

The Information Services Group

Around the world today, there are millions of patent and design records, hundreds of databases, and more than 70 national intellectual property (IP) offices. As an entrepreneur or company, wishing to protect or commercialise your IP, you need to know about existing patents and designs that may significantly affect your route to success. How can you gain this crucial targeted information?

This is where Griffith Hack's Information Services Group comes in. We provide expertly tailored patent and design searches, to keep you updated with the latest developments in your technology and competitors. Whether your focus is the domestic scene or the international market, we work with you to devise and finalise the search strategy which delivers the most value. With access to and thorough knowledge of all major international subscription databases, our searches are cost-effective and prompt.

Our proprietary software enables review and ranking of hundreds - or even thousands - of search results, provided to you on CD or USB in a user-friendly format. Our professional searchers and attorneys can review the search results and discuss their implications with you.

To put it simply, Griffith Hack gives you the seamless professional advice - from searching to drafting and filing the patent - that is so hard to find elsewhere.

Our clients

We search patents and designs across a broad spectrum of technologies and enterprises. Our clients include:

- private and public R&D facilities in biochemistry, chemicals, agriculture and IT
- life sciences, biomaterials and pharmaceuticals companies
- blue-chip mining and resources enterprises
- companies in financial services, gaming, engineering, aviation and construction
- the technology transfer offices of a number of major Australian universities.

Our expertise

The group comprises a specialised team of IP searchers who combine strong technical and communication skills with commercial sense. Our professionals hold qualifications in fields such as chemistry, engineering and business. We have the flexibility to tailor patent and design searches for your commercial and research needs.

Our services

We have expertise and experience in:

- novelty and validity searches
- family, name and status searches
- freedom to operate searches ("infringement searches")
- landscape searches and industry reports
- patent citation network analysis and patent quality analytics
- presentations and workshops on searching.

In addition, we have extensive capability to monitor and analyse Australian patent filing data. For example, we can maintain a watch on patents and applications in a particular subject area, or by specific applicants or inventors. As with all our services, watches can be performed and reported to you at the frequency of your choice.

About Griffith Hack

Griffith Hack is Australia's largest IP firm for Australian applicants, comprising patent and trade marks attorneys, IP lawyers, information services and IP portfolio management. We provide a full range of comprehensive IP services to many of Australia's leading companies, SMEs, universities and research organisations. With 33 partners and more than 250 staff Australia-wide, including more than 80 professionals and 150 support staff across our Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth offices, Griffith Hack is a major IP force in Australia.

Through our involvement in IP worldwide for more than 110 years, Griffith Hack enjoys a network of international associates unrivalled by even the largest Australian law firms.

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