UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ASHMORE, SIDNEY B. 1655 Roberts Blvd., N.W. Kennesaw, GA 30144

USA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CRYOLIFE, INC.

- 3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
- 4. Statement for Month/Year 04/26/2002
- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) () Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below) Vice President of Marketing
- 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 - (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 - () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

| 1. Title of Security | 2. 3. 4.Securities A | | 5.Amount of Securities | ect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | | A/ D Price | Beneficially Owned at End of Month | (D)or Indir ect(I) | | | |
| ommon Stock | 4-26-0 M 7,500 | A \$9.00 | 10,764 | D | | | |

| 1.Title of Derivative | 2.Con- | 13. | 4. | - 1 | 5.Number of | f De | 6.Dat | e Exer | 7.Titl | e and Amo | unt | 8.Price | e 9.Number | 10. 11.Nature |
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| | rity | Date | Code | : V | Amount | I | ble | I | I | | | I | Month | (I) |
| Stock Option | \$9.00 | 4-26- | - M | | 7,500 | D | (1) | 5-1-0 | Common | Stock 7, | 500 | N/A | 10 | ID I |
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Explanation of Responses:

(1) Option vests annually in 20% increments over five years beginning on first anniversary of grant date. SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /s/ Sidney B. Ashmore

DATE

May 2, 2002