May 15, 2020

VIA EDGAR SUBMISSION

Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F Street, NE Washington, DC 20549

Attention: Alan Campbell

Re: Kala Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-3 File No. 333-238087 Request for Acceleration

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Kala Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "**Company**") hereby requests acceleration of the effective date of its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-238087), so that it may become effective at 4:00 p.m., Eastern time, on May 19, 2020, or as soon as practicable thereafter.

Very truly yours,

By: /s/ Eric L. Trachtenberg Eric L. Trachtenberg General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Secretary