FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1		f Reporting Person [*] THOMAS F	in*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC [CRL]									ck all applic Directo	cable) or	10% Owne		wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 251 BALLARDVALE STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X Office below									r (give title Other (specify below) Sr. Vp and CFO				
(Street) WILMINGTON MA 018 (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4.	If Ame	mendment, Date of Original Filed (Mon					/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Ap Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Perso Form filed by More than One Repo Person				on
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THOMAS F ACKERMAN

10/03/2003

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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