FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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					or	Section	1 30(h)	of the	Invest	tment	Company Act	of 1940							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Discovery Group I, LLC</u>					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ ATRC ]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 191 N. WACKER DRIVE SUITE 1685					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/29/2010									Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Street) CHICAGO IL 60606					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     Form filed by One Reporting Person     X     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(St		Zip)																
Table I - N			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		A. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		l (A) or	5. An Secu Bene Own		Amount of ecurities eneficially wned Following eported		ership Direct ndirect tr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transactio (Instr. 3 an		tion(s)			(11301.4)
Common Stock				11/29/2010					P		1,000(1)	A	\$8.	.5	1,425,815		I		By Discovery Equity Partners, L.P. <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock				11/30/2010					P		2,264 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$8.49	<b>47</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	1,428,079		I		By Discovery Equity Partners, L.P. <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock			11/30/2010					P		381 <sup>(3)</sup>	A	\$8.49	<b>47</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	243,737			I	By Pleiades Investment Partners - D, L.P <sup>(3)</sup>	
		Та	ıble II								sposed of, , convertib				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	rivative Conversion Date Executity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if a		Execu if any	Deemed 4. Ution Date, Trans		saction of De Se Ac (A) Dis		5. Number		ate Exe	ercisable and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly D	0. ownership orm: irect (D) r Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	cisabl	Expiration e Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	r					
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Discovery Group I, LLC</u>																			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 191 N. WACKER DRIVE SUITE 1685																			

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person\*
Donoghue Daniel J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O DISCOVERY GROUP I, LLC

191 N. WACKER DRIVE SUITE 1685								
(Street) CHICAGO	IL	60606						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Murphy Michael R								
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O DISCOVERY GROUP I, LLC 191 N. WACKER DRIVE SUITE 1685								
(Street) CHICAGO	IL	60606						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Discovery Group I, LLC is the General Partner of Discovery Equity Partners, L.P., which is a discretionary client of the reporting person, that owns the reported securities. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$8.44 to \$8.50. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected."
- 3. Discovery Group I, LLC is an investment manager for Pleiades Investment Partners D, L.P., which is a discretionary client of the reporting person, that owns the reported securities. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

## Remarks

Michael R. Murphy and Daniel J. Donoghue are managing members of Discovery Group I, LLC, and each disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

Michael R. Murphy, Managing Director 12/01/2010

 Daniel J. Donoghue
 12/01/2010

 Michael R. Murphy
 12/01/2010

 \*\* 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).
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