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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) December 23, 2002

BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

A Delaware Corporation 1-7928 94-1381833

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

1000 Alfred Nobel Drive, Hercules, California 94547

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (510)724-7000

No Change

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

On December 23, 2002, Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc. (Bio-Rad), issued a press release, the text of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, announcing executive management transition plans.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

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- (c) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press Release dated December 23, 2002 referred to in Item 5 above.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BIO-RAD LABORATORIES, INC. (Registrant)

Date: December 23, 2002 By: /s/ James R. Stark
James R. Stark
Corporate Controller