

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

August 17, 2018

Remy Luthringer, Ph.D. Chief Executive Officer Minerva Neurosciences, Inc. 1601 Trapelo Road Suite 286 Waltham, MA 02451

> Re: Minerva Neurosciences, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed August 10, 2018 File No. 333-226783

Dear Dr. Luthringer:

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,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Healthcare & Insurance

cc: Ryan Sansom, Esq.