

Monday Afternoon Session 1:30 - 4:00

Where to Find Patent Information and Patent Documents - Session Chair: Sandra Unger

2:30 - 3:00

Getting the Most out of Free Databases at USPTO

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Abstract:

Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) is the US Patent Office's free online system for learning the status of granted US patents and published US patent applications. Learn about the "public" and "private" sides of PAIR. Learn which patent applications are and are not available through public PAIR. Learn how to use public PAIR to find out about unpublished continuations and divisionals. Find out how to automatically monitor status of applications and patents in PAIR on a daily basis. We will also discuss other resources such as US patent assignments on the web and the full-text and full-page image databases.

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