

# FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>Marango Jotin</b>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>Aptose Biosciences Inc. [APTO]</b>		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director ____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) <b>Senior VP, CFO, and CBO</b>	
(Last) (First) (Middle) <b>C/O APTOSE BIOSCIENCES INC., 251 CONSUMERS ROAD, SUITE 1105</b>		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>08/19/2021</b>			
(Street) <b>TORONTO, A6 M2J 4R3</b>		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)		<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>			

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			

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

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**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 Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Performance Stock Option	\$ 2.35	08/19/2021		A	200,000		(1)(2)	08/19/2031	Common Shares	200,000	\$ 0	200,000	D	
Performance Stock Option	\$ 2.35	08/19/2021		A	200,000		(1)(3)	08/19/2031	Common Shares	200,000	\$ 0	200,000	D	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Marango Jotin C/O APTOSE BIOSCIENCES INC. 251 CONSUMERS ROAD, SUITE 1105 TORONTO, A6 M2J 4R3			Senior VP, CFO, and CBO	

## Signatures

/s/ Janet Clennett as attorney-in-fact for Jotin Marango	08/23/2021
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) The options were granted on August 19, 2021 and vest upon the earlier of (i) certain performance conditions or (ii) August 19, 2025, subject to Reporting Person's continued employment with the Issuer.

(2) Options vest in tranches connected with financing events.

(3) Options vest in connection with licensing and partnering events.

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