

# ASSIGNEE SEARCHING QUICK REFERENCE

## Challenges in comprehensive assignee searching:

- Assignee information is often missing in publications
- Companies may publish under different subsidiary names
- Multiple name variants occurs for the same company
- Ownership may be reassigned to different company

## FIELDS CONTAINING ASSIGNEE INFORMATION

- Assignee/Applicant
  - Assignee/Applicant-Original
  - Assignee/Applicant-Standardized
  - Assignee/Applicant-DWPI
- Assignee Code-DWPI
- Attorney-Agent/Correspondent
- US Reassignment Assignee-Latest

**Several different fields in Thomson Innovation contain information about patent assignees, and they should all be used for the most comprehensive result**

## ADDING ASSIGNEE FIELDS TO THE SEARCH FORM

1. Add or subtract fields using + or -
2. Select assignee fields from the drop-down list
3. Change operators to 'OR'
4. Use 'Browse' button for look-up
5. Optionally, save search form as a template

The screenshot shows the Thomson Innovation Patent Search interface. The search form is titled "PATENT SEARCH" and "PUBLICATION NUMBER". It features a "FIELDDED" tab and an "EXPERT" tab. The search form includes several fields with dropdown menus and "Browse" buttons. The fields are: "Assignee/Applicant" (with a dropdown menu and a "Browse" button), "Assignee Code-DWPI" (with a dropdown menu and a "Browse" button), "Attorney-Agent/Correspondent" (with a dropdown menu and a "Browse" button), and ".US Reassignment Assignee-Latest" (with a dropdown menu and a "Browse" button). The search form also includes a "Templates" dropdown menu, a "Make these my defaults" checkbox, and buttons for "Clear All Fields", "Reset", and "Search".

# CORPORATE TREE

Use the 'Browse' button next to the Assignee field to access and search the Corporate Tree

1. Only valid for US & EP grants and WO applications (Combine with a free text search in the assignee field to cover other authorities)
2. Select all subsidiaries and name variants

**CORPORATE TREE SEARCHING**

Use corporate tree to see how an assignee name fits into a corporate hierarchy, taking into account mergers and acquisitions

Search Corporate Tree

Valid for US & EP Granted and EP & WIPO Applications collections

AMAZON

Amazon.com Inc.

- AMAZON COM
- AMAZON COM INC
- AMAZON COM HOLDINGS INC
- A9
- TWITCH TECHNOLOGIES LLC
- AMAZON TECHNOLOGIES
- AMAZON TECHNOLOGIES INC
- ALEXA INTERNAET
- AMAZON EUROPE HOLDING TECHNOLOGIES SCS
- LOVEFILM INTERNATIONAL LTD
- ALEXA INTERNET
- JUNGLEE CORP
- AUDIBLE INC
- QUIDSI INC
- AMAZON TECHNOLOGIES INC
- AMAZON TECHNOLOGY INC
- KIVA SYSTEM INC
- KIVA SYSTEMS INC
- LIVEBID COM
- A9 COM INC
- A9 COM
- AMAZON EUROPE HOLDINGS TECHNOLOGIES SCS

Liquavista BV

LIQUAVISTA BV

# DERWENT WORLD PATENTS INDEX (DWPI) ASSIGNEE CODES

**DWPI Assignee Code Searching**

Search DWPI Assignee Codes

Enter company or code: amazon

Go

Company Code

42 items found

Enter a company name or an assignee code to search on, assignee codes without suffixes (types) specified are treated as searches for standard codes

**Code Types and Corresponding Suffixes**

- C searches standard codes
- N searches non-standard codes
- I searches individual codes
- R searches Russian codes

Name	Code	Type
AMAZON TECHNOLOGIES INC	AMAZ	C
AMAZON TECH INC	AMAZ	C
AMAZON TECH INC	AMAZ	N
AMAZON.COM INC	AMAZ	N
AMAZON TECHNOLOGIES INC	AMAZ	N
AMAZON SCI & TECHNOLOGY INC	AMAZ	N
AMAZON.COM HOLDINGS INC	AMAZ	N
AMAZON TECHNOLOGIES INC	AMAZ	C
AMAZON.COM	AMAZ	N
DONGGUAN AMAZON ELECTRONICS CO LTD	DONG	N
AMAZON FORMS ONE INC	AMAZ	N
AMAZON EURO HOLDING TECHNOLOGIES SCS	AMAZ	C

Selected assignee code(s): [(AMAZ-C)]

Cancel Save

Use the 'Browse' button next to the Assignee Code\_DWPI field to access and search the DWPI Assignee Codes

- Applied to more than 50 authorities
1. Select only the standard code (Type C)

# COMBINE ALL ASSIGNEE FIELDS USING "OR"

Assignee/Applicant	?	"AMAZONCOM" OR "LIQUAVISTA"	Browse	<input type="checkbox"/> Include blank fields	OR
Assignee/Applicant	?	amazon or liquavista	Browse	<input type="checkbox"/> Include blank fields	OR
Assignee Code-DWPI	?	(AMAZ-C)	Browse		OR
Attorney-Agent/Correspondent	?	amazon or liquavista			OR
..US Reassignment Assignee-Latest	?	amazon or liquavista			OR

Combine the Corporate Tree and DWPI Assignee searches with a 'free text' search in the Assignee, Attorney and Reassignment fields