

Dear Mr.Guy,

Referring to the circular C.SCIT 2493 of April 17, 2000 please, find attached herewith the JOPAL Survey Questionnaire filled by specialists of this Office.

Sincerely yours,

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JOPAL SURVEY

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II. Use of JOPAL information by your Office/Organization

(Tick appropriate box)

Currently using *(Go to Section III)*

Previously used but discontinued *(Please specify why)* _____

(Go to Section

V)

Never Used *(Please specify why)* _____

(Go to Section V)

III. Who is using the JOPAL Information?

- Own Staff
- General Public
- Other (Please specify) _____

IV. How is the JOPAL Service used?

1. JOPAL updates are now available on the Internet in two forms:
 - i. As a monthly update in PDF format on WIPO's Web site (<http://www.wipo.int>)
 - ii. As an update to the database (JOPAL Database (<http://jopal.wipo.int>))

a) PDF Update Files (Please complete if use is made of the JOPAL PDF update files)

What form of access do you provide to the PDF update files:

- Internet
- Access via Local Network (by download and loading on local server)
- Printed
- Other (Please specify) _____

Additional details of the Service you provide:

b) JOPAL Database (Please complete if use is made of the JOPAL Database)
In addition to the Search facilities, a BROWSE function is provided.

Do you use the BROWSE facility? Yes No

If NO, why not? _____

Are you happy with the SEARCH features/functionality provided?

Yes No

If NO, what features would you like changed or added? _____

Do you find the automatic link from the IPC Classification in the RESULTS list to searching in the PCT Database a useful feature? Yes No

Please comment _____

2. The Journal was previously published both in paper and on CD-ROM. Indicate if you still use either of these:

Paper Form CD-ROM

Please comment on why you still use them

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1. Before this year we had only few PC with access to Internet for the whole Institute. Now we have three o four PC with access to Internet in each examination department. .
 2. JOPAL are used rather rarely because they don't contain sufficient information for examiner's searches.

3. What changes or additions would increase the value of the JOPAL Service to you and your customers?

We think that the following features will be very useful for examiner's searches:

- a) a possibility of searching using key-words in the full text of cited articles;
- b) the availability of abstracts for each article and possibility to search using key-words in them too.

V. Does your Office/Organization use other sources of Non-Patent Literature?

Yes No

If yes, please provide details of the services used (see Appendix).

VI. If the JOPAL Service was discontinued, what effect would this have for your Office/Organization?

It will become more difficult to search in non-patent literature

VII. Other comments

Please provide any additional comments that you consider relevant to the Survey.

The idea of JOPAL service is useful in itself, but the informatively of search currently is not sufficient enough for conducting examiner's searches. It seems to us that the service needs some improvements, rather than the complete discontinuation. Please, see our remarks concerning changes or additions to increase the value of the JOPAL Service (Sec. IV, item 3)

Please address any queries to Mr. W.M. Guy by e-mail to iois.mail@wipo.int or fax to +41 22 734 6392

[Appendix follows]

APPENDIX

Service name	Service Provider	Service Type I=Internet C=CD-ROM O=Other (Specify)	Free Service Yes or No	Estimated Service Cost per month	Additional Remarks
Medline	WinSPIRS Lexis-Nexis	C Online	No No	– 50\$	Cumulative disks from 1966 3000 \$
CAS	Questel-Orbit		No	50\$	
GenMed	Lexis-Nexis		No	50\$	
Separate CD-ROM which include scientific and technical information in different fields			No	–	