

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</p> <p><u>Varghese Santosh T</u></p> <hr/> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p><u>C/O VIVUS, INC.</u></p> <p><u>900 E. HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 550</u></p> <hr/> <p>(Street)</p> <p><u>CAMPBELL</u> <u>CA</u> <u>95008</u></p> <hr/> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p><u>VIVUS INC</u> [<u>vvus</u>]</p> <hr/> <p>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</p> <p><u>05/14/2019</u></p> <hr/> <p>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Director</td> <td>10% Owner</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)</td> <td>Other (specify below)</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><u>Chief Medical Officer</u></td> </tr> </table> <hr/> <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>	Director	10% Owner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	<u>Chief Medical Officer</u>	
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<u>Chief Medical Officer</u>								

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (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 (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/14/2019		A ⁽¹⁾		700	A	\$2.84 ⁽²⁾	8,542	D	

**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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares were acquired under the VIVUS, Inc. 1994 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on May 14, 2019.
2. The price reported in Column 4 has been rounded to the nearest cent.

Remarks:

/s/ Julie Hollenback, Attorney-
in-Fact 05/15/2019

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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