

BIBLIOGRAPHIC UPDATE FOR 2005

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Highlights of 2005 include 1056 patterns were submitted and 909 writes were also submitted. "Writes" are articles that mention powder diffraction work was done, but is not included in the article itself. We write to the author to request the data. Patents were searched via the Internet for ease of use and its economical benefit. Patents from Japan and other countries are being located and submitted via the World Intellectual Property Office (WIPO). 2005 statistics are still being compiled and are expected to be completed by the end of March, 2006. In all, nearly 7000 results needed to be sorted through from Dialog, Dissertation Abstracts, the U.S. Patent Office, and WIPO. Search strategies need to be planned for Internet searching as well as database searching and each database is slightly different in how they can be searched. In addition to patents, thirteen databases are searched for articles and Dissertation Abstracts are searched for dissertations and theses. Boolean and proximity operators are used. Activities include library visits, copyright compliance and submittal, electronic searching via the Internet and Dialog, review of abstracts, hand searching, locating or ordering of articles or other bibliographic material as needed, statistics, and maintaining the ICDD library. A simplified search for Dialog, the U.S. Patent Office, and WIPO are presented. The search strategy is available to view. The Bibliographic Coordinator welcomes any ICDD questions you may have of a bibliographic nature.