

Pre-Notification Letter

Dear [Name],

We are working with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) to investigate European researchers' patenting behavior.

We reviewed over ten thousand academic research articles for patentable subject matter. You are receiving this email because we determined that your article, [Article], contained potentially patentable subject matter.

In approximately one week, you will receive another email with a link to the survey and additional instructions. The survey will consist of approximately fifteen multiple choice questions, all of which can be completed electronically.

All responses are anonymous, and your responses will be joined to those of other participants. Although your participation is voluntary, the results of our research will be used to improve international patent policy.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Ben Picozzi at bpicozzi@iipi.org.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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