

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

October 16, 2017

Gary G. Gemignani Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer Synergy Pharmaceurticals Inc. 420 Lexington Avenue Suite 2012 New York, NY 10170

> Re: Synergy Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2016 Filed March 1, 2017 File No. 001-35268

Dear Mr. Gemignani:

We have completed our review of your filing. 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 by the staff.

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Healthcare & Insurance