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December 8, 2006

Anthony J. Weir Chief Financial Officer Vernalis plc Oakdene Court, 613 Reading Road Winnersh, Berkshire RG41 5UA, United Kingdom

Re: Vernalis plc

Form 20-F for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005

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Dear Mr. Weir:

We have completed our review of your Form 20-F and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Jim Atkinson Accounting Branch Chief