "+Related Information" button at the bottom of the screen.  
The related information area appears.
- (2) Click the "Document Coverage Information" button.  
The Document Coverage Information screen appears, and the range of information provided by the service currently displayed can be confirmed.

# Patents and Utility Models

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This chapter explains how to search for patent and utility model information.

- If you know the document number you wish to search for, see "[3.1 Searching Patents and Utility Models by Document Number \[Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD\]](#)" (P.62).
- If you do not know the document number you wish to search for, or if you wish to search using keywords, see "[3.2 Searching Patents and Utility Models by Keyword \[Patent/Utility Model Search\]](#)" (P.68).
- For how to search for trial decisions, see "[2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes \[Trial Decision Search\]](#)" (P.52).
- For how to view history information, see "[2.3 Searching History Information](#)" (P.36).
- See Help for a description of each item in the screen.

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# 3.1 Searching Patents and Utility Models by Document Number [Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD]

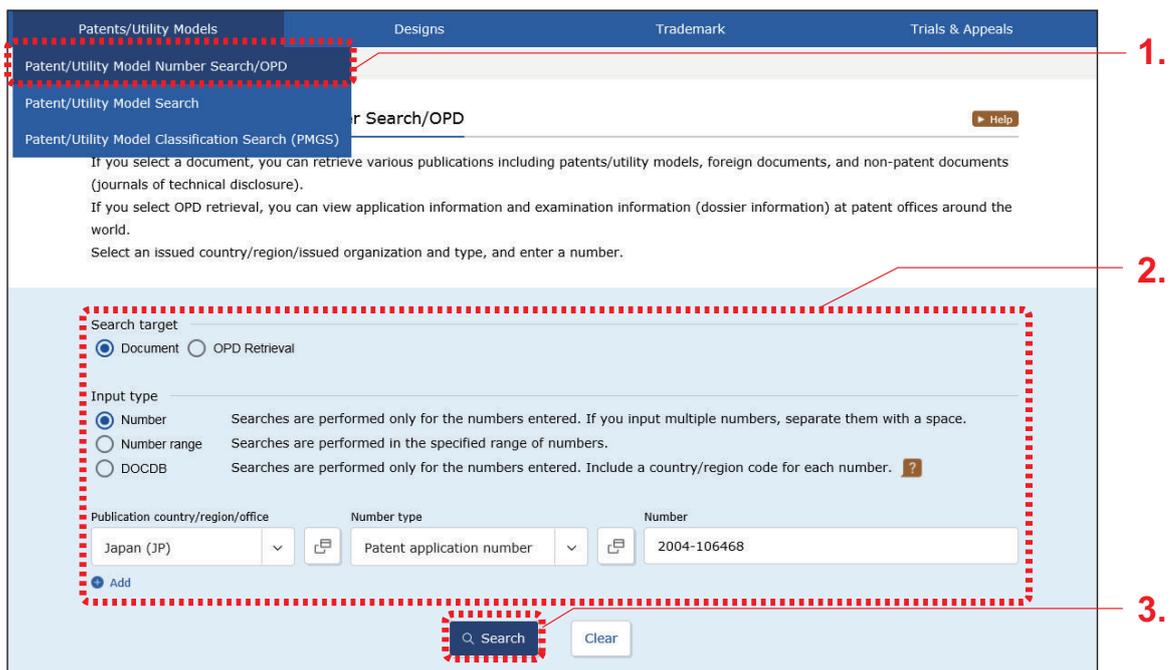
This section explains how to search documents by number, such as application number or publication number.

## Operation Example

Search for patent application number "2004-106468".

1. From the global navigation, select "Patents/Utility Models" - "Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD".

⇒ The Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD screen appears.



**2.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target", select "Document".
- In "Input type", select "Number".
- In "Publication country/region/office", select "Japan (JP)".
- In "Number type", select "Patent application number".
- In "Number", enter "2004-106468".

**3.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search Result List

Domestic Documents (1) Foreign Documents (-) Non-patent document (-)

You can check the relationship between the entered number and the search results. ([Matching list](#))

Search list options Close

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You can select documents at most for the multiple PDF download.

No.	Application number ▲	Publication number ▲	Publication number of examined application ▲	Registration number ▲	Appeal or trial number	Other	Options
1	JP,2004-106468	<a href="#">JP,2005-287741,A</a>		<a href="#">JP,4182222,B</a>	-	-	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">OPD</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

**4.** Select the link of the document number for the publication you wish to view.

In this example, select "JP,2005-287741,A" in the "Publication number" column.

**Attention**

If no document matches the entered criteria, the document number will not appear as a link in the search result list. Try using different search criteria.

⇒ The Document Display screen appears.

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**JP,2005-287741,A**

Registration gazette
Entire PDF Document
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OPD
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(19) [Publication country] JP  
 (12) [Kind of official gazette] A  
 (11) [Publication number] 2005287741  
 (43) [Date of publication of application] 20051020  
 (54) [Title of the invention] BATTERY-LESS LIGHT EMITTING DEVICE EMITTING LIGHT AND SOUND SIMULTANEOUSLY  
 (51) [International Patent Classification 7th Edition]  
 A63H 5/00  
 [F 1]  
 A63H 5/00 Q  
 A63H 5/00 A  
 [Request for examination] Unrequested  
 [Number of claims] 8  
 [Format of application] OL  
 [Total number of pages] 14  
 (21) [Application number] 2004106468  
 (22) [Filing date] 20040331  
 (71) [Applicant]  
 [Name] NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED INDUSTRIAL & TECHNOLOGY

(74) [Representative]  
 [Identification number] 100080034  
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 2C150EF16  
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Detailed Description
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**Tip**

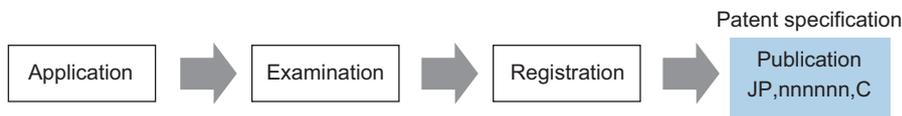
**Changes to the patent publication system**

Under the present patent system, a "publication of unexamined patent application" is issued for every application pending in the JPO, from the application date until one year and six months after the application date. A "patent publication" is issued only for patents that have been examined and registered.

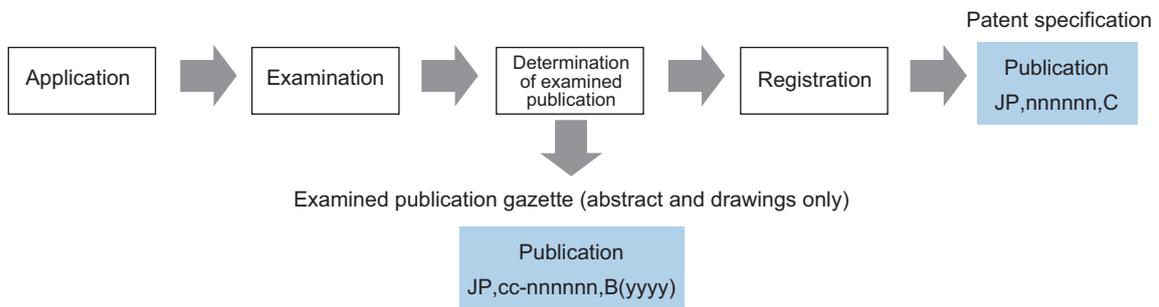
This system has been in effect since Heisei 8 (1996). Before that, different types of publications were issued in different eras. Although all publications issued from the Meiji era onward can be viewed through J-PlatPat, publication names differ depending on the era, and thus care should be exercised when selecting search targets.

The following illustrates how publications were issued in each era.

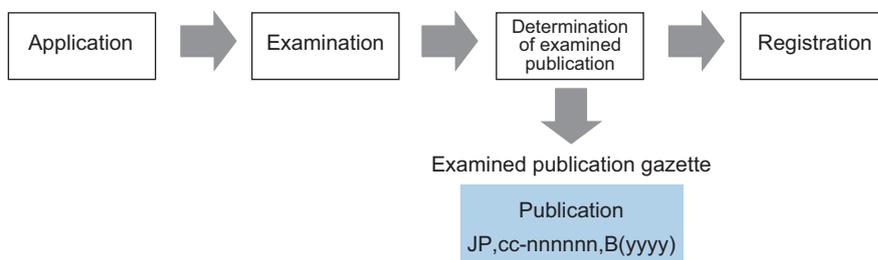
- From Meiji 21 (1888) to Taisho 10 (1921)



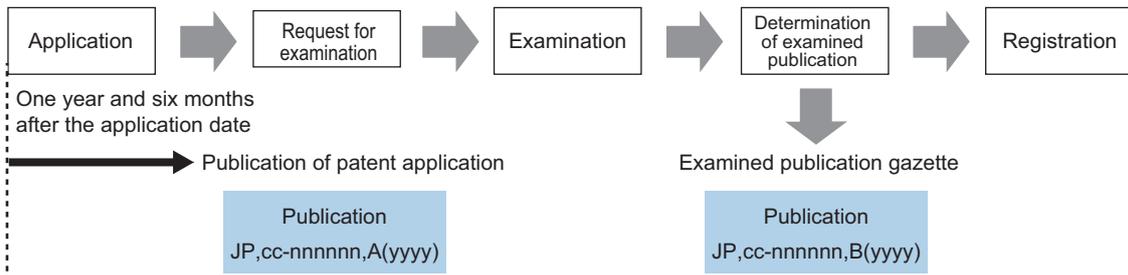
- From Taisho 11 (1922) to Showa 24 (1949) [introduction of system of publication after examination]



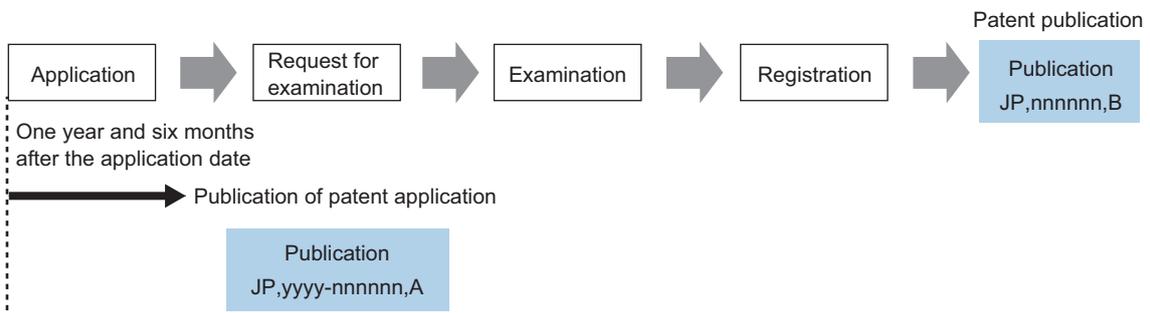
- From Showa 25 (1950) to Showa 45 (1970) [abolition of descriptions]



- From Showa 46 (1971) to March of Heisei 8 (1996) [introduction of system of public disclosure]



- From April of Heisei 8 (1996) to present [abolition of system of publication after examination]



## 3.2 Searching Patents and Utility Models by Keyword [Patent/Utility Model Search]

This section explains how to search documents using keywords such as bibliographic item, classification (FI, F-term, IPC), abstract, scope of claims, and full publication text (excluding bibliography).

**Glossary** > "FI" (P.156), "F-term" (P.155), "IPC" (P.156), "Japanese Abstract" (P.156)

### Operation Example

Find out what kind of technical information has been published as of October 2005 for "風鈴".

## 1. From the global navigation, select "Patents/Utility Models" - "Patent/Utility Model Search".

⇒ The Patent/Utility Model Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the Patent/Utility Model Search interface. The top navigation bar includes "Patents/Utility Models", "Designs", "Trademark", and "Trials & Appeals". The "Patents/Utility Models" menu is expanded, showing "Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD", "Patent/Utility Model Search" (highlighted with a red dashed box and callout 1), and "Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS)".

Below the navigation, there is a help text area (callout 2) and two input tabs: "Selective Input" (highlighted with a red dashed box and callout 3) and "Logical Expression Input".

The main search area is enclosed in a red dashed box (callout 4) and contains the following sections:

- Search target text:** Radio buttons for "Japanese text" (selected) and "English text".
- Document types:** Checkboxes for "Domestic Documents" (checked), "Foreign Documents", "Non-patent document", and "J-GLOBAL".
- Search keywords:** A "Search item" dropdown set to "Full text" and a "Keyword" field containing "風鈴".
- Exclusion keywords:** A field for specifying keywords to exclude from the search result.
- Search options:** A section with "Main theme" (Ex: 4K018) and "Sub theme" (Ex: 2C999,4H004,4H104) fields.
- Date options:** A section for specifying a western calendar year or Japanese calendar year, with "Publication date/issued date" selected and a date range from "20051001" to "20051031".
- Registered item search:** A checkbox for "Filter items by registration date".

At the bottom, there is a "Search" button (highlighted with a red dashed box and callout 4), a "Clear" button, and a "Create Logical Expression from Criteria" button.

## 2. Confirm that the "Selective Input" tab is displayed.

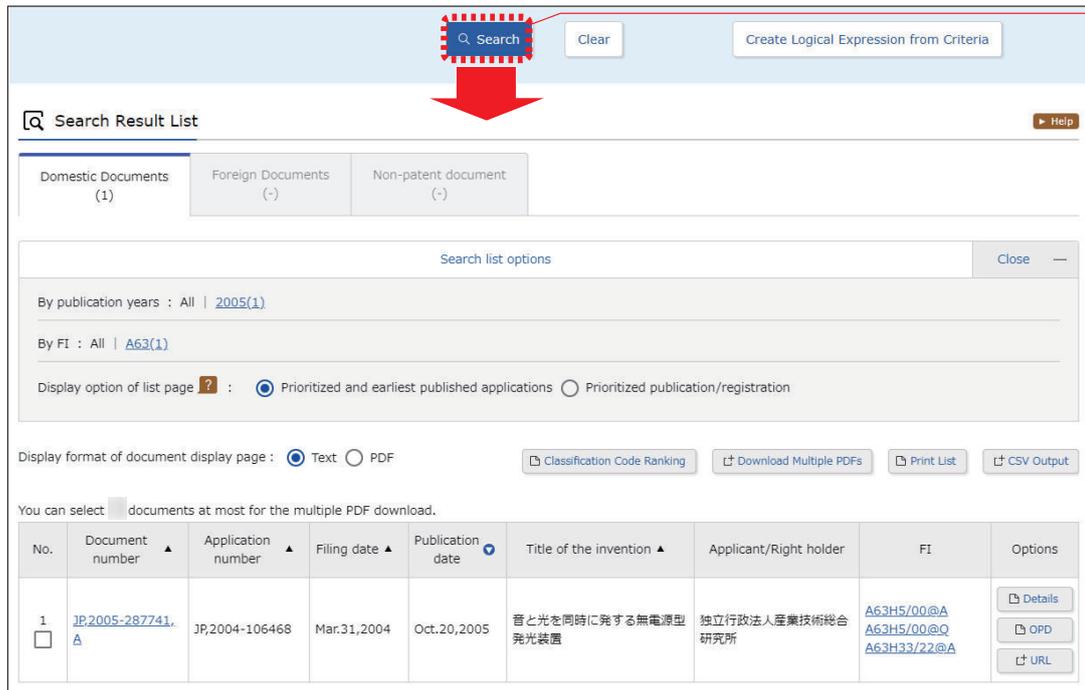
## 3. Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target text", select "Japanese text".
- In "Document types", select "Domestic Documents".
- In the "Search item" field of "Search keywords", select "Full text".
- In the "Keyword" field of "Search keywords", enter "風鈴".
- Open the search option area and select "Publication date/issued date" in "Date options".
- In "Date options", enter "20051001" to "20051031".

**4.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.



Search Result List

Domestic Documents (1) Foreign Documents (-) Non-patent document (-)

Search list options

By publication years : All | [2005\(1\)](#)

By FI : All | [A63\(1\)](#)

Display option of list page ? :  Prioritized and earliest published applications  Prioritized publication/registration

Display format of document display page :  Text  PDF

[Classification Code Ranking](#) [Download Multiple PDFs](#) [Print List](#) [CSV Output](#)

You can select 1 documents at most for the multiple PDF download.

No.	Document number ▲	Application number ▲	Filing date ▲	Publication date ▼	Title of the invention ▲	Applicant/Right holder	FI	Options
1	<a href="#">JP.2005-287741.A</a>	JF,2004-106468	Mar.31,2004	Oct.20,2005	音と光を同時に発する無電源型発光装置	独立行政法人産業技術総合研究所	<a href="#">A63H5/00@A</a> <a href="#">A63H5/00@Q</a> <a href="#">A63H33/22@A</a>	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">OPD</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

**5.** Select the link of the document number for the document you wish to view.

⇒ The Document Display screen appears.

## Tip

### Finding the meaning of an FI from the search result list

Clicking a link in the "FI" column in the search result list of patent and utility models displays the Classification Display screen, where the meaning of an FI can be found.

Search Result List
Help

Domestic Documents  
(1)

Foreign Documents  
(-)

Non-patent document  
(-)

[Search list options](#) Close

By publication years : All | [2005\(1\)](#)  
 By FI : All | [A63\(1\)](#)  
 Display option of list page [?](#) :  Prioritized and earliest published applications  Prioritized publication/registration

Display format of document display page :  Text  PDF
 [Classification Code Ranking](#)
[Download Multiple PDFs](#)
[Print List](#)
[CSV Output](#)

You can select  documents at most for the multiple PDF download.

No.	Document number ▲	Application number ▲	Filing date ▲	Publication date ▼	Title of the invention ▲	Applicant/Right holder	FI	Options
1 <input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">JP.2005-287741</a> <a href="#">A</a>	JP,2004-106468	Mar.31,2004	Oct.20,2005	音と光を同時に発する無電源型発光装置	独立行政法人産業技術総合研究所	<a href="#">A63H5/00@A</a> <a href="#">A63H5/00@Q</a> <a href="#">A63H33/22@A</a>	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">OPD</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

 **Tip**

**What are non-patent documents?**

J-PlatPat lists the following primary documents, authorized by their copyright holders, as non-patent documents.

- Journals of technical disclosure
- Manuals (CSDB)
- Independent books (CSDB)
- Domestic technical journals (CSDB)
- Non-technical journals (CSDB)
- Foreign academic papers (CSDB)
- Domestic academic papers (CSDB)
- Company technical reports (CSDB)
- Organization bulletins (CSDB)
- Proceedings (CSDB)

"CSDB" is a JPO database which stores computer software-related technical documents, including software manuals and non-technical journals.

 **Tip**

**J-GLOBAL search and link**

J-GLOBAL is an online service, provided by the Japan Science and Technology Agency, through which domestic researchers and scholarly articles can be searched.

Selecting "J-GLOBAL" in "Document types" and searching makes it possible to search J-GLOBAL for non-patent documents, science technology terms, chemical substances, and materials information.

## 3.3 Saving Search Criteria (Logical Expression) and Repeating Patent and Utility Model Search Using Same Search Criteria [Patent/Utility Model Search]

When saving search criteria and repeating a search using the same search criteria, logical expressions can be used to avoid entering criteria. This section explains how to search using logical expressions.

### Operation Example

Save the search criteria used in the Operation Example in "[3.2 Searching Patents and Utility Models by Keyword \[Patent/Utility Model Search\]](#)" (P.68) as a logical expression and repeat the search using the saved logical expression.

A logical expression must be created before executing a logical expression search. Create a logical expression as follows.

See "[Searching with a Logical Expression](#)" (P.80) if a logical expression is already saved, or if you will enter a logical expression directly using operators.

- (1) "[Creating a Logical Expression](#)" (P.73)
- (2) "[Saving a Logical Expression](#)" (P.77)
- (3) "[Searching with a Logical Expression](#)" (P.80)

### Creating a Logical Expression

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This section explains how to create logical expressions.

The following methods can be used to create a logical expression to use in searches.

- Inputting a search criteria on the "Selective Input" tab of the Patent/Utility Model Search screen and then turning it into a logical expression  
Search criteria entered as per normal searches can be automatically converted into a logical expression, making it easy to create logical expressions.

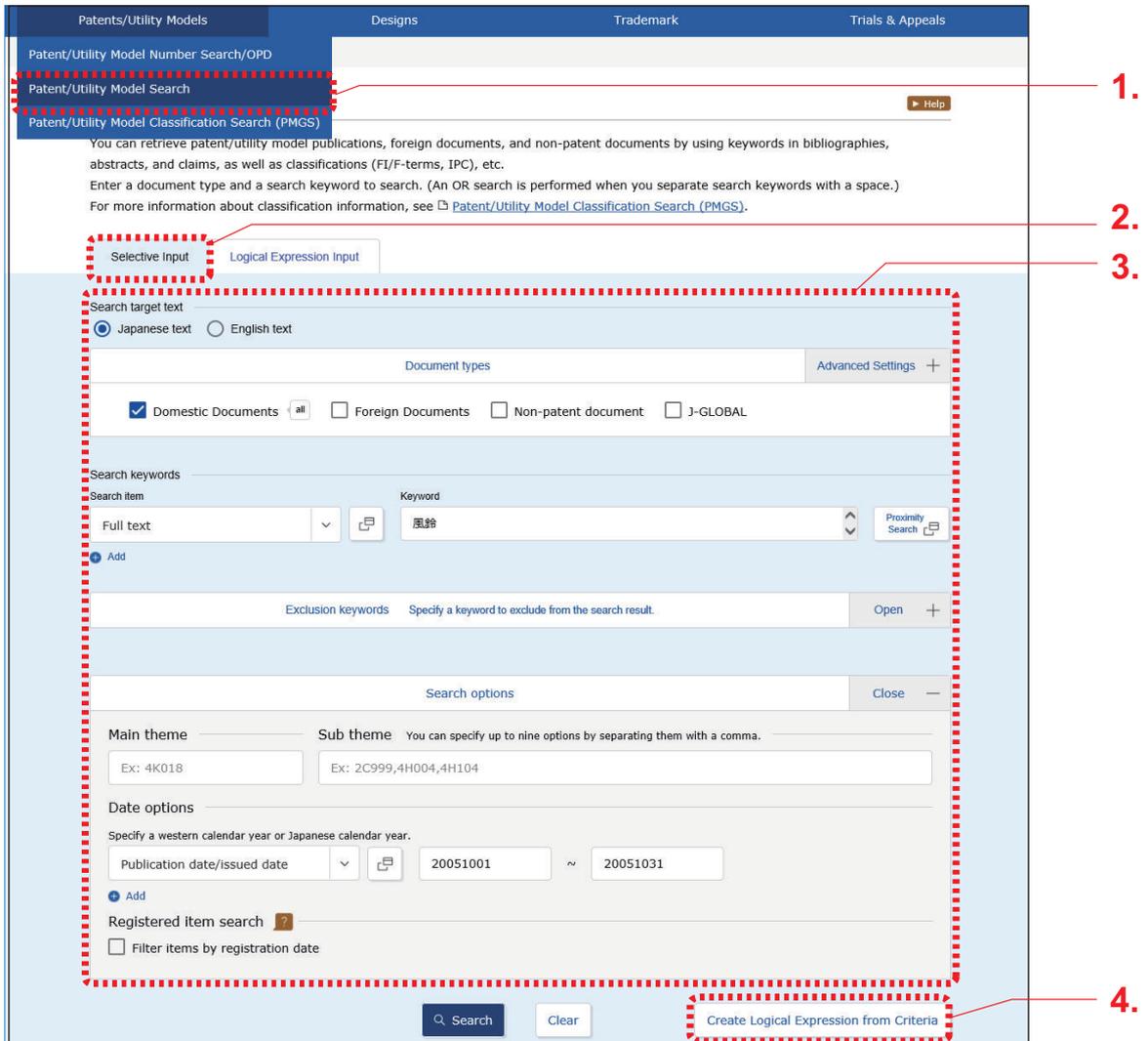
- Directly entering logical expressions using the "Logical Expression Input" tab in the Patent/Utility Model Search screen  
See "[Appendix B Direct Entry of Logical Expressions](#)" (P.150) for how to create a logical expression for direct input using operators.

### Operation Example

Create a logical expression from the search criteria used in the Operation Example in "[3.2 Searching Patents and Utility Models by Keyword \[Patent/Utility Model Search\]](#)" (P.68).

1. From the global navigation, select "Patents/Utility Models" - "Patent/Utility Model Search".

⇒ The Patent/Utility Model Search screen appears.



2. Confirm that the "Selective Input" tab is displayed.

3. Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target text", select "Japanese text".
- In "Document types", select "Domestic Documents".
- In the "Search item" field of "Search keywords", select "Full text".
- In the "Keyword" field of "Search keywords", enter "風鈴".
- Open the search option area and select "Publication date/issued date" in "Date options".
- In "Date options", enter "20051001" to "20051031".

#### 4. Click the "Create Logical Expression from Criteria" button.

⇒ The display switches to the "Logical Expression Input" tab and the logical expression appears in the "Logical expression" field.

To save the created logical expression, perform the save operations in the following "Saving a Logical Expression" (P.77), while still in this screen. To search without saving, click the "Search" button.

The screenshot displays the "Patent/Utility Model Search" interface. At the top, there is a search bar and a "Help" button. Below the search bar, there is a brief description of the search capabilities and instructions on how to use keywords and document types. The interface is divided into two main sections: "Logical Expression Input" and "Search options".

**Logical Expression Input Section:**

- Buttons: "Load Logical Expression" and "Save Logical Expression".
- Text: "You can save/load input conditions and logical expressions. Search options are also saved."
- Search target text: "Japanese text" (selected) and "English text".
- Document types: "Domestic Documents" (checked), "Foreign Documents", and "Non-patent document".
- Logical expression field: Contains the text "[風鈴/TX]".

**Search options Panel:**

- Buttons: "Close" and "Search".
- Main theme: Input field with "Ex: 4K018".
- Sub theme: Input field with "Ex: 2C999,4H004,4H104".
- Date options: "Specify a western calendar year or Japanese calendar year." with a dropdown menu set to "Publication date/issued date", a date range from "20051001" to "20051031", and an "Add" button.
- Registered item search: Input field with a question mark icon.
- Checkbox: "Filter items by registration date".

## Saving a Logical Expression

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This section explains how to save a created logical expression in the browser.

### **Attention**

Logical expressions are saved on a browser-by-browser basis. If the browser cache is cleared in local storage, saved logical expressions will be cleared as well.

### **Operation Example**

Save a logical expression created according to "[Creating a Logical Expression](#)" (P.73).

1. Click the "Save Logical Expression" button with the logical expression created in the "Logical Expression Input" tab of the Patent/Utility Model Search screen.

Q Patent/Utility Model Search ▶ Help

You can retrieve patent/utility model publications, foreign documents, and non-patent documents by using keywords in bibliographies, abstracts, and claims, as well as classifications (FI/F-terms, IPC), etc.  
 Enter a document type and a search keyword to search. (An OR search is performed when you separate search keywords with a space.)  
 For more information about classification information, see [Patent/Utility Model Classification Search \(PMGS\)](#).

Selective Input Logical Expression Input

⬇ Load Logical Expression ⬆ Save Logical Expression You can save/load input conditions and logical expressions. Search options are also saved.

Search target text  
 Japanese text  English text

Document types Advanced Settings +

Domestic Documents all  Foreign Documents  Non-patent document

Logical expression

[風鈴/TX]

Search options Close -

Main theme  Sub theme You can specify up to nine options by separating them with a comma.

Date options  
 Specify a western calendar year or Japanese calendar year.  
  ~

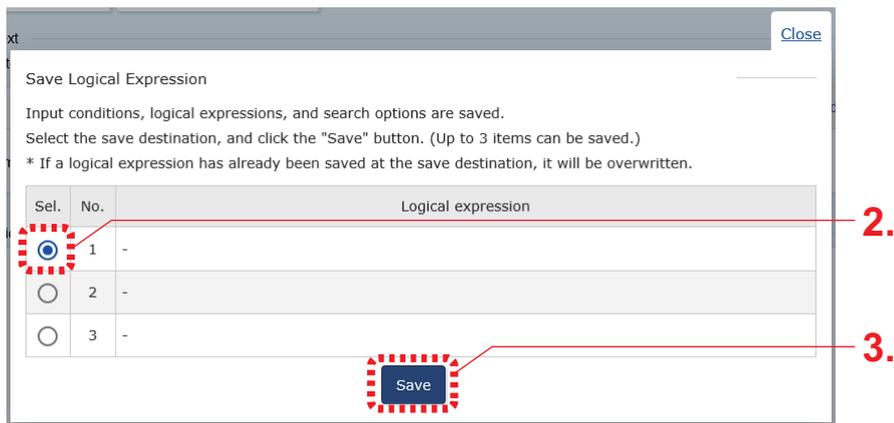
+ Add

Registered item search ?

Filter items by registration date

1.

⇒ The Save Logical Expression screen appears.



**2.** Select a destination number in the "Sel." column.  
Three logical expressions can be saved. Selecting the number used for saving an existing logical expression will overwrite that logical expression.

**3.** Click the "Save" button.

⇒ The logical expression is saved in the browser.

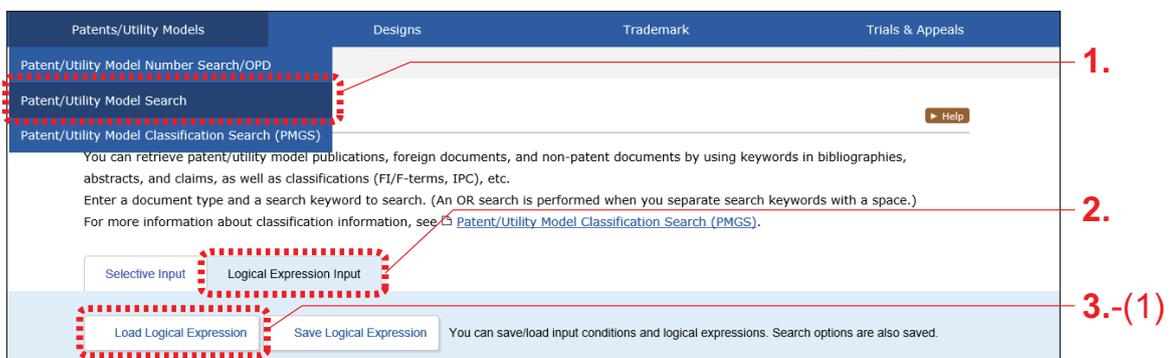
## Searching with a Logical Expression

This section explains how to search patents and utility models using logical expressions.

### Operation Example

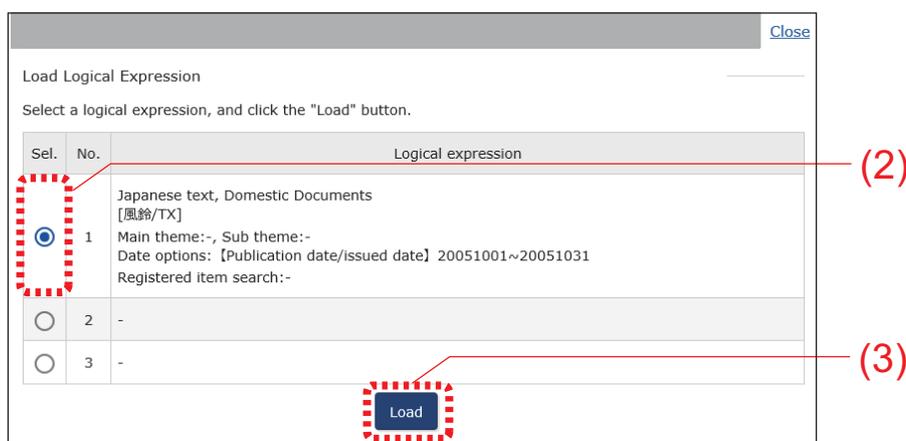
Load a logical expression saved in "Saving a Logical Expression" (P.77) to search patents and utility models.

1. From the global navigation, select "Patents/Utility Models" - "Patent/Utility Model Search".  
⇒ The Patent/Utility Model Search screen appears.
2. Select the "Logical Expression Input" tab.  
⇒ The "Logical Expression Input" tab appears.



3. Enter a logical expression.  
In this example, load a saved logical expression using the following procedure.

- (1) Click the "Load Logical Expression" button.  
The Load Logical Expression screen appears.



- (2) Select the number of the logical expression you wish to load in the "Sel." column.

(3) Click the "Load" button.

The logical expression is loaded in the "Logical Expression Input" tab.

Patent/Utility Model Search

You can retrieve patent/utility model publications, foreign documents, and non-patent documents by using keywords in bibliographies, abstracts, and claims, as well as classifications (FI/F-terms, IPC), etc.  
Enter a document type and a search keyword to search. (An OR search is performed when you separate search keywords with a space.)  
For more information about classification information, see [Patent/Utility Model Classification Search \(PMGS\)](#).

Selective Input Logical Expression Input

Load Logical Expression Save Logical Expression You can save/load input conditions and logical expressions. Search options are also saved.

Search target text  
 Japanese text  English text

Document types Advanced Settings +

Domestic Documents  Foreign Documents  Non-patent document

Logical expression

[風鈴/TX]

Search options Close -

Main theme Sub theme You can specify up to nine options by separating them with a comma.

Ex: 4K018 Ex: 2C999,4H004,4H104

Date options

Specify a western calendar year or Japanese calendar year.

Publication date/issued date  20051001 ~  20051031

[Add](#)

Registered item search ?

Filter items by registration date

4.

To specify date options, open "Search options" and enter a date in "Date options".

To edit the loaded logical expression, display the "Selective Input" tab, change the search criteria, and click the "Create Logical Expression from Criteria" button.

See Help for how to edit logical expressions directly in the "Logical expression" field.

4. Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Search Result List' interface. At the top, there is a search bar with a 'Search' button (highlighted with a red dashed box and a red arrow), a 'Clear' button, and a 'Create Logical Expression from Criteria' button. Below the search bar, there are tabs for 'Domestic Documents (1)', 'Foreign Documents (-)', and 'Non-patent document (-)'. A 'Search list options' panel is open, showing filters for 'By publication years' (All | 2005(1)) and 'By FI' (All | A63(1)). The 'Display option of list page' is set to 'Prioritized and earliest published applications'. Below the options, there are buttons for 'Classification Code Ranking', 'Download Multiple PDFs', 'Print List', and 'CSV Output'. A message states 'You can select 1 documents at most for the multiple PDF download.' Below this is a table with the following data:

No.	Document number ▲	Application number ▲	Filing date ▲	Publication date ▼	Title of the invention ▲	Applicant/Right holder	FI	Options
1	<a href="#">JP.2005-287741.A</a>	JF,2004-106468	Mar.31,2004	Oct.20,2005	音と光を同時に発する無電源型発光装置	独立行政法人産業技術総合研究所	<a href="#">A63H5/00@A</a> <a href="#">A63H5/00@Q</a> <a href="#">A63H33/22@A</a>	<input type="checkbox"/> Details <input type="checkbox"/> OPD <input type="checkbox"/> URL

## 3.4 Searching Patent and Utility Model Classifications [Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS)]

This section explains how to search for patent and utility model classifications.

The following method can be used to search for patent and utility model classifications.

- "Searching Classifications (FI, F-term, IPC) by Keyword" (P.83)
- "Searching Classifications (FI, F-term, IPC) by Classification Code" (P.89)

[Glossary](#) >> "FI" (P.156), "F-term" (P.155), "IPC" (P.156)

### Searching Classifications (FI, F-term, IPC) by Keyword

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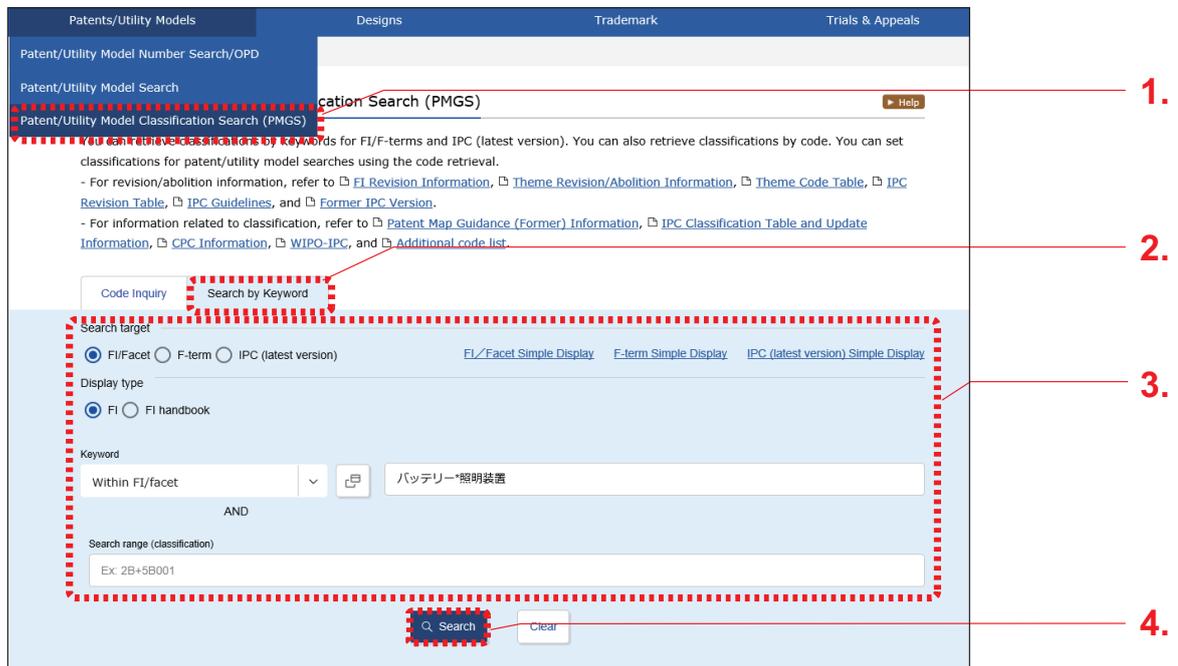
This section will describe how to search the FI, F-term, and IPC using keywords.

#### Operation Example

Search the FI for "illumination device with a built-in battery".

1. Select "Patents/Utility Models" - "Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS)" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS) screen appears.



2. Select the "Search by Keyword" tab.

⇒ The "Search by Keyword" tab appears.

3. Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

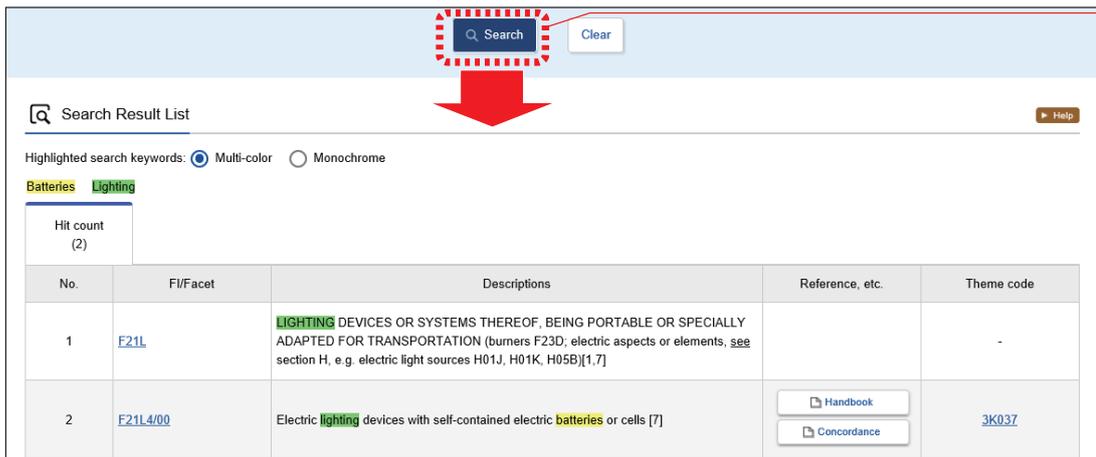
- In "Search target", select "FI/Facet".
- In "Display type", select "FI".
- In "Keyword", select "Within FI/facet", and enter "Batteries\*Lighting" in the input field. An AND search can be made by entering an asterisk (\*) between multiple keywords to be searched for. For AND searches, see "AND Search, OR Search, and NOT Search" (P.146).

**Glossary** >> "Facet" (P.155)

4. Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears with the text corresponding to hits highlighted.

### 3.4 Searching Patent and Utility Model Classifications [Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS)]



The screenshot shows a search interface with a 'Search' button highlighted by a red dashed box and a red arrow pointing to it. The search results are displayed in a table with columns: No., FI/Facet, Descriptions, Reference, etc., and Theme code. The search results are for 'Batteries' and 'Lighting'.

Highlighted search keywords:  Multi-color  Monochrome

**Batteries** **Lighting**

Hit count (2)

No.	FI/Facet	Descriptions	Reference, etc.	Theme code
1	<a href="#">F21L</a>	<b>LIGHTING</b> DEVICES OR SYSTEMS THEREOF, BEING PORTABLE OR SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR TRANSPORTATION (burners F23D; electric aspects or elements, <u>see</u> section H, e.g. electric light sources H01J, H01K, H05B)[1,7]		-
2	<a href="#">F21L4/00</a>	Electric <b>lighting</b> devices with self-contained electric <b>batteries</b> or cells [7]	<a href="#">Handbook</a> <a href="#">Concordance</a>	<a href="#">3K037</a>

4.

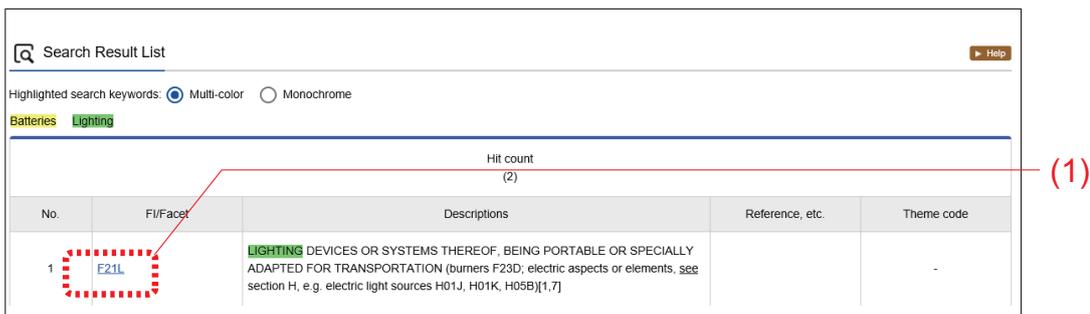
Patent/utility model searches can be made using the retrieved classification. See the following hint for details.

**Tip**

**Using a retrieved FI, F-term, or IPC to search for patents and utility models**

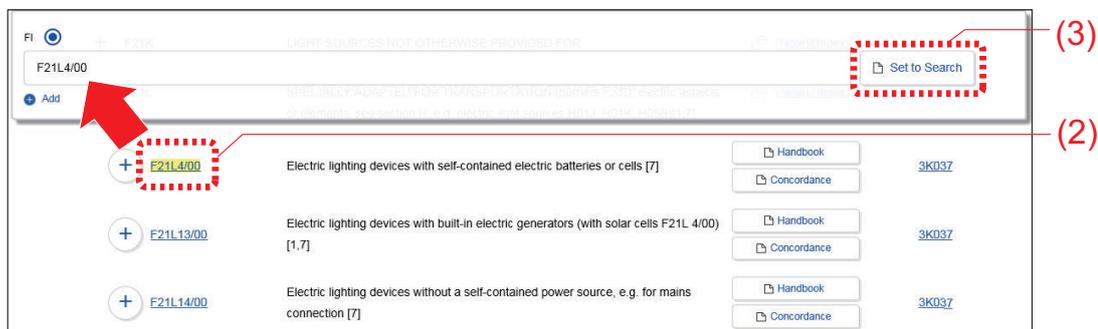
The following describes an example of searching for patents and utility models by setting "F21L4/00" as the FI.

- (1) Select the link for the FI/Facet "F21L4/00" in the search result list of "Searching Classifications (FI, F-term, IPC) by Keyword" (P.83).



The screen switches to the "Code Inquiry" tab, with the details of the selected FI/Facet displayed in a tree view.

- (2) Select the link for the FI/Facet in the tree view. The FI/Facet is automatically entered in the "FI" field.



To set multiple codes, select the links of the FIs to be set.

(3) Click the "Set to Search" button.

The Patent/Utility Model Search screen appears.

All FIs entered in the "FI" field are automatically set as "Search keywords" in the Patent/Utility Model Search screen (with "FI" as the "Search item").

Patent/Utility Model Search

You can retrieve patent/utility model publications, foreign documents, and non-patent documents by using keywords in bibliographies, abstracts, and claims, as well as classifications (FI/F-terms, IPC), etc.  
Enter a document type and a search keyword to search. (An OR search is performed when you separate search keywords with a space.)  
For more information about classification information, see [Patent/Utility Model Classification Search \(PMGS\)](#).

Selective Input Logical Expression Input

Search target text  
 Japanese text  English text

Document types Advanced Settings +

Domestic documents (PAJ)  Foreign Documents  J-GLOBAL

Search keywords

Search item Keyword

FI F21L4/00

Delete AND

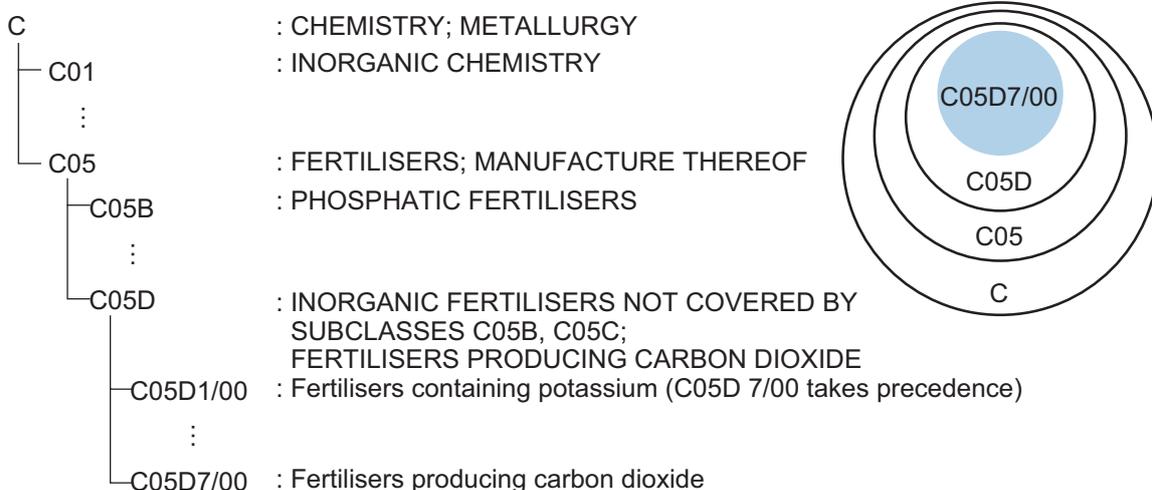
For how to search using the Patent/Utility Model Search screen, see "3.2 Searching Patents and Utility Models by Keyword [Patent/Utility Model Search]" (P.68).

### Tip

#### What is IPC (International Patent Classification)?

International Patent Classification is an internationally-unified classification system for patent documents which is also given to all patent documents published in Japan.

#### Example of IPC classification system (C05D7/00 (carbon dioxide-producing fertilizers))



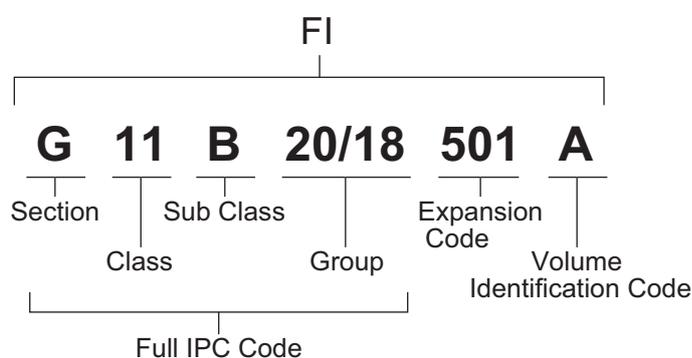
### ▶ Tip

#### What is FI?

FI is basically a detailed extension from the latest version (Ver. 8) of the IPC, but is partially based on an earlier version, and is formatted as one or both of the following.

- Full IPC code (up to group) + three-digit number (expansion code)
- One letter (volume identification code)

FI is used as a search key common for publications from all years, irrespective of IPC revisions. FI therefore enables the simultaneous search of all documents whatever the IPC version may be.



### ▶ Tip

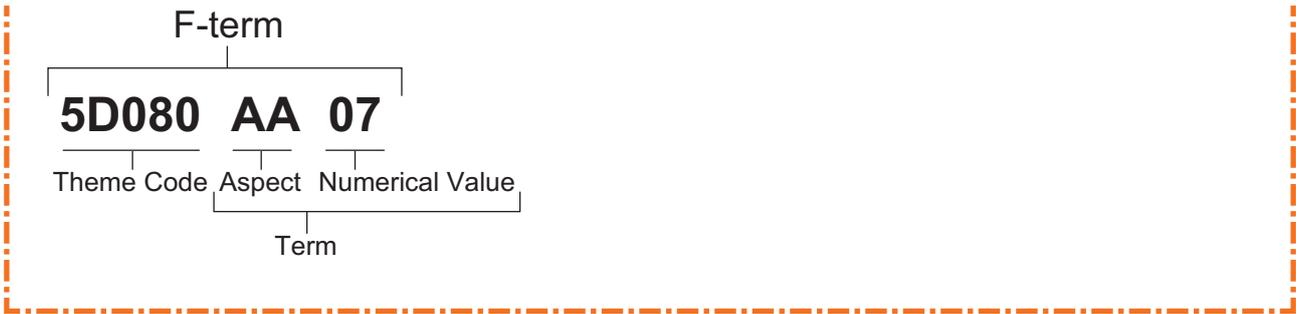
#### What is F-term?

"F-term" takes its name from File Forming Term, and is a search code system developed on the basis of a paperless project by the JPO to enable advanced searches.

The purpose of F-term is to enable finer classifications of FI and transverse or multi-faceted searches, and has been developed particularly for fields having a large number of items (approximately 2,600).

F-term is a 9-digit alphanumeric character string consisting of a 5-digit theme code, a 2-digit aspect, and a 2-digit numerical value. If the first five digits are omitted, the remaining 2-digit aspect and 2-digit numerical value are called a "term."

One patent document is given many codes, and publications issued in the year 2000 and later include F-terms. Using F-term skillfully makes it possible to search with less needless information returned.



## Searching Classifications (FI, F-term, IPC) by Classification Code

This section will describe how to search the FI, F-term, and IPC using classification codes.

### Operation Example

Find details on the theme code "2C150" listed in a publication.

1. Select "Patents/Utility Models" - "Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS)" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS) screen appears.

The screenshot shows the PMGS interface with the following elements highlighted by red dashed boxes and numbered 1 through 4:

- 1. The "Patent/Utility Model Classification Search (PMGS)" link in the global navigation.
- 2. The introductory text explaining that classifications can be retrieved by keywords or code.
- 3. The "Code Inquiry" tab and the search input field containing "2C150".
- 4. The "Search" button at the bottom of the search area.

2. Confirm that the "Code Inquiry" tab is displayed.

**3.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target", select "F-term".
- In "Display type", select "F-term list".
- In "Classification", enter "2C150".

**4.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Classification Display screen appears with the text corresponding to hits highlighted.

**4.**

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F-term

Add

Highlighted search keywords:

**2C150**

(Remarks)

(Not Translated)

Theme code	2C150	<a href="#">Explanation</a>
Descriptions	TOYS ( Category : - )	
Scope of FI	<a href="#">A63H1/00</a> -37/00	

AA00 PURPOSE OF THE INVENTION OR DEVICE Open +

BA00 INTELLECTUAL TRAINING OR CHILD-CARE Open +

BB00 EXERCISE OR PLAY Open +

## Tip

### Searching an IPC corresponding to FI (or vice versa)

This section describes an example of searching for an IPC corresponding to FI "F21L4/00".

- (1) Set the "Search target" to "FI/Facet" and search for "F21L4/00" as described in "Searching Classifications (FI, F-term, IPC) by Classification Code" (P.89).
- (2) Click the "Concordance" button on the same line as "F21L4/00" in the classification table tree at the bottom of the "Classification Display".

The screenshot shows a search interface for FI classifications. At the top, there is a search bar with 'FI' selected and a 'Set to Search' button. Below the search bar, there is a table of classifications. The first row is for F21L2/00, the second for F21L4/00 (highlighted), and the third for F21L13/00. For each row, there are buttons for 'Handbook' and 'Concordance'. The 'Concordance' button for the F21L4/00 row is circled in red, and a red arrow points to it from the label '(2)' on the right.

The Concordance Display (FI -> IPC (Latest Version)) screen appears, and you can then search for the latest version of the IPC corresponding to "F21L4/00".

Concordance Display (FI -> IPC (Latest Version))		
No.	FI	IPC (latest version)
1	<a href="#">F21L4/00</a>	<a href="#">F21L4/00</a>
2	<a href="#">F21L4/00,100</a>	<a href="#">F21L4/00</a>
3	<a href="#">F21L4/00,110</a>	<a href="#">F21L4/00</a>

# 3.5 Searching Patent Applications and Examination-Related Information From Countries Around the World [Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD]

This section explains how to search the One Portal Dossier for patent applications and examination-related information from countries around the world (dossier information).

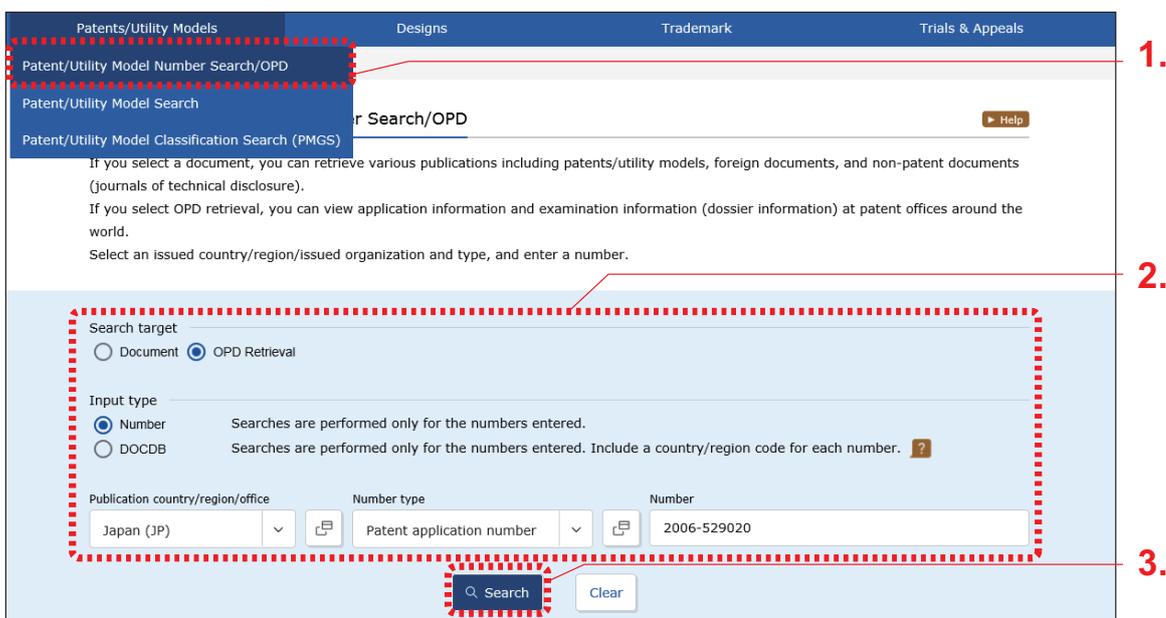
[Glossary](#) > "Dossier Information" (P.155)

## Operation Example

Search for dossier information on application number "2006-529020" filed in Japan.

1. From the global navigation, select "Patents/Utility Models" - "Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD".

⇒ The Patent/Utility Model Number Search/OPD screen appears.



**2.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target", select "OPD Retrieval".
- In "Input type", select "Number".
- In "Publication country/region/office", select "Japan (JP)".
- In "Number type", select "Patent application number".
- In "Number", enter "2006-529020".

**3.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The One Portal Dossier (OPD) Search screen appears.

One Portal Dossier (OPD) Search

You can view application and examination information (dossier information) at patent offices around the world by document number.

Search criteria	Number of family documents	Document group
Application number JP.2006529020.A	6	ALL

Expand Document Information   Collapse Document Information   Display All Classification/Citation Information   CSV Output of Family List

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JP	JP.2006529020.A	Jul.05,2005	-	<a href="#">JP.4757800.B2</a>	<input type="button" value="Details"/> <input type="button" value="Classification/Citation Information"/> <input type="button" value="Expand Document List"/>
EP	EP.05757732.A	Jul.05,2005	<a href="#">EP.1780274.A1</a> EP.1780274.A4	<a href="#">EP.1780274.B1</a>	<input type="button" value="Classification/Citation Information"/> <input type="button" value="Expand Document List"/>

- Click the "Expand Document List" button or the "Expand Document Information" button for the family you wish to search.

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Search criteria	Number of family documents	Document group
Application number	6	ALL
JP.2006529020.A		

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JP	JP.2006529020.A	Jul.05,2005	<a href="#">JP.WO2006004217.A1</a>	<a href="#">JP.4757800.B2</a>	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">Classification/Citation Information</a> <a href="#">Collapse Document List</a>

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Mar.28,2006	Notification of Election	Incoming	<a href="#">Original Text</a> <a href="#">English Translation</a>

**Tip**

**Searching family classifications and citations**

Family classifications and citations can be searched for by clicking the "Classification/Citation Information" button in the One Portal Dossier (OPD) Search screen.

The screenshot illustrates the process of searching for family classifications and citations. It is divided into two main sections:

**One Portal Dossier (OPD) Search**

This section shows search criteria for the application number JP.2006529020.A, resulting in 6 family documents. A red dashed box highlights the "Classification/Citation Information" button in the options column of the search results table.

国・地域コード code	Application number ▲	Filing date ▲	Publication number	Registration number	Options
JP	JP.2006529020.A	Jul.05,2005	<a href="#">JP.WO2006004217.A1</a>	<a href="#">JP.4757800.B2</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Details</li> <li><b>Classification/Citation Information</b></li> <li>Expand</li> <li>List</li> </ul>

**Classification/Citation Information**

This section provides detailed information for the selected family JP.2006529020.A, including a table of country/region codes, application numbers, filing dates, publication numbers, and registration numbers.

Country/region code	Application number	Filing date	Publication number	Registration number
JP	JP.2006529020.A	Jul.05,2005	-	<a href="#">JP.4757800.B2</a>

The interface also includes expand/collapse buttons for classifications and citations, and a "Close" button for the information panels.

**Classification Information**

This panel displays the International Patent Classification (IPC) codes and the publication country/region/office. The IPC codes are C07K7/08(2006.01) and C12N15/09(2006.01). The publication country/region/office is FI, with publication numbers C12Q 1/48 Z and G01N 21/75 A.

**Citations**

This panel shows citations related to the patent document, categorized into patent document-related and non-patent document-related citations. Each citation includes the number, citation number, format, publication date, category, cited part, and claim.

**<Patent document-related>**

Drafting date : Jan.04,2011 Citation type : Notice of Reasons for Refusal

No.	Citation number	Format	Publication date	Category	Cited part	Claim
1	<a href="#">WO.0203069.A</a>	docdb	-	-	-	-

**<Non-patent document-related>**

Drafting date : May 17,2011 Citation type : Decision to Grant a Patent

No.	Citation number	Format	Publication date	Category	Cited part	Claim
1	<a href="#">WO.0203069.A</a>	docdb	-	-	-	-

**<Non-patent document-related>**

Drafting date : Jan.04,2011 Citation type : Notice of Reasons for Refusal

No.	Non-patent document (Text display)	Category	Cited part	Claim
1	, , Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun., Vol.174, No.1, , 1991.01.15, , pp.351-357	-	-	-



# Designs

# 4

This chapter explains operations for designs.

- If you know the document number you wish to search for, see "[4.1 Searching Designs by Document Number \[Design Number Search\]](#)" (P.98).
- If you do not know the document number you wish to search for, or if you wish to search using keywords, see "[4.2 Searching Designs by Keyword \[Design Search\]](#)" (P.101).
- For how to search for trial decisions, see "[2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes \[Trial Decision Search\]](#)" (P.52).
- For how to view history information, see "[2.3 Searching History Information](#)" (P.36).
- See Help for a description of each item in the screen.

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## 4.1 Searching Designs by Document Number [Design Number Search]

This section explains how to search documents by number, such as registration number or publication material number.

[Glossary](#) "Publication Material" (P.157)

### Operation Example

Search for design registration number "1568234".

**1.** Select "Designs" - "Design Number Search" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Design Number Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Designs' section of the J-PlatPat interface. A navigation menu is open, highlighting 'Design Number Search'. The main content area is titled 'Design Number Search' and includes a search input field with the text 'Design Number Search' and a 'Help' button. Below the input field, there is a description: 'You can retrieve domestic gazettes, publication materials, and foreign gazettes by document number.' The search criteria section is highlighted with a red dashed box and numbered 1, 2, and 3. It includes 'Input type' with radio buttons for 'Number' (selected) and 'Number range'. Below that is 'Number type' with a dropdown menu set to 'Registration number' and a text input field containing '1568234'. At the bottom of the criteria section are checkboxes for 'Add', 'Related batch search', and 'Similar batch search'. A 'Search' button and a 'Clear' button are located at the bottom right of the criteria section.

**2.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Input type", select "Number".
- In "Number type", select "Registration number".
- In "Number", enter "1568234".

**3.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search Result List

Domestic Gazette (1) | Publication Material (-) | Foreign Gazette (-)

You can check the relationship between the entered number and the search results. ([Matching list](#))

Search list options Close

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Display format of document display page :  Text  PDF Download Multiple PDFs Print List CSV Output

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1	<a href="#">JP_1568234_S</a>	JP, 2016-009212	-	-	Fundamental design	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">References</a> <a href="#">Related designs</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

4. Select the link of the document number for the publication you wish to view.  
 In this example, select "JP, 1568234, S" in the "Registration number" column.

⇒ The Document Display screen appears.

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Next document >

JP, 1568234, S

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- 4.In case of the gazette having an international registration number, "Article to Design" and "Description of Design" may not be machine-translated in some parts.

As the original gazette has English description of those untranslated items here, please click "Image" button and confirm the correct information in the original gazette.

(19)[Publication country]Japan Patent Office (JP)

(45)[Publication date]Heisei 29(2017) January 30 (2017.1.30)

(12)[Kind of official gazette]Design Gazette (S)

(11)[registration number]1568234D1568234

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[Perspective view 1]

## 4.2 Searching Designs by Keyword [Design Search]

This section explains how to search for documents using keywords, such as design classifications or articles to the design.

### Operation Example

Find what kind of designs are registered for "かばん".

**1.** Select "Designs" - "Design Search" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Design Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the Design Search interface. The navigation menu at the top includes 'Patents/Utility Models', 'Designs', 'Trademark', and 'Trials & Appeals'. The 'Designs' menu is expanded, showing 'Design Number Search', 'Design Search', and 'Japanese design classification Search'. A red dashed box labeled '1.' highlights the 'Design Search' option. Below the navigation, the 'Design Search' page is displayed. A red dashed box labeled '2.' highlights the search criteria section, which includes 'Document types' (with 'Domestic Gazette' selected), 'Search keywords' (with 'Relevant articles' selected and 'かばん' entered in the 'Keyword' field), and 'Exclusion keywords' and 'Search options' sections. A red dashed box labeled '3.' highlights the 'Search' button at the bottom of the search criteria section.

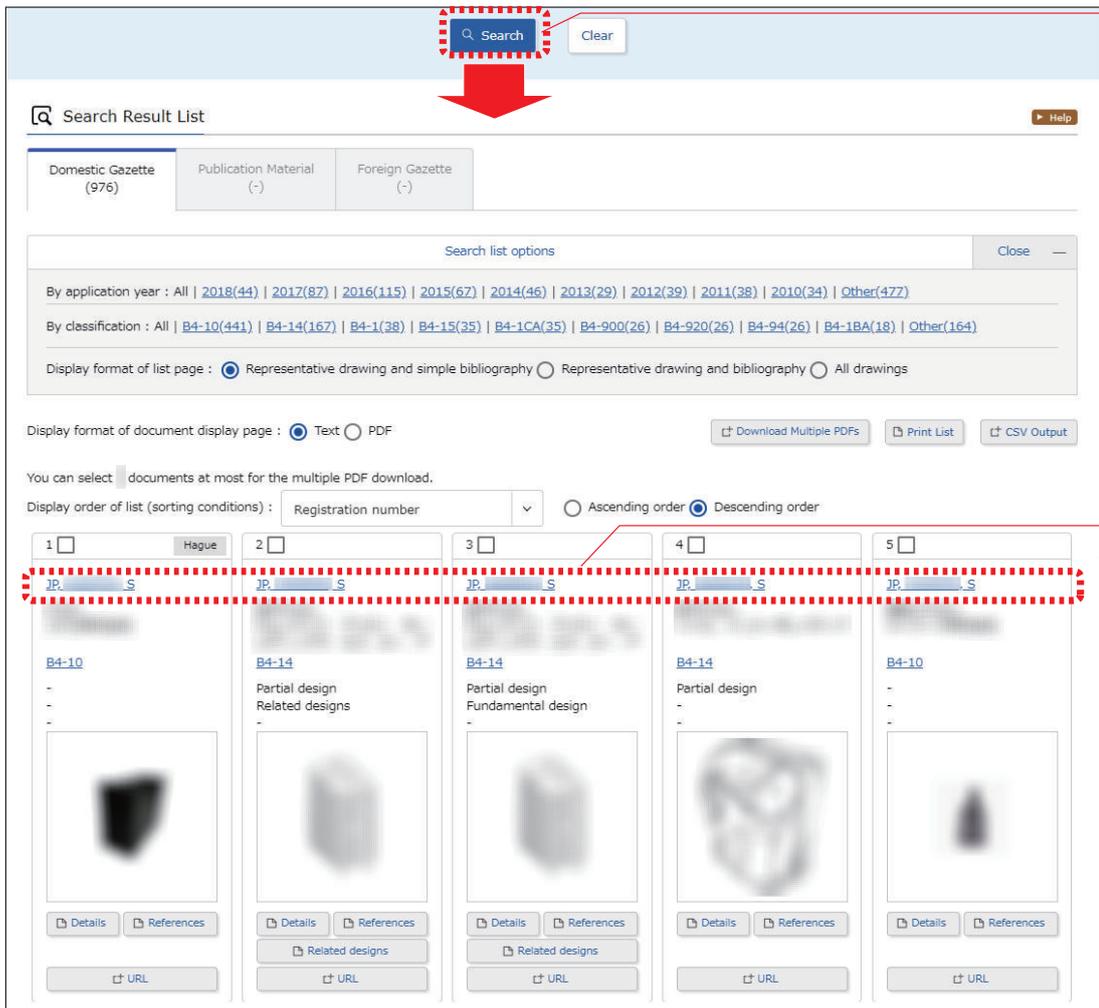
**2.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Document types", select "Domestic Gazette".
- In the "Search item" field of "Search keywords", select "Relevant articles".
- In the "Keyword" field of "Search keywords", enter "かばん".

**3.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.



**4.** Select the link of the document number for the document you wish to view.

⇒ The Document Display screen appears.

 **Tip****Viewing fundamental designs, related designs (similar designs), and reference documents**

This section explains how to search for fundamental designs, related designs (similar designs), and reference documents.

- (1) To search for fundamental designs and related designs (similar designs), click the "Related designs" button for the document in the Search Result List screen.  
You can check the relations among them with the relation tree display.
- (2) To search for reference documents, click the "References" button for the document in the Search Result List screen.  
A list of reference documents for that document appears.

The image illustrates a workflow in the J-PlatPat system. It starts with a design card for JP\_1568234\_S, a passenger car by Mazda. The card includes a 3D model and a 'References' button. A red arrow labeled (1) points to the 'References' button. This leads to a 'References (JP, 1568234, S)' page showing three items, each with a blurred image and the text '乗用自動車 マツダ株式会社 G2-2100'. A red arrow labeled (2) points from the 'References' page to the 'Related (Similar) Design Information (JP, 1568234, S)' page. In this page, the 'Relation tree' option is selected in the 'Display format' section, and a red arrow points to it. The 'Related (Similar) Design Information' page shows a vertical tree diagram with two car images connected by a downward arrow.

## 4.3 Searching Design Classification [Japanese Design Classification Search]

This section explains how to search for Japanese design classifications. The following method can be used to search for design classifications.

- "Searching Design Classifications by Keyword" (P.105)
- "Searching Design Classifications by Classification Code" (P.109)

### Searching Design Classifications by Keyword

This section explains how to search Japanese design classifications and D-terms using keywords.

[Glossary](#) "Japanese Design Classification" (P.156), "D-term" (P.154)

#### Operation Example

Search Japanese design classifications for "かばん" or "バッグ".

1. Select "Designs" - "Japanese design classification Search" from the global navigation.  
⇒ The Japanese design classification Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Japanese design classification Search' page. The navigation bar includes 'Patents/Utility Models', 'Designs', 'Trademark', and 'Trials & Appeals'. The 'Designs' menu is open, showing 'Design Number Search' and 'Design Search'. The 'Design Search' sub-menu is selected, and the 'Japanese design classification Search' option is highlighted. A red dashed box labeled '1.' points to this menu item. Below the navigation, there is a search bar with the text 'Japanese design classification Search' and a 'Help' button. A red dashed box labeled '2.' points to the search bar. Below the search bar, there are two tabs: 'Search by Classification' and 'Search by Keyword'. A red dashed box labeled '3.' points to the 'Search by Keyword' tab. Below the tabs, there is a 'Keyword' input field containing 'かばん バッグ'. A red dashed box labeled '4.' points to the 'Search' button at the bottom right of the page.

2. Select the "Search by Keyword" tab.

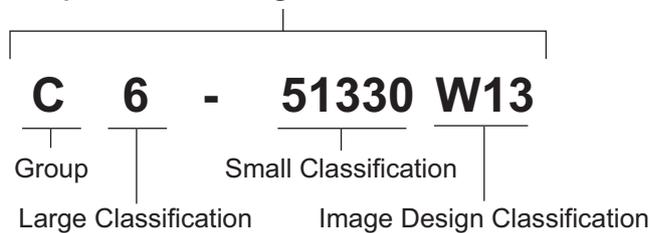


### Tip

#### What is the "Japanese design classification"?

- A classification primarily concerned with the concept of the intended use of an article.
- All documents having a filing date (or priority date, or in the case of design publication materials the publication date) on or after January 1, Heisei 17 (2005) are given a single classification.
- Classifications are composed of groups, large classifications, small classifications, and image design classifications.
- Image design classifications are given only to designs containing an image.

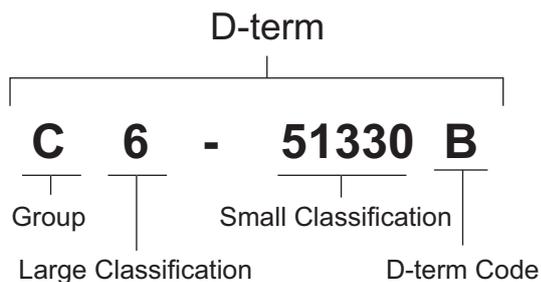
#### Japanese Design Classification



### Tip

#### What is D-term?

- Provides subdivisions for current Japanese design classifications in terms of shapes, patterns, etc.
- Given to documents having a filing date (or priority date, or in the case of design publication materials the publication date) on or after January 1, Heisei 17 (2005).
- D-terms may or may not be given to documents depending on the content of the documents. Some documents are given multiple D-terms.
- D-terms are composed of the groups, large classifications, and small classifications of the current Japanese design classification, and D-term codes which expand the aforementioned into lower rankings.

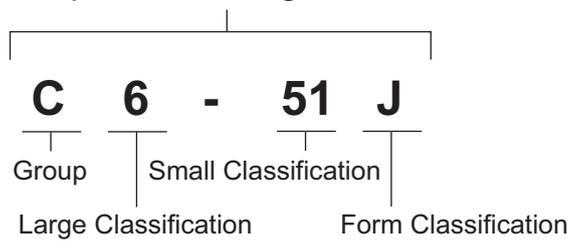


**▶ Tip**

**What is the "Former Japanese design classification"?**

- A classification primarily concerned with the concept of the intended use of an article.
- Documents having a filing date (or priority date, or in the case of design publication materials the publication date) on or before December 31, Heisei 16 (2004) are given a single classification.
- Classifications are composed of groups, large classifications, small classifications, and form classifications.

**Former Japanese Design Classification**



## Searching Design Classifications by Classification Code

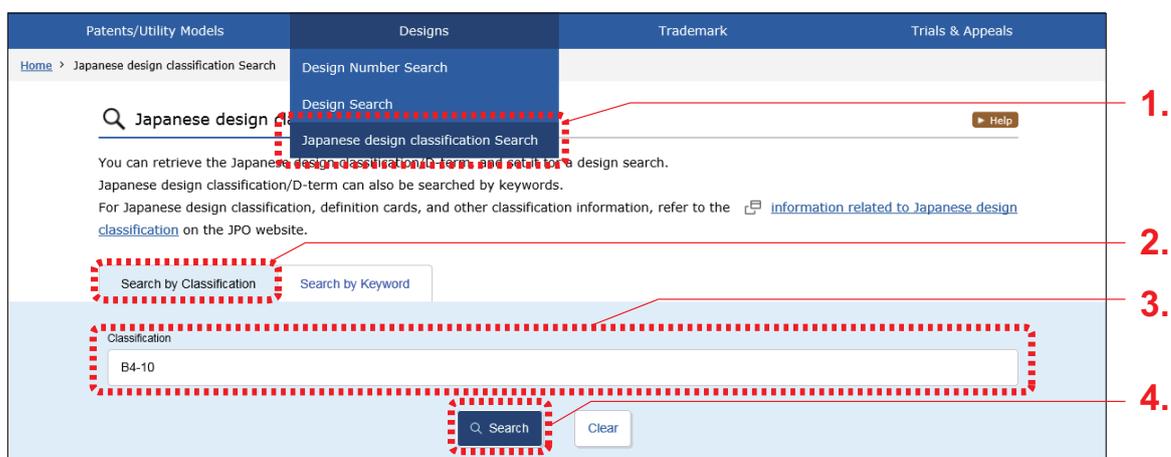
This section explains how to search Japanese design classifications and D-terms using classification codes.

### Operation Example

Search for Japanese design classification "B4-10".

1. Select "Designs" - "Japanese design classification Search" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Japanese design classification Search screen appears.



2. Confirm that the "Search by Classification" tab is displayed.

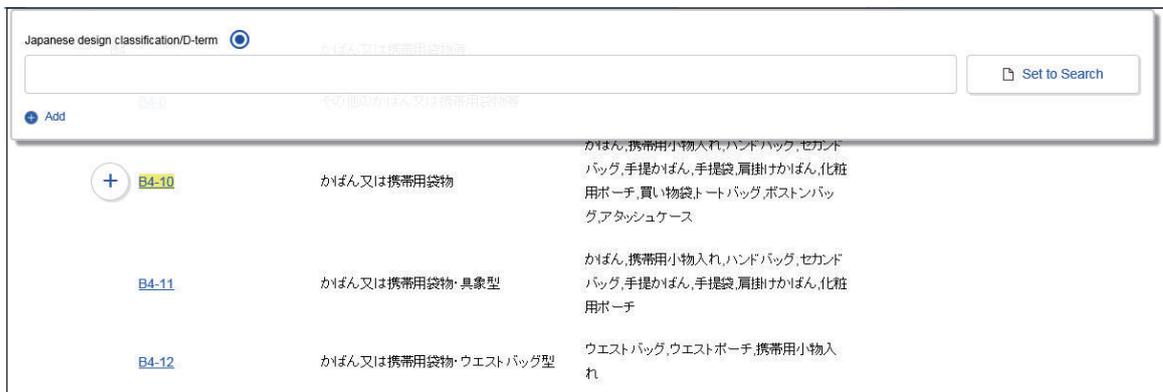
3. Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Classification", enter "B4-10".

#### 4. Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The retrieved classification is displayed with highlighting. The classification code information can be confirmed.



Design searches can be made using the retrieved classification. See the following hint for details.

#### Tip

##### Searching designs using a retrieved design classification

This section gives an example of searching for designs by setting the design classification "B4-10" from the search results of "Searching Design Classifications by Classification Code" (P.109).

- (1) Select the link (Japanese design classification or D-term) for the classification of designs you wish to search for from the tree displayed in the "Search by Classification" tab.

The selected classification is automatically entered in the "Japanese design classification/D-term" field.



- (2) Click the "Set to Search" button.

The Design Search screen appears.

All classifications entered in the "Japanese design classification/D-term" field are automatically set as "Search keywords" in the Design Search screen (with "Japanese design classification/D-term" as the "Search item").

#### Design Search Help

You can retrieve domestic gazettes, publication materials, and foreign gazettes using Japanese design classification/D-term, etc.  
Select the search items and enter search keywords. (An OR search is performed when you separate search keywords with a space.)  
Note that the retrievable coverage varies by search item. ([Click here for details.](#))  
For classification information, refer to [Design Classification Search](#).

Document types Advanced Settings +

Domestic Gazette all  Publication Material  Foreign Gazette

Search keywords

Search item: Japanese design classification/D-... Keyword: B4-10 Old Version ?

AND

For how to search using the Design Search screen, see "4.2 Searching Designs by Keyword [Design Search]" (P.101).



# Trademarks

# 5

This chapter explains operations for trademarks.

- If you know the document number you wish to search for, see "[5.1 Searching Trademarks by Document Number \[Trademark Number Search\]](#)" (P.114).
- If you do not know the document number you wish to search for, or if you wish to search using keywords, see "[5.2 Searching Trademarks by Keyword \[Trademark Search\]](#)" (P.117).
- For how to search for trial decisions, see "[2.8 Searching Trial Decisions and Judgment Gazettes \[Trial Decision Search\]](#)" (P.52).
- For how to view history information, see "[2.3 Searching History Information](#)" (P.36).
- See Help for a description of each item in the screen.

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## 5.1 Searching Trademarks by Document Number [Trademark Number Search]

This section explains how to search trademark publications by entering document numbers such as application numbers.

### Operation Example

Search for trademark registration number "5052317".

**1.** Select "Trademark" - "Trademark Number Search" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Trademark Number Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Trademark Number Search' interface. A blue navigation bar at the top contains 'Patents/Utility Models', 'Designs', 'Trademark', and 'Trials & Appeals'. The 'Trademark' menu is open, showing options: 'Trademark Number Search', 'Trademark Search', 'Japanese Well-known Trademark Search', 'Unregistered Mark Search', 'Table of the CEE Marks', and 'Goods/Service Name Search'. A red dashed box highlights the search criteria section, which includes: 'Search target type' with 'Publication' selected; 'Input type' with 'Number' selected; 'Number type' with 'Registration number' selected; and a 'Number' input field containing '5052317'. A red dashed box also highlights the 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons at the bottom. Red numbers 1, 2, and 3 are placed on the right side of the screen, with lines pointing to the navigation menu, the search criteria section, and the search buttons respectively.

**2.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target type", select "Publication".
- In "Input type", select "Number".
- In "Number type", select "Registration number".
- In "Number", enter "5052317".

**3.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search

Clear

Search Result List (Gazettes) Help

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1	<a href="#">Appl. No. 2006-094273</a>	-	<a href="#">Pub. No. 5052317</a>	-	-	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">Information on application/registration</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

4. Select the link of the document number for the publication you wish to view.  
 In this example, select "Pub. No.5052317" in the "Registration number/international registration number" column.

⇒ The Publication Display screen appears.

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(450)[Publication date] Heisei 19(2007) July 10 (2007.7.10)

[Kind of official gazette] [英]商標公報

(111)[Registration number]

(151)[Registration date] Heisei 19(2007) June 8 (2007.6.8)

(540)[Registered trademark]

(500)[Number of classes of goods and services] 4

(511)[Classes of goods and services and designated goods or designated services]

9 [英]ダウンロード可能な電子計算機用プログラム, その他電子計算機用プログラム

16 [英]印刷物

41 [英]工業所有権に関する図書及び記録の供覧, インターネットによる工業所有権に関する知識の教授, その他工業所有権に関する知識の教授, 工業所有権に関するセミナー・研修会・講習会の企画・運営又は開催, 工業所有権に関する電子出版物の提供, 工業所有権に関する書籍の制作, 工業所有権に関するビデオの制作(映画・放送番組・広告用のものを除く), 工業所有権に関する図書の貸与

42 [英]工業所有権に関する調査・解析及び情報の提供, 工業所有権に関する相談, 工業所有権に関する電子計算機用プログラムの提供

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## 5.2 Searching Trademarks by Keyword [Trademark Search]

This section explains how to search for applications/registration information or publications using keywords such as trademark names and pronunciations.

The following describes search criteria that can be used to search.

- ["Searching by Trademark Name" \(P.117\)](#)
- ["Searching by Pronunciation" \(P.122\)](#)

### Searching by Trademark Name

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This section explains how to search for applications/registration information by trademark name.

#### **Operation Example**

Find whether "J-PlatPat" has been applied for or registered as a trademark for printed materials.

## 1. Select "Trademark" - "Trademark Search" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Trademark Search screen appears.

## 2. Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target type", select "Information on application/registration".
- In the "Search item" in "Trademark (mark)", select "Trademark (for search)".
- Enter "J-PlatPat" in "Keyword" for "Trademark (mark)".
- In the "Search item" for "Goods/services", select "Similar group code (reference)".
- In "Keyword" for "Goods/services", enter the similar group code for printed materials, "26A01".

For how to search similar group codes, see "5.6 Searching Designated Goods/Service Names, Classes, and Similar Group Codes [Goods/Service Name Search]" (P.137).

**Glossary** » "Trademark (for search)" (P.158), "Similar Group Code" (P.157)

### 3. Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List (Application/Registration Information) screen appears.

3.

4.

No.	Application number/Registration number/International registration number	Specimen of trademark	Trademark (for search)	Pronunciation criteria	Pronunciation (reference information)	Class	Applicant/Right holder/Holder	Filing date/Date of the international registration (date of subsequent designation)	Registration date	Status	Options
	<a href="#">Reg.No.5745958</a> (Appl.No.2014-073522)		§ J P P o o J - P l a t P a t	-	ジェイビビ イ,ジェイブラ ット/パット,ブ ラット/パット	09 16 41 ...	独立行政法 人工業所有 権情報・研 修館	Aug.20,2014	Mar.06,2015	LIVE-REGISTRATION-Issued and Active	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">Publication Display</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

**4.** Select the link you wish to view in the "Application number/registration number/international registration number" column.

⇒ The "Information on application/registration of trademarks" screen appears.

Information on application/registration of trademarks
Help

< Previous document
1 of 2
Display
Next document >

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URL
Mistranslation

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1.This document has been translated by computer. So the translation may not reflect the original precisely.  
 2.\*\*\*\*\* shows the word which can not be translated.  
 3.In the drawings, any words are not translated.

Highlighted search keywords:  Multi-color  Monochrome

**J-PlatPat** **26A01**

(111) Registration number	: 5745958
(151) Registration date	: Mar.06,2015
(450) Publication date of registration gazette	: Apr.07,2015
(441) Date of publication of application	: Sep.25,2014
(210) Application number	: Appl.No.2014-73522
(220) Filing date	: Aug.20,2014
Date of rise of prior application right	: Aug.20,2014
(180) Expiration date of term of right	: Mar.06,2025
Trademark (for search)	: § J P P * J - P l a t P a t
(561) Appellation (Reference Information)	: JIEIPIPI, JIEIPURATTOPATTO, PURATTOPATTO
(531) Classification of figures, etc.	: <a href="#">25.7.1</a> ; <a href="#">25.7.6</a> ; <a href="#">26.1.1</a> ; <a href="#">26.1.5</a> ; <a href="#">26.1.6</a> ; <a href="#">26.2.1</a> ; <a href="#">27.5.1.10</a> ; <a href="#">27.5.1.16</a> ; <a href="#">27.5.8</a> ; <a href="#">27.5.22.93</a> ; <a href="#">27.5.23.92</a> ; <a href="#">29.1.2.2</a> ; <a href="#">29.1.3.1</a> ; <a href="#">29.1.3.2</a> ; <a href="#">29.1.11</a>
(732) Right holder	
Name	: National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training
Address or residence	: Tokyo Metropolis
Additional information	: (591) Those with color
Applied law	: Trademark Law in 2011
Display Edition of International Classification	: 10
(500) Number of classes	: 4
(511)(512)[Classes of goods and services and designated goods or designated services] [Similar group code (reference)]	
9	Electronic publications downloadable through the Internet <a href="#">26A01</a> 26D01
16	Printed matter <a href="#">26A01</a>
41	Teaching about the industrial right by offer of the information about the services of reference libraries for literature and documentary records using holding of the study session about an industrial right, and the Internet, and the Internet 41A01 41A03 41C02
45	The offer of information about an industrial right 42R01

(540)
- Collapse

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Enlarge and Rotate

### Tip

#### What is a "status"?

"Status" refers to the current state (such as application pending or registered) for each project, shared by TM5 (the Japan Patent Office, the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the European Union Intellectual Property Office, the Korean Intellectual Property Office, and the China National Intellectual Property Administration).

The statuses indicated for Japan include 15 types for domestic trademarks and 12 types for international trademarks. The following status icons and status notations are used, for example.

Status	Meaning
 LIVE-APPLICATION-Awaiting Examination	The government has received the trademark application but has not delivered it to the examiner.
 LIVE-REGISTRATION-Issued and Active	The trademark application has been registered by the government.
 DEAD-REGISTRATION-Expired	The trademark application was registered, but the registration was canceled due to improper rights maintenance.

See Help for other statuses and their meanings.

## Searching by Pronunciation

This section explains how to search by the reading (pronunciation) of a trademark containing text.

[Glossary](#) > "Pronunciation" (P.157)

### Operation Example

Find whether a trademark having a reading similar to "プラットパット" has been applied for or registered as a trademark for printed materials.

**1.** Select "Trademark" - "Trademark Search" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Trademark Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Trademark Search' page. A red dashed box highlights the search criteria input fields, which are numbered 1, 2, and 3. Callout 1 points to the 'Trademark Search' menu item in the navigation bar. Callout 2 points to the 'Search target type' section, where 'Information on application/registration' is selected. Callout 3 points to the 'Search' button at the bottom of the form.

**1.** Trademark Search

**2.** Search target type

**3.** Search

**2.** Enter the search criteria.

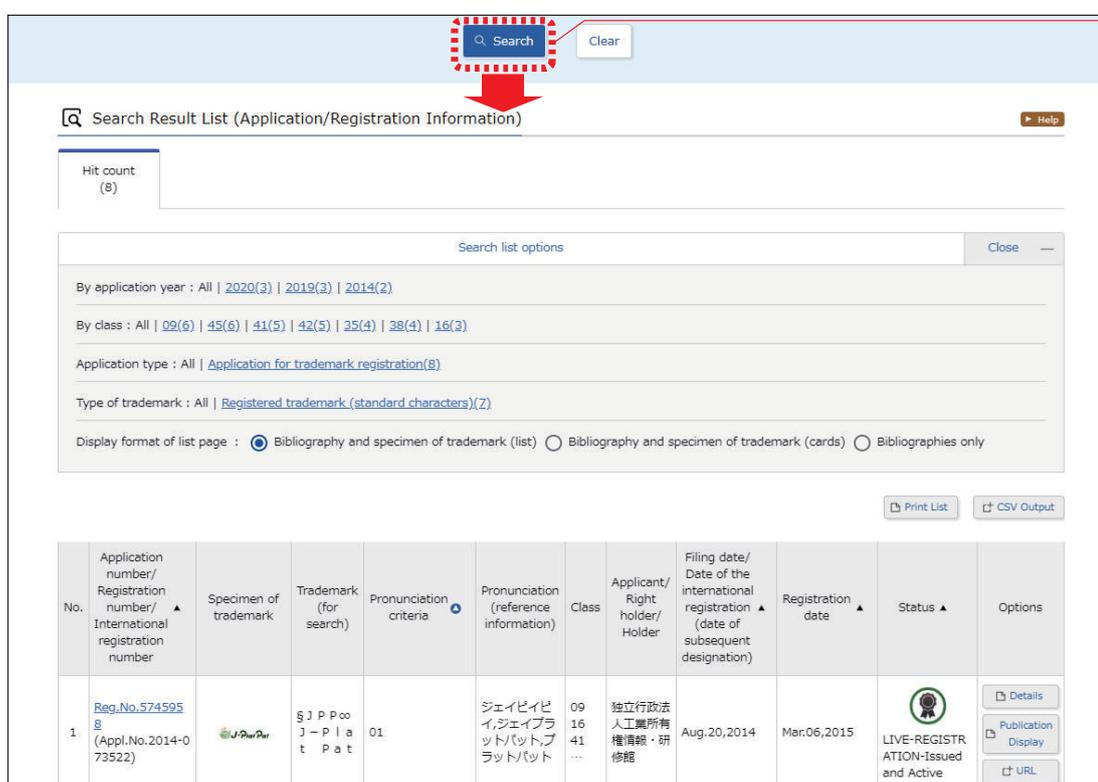
In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target type", select "Information on application/registration".
- In the "Search item" in "Trademark (mark)", select "Pronunciation (search by similarity)".
- In "Keyword" for "Trademark (mark)", enter "プラットパット".
- In the "Search item" for "Goods/services", select "Similar group code (reference)".
- In "Keyword" for "Goods/services", enter the similar group code for printed materials, "26A01".

For how to search similar group codes, see "5.6 Searching Designated Goods/Service Names, Classes, and Similar Group Codes [Goods/Service Name Search]" (P.137).

### 3. Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List (Application/Registration Information) screen appears.



Search Result List (Application/Registration Information) Help

Hit count (8)

Search list options Close

By application year : All | [2020\(3\)](#) | [2019\(3\)](#) | [2014\(2\)](#)

By class : All | [09\(6\)](#) | [45\(6\)](#) | [41\(5\)](#) | [42\(5\)](#) | [35\(4\)](#) | [38\(4\)](#) | [16\(3\)](#)

Application type : All | [Application for trademark registration\(8\)](#)

Type of trademark : All | [Registered trademark \(standard characters\)\(7\)](#)

Display format of list page :  Bibliography and specimen of trademark (list)  Bibliography and specimen of trademark (cards)  Bibliographies only

[Print List](#) [CSV Output](#)

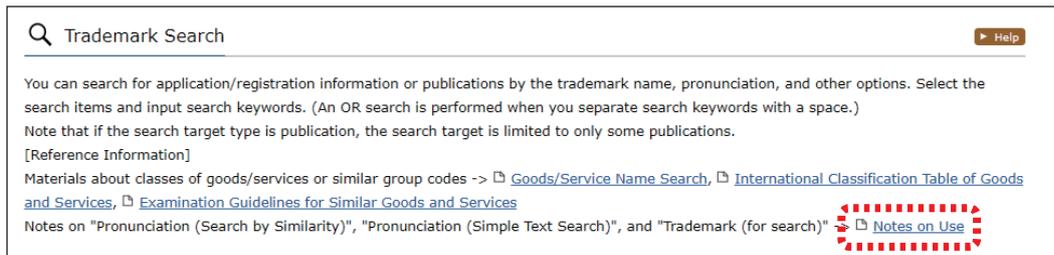
No.	Application number/Registration number/International registration number ▲	Specimen of trademark	Trademark (for search)	Pronunciation criteria ●	Pronunciation (reference information)	Class	Applicant/Right holder/Holder	Filing date/Date of the international registration (date of subsequent designation) ▲	Registration date ▲	Status ▲	Options
1	<a href="#">Reg.No.5745958</a> (Appl.No.2014-073522)		S J P P o o J - P l a t P a t	01	ジェイビイ イ,ジェイ プラット パット,プ ラットパ ット	09 16 41 ...	独立行政 法 人工 業所 有 権 情 報 ・ 研 修 館	Aug.20,2014	Mar.06,2015	 LIVE-REGISTRATION-Issued and Active	<a href="#">Details</a> <a href="#">Publication Display</a> <a href="#">URL</a>

## Tip

### Searching trademarks by pronunciation

Trademark searches by pronunciation include a simple character string search, which searches for an exact matching pronunciation, and a fuzzy search, which searches for pronunciations having similar sounds or qualities.

For details on entering text used when searching trademarks by pronunciation, click the "Notes on Use" link at the top of the Trademark Search screen.



- Simple character string search

Although this search retrieves perfect matches, partial matches can also be searched for by using wildcards (?).

For wildcards, see "[Appendix A Search Tips](#)" (P.144).

- Fuzzy search

This search retrieves pronunciations similar to the search keywords. Criteria for determining similarity are indicated by numbers in the "Pronunciation criteria" column of the Search Result List. For details on the pronunciation criteria, click the "Notes on Use" link at the top of the Trademark Search screen.

## 5.3 Searching Well-known Trademarks [Japanese Well-known Trademark Search]

This section explains how to use keywords such as trademark names or right holders to search trademarks registered as defensive marks and registered trademarks acknowledged as being well-known trademarks through opposing decisions, trials & appeals, or judgments.

[Glossary](#) > "Well-known Trademark" (P.158), "Defensive Mark" (P.155)

### Operation Example

Search for a well-known trademark having a reading of "guriko".

1. Select "Trademark" - "Japanese Well-known Trademark Search" from the global navigation.  
⇒ The Japanese Well-known Trademark Search screen appears.

The screenshot displays the 'Japanese Well-known Trademark Search' page. The navigation menu at the top includes 'Patents/Utility Models', 'Designs', 'Trademark', and 'Trials & Appeals'. The 'Trademark' menu is expanded, showing options like 'Trademark Number Search', 'Trademark Search', 'Japanese Well-known Trademark Search', 'Unregistered Mark Search', 'Table of the CFE Marks', and 'Goods/Service Name Search'. The 'Japanese Well-known Trademark Search' option is highlighted. The main search area contains a 'Search keywords' section with a 'Search item' dropdown set to 'Reading (characters)' and a 'Keyword' field containing 'guriko'. Below this is an 'Exclusion keywords' field and a 'Search for figure trademark' checkbox. A 'Search' button is located at the bottom right of the search form, and a 'List All' button is at the bottom right of the page. Red dashed boxes and numbers 1, 2, and 3 indicate the navigation menu, the search form, and the search button respectively.

2. Enter the search criteria.  
In this example, enter the following criteria.
  - In the "Search item" field of "Search keywords", select "Reading (characters)".
  - In the "Keyword" field of "Search keywords", enter "guriko".

**3.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search Result List

Hit count (7)

Search list options

By application year : All

By classification : All | 30(7)

Print List CSV Output

No.	Registration number/ International registration number	Specimen of trademark	Reading	Graphic element	Trademark (for search)	Kind
1	<a href="#">Reg. No.2671735</a>		guriko	-	guriko	Defensive
2	<a href="#">Reg. No.2671735</a>		guriko	✓	GLICO	-
3	<a href="#">Reg. No.2671735</a>		guriko	-	guriko	Defensive

4. Select the link you wish to view in the "Registration number/international registration number" column.

⇒ The Japanese Well-known Trademark screen appears.

The screenshot shows the "Japanese Well-known Trademark" search results page. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Japanese Well-known Trademark" and a "Help" button. Below the search bar, there are navigation links: "< Previous document", "5 of 7", "Display", and "Next document >". The main heading is "Reg.No.2671735". On the left side, there is a table with the following information:

Registration number	: 2671735
Classes of goods and services:	
International Classification	30
Right holder	: 江崎グリコ株式会社 大阪市
Trademark (for search)	: グリコ
Reading (characters)	: グリコ

Below the table, it states: "This trademark is registered as a defensive mark." On the right side, there is a large image of the trademark "グリコ" (Glico) in bold black Japanese characters. Above the image, there is a "1" and an "Enlarge and Rotate" button. A "- Collapse" button is located at the top right of the image area.

▶ **Tip**

**Displaying a list of well-known trademarks**

To display all well-known trademarks registered with J-PlatPat, click the "List All" button in the Japanese Well-known Trademark Search screen.

## 5.4 Searching Marks That Cannot Be Registered [Unregistered Mark Search]

This section explains how to search for marks that cannot be registered under the Trademark Act, using keywords such as pronunciations or document numbers.

[Glossary](#) > "Unregistered Mark" (P.158), "Pronunciation" (P.157)

### Operation Example

Find whether or not the pronunciation "ポルドー" is an unregistered mark.

1. Select "Trademark" - "Unregistered Mark Search" from the global navigation.  
⇒ The Unregistered Mark Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Unregistered Mark Search' page. A navigation menu on the right is open, with 'Unregistered Mark Search' highlighted. Three red callouts are present: 1. points to the 'Unregistered Mark Search' menu item; 2. points to the 'Unregistered Mark Search' section in the main content area; 3. points to the 'Search' button at the bottom of the search form.

**1.** Select "Trademark" - "Unregistered Mark Search" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Unregistered Mark Search screen appears.

**2.** The search form includes the following fields:

- Search target type:**  All,  WTO Source of Origin,  Marks Designated by Minister
- Search keywords:** Search item: Pronunciation (simple text search) | Keyword: ポルドー
- Exclusion keywords:** Specify a keyword to exclude from the search result. (Open +)
- Date options:** Specify a western calendar year or Japanese calendar year. Date of publication (designation): Ex: 20180401 to Ex: 20180501

**3.** The Search button is located at the bottom of the form.

**2.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Search target type", select "All".
- In the "Search item" field of "Search keywords", select "Pronunciation (simple text search)".
- In the "Keyword" field of "Search keywords", enter "ボルドー".

**3.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

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No.	WTO registration number	Mark (for display)	Pronunciation	Date of publication (designation)
1	0000000080	BORDEAUX	ボルドー	Dec.14,1994

**4.** Select the link of the registration number you wish to view in the "WTO registration number" column.

⇒ The "Unregistered trademark (WTO source of origin)" screen appears.

WTO Reg.No.80

WTO registration number	:80
Date of publication (designation)	:Dec.14,1994
Applicable provision	:Article 4-1(17)
Mark (for display)	:BORDEAUX
Appellation	:ボルドー
Product and source of origin / explanation	:ぶどう酒/シロンド県内の限定地域(フランス)

 **Tip**

**Displaying a list of unregistered marks**

To display all the unregistered marks registered with J-PlatPat (WTO source of origin or marks designated by minister), click the "List all (WTO source of origin)" button or the "List all (marks designated by minister)" button in the Unregistered Mark Search screen.

## 5.5 Searching Classification of Figures or Other Elements of Marks [Table of the CFE Marks]

This section explains how to search for classifications of figures or other elements of marks.

[Glossary](#) "Classification of Figures, etc." (P.154)

The following method can be used to search classifications of figures or other elements of marks.

- ["Searching Classification by Using a Tree in Table of the CFE Marks" \(P.131\)](#)
- ["Searching Classification of Figures or Other Elements of Marks by Keyword" \(P.135\)](#)

### Searching Classification by Using a Tree in Table of the CFE Marks

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This section explains how to search by selecting a classification from the tree of the Breakdown Tables of the CFE Marks (Large/Middle/Small Classification Tables).

#### Operation Example

Search the classification of "ellipse".

**1.** Select "Trademark" - "Table of the CFE Marks" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Table of the CFE Marks screen appears.

The screenshot shows the 'Table of the CFE Marks' page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Patents/Utility Models', 'Designs', 'Trademark', and 'Trials & Appeals'. The 'Trademark' tab is active, and a dropdown menu is open, showing options like 'Trademark Number Search', 'Trademark Search', 'Japanese Well-known Trademark Search', 'Unregistered Mark Search', 'Table of the CFE Marks', and 'Goods/Service Name Search'. The 'Table of the CFE Marks' option is highlighted with a red dashed box and labeled '1.'. Below the navigation, there is a search bar with 'Table of the CFE Marks' and a 'Search by Keyword' button. A red dashed box around the search bar is labeled '2.'. Below the search bar, there is a section for 'Classification of figures, etc.' with a radio button and a text input field containing 'Ex: 1.3.6'. Below this, there is a 'Breakdown Table of the CFE Marks' with categories like '1. CELESTIAL BODIES, NATURAL PHENOMENA, GEOGRAPHICAL MAPS' and '2. HUMAN BEINGS'. A section labeled 'Omitted' is highlighted with a red dashed box and labeled '3.'. Below 'Omitted', there is a section for '26. GEOMETRICAL FIGURES AND SOLIDS', which is also highlighted with a red dashed box and labeled '4.'. Under this section, there are 'Notes' and a sub-section for '26.1 CIRCLES, ELLIPSES'. This sub-section is highlighted with a red dashed box and labeled '5.'. It contains various sub-sections like '\*26.1.1 Circles' and '\*26.1.2 Ellipses', each with a corresponding diagram and text description.

**2.** Confirm that the "Inquiry by classification of figures, etc." tab is displayed.

**3.** Select the large classification to search.

Since the search is for an ellipse, select "26 GEOMETRICAL FIGURES AND SOLIDS" in the Breakdown Tables of the CFE Marks (Large/Middle/Small Classification Tables).

⇒ The classifications in "26 GEOMETRICAL FIGURES AND SOLIDS" are expanded.

**4.** Select the middle classification to search.

Since the search is for an ellipse, select "26.1 CIRCLES, ELLIPSES" in the Breakdown Tables of the CFE Marks (Large/Middle/Small Classification Tables).

⇒ The classifications in "26.1 CIRCLES, ELLIPSES" are expanded.

**5.** Select the small classification to search.

The classification for "ellipse" can be identified as "26.1.2".

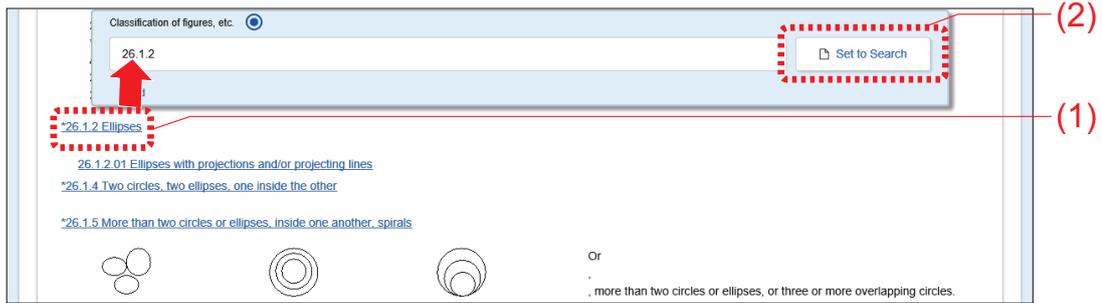
Trademark searches can be made using the retrieved classification. See the following hint for details.

**Tip**

**Searching trademarks using a retrieved classification of figures or other elements of marks**

This section explains how to search for trademarks by setting the retrieved classification of figures or other elements of marks. ("26.1.2" Ellipses).

- (1) Select a link for the classification searched for in the Table of the CFE Marks screen.

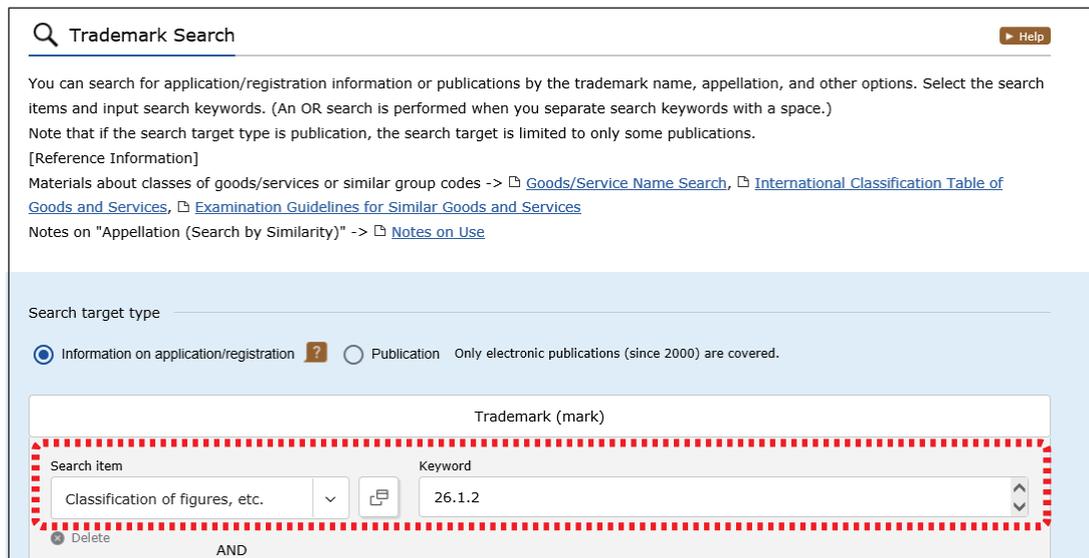


The selected classification is automatically entered in the "Classification of figures, etc." field.

- (2) Click the "Set to Search" button.

The Trademark Search screen appears.

All classifications entered in the "Classification of figures, etc." field are automatically set as "Trademark (mark)" in the Trademark Search screen (with "Classification of figures, etc." as the "Search item").



For how to search using the Trademark Search screen, see "5.2 Searching Trademarks by Keyword [Trademark Search]" (P.117).

## Searching Classification of Figures or Other Elements of Marks by Keyword

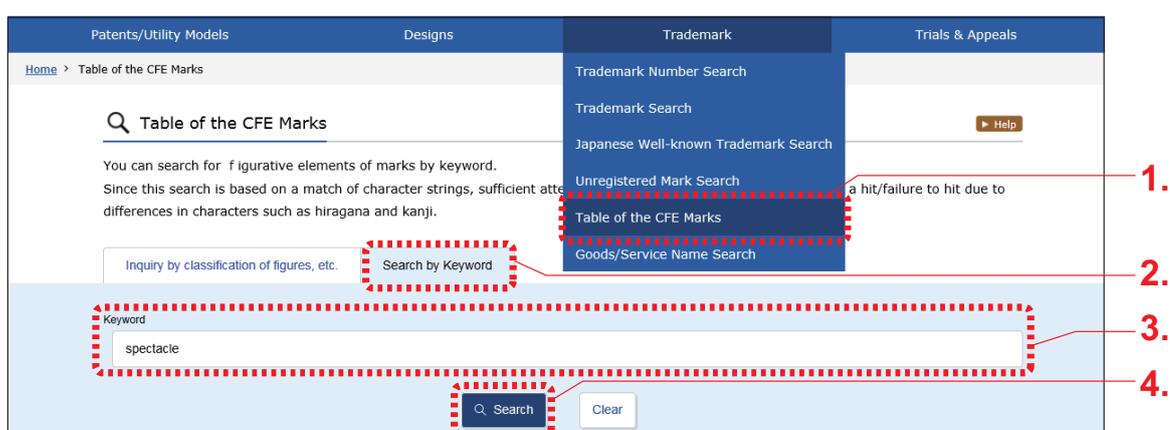
This section explains how to search the classification of figures or other elements of marks using keywords.

### Operation Example

Search the classification of "spectacle".

1. Select "Trademark" - "Table of the CFE Marks" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Table of the CFE Marks screen appears.



2. Select the "Search by Keyword" tab.

3. Enter the keyword.

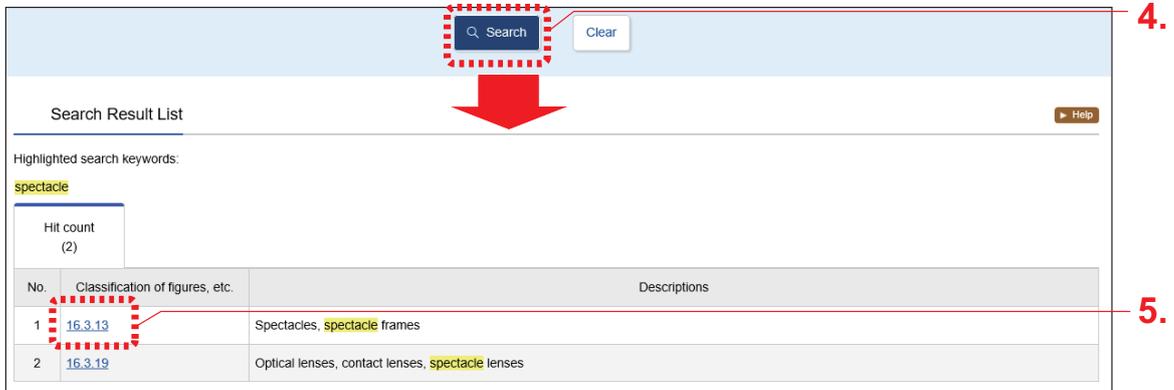
In this example, enter the following criteria.

- Enter "spectacle" in "Keyword".

**4.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

If your desired classification is not displayed in the search results, try using a different term. For example, if "hat" returns no hits, try searching with similar terms, such as "cap" or "headwear".



**5.** Select a link in the "Classification of figures, etc." column.

⇒ The screen switches to a tree in the "Inquiry by classification of figures, etc." tab with the selected classification highlighted.



Trademark searches can be made using the retrieved classification.

For more information, refer to "Searching trademarks using a retrieved classification of figures or other elements of marks" (P.134).

## 5.6 Searching Designated Goods/Service Names, Classes, and Similar Group Codes [Goods/Service Name Search]

This section explains how to search designated goods/service names, classes, and similar group codes by goods/service name.

[Glossary](#) > ["Class" \(P.154\)](#), ["Similar Group Code" \(P.157\)](#)

### Operation Example

Search for a goods/service name containing "印刷物".

1. Select "Trademark" - "Goods/Service Name Search" from the global navigation.

⇒ The Goods/Service Name Search screen appears.

The screenshot shows the J-PlatPat interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Patents/Utility Models, Designs, Trademark, and Trials & Appeals. The Trademark tab is active, and a dropdown menu is open, showing options like Trademark Number Search, Trademark Search, Japanese Well-known Trademark Search, Unregistered Mark Search, Table of the Classification of Figurative or Other Elements of Marks, and Goods/Service Name Search. A red dashed box highlights the 'Goods/Service Name Search' option, with a red line and the number '1.' pointing to it.

Below the navigation, the main content area is titled 'Goods/Service Name Search'. It contains introductory text and links. A red dashed box highlights the 'Goods/Service Name Search' link in the list, with a red line and the number '2.' pointing to it.

The main search form is enclosed in a large red dashed box. It includes sections for:
 

- Edition of international classification (term):** Radio buttons for International Classification 11-2019 Edition, 11-2018 Edition, and 11-2017 Edition.
- Data type:** Checkboxes for Examination Guidelines for Similar Goods and Services (checked), International Classification Table of Goods and Services (Nice Classification), TMS ID list, Goods/service name (only Japanese or English) adopted by examination, WIPO Madrid Goods and Services Manager, and Goods/Service names that cannot be adopted.
- Language to use:** Radio buttons for Japanese (checked) and English.
- Search keywords:** Fields for Goods/service name (containing '印刷物'), Class (containing 'Ex: 03 5 08 27 30 42'), and Similar group code (reference) (containing 'Ex: 29A01 29B?').
- Exclusion keywords:** Fields for Goods/service name (containing 'Ex: コーヒー ココア'), Class (containing 'Ex: 03 5 08 27 30 42'), and Similar group code (reference) (containing 'Ex: 29A01 29B?').

At the bottom of the form, there is a 'Search' button and a 'Clear' button. A red dashed box highlights the 'Search' button, with a red line and the number '3.' pointing to it.

**2.** Enter the search criteria.

In this example, enter the following criteria.

- In "Edition of international classification (term)", select the latest international classification (the top row is the latest).
- In "Data type", select "Examination Guidelines for Similar Goods and Services".
- In "Language to use", select "Japanese".
- In "Goods/service name" of "Search keywords", enter "印刷物".

**3.** Click the "Search" button.

⇒ The Search Result List screen appears.

Search Result List

Class  
Ex: 03 5 08 27 30 42

Similar group code (reference)  
Ex: 29A01 29B?

< Notes >  
If the "Goods/service name (English)" display on the list of goods and services is used to apply for a foreign application (including Madrid protocol via WIPO), that display might not be accepted or changes to the display might be required, depending on how the office handles the application. This English should be used only as a reference.  
Goods and services with a data type of "Not possible" cannot be accepted by the JPO. Since this can be used as a reason for refusal, refer to the information at the following link and the search results, and consider making changes to the display.

[List of goods/service names that cannot be adopted \(Excel\)](#)

No.	Class ▲	Data type ▲	Application number/international registration number ▲	Goods/service name (Japanese) ▲	Goods/service name (English) ▲	Similar group code (reference)
1	<a href="#">16</a>	G N M	-	印刷物	printed matter	<a href="#">26A01</a>
2	<a href="#">35</a>	G M	-	印刷物の小売又は卸売の業務において行われる顧客に対する便益の提供	retail services or wholesale services for printed matter	<a href="#">26A01_35K13</a>

Check the "Goods/service name (Japanese)" column.

Trademark searches can be made using the retrieved classes or similar group codes.

See the following hint for details.

**Tip**

**Searching trademarks using retrieved classes or similar group codes**

This section explains how to search for trademarks by setting a retrieved similar group code (26A01).

- (1) Select the link in the "Similar group code (reference)" column that displays the codes retrieved in "5.6 Searching Designated Goods/Service Names, Classes, and Similar Group Codes [Goods/Service Name Search]" (P.137).

In this example, select the link for "26A01".

Search Result List

Class  
Ex: 03 5 08 27 30 42

Similar group code (reference)  
26A01

< Notes >  
If the "Goods/service name" display on the list of goods and services is used to apply for a foreign application (including Madrid protocol via WIPO), that display might not be accepted in some countries. To the display might be required, depending on how the office handles the application. This English should be used only as a reference.  
Goods and services with a data type of "Not possible" cannot be accepted by the JPO. Since this can be used as a reason for refusal, refer to the information at the following link and the search results, and consider making adjustments to the display.  
[List of goods/service names that cannot be adopted \(Excel\)](#)

Hit count  
(2)

No.	Class ▲	Data type ▲	Application number/international registration number ▲	Goods/service name (Japanese) ▲	Goods/service name (English) ▲	Similar group code (reference)
1	16	G N M	-	印刷物	printed matter	26A01

"26A01" is automatically entered in the "Similar group code (reference)" field at the top of the Search Result List screen.

To set multiple similar group codes, select the links of the similar group codes to be set.

- (2) Click the "Set to Search" button.

The Trademark Search screen appears.

All similar group codes entered in the "Similar group code (reference)" field are automatically set as "Goods/services" in the Trademark Search screen (with "Similar group code (reference)" as the "Search item").

**Trademark Search** Help

You can search for application/registration information or publications by the trademark name, appellation, and other options. Select the search items and input search keywords. (An OR search is performed when you separate search keywords with a space.)  
Note that if the search target type is publication, the search target is limited to only some publications.  
[Reference Information]  
Materials about classes of goods/services or similar group codes -> [Goods/Service Name Search](#), [International Classification Table of Goods and Services](#), [Examination Guidelines for Similar Goods and Services](#)  
Notes on "Appellation (Search by Similarity)" -> [Notes on Use](#)

Search target type

Information on application/registration ?  Publication Only electronic publications (since 2000) are covered.

**Trademark (mark)**

Search item: Trademark (for search)  Keyword: Ex: 特許庁 ?特許? 特許?

**Goods/services**

Search item: Similar group code (reference)  Keyword: 26A01

For how to use the trademark search, see "5.2 Searching Trademarks by Keyword [Trademark Search]" (P.117).



# Appendix

The appendix provides additional reference information for using J-PlatPat.

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# Appendix A Search Tips

This appendix gives helpful tips on searching using J-PlatPat.  
For details on usable characters and input format, refer to Help on each screen.

## Exact Match and Partial Match

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This section explains the phrases "exact match" and "partial match", which make up one type of search criteria.

### Attention

The search criteria for exact matches and partial matches differ depending on the item being searched for on each screen. For details, refer to Help on each screen.

#### ■ Exact match

As the search result, this method of searching only displays the terms that exactly match the character string entered in the search criteria.

#### ■ Partial match

As the search result, this method of searching displays the terms that partially match the character string entered in the search criteria.

To search for a partial match, add a question mark before, after, or before and after the search criteria.

#### Begins-with search

When searching for a term that begins with certain characters, enter a "?" following those characters.

For example, if you want to display "ディスプレイ", "ディスプレイー", and "ディスプレイ用金具" as search results, add a "?" after the shared section of the search term, "ディスプレ", before you search. Since the characters the search term begins with are searched for, it is called a begins-with search.

ディスプレ?

#### Ends-with search

When searching for a term that ends with certain characters, enter a "?" before those characters.

For example, if you want to display "液晶ディスプレイ" and "LED ディ스플레이" as search results, add a "?" before the shared section of the search term, "ディスプレイ", before you search. Since the characters the search term ends with are searched for, it is called an ends-with search.

?ディスプレイ

### Partial match search

To search for a term that contains the search term, add a "?" before and after the term.

For example, if you want to display "液晶ディスプレイ", "LED ディ스플레이", "ディスプレイ", and "ディスプレイ用金具" as search results, add a "?" before and after the shared section of the search term, "ディスプレ", before you search. Since entries that match part of the search term are searched for, it is called a partial match search.

?ディスプレ?

## wildcard

A wildcard allows you to search for a keyword that contains one or more undetermined characters. Specify the undetermined character or characters for your search by using a question mark (?). For details on the search items in which you can use wildcards, refer to Help of each screen. For a Patent/Utility Model Search, enclose keywords that use question marks with single quotation marks ('). Enter question marks (?) and single quotation marks (') in half-width characters.

- Example of inputting a keyword that includes one undetermined character in between "無電源" and "発光"

'無電源?発光'

- Example of inputting a keyword that includes three undetermined characters in between "無電源" and "発光"

'無電源???発光'

For a Patent/Utility Model Search in which the search target is English text, input an asterisk (\*) to represent zero or more undetermined characters.

This wildcard can only be specified after character strings of three or more characters.

- Example of inputting a keyword that includes zero or more undetermined characters after "memory"

'memory\*'

## AND Search, OR Search, and NOT Search

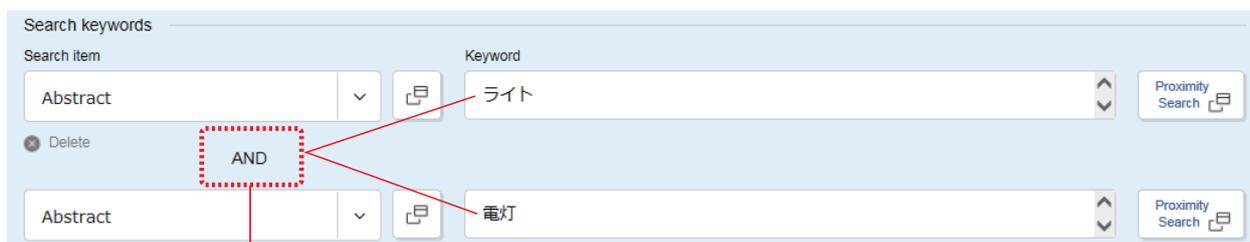
### ■ AND search

This method searches only for entries that fulfill all of multiple search criteria.

If you perform an AND search for "あい" and "うえ", "あいうえ," and "あいうえお" are displayed as search results because they fulfill both of the criteria, but "あいお" and "うえお" are not because they include only one of the criteria.

By performing an AND search, you can narrow down the search results.

On J-PlatPat, an AND search is performed by using the search items before and after the ANDs displayed on the screen.

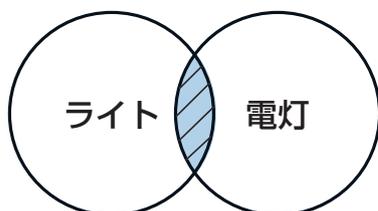


The screenshot shows the search interface with two search items. The first item has the search item set to "Abstract" and the keyword "ライト". The second item has the search item set to "Abstract" and the keyword "電灯". Between the two items, the operator "AND" is selected and highlighted with a red dashed box. Red arrows point from the "AND" box to the "ライト" and "電灯" keywords. There are also "Delete" and "Proximity Search" buttons visible.

Search for "ライト" and "電灯" by performing an AND search



The overlapping portion is displayed as the search results



## ■ OR search

This method searches for all entries that fulfill one of multiple search criteria.

If you perform an OR search for "あい" or "うえ", "あいうえお", "あいお", "うえお" and all other entries including either of the criteria are displayed as search results.

By performing an OR search, you can search for entries that refer to the same subject with different terms.

On J-PlatPat, you can perform an OR search by inserting a space between keywords.

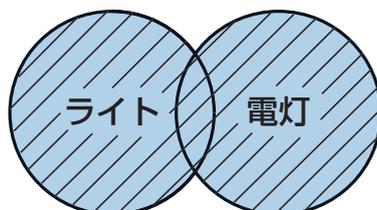


The screenshot shows a search interface with a 'Search keywords' field. Below it, there is a 'Search Item' dropdown menu set to 'Abstract' and a 'Keyword' input field containing 'ライト 電灯'. A red bracket highlights the space between the two keywords. To the right of the input field is a 'Proximity Search' button with a copy icon.

Search for "ライト" and "電灯" with a space in-between to perform an OR search



Items that meet at least one of the search conditions are all displayed as search results



## ■ NOT search

This method searches for entries that exclude specific search criteria.

If you perform a search for "あい" but set "うえ" as an exclusion keyword for a NOT search, entries such as "あいお" and "あいう" are displayed as search results, but "あいうえお" is not displayed because it contains "うえ".

By performing a NOT search, you can narrow down the search results.

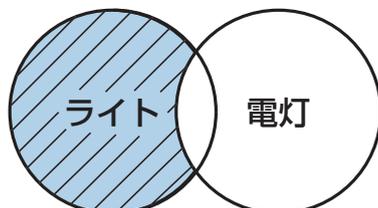
On J-PlatPat, you can perform a NOT search by entering words you wish to exclude from the search into the Exclusion Keywords field.

The screenshot shows the J-PlatPat search interface. At the top, there is a 'Search keywords' section. Under 'Search item', a dropdown menu is set to 'Abstract'. To its right is a 'Keyword' field containing 'ライト'. Below this, there is an 'Add' button. In the center, there is a field for 'Exclusion keywords' with the placeholder text 'Specify a keyword to exclude from the search result.' This field is highlighted with a red dashed border and contains the text '電灯'. To the right of this field is a 'Close' button. Below the exclusion field, there is another search area with 'Search item' set to 'Abstract' and 'Keyword' set to '電灯'.

Search for "ライト" while excluding "電灯"



The search results for "ライト" are displayed while excluding results for "電灯"



## About Expansion to Different Notations

In publications, items having the same meaning may sometimes be indicated by different notations. Searches are carried out by expanding entered keywords into different notations (different notation expansion).

Notations to which the search is automatically expanded are as follows.

- Long vowel symbol for Japanese (ー), minus sign (－), hyphen ( - ), em-dash (—)  
For example, when you enter "1 - 2", "1 —2", "1 — 2", "1 - 2", and "1 —2" are searched for.

- Contracted sounds and the geminate consonant in hiragana and katakana ("ア" and "ア", "ツ" and "ツ", "よ" and "よ", and so on)  
For example, when you enter "シエア", "シエア", "シエア", "シエア", and "シエア" are searched for.
- Full-width and half-width characters  
For example, when you enter "book" in half-width characters, "b o o k" in full-width characters and "book" in half-width characters are searched for.
- Latin alphabet upper and lowercase  
For example, when you enter "ABC" in uppercase, in addition to "ABC", "abc", "Abc", and so on are also searched for.

Searches are not automatically expanded into different notations other than those listed above. For other variants, enter a space between keywords as shown below to perform an OR search.

プレイヤー プレーヤー

バイオリン ヴァイオリン

センチメートル cm

However, in English searches are automatically expanded to different conjugated forms of the entered word.

For example, when you enter the verb "see", the past tense "saw", the past participle "seen", the present participle "seeing", and the third-person singular "sees" are searched for as well.

## Setting the Classification

When you want to search publications by a classification number that you have looked up, you can select the classification number that you looked up and press the "Set to xxxx" button to automatically set it on the search screen.

For more information on searching by classification and how to search using the results, refer to the following sections.

- When used for a search by classification of patents and utility models  
["Using a retrieved FI, F-term, or IPC to search for patents and utility models" \(P.86\)](#)
- When used for a design classification search  
["Searching designs using a retrieved design classification" \(P.110\)](#)
- When used for a trademark classification search  
["Searching trademarks using a retrieved classification of figures or other elements of marks" \(P.134\)](#)

## Appendix B Direct Entry of Logical Expressions

This section explains how to input logical expressions when using the "Logical Expression Input" tab in the Patent/Utility Model Search Screen to input logical expressions directly. Details of entry formats for different search items, search items that can be specified, and so on can be found in Help.

### Attention

Date options are not permitted in logical expressions. Use "Search Options" in the "Logical Expression Input" tab of the "Patent/Utility Model Search" screen to specify date options.

### Breaks between Search Keywords and Search Items

Logical expressions are created by specifying multiple search keywords and combining those search keywords with operators. To enter a search keyword directly, enter the search keyword and a structure tag indicating a search item separated by a slash (/).

For details on structure tags indicating search items, see Help.

- When "クラウド" is included in the scope of claims (structure tag "CL")

```
クラウド/CL
```

- When a keyword in which an undetermined single character is included between "無電源" and "発光" in the full text (structure tag "TX")  
A question mark (?) can be used as a wildcard.

```
'無電源?発光'/TX
```

### Specifying a Proximity Search

When searching by keywords, a proximity search can also be specified using logical expressions by indicating an interval between two or three keywords.

The interval between keywords can be from 1 to 99 characters. Word order specifications can be entered as C or c for word order and N or n for no word order.

If "Japanese text" is selected in "search target text", the interval number is the number of characters. If "English text" is selected, the interval number is the number of words.

For two keywords, enter the keywords as follows.

- Example of searching full text (structure tag "TX") for items in which no more than five characters are between "無電源" and "発光" (when specifying the word order so that "無電源" is always first and "発光" is always last, enter "C" after the number of characters).

```
無電源, 5C, 発光/TX
```

- Example of searching full text (structure tag "TX") for items in which no more than three characters are between "無電源" and "発光" (when no word order is specified for "無電源" and "発光", enter "N" after the number of characters).

```
無電源, 3N, 発光/TX
```

## Usable Operators

Operators that can be used are as follows. All should be entered as half-width characters. If a single logical expression includes multiple operators, operators having a higher priority ranking are given priority.

- Square brackets ([])
  - Used to change the priority. This comes first in the priority ranking.
  - Square brackets are used when defining a scope to be searched preferentially within the logical expression. Nesting can be specified for up to three levels.
- Asterisk (\*)
  - Indicates a logical product (AND). This comes second in the priority ranking.
- Plus (+)
  - Indicates a logical sum (OR). This comes third in the priority ranking.
- Minus (-)
  - Indicates a logical negation (NOT). This comes third in the priority ranking.

When searching for a document that matches all of the following criteria

- Overview/abstract (AB) contains "クラウド" or "システム"
- Scope of claims (CL) contains "製造方法" or "装飾部品"
- FI is either "B22F1/00A" or "C22F1/00,601"

```
[クラウド/AB+システム/AB]*[製造方法/CL+装飾部品/CL]*[B22F1/00@A/FI+C22F1/00,601/FI]
```

When searching for a document that matches all of the following criteria

- FI contains either "B22F1/00A" or "C22F1/00,601"

- Scope of claims (CL) contains "y + z" (full-width characters, including the operator)
- Application number of the priority contains "'DE1985481X 2'" (where X is a given number; half-width space present between X and 2)

```
B22F1/00@A/FI+C22F1/00,601/FI+y+z/CL+'DE@19854811 2'/PN
```

### Attention

- Enter operators contained in the set of search keywords using full-width characters.
- Enter a comma (,) before the FI expansion code.
- Enter an "at" sign (@) before the FI volume identification code.

### Tip

#### How to partially omit input when entering logical expressions directly

When entering search keywords having the same type and same aspect in sequence, the input can be partially omitted by using parentheses (()). Even if input is omitted using parentheses, the same search results will be returned (as if nothing was omitted).

- Example of partially omitting a full text search tag ("ワイン/TX+ビール/TX")

```
(ワイン+ビール)/TX
```

- Example of partially omitting up to FI main group ("D02H13/06/FI\*D02H13/08/FI")

```
D02H13/(06*08)/FI
```

- Example of partially omitting up to FI subgroup ("A23B4/00,101/FI\*A23B4/00,505@A/FI")

```
A23B4/00,(101*505@A)/FI
```

- Example of partially omitting up to FI expansion code ("A23B4/06,501@C/FI\*A23B4/06,501@D/FI")

```
A23B4/06,501@(C*D)/FI
```

- Example of partially omitting main theme and aspect of F-term (FT) ("2F084EE02/FT+2F084EE03/FT\*2F084EE04/FT")

```
2F084EE(02+03*04)/FT
```

## Specifying Exclusion Keywords

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This section explains how to specify exclusion keywords containing search keywords.

In a "NOT" search using the minus operator (-), a document containing both a search keyword and an exclusion keyword will not be returned as a hit.

Extended NOT searches cannot be used for English text.

- Extended NOT search

Example of searching for words such as "データログ" or "ログデータ", but excluding documents containing only "プログラム"

(for retrieving documents containing both "データログ" and "プログラム")

```
[ ログ,NOT,プログラム/TX ]
```

- NOT search

Example of searching for words such as "データログ" or "ログデータ", but excluding documents containing "プログラム"

(for avoiding documents containing both "データログ" and "プログラム")

```
[ ログ/TX ] - [ プログラム/TX ]
```

## Appendix C Glossary

Terms used in this manual are defined below.

### C

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#### ■ Class

Based on the Nice Classification, which broadly separates designated goods/services by field. There is Class 1 to Class 45, which the applicant designates at the time of filing. All trademarks belong to one of these classes.

#### ■ Classification of Figures, etc.

A classification based on the Vienna Classification, which is widely adopted internationally as a classification for the figurative elements of trademarks, that has been further subdivided specifically for Japan. Supplied by the JPO as a search key for examination. In addition to figurative elements, classifications are provided for sounds (sound marks) and motion (motion marks).

A classification of figurative or other elements of marks is not provided for trademarks including text only.

#### ■ CPC

Abbreviation of "Cooperative Patent Classification". A common classification managed and used jointly by the European Patent Office (EPO) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

#### ■ CS-term

Terms developed for use in computer software document searches.

### D

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#### ■ D-term

Provides subdivisions for Japanese design classifications in terms of shapes, patterns, and other elements. Not all Japanese design classifications are subdivided by D-terms.

#### ■ D-term (VZA/VZB)

It is assigned to a design concerning a part of an article, while it is also assigned to the documents whose application date is May, 2019 or later.

VZA: Designs that the part subject to design registration and the other parts are drawn identifiably in drawings.

VZB: Designs that some of the views of the outer appearance are not disclosed in drawings.

### ■ **Defensive Mark**

A system in which a registered trademark widely recognized by consumers is registered as a defensive mark, even for non-similar goods, when there will be confusion as to the trademark's origin.

### ■ **Dossier Information**

Information related to the processing and examination of patent applications (patent family applications) filed in various countries around the world.

With this system, dossier information from the five major patent agencies and WIPO-CASE participating agencies (including international PCT applications) can be viewed through the One Portal Dossier (OPD) Search screen.

## E

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### ■ **English Abstract**

An English-text overview of patent document information from various countries.

## F

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### ■ **F-term**

A technical classification code unique to the Japanese Patent Office developed for the purpose of computer-based searches. F-terms are added to documents as search items that describe technical features.

### ■ **F-term Description**

A document that provides technical descriptions of F-terms and F-term themes.

### ■ **Facet**

A code developed over a predetermined range of IPCs (such as subclasses or a range of multiple groups), from a viewpoint different from the development of IPC classifications. Written using three English letters.

Facets make it possible to search documents from a transverse perspective spanning multiple IPC categories.

## ■ FI

Abbreviation of "File Index". A technical classification code unique to the Japanese Patent Office, expanded with further detail from IPC subgroups.

## ■ FI Handbook

A detailed description of FI.

## ■ Free Word by Examiner

Technical terms useful for searches, specified by examiners.

I

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## ■ International Design Classification

A classification established on the basis of the Locarno Agreement, managed and operated by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) International Bureau.

## ■ IPC

Abbreviation of "International Patent Classification". This is a classification for international patents. The IPC is a patent classification that can be used in common by countries around the world, and subdivides all technical fields related to inventions in stages.

J

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## ■ J-GLOBAL

An online service, provided by the Japan Science and Technology Agency, through which domestic researchers and scholarly articles can be searched.

<https://jglobal.jst.go.jp/>

## ■ Japanese Abstract

Japanese-language overviews of foreign-language documents such as U.S. patent specifications (full text).

## ■ Japanese Design Classification

A classification created with a primary focus on the intended use of articles to the design, using concepts such as functions when necessary. The current Japanese design classification is given to documents whose filing date (or priority date, or in the case of design publication materials the publication date) is 2005 or later, and the former Japanese design classification is given to documents from 2004 or earlier.

### ■ Journal of Technical Disclosure

This system only gathers data from journals of technical disclosure for which approval for publication has been granted.

As of the end of March 2011, J-PlatPat no longer provides new data from journals of technical disclosure. Existing data from journals of technical disclosure provided thus far remains available.

## P

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### ■ PAJ

An abbreviation of "Patent Abstracts of Japan". The English abstracts of publications of unexamined patent applications, in which the bibliographies, applicants, and abstracts of publications of unexamined patent applications issued in Japan are translated into English and digitalized according to specifications based on Trilateral Conference agreements.

### ■ Pronunciation

Natural readings of text elements such as hiragana, katakana, kanji, and alphabets contained in trademarks, written in katakana. Supplied by the JPO as a search key for examination.

Pronunciations are not supplied for trademarks without text elements (trademarks with graphics only).

Pronunciations are reference information for searching and may differ from those of the actually used by the applicant (trademark owner).

In principle, pronunciations will not be changed after registration, except in the case of obvious errors.

### ■ Publication Material

Examination materials extracted from publications such as journals, catalogs, or new product information posted on company websites, which are stored with bibliographic information such as design classifications and image data of photographs of products.

## S

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### ■ Similar Group Code

A code provided by the JPO, as a search key for examination, in accordance with the details of a good/service. Products and services with similar group codes are assumed to be similar to each other.

## T

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### ■ Trademark (for search)

A text string used in a trademark and provided for search purposes by the JPO as a search key for examination.

Trademarks (for search) are not supplied for trademarks with no text elements (trademarks with graphics only).

Trademark (for search) is reference information for searching and may differ from the character combination of the trademark.

In principle, Trademark (for search) will not be changed after registration, except in the case of obvious errors.

## U

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### ■ Unregistered Mark

"Unregistrable trademarks" under the Trademark Act. This system makes it possible to search for marks, crests, insignias, seals, or symbols that fall under the following provisions.

- Trademark Act, Article 4-1(2)
- Trademark Act, Article 4-1(3)
- Trademark Act, Article 4-1(5)
- Trademark Act, Article 4-1(17)

## W

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### ■ Well-known Trademark

A registered trademark certified as being well-known in an opposition decision, trial decision, or judgment. This system handles opposition decisions published in trial decision gazettes issued after April, Heisei 18 (2006). This system makes it possible to search trademarks certified as being well-known trademarks in opposition decisions, trial decisions, and judgments.

### ■ WIPO

An abbreviation of "World Intellectual Property Organization". An international organization whose purpose is promoting the protection of global intellectual property rights, and that manages treaties pertaining to intellectual property rights.

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