



Charles River Laboratories to Present at September Conferences

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WILMINGTON, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sept. 2, 2004--Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (NYSE: CRL) announced today that management will present at two conferences in September 2004.

On Thursday, September 9th, at 10:00 a.m. EDT, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer James C. Foster will present at the Thomas Weisel Healthcare Tailwinds 2004 Conference in Boston.

On Tuesday, September 14th, at 9:30 a.m. EDT, James C. Foster and Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Thomas F. Ackerman will present at the Bear Stearns 17th Annual Healthcare Conference in New York.

A live webcast of each presentation will be available through a link that will be posted on the Investor Relations section of the Charles River Laboratories website, <http://ir.criver.com>. A webcast replay for each conference will be accessible through the same website approximately three hours after the presentation and will remain available for one week after the presentation date.

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