

Table 27.
**Scientific and Technical Information
Center Activity**

(FY 1998)

Activity	1998
Literature Collections and Services	
Additions to the literature collections:	
Books purchased	3,182
Journal subscriptions purchased	1,651
Journal issues received	49,165
CD-ROM products purchased	98
Microfilm backfiles purchased	1,483
Literature services provided:	
Documents circulated	3,880
Inter-library loans processed	40,890
On-line commercial database searches	9,198
Sequence searches completed	5,894
Number of sequences searched	43,056
Reference questions completed	16,996
Foreign Document Collections and Services	
Additions to the foreign patent document collections	
Microfiche	249,138
CD-ROM	115,618
Documents in paper form (unique)	1,425
Journals	103,680
Journals	2,661
Foreign document services provided:	
Words of foreign material translated (written)	18,568,393
Documents orally translated	4,475
Copies of foreign patents provided:	
Self-service copies (from FPAS CD-ROM)	93,164
Copies purchased by the public	5,618
Copies provided to PTO staff	12,587
Microfilm reels furnished for copying	71,278
Online and manual searches complete	6,642
Reference questions completed	11,058