FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	OF CHANGES	S IN BENEFICIAL	. OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     FOSTER JAMES C					<u>C</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC [ CRL ]								elationship o ck all applic Director	able)	g Persor	n(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s)	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 251 BALLARDVALE STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2004								below)				Sceny	
(Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											Person					
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1. Title of \$	Security (Insi	tr. 3)		2. Trans Date (Month/I		r) E	f any	med on Date, Day/Year)	3. Transa Code ( 8)	Instr.	Disposed (	es Acquired Of (D) (Instr.	3, 4 and 5)	5. Amour Securities Beneficia Owned F Reported Transact	s ally following d	6. Own Form: I (D) or I (I) (Inst	Direct II Indirect E tr. 4) C	. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)	
	0 1			44/05	./2004				Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 a	and 4)				
Common				11/02/2004		+			M		20,000		\$5.33		7,428		D		
Common				11/02/2004		-			M G		30,000 6,500	A D	\$5.33 \$0	_	247,428		D D		
Common						+			S		30,000	_	\$46.205	<del>                                     </del>			D I		
Common				11/02/2004		-			S		20,000		\$46.692	+		-	D		
Common	Stock													2,0	000		I S	Held by Gelf as Trustee for Alex C. Foster	
Common Stock											2,000		I i		Held by Self as Frustee For Zachary N. Foster				
Common Stock														10,000				Held by Spouse	
			Table II								posed of converti			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date Execution (Month/Day/Year)  General Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)		n Date, Transacti Code (Ins		ction	ion of		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		te of Securities		d Amount es J Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)			LO. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$16								06/23/2	001	06/23/2010	Common Stock	40,000		40,00	0	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$31.97								08/01/2	002	08/01/2011	Common Stock	77,500		77,50	0	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$32.15								07/15/2	003	07/15/2012	Common Stock	155,000		155,00	00	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$32.87								07/23/2	004	07/23/2013	Common Stock	200,000		200,00	00	D		

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date Title Amount or Number of Share		or				
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$43.07							02/13/2005	02/13/2014	Common Stock	150,000		150,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$5.33	11/02/2004		М			20,000	12/31/2000	09/29/2009	Common Stock	20,000	\$5.33	333,824	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$5.33	11/02/2004		M			30,000	12/31/2000	09/29/2009	Common Stock	30,000	\$5.33	303,824	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. This trade occured pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan.

<u>Deborah Gray</u>

11/04/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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