

Release Notes PatentIn Version 2.0

- Complies with all format requirements specified in WIPO ST.25 and the related U.S. final rule, "Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Disclosures".
- Operates in Windows™ 3.1, Windows™95, Windows™ NT, and in a network environment.
- Simplified user-interface
- Screen displays available in English, Spanish, French, and German.*
- Solicits all the information necessary for a Sequence Listing, including information about the applicants, prior applications, related publications, and identification of the source organism.
- Permits you to directly type amino acid and/or nucleic acid sequences into a Sequence Editor, or to import sequences from a diskette/hard drive.
- Provides the capacity to assign specific features to sequences.

System Requirements

PatentIn version 2.0 requires a PC with a minimum of a 386 Intel processor with 4 megabytes of RAM running any version of Windows 3.x. However, it is recommended that the system run on a PC with not less than a 486 Intel processor with 8 megabytes of RAM for optimum performance.

The installation initially occupies approximately 12 megabytes of disk space. However, the system should not be operated with less than 20 megabytes of disk space plus the anticipated space required to store the sequence files to be imported/created in it.

Installation

Internet Download – INSTALL.EXE (www.uspto.gov)

INSTALL.EXE is the PatentIn Version 2.0 single file installation file that can be down loaded from the Internet. Store this file in any directory on your PC or a file server. The installation may proceed from this directory. The INSTALL.EXE file does not need to be in the destination directory.

Floppy Diskette-SETUP.EXE

SETUP.EXE is the PatentIn Version 2.0 two-part file available on two 3½ inch floppy diskettes. Insert disk one into a local floppy drive to begin installation. The user will be prompted to insert the second disk midway through the installation.

Installation Procedures

For Windows 3.1, activate the FILE option from the main window menu bar, then select RUN. Type in the drive and full path name of the installation file (INSTALL.EXE or SETUP.EXE), or use the browse button to select the file. Activate OK after the file name is set in the window. Follow the screen directions. PatentIn creates a group window and installs the corresponding system icon (BOOKS) in that group window.

For Windows 95 and Windows NT, use the START button, then select RUN, then follow installation instructions described above for Windows 3.1. The PatentIn Version 2.0 icon (BOOKS) is installed in the Task Bar under Programs.

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Mandatory for Windows NT users only: In order for the program to run properly, the PatentIn properties **must** be adjusted to run in separate memory space. After the Windows NT installation, set the properties of the PatentIn Version 2.0 file to “Run In Separate Memory Space” by following these directions:

- 1) Activate the START button, select “Settings”, then select the option “Taskbar”.
- 2) In the Task Bar, select the “Start Menu Properties” folder, then click on the “Advanced” button.
- 3) Double click on the “Programs” icon, which will display all of the program applications under your START menu. Navigate to the PatentIn Version 2.0 file, “**right click**” the mouse on the file, then select “Properties”.
- 4) Click into the second tab titled “Shortcut”. Click in the box that says “Run in Separate Memory Space”. Exit by hitting the “OK” button.

INDEXING DATABASES FILES

PatentIn Version 2.0 indexes all database files during the installation. If later, during normal operation, the system experiences an abnormal termination while PatentIn Version 2.0 is running (e.g. a power failure), the system’s databases may need to be reindexed in order for data to be displayed and printed accurately.

All users must exit PatentIn before indexing can proceed. After all users have exited the program, use the File Manager (in Windows 3.1) or Explorer (in Windows 95 or Windows NT) to activate the file W_INDEXE.EXE. (For convenience, the corresponding DOS utility, INDEX.EXE is present as well.) Indexing requires only a few minutes time.

UNINSTALL

“Uninstall” utilities are installed in the PatentIn Directory. They consist of two files which must be run in sequence in order to remove all subsequently created subdirectories, if application projects have been added to PatentIn. Use the File Manager (in Windows 3.1) or Explorer in Windows 95 and Windows NT to activate the file REMOVPRJ.EXE. This file removes all subdirectories and most of the installation. Then execute UNWISE.EXE. This will remove the icons from the Windows 95 and Windows NT installations and the balance of the files. In Windows 3.1, if the icon and/or group are still on the desktop, delete them by highlighting and pressing the DELETE key.

Start the Program

1. Do one of the following:
 - In Windows 3.1, double click on the PatentIn icon.
 - In Windows 95 or NT, click the START button, select the Programs directory, click the PatentIn Version 2.0 icon.
2. The program will start and prompt you to select a language.* Select the desired language and click “OK”.
3. Select the “Create” button to enter an application project’s Filename & File Reference. After “**Save/Exit**”, select the desired project & click “OK” button.
4. Follow steps 1 through 3 on the Quick Guide to create a sequence listing.

WHERE TO CALL FOR HELP

For questions or issues using PatentIn version 2.0, please ask for “PatentIn Help” at the following number:
703-287-0200

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