

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

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

Mail Stop 4546

March 13, 2017

Katrine S. Bosley President and Chief Executive Officer Editas Medicine, Inc. 11 Hurley Street Cambridge, Massachusetts 02141

> Re: Editas Medicine, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed March 3, 2017 File No. 333-216444

Dear Ms. Bosley:

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.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mary Beth Breslin for

Suzanne Hayes Assistant Director Office of Healthcare and Insurance

cc: Rosemary G. Reilly, Esq. Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr