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Information request:

Request for information about the patents that are expired or became public domain in the areas of technology, biotechnology, industry and goods.

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This list can be accessed via the following link https://www.ipo.gov.uk/p-dl-notinforce.htm and the IPC classification can be accessed via the “sort by” function.