## FORM 4

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

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SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080    City   State   Cit	Name and Address of Reporting Person *  Murugan Amar					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ATRA]							Direc	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)Director10% Owner				
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080   South SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080   City	INC., 611 GATEWAY BOULEVARD,					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							X Offic				pelow)	
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### **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Murugan Amar C/O ATARA BIOTHERAPEUTICS, INC. 611 GATEWAY BOULEVARD, SUITE 900 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			SVP, GC & Secretary					

### **Signatures**

/s/ David Tucker, Attorney-in-Fact for Amar Murugan	05/20/2021
**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) Shares sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 arrangement to satisfy tax obligations in connection with the vesting of previously granted Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) The sale price of the reporting person's shares represents the weighted average price of all shares sold by a broker on May 18, 2021 and May 19, 2021 on behalf of a group of employees of the Issuer to satisfy the payment of withholding tax liability of such employees.

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