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1. Name and Address of Reporting  $\operatorname{Person}^*$ 

C/O DISCOVERY GROUP I, LLC

**Donoghue Daniel J** 

(Zip)

(Middle)

FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     2. Issu						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AtriCure, Inc. [ ATRC ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 191 N. WACKER DRIVE SUITE 1685						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2011									Offic below	er (give title w)		Other below	(specify )
(Street) CHICAGO IL 60606				-   4. -	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						
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									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(	
Common Stock				03/22/20	/22/2011				P		3,200(1)	A	\$10.7	188(2)	1,5	1,599,541		Ι	By Discovery Equity Partners, L.P. <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock				03/23/2011				P		2,800(1)	A	\$10.7	723 <sup>(3)</sup>	1,602,341		I		By Discovery Equity Partners, L.P. <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock			03/24/2011				P		5,247 <sup>(1)</sup>	.7 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$10.99		949(4)	1,607,588		I		By Discovery Equity Partners, L.P. <sup>(1)</sup>		
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Derivative Conversion Date Security Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if		Exec if an	Deemed 4. ecution Date, Tra		saction e (Instr.	5. Number		6. Date Ex Expiration (Month/Da		ercisable and n Date	7. Titl Amou Secu Unde Deriv Secu	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		Price of ivative curity str. 5)	ive derivative y Securities		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Murphy Michael R									
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## **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 \$10.69 to \$10.75. 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. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$10.70 to \$10.73. 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
- 4. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$10.93 to \$11.00. 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

## 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

Daniel J. Donoghue

03/24/2011

Michael R. Murphy

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

03/24/2011

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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