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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> - Niihara Yutaka		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc. [EMMA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner			
(Last) (First)	<b>mm</b> 0000	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/19/2019	X_Officer (give title below)         Other (specify below)           Chairman and CEO			
(Street) TORRANCE, CA 90503		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquirate	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code	on	(A) or D	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		(I) (Instr. 4)	(
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/19/2019		Р		100	А	\$ 3.34	10,162,226	D (1)	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/19/2019		Р		100	А	\$ 3.36	10,162,326	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/19/2019		Р		1,000	А	\$ 3.37	10,163,326	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/19/2019		Р		100	А	\$ 3.375	10,163,426	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/19/2019		Р		100	А	\$ 3.385	10,163,526	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/19/2019		Р		5,100	А	\$ 3.4	10,168,626	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/20/2019		Р		15	А	\$ 3.34	10,168,641	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/20/2019		Р		914	А	\$ 3.36	10,169,555	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/20/2019		Р		1,600	А	\$ 3.37	10,171,155	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/20/2019		Р		100	А	\$ 3.38	10,171,255	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/20/2019		Р		25	А	\$ 3.39	10,171,280	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/20/2019		Р		3,846	А	\$ 3.4	10,175,126	D	
Common stock, 40.001 par value	08/21/2019		Р		200	А	\$ 3.315	10,175,326	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/21/2019		Р		100	А	\$ 3.32	10,175,426	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/21/2019		Р		100	А	\$ 3.34	10,175,526	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/21/2019		Р		2,740	А	\$ 3.35	10,178,266	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/21/2019		Р		193	А	\$ 3.39	10,178,459	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value	08/21/2019		Р		3,167	А	\$ 3.4	10,181,626	D	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value								10,501	Ι	By Soomi Niihara
Common stock, \$0.001 par value								92,749	I	By Hope International Hospice, Inc. <sup>(2)</sup>
Common stock, \$0.001 par value								46,446	Ι	As custodian (3)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code		5. Numl of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D (Instr 4, and	er tive tities ired r osed ) . 3,	6. Date Exer and Expirati (Month/Day	on Date /Year)	Amor Unde Secur	unt of rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial
				Code	V	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Niihara Yutaka 21250 HAWTHORNE BLVD. SUITE 800 TORRANCE, CA 90503	Х	Х	Chairman and CEO				

### Signatures

Yutaka Niihara, M.D., M.P.H.	08/21/2019
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The shares shown and all other shares shown in this Report as owned directly include shares owned jointly with Soomi Niihara, the reporting person's wife.
- (2) Hope International Hospice, Inc, is a California corporation of which Dr. Niihara and his wife are the sole shareholders and directors.
- (3) The shares shown are held by Dr. Niihara as custodian for the benefit of his adult children. Dr. Niihara disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares. The inclusion in this Report of such shares shall not be deemed an admission that Dr. Niihara is the beneficial owners of such shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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