# FORM 4

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

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)																
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) 05/01/2020								X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chairman and CEO					
(Street)				4. If	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	NCE, CA	90503 (State)	(Zip)											•				
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(Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execut	A. Deemed Execution Date, if ny Month/Day/Year)		Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)					owing	Form: Direct (D)	7. Natural Indirectors Benefic Owners (Instr. 4	t cial ship		
						(	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	<b>;</b>				(I) (Instr. 4	ì	,
Common value	stock, \$0	.001 par	05/01/2020				P		5,000	A	\$ 1.21 (1)	10	),607,243	)7,243		D (2)		
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	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date	(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible sectors and the onth/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Instr. 8)  (Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		le ate ·)	7. Tit Amo Unde Secu	r. 3 and	(Instr. 5)	Derivat Securiti Benefic Owned Followi Reporte	ive ies cially ing ed ction(s)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficia						
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## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Reporting Owner Name / Address							

Niihara Yutaka 21250 HAWTHORNE BLVD. SUITE 800 TORRANCE, CA 90503	X	X	Chairman and CEO		
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### **Signatures**

Yutaka Niihara, M.D., M.P.H.	05/05/2020
**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 \$1.18 to \$1.29, inclusive. The reporting person (1) undertakes to provide to Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc., any security holder of Emmaus Life Sciences, Inc., and 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 this footnote (1) and in footnote (3) to this Form 4.
- (2) The shares shown include shares owned jointly with Soomi Niihara, the reporting person's wife.
- (3) The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$1.27 to \$1.31, inclusive.
- (4) 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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