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): April 2, 2026

Cocrystal Pharma, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	001-38418	35-2528215
(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

19805 N. Creek Parkway Bothell, WA	98011
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (877) 262-7123

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

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))

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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.

On April 2, 2026, Cocrystal Pharma, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release, announcing that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has granted Fast Track designation to the Company's oral, direct acting protease inhibitor, CDI-988, the first oral antiviral candidate being developed for treatment and prophylaxis of norovirus infection. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

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	Press Release dated April 2, 2026
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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: April 2, 2026

By: */s/ James Martin*
Name: James Martin
Title: Co-Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer

Cocrystal Pharma Receives FDA Fast Track Designation for CDI-988 for Norovirus Infection Treatment and Preventive

- *FDA Fast Track designation supports accelerated development and expedites regulatory review*
- *Norovirus is responsible for an estimated 685 million global cases each year and approximately $60 billion in worldwide economic impact*

BOTHELL, Wash. (April 2, 2026) – Cocrystal Pharma, Inc. (Nasdaq: COCP) ("Cocrystal" or the "Company") announces that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has granted Fast Track designation to its oral, direct-acting protease inhibitor, CDI-988, the first oral antiviral candidate being developed for treatment and prophylaxis of norovirus infection.

FDA Fast Track designation aims to facilitate the development and accelerate the review process for drugs that treat serious conditions and address unmet medical needs. The designation enables early and frequent communication with the FDA throughout the development process, allows for rolling review of a New Drug Application (NDA), and may qualify a product for Priority Review at the time of NDA submission.

CDI-988 was designed and developed as an inhibitor of a highly conserved region of noroviruses, coronaviruses, and other 3CL viral proteases. A Phase 1b norovirus challenge study is underway at Emory University School of Medicine to evaluate CDI-988 to both prevent and treat norovirus infection.

"We are pleased that the FDA has granted Fast Track designation for CDI-988, marking a significant milestone for Cocrystal and a critical step toward helping patients with norovirus," said Sam Lee, Ph.D., President and co-CEO of Cocrystal Pharma. "Norovirus infections are highly contagious and can cause acute gastroenteritis, resulting in nausea, vomiting, stomach pain, diarrhea, fatigue, fever and dehydration. While most people recover within a few days, immunocompromised individuals can experience chronic, long-term norovirus infections that can persist for weeks to years. Based on compelling data generated to date, we believe that CDI-988 has the potential to both prevent and treat norovirus infection.

"This designation further validates using our unique structure-based drug discovery technology to design pan-viral antivirals that are effective new treatment options," added Dr. Lee. "We look forward to more frequent interactions with the FDA with the goal of delivering the first therapeutic and preventive medicine to treat norovirus infections."

About Norovirus

Norovirus is a leading cause of acute gastroenteritis, responsible for an estimated 685 million global cases each year and approximately $60 billion in worldwide economic impact. In the United States alone, the virus is associated with 21 million infections annually, resulting in around 109,000 hospitalizations, 465,000 emergency department visits, and 900 deaths. The estimated annual economic burden in the U.S. exceeds $10.6 billion. In developing nations, norovirus contributes to up to 1.1 million hospitalizations and 218,000 pediatric deaths each year.

Cocrystal's ongoing Phase 1b randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled challenge study (NCT07198139) at Emory University School of Medicine will evaluate CDI-988 in up to 40 healthy adults. The primary endpoint is a reduction in the incidence of clinical symptoms, with secondary endpoints assessing viral shedding, disease severity, safety, and pharmacokinetics.

About Cocrystal Pharma's Structure-Based Drug Discovery Platform

Cocrystal is leveraging its structure-based drug discovery platform technology to design next-generation antiviral candidates that precisely target viral replication mechanisms. By binding to highly conserved regions of viral enzymes, the Company's compounds aim to maintain potency against mutating strains while minimizing off-target effects, offering potentially safer, broad-spectrum antiviral solutions. This approach streamlines candidate identification and optimization, enabling more rapid progression of promising therapies with robust resistance and safety profiles.

About Cocrystal Pharma, Inc.

Cocrystal Pharma, Inc. is a clinical-stage biotechnology company discovering and developing novel antiviral therapeutics that target the replication process of noroviruses, influenza viruses, coronaviruses (including SARS-CoV-2), and rhinoviruses. Cocrystal employs unique structure-based technologies and Nobel Prize-winning expertise to create viable antiviral drugs. For further information about Cocrystal, please visit www.cocrystalpharma.com.

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements regarding our plans for more frequent interactions with the FDA and our goals with respect to our norovirus product candidate. The words "believe," "may," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "should," "plan," "could," "target," "potential," "is likely," "will," "expect" and similar expressions, as they relate to us, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events. Some or all of the events anticipated by these forward-looking statements may not occur. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ from those in the forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the risks and uncertainties arising from delays arising from raw materials and labor shortages, supply chain disruptions and other business interruptions including any adverse impacts on our ability to obtain raw materials for and otherwise proceed with studies as well as similar problems with our vendors and our current and any future clinical research organization (CROs) and contract manufacturing organizations, the progress and results of the studies including any adverse findings or delays, the ability of us and our CROs to recruit volunteers for, and to otherwise proceed with, clinical studies, our and our collaboration partners' technology and software performing as expected, financial difficulties experienced by certain partners, the results of any current and future preclinical and clinical studies, general risks arising from clinical studies, receipt of regulatory approvals, regulatory changes and any adverse developments which may arise therefrom, and general economic adverse effects from the ongoing conflict with Iran. Further information on our risk factors is contained in our filings with the SEC, including the "Risk Factors" in Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2025. Any forward-looking statement made by us herein 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.

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