IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	Chapter 11
Apple Tree Life Sciences, Inc., *et al*.,[1]	Case No. 25-12177 (LSS)
Debtors.	(Jointly Administered)
	Re: Docket No. 478

ORDER FOR APPROVAL OF (I) EXIT FINANCING SOLICITATION PROCEDURES, (II) PAYMENT OF UPFRONT DUE DILIGENCE FEE AND STALKING HORSE PROTECTIONS, AND (III) FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE RELATED THERETO

Upon the motion (the "Motion")[2] of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code for entry of an order (this "Order") approving (i) the Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures; (ii) the upfront Due Diligence Fee and Stalking Horse Protections, and (iii) the form and manner of notice related to the selection of a Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declarations; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, entered February 29, 2012; and the Debtors having consented to entry of a final order; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this matter being

[1] The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number include: Apple Tree Life Sciences, Inc. (4506); ATP Life Science Ventures, L.P. (8224); ATP III GP, Ltd. (6091); Apertor Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (3161); Initial Therapeutics, Inc. (2453); Marlinspike Therapeutics, Inc. (4757); Red Queen Therapeutics, Inc. (8563); Evercrisp Biosciences, Inc. (4437); Nine Square Therapeutics, Inc. (4503); and Nereid Therapeutics Incorporated (8493). The location of the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is 230 Park Avenue, Suite 2800, New York, NY 10169.

[2] Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion and the Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and this Court having found that proper and adequate notice of the Motion and the relief requested therein has been provided in accordance with the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules, and that, except as otherwise ordered herein, no other or further notice is necessary; and objections (if any) to the Motion having been withdrawn, resolved or overruled on the merits; and a hearing having been held to consider the relief requested in the Motion and upon the record of the hearing and all of the proceedings had before this Court; that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT

1. The Motion is GRANTED as set forth herein.

2. The Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures, substantially in the form attached to this Order as **Exhibit A**, are approved.

3. The Debtors are authorized to select a Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal pursuant to the terms and provisions of the Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures and may take such actions as necessary to effectuate the selection of a Successful Plan Sponsor.

4. The Debtors are authorized to pay the Due Diligence Fee up to (i) $1 million per First Round Investor or (ii) $3 million maximum across multiple First Round Investors, in each case subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Motion.

5. The Debtors are authorized to seek approval of the Stalking Horse Protections pursuant to Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures.

6. The Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal Notice, substantially in the form annexed to this Order as **Exhibit B**, is approved.

7. The Debtors are authorized to take all reasonable actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order.

8. The entry of this Order shall not be construed as limiting this Court's jurisdiction, the scope and applicability of the automatic stay set forth in section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code, or this Court's authority to enforce the Order. This Court reserves the right to issue any orders or injunctions that this Court deems proper to protect its jurisdiction and enforce the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including the automatic stay, as to which all parties' rights and defenses are expressly preserved.

9. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.

Dated: June 17th, 2026
Wilmington, Delaware

LAURIE SELBER SILVERSTEIN
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

Exhibit A

Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures

Plan Sponsor Selection Procedures

On December 9 and 12, 2025, and on January 1 and 15, 2026, Apple Tree Life Sciences, Inc. and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession in the below-referenced chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), each commenced a voluntary case under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court"). The Debtors' chapter 11 cases have been consolidated for procedural purposes only under the lead case, *In re Apple Tree Life Sciences, Inc., et al.*, No. 25-12177 (LSS). The Debtors are authorized to continue to operate their business and manage their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.

On March 26, 2026, the Debtors filed the Motion of Debtors for Approval of (I) Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures, (II) Payment of Upfront Due Diligence Fee and Stalking Horse Protections, and (III) Form and Manner of Notice Related Thereto (Docket No. 478) (the "Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures Motion"). On [●], 2026, the Court entered an order (Docket No. [●]) (the "Order"), granting the Motion and approving the exit financing solicitation procedures contained therein (the "Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures" or "Procedures") with respect to a transaction to finance Debtors' emergence from the respective chapter 11 cases (the "Transaction"), permitting payments required under the Debtors' plan and providing the Debtors with necessary financings for their day-to-day operations after the effective date.

I. Defining Potential Plan Sponsor and Plan Sponsor

The Debtors, in conjunction with B. Riley Restructuring Services, LLC ("B. Riley"), have contacted and will continue to contact parties that have, or may have, an interest in participating in the exit financing solicitation process (the "Exit Financing Solicitation Process") with respect to a Transaction. Specifically, B. Riley has contacted, and will continue to contact, parties that they believe, based on their experience, may be interested in working together, with the prior written consent of the Debtors through B. Riley, to be plan sponsor (the "Plan Sponsor") for the Transaction (each, a "Potential Plan Sponsor").

Any Potential Plan Sponsor that submits a First Round LOI (as defined below) (the "First Round Investor") and is invited by B. Riley, acting on behalf of the Debtors, to submit a Final Proposal (as defined below), in each case, in accordance with these Procedures, shall be referred to herein as an "Investor."

II. Important Dates and Deadlines

Key Event	Estimated Deadline[3]	
Launch Date	L	
LOI Deadline	L + 50	
Final Proposal Deadline	L + 99	
Auction (If Needed)	L + 106	
	No Auction	**Auction**
File of Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal Notice	L + 102	L + 109

On or before 20 days after the launch date, Rigmora Biotech Investor One LP and Rigmora Biotech Investor Two LP (collectively "Rigmora") shall notify the Debtors, in writing, of their election to (i) be a Potential Plan Sponsor interested in submitting a First Round LOI within the LOI Deadline; or (ii) be included, along with their advisors, among the Consultation Parties (as defined below) subject to signing and complying with the non-disclosure agreement.

III. Plan Sponsor Selection Procedures

1. Notice and Consultation Parties.

(A) Investor Outreach. Any person that is interested in submitting a proposal in connection with the Transaction may contact B. Riley at:

B. Riley
Perry Mandarino
pmandarino@brileysecurities.com

(B) Consultation Parties. The Debtors and their advisors will consult with the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") and its advisors (each in such capacity, a "Consultation Party") in good faith on a regular basis with respect to any material decision to be made by the Debtors in connection with the Exit Financing Solicitation Process, including as noted in these Procedures or as otherwise necessary or appropriate in the judgment of the Debtors. To the extent that any member of the Committee is a Potential Plan Sponsor, a First Round Investor, or an Investor then such member of the Committee will be excluded from being a Consultation Party. Each Committee Member will indicate whether it is or may be a First Round Investor on or before 20 days after the Launch Date. For the avoidance of doubt, the consultation rights afforded to the Consultation Parties by these Procedures shall not limit the Debtors' discretion in the exercise of their business judgment.

[3] The dates included in this table are approximate and are measured from the formal launch date ("L") of the Exit Financing Solicitation Process, which will occur on the date of the entry of the Order. The Debtors will file a notice on the Court's docket and will post such notice in the data room with the actual dates and deadlines referenced in this table when finalized (including taking into account holidays and other non-business days).

2. **Confidentiality; Virtual Data Room**. Any Potential Plan Sponsor, subject to executing a confidentiality agreement satisfactory to the Debtors shall be invited to conduct due diligence through a virtual data room ("VDR"). In the event that any Potential Plan Sponsor is an actual or potential competitor of the Debtors or holds a material equity or debt interest in a competitor (a "Competitor"), the Debtors may impose reasonable restrictions on such Potential Plan Sponsor's access to competitively sensitive information, including requiring such Potential Plan Sponsor to establish a clean team, and execute a clean team agreement, in each case, satisfactory to the Debtors, prior to such party or its advisors being granted access to any confidential information of the Debtors. With respect to any Competitor, the Debtors, after consulting with the Consultation Parties, may reasonably withhold competitively sensitive information from such Competitor and its clean team until such Competitor, following its submission of a First Round LOI (as defined below), is invited to make a Final Proposal (as defined below). Upon having made such invitation, the Debtors shall provide such withheld competitively sensitive information solely to such Competitor's clean team, on such terms as the Debtors, after consulting with the Consultation Parties, reasonably determine in good faith to be appropriate to protect the Debtors' interests.

- Each Potential Plan Sponsor, First Round Investor, or Investor shall comply with all reasonable requests made in good faith for information by the Debtors or their advisors sufficient to demonstrate the ability of such Potential Plan Sponsor, First Round Investor, or Investor to consummate a Transaction.

- Subject to the restrictions that apply to a Competitor, until the LOI Deadline or the Final Proposal Deadline (each as defined below), as applicable, the Debtors will provide any Potential Plan Sponsor, First Round Investor, or Investor, as applicable, with access to the VDR and any additional information reasonably requested by a Potential Plan Sponsor, First Round Investor, or Investor. To the extent any additional information is provided to a Potential Plan Sponsor, First Round Investor, or Investor, such information shall be posted to the VDR promptly thereafter. All due diligence requests shall be directed to B. Riley. Unless consented to by the Debtors in writing, no Potential Plan Sponsor or Investor may contact the Debtors (or their directors, officers, or employees) directly.

- Notwithstanding the foregoing, access to the VDR may be terminated by the Debtors in their business judgment and in good faith at any time and for any reason (after consulting with the Consultation Parties), including if (i) a Potential Plan Sponsor is not invited to become an Investor and participate in the final round of Transaction proposals (the "Final Proposal Process"), (ii) an Investor does not become a Qualified Plan Sponsor (as defined below), (iii) a Potential Plan Sponsor or Investor violates these Procedures, (iv) a Potential Plan Sponsor or Investor withdraws from the process, or (v) these Procedures are terminated.

- Neither the Debtors nor any of their representatives shall be obligated to furnish any information of any kind whatsoever relating to the Debtors' assets (i) to any entity that (a) is not a Potential Plan Sponsor, First Round Investor, or Investor, as applicable, and their professional advisors (b) does not comply with the

requirements set forth in these Procedures, or (c) in the case of competitively sensitive information, is a Competitor of the Debtors (to the extent it cannot be reasonably accommodated through customary clean team procedures), and (ii) to the extent not permitted by law.

3. **Co-Investing**. Prior to the LOI Deadline, a Potential Plan Sponsor may request to co-invest with one or more other Potential Plan Sponsors by written notice submitted to B. Riley. The Debtors' Independent Director will review such requests on a case-by-case basis, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, and shall not unreasonably withhold, condition, or delay approval of any such request. For the avoidance of doubt, no prior consent shall be required for preliminary, non-binding discussions among Potential Plan Sponsors, First Round Investors, or Investors regarding whether they may be interested in pursuing a potential co-investment, so long as such discussions comply with the confidentiality obligations set forth herein, and any ultimate agreement to co-invest is disclosed and subject to the consent procedure described above.

4. **First Round of LOIs**. Non-binding letters of interest (each, a "First Round LOI") shall be due no earlier than 50 days from the date the Exit Financing Solicitation Process is launched (the "LOI Deadline"). The Debtors may extend the LOI Deadline for any reason whatsoever, in their business judgment and in good faith, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, for all Potential Plan Sponsors. Only First Round LOIs submitted to B. Riley shall be accepted. No First Round LOI shall be submitted to the Debtors or any director, officer, employee, other insider of the Debtors, or lender to or creditor of the Debtors. The Debtors shall share summaries of all First Round LOIs with the Consultation Parties promptly after the LOI Deadline.

With respect to First Round LOIs, each First Round Investor must include:

(A) The identity of the First Round Investor by its legal name and all significant beneficial owners thereof (i.e., >5% beneficial owners);

(B) A preliminary indication of the amount and type of investment for exit financing;

(C) A statement of any material conditions or assumptions made in reaching the preliminary indication of the amount and type of investment for exit financing;

(D) An itemized description of the intended sources of financing for the Transaction or sources of cash at closing.

(E) A statement regarding the level of review and, if necessary, approval that the First Round Investor has received within its organization and from its direct or indirect owners or parent, as and if applicable, and any remaining internal approvals and approvals from its direct or indirect owners or parent, as and if applicable, required to consummate the Transaction;

(F) A list of the First Round Investor's ownership in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries and/or assets;

(G) A detailed description of the specific due diligence issues that must be resolved and any additional information that will be required to submit a Final Proposal;

(H) Any other material terms to be included in the Final Proposal, including material executory contracts or unexpired leases that the Investor wishes to assume or reject; and

(I) A list of advisors and contacts for the First Round Investor.

The Debtors in consultation with the Consultation Parties, shall in their business judgment and in good faith determine whether each First Round LOI satisfies the above requirements (the "Qualifying Bid") and whether to provide the First Round Investor a Due Diligence Fee.[4] Submitting a Qualifying Bid by the LOI Deadline does not obligate the First Round Investor to consummate the Transaction, submit a Final Proposal, or to participate further in the Exit Financing Solicitation Process. Any First Round Investor who submitted a Qualifying Bid can submit a final, binding proposal (a "Final Proposal").

5. **Designation of Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse.** In consultation with the Consultation Parties, the Debtors may seek in their business judgment and in good faith to (i) designate a stalking horse investor with respect to the Transaction (the "Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse") and (ii) enter into an agreement with such Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse (a "Stalking Horse Agreement") to establish a minimum Qualified Plan Sponsor Proposal (as defined below) for the submission of Final Proposals.

For the avoidance of doubt, unless otherwise agreed, the proposal submitted by a Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse (the "Stalking Horse Transaction"), if designated, shall comply with the requirements for submitting a Final Proposal.

To the extent such Stalking Horse Transaction requires the provision of transaction protections (the "Stalking Horse Protections"), including a break-up fee of up to 3% of the gross cash consideration of any Stalking Horse Transaction ***less*** any expense reimbursement and Due Diligence Fee (the "Pre-Approved Stalking Horse Protections"), the Debtors shall file with the Court and serve a notice (the "Stalking Horse Notice") regarding such selection and provide no less than five (5) business days' notice of the deadline to object to the Debtors' selection of the Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse and Stalking Horse Transaction to (i) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware (the "U.S. Trustee"); (ii) the Consultation Parties; and (iii) any party that has filed the appropriate notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 requesting notice of all pleadings filed in the Chapter 11 Cases (the "Stalking Horse Notice Parties"). The Stalking Horse Notice shall (i) disclose the identity of the Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse (and if the Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse is a newly-formed entity, then the Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse's parent company or sponsor), including the legal identity of each person or entity bidding for the Assets and/or otherwise sponsoring, financing (including through the issuance of

[4] As defined in the Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures Motion. For the avoidance of doubt, the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, may or may not provide a Due Diligence Fee to any First Round Investor.

debt in connection with such bid), or participating in the Auction in connection with such bid and the complete terms of any such participation; (ii) set forth the amount of the Stalking Horse Transaction and any Stalking Horse Protections; (iii) state whether the Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse has any connection to the Debtors or their non-debtor affiliates, any other known Qualified Plan Sponsor, any secured party or any officer or director of any of the foregoing (including any current or former officer or director of the Debtors or their non-debtor affiliates) other than those that arise from the Stalking Horse Transaction; (iv) confirm that the proposed Stalking Horse Protections are consistent with the Proposed Order; (v) attach the agreements finalized with the Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse; and (vi) set forth the deadline to object to the Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse's designation. All parties in interest shall have the right to object to the Debtors' entry into a Stalking Horse Transaction on any grounds, including objections to the Stalking Horse Protections and the form of proposed order (the "Stalking Horse Order"). Objections to the designation of a Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse or any of the terms of a Stalking Horse Transaction (a "Stalking Horse Objection") shall (i) be in writing; (ii) comply with the Bankruptcy Code, the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, and the Local Rules; (iii) state, with specificity, the legal and factual bases thereof; and (iv) be filed with the Court and served on the Debtors, the Plan Sponsor Stalking Horse, and the Consultation Parties within five (5) business days after the service of the Stalking Horse Notice. If a timely Stalking Horse Objection is filed, the Debtors will schedule a hearing regarding such Stalking Horse Objection as soon as reasonably practicable seeking approval of such Stalking Horse Transaction. If no timely Stalking Horse Objection is filed and served with respect to the Stalking Horse Transaction, upon the expiration of the objection deadline, the Debtors may submit a proposed Stalking Horse Order to the Court approving the Debtors' entry into the Stalking Horse Transaction (including the Stalking Horse Agreement and the Stalking Horse Protections), which the Court may enter without a hearing and any further or other notice except as required herein or under the Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures, including with respect to any Stalking Horse Protections set forth in the Stalking Horse Notice.

If the Debtors, in their sole discretion, agree to any Stalking Horse Protections above the Pre-Approved Stalking Horse Protections, the Debtors shall file a motion for approval of such Stalking Horse Protections on an expedited basis but not less than five (5) days' notice. All parties' rights are reserved to object to the Debtors' entry into a Stalking Horse Agreement, including any Stalking Horse Protections above the Pre-Approved Stalking Horse Protections.

6. **Additional Information**. As determined by the Debtors in their business judgment and in good faith, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, a First Round Investor may be granted access to additional information in the VDR.

7. **Final Proposals**. Final Proposals shall be due no earlier than 99 days following the launch of the Exit Financing Solicitation Process (the "Final Proposal Deadline"). Any Final Proposal that meets the below criteria, as determined by the Debtors in their business judgment and in good faith, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, will be considered a "Qualified Plan Sponsor Proposal" and, such Investor, a "Qualified Plan Sponsor." The Debtors shall share summaries of all Final Proposals with the Consultation

Parties promptly after the Final Proposal Deadline. A Final Proposal must contain a signed investment agreement (the "Investment Agreement"). Each Investment Agreement for an Investor shall include, at a minimum, the following:

(A) Identity of the Investor. The legal identity of each entity participating in such Final Proposal (including all equity holders and financing sources) and, in the case of any permitted joint Final Proposal, the nature of all economic arrangements between or among such participants. Each Final Proposal must also disclose information as reasonably requested by the Debtors in order to determine whether an Investor is an insider of the Debtors.

(B) Finalized Investment Agreement. In both PDF and MS-WORD format, an executed copy of the Investment Agreement and a copy of same that has been marked against the form of Investment Agreement provided by the Debtors, a copy of which will be located in the VDR, including all exhibits and schedules contemplated thereby, other than such schedules or exhibits that by their nature must be (but have not yet been) prepared by the Debtors.

(C) Stalking Horse Transaction. If the Debtors designate a Stalking Horse Transaction, a minimum proposal (to be considered a Qualified Plan Sponsor Proposal), must be equal to the value offered under the Stalking Horse Transaction plus (i) the amount of any Stalking Horse Protections and (ii) $250,000.

(D) Transaction Structure. A complete description of the proposed Transaction structure, including specificity regarding the type of debt or equity instrument to be issued to such Investor in connection with the Transaction (*i.e.*, common, preferred, convertible preferred, etc.), inclusive of voting rights and all material terms and conditions, if applicable, the jurisdiction of formation of the issuer, and the manner of implementation, in each case, to the extent different, if at all, from the form Transaction structure described in the Transaction documents included in the VDR.

(E) Investment Value; Form of Consideration. A statement describing the aggregate amount and type of investment including the cash and non-cash components of such Final Proposal.

(F) Unconditional Offer. A commitment that the Final Proposal is formal, binding, and unconditional (except for those conditions expressly set forth in the Investment Agreement), is not subject to any internal approvals, due diligence or financing contingency, and is irrevocable until the Debtors notify the Investor that such Final Proposal is not a Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal.

(G) Good-Faith Deposit. A good-faith deposit in the form of cash equal to 10% of the aggregate investment amount proposed to be paid at closing of the Transaction (the "Deposit"), delivered into escrow with a third-party escrow agent designated by the Debtors (the "Escrow Agent"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Rigmora LPs submit a Final Proposal, then they shall be required to submit a Deposit equal to 25% of the Debtors' good-faith estimate of all claims (including contingent claims

that may be estimated, rejection claims and administrative expenses) against the Debtors' estates (but excluding any claims the Rigmora LPs may file) that would be required to be satisfied in full prior to any distribution to the Rigmora LPs on account of their interests in order to confirm a chapter 11 plan, inclusive of anticipated rejection damages that attend the form and structure of the Rigmora LPs' Final Proposal (the "Debtors' Good Faith Estimate"). The Rigmora LPs, after providing the Deposit, may petition the Court to reduce the Deposit upon a showing of good cause or that the Debtors' Good Faith Estimate is materially incorrect; *provided, however*, that no Deadline set forth herein shall be modified while any such petition remains pending.

(H) Proof of Financial Ability to Perform. Written evidence (i) of a firm commitment for financing to consummate the Transaction, or other evidence, as determined by the Debtors in their business judgment and in good faith, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, to allow the Debtors to determine the ability of the Investor to consummate the Transaction and (ii) that the Investor has, or can obtain, the financial wherewithal, operational capability, and corporate and regulatory authorization, as reasonably determined by the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, to allow the Debtors to determine the ability of the Investor to consummate the Transaction contemplated by the Final Proposal in a timely manner.

(I) Closing Conditions. A statement specifying each condition to closing of the Transaction.

(J) Representations and Warranties.

i. A statement that the Investor has had an opportunity to conduct reasonable due diligence regarding the Debtors prior to submitting its Final Proposal;

ii. A statement that the Investor has relied solely upon its own independent review, investigation, or inspection of any relevant documents and the Debtors in making its Final Proposal and did not rely on any written or oral statements, representations, promises, warranties, or guaranties whatsoever, whether express or implied, by operation of law or otherwise, regarding the Debtors or the completeness of any information provided in connection therewith, except as expressly stated in the representations and warranties contained in the Investment Agreement ultimately accepted and executed by the Debtors; and

iii. A statement that the Investor has not engaged in any collusion with respect to the submission of its Final Proposal.

(K) Required Approvals. A (i) statement or evidence that the Investor has made or will make in a timely manner all necessary filings under antitrust and merger control laws, and pay the fees associated with such filings (unless otherwise agreed with the Debtors), (ii) list of all other requisite governmental, regulatory, or other third

party approvals required to consummate the Transaction, including, but not limited to, approvals related to foreign direct investment and foreign subsidies regulations, and (iii) statement or evidence of the Investor's plan and ability to obtain all requisite governmental, regulatory, or other third party approvals under (i) and (ii) and the proposed timing for the Investor to undertake the actions required to obtain such approvals. The Debtors must be given the right to share any such plans and analyses related to any of the above required approvals with the Consultation Parties. The Investor further agrees that its legal counsel will coordinate in good faith with Debtors' legal counsel and counsel to the Consultation Parties, to discuss and explain such Investor's regulatory analysis, strategy, and timeline for securing all such approvals as soon as reasonably practicable, and in no event later than the outside date contemplated in the Investment Agreement.

(L) Authorization. For each Investor, evidence of corporate authorization from all applicable entities and approval from the applicable investment committees or boards of directors (or comparable governing bodies) with respect to the submission, execution, and delivery of a Final Proposal, and closing of the Transaction contemplated by the Final Proposal, including the transactions contemplated by the Investment Agreement in accordance with these Procedures.

(M) Other Requirements.

i. Expressly waive any claim or right to assert any substantial contribution administrative expense claim under section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code in connection with the submission of a Final Proposal or participating in the Exit Financing Solicitation Process except in connection with any Stalking Horse Protections;

ii. Be reasonably likely (based on regulatory issues, experience, and other considerations) to consummate the Transaction if selected as the Successful Plan Sponsor, within a timeframe acceptable to the Debtors, as determined by the Debtors in their business judgment and in good faith, after consulting the Consultation Parties.

(N) Contact Information. The contact information of the specific person(s) whom the Debtors or their advisors should contact in the event that the Debtors have any questions or wish to discuss the Final Proposal submitted by the Investor.

(O) Further Information. A covenant to cooperate with the Debtors to provide pertinent factual information regarding the Investor's operations reasonably required to analyze issues arising with respect to any applicable antitrust laws and other applicable regulatory requirements.

The Debtors may, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, amend or waive the requirements to be a Qualified Plan Sponsor at any time, in their business judgment and in good faith, in a manner consistent with their fiduciary duties and applicable law (as reasonably determined in good faith by the Debtors in consultation with their outside legal

counsel) provided that any changes to any material requirements remain subject to Court approval, and may engage in negotiations with Investors that submitted Final Proposals complying with this Section III(7) as the Debtors deem appropriate, in the exercise of their business judgment, based upon the Debtors' evaluation of the content of each Final Proposal. The Debtors expressly reserve the right to extend the Final Proposal Deadline for all Investors, after consulting the Consultation Parties, pursuant to a notice filed with the Court. Each Potential Plan Sponsor that submits a Final Proposal shall comply with all reasonable requests for information and due diligence access by the Debtors or their advisors regarding the ability of such Potential Plan Sponsor, First Round Investor, or Investor to consummate a Transaction.

8. Plan Sponsor Selection.

(A) Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal. The Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, shall in their business judgment and in good faith, select the highest or otherwise best Qualified Plan Sponsor Proposal as the "Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal" and such Investor(s), the "Successful Plan Sponsor." If there are multiple Qualified Plan Sponsor Proposals, the Debtors reserve the right, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, to (i) host an auction to facilitate their selection process and (ii) adopt procedures to govern the auction process.

(B) Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal Notice. Approximately 102 days (if no auction is held) or 109 days (if an auction is held) after launching the Exit Financing Solicitation Process and following the selection of a Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal, the Debtors will file with the Court a general notice on the docket, substantially in the form attached to the Order as Exhibit B, which shall provide notice to all parties-in-interest of such Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal (the "Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal Notice").

9. Disposition of Good-Faith Deposits.

(A) Investors. Within five business days after the filing of the Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal Notice, the Escrow Agent shall return to each Investor that did not submit a Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal, as confirmed by the Debtors, such Investor's Deposit (without any interest accrued thereon).

(B) Forfeiture of Deposit. The Deposit of an Investor will be forfeited to the Debtors if the Investor is selected as the Successful Plan Sponsor and (i) fails to enter into the required definitive documentation or to consummate a Transaction in accordance with these Procedures and the terms of the applicable transaction documents with respect to the Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal or (ii) otherwise breaches the definitive transaction documents in a manner giving rise to a forfeiture of the Deposit.

(C) Successful Plan Sponsor. Unless otherwise provided in the definitive transaction documents entered into between the Debtors and the Successful Plan Sponsor, the Deposit of the Successful Plan Sponsor shall be applied against the purchase price

of the Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal upon the consummation of the Transaction proposed in the applicable Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal.

(D) Joint Notice to Escrow Agent. The Debtors and the Investor, as applicable, agree to execute a joint notice to the Escrow Agent for the return of any Deposit to the extent such return is required by these Procedures in a form acceptable to the Debtors and the Escrow Agent.

10. Consent to Jurisdiction and Authority as Condition to Submission of a Final Proposal. Investors submitting a First Round LOI shall be deemed to have (i) consented to the jurisdiction of the Court to enter any order, which shall be binding in all respects, related to these Procedures, (ii) waived any right to a jury trial in connection with these Procedures, and (iii) consented to the entry of a final order or judgment related to these Procedures if it is determined that the Court would lack Article III jurisdiction to enter such a final order or judgment absent the consent of the parties.

11. Amendments and Reservation of Rights. The Debtors and their advisors reserve the right, subject to the exercise of their business judgment and good faith, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, to amend, modify, or supplement any non-material or procedural provisions in these Procedures as they see fit to ensure a successful Exit Financing Solicitation Process; *provided, however*, that Court's approval shall be required prior to implementing any material amendment, modification, or supplement to these Procedures. The Debtors further reserve the right, subject to the exercise of their business judgment and good faith, to (i) negotiate with one or more prospective investors at any time (including by granting exclusivity), (ii) enter into a definitive agreement for any Transaction, (iii) reject any or all proposals at any time prior to entry of an order confirming the Debtors' chapter 11 plan that are (a) inadequate or insufficient, or (b) not in conformity with the requirements of these Procedures or the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code, (iv)waive terms and conditions set forth herein with respect to all Potential Investors and Investors, as applicable, or (v) terminate the Exit Financing Solicitation Process, in each case without prior notice and without assigning a specific reason. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing herein shall obligate the Debtors to consummate or pursue any transaction with a Qualified Plan Sponsor.

Exhibit B

Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal Notice

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	Chapter 11
Apple Tree Life Sciences, Inc., *et al.*,[1]	Case No. 25-12177 (LSS)
Debtors.	(Jointly Administered)
	Re: Docket No. ___

SUCCESSFUL PLAN SPONSOR PROPOSAL NOTICE

On December 9 and 12, 2025, and on January 1 and 15, 2026, Apple Tree Life Sciences, Inc. and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), each commenced a voluntary case under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court").

On [●], 2026, the Court entered the *Order for Approval of (I) Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures, (II) Payment of Upfront Due Diligence Fee and Stalking Horse Protections, and (III) Form and Manner of Notice Related Thereto* [Docket No. [●]] (the "Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures Order"), which, among other things, approved the exit financing solicitation procedures attached thereto as Exhibit A (the "Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures").

I. Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal Notice

In accordance with the Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures, pursuant to this notice (the "Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal Notice"), the Debtors hereby designate [●] as the Successful Plan Sponsor. The Debtors have entered into definitive documentation with respect to the Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal, which documentation is annexed hereto as **Exhibit A**. Pursuant to such definitive documentation, the Successful Plan Sponsor has agreed to be the plan sponsor with respect to a proposed transaction that finances the Debtors' emergence from chapter 11.

II. Additional Information

Copies of the Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures Order, the Exit Financing Solicitation Procedures, and any other documents referenced herein may be obtained free of charge at the

[1] The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number include: Apple Tree Life Sciences, Inc. (4506); ATP Life Science Ventures, L.P. (8224); ATP III GP, Ltd. (6091); Apertor Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (3161); Initial Therapeutics, Inc. (2453); Marlinspike Therapeutics, Inc. (4757); Red Queen Therapeutics, Inc. (8563); Evercrisp Biosciences, Inc. (4437); Nine Square Therapeutics, Inc. (4503); and Nereid Therapeutics Incorporated (8493). The location of the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is 230 Park Avenue, Suite 2800, New York, NY 10169.

website dedicated to the Debtors' chapter 11 cases maintained by their claims and noticing agent, Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global, located at https:www.veritaglobal.net/AppleTree.

Dated: [●], 2026
Wilmington, Delaware

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

Successful Plan Sponsor Proposal's Definitive Documentation