## FORM 4

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**Reporting Owners** 

#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Print or Ty	pe Responses	s)														
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Niihara Yutaka					2. Issuer Name and 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) (Middle) 21250 HAWTHORNE BLVD., SUITE 800					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/04/2019							X_ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chairman and CEO				
(Street)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						_X_ Form fil	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
	NCE, CA 9	90503 (State)	(7:)													
(City		(State)	(Zip)			Table I - I	Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities A	cquired, Disp	osed of, or E	Benefic	ially Own		
(Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year	) any		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		(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	ip Indirect Benefic Owners	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price				(I) (Instr. 4)		+)
Common stock, \$0.001 par value		09/04/2019			P		20,000	A	\$ 3.99 (1)	50,501		I		By Soomi Niihara		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value		09/05/2019			P		9,672	A	\$ 4.04 (2)	60,173		I		By Soomi Niihara		
Common stock, \$0.001 par value		09/06/2019			P		2,827	A	\$ 4.26 (3)	63,000	63,000		I		By Soomi Niihara	
Common stock, \$0.001 par value										10,223,29	293		D (4)			
Common stock, \$0.001 par value										92,749		I	By Ho Intern Hospi Inc. (5	ational ce,		
Reminder:	Report on a s	separate line	for each class of s	ecurities l	beneficially	owned dir							, ,		and 145	74 (0.02)
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Relationships

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

## **Signatures**

Yutaka Niihara, M.D., M.P.H.	09/06/2019
**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).
- The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$3.96 to \$4.04, inclusive. The reporting person (1) undertakes to provide to Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc., any security holder of Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the range set forth in footnotes (1), (2) and (3) to this Form 4.
- (2) The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$3.92 to \$4.10, inclusive.
- (3) The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$4.23 to \$4.31, inclusive.
- (4) The shares shown include shares owned jointly with Soomi Niihara, the reporting person's wife.
- (5) Hope International Hospice, Inc, is a California corporation of which Dr. Niihara and his wife are the sole shareholders and directors.

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