## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 15, 2005

## CRYOLIFE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **1-13165** (Commission File Number)

**59-2417093** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1655 Roberts Boulevard, N.W., Kennesaw, Georgia 30144 (Address of principal executive office) (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (770) 419-3355

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Section 1 Registrant's Business and Operations.

#### Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Contract.

On March 15, 2005, CryoLife, Inc. (the "Company" or "CryoLife") entered into a new purchase agreement with Piper Jaffray & Co. A copy of the purchase agreement is attached as Exhibit 1.1 to this report and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Section 3 Securities and Trading Markets.

#### Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders.

On March 15, 2005, CryoLife filed the Articles of Amendment (the "Articles of Amendment") to its Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of Florida, establishing its 6% Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Preferred Stock") in connection with its public offering of up to 460,000 shares of Preferred Stock pursuant to the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-121406) (the "Registration Statement"). The terms of the Preferred Stock restrict the payment of dividends on the Company's Common Stock unless the Company has paid or set aside the cumulative dividends then owed on the Preferred Stock. In addition, each share of Preferred Stock is entitled to a liquidation preference equal to the initial \$50 purchase price per share. The terms and conditions of the Preferred Stock are described under the heading "Description of Convertible Preferred Stock" in the prospectus supplement to the prospectus included in the Registration Statement.

#### Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management.

#### Item 5.03 Amendment to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On March 15, 2005, the Company filed the Articles of Amendment related to the Preferred Stock, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 3.4. The terms and conditions of the Preferred Stock are described under the heading "Description of Convertible Preferred Stock" in the prospectus supplement to the prospectus included in the Registration Statement.

## Section 7 Regulation FD.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The information provided pursuant to this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") or incorporated by reference into those filings of the Company that provide for the incorporation of all reports and documents filed by the Company under the Exchange Act. The information furnished pursuant to this Item 7.01 shall instead be deemed "furnished."

On March 15, 2005, the Company issued a press release announcing the pricing of its public offering of 400,000 shares of Preferred Stock sold under the Registration Statement. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

## Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

## Item 9.01(c) Exhibits.

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3.4*	Articles of Amendment		
12.1	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges		
99.1	Press Release dated March 15, 2005. (This Exhibit is deemed furnished and not filed)		

<sup>\*</sup> Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.4 filed with the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on March 15, 2005 (File No. 001-13165)

## **SIGNATURES**

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

CRYOLIFE, INC.

Date: March 15, 2005

By: /s/ D. ASHLEY LEE

Name: D. Ashley Lee Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer

and Chief Financial Officer

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CRYOLIFE, INC.
6% Convertible Preferred Stock

\$0.01 par value per share

**PURCHASE AGREEMENT** 

March 15, 2005

PIPER JAFFRAY & CO.
As Representative of the several
Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto
c/o Piper Jaffray & Co.
U.S. Bancorp Center
800 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

CryoLife, Inc., a Florida corporation (the "Company") proposes to sell to the several Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto (the "Underwriters") an aggregate of 400,000 shares (the "Firm Shares") of 6% Convertible Preferred Stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Preferred Stock"), of the Company. The Firm Shares are authorized but unissued shares of Preferred Stock to be issued and sold by the Company. The Preferred Stock is convertible into shares (the "Conversion Shares") of the Company's Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Common Stock"). If the Shares (as defined below) are converted into Common Stock prior to April 1, 2008, the Company will make an additional payment (the "Make-Whole-Payment") on the Shares equal to the aggregate amount of dividends that would have accrued and become payable on the Shares from the date of original issue of the Shares through and including April 1, 2008, less any dividends already paid on the Shares. The Make-Whole Payment is payable by the Company, at the Company's option, in cash, in shares of Common Stock (the "Make-Whole Shares"), or a combination of cash and Make-Whole Shares. The Company has also granted to the several Underwriters an option to purchase up to 60,000 additional shares of Preferred Stock on the terms and for the purposes set forth in Section 3 hereof (the "Option Shares"). The Firm Shares and any Option Shares purchased pursuant to this Purchase Agreement are herein collectively called the "Shares." The Shares, the Conversion Shares and the Make-Whole Shares are herein collectively called the "Securities."

The Company hereby confirms its agreement with respect to the sale of the Securities to the several Underwriters, for whom you are acting as representative (the "Representative").

Plus an option to purchase up to 60,000 additional shares to cover over-allotments.

1. Registration Statement and Prospectus. The Company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-121406) and such amendments to such registration statement as may have been required to the date of this Agreement. Such registration statement has been declared effective by the Commission. The registration statement contains a form of prospectus dated January 7, 2005 (the "Base Prospectus") to be used in connection with the public offering and sale of the Securities. The Company has filed with, or shall promptly hereafter file with, the Commission a final prospectus supplement (the "Prospectus Supplement") relating to the Securities pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act") and the rules and regulations (the "Rules and Regulations") of the Commission thereunder. Such registration statement, as amended by the most recent posteffective amendment thereto (if any), including the financial statements, exhibits and schedules thereto, in the form in which it was declared effective by the Commission under the Act, including all documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference therein as well as any information deemed to be a part thereof at the time of effectiveness pursuant to Rule 430A under the Act or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively, the "Exchange Act"), is called the "Registration Statement." Any registration statement filed by the Company pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act is called the "Rule 462(b) Registration Statement", and from and after the date and time of filing of the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement the term "Registration Statement" shall include the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement. As used herein, the term "Preliminary Prospectus" shall mean the Base Prospectus, as supplemented by any preliminary prospectus supplement. As used herein, the term "Prospectus" means the Base Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus Supplement. All references in this Agreement to the Registration Statement, the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, a Preliminary Prospectus, or the Prospectus, or any amendments or supplements to any of the foregoing, shall include any copy thereof filed with the Commission pursuant to its Electronic Data Gathering, Analysis and Retrieval System ("EDGAR") and shall also be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference therein pursuant to the Act and the Rules and Regulations. All references in this Agreement to amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement or the Prospectus shall be deemed to mean and include the filing of any document under the Exchange Act which is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, as the case may be. No document has been or will be prepared or distributed in reliance on Rule 434 under the Act.

#### 2. Representations and Warranties of the Company.

- (a) The Company represents and warrants to, and agrees with, the several Underwriters as follows:
- (i) No order preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus has been issued by the Commission and each Preliminary Prospectus, at the time of filing thereof, complied in all material respects with the requirements of the Act and the Rules and Regulations and did not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; except that the foregoing shall not apply to statements in or omissions from any Preliminary Prospectus in reliance upon, and in conformity with, written information furnished to the Company by you, or by any Underwriter through you, specifically for use in the preparation thereof.
- (ii) The Registration Statement and any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement have been declared effective by the Commission under the Securities Act. The Company has complied to the Commission's satisfaction with all requests of the Commission for additional or supplemental information. No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement is in effect and no proceedings for such

purpose have been instituted or are pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company, are contemplated or threatened by the Commission.

- (iii) Each of the Registration Statement, any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, at the time it became effective and at all subsequent times until the expiration of the Prospectus Delivery Period (as defined below), and the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement to the Prospectus), at the time of filing or first delivery to the Underwriters thereof and at all subsequent times until expiration of the Prospectus Delivery Period, complied and will comply in all material respects with the applicable requirements and provisions of the Act, the Rules and Regulations and the Exchange Act and did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading. The Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, as of its date and at all subsequent times until the expiration of the Prospectus Delivery Period, did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The representations and warranties set forth in the two immediately preceding sentences do not apply to statements in or omissions from the Registration Statement, any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, or any post-effective amendment thereto, or the Prospectus, or any amendments or supplements thereto, made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information relating to an Underwriter furnished to the Company by you or by any Underwriter through you, specifically for use in the preparation thereof.
- (iv) The financial statements of the Company, together with the related notes, set forth or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, Preliminary Prospectus and Prospectus comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Act and the Exchange Act and fairly present the financial condition of the Company as of the dates indicated and the results of operations and changes in cash flows for the periods therein specified in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied throughout the periods involved; and the supporting schedules included in the Registration Statement present fairly the information required to be stated therein. No other financial statements or schedules are required to be included in the Registration Statement or Prospectus.
- (v) Each of the Company and its subsidiaries has been duly organized and is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation. Each of the Company and its subsidiaries has full corporate power and authority to own its properties and conduct its business as currently being carried on and as described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and is duly qualified to do business as a foreign corporation in good standing in each jurisdiction in which it owns or leases real property or in which the conduct of its business makes such qualification necessary and in which the failure to so qualify would have a material adverse effect upon the business, prospects, properties, operations, condition (financial or otherwise) or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole ("Material Adverse Effect").
- (vi) Except as contemplated in the Prospectus, subsequent to the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has incurred any material liabilities or obligations, direct or contingent, or entered into any material transactions, or declared or paid any dividends or made any distribution of any kind with respect to its capital stock; and there has not been any change in the capital stock (other than a change in the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock due to the issuance of shares upon the exercise of outstanding options or warrants), or any material change in the short-term or long-term debt, or any issuance of options, warrants, convertible securities or other rights to purchase the capital stock, of the

Company or any of its subsidiaries, or any material adverse change in the general affairs, condition (financial or otherwise), business, prospects, property, operations or results of operations of the Company and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole ("Material Adverse Change") or any development involving a prospective Material Adverse Change.

- (vii) Except as set forth in the Prospectus, there is not pending or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened or contemplated, any action, suit or proceeding to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or of which any property or assets of the Company is the subject before or by any court or governmental agency, authority or body, or any arbitrator, which, individually or in the aggregate, might result in any Material Adverse Change.
- (viii) There are no statutes, regulations, contracts or documents that are required to be described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus or be filed as exhibits to the Registration Statement by the Act or by the Rules and Regulations that have not been so described or filed.
- (ix) This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company, and constitutes a valid, legal and binding obligation of the Company, enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as rights to indemnity hereunder may be limited by federal or state securities laws and except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally and subject to general principles of equity. The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated will not result in a breach or violation of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, any statute, any agreement or instrument to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound or to which any of its property is subject, the Company's charter or by-laws, or any order, rule, regulation or decree of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its properties; no consent, approval, authorization or order of, or filing with, any court or governmental agency or body is required for the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement or for the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, including the issuance or sale of the Securities by the Company, except for the filing of the Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the Company designating the rights, powers and preferences of the Preferred Stock (the "Articles of Amendment") and the authorization for listing of the Shares on the New York Stock Exchange and except such as may be required under the Act or state securities or blue sky laws; and the Company has full power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to authorize, issue and sell the Securities as contemplated by this Agreement and the Articles of Amendment.
- (x) All of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of the Company, including the outstanding shares of Common Stock, are duly authorized and validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable, have been issued in compliance with all federal and state securities laws, were not issued in violation of or subject to any preemptive rights or other rights to subscribe for or purchase securities that have not been waived in writing (a copy of which has been delivered to counsel to the Representative), and the holders thereof are not subject to personal liability by reason of being such holders; the Shares which may be sold hereunder by the Company have been duly authorized and, when issued, delivered and paid for in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, will have been validly issued and will be fully paid and nonassessable, and the holders thereof will not be subject to personal liability by reason of being such holders; the Conversion Shares and the Make-Whole Shares have been duly authorized and reserved for issuance upon conversion of the Shares or upon payment of any Make-Whole Payment in shares of Common Stock pursuant to the terms of the Articles of Amendment, as applicable, and if and when issued in accordance with the Articles of

Amendment will be duly and validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and the holders thereof will not be subject to personal liability by reason of being such holders; the 2,000,000 shares of the Company's Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock (the "Junior Preferred Stock") have been duly authorized and reserved for issuance upon exercise of the rights (the "Rights") granted pursuant to the Rights Agreement (the "Rights Agreement") dated as of November 27, 1995, by and between the Company and Chemical Mellon Shareholder Services, L.L.C. (succeeded by American Stock Transfer & Trust Company), as amended as of June 1, 1997, and if and when issued in accordance with the Rights Agreement will be duly and validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and the holders thereof will not be subject to personal liability by reason of being such holders; and the capital stock of the Company, including the Shares, the Junior Preferred Stock, the Conversion Shares and the Make-Whole Shares, and the Rights, conforms to the description thereof in the Registration Statement and Prospectus. Except as otherwise stated in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, there are no preemptive rights or other rights to subscribe for or to purchase, or any restriction upon the voting or transfer of, any shares of the Preferred Stock, the Common Stock or other capital stock of the Company pursuant to the Company's charter, by-laws or any agreement or other instrument to which the Company is a party or by which the Company is bound. Neither the filing of the Registration Statement nor the offering or sale of the Shares as contemplated by this Agreement gives rise to any rights for or relating to the registration of any shares of Preferred Stock, Common Stock or other securities of the Company. All of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of each of the Company's subsidiaries have been duly and validly authorized and issued and are fully paid and nonassessable, and, except as otherwise described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, the Company owns of record and beneficially, free and clear of any security interests, claims, liens, proxies, equities or other encumbrances, all of the issued and outstanding shares of such stock. Except as described in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, there are no options, warrants, agreements, contracts or other rights in existence to purchase or acquire from the Company or any subsidiary of the Company any shares of the capital stock of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company. The Company has an authorized and outstanding capitalization as set forth in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus. The Amended Articles have been heretofore duly authorized and approved in accordance with the Florida Business Corporation Act and shall become effective and in full force and effect on or before the time of purchase.

- (xi) Except where the failure to do so would not individually or in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect, the Company and each of its subsidiaries holds, and is operating in compliance with, all franchises, grants, authorizations, licenses, permits, easements, consents, certificates and orders of any governmental or self-regulatory body required for the conduct of its business and all such franchises, grants, authorizations, licenses, permits, easements, consents, certifications and orders are valid and in full force and effect; and the Company and each of its subsidiaries is in compliance with all applicable federal, state, local and foreign laws, regulations, orders and decrees, except where the failure to comply would not individually or in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (xii) The Company and its subsidiaries have good and marketable title to all property (whether real or personal) described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus as being owned by them, in each case free and clear of all liens, claims, security interests, other encumbrances or defects except such as are described in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus. The property held under lease by the Company and its subsidiaries is held by them under valid, subsisting and enforceable leases with only such exceptions with respect to any particular lease as do not interfere in any material respect with the conduct of the business of the Company or its subsidiaries.

- (xiii) The Company and each of its subsidiaries owns, licenses, or possesses all patents, patent applications, trademarks, service marks, tradenames, trademark registrations, service mark registrations, copyrights, licenses, inventions, trade secrets and rights necessary for the conduct of the business of the Company and its subsidiaries as currently carried on and as described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus; except as stated in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, to the Company's knowledge after due inquiry, no name which the Company or any of its subsidiaries uses and no other aspect of the business of the Company or any of its subsidiaries will involve or give rise to any infringement of, or license or similar fees for, any patents, patent applications, trademarks, service marks, tradenames, trademark registrations, service mark registrations, copyrights, licenses, inventions, trade secrets or other similar rights of others material to the business or prospects of the Company and neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has received any notice alleging any such infringement or fee.
- (xiv) Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is (A) in violation of its respective charter or by-laws or (B) except as disclosed in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, in breach of or otherwise in default under, and no event has occurred which, with notice or lapse of time or both, would constitute a default in the performance of any material obligation, agreement or condition contained in any bond, debenture, note, indenture, loan agreement or any other material contract, lease or other instrument to which it is subject or by which any of them may be bound, or to which any of the material property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject, except, in the case of clause (B), for breaches, violations, defaults and events that would not individually or in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (xv) The Company and its subsidiaries have timely filed all federal, state, local and foreign income and franchise tax returns required to be filed and are not in default in the payment of any taxes which were payable pursuant to said returns or any assessments with respect thereto, other than any which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is contesting in good faith.
- (xvi) The Company has not distributed and will not distribute any prospectus or other offering material in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities other than any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or other materials permitted by the Act to be distributed by the Company.
- (xvii) The Common Stock and the Rights are registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and are listed or approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange and the Company has taken no action designed to, or likely to have the effect of, terminating the registration of the Common Stock and the Rights under the Exchange Act or delisting the Common Stock and the Rights from the New York Stock Exchange nor has the Company received any notification that the Commission or New York Stock Exchange is contemplating terminating such registration or listing. The Company has complied in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the New York Stock Exchange for maintenance of listing of the Common Stock and the Rights thereon. The Company has filed an application to list the Securities on the New York Stock Exchange. The Company has filed, in accordance with Section 12 of the Exchange Act, a registration statement on Form 8-A under the Exchange Act to register, under Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act, the class of securities consisting of the Preferred Stock.
- (xviii) Other than the subsidiaries of the Company listed in Exhibit 21 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, the Company,

directly or indirectly, owns no capital stock or other equity or ownership or proprietary interest in any corporation, partnership, association, trust or other entity.

- (xix) The Company maintains a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles and to maintain accountability for assets; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences.
- (xx) Other than as contemplated by this Agreement, the Company has not incurred any liability for any finder's or broker's fee or agent's commission in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.
- (xxi) The Company carries, or is covered by, insurance in such amounts and covering such risks as it reasonably believes is adequate for the conduct of its business and the value of its properties, with the limitations for prior years as disclosed in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus.
- (xxii) The Company is not and, after giving effect to the offering and sale of the Securities, will not be an "investment company," as such term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.
  - (xxiii) The conditions for use of Form S-3, set forth in the General Instructions thereto, have been satisfied.
- (xxiv) The documents incorporated by reference in the Prospectus, when they became effective or were filed with the Commission, as the case may be, conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Act or the Exchange Act, as applicable, and were filed on a timely basis with the Commission and none of such documents contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; any further documents so filed and incorporated by reference in the Prospectus, when such documents are filed with the Commission, will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act, and will not contain an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
- (xxv) The Company is in compliance with all applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.
- (xxvi) The Company has established and maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14 under the Exchange Act) and such controls and procedures are effective in ensuring that material information relating to the Company, including its subsidiaries, is made known to the principal executive officer and the principal financial officer. The Company has utilized such controls and procedures in preparing and evaluating the disclosures in the Registration Statement and Prospectus. The Company has established and maintains and evaluates an "internal control over financial reporting" (as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15 and 15d-15 under the Exchange Act). The Company's auditors and the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company have been advised of: (i) any significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the Company's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data, and (ii) any known fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other

employees who have a role in the Company's internal controls. Any material weaknesses in internal controls have been identified for the Company's auditors. Since the date of the most recent evaluation of such disclosure controls and procedures, there have been no significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

(xxvii) The preclinical tests and clinical trials that are described in, or the results of which are referred to in, the Registration Statement or the Prospectus were and, if still pending, are being conducted in accordance with protocols filed with the appropriate regulatory authorities for each such test or trial, as the case may be; the description of the results of such tests and trials contained in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus are accurate and complete, and the Company has no knowledge of any other studies or tests the results of which are inconsistent with, or otherwise call into question, the results described or referred to in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus; the Company has not received any notices or other correspondence from the Food and Drug Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or any committee thereof or from any other governmental agency requiring the termination, suspension or modification of any clinical trials that are described or referred to in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus.

(xxviii) The Company is not engaged in any unfair labor practice; except for matters which would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) there is (A) no unfair labor practice complaint pending or, to the Company's knowledge after due inquiry, threatened against the Company before the National Labor Relations Board, and no grievance or arbitration proceeding arising out of or under collective bargaining agreements is pending or threatened, (B) no strike, labor dispute, slowdown or stoppage pending or, to the Company's knowledge after due inquiry, threatened against the Company and (C) no union representation dispute currently existing concerning the employees of the Company, and (ii) to the Company's knowledge after due inquiry, (A) no union organizing activities are currently taking place concerning the employees of the Company and (B) there has been no violation of any federal, state, local or foreign law relating to discrimination in the hiring, promotion or pay of employees, any applicable wage or hour laws or any provision of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA") or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder concerning the employees of the Company.

(xxix) The Company and its properties, assets and operations are in compliance with, and hold all permits, authorizations and approvals required under, Environmental Laws (as defined below), except to the extent that failure to so comply or to hold such permits, authorizations or approvals would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect; there are no past, present or, to the Company's knowledge, reasonably anticipated future events, conditions, circumstances, activities, practices, actions, omissions or plans that could reasonably be expected to give rise to any material costs or liabilities to the Company under, or to interfere with or prevent compliance by the Company with, Environmental Laws; except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, have a Material Adverse Effect, the Company (i) is not the subject of any investigation, (ii) has not received any notice or claim, (iii) is not a party to or, to the Company's knowledge, affected by any pending or threatened action, suit or proceeding, (iv) is not bound by any judgment, decree or order and (v) has not entered into any agreement, in each case relating to any alleged violation of any Environmental Law or any actual or alleged release or threatened release or cleanup at any location of any Hazardous Materials (as defined below) (as used herein, "Environmental Law" means any applicable federal, state, local or foreign law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, decree, judgment, injunction, permit, license, authorization

or other binding requirement, or common law, relating to health, safety or the protection, cleanup or restoration of the environment or natural resources, including those relating to the distribution, processing, generation, treatment, storage, disposal, transportation, other handling or release or threatened release of Hazardous Materials, and "Hazardous Materials" means any material (including, without limitation, pollutants, contaminants, hazardous or toxic substances or wastes) that is regulated by or may give rise to liability under any Environmental Law).

(xxx) The Company conducts a review of the effect of the Environmental Laws on its business, operations and properties when the Company deems appropriate under the circumstances, in a manner which is reasonable in light of the Company's business in order to identify and evaluate associated costs and liabilities (including, without limitation, any capital or operating expenditures required for cleanup, closure of properties or compliance with the Environmental Laws or any permit, license or approval, any related constraints on operating activities and any potential liabilities to third parties).

(xxxi) All statistical or market-related data included in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus are based on or derived from sources that the Company believes to be reliable and accurate, and the Company has obtained the written consent to the use of such data from such sources to the extent required.

(xxxii) There are no affiliations or associations between any member of the NASD and any of the Company's officers, directors or, to the Company's knowledge, 5% or greater securityholders.

(b) Any certificate signed by any officer of the Company and delivered to you or to counsel for the Underwriters shall be deemed a representation and warranty by the Company to each Underwriter as to the matters covered thereby.

#### 3. Purchase, Sale and Delivery of Securities.

(a) On the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements herein contained, but subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth, the Company agrees to issue and sell the Firm Shares to the several Underwriters, and each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company the number of Firm Shares set forth opposite the name of such Underwriter in Schedule I hereto. The purchase price for each Firm Share shall be \$47.00 per share. In making this Agreement, each Underwriter is contracting severally and not jointly; except as provided in paragraph (c) of this Section 3 and in Section 8 hereof, the agreement of each Underwriter is to purchase only the respective number of Firm Shares specified in Schedule I.

The Firm Shares will be delivered by the Company and the Custodian to you for the accounts of the several Underwriters against payment of the purchase price therefor by wire transfer of same day funds payable to the order of the Company and the Custodian, as appropriate, at the offices of Piper Jaffray & Co., U.S. Bancorp Center, 800 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota, or such other location as may be mutually acceptable, at 9:00 a.m. Central time on the third (or if the Securities are priced, as contemplated by Rule 15c6-1(c) under the Exchange Act, after 4:30 p.m. Eastern time, the fourth) full business day following the date hereof, or at such other time and date as you and the Company determine pursuant to Rule 15c6-1(a) under the Exchange Act, such time and date of delivery being herein referred to as the "First Closing Date." If the Representative so elects, delivery of the Firm Shares may be made by credit through full fast transfer to the accounts at The Depository Trust Company designated by the Representative. Certificates representing the Firm Shares, in definitive form and in such denominations and registered in such names as you may request upon at least two business days' prior notice to the Company and the Custodian, will be made available for checking and packaging not later than

10:30 a.m., Central time, on the business day next preceding the First Closing Date at the offices of Piper Jaffray & Co., U.S. Bancorp Center, 800 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota, or such other location as may be mutually acceptable.

(b) On the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements herein contained, but subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth, the Company hereby grants to the several Underwriters an option to purchase all or any portion of the Option Shares at the same purchase price as the Firm Shares, for use solely in covering any over-allotments made by the Underwriters in the sale and distribution of the Firm Shares. The option granted hereunder may be exercised in whole or in part at any time (but not more than once) within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreement upon notice (confirmed in writing) by the Representative to the Company setting forth the aggregate number of Option Shares as to which the several Underwriters are exercising the option, the names and denominations in which the certificates for the Option Shares are to be registered and the date and time, as determined by you, when the Option Shares are to be delivered, such time and date being herein referred to as the "Second Closing" and "Second Closing Date", respectively; provided, however, that the Second Closing Date shall not be earlier than the First Closing Date nor earlier than the second business day after the date on which the option shall have been exercised. The number of Option Shares to be purchased by each Underwriter shall be the same percentage of the total number of Option Shares to be purchased by the several Underwriters, as adjusted by the Representative in such manner as the Representative deems advisable to avoid fractional shares. No Option Shares shall be sold and delivered unless the Firm Shares previously have been, or simultaneously are, sold and delivered.

The Option Shares will be delivered by the Custodian and the Company, as appropriate, to you for the accounts of the several Underwriters against payment of the purchase price therefor by wire transfer of same day funds payable to the order of the Custodian or the Company, as appropriate, at the offices of Piper Jaffray & Co., U.S. Bancorp Center, 800 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota, or such other location as may be mutually acceptable at 9:00 a.m., Central time, on the Second Closing Date. If the Representative so elects, delivery of the Option Shares may be made by credit through full fast transfer to the accounts at The Depository Trust Company designated by the Representative. Certificates representing the Option Shares in definitive form and in such denominations and registered in such names as you have set forth in your notice of option exercise, will be made available for checking and packaging not later than 10:30 a.m., Central time, on the business day next preceding the Second Closing Date at the office of Piper Jaffray & Co., U.S. Bancorp Center, 800 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota, or such other location as may be mutually acceptable.

(c) It is understood that you, individually and not as Representative of the several Underwriters, may (but shall not be obligated to) make payment to the Company on behalf of any Underwriter for the Securities to be purchased by such Underwriter. Any such payment by you shall not relieve any such Underwriter of any of its obligations hereunder. Nothing herein contained shall constitute any of the Underwriters an unincorporated association or partner with the Company.

#### 4. Covenants.

- (a) The Company covenants and agrees with the several Underwriters as follows:
- (i) During the period beginning on the date hereof and ending on the later of the Second Closing Date or such date, as in the opinion of counsel for the Underwriters, the Prospectus is no longer required by law to be delivered in connection with sales by an underwriter or dealer (the "Prospectus Delivery Period"), prior to amending or supplementing

the Registration Statement (including any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement) or the Prospectus (including any amendment or supplement through incorporation by reference of any report filed under the Exchange Act), the Company shall furnish to the Representative for review a copy of each such proposed amendment or supplement, and the Company shall not file any such proposed amendment or supplement to which the Representative or counsel to the Underwriters reasonably object in writing.

- (ii) After the date of this Agreement, the Company shall promptly advise the Representative in writing (i) of the receipt of any comments of, or requests for additional or supplemental information from, the Commission, (ii) of the time and date of any filing of any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, (iii) of the time and date that any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement becomes effective and (iv) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto or of any order preventing or suspending the use of any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, or of any proceedings to remove, suspend or terminate from listing or quotation the Common Stock from any securities exchange upon which it is listed for trading or included or designated for quotation, or of the threatening or initiation of any proceedings for any of such purposes. If the Commission shall enter any such stop order at any time, the Company will use its best efforts to obtain the lifting of such order at the earliest possible moment. Additionally, the Company agrees that it shall comply with the provisions of Rules 424(b), 430A and 434, as applicable, under the Securities Act and will use its reasonable efforts to confirm that any filings made by the Company under such Rule 424(b) or 462(b) were received in a timely manner by the Commission.
- (iii) During the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company will comply as far as it is able with all requirements imposed upon it by the Act, as now and hereafter amended, and by the Rules and Regulations, as from time to time in force, and by the Exchange Act so far as necessary to permit the continuance of sales of or dealings in the Shares as contemplated by the provisions hereof and the Prospectus. If during such period any event occurs as a result of which the Prospectus would include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances then existing, not misleading, or if during such period it is necessary or appropriate in the opinion of the Company or its counsel or the Representative or counsel to the Underwriters to amend the Registration Statement or supplement the Prospectus to comply with the Act or to file under the Exchange Act any document which would be deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Prospectus in order to comply with the Act or the Exchange Act, the Company will promptly notify you and will amend the Registration Statement or supplement the Prospectus or file such document (at the expense of the Company) so as to correct such statement or omission or effect such compliance.
- (iv) The Company shall take or cause to be taken all necessary action to qualify the Securities for sale under the securities laws of such jurisdictions as you reasonably designate and to continue such qualifications in effect so long as required for the distribution of the Securities, except that the Company shall not be required in connection therewith to qualify as a foreign corporation or to execute a general consent to service of process in any state.
- (v) The Company will furnish to the Underwriters and counsel for the Underwriters copies of the Registration Statement (which will include three complete manually signed copies of the Registration Statement and all consents and exhibits filed therewith), each Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, and all amendments and supplements (including any document filed under the Exchange Act and deemed to be incorporated by reference into the

Prospectus) to such documents, in each case as soon as available and in such quantities as you may from time to time reasonably request.

- (vi) During a period of five years commencing with the date hereof, the Company will furnish to the Representative, and to each Underwriter who may so request in writing, copies of all periodic and special reports furnished to the stockholders of the Company and all information, documents and reports filed with the Commission, the New York Stock Exchange or any other securities exchange (other than any such information, documents and reports that are filed with the Commission electronically via EDGAR or any successor system).
- (vii) The Company will make generally available to its security holders as soon as practicable, but in any event not later than 15 months after the end of the Company's current fiscal quarter, an earnings statement (which need not be audited) covering a 12-month period beginning after the effective date of the Registration Statement that shall satisfy the provisions of Section 11(a) of the Act and Rule 158 of the Rules and Regulations.
- (viii) The Company, whether or not the transactions contemplated hereunder are consummated or this Agreement is terminated, will pay or cause to be paid (A) all expenses (including transfer taxes allocated to the respective transferees) incurred in connection with the delivery to the Underwriters of the Securities, (B) all expenses and fees (including, without limitation, fees and expenses of the Company's accountants and counsel but, except as otherwise provided below, not including fees of the Underwriters' counsel) in connection with the preparation, printing, filing, delivery, and shipping of the Registration Statement (including the financial statements therein and all amendments, schedules, and exhibits thereto), the Securities, each Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, and any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, and the printing, delivery, and shipping of this Agreement and other underwriting documents, including Blue Sky Memoranda (covering the states and other applicable jurisdictions), (C) all filing fees and fees and disbursements of the Underwriters' counsel incurred in connection with the qualification of the Securities for offering and sale by the Underwriters or by dealers under the securities or blue sky laws of the states and other U.S. jurisdictions which you shall designate, (D) the fees and expenses of any transfer agent or registrar, (E) the filing fees and fees and disbursements of Underwriters' counsel incident to any required review and approval by the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. of the terms of the sale of the Securities, (F) listing fees, if any, and (G) all other costs and expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder that are not otherwise specifically provided for herein. If this Agreement is terminated by the Representative pursuant to Section 9 hereof or if the sale of the Securities provided for herein is not consummated by reason of any failure, refusal or inability on the part of the Company to perform any agreement on its or their part to be performed, or because any other condition of the Underwriters' obligations hereunder required to be fulfilled by the Company is not fulfilled, the Company will reimburse the several Underwriters for all reasonable out-of-pocket disbursements (including but not limited to fees and disbursements of counsel, printing expenses, travel expenses, postage, facsimile and telephone charges) incurred by the Underwriters in connection with their investigation, preparing to market and marketing the Securities or in contemplation of performing their obligations hereunder.
- (ix) The Company will apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Shares to be sold by it hereunder for the purposes set forth in the Prospectus.
- (x) The Company will not, without the prior written consent of Piper Jaffray & Co., from the date of execution of this Agreement and continuing to and including the date 90 days after the date of the Prospectus (the "Lock-Up Period") offer for sale; sell, contract to sell, pledge, grant any option for the sale of, enter into any transaction which is designed

to, or might reasonably be expected to, result in the disposition (whether by actual disposition or effective economic disposition due to cash settlement or otherwise) by the Company or any affiliate, or otherwise issue or dispose of, directly or indirectly (or publicly disclose the intention to make any such offer, sale, pledge, grant, issuance or other disposition), any Common Stock or any securities convertible into or exchangeable for, or any options or rights to purchase or acquire, Common Stock or any securities of the Company that are substantially similar to Common Stock, except to the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement. The Company agrees not to accelerate the vesting of any option or warrant or the lapse of any repurchase right prior to the expiration of the Lock-Up Period. If (1) during the period that begins on the date that is 18 calendar days before the last day of the Lock-Up Period and ends on the last day of the Lock-Up Period, (a) the Company issues an earnings release, (b) the Company publicly announces material news or (c) a material event relating to the Company occurs; or (2) prior to the expiration of the Lock-Up Period, the Company announces that it will release earnings results during the 16-day period beginning on the last day of the Lock-Up Period, then the restrictions in this Agreement, unless otherwise waived by Piper Jaffray & Co. in writing, shall continue to apply until the expiration of the date that is 18 calendar days after the date on which (a) the Company issues the earnings release, (b) the Company publicly announces material news or (c) a material event relating to the Company occurs; provided, however, that this provision will not apply to any research report concerning the Company to be published or distributed by an Underwriter pursuant to Rule 139 promulgated under the Act at a time when the Company's shares of Common Stock are "actively traded securities," as defined in Regulation M, 17 C.F.R. 242.101(c)(1).

- (xi) The Company has caused to be delivered to you prior to the date of this Agreement a letter from each of the Company's directors and officers stating that such person agrees that he or she will not, without your prior written consent, offer for sale, sell, contract to sell or otherwise dispose of, as set forth in such letter, any shares of Common Stock or rights to purchase Common Stock, except to the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement, for a period of 75 days after commencement of the public offering of the Shares by the Underwriters (the "Lock-Up Agreement"). The Company will enforce the terms of each Lock-Up Agreement and issue stop-transfer instructions to the transfer agent for the Common Stock with respect to any transaction or contemplated transaction that would constitute a breach of or default under the applicable Lock-Up Agreement.
- (xii) The Company has not taken and will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or which might reasonably be expected to cause or result in, or which has constituted, the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.
- (xiii) Except for the underwriters' discounts contemplated by this Agreement, the Company will not incur any liability for any finder's or broker's fee or agent's commission in connection with the execution and delivery of this Agreement or the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby.
- (xiv) During the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company will file on a timely basis with the Commission such periodic and special reports as required by the Rules and Regulations.
- (xv) The Company and its subsidiaries will maintain such controls and other procedures, including without limitation those required by Sections 302 and 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the applicable regulations thereunder, that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, including without limitation, controls and

procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports that it files or submits under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to the Company's management, including its principal executive officer and its principal financial officer, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure, to ensure that material information relating to Company, including its subsidiaries, is made known to them by others within those entities.

The Company and its subsidiaries will comply with all effective applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

- (b) Intentionally Omitted.
- 5. Conditions of Underwriters' Obligations. The obligations of the several Underwriters hereunder are subject to the accuracy, as of the date hereof and at each of the First Closing Date and the Second Closing Date (as if made at such Closing Date), of and compliance with all representations, warranties and agreements of the Company contained herein, to the performance by the Company and its obligations hereunder and to the following additional conditions:
  - (a) If filing of the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, is required under the Act or the Rules and Regulations, the Company shall have filed the Prospectus (or such amendment or supplement) with the Commission in the manner and within the time period so required; the Registration Statement shall remain effective; no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, any Rule 462(b) Registration Statement, or any amendment thereof shall have been issued; no proceedings for the issuance of such an order shall have been initiated or threatened; any request of the Commission for additional information (to be included in the Registration Statement or the Prospectus or otherwise) shall have been complied with to your satisfaction; and the NASD shall have raised no objection to the fairness and reasonableness of the underwriting terms and arrangements.
  - (b) No Underwriter shall have advised the Company that the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, or any amendment thereof or supplement thereto (including any document incorporated by reference), contains an untrue statement of fact which, in your opinion, is material, or omits to state a fact which, in your opinion, is material and is required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading.
  - (c) Except as contemplated in the Prospectus, subsequent to the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries shall have incurred any material liabilities or obligations, direct or contingent, or entered into any material transactions, or declared or paid any dividends or made any distribution of any kind with respect to its capital stock; and there shall not have been any change in the capital stock (other than a change in the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock due to the issuance of shares upon the exercise of outstanding options or warrants), or any material change in the short-term or long-term debt of the Company, or any issuance of options (other than pursuant to the Company's stock option plans as described in the prospectus in the ordinary course of business), warrants, convertible securities or other rights to purchase the capital stock of the Company or any of its subsidiaries, or any Material Adverse Change or any development involving a prospective Material Adverse Change (whether or not arising in the ordinary course of business), or any loss by strike, fire, flood, earthquake, accident or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, incurred by the Company or any subsidiary, the effect of which, in any such case described above, in your judgment, makes it impractical or inadvisable to offer or deliver the Securities on the terms and in the manner contemplated in the Prospectus.

- (d) On or after the date hereof (i) no downgrading shall have occurred in the rating accorded any of the Company's securities by any "nationally recognized statistical organization," as that term is defined by the Commission for purposes of Rule 436(g)(2) under the Act, and (ii) no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, with possible negative implications, its rating of any of the Company's securities.
- (e) On each Closing Date, there shall have been furnished to you, as Representative of the several Underwriters, the opinion of Arnall Golden Gregory LLP, counsel for the Company, dated such Closing Date and addressed to you, to the effect that:
  - (i) Each of the Company and its subsidiaries is validly existing as a corporation under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation. Each of the Company and its subsidiaries has corporate power and authority to own its properties and conduct its business as currently being carried on and as described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, and is duly qualified to do business as a foreign corporation in each jurisdiction in which it owns or leases real property or in which the conduct of its business makes such qualification necessary and in which the failure to so qualify would have a Material Adverse Effect.
  - (ii) The capital stock of the Company including the Shares, the Conversion Shares and the Make-Whole Shares, conforms as to legal matters to the description thereof contained in the Prospectus under the captions "Description of Capital Stock" and "Description of Convertible Preferred Stock." The Amended Articles have been duly authorized and adopted by the Company, has been filed with and accepted by the office of the Florida Secretary of State and is in full force and effect. The Shares are entitled to the rights, preferences and provisions of the Amended Articles. All of the issued and outstanding shares of the capital stock of the Company have been duly authorized and validly issued and are fully paid and nonassessable, and the holders thereof are not subject to personal liability by reason of being such holders. The Shares to be issued and sold by the Company hereunder have been duly authorized and, when issued, delivered and paid for in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, will have been validly issued and will be fully paid and nonassessable, and the holders thereof will not be subject to personal liability by reason of being such holders. The Conversion Shares and the Make-Whole Shares have been duly authorized and reserved for issuance upon conversion of the Shares or upon payment of any Make-Whole Payment in shares of Common Stock pursuant to the terms of the Articles of Amendment, as applicable, and if and when issued in accordance with the Articles of Amendment will be duly and validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable, and the holders thereof will not be subject to personal liability by reason of being such holders. Except as otherwise stated in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, there are no preemptive rights or other rights to subscribe for or to purchase, or any restriction upon the voting or transfer of, any shares of Preferred Stock or Common Stock pursuant to the Company's charter, by-laws or any agreement or other instrument known to such counsel to which the Company is a party or by which the Company is bound. To such counsel's knowledge, neither the filing of the Registration Statement nor the offering or sale of the Securities as contemplated by this Agreement gives rise to any rights for or relating to the registration of any shares of Common Stock or other securities of the Company.
  - (iii) All of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of each of the Company's subsidiaries have been duly and validly authorized and issued and are fully paid and nonassessable, and, to such counsel's knowledge, except as otherwise described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, the Company owns of record and beneficially, free and clear of any security interests, claims, liens, proxies, equities or other encumbrances, all of the issued and outstanding shares of such stock. To such counsel's knowledge, except as described in the Registration Statement and Prospectus, there are no options, warrants, agreements,

contracts or other rights in existence to purchase or acquire from the Company or any subsidiary any shares of the capital stock of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company.

- (iv) The Registration Statement has become effective under the Act and, to such counsel's knowledge, no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement has been issued and no proceeding for that purpose has been instituted or, to the knowledge of such counsel, threatened by the Commission.
- (v) The descriptions in the Registration Statement and Prospectus of statutes, regulations, legal and governmental proceedings, contracts and other documents are accurate and fairly present the information required to be shown; and such counsel does not know of any statutes, regulations, legal or governmental proceedings or contracts or other documents required to be described in the Prospectus (or required to be filed under the Exchange Act if upon such filing they would be incorporated in whole or in part, by reference therein) or included as exhibits to the Registration Statement that are not described or included as required.
- (vi) The Company has corporate power and authority to enter into this Agreement, and this Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and constitutes a valid, legal and binding obligation of the Company enforceable in accordance with its terms (except as rights to indemnity hereunder may be limited by federal or state securities laws and except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization or similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally and subject to general principles of equity); the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the consummation of the transactions herein contemplated will not result in a breach or violation of any of the terms and provisions of, or constitute a default under, any statute, rule or regulation, any agreement or instrument known to such counsel to which the Company is a party or by which it is bound or to which any of its property is subject, the Company's charter or by-laws, or any order or decree known to such counsel of any court or governmental agency or body having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its respective properties; and no consent, approval, authorization or order of, or filing with, any court or governmental agency or body is required for the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement or for the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, including the issuance or sale of the Securities by the Company, except such as may be required under the Act or state securities laws.
- (vii) The Registration Statement and the Prospectus, and any amendment thereof or supplement thereto, comply as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Act and the Rules and Regulations; the conditions for use of form S-3, set forth in the General Instructions thereto, have been satisfied; and on the basis of conferences with officers of the Company, examination of documents referred to in the Registration Statement and Prospectus and such other procedures as such counsel deemed appropriate, nothing has come to the attention of such counsel that causes such counsel to believe that the Registration Statement or any amendment thereof, at the time the Registration Statement became effective and as of such Closing Date (including Rule any 462(b) Registration Statement), contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading or that the Prospectus (as of its date and as of such Closing Date), as amended or supplemented, includes any untrue statement of material fact or omits to state a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided however that, notwithstanding the foregoing, we express no opinion as to the financial statements or other financial data included in any of the documents mentioned in this clause.

(viii) Each document filed pursuant to the Exchange Act (other than the financial statements and supporting schedules included therein, as to which no opinion need to be rendered) and incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference in the Prospectus complied when so filed as to form in all material respects with the Exchange Act.

In rendering such opinion such counsel may rely (i) as to matters of law other than Georgia law, the Florida Business Corporation Act, and federal law, upon the opinion or opinions of local counsel provided that the extent of such reliance is specified in such opinion and that such counsel shall state that such opinion or opinions of local counsel are satisfactory to them and that they believe they and you are justified in relying thereon and (ii) as to matters of fact, to the extent such counsel deems reasonable upon certificates of officers of the Company and its subsidiaries provided that the extent of such reliance is specified in such opinion.

- (f) On each Closing Date, there shall have been furnished to you, as Representative of the several Underwriters, the opinion of each of Nixon & Vanderhye P.C. and Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione, each counsel for the Company for certain intellectual property matters, dated such Closing Date and addressed to you, covering certain intellectual property matters in a form acceptable to you.
- (g) On each Closing Date, there shall have been furnished to you, as Representative of the several Underwriters, the opinion of King & Spalding LLP, counsel for the Company, dated such Closing Date and addressed to you, covering certain regulatory matters in a form acceptable to you.
- (h) On each Closing Date, there shall have been furnished to you, as Representative of the several Underwriters, such opinion or opinions from Faegre & Benson, LLP, counsel for the several Underwriters, dated such Closing Date and addressed to you, with respect to the formation of the Company, the validity of the Securities, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus and other related matters as you reasonably may request, and such counsel shall have received such papers and information as they reasonably request to enable them to pass upon such matters.
- (i) On each Closing Date you, as Representative of the several Underwriters, shall have received a letter of Deloitte & Touche LLP dated such Closing Date and addressed to you, confirming that they are independent public accountants within the meaning of the Act and as required by Rule 3600T of the Public Accounting Oversight Board and are in compliance with the applicable requirements relating to the qualifications of accountants under Rule 2-01 of Regulation S-X of the Commission, and stating, as of the date of such letter (or, with respect to matters involving changes or developments since the respective dates as of which specified financial information is given in the Prospectus, as of a date not more than five days prior to the date of such letter), the conclusions and findings of said firm with respect to the financial information and other matters covered by its letter delivered to you concurrently with the execution of this Agreement, and the effect of the letter so to be delivered on such Closing Date shall be to confirm the conclusions and findings set forth in such prior letter.
- (j) On each Closing Date, there shall have been furnished to you, as Representative of the Underwriters, a certificate, dated such Closing Date and addressed to you, signed by the chief executive officer and by the chief financial officer of the Company, to the effect that:
  - (ix) The representations and warranties of the Company in this Agreement are true and correct, in all material respects, as if made at and as of such Closing Date, and the Company has complied with all the agreements and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to such Closing Date;
  - (x) No stop order or other order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or any amendment thereof or the qualification of the Securities for offering or sale

has been issued, and no proceeding for that purpose has been instituted or, to the best of their knowledge, is contemplated by the Commission or any state or regulatory body; and

- (xi) The signers of said certificate have carefully examined the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, and any amendments thereof or supplements thereto (including any documents filed under the Exchange Act and deemed to be incorporated by reference into the Prospectus), and (A) such documents contain, and contained as of the effective date of the Registration Statement, all statements and information required to be included therein, the Registration Statement, or any amendment thereof, does not contain, and did not contain as of the effective date of the Registration Statement or such amendment, any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state, and did not omit to state as of the effective date of the Registration Statement or such amendment, any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and the Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, does not include, and did not include as of the effective date of the Registration Statement or the time of delivery to the Underwriters for use thereby, any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state, and did not omit as of the effective date of the Registration Statement or the time of delivery to the Underwriters for use thereby, a material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, (B) since the effective date of the Registration Statement, there has occurred no event required to be set forth in an amended or supplemented prospectus which has not been so set forth, and there has been no document required to be filed under the Exchange Act that upon such filing would be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the Prospectus that has not been so filed, (C) subsequent to the respective dates as of which information is given in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has incurred any material liabilities or obligations, direct or contingent, or entered into any material transactions, not in the ordinary course of business, or declared or paid any dividends or made any distribution of any kind with respect to its capital stock, and except as disclosed in the Prospectus, there has not been any change in the capital stock (other than a change in the number of outstanding shares of Common Stock due to the issuance of shares upon the exercise of outstanding options or warrants), or any material change in the short-term or long-term debt, or any issuance of options (other than in the ordinary course of business pursuant to the Company's stock option plans as described in the Prospectus), warrants, convertible securities or other rights to purchase the capital stock, of the Company, or any of its subsidiaries, or any Material Adverse Change or any development involving a prospective Material Adverse Change (whether or not arising in the ordinary course of business), or any loss by strike, fire, flood, earthquake, accident or other calamity, whether or not covered by insurance, incurred by the Company or any subsidiary, and (D) except as stated in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, there is not pending, or, to the knowledge of the Company, threatened or contemplated, any action, suit or proceeding to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party before or by any court or governmental agency, authority or body, or any arbitrator, which might result in any Material Adverse Change.
- (k) The Company shall have furnished to you and counsel for the Underwriters such additional documents, certificates and evidence as you or they may have reasonably requested.
- (I) The Shares, the Conversion Shares and the Make-Whole Shares shall have been approved for listing on the New York Stock Exchange.

All such opinions, certificates, letters and other documents will be in compliance with the provisions hereof only if they are satisfactory in form and substance to you and counsel for the Underwriters. The Company will furnish you with such conformed copies of such opinions, certificates, letters and other documents as you shall reasonably request.

#### 6. Indemnification and Contribution.

(a) The Company agrees to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, joint or several, to which such Underwriter may become subject, under the Act or otherwise (including in settlement of any litigation if such settlement is effected with the written consent of the Company), insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon (i) an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, including the information deemed to be a part of the Registration Statement at the time of effectiveness pursuant to Rules 430A and 434(d) of the Rules and Regulations, if applicable, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto, any documents filed under the Exchange Act and deemed to be incorporated by reference into the Prospectus), or in any materials or information provided to investors by, or with the approval of, the Company in connection with the marketing of the offering of the Shares ("Marketing Materials"), including any roadshow or investor presentations made to investors by the Company (whether in person or electronically) or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, and will reimburse each Underwriter for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by it in connection with investigating or defending against such loss, claim, damage, liability or action; or (ii) in whole or in part upon any inaccuracy in the representations and warranties of the Company contained herein; or (iii) in whole or in part upon any failure of the Company to perform its obligations hereunder or under law; provided, however, that the Company shall not be liable in any such case to the extent that any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action arises out of or is based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, or any such amendment or supplement, or in any Marketing Materials, in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by you, or by any Underwriter through you, specifically for use in the preparation thereof.

In addition to its other obligations under this Section 6(a), the Company agrees that, as an interim measure during the pendency of any claim, action, investigation, inquiry or other proceeding arising out of or based upon any statement or omission, or any alleged statement or omission, described in this Section 6(a), it will reimburse each Underwriter on a monthly basis for all reasonable legal fees or other expenses incurred in connection with investigating or defending any such claim, action, investigation, inquiry or other proceeding, notwithstanding the absence of a judicial determination as to the propriety and enforceability of the Company's obligation to reimburse the Underwriters for such expenses and the possibility that such payments might later be held to have been improper by a court of competent jurisdiction. To the extent that any such interim reimbursement payment is so held to have been improper, the Underwriter that received such payment shall promptly return it to the party or parties that made such payment, together with interest, compounded daily, determined on the basis of the prime rate (or other commercial lending rate for borrowers of the highest credit standing) announced from time to time by U.S. Bank (the "Prime Rate"). Any such interim reimbursement payments which are not made to an Underwriter within 30 days of a request for reimbursement shall bear interest at the Prime Rate from the date of such request. This indemnity agreement shall be in addition to any liabilities which the Company may otherwise have.

(b) Each Underwriter will indemnify and hold harmless the Company against any losses, claims, damages or liabilities to which the Company may become subject, under the Act or otherwise (including in settlement of any litigation, if such settlement is effected with the written consent of such Underwriter), insofar as such losses, claims, damages or liabilities (or actions in respect thereof) arise out of or are based upon an untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of

a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, or any amendment or supplement thereto (including any term sheet within the meaning of Rule 434 of the Rules and Regulations), or arise out of or are based upon the omission or alleged omission to state therein a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus, or any such amendment or supplement, in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by you, or by such Underwriter through you, specifically for use in the preparation thereof, and will reimburse the Company for any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by the Company in connection with investigating or defending against any such loss, claim, damage, liability or action as such legal or other expenses are incurred.

(c) Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party shall, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against the indemnifying party under such subsection, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof; but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party shall not relieve the indemnifying party from any liability that it may have to any indemnified party except to the extent such indemnifying party has been materially prejudiced by such failure. In case any such action shall be brought against any indemnified party, and it shall notify the indemnifying party of the commencement thereof, the indemnifying party shall be entitled to participate in, and, to the extent that it shall wish, jointly with any other indemnifying party similarly notified, to assume the defense thereof, with counsel satisfactory to such indemnified party, and after notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of the indemnifying party's election so to assume the defense thereof, the indemnifying party shall not be liable to such indemnified party under such subsection for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof other than reasonable costs of investigation; provided, however, that if, in the sole judgment of the Representative, it is advisable for the Underwriters to be represented as a group by separate counsel, the Representative shall have the right to employ a single counsel to represent the Representative and all Underwriters who may be subject to liability arising from any claim in respect of which indemnity may be sought by the Underwriters under subsection (a) of this Section 6, provided such counsel is satisfactory to the Company, in which event the reasonable fees and expenses of such separate counsel shall be borne by the indemnifying party or parties and reimbursed to the Underwriters as incurred (in accordance with the provisions of the second paragraph in subsection (a) above).

The indemnifying party under this Section 6 shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the indemnifying party agrees to indemnify the indemnified party against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an indemnified party shall have requested an indemnifying party to reimburse the indemnified party for fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by this Section 6, the indemnifying party agrees that it shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 30 days after receipt by such indemnifying party of the aforesaid request and (ii) such indemnifying party shall not have reimbursed the indemnified party in accordance with such request prior to the date of such settlement. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement, compromise or consent to the entry of judgment in any pending or threatened action, suit or proceeding in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnity was or could have been sought hereunder by such indemnified party, unless such settlement, compromise or consent (a) includes

an unconditional release of such indemnified party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such action, suit or proceeding and (b) does not include a statement as to or an admission of fault, culpability or a failure to act by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

- (d) If the indemnification provided for in this Section 6 is unavailable or insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party under subsection (a) or (b) above, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the amount paid or payable by such indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to in subsection (a) or (b) above, (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other from the offering of the Securities or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) above is not permitted by applicable law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other in connection with the statements or omissions that resulted in such losses, claims, damages or liabilities, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company on the one hand and the Underwriters on the other shall be deemed to be in the same proportion as the total net proceeds from the offering (before deducting expenses) received by the Company bear to the total underwriting discounts and commissions received by the Underwriters, in each case as set forth in the table on the cover page of the Prospectus. The relative fault shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether the untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or the omission or alleged omission to state a material fact relates to information supplied by the Company or the Underwriters and the parties' relevant intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such untrue statement or omission. The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contributions pursuant to this subsection (d) were to be determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in the first sentence of this subsection (d). The amount paid by an indemnified party as a result of the losses, claims, damages or liabilities referred to in the first sentence of this subsection (d) shall be deemed to include any legal or other expenses reasonably incurred by such indemnified party in connection with investigating or defending against any action or claim which is the subject of this subsection (d). Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (d), no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the amount by which the total price at which the Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public were offered to the public exceeds the amount of any damages that such Underwriter has otherwise been required to pay by reason of such untrue or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' obligations in this subsection (d) to contribute are several in proportion to their respective underwriting obligations and not joint.
- (e) The obligations of the Company under this Section 6 shall be in addition to any liability which the Company may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of the Act; and the obligations of the Underwriters under this Section 6 shall be in addition to any liability that the respective Underwriters may otherwise have and shall extend, upon the same terms and conditions, to each director of the Company (including any person who, with his consent, is named in the Registration Statement as about to become a director of the Company), to each officer of the Company who has signed the Registration Statement and to each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Act.
- (f) The Underwriters severally confirm and the Company acknowledges that the statements with respect to the public offering of the Securities by the Underwriters set forth in the first,

second and fourth paragraphs under the caption "Underwriting" in the Prospectus Supplement are correct and constitute the only information concerning such Underwriters furnished in writing to the Company by or on behalf of the Underwriters specifically for inclusion in the Registration Statement and the Prospectus.

- 7. Representations and Agreements to Survive Delivery. All representations, warranties, and agreements of the Company herein or in certificates delivered pursuant hereto, including but not limited to the agreements of the several Underwriters and the Company contained in Section 6 hereof, shall remain operative and in full force and effect regardless of any investigation made by or on behalf of any Underwriter or any controlling person thereof, or the Company or any of its officers, directors, or controlling persons thereof, and shall survive delivery of, and payment for, the Securities to and by the Underwriters hereunder.
  - 8. Intentionally Omitted.

#### 9. Termination of this Agreement.

- (a) You, as Representative of the several Underwriters, shall have the right to terminate this Agreement by giving notice to the Company as hereinafter specified at any time at or prior to the First Closing Date, and the option referred to in Section 3(b), if exercised, may be cancelled at any time prior to the Second Closing Date, if (i) the Company shall have failed, refused or been unable, at or prior to such Closing Date, to perform any agreement on its or their part to be performed hereunder, (ii) any condition of the Underwriters' obligations hereunder is not fulfilled, (iii) trading in the Company's Common Stock shall have been suspended by the Commission or the New York Stock Exchange or trading in securities generally on the Nasdaq National Market, New York Stock Exchange or the American Stock Exchange shall have been suspended, (iv) minimum or maximum prices for trading shall have been fixed, or maximum ranges for prices for securities shall have been required, on the Nasdaq National Market, New York Stock Exchange or the American Stock Exchange, by such Exchange or by order of the Commission or any other governmental authority having jurisdiction, (v) a banking moratorium shall have been declared by federal or state authorities, or (vi) there shall have occurred any attack on, outbreak or escalation of hostilities or major act of terrorism involving the United States, any declaration by the United States of a new national emergency or war from the date of this Agreement to the Closing Date, any change in financial markets, any substantial change or development involving a prospective substantial change in United States or international political, financial or economic conditions, or any other calamity or crisis that, in your judgment, is material and adverse and makes it impractical or inadvisable to proceed with the completion of the sale of and payment for the Securities. Any such termination shall be without liability of any party to any other party except that the provisions of Section 4(a)(viii) and Section 6 hereof shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination.
- (b) If you elect to terminate this Agreement as provided in this Section, the Company, shall be notified promptly by you by telephone, confirmed by letter.
- 10. **Default by the Company.** If the Company shall fail at the First Closing Date to sell and deliver the number of Securities which it is obligated to sell hereunder, then this Agreement shall terminate without any liability on the part of any Underwriter or, except as provided in Section 4(a)(viii) hereof, any non-defaulting party.

No action taken pursuant to this Section shall relieve the Company so defaulting from liability, if any, in respect of such default.

11. **Notices.** Except as otherwise provided herein, all communications hereunder shall be in writing and, if to the Underwriters, shall be mailed, delivered or telecopied to the Representative c/o Piper Jaffray & Co., U.S. Bancorp Center, 800 Nicollet Mall, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402, Attention:

Syndicated Department except that notices given to an Underwriter pursuant to Section 6 hereof shall be sent to such Underwriter at the address stated in the Underwriters' Questionnaire furnished by such Underwriter in connection with this offering; if to the Company, shall be mailed, delivered or telecopied to it at 1655 Roberts Boulevard N.W., Kennesaw, GA 30144, Attention: D. Ashley Lee (telecopy no. (770) 590-3754); or in each case to such other address as the person to be notified may have requested in writing. Any party to this Agreement may change such address for notices by sending to the parties to this Agreement written notice of a new address for such purpose.

- 12. Persons Entitled to Benefit of Agreement. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns and the controlling persons, officers and directors referred to in Section 6. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to give to any other person, firm or corporation any legal or equitable remedy or claim under or in respect of this Agreement or any provision herein contained. The term "successors and assigns" as herein used shall not include any purchaser, as such purchaser, of any of the Securities from any of the several Underwriters.
  - 13. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.
- 14. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts and, if executed in more than one counterpart, the executed counterparts shall each be deemed to be an original and all such counterparts shall together constitute one and the same instrument.

[Signature Page Follows]

	Very truly yours,	
	CRYOLIFE, INC.	
	Ву	
		Its:
Confirmed as of the date first above mentioned, on behalf of themselves and the other several Underwriters named in Schedule I hereto.		
PIPER JAFFRAY & CO.		
Ву		
Managing Director		

Please sign and return to the Company the enclosed duplicates of this letter whereupon this letter will become a binding agreement between the Company and the several Underwriters in accordance with its terms.

## **SCHEDULE I**

Underwriter	Number of Firm Shares(1)
Piper Jaffray & Co.	400,000
Total	400,000

(1) The Underwriters may purchase up to an additional 60,000 Option Shares, to the extent the option described in Section 3(b) of the Agreement is exercised, in the proportions and in the manner described in the Agreement.

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400,000 Shares 1 CRYOLIFE, INC. 6% Convertible Preferred Stock \$0.01 par value per share PURCHASE AGREEMENT SCHEDULE I

## Exhibit 12.1

## Ratio of Earning to Fixed Charges CryoLife - S-3 (in thousands)

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
"Earnings" per Item 503(d) Reg S-K						
Pretax Income (loss)	6,501	11,633	13,480	(41,434)	(29,226)	(21,766)
Fixed Charges:						
Interest Exp	387	299	96	692	415	196
Capitalized Interest	_	_	818	_	_	_
Interest within Rental Expense	476	450	761	834	869	847
Total Fixed Charges	863	749	1,675	1,526	1,284	1,043
Amort.of Capitalized Interest	_	_	12	58	58	58
Total "Earnings"	7,364	12,382	15,167	(39,850)	(27,884)	(20,665)
Less Capitalized Interest	· —	· —	(818)	`	`	` <u> </u>
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Adjusted "Earnings"	7,364	12,382	14,349	(39,850)	(27,884)	(20,665)
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Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges	8.53	16.53	8.57	NM	NM	NM
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Deficiency	N/A	N/A	N/A	(41,376)	(29,168)	(21,708)

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Ratio of Earning to Fixed Charges CryoLife - S-3 (in thousands)



NEWS RELEASE

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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#### CRYOLIFE ANNOUNCES PRICING OF 6% CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK

ATLANTA...(March 15, 2005)...CryoLife, Inc. (NYSE: CRY), announced today the offering of 400,000 shares of 6% convertible preferred stock at a public offering price of \$50 per share. CryoLife has granted the underwriter in the offering a 30-day option to purchase up to an additional 60,000 shares of convertible preferred stock to cover over-allotments, if any. The convertible preferred stock has been listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "CRY Pr." Each share of convertible preferred stock is convertible into 6.2189 shares of CryoLife common stock based on an initial conversion price of \$8.04 per share.

The estimated net proceeds of the offering will be approximately \$18.3 million. CryoLife plans to use the net proceeds for working capital and general corporate purposes.

Piper Jaffray & Co. is serving as the underwriter for the offering. Copies of the final prospectus supplement and accompanying prospectus may be obtained by contacting: Piper Jaffray & Co., 800 Nicollet Mall, Suite 800, Minneapolis, MN 55402, (612) 303-6000.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the SEC and was declared effective January 7, 2005. This press release shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation, or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such jurisdiction.

#### About CryoLife

Founded in 1984, CryoLife, Inc. is a leader in the processing and distribution of implantable living human tissues for use in cardiovascular and vascular surgeries throughout the United States and Canada. The Company's BioGlue(R) Surgical Adhesive is FDA approved as an adjunct to sutures and staples for use in adult patients in open surgical repair of large vessels, CE marked in the European Community, approved in Canada for use in soft tissue repair, and approved in Australia for use in vascular and pulmonary sealing and repair. The Company also manufactures the SG Model #100 vascular graft, which is CE marked for distribution within the European Community.

Statements made in this press release that look forward in time or that express management's beliefs, expectations or hopes are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These future events may not occur as and when expected, if at all, and, together with the Company's business, are subject to various risks and uncertainties. These risks and uncertainties include that the Company's 2005 revenues and expenses may not meet its expectations, the possibility that the FDA could impose additional restrictions on the Company's operations, require a recall, or prevent the Company from processing and distributing tissues or manufacturing and distributing other products, that the protein hydrogel products under development, such as BioLastic, BioFoam, BioDisc and the bioresorbable stent, may not be commercially feasible, that the Company

may not have sufficient borrowing or other capital availability to fund its business, that pending litigation cannot be settled on terms acceptable to the Company, that the Company may not have sufficient resources to pay punitive damages (which are not covered by insurance) or other liabilities in excess of available insurance, the possibility of severe decreases in the Company's revenues and working capital, that to the extent the Company does not have sufficient resources to pay the claims against it, it may be forced to cease operations or seek protection under applicable bankruptcy laws, changes in laws and regulations applicable to CryoLife and other risk factors detailed in CryoLife's Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including CryoLife's Form 10-K filing for the year ended December 31, 2004, its registration statement on Form S-3 (Reg. No. 333-121406) filed on December 17, 2004, and the Company's other SEC filings. The Company does not undertake to update its forward-looking statements.

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