

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

December 31, 2020

James Foster Chief Executive Officer Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. 251 Ballardvale Street Wilmington, Massachusetts

> Re: Charles River Laboratories International, Inc. Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 28, 2019 Filed February 11, 2020 File No. 001-15943

Dear Mr. Foster:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Trade & Services

cc: Bobbie L. King Jr.