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**BioTime, Inc.**  
1010 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 102  
Alameda, California 94501

May 3, 2017

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

**Re: BioTime, Inc.**  
**Registration Statement on Form S-3/A**  
**File No. 333-217182**  
**Request for Acceleration**

**Acceleration Request**

**Request Date:** May 5, 2017

**Request Time:** 9:30 a.m. Eastern Time (or as soon thereafter as practicable)

Dear Ms. Yale:

Pursuant to Rule 461 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, BioTime, Inc., a California corporation (the "**Registrant**"), hereby respectfully requests that the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "**Commission**") take appropriate action to cause the above-referenced Registration Statement on Form S-3/A (File No. 333-217182), to become effective at 9:30 a.m. Eastern Time on May 5, 2017, or as soon thereafter as practicable, or at such later time as the Registrant or its counsel may orally request via telephone call to the staff of the Commission. The Registrant hereby authorizes Michael A. Hedge or Alexa M. Ekman of K&L Gates LLP, counsel to the Company, to orally modify or withdraw this request for acceleration.

The Registrant requests that it be notified of such effectiveness by a telephone call to Michael A. Hedge at (949) 623-3519, or in his absence, Alexa M. Ekman at (949) 623-3603.

Sincerely,

BIOTIME, INC.

By: /s/ Michael D. West, Ph.D.  
Michael D. West, Ph.D.  
Co-Chief Executive Officer

cc: Russell Skibsted, BioTime, Inc.  
Stephana Patton, BioTime, Inc.  
Michael A. Hedge, K&L Gates LLP  
Alexa M. Ekman, K&L Gates LLP

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