FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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*  THIER SAMUEL O MD						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC [ CRL ]									ationship o k all applic Director	able)	g Pers	on(s) to Issu 10% Ov	
(Last) 251 BAL	(Last) (First) (Middle) 251 BALLARDVALE STREET				3.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2011									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify
(Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887 (City) (State) (Zip)					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								S. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tal	ole I - Non	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curities	Acc	quired, l	Dis	osed o	f, or Be	nefici	ally	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa: Date (Month/D:						ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			5. Amour 4 and Securitie Beneficia Owned F		es For ally (D) following (I) (		n: Direct or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o (D)	Pric	е	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 05/11/						/2011			A		2,280	1) A	\$	60	14,	,190		D	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	Date,	Code (Instr		n Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er		(Instr. 4)			
Stock Options (Right to	\$40.27	05/11/2011			A		7,740 <sup>(2)</sup>		05/11/201	2	05/11/2018	Common Stock	7,74	10	\$0	7,740	)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Reflects Restricted Shares of Common Stock that vest upon the earlier of 5/11/2012 or the business day immediately preceding the next annual meeting of shareholders of the Issuer.
- 2. The stock options become exercisable upon the earlier of 5/11/2012 or the business day prior to the Company's next annual meeting of shareholders.

/s/ Samuel O. Thier, MD 05/12/2011

\*\* 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 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).

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