

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 THIER SAMUEL O MD

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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 251 BALLARDVALE STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/09/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

WILMINGTON, MA 01887  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/09/2008		A	2,000 (1)	\$ 0 6,400	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 61.72	05/09/2008		A	6,000	05/09/2009 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/09/2015	Common Stock 6,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THIER SAMUEL O MD 251 BALLARDVALE STREET WILMINGTON, MA 01887	X			

## Signatures

/s/Matthew Daniel as attorney in fact for Samuel Thier 05/13/2008

\_\_\_\_\_\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Reflects Restricted Shares of Common Stock that vest upon the earlier of 5/09/2009 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 5/09/2009 or the business day prior to the Company's next annual meeting of shareholders.

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