

## The United States Patent and Trademark Office

## Biotechnology, Chemical and Pharmaceutical (BCP) Partnership Meeting

Monday, September 14, 2015 9:00am to 5:00pm (EDT)

We are pleased to announce the USPTO's next Biotechnology, Chemical and Pharmaceutical Customer Partnership (BCP) Meeting. This upcoming BCP meeting will be jointly hosted by Technology Centers **1600** (Biotechnology and Organic Chemistry) and **1700** (Chemical and Materials Engineering). This BCP meeting expands our long-standing partnership in these industry sectors to customers across the country. The BCP Meeting will be held on September 14<sup>th</sup> and will be simultaneously available at locations in the **USPTO Headquarters** (Alexandria, VA) and the **Midwest Regional Office** (Detroit, MI). During this BCP, participants will be able to interact with Office personnel in person at both locations, or alternatively, via webcast. Please see below for Registration information on how you can participate.

**Date and Location**: The Partnership Meeting will be held on September 14<sup>th</sup> (Monday) from 9:00am – 5:00pm at Alexandria, VA and, at the same time, at Detroit, MI.

Headquarters Location: USPTO Headquarters Remsen Conference Center 400 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314 Midwest Regional Office
Location:
Elijah J. McCoy United States Patent and Trademark Office
300 River Place South,
Suite 2900
Detroit, MI 48207

The Biotechnology, Chemical and Pharmaceutical Customer Partnership was developed to create a collaborative forum for USPTO customers in this industry sector to share ideas, experiences, and insights with USPTO staff. The BCP is intended to be informal in nature and will include participants from across the industry.

Some of the topics to be discussed by USPTO staff and stakeholders will include:

- Cooperative Patent Classification (CPC) Overview
- Trends in Subject Matter Eligibility for Biotechnology Inventions (A Customer Perspective)
- Practitioner's Perspective on 101 as Applied to Biotech Applications
- Third Party Submission
- AIA 130 Declaration
- PCT National Stage Filing Tips
- Double Patenting

Please check back and click here to view the final <u>BCP Agenda</u> once posted. The USPTO looks forward to hearing the individual views from its customers and does not intend to use this forum to seek or arrive at any consensus. This customer partnership is formed with full recognition of the USPTO's responsibility under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), and accordingly, is not established as FACA compliant committee.

## **Registration Information**

Please email <u>USPTOBCP1600@USPTO.GOV</u> to **RSVP by September**, **9**<sup>th</sup>. Please include "BCP RSVP" in the email subject line. In the email body, please include the following information:

- Your name, title and organization
- Contact information (e-mail, phone, etc.)
- Your attending location (Alexandria, Detroit, or online).

## **Directions and Parking information**

<u>Headquarters Location</u>: USPTO Headquarters, Alexandria, Virginia

- Directions:
  - http://www.uspto.gov/about/contacts/locations/directions.jsp
- Campus map:
  - http://www.uspto.gov/about/locations/alexandriaoffice.jsp
- Parking options:
  - $\frac{http://www.uspto.gov/about/contacts/locations/directions.jsp\#heading}{-6}$

<u>Detroit location</u>: 300 River Place South, Suite 2900, Detroit, MI

• Parking Options and Building Access: http://www.uspto.gov/about-us/uspto-locations/detroit-michigan

For information on past and future meetings and presentations, please go to <a href="http://www.aipla.org/committees/committee\_pages/Biotechnology/usptobcp/default.aspx">http://www.aipla.org/committees/committee\_pages/Biotechnology/usptobcp/default.aspx</a>

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http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init\_events/bcp/index.jsp