FORM 3

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person  EMSTER KURT VON	Requirin	ng Statement 'Day/Year)	Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Vera Therapeutics, Inc. [ VERA ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O VERA THERAPEUTICS, INC	<u>.</u>		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director X 10% Owner				5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
170 HARBOR WAY, 3RD FLOOR  (Street)  SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO  94080	_		X Director Officer (give title below)	0	ther (sp elow)	6. Ir	eck Applicable Form filed Person	by One Reporting by More than One	
(City) (State) (Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned									
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Fo				Nature of Indirect Beneficial vnership (Instr. 5)		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)									
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			l. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun Number Shares	tor D	Derivative Security	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	5)	
Series C Preferred Stock	(1)	(1)	Class A Common Stock	2,187,5	504	(1)	I	See footnote <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Series C Preferred Stock is convertible into Class A Common Stock on a 11.5869:1 basis (on an adjusted basis, after giving effect to the reverse stock split of the Class A Common Stock effected by the Issuer on May 7, 2021) and has no expiration date. Upon filing of the Issuer's Restated Certificate of Incorporation in connection with the Issuer's initial public offering, all shares of Series C Preferred Stock will be converted into shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer.
- 2. The shares are held by Abingworth Bioventures 8, LP ("ABV 8"). Abingworth Bioventures 8 GP LP ("Abingworth GP") serves as the general partner of ABV 8. Abingworth General Partner 8 LLP serves as the general partner of Abingworth GP. ABV 8 (acting by its general partner Abingworth GP, acting by its general partner of ABV 8. The Reporting Person is a member of the investment committee of Abingworth LLP, which approves investment and voting decisions by a super majority vote, and no individual member has the sole control or voting power over the shares held by ABV 8.
- 3. From time to time, the investment committee may delegate investment and voting authority over certain securities held by the Abingworth Funds to employees of Abingworth subject to the supervision and oversight of the investment committee, including any limits on such authority imposed by the investment committee in its discretion and the right of the investment committee to revoke such authority at any time. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person, ABV 8 or any other person is the beneficial owner of the securities reported herein for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.

## Remarks:

<u>/s/ Joseph R. Young,</u> Attorney-in-Fact

05/13/2021

\*\* 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 5 (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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KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Joseph R. Young of Vera Therapeutics, Inc., and Jodie Bourdet, Carlton Fleming, Daniel P. Eitutis and Kris Tsao Cachia of Cooley LLP, signing individually, the undersigned's true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents to:

- 1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or more than 10% stockholder of Vera Therapeutics, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- 2. do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Forms 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- 3. take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the earliest to occur of (a) the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, (b) revocation by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact or (c) as to any attorney-in-fact individually, until such attorney-in-fact is no longer employed by the Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 22nd day of April, 2021.

/s/ Kurt von Emster