

**Roth Capital Partners, LLC  
888 San Clemente Drive  
Newport Beach, CA 92660**

January 5, 2021

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission  
Division of Corporation Finance  
Washington, DC 20549

**Re: KemPharm, Inc. (the “Company”)  
Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-250945)**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In connection with the above-captioned registration statement, and pursuant to Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Act”), Roth Capital Partners, LLC, as the representative of the underwriters, hereby joins in the request of the Company that the effective date of such registration statement be accelerated to 4:30 p.m. (Eastern time) on Thursday, January 7, 2021, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

In making this request the undersigned acknowledges that it is aware of its obligations under the Act as they relate to the public offering of securities pursuant to the registration statement.

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Very truly yours,

ROTH CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC,  
*As the Representative of the Underwriters*

By: /s/ Aaron M. Gurewitz  
Name: Aaron M. Gurewitz  
Title: Head of Equity Capital Markets