



Charles River Laboratories to Present at JPMorgan Healthcare Conference

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WILMINGTON, Mass.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jan. 3, 2005--Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. (NYSE: CRL) announced today that Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer James C. Foster and Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Thomas F. Ackerman will present at the JPMorgan 23rd Annual Healthcare Conference in San Francisco, California, on Tuesday, January 11, 2005, at 11:00 a.m. PT.

A live webcast of the 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 will be accessible through the same website approximately three hours after the presentation and will remain available until January 18, 2005.

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