FOSTER JAMES C
Form 4
December 02, 2002

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
   FOSTER, JAMES C.
   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
   12/2002
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
   (X) Director ( ) 10% Owner
   (X) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other (specify below)
   President and CEO
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
   (X) 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 Mont
		Code	V	Amount	A/D	Price	
Common Stock	12/02/2002	M		9000	A	$5.3300	
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