

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC

Form 5

January 28, 2003

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 ACKERMAN, THOMAS F.
 251 Ballardvale Street
 Wilmington, MA 01887
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Charles River Laboratories Int'l., Inc (CRL)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
 2003
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Sr. Vp and CFO
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amou Secu Bene Owne End Year
			Amount	A/D	Price	
Common Stock	11/25/2002	G	-250	D	\$0.0000	13517

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
Title of Derivative Security	Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deriv- ative Security	Transac- tion Date (Month/ Day/Year)	Transac- tion Code	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed (D) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Date Exer- cisable Expiration Date	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
							Amount or Number of Shares

Explanation of Responses:

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SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/ THOMAS F. ACKERMAN

DATE
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