



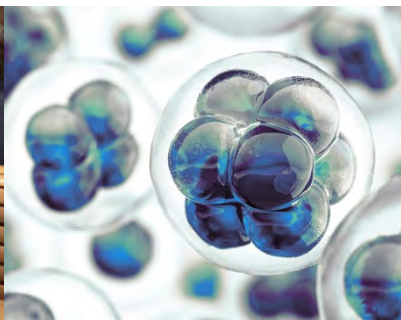
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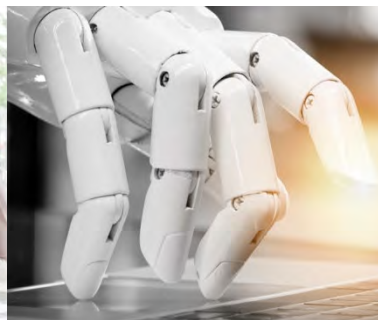
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The great vaccine race

Rino Rappuoli has dedicated his career to improving vaccine technology. Thanks to his innovation, modern vaccines are not only safe and effective, they can also be produced much faster - a critical development in the fight against COVID-19.



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Companies: Sclavo SPA (Italy), Chiron SPA, (US) Novartis Vaccines and Diagnostics S.r.l. (Germany)

Patent numbers: [EP0322533](#), [EP0232229](#), [EP1223975](#), and many more

Invention: Next-generation vaccines against meningitis, whooping cough and other infections

Infectious diseases such as diphtheria, bacterial meningitis and whooping cough have been practically eradicated in the developed world, thanks to Rino Rappuoli. Over the course of a research career spanning more than four decades, the Italian microbiologist has pioneered "conjugate vaccines" that have launched a new generation of immunisations, now administered to millions of people worldwide.

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 fHBP is a protein in Neisseria meningitidis. Three families of fHBP are known: To increase the ability of a fHBP protein to elicit antibodies that are cross-reactive between the families, fHBP is selected or engineered to have a sequence which can elicit b...

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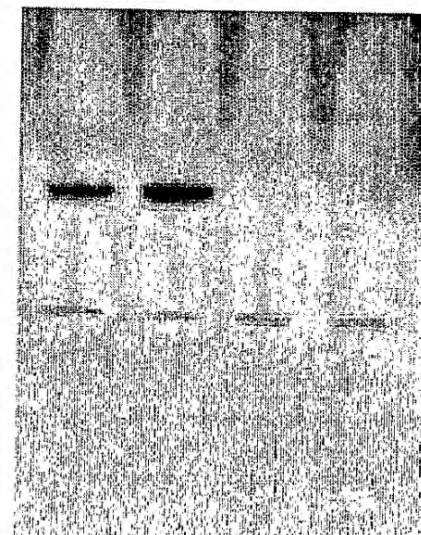
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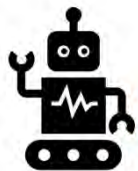
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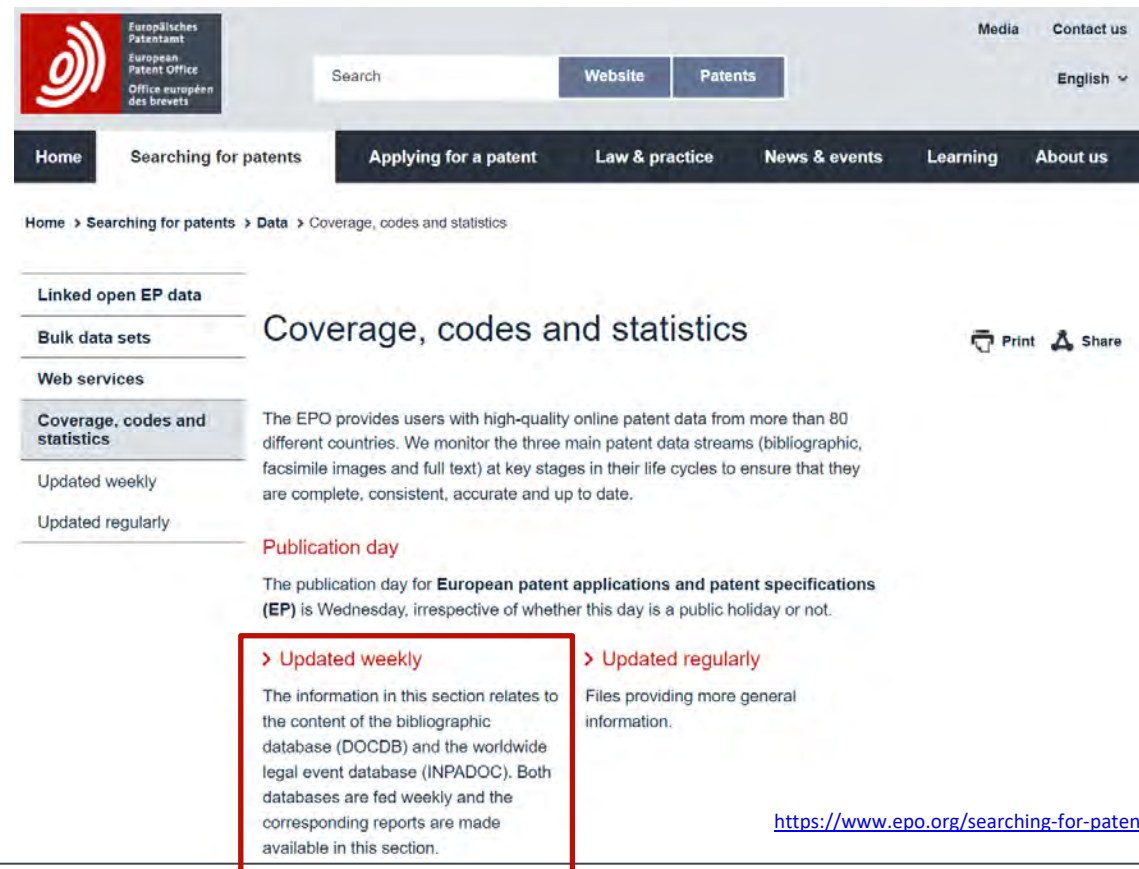
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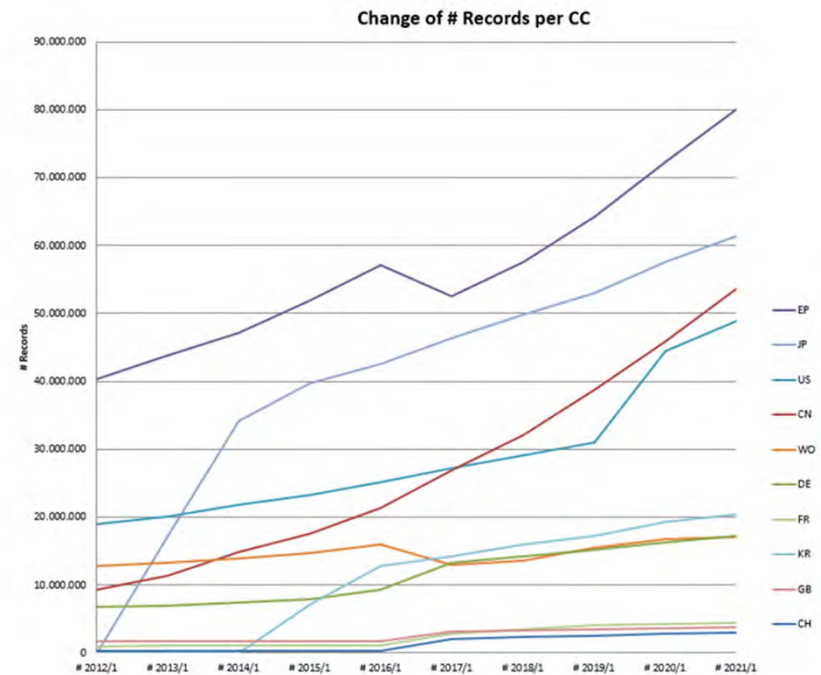
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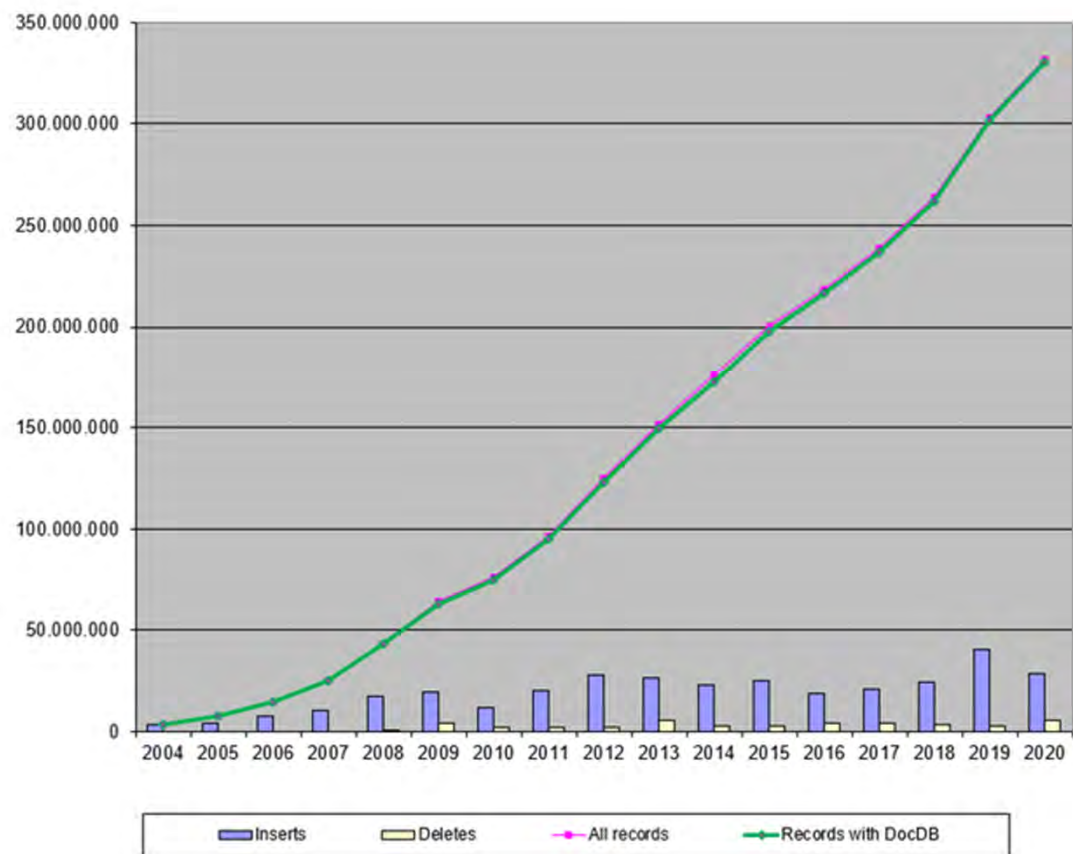
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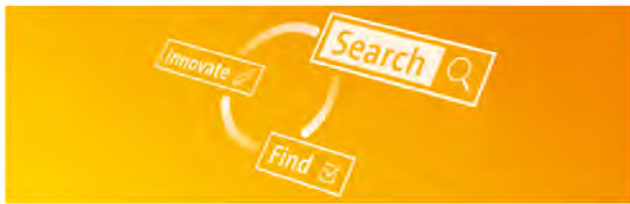


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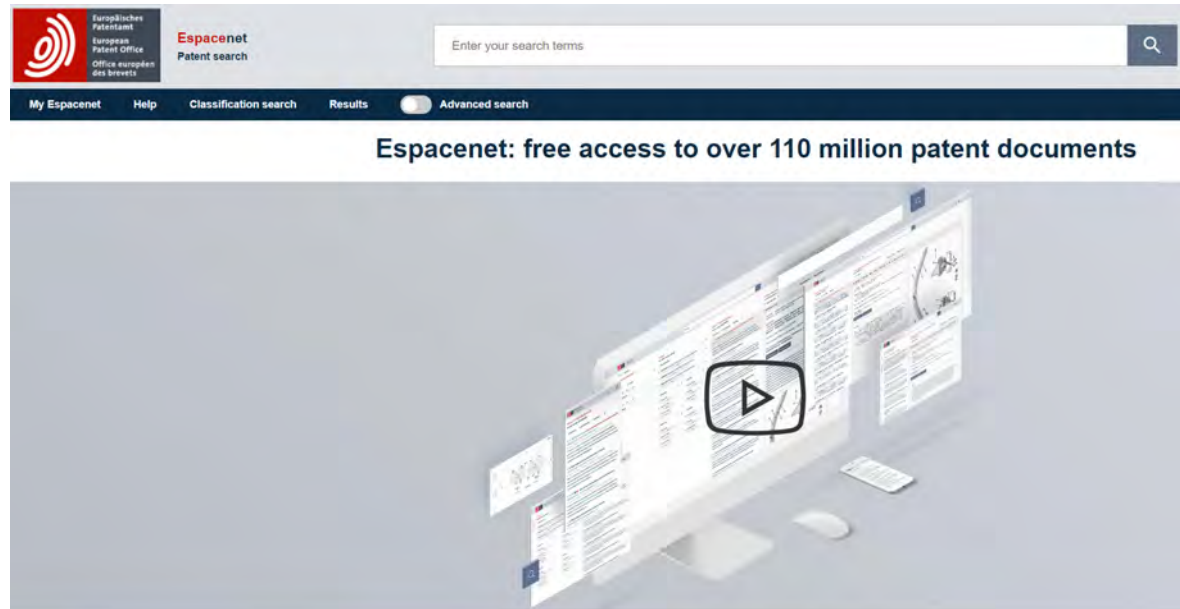
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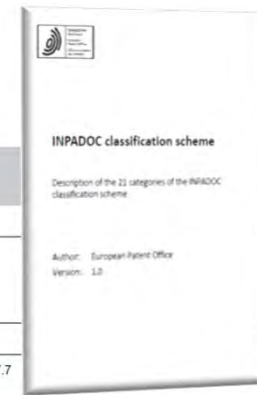
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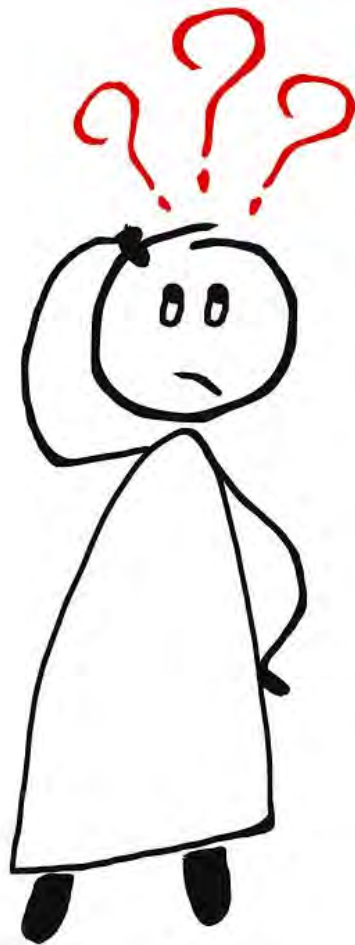
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