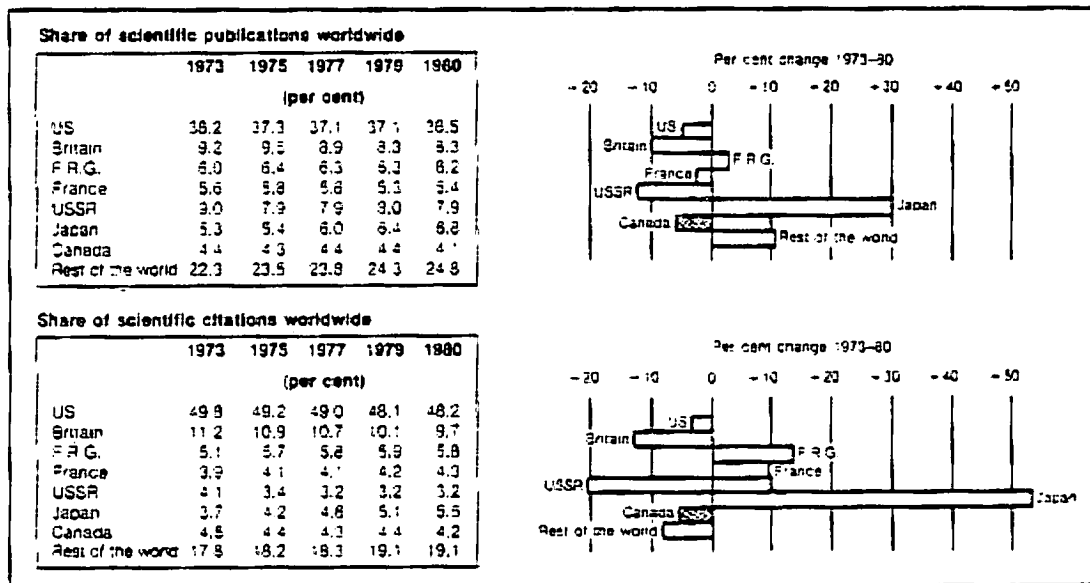


## EXTERNAL PATENT APPLICATIONS

	1979	1980	1981	1982
UNITED STATES	80,744	79,078	73,895	67,197
F.R.G.	49,539	48,650	42,323	39,816
JAPAN	33,766	35,945	34,903	37,505
UNITED KINGDOM	18,731	17,400	16,890	16,734
FRANCE	19,276	18,839	15,533	15,963
SWITZERLAND	15,650	14,925	12,043	11,286
ITALY	11,066	10,207	8,998	8,798
NETHERLANDS	9,063	8,272	7,147	6,326
SWEDEN	7,662	6,862	6,227	5,351
CANADA	4,071	3,884	3,962	—

Source: OECD/STIU Data Bank — 10 December 1984



Source: New Scientist, 8 November, 1984