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Mr. Bernstein,

My question is directed to prior art under the revisions to 35 U.S.C. 102. Under the new law, any printed publication (U.S. or foreign) will be considered prior art if it is published prior to the filing date. I have read the text and have found no discussion with regard to whether the printed publication needs to be in English.

In other words, to qualify as prior art, does the printed publication/patent need to be published in English? Or will a foreign publication be considered prior art as of its publication date if it is not published in English?

Thanks,

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