
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 11, 2020

Cocrystal Pharma, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-38418
(Commission
File Number)

35-2528215
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

19805 N. Creek Parkway
Bothell, WA
(Address of principal executive offices)

98011
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (786) 459-1831

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.):

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock	COCP	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (The Nasdaq Capital Market)

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

Cocrystal Pharma, Inc. (the “Company”) is making available an updated Company presentation on its website at www.cocrystalpharma.com beginning on May 11, 2020. Information on the Company’s website is not incorporated into this Current Report on Form 8-K. A copy of the presentation is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Item 7.01 (including Exhibit 99.1) shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities under such section, and shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, or the Exchange Act.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Cocrystal Pharma, Inc. Corporate Presentation, dated May 2020

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Cocrystal Pharma, Inc.

Date: May 11, 2020

By: /s/ James Martin
Name: James Martin
Title: Chief Financial Officer

NASDAQ: COCP cocystalpharma.com



CRYSTAL
PHARMA, INC.

Investor Presentation
May 2020



Forward Looking Statements

This presentation contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements regarding expected results of our collaboration with Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. ("Merck"), including the expected acceleration of our influenza program, the anticipated characteristics of the drug candidates developed as the result of this collaboration, expected funding by Merck of future research, development and commercialization of products derived from such collaboration, and the expected future payments and royalties in connection with the collaboration; the expected progress in developing an effective first-in-class therapeutic and prophylactic treatment of COVID-19 infections and the anticipated timing of achieving the value-driving milestones, including identifying additional inhibitors using our proprietary platform technology in Q3 2020, and the selection of a preclinical lead molecule in Q4 2020; the expected progress of our HCV program, including future partnership discussions; the expected progress of our influenza program and the anticipated timing of achieving the value-driving milestones, including securing a supply line in Q2 2020 and initiating the 2nd batch API synthesis in Q3 2020; the expected progress of our norovirus program and the anticipated timing of achieving the value-driving milestones, including completion of a proof-of-concept animal study in Q4 2020; and the expected future success of our drug candidates compared to approved drugs. Forward-looking statements are prefaced by words such as "expect," "plan," "intend," "anticipate," and similar words. Forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations and assumptions regarding our business, the economy and other future conditions. Because forward-looking statements relate to the future, they are subject to inherent uncertainties, risks and changes in circumstances that are difficult to predict. We caution you, therefore, against relying on any of these forward-looking statements. Our actual results may differ materially from those contemplated by the forward-looking statements for a variety of reasons, including, without limitation, the risks arising from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our Company, including supply chain disruptions, our continued ability to proceed with our programs, receive necessary regulatory approvals and continue to rely on certain third parties, and on the national and global economy, risks arising from our reliance on continuing collaboration with Merck under the collaboration agreement, the future results of preclinical and clinical studies, general risks arising from clinical trials, receipt of regulatory approvals, development of effective treatments and/or vaccines by competitors, and our ability to find and enter into agreements with suitable collaboration partners. Further information on our risk factors is contained in our filings with the SEC, including our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2019. Any forward-looking statement made by us in this presentation speaks only as of the date on which it is made. Factors or events that could cause our actual results to differ may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for us to predict all of them. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by law.



Cocrystal's Seasoned Senior Leadership

Management Team

Gary Wilcox, Ph.D.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

- Over 35 years of executive biotech leadership experience and played a key role in the development of Cialis



Sam Lee, Ph.D.

President

- Over 25 years of anti-infective drug discovery research experience and played a key role in the early development of phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K) delta inhibitors



James J. Martin, MBA, CPA

Chief Financial Officer

- Over 25 years of finance and management experience including providing financial leadership to commercial-stage, publicly traded health science companies



Scientific Advisory Board

Roger Kornberg, Ph.D.

Director, Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Board

- Professor
- Stanford University School of Medicine
- Nobel Laureate

Michael Levitt, Ph.D.

Member

- Professor
- Stanford University School of Medicine
- Nobel Laureate

Baek Kim, Ph.D.

Member

- Director of Center for Drug Discovery
- Emory University

Bob Lehman, Ph.D.

Member

- Professor (Emeritus)
- Stanford University School of Medicine

Gary Schoolnik, M.D.

Member

- Professor (Emeritus)
- Stanford University School of Medicine

Roland Strong, Ph.D.

Member

- Professor
- Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

Christophe Verlinde, Ph.D.

Member

- Professor (Emeritus)
- University of Washington



Corporate Overview

Highlights

Clinical Stage Antiviral Company

Proprietary Drug
Discovery Platform

Merck Influenza Collaboration

Target Diseases

Influenza

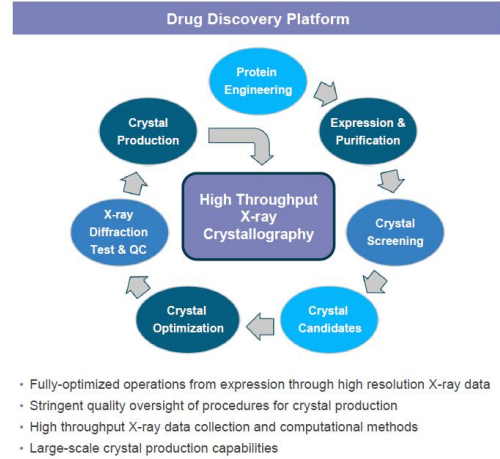
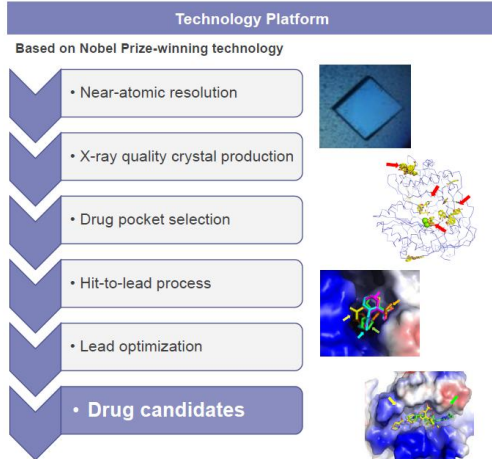
Hepatitis

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Norovirus (Gastroenteritis)



Technology and Drug Discovery Platform





Robust Development Pipeline

	Program	Discovery	Preclinical	Phase 1	Phase 2a	Phase 2b	Phase 3	
Hepatitis C (HCV)	CC-31244 – University of MD (Pan-genotypic NS5B NNI)							
Influenza	CC-42344 (Influenza A PB2 Inhibitor)							
	Influenza A/B inhibitor			In collaboration with		MERCK		
Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Replication and Protease Inhibitor							
Norovirus (Gastroenteritis)	Replication and Protease Inhibitor							



Merck/Cocrystal Team Initiates Influenza Collaboration

Recognized revenue of **\$6.56 million** in 2019, eligible to receive up to **\$156 million** in milestone payments and royalties (undisclosed) on product sales

- Exclusive license and collaboration agreement to discover and develop certain proprietary influenza A/B antiviral agents
- Merck continues to fund all:
 - Research and development
 - Clinical development
 - Worldwide commercialization of any products derived from the collaboration
- Dedicated joint research committee in place
- First year of program completed and second year ongoing
- Collaboration is expected to advance the development of certain influenza A/B antivirals



Overview | Antiviral Programs:
Coronavirus





COVID-19: Current Global Pandemic as of 5/8/2020 with No FDA Approved Therapeutic or Vaccine



Coronavirus COVID-19 Global Cases by the Center for Systems Science and Engineering (CSSE) at Johns Hopkins University (JHU) as of 5.8.20



Kansas State University Research Foundation Agreements

Cocrystal acquires exclusive patent rights and know-how for coronavirus and norovirus therapeutics for humans use

- License agreements with Kansas State University Research Foundation (KSURF) to further develop certain proprietary broad-spectrum compounds for coronavirus and norovirus
- Demonstrated *in vitro* antiviral activity against SARS-Cov2 and *in vivo* efficacy in proof-of-concept animal model
- Advances the Company's programs significantly by providing potent compounds for further development
- Opens new development opportunities to apply Cocrystal's antiviral platform technology

KANSAS STATE
UNIVERSITY



Aggressively Pursuing Development of Novel Antiviral Therapies for the Treatment of COVID-19 Infections

- Potential to be effective treatment for COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2)
- Develop COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) inhibitors using proprietary platform technology
- Targeting viral replication complex and protease
- Potential first-in-class therapeutic and prophylactic treatment

NEXT STEPS:

- ✓ Q2 2020 File Additional Patent Application
- ✓ Q2 2020 Proof-of-Concept Animal Model Study
- ✓ Q2 2020 Initiate Preclinical Studies of COVID-19 Inhibitors
- Q3 2020 Identify Additional Inhibitors Using Our Proprietary Platform Technology
- Q4 2020 Preclinical Lead Molecule Selection

Overview | Antiviral Programs:
Hepatitis C





HCV Is Still a Global Issue

71 Million
people infected globally¹

400,000
people die annually
from related causes¹

Only 20%
of infected patients
have been diagnosed¹

Only 2%
of infected patients
are being treated¹

¹ Polaris Observatory, 2019



Cocrystal's HCV Strategy

Lead program CC-31244, Phase 2a study for the treatment of Hepatitis C

Current HCV Market Overview

- Limitations of existing long-term HCV therapies:
 - Longer period for viruses to replicate and mutate, creating significant drug resistance challenges
 - Increased risk of adverse events
 - Greater opportunity for missed doses
 - Multiple opportunities in developing shorter combination therapy with approved HCV drugs

Evolution of Shorter Therapy

Nucleoside/NS5A Inhibitors



Gilead's EPCLUSA®
12-week treatment
Approved June 2016 ←

Protease/NS5A Inhibitors

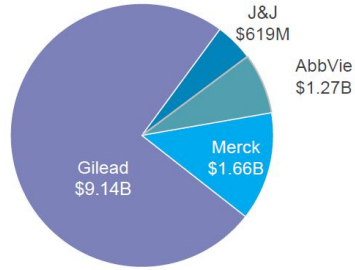


AbbVie's Mavyret™
8-week treatment
Approved August 2017 ←



Shorter Treatment Drives Increased Market Share

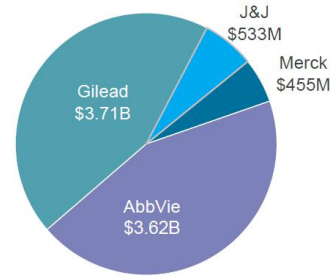
2017 Annual Sales: \$12.69 Billion



- Gilead (Harvoni, Epclusa, Sovaldi, Vosevi)
- J&J (Olysio)
- AbbVie (Viekira, Mavyret)
- Merck (Zepatier)

Source: 2017 Form 10-K

2018 Annual Sales: \$8.3 Billion



- Merck (Zepatier)
- AbbVie (Viekira, Mavyret)
- Gilead (Harvoni, Epclusa, Sovaldi, Vosevi)
- J&J (Olysio)

Source: 2018 Form 10-K



CC-31244: HCV Non-Nucleoside Inhibitor (NNI)

HCV GT1 – GT6 NS5B Polymerase Crystals



Next Generation Combination Therapy

- Potential best-in-class HCV NNI with a strong profile
- Broad spectrum, potent NS5B polymerase inhibitor
- High barrier to drug resistance
- Effective against known NNI drug resistant variants
- Liver targeting
- Novel mechanism of action

Potential Best-in-Class NNI

Drug	Genotype	Dose (mg)	Treatment Frequency	Viral Load Reduction (Log ₁₀ IU/ml)
CC-31244	Genotypes 1-6	400	QD	(3.0)
ABT-333 (Dasabuvir) ¹	Genotype 1	400	BID	(1.08)
		800	BID	(0.95)
GS-9190 (Tegobuvir)	Genotype 1	40	BID	(1.0)
		120	BID	(1.5)



Cocrystal Pharma Phase 2a Completed

- The treatment was well tolerated with no study discontinuations due to adverse events
- Eight of 12 subjects (67%) achieved both SVR12 and SVR24, considered virologic cure
- Four patients had virologic relapse at Week 10, 4 weeks after completion of treatment
- Patients that achieved SVR had significantly higher frequencies of terminally differentiated effector memory CD8+ T cells compared with those who relapsed

NEXT STEPS:

- ✓ Q1 2020 Complete Final Report on Phase 2a U.S. Trial
- Partnership Goal – Development Point Achieved

Overview | Antiviral Programs:
Influenza





Significant Unmet Need in Growing Influenza Market

Seasonal and pandemic infection

1 Billion
cases annually²

3-5 Million
cases of severe
illness annually¹

Up to **650,000**
deaths worldwide¹

Current antiviral treatments are burdened by significant viral resistance

- Approved influenza therapies have major limitations
 - Tamiflu[®] has a long history of drug resistance issues³
 - Xofluza[™] (approved November 2018) also has shown emergence of drug resistant mutations⁴

1. BCC Research (May 2018) The Global Influenza Market
2. Hussain, et al, Infection and Drug Resistance 2017; 10 121-134
3. ScienceDaily (March 2014) Tamiflu-resistant influenza related to mutations in genome
4. NEJM Journal Watch (September 2018) A Promising Drug for Influenza?



Influenza Remains a Major U.S. and Global Concern

CNN Health • Food | Fitness | Wellness | Parenting | Vital Signs Live TV U.S. Edition September 27, 2018

Flu season deaths top 80,000 last year, CDC says

KSL TV US on track for one of the worst flu seasons in decades Jan. 6, 2020

LIVESCIENCE Child Flu Deaths Hit Record High for This Time of Year Jan. 7, 2020

WLRN Flu Season Off To Early Start, And It Could Be Severe Jan. 6, 2020

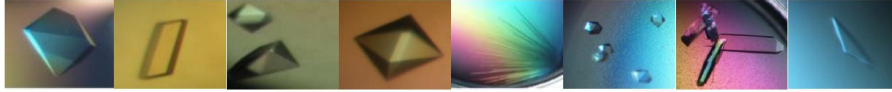
Medscape Flu Rates Rising, Pediatric Deaths Double Compared to 2018: CDC Dec. 30, 2019

the japan times NATIONAL / SCIENCE & HEALTH
Flu viruses resistant to new drug Xofluza uncovered in Japan

AAP News June 1, 2018
CDC: Pediatric flu deaths rise to 171, tying record

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL. The Flu Season My Yet Turn Ugly, CDC Warns Jan. 8, 2019

FORTUNE Another Flu Pandemic Is Inevitable, World Health Organization Says Mar. 11, 2019



Proprietary Influenza A and B Crystals

- Broad spectrum, potent dual influenza A/B preclinical lead will be developed
 - Result of Cocrystal's drug discovery platform technology
 - Binds to highly conserved site of influenza A and B replication complex
 - Expected to be active against seasonal, pandemic and existing drug resistant influenza A and B strains



CC-42344: Influenza A Drug



Potential for Cocktail Therapy

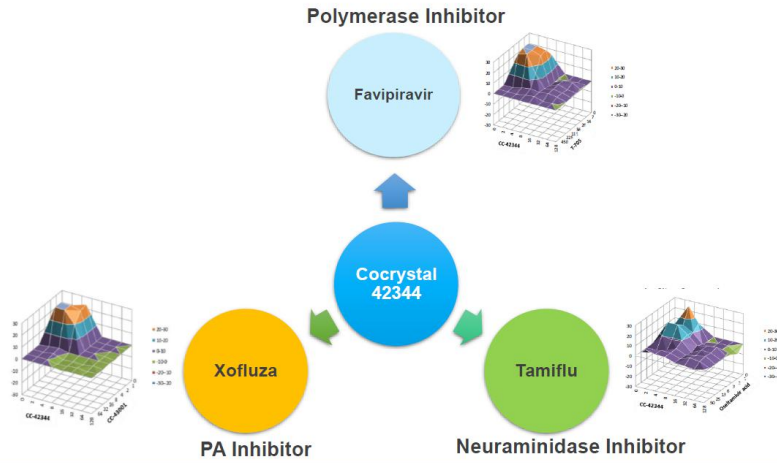
- Binds to the highly conserved pocket on replication enzyme
- Exhibits broad spectrum activity against seasonal and pandemic influenza strains
- Favorable preclinical safety profile and pharmacokinetic properties
- Multiple routes of administration (oral, inhalation, and injection)

NEXT STEPS:

- ✓ Q2 2020 Secure Supply Line
- Q3 2020 Initiate 2nd Batch API Synthesis



CC-42344 Shows Strong Synergistic Effects with Approved Influenza Antivirals





CC-42344: Pharmacological, Safety, Toxicity, and PK Evaluations Completed

- ✔ *In vitro* antiviral profiling against seasonal and pandemic influenza A strains
- ✔ Cytotoxicity including larger screen: HepG2/high content analysis and 13 cell lines
- ✔ Caco-2 bidirectional permeability
- ✔ CYP inhibition (HLM): inhibition (2D6, 3A, 1A, 2B6, 2C8, 2C9, 2C19) & time dependent inhibition (2D6, 3A4)
- ✔ Thermodynamic/aqueous solubility
- ✔ pION solubility determination (at pH 7.4)
- ✔ Metabolic stability in rat and human microsomes (intrinsic clearance)
- ✔ Plasma protein binding (human)
- ✔ Plasma stability/half-life determination (human, rat)
- ✔ Pharmacokinetics: in rats (IV/PO), mouse (IV/PO) and dogs (IV/PO)
- ✔ In silico genotoxicity /carcinogenicity
- ✔ Off-target: kinase/receptor profiling; safety screen (CEREP)
- ✔ Mitochondrial toxicity (GLU/GAL)
- ✔ Mini Ames (genotox) screen
- ✔ Mini hERG (*in vitro* pharmacology) screen
- ✔ Exploratory 7-day mouse tox study (up to 500 mg/kg/day)

Overview | Antiviral Programs:
Norovirus





Norovirus: No Approved Treatment or Vaccine

Norovirus Polymerase and Protease Crystals



\$4.2 billion in direct health system costs¹

700 million
infections
worldwide annually¹

19-21 million
cases
in the U.S.²

400,000
emergency department visits in the U.S.²

56,000-71,000 hospitalizations
in the U.S.²

1. World Economic Forum, What is the economic impact of norovirus infections?, 2016
2. CDC, Norovirus Disease in the United States, 2013



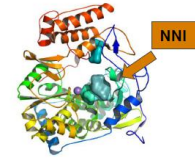
Cocrystal's Norovirus Program

- Potential first therapy
- Potent and broad-spectrum polymerase and protease inhibitors
- Structure-based lead discovery ongoing
- Licensed potent, broad spectrum protease inhibitors from KSURF

NEXT STEPS:

- ✓ Q2 2020 File Additional Patent Application
- Q4 2020 Complete Proof-of-Concept Animal Study

Novel NNI Pockets



Well-Positioned for Growth



Growing Intellectual Property Portfolio

- **HCV**
 - NS5B (non-nucleoside inhibitor)
 - Issued patents in U.S.
 - Pending applications in U.S. and worldwide
 - Pending U.S. provisional application
- **Influenza**
 - PB2 (influenza A inhibitor)
 - Pending applications in PCT and Taiwan
 - Pending U.S. provisional applications
- **Influenza A/B**
 - Influenza A/B inhibitor
 - Pending applications in U.S. and worldwide
- **Coronavirus**
 - Issued patents in U.S. and major countries
 - Pending U.S. provisional applications
- **Norovirus**
 - Issued patents in U.S. and major countries
 - Pending U.S. provisional applications



Financial Snapshot: NASDAQ: COCP

~\$46MM
Market cap¹

52.1MM
Common shares
outstanding

~6.37MM
Average 3 month
daily volume²

~\$7.4MM
Cash Balance as of December 31, 2019

\$20MM
Proceeds from Q1 2020 financings not
included in December 31, 2019 cash balance

- 53.3 MM Fully Diluted Shares
- No Preferred Shares Outstanding
- No Debt Outstanding

1: Based on May 4, 2020 closing price of \$.89 per share; 2: Yahoo Finance, 3-month daily volume



Strategy Directed at Advancing Programs and Growing Value

- Advancing preclinical COVID-19 Coronavirus program by leveraging patent rights and compounds recently acquired from Kansas State University Research Foundation
- Ongoing collaboration with Merck has accelerated influenza A/B development program
- Continue to progress our innovative pipeline for Influenza, Hep C, COVID-19 and Norovirus gastroenteritis
- Form additional strategic collaborations

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PHARMA, INC.

Thank you!

