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Introduction

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Challenges

Academic Institutions and Corporations involved in research around the world are often the ones pushing boundaries and driving disruptive innovation in their countries. But what often holds these "IP heavy" organisations from scaling up is:

- an inability to unlock IPs for financing
- IP assets are not recognized by accounting systems and therefore appear to have no value
- We don't see the IP's and we fail to measure them
- Lack of funding

Solutions

- Recognizing IPs as a Financial Asset
- IP and tech transfer office support and funding, turning research into market-ready products
- Industry Expertise to guide lending decisions
- Protecting IPs and turning it into value
- IP must be harnessed as a strategic tool and a driver of economic development, going beyond its foundations as a legal right

Key Metrics to track

- Research & Knowledge Creation
- Institutional & Global Recognition
- Technology Transfer & Commercialization
- Entrepreneurship & Ecosystem Development

Some Current Findings

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- The five research universities—UM, UKM, UPM, USM, and UTM—are consistently among the top patent filers in Malaysia, playing a crucial role in the country's intellectual property landscape.
- Asia Climbs the Innovation Rankings- The Asia region has showed strong momentum in the GII 2025, with South Korea reaching a recordhigh fourth place. The country took first place in the "human capital and research" pillar, and scores highly in various R&D metrics.
- China also entered the GII top 10 for the first time, making it the only middle-income economy within the top 30. According to WIPO estimates, China was the world's biggest R&D spender and leads globally in patent filings.

- KUALA LUMPUR (Oct 12): Malaysia's Budget 2026, with a total expenditure of RM419.2 billion, marks a strategic shift from a focus on "big-ticket" construction mega-projects to nurturing "big ideas" in technology, energy transition, and rakyat well-being, according to Kenanga Research.
- One positive surprise, it noted, was the commitment to holistic push for the development and adoption of artificial intelligence or AI, including the crossministerial allocation of RM5.9 billion to strengthen research, development, commercialisation and innovation.



Malaysia Universities State of Innovation

Nick Solomon
Lead Product Consultant, Clarivate

Agenda

- 1. Malaysia's national state-of-innovation (WIPO Global Innovation Index)
- 2. How is innovation measured and tracked for universities
- 3. Malaysia universities innovation output
- 4. Optimism for the future and innovation focus areas



About the Global Innovation Index (GII)

- The Global Innovation Index (GII) 2025, now in its 18th edition, measures innovation
 performance across around 140 economies and unveils the world's top 100
 innovation clusters.
- It is recognized by the UN General Assembly as an authoritative reference for Science,
 Technology and Innovation (STI) policies.
- It tracks global innovation trends through:
 - ✓ investment patterns
 - √ technological progress
 - ✓ adoption rates
 - √ socioeconomic impacts





GII country ranking

- Malaysia is ranked #34 most innovative country globally
- In the "Upper middle-income" category, it is ranked #2 globally (after China)

Income Group Rank	GII Rank	Economy	Income Group Rank	GII Rank	Economy
	High-income ec	onomies (54 in total)	Upper mid	dle-income econ	omies (36 in total)
1	1	Switzerland	1	10	China
2	2	Sweden	2	34	Malaysia
3	3	United States	3	43	Türkiye
4	4	Republic of Korea	4	45	Thailand
5	5	Singapore	5	52	Brazil
6	6	United Kingdom	6	53	Mauritius
7	7	Finland	7	54	Serbia
8	8	Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	8	55	Indonesia
9	9	Denmark	9	56	Georgia
10	11	Germany	10	58	Mexico



Innovation City Hub ranking

- Form the beating heart of national innovation systems. These hubs unite top universities, researchers, inventors, venture capitalists and R&D firms in driving forward breakthrough ideas
- Kuala Lumpur is ranked #86 most innovative city hub globally (ranking improved over the years)
- Top filers are MIMOS and Universiti Malaya

Rank	Cluster name	Economy	Top applicant	Top organization
1	Shenzhen–Hong Kong– Guangzhou	CN / HK	Huawei	Sun Yat Sen University
2	Tokyo-Yokohama	JP	Mitsubishi Electric	University of Tokyo
3	San Jose–San Francisco	US	Google	Stanford University
4	Beijing	CN	BOE Technology	Tsinghua University
5	Seoul	KR	Samsung Electronics	Seoul National University
8	London	GB	Nicoventures Trading	University College London
12	Paris	FR	Safran Aircraft Engines	Sorbonne Université
16	Singapore	SG / MY	National University of Singapore	National University of Singapore
19	Tel Aviv-Jerusalem	IL	Tel Aviv University	Hebrew University Of Jerusalem
21	Bengaluru	IN	Samsung Electronics	IISC - Bangalore
22	Amsterdam-Rotterdam	NL	TNO	Utrecht University
27	Munich	DE	BMW	Technical University of Munich
32	Stockholm	SE	LM Ericsson	Karolinska Institutet
33	Toronto	CA	DH Technologies Development	University of Toronto
36	Sydney	AU	Cochlear	University of Sydney
40	Zürich	CH	ETH Zürich	ETH Zürich
41	Taipei-Hsinchu	TW*	MediaTek	National Taiwan University
42	Copenhagen	DK	Novozymes	University of Copenhagen
45	Barcelona	ES	Hewlett-Packard	University of Barcelona
48	Moscow	RU	Samsung Electronics	Lomonosov Moscow State University
49	São Paulo	BR	Braskem	Universidade de São Paulo
55	Brussels-Antwerp	BE	Agfa	KU Leuven
56	Milan	IT	Pirelli Tyre	University of Milan
58	Istanbul	TR	Arcelik	Istanbul Technical University
60	Helsinki	FI	Nokia	University of Helsinki
63	Tehran	IR	Abdolahad Mohammad	University of Tehran
71	Dublin	IE	Eaton Intelligent Power	University College Dublin
74	Vienna	AT	JT International	Medical University of Vienna
79	Mexico City	MX	Colgate-Palmolive	Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico
83	Cairo	EG	Si-Ware Systems	Cairo University
85	Oslo	NO	Oslo University Hospital	University of Oslo
86	Kuala Lumpur	MY	MIMOS Berhad	Universiti Malaya
89	Warsaw	PL	Samsung Electronics	Warsaw University of Technology



Source: WIPO

Tracking Innovation for Universities (1 of 2)

1 Research & Knowledge Creation

- Invention disclosures submitted by faculty or students
- Licenses and options executed (count and total value)
- Collaborative research projects with industry or government partners

2 Technology Transfer & Commercialization

- Startups or spin-offs formed (by faculty, students, or staff)
- Revenue from IP licensing and royalties
- Active licenses (how many technologies are actually commercialized)
- Time to market (speed of translating research to commercial use)
- Industry-funded research income
- Venture capital attracted by university-affiliated startups



Tracking Innovation for Universities (2 of 2)

3 Entrepreneurship & Ecosystem Development

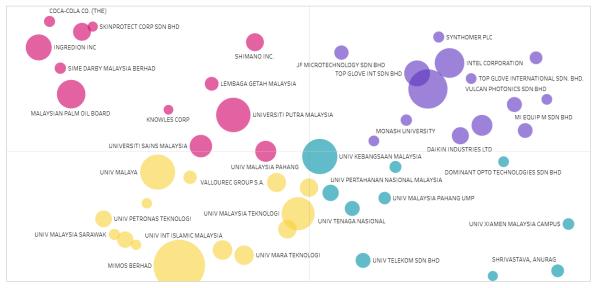
- Entrepreneurship programs participation (students/faculty trained)
- Incubator / accelerator success metrics (graduated startups, survival rates)
- Jobs created by university startups
- Alumni-founded companies and their market value
- Mentorship and investment networks (e.g., alumni angel networks)
- Hackathons / innovation challenges held and outcomes achieved

4 Institutional & Global Recognition

- Position in innovation-oriented rankings, such as:
 - Reuters / Clarivate Top 100 Most Innovative Universities
 - Global ranking indicators (e.g., THE "Industry Income" or QS "Innovation Impact" metrics)
 - WIPO Global Innovation Index (university-level inputs)
- International collaborations and joint patents/publications



Malaysia Originating Patent Analysis



- Patents published over the last 10 years.
- Innovation which has originated in Malaysia

Stage

Emerging

New Entrant

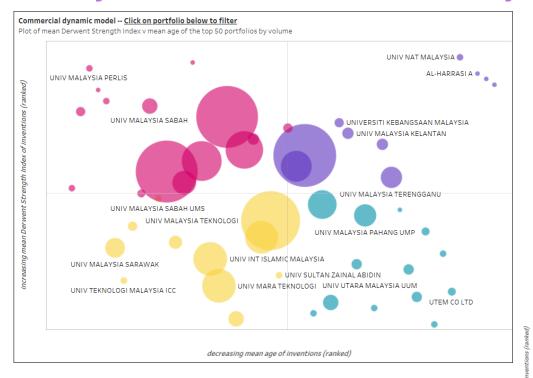
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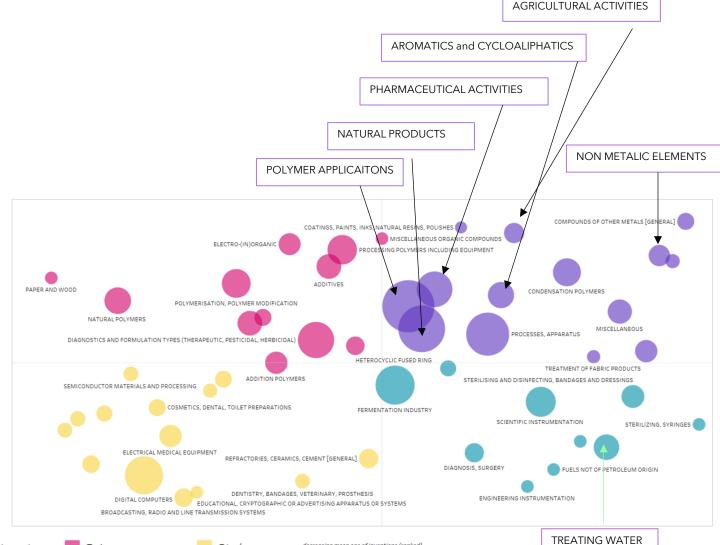
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Technical dynamic model for the selected portfolio (top 50 themes) PROCESSING POLYMERS INCLUDING EQUIPMENT WEARING APPAREL HETEROCYCLICS, MONONUCLEAR ADDITION POLYMERS SEMICONDUCTOR MATERIALS AND PROCESSING FOODSTUFFS AND TREATMENT PRINTED CIRCUITS AND CONNECTORS HETEROCYCLIC FUSED RING CONDENSATION POLYMERS AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES PROCESSES, APPARATUS MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIAL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT FERMENTATION INDUSTRY AUDIO/VISUAL RECORDING AND SYSTEMS DOMESTIC ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES SEPARATION SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTATION ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS BROADCASTING, RADIO AND LINE TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS PLANT CULTURE, DAIRY PRODUCTS ELECTRICAL MEDICAL EQUIPMENT TELEPHONE AND DATA TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS DIGITAL COMPUTERS HYDRAULIC ENGINEERING, SOIL SHIFTING AND SEWERAGE TREATING WATER, WASTE WATER AND SEWAGE



Malaysia Universities Patent Analysis















Local and International Collaboration Analysis



Vallourec Group S.A. France Malaysian Palm Oil Board Malaysia Biosain Technologies SDN BHD Malaysia Petroliam Nasional Berhad (Petronas) Malaysia Suzhou Unimap Software Co Ltd China Chinese Academy of Science China Hartalega Ind SDN Malaysia Moleac Pte Ltd National Institute of Biotechnology Malaysia Malaysia Silterra Malaysia SDN BHD Malaysia Aerospace Malaysia Innovation Center Malaysia Agro Biotechnology Institute Malaysia Binex Services and Solutions DSN BHD Malaysia DB Capital SDN BHD Malaysia DFRAN Res Technologies SDN BHD Malaysia

Primary Location / Country



2022-2025

72 new records in this time period.



- **Vallourec Group** Simultaneous carbonization of palm oil and production of activated biochar for e.g. wastewater treatment
- Malaysian Palm Oil Composition useful for disrupting pathogenic bacterial biofilm in surface e.g. medical device
- Petronas Flow-field plate for polymer electrolyte membrane device, e.g. electrolyzer or fuel cell



Optimism for the Future

Organization	Country / region	Citations	No. of unique citing inventions	No. of unique cited papers
1. Harvard University	U.S.	8,315	3,291	3,720
2. Stanford University	U.S.	4,727	3,089	2,163
3. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)	U.S.	4,693	3,218	2,284
4. University of California, Berkeley	U.S.	3,176	2,413	1,519
5. Université Paris Cite	France	2,908	1,532	1,848
6. University of Cambridge	U.K.	2,760	1,641	915
7. University of Washington, Seattle	U.S.	2,641	1,687	1,076
8. University of California, San Diego	U.S.	2,559	1,812	1,240
9. University of Michigan	U.S.	2,526	1,897	1,338
10. University of Toronto	Canada	2,476	1,722	1,352
11. Johns Hopkins University	U.S.	2,452	1,501	1,238
12. University of California, Los Angeles	U.S.	2,293	1,602	1,222
13. University College London	U.K.	2,240	1,518	973
14. University of Oxford	U.K.	2,237	1,439	1,117
15. Cornell University	U.S.	2,111	1,432	1,025
16. University of Pennsylvania	U.S.	2,089	1,284	1,133
17. Université Paris Saclay	France	2,039	1,407	1,356
18. Columbia University	U.S.	1,949	1,257	903
19. University of California, San Francisco	U.S.	1,929	1,144	968
20. Imperial College London	U.K.	1,907	1,411	1,011

No Malaysian University made the top 50 list

- Malaysia has a national agenda focused on becoming a high-tech, knowledge-based economy
- Strong STEM focus and a growing emphasis on AI, semiconductors, and green tech, which are globally competitive innovation sectors.
- An increasing International Collaboration footprint.
- Young, Tech-Savvy Talent Pool
- Cost Competitiveness





Exploring Inspec on Derwent Innovation: From Research to Impact

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Exploring Inspec on Derwent Innovation: From Research to Impact

1. Inspec Database Overview

- The extended collection in Physics and Engineering
- Enhanced trusted content wit focus on EE areas

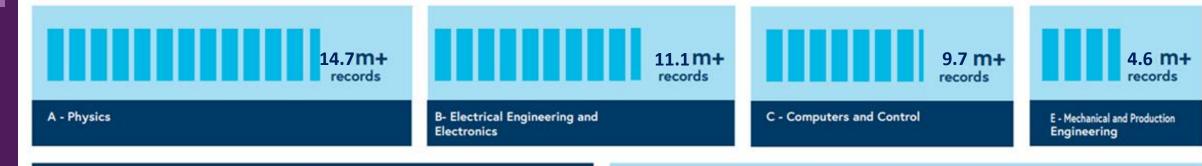
2. Advantages of Inspec for universities

- Precise Navigation with Expert Indexing (Inspec Thesaurus, Numerical & Chemical indexing, IPC, etc.)
- Benefits of having access to Inspec within Derwent Innovation

3. Semiconductor & AI examples

Malaysia's Academic and Patent Output in Semiconductor & AI: From Research to Real-World Impact

Inspec Subject Scope & Content Coverage







- Inspec is the world's largest abstract analysis database in **Physics & Engineering**.
- Inspec's database review team is composed of subject matter experts who review the articles with sufficient care and rigour to ensure that **the content is of high quality and subject relevance**. (Inspec Source Titles-July 2025).
- Inspec's subject matter experts conduct rigorous human-curated indexing of each record included in Inspec.
- Inspec is the only non-patent literature database with International Patent Classification (IPC codes) indexing.
- Inspec is available on the Derwent Innovation for one-stop Prior Art Search (Patent search + Literature Search).

Trusted content

Inspec is an authoritative publisherneutral resource for accessing scientific literature

- All IEEE, ACM, IOP, AIP content indexed by Inspec
- Discover the latest research from global publications, selected for quality and relevance
- Granular indexing by subject experts
- Regularly updated subject classifications and thesaurus terms reflect the latest research areas

Document type	Count
Journal article	20 M+
Conference article	8.6 M+
Preprint/Dissertation, etc.	1.2 M+

500+
global publishers

4,500+
actively indexed journals
(12,000 previously-indexed)

8.6 million+ conference papers

Inspec-Precise Expert Indexing

Bibliographic Record

- Title
- Abstract
- Other Bibliographic Information
- (Author, Source, etc.)

Subject Terms

Consistent thesaurus maintained by subject experts for over 50 years:

- Controlled Index 5 levels of subject classification and >10k controlled terms
- Uncontrolled Index curated by expert indexers

Special Indexes

- Classification Codes
- Treatment Codes
- Chemical Indexing
- Numerical Data Indexing
- Astronomical Object Indexing
- Patent Classification Codes

Inspec Database Indexing Expert:
Dr. Christopher Marker

- UCL PhD in Physics
- Over 20 years experiences and expertise in indexing



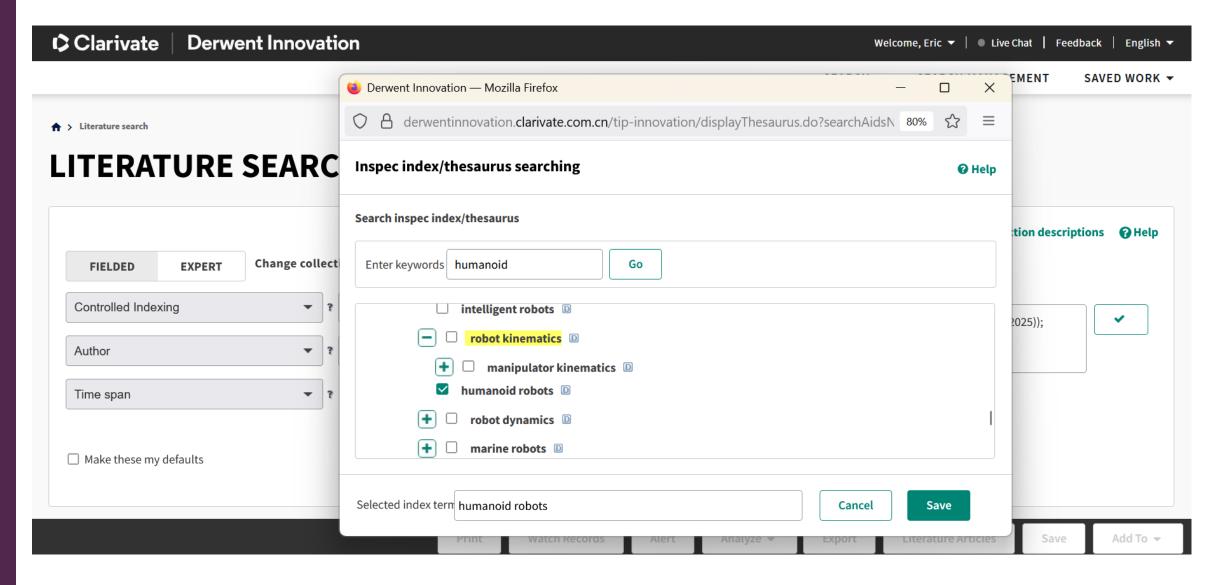
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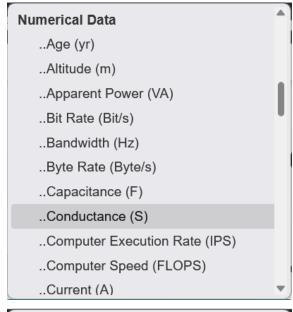


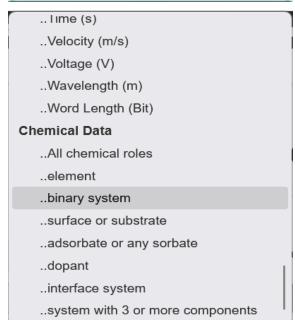


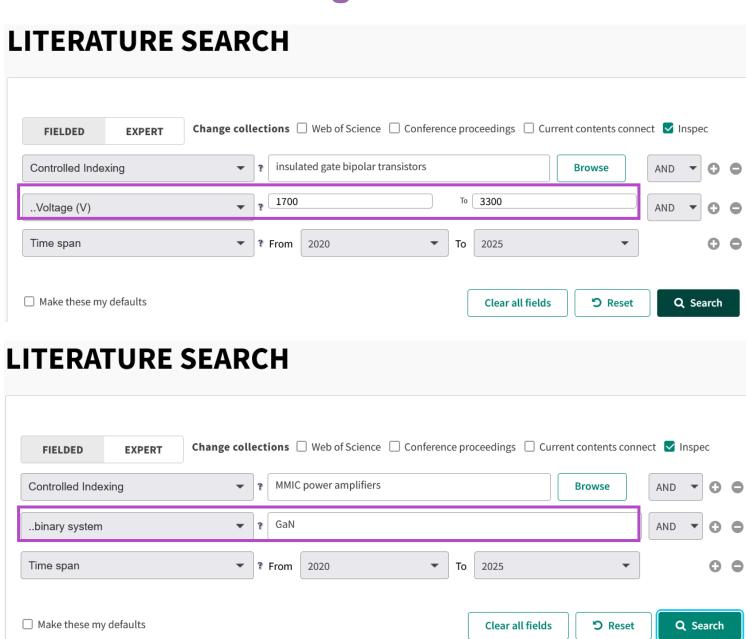
Inspec Thesaurus with hierarchical structures



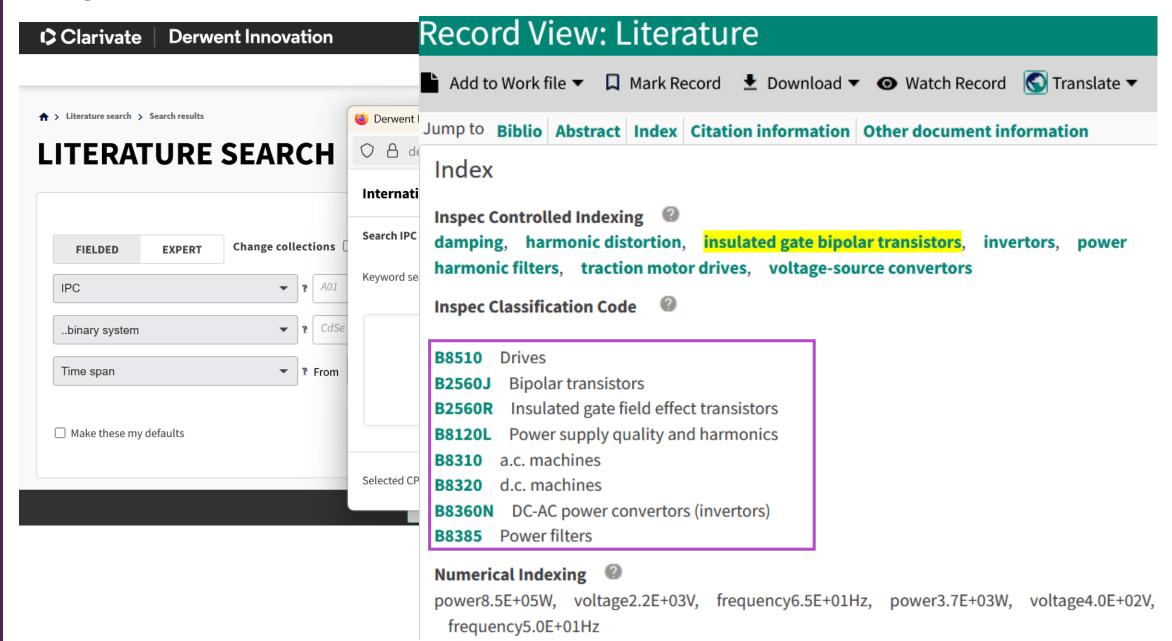
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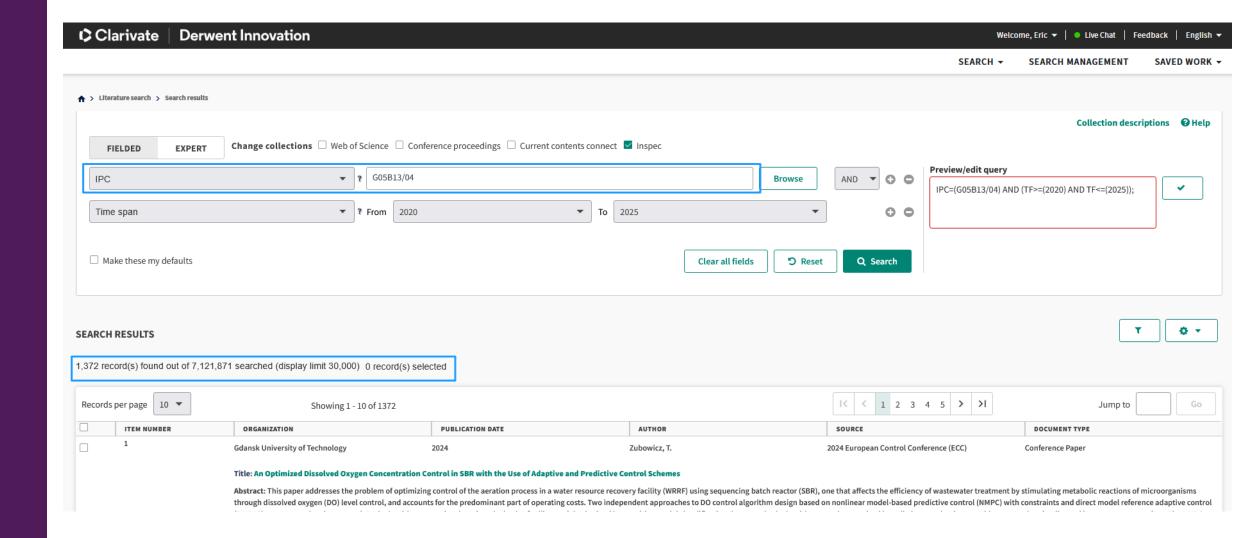




Inspec IPC search



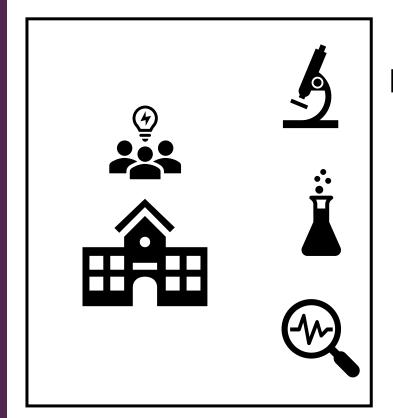
IPC search in Inspec for relevant NPL



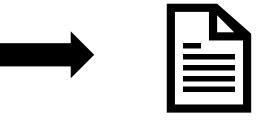
Patenting by Universities

Identify patent opportunities from the research outputs

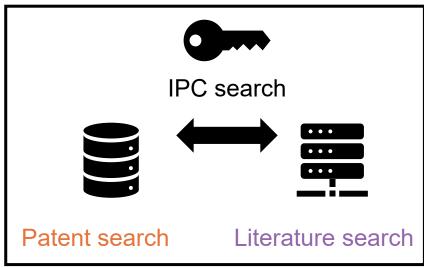
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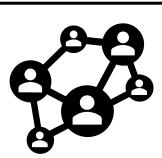


Scientific papers

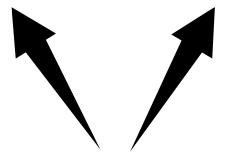


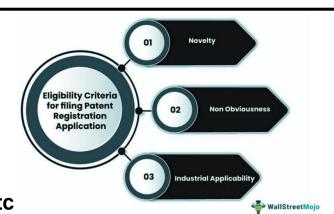
Identify patent opportunities before publishing?





Knowledge Transfer Offices (KTOs) Researchers, Students, Patent Attorney, etc





Prior Art Search = Patent search + Literature search

How to conduct a preliminary U.S. patent search: A step-by-step strategy

Prior art

Prior art consists of information that describes an invention and is disclosed to the public including:

- U.S. patents and published patent applications
- Foreign patents and published patent applications
- Journal and magazine articles
- Books, manuals, and catalogs
- Websites and databases
- Conference proceedings
- Scientific papers
- Among other disclosures...

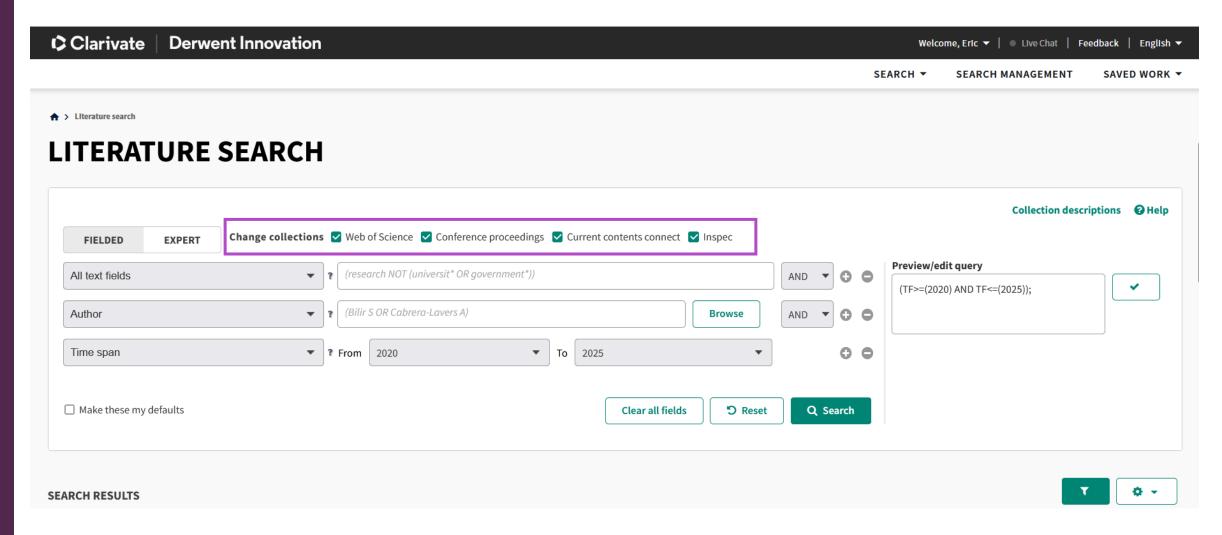


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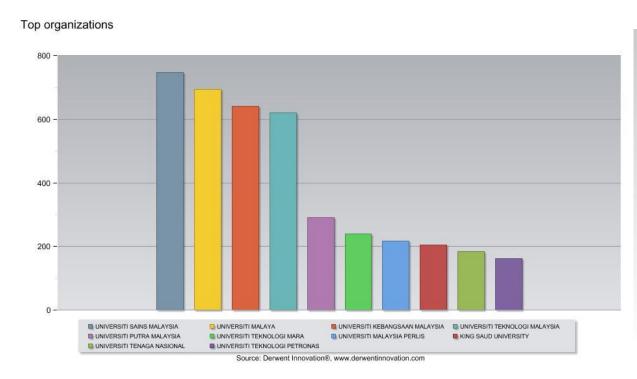
Role of Non-Patent Literature (NPL) in filing a patent application

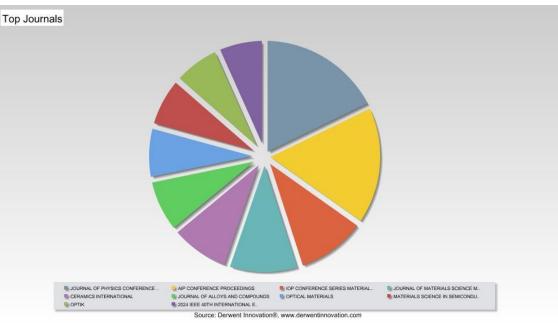
"A patent search without NPL would be like considering only half of the available prior art."

Transform the way your patenting works with enriched data collections for NPL search on Derwent Innovation.



Top Malaysia Organizations with most NPL output in Semiconductor

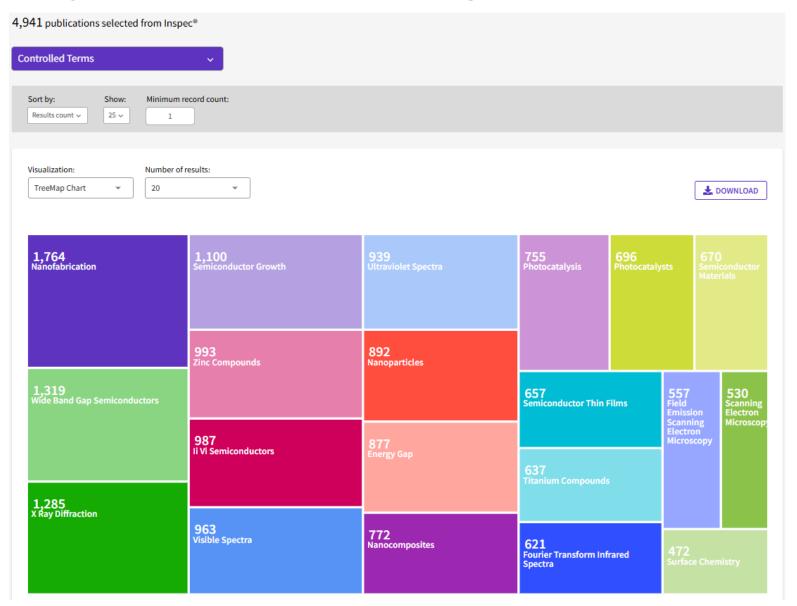


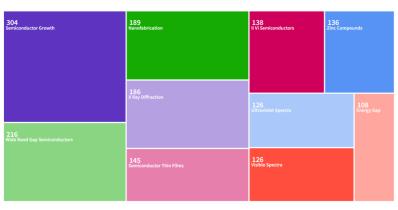


- 1. 5,568 records (NPL on Derwent Innovation) in total (from 2020 to 2025),
- 2. Universiti Sains Malaysia authors with 749 published articles listed as top 1.
- 3. Universiti Malaya (701 articles)
- 4. Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (641 articles)
- 5. 4138 Journal articles, 1547 conference articles

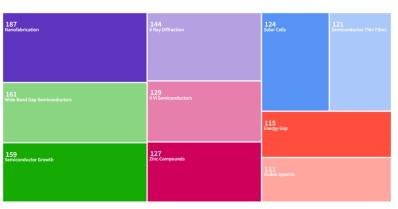
Key Topics of Inspec's NPL from Malaysia (2020-2025)

Analyze with Inspec Controlled Indexing



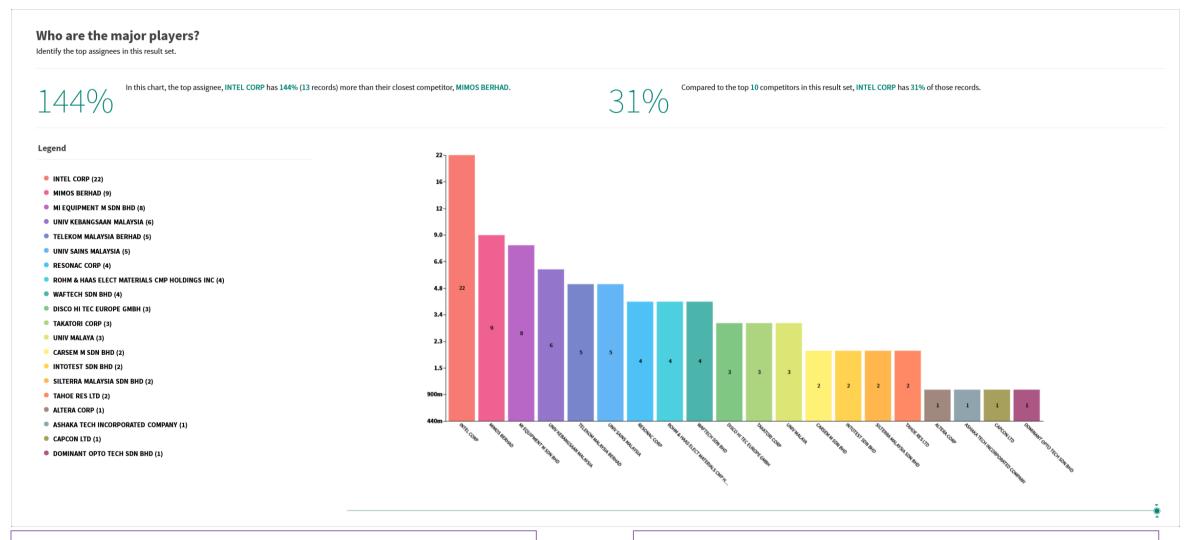


Key Topics of Inspec's NPL from Univ. Sains Malaysia (2020-2025)



Key Topics of Inspec's NPL from Univ. KEBANGSAAN MALAYSIA (2020-2025)

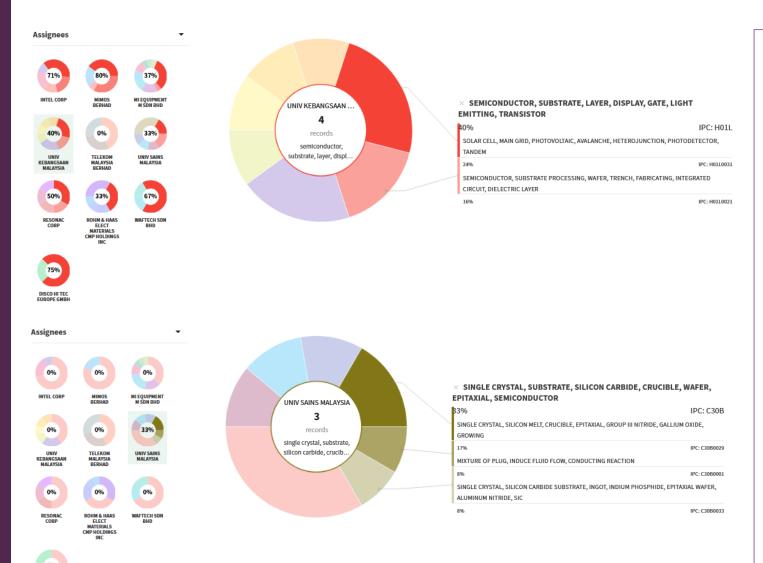
Top Malaysia Organizations with most patent output in Semiconductor



Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (6 patents)
Universiti Sains Malaysia (5 patents)
Universiti Malaya (3 patents)

Intel (22 patents)
MIMOS Berhad (9 patents)
Mi EQUIPMENT (M) SDN BHD (8 patents)

Compare the specific technical focus between organizations



The number of technologies represented can speak to a diverse portfolio, or a specific technical focus.

- 1. Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia's patents focus on SEMICONDUCTOR, SUBSTRATE, LAYER, DISPLAY, GATE, LIGHT EMITTING, TRANSISTOR (IPC: H01L)
- 2. Universiti Sains Malaysia's patents focus on SINGLE CRYSTAL,
 SUBSTRATE, SILICON CARBIDE,
 CRUCIBLE, WAFER, EPITAXIAL,
 SEMICONDUCTOR (IPC: C30B)

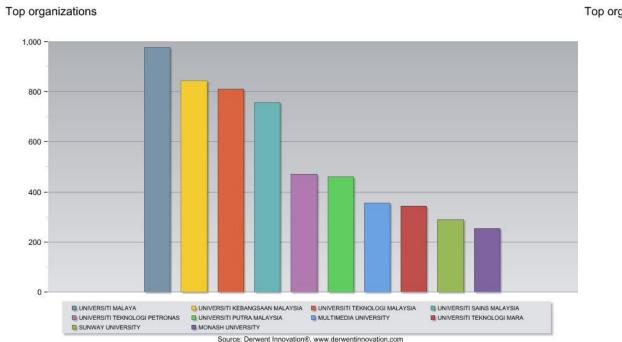
What technologies are being developed now?

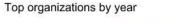
Uncover the most recent innovations and those that are new and growing

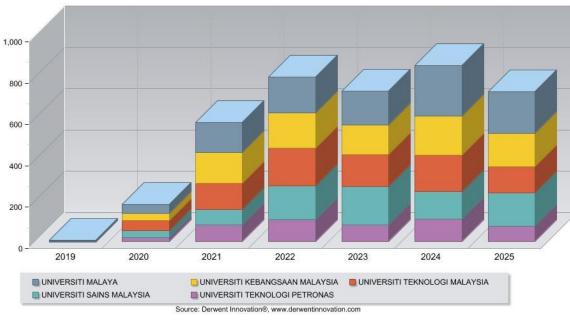


The top 3 organizations developing in these technologies now are INTEL CORP, MI EQUIPMENT M SDN BHD and UNIV KEBANGSAAN MALAYSIA and they account for 61% of all records in the entire result set.

Top Malaysia Organizations with most NPL output in "Al"





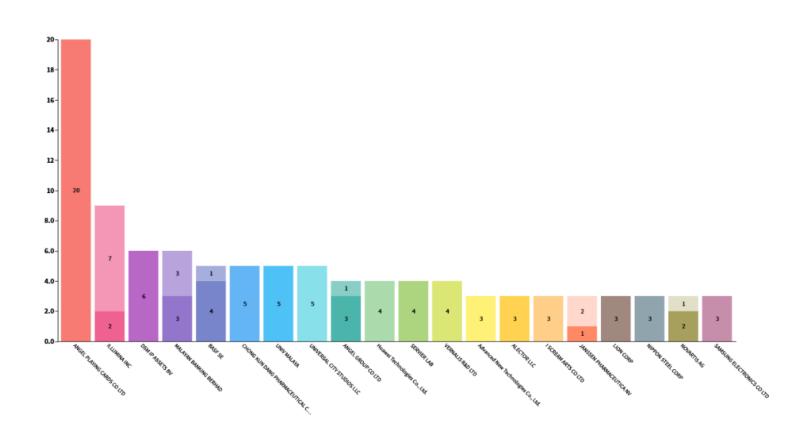


- 1. 15,586 records (NPL on Derwent Innovation) in total (from 2020 to 2025),
- 2. Universiti Malaya authors with 976 published articles listed as top 1.
- 3. Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (845 articles)
- 4. University of Technology Malaysia (811 articles)
- 5. Universiti Malaya has been leading in "Al" publications over the years

Who are the major players in terms of patents in "AI"?

Identify the top assignees in "AI" from Malaysia

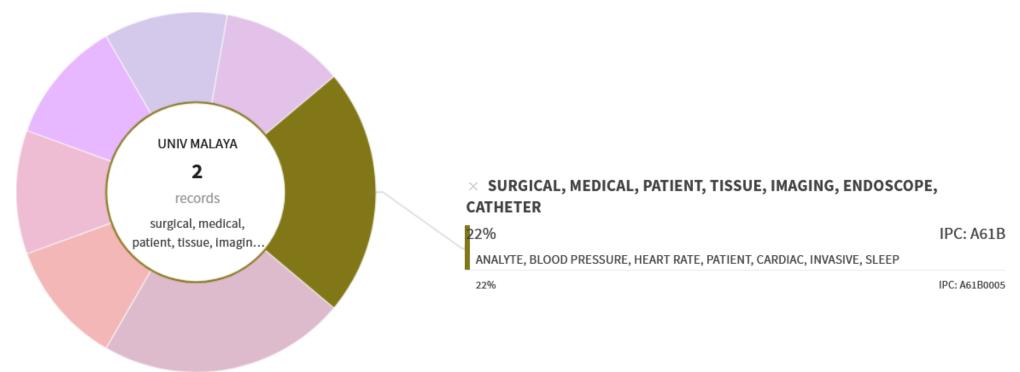




- 1. 410 records (Patents on Derwent Innovation) in total (from 2020 to 2025)
- 2. ANGEL PLAYING CARDS CO LTD (20 patents) is the Top 1 assignee of AI related patents in Malaysia
- 3. Universiti Malaya with 5 patents is the only assignee from academic sector in Malaysia

What are my competitors working on?

Understand which technical areas the competition is focusing on



Univ. Malaya:

2 patents in IPC: A61B SURGICAL, MEDICAL, PATIENT, TISSUE, IMAGING, ENDOSCOPE, CATHETER

2 patent in IPC: G06N NEURAL NETWORK, MODEL, TRAINING, ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE, IMAGE, FEATURE, COMPUTER

1 patent in IPC: A61N STIMULATION, PATIENT, THERAPY, IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL, CARDIAC, NERVE, TISSUE

1 patent in IPC: F16H GEAR, DRIVE, VEHICLE, SHAFT, MOTOR, PLANETARY, SHIFT

1 patent in IPC: G05B CONTROL, CONTROLLING, PROGRAM, AUTOMATION, INDUSTRIAL, PROCESSING, OPERATION

1 patent in IPC: G06F ELECTRONIC, DISPLAY, CONTROL, INPUT, IMAGE, RESPONSE, OBJECT

What technologies are being developed now?

Uncover the most recent innovations and those that are new and growing

208 new records in this time period.

TREATING, CANCER, DISEASE, DISORDER, ADMINI	TREATING, CANCER, DISEASE, INHI	NEURAL NETWORK, MODEL,	ELECTRONIC, DISPLAY, CO	
		CANCER, TREATING, PROTEIN, AN. 14	GAMING, PLAY, WAGE 10	
CANCER, DISEASE, INHIBITOR, DERIVATIVE, TREAT 28	TRANSACTION, USER, INFORMATI 21			
		CAME DUTTI E CAMEDIAY		
		GAME, PUZZLE, GAMEPLAY 11	SURGICAL, MEDICAL, 7	

The top 3 companies developing in

these technologies now are **ANGEL**

PLAYING CARDS CO LTD,

ILLUMINA INC and DSM IP

ASSETS BV and they account for

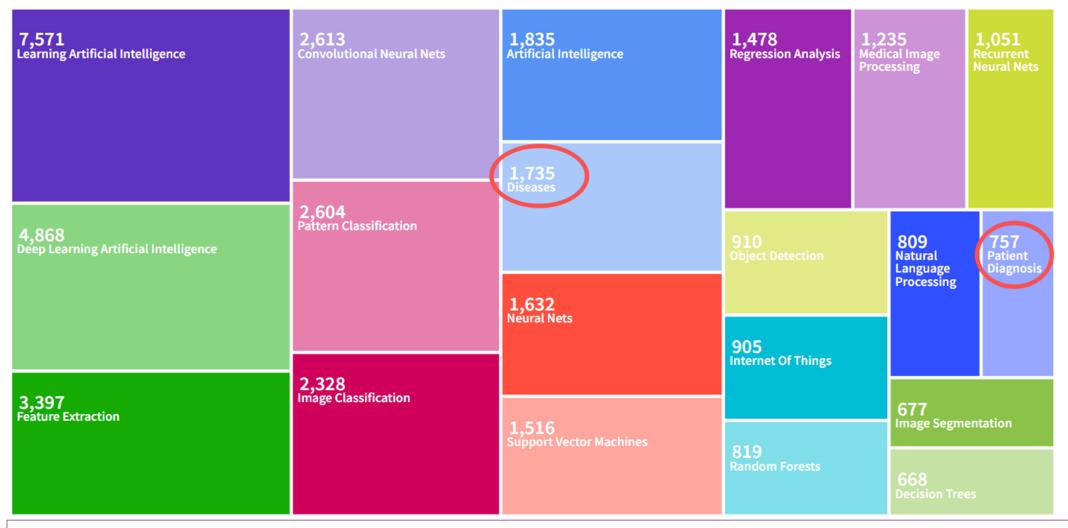
51% of all records in the entire result

set.

The top 3 technologies in the last 3 years are:

- TREATING, CANCER, DISEASE, DISORDER,
 ADMINISTERING, PREVENTING, PHARMACEUTICAL
- CANCER, DISEASE, INHIBITOR, DERIVATIVE, TREATING, SUBSTITUTED, DISORDER
- TREATING, CANCER, DISEASE, INHIBITOR, DISORDER, PREVENTING, PHARMACEUTICAL

Correlation between patent technology and paper topics from Malaysia



- "Diseases," "Medical Image Processing," and "Patient Diagnosis" are among the top topics identified in Nonpatent literatures.
- The leading technologies highlighted in patents under the umbrella of "Al" are frequently related to diseases and cancers, among other health applications.

Conclusion for the semiconductor and Al cases in Malaysia

1. Malaysian higher education institutions are strong in academic publishing, but they hold relatively few patents in semiconductors and AI; companies publish fewer papers in these areas yet own significantly more related patents.

2. The topics of published papers closely match the technologies emphasized in the patents, indicating a positive correlation between Malaysian universities' research areas and the patent technologies they pursue.

3. This pattern applies to both semiconductors and AI: universities that publish more papers also file more patents. In specific cases, the top institutions by publication count are also the top assignees of the relevant patents.

Summary of the relationship between publication of literature (papers) and patent filing

- Complementary aims: Academic papers advance knowledge and demonstrate novelty, rigor, and reproducibility,
 while patents protect practical innovations and grant exclusive rights. Together, they often represent different stages
 of the same innovation journey.
- **Timing considerations:** Researchers must balance disclosure and protection. **Filing for a patent before public disclosure preserves novelty**, but some venues allow provisional or confidential disclosures. Early publication can reveal enabling details that impact patentability unless protected by an earlier filing.
- Knowledge transfer and impact: Papers can support patentability by establishing novelty, non-obviousness, and utility, while patents can enhance the impact of a publication by enabling commercial translation, licensing, or startup creation.
- **Dependency and reporting:** Patent literature and academic literature influence each other. **Prior art searches rely on both patent databases and scholarly articles**. Publications may reference patent claims, and patents may cite academic work.
- Outcomes and incentives: Publications drive reputation, citations, and scholarly impact. Patents drive potential revenue, licensing opportunities, and industry collaboration. A well-integrated strategy can enhance both scientific influence and practical value.



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