

**TRENDS IN SOLID FORM PATENTS:
COCRYSTAL IP OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES**

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Patent prosecution and litigation involving the solid-state continues to evolve in the United States. This presentation will explore solid form patents in general and cocrystals in particular. Pharmaceutical companies have recently expressed great interest in developing cocrystals as alternative solid form products. This talk will discuss issues facing cocrystal patents in the U.S. Patent Office, including enablement, claim interpretation, and inherent anticipation. The talk will conclude with a brief exercise in drafting a cocrystal claim.