Review of: "How to search for patents on the recovery of rare earth metals from electronic waste"

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Article content does not best reflect the title. Author has to elaborate on how to do a patent search in leading patent databases such as USPTO, European patent database, WIPO patent scope etc.

Author has to elaborate more on basic search to semantic search.

Crucial search sections in a patent search are the searching for 'claims' and the prior art search. Therefore, author has to present some patent statistics based on output from his search so that reader could get better understanding on input output relationship i.e. search key wards and the output.

Author also has to elaborate of various options/features available in said leading patent databases in order to get an effective search output.

In some searches, searchers have to go for advance search in order to obtain more detail pertaining to a given field. i.e. in this case methods for recovering rare earth metals.

The stature of the article shall be a guidance to searchers on how to do an successful search for getting right information effectively.