Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc.

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February 6, 2024

VIA EDGAR AND E-MAIL

United States Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance Office of Life Sciences 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549-6010

Attention: Alan Campbell

Re: Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-276794)

To the addressee set forth above:

In accordance with Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, we hereby request acceleration of the effective date of the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-276794) (the "*Registration Statement*") of Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc. We respectfully request that the Registration Statement become effective as of 4:00 p.m., Washington, D.C. time, on February 8, 2024, or as soon as practicable thereafter, or at such other time thereafter as our counsel, Latham & Watkins LLP, may request by telephone. Once the Registration Statement has been declared effective, please orally confirm that event with our counsel, Latham & Watkins LLP, by calling Ross McAloon at (714) 755-8051.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

ARCUTIS BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC.

By: /s/ Masaru Matsuda

Masaru Matsuda General Counsel

cc: Frank Watanabe, Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc.
John Smither, Arcutis Biotherapeutics, Inc.
Shayne Kennedy, Latham & Watkins LLP
Ross McAloon, Latham & Watkins LLP