## VERASTEM, INC.

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## **VIA EDGAR**

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F. Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549

RE: Verastem, Inc.

Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-275408)

Request for Acceleration

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Verastem, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), hereby respectfully requests that the effective date of its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-275408) (the "Registration Statement") be accelerated by the Securities and Exchange Commission so that it will be declared effective at 4:00 p.m. EST on November 20, 2023, or as soon as possible thereafter. The Company hereby authorizes Marko S. Zatylny of Ropes & Gray LLP, counsel to the Company, to orally modify or withdraw this request for acceleration.

It would be appreciated if, as soon as the Registration Statement is declared effective, you would inform Marko S. Zatylny of Ropes & Gray LLP at <a href="marko.zatylny@ropesgray.com">marko.zatylny@ropesgray.com</a> or (617) 951-7980.

Very truly yours,

VERASTEM, INC.

By: /s/ Daniel Paterson

Daniel Paterson

President and Chief Executive Officer