April 7, 2021

James Breitmeyer, M.D., Ph.D. President & Chief Executive Officer Oncternal Therapeutics, Inc. 12230 El Camino Real, Suite 300 San Diego, California 92130

Therapeutics, Inc.

Statement on Form S-3

Re: Oncternal

Registration

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Dear Dr. Breitmeyer:

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 Jason

Drory at 202-551-8342 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance

Office of Life Sciences

cc: Matthew T. Bush, Esq.