FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* JOHST DAVID P					<u>C</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC [CRL]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 251 BALLARDVALE STREET					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2004									below)	Sr. Vice	Presi	below) dent			
(Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2004								Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City) (State) (Zip)					Person															
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Trans				med on Da	n Date, Transaction Code (Instr.			ities Ac	Benet quired (a (Instr. 3	4) or	5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	s Ily	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
				(Code	v	Amount	mount (A) or PI		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock														33,881			D			
			Table II -						quired, D ts, option						Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	ate, Tr	ansac		5. Numb of Derivati Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (II 3, 4 and	ive ies ed ed nstr.	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(: (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu	nount mber Shares						
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$5.33								09/29/2000		09/29/2009	Comn		5,254		125,2	54	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$16								06/23/2003	1 (06/23/2010	Comn		5,000		16,000		D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$31.97								08/01/2002	2 (08/01/2011	Comn		1,800		21,80	00	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$32.15								07/15/2005	5 (07/15/2012	Comn		3,400		23,40	00	D		
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$32.87								07/23/2004	4 (07/23/2013	Comn		5,600		26,60	00	D		
Stock Options (Right to	\$43.07 ⁽¹⁾	02/13/2004	02/13/200	04	A		20,200		02/13/2005	(2)	02/13/2014	Comn		0,200	\$0	20,20	00	D		

Explanation of Responses:

buy)

- 1. Exercise price was missing from the original filing
- 2. The options vest on a 3 year schedule beginning on February 13, 2005

Deborah E. Gray

02/17/2004

** 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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