

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

May 26, 2017

R. Michael Carruthers Interim President and Chief Financial Officer Nivalis Therapeutics, Inc. 5480 Valmont Road, Suite 200 Boulder, CO 80301

Re: Nivalis Therapeutics, Inc.

Registration Statement on Form S-4

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Dear Mr. Carruthers:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Christine Westbrook at (202) 551-5019 with any questions.

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Healthcare and Insurance

cc: Chad G. Rolston, Esq.