

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

December 13, 2021

Gil M. Labrucherie Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer Nektar Therapeutics 455 Mission Bay Boulevard South San Francisco, CA 94158

> Re: Nektar Therapeutics Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2020 Filed February 26, 2021 File Number 000-24006

Dear Mr. Labrucherie:

We have completed our review of your filing. 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.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Life Sciences