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): October 31, 2018

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):

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. \Box

Section 2 Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 31, 2018, CryoLife, Inc. ("CryoLife" or the "Company") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2018. CryoLife hereby incorporates by reference herein the information set forth in its press release dated October 31, 2018, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. Except as otherwise provided in the press release, the press release speaks only as of the date of such press release and it shall not create any implication that the affairs of CryoLife have continued unchanged since such date.

The information provided pursuant to this Item 2.02 is to be considered "furnished" pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section or Sections 11 and 12(a)(2) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference into any of CryoLife's reports or filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, whether made before or after the date hereof, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such report or filing.

Except for the historical information contained in this report, the statements made by CryoLife are forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. All such statements are subject to the safe harbor created by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. CryoLife's future financial performance could differ significantly from the expectations of management and from results expressed or implied in the press release. Please refer to the last paragraph of the text portion of the press release for further discussion about forward-looking statements. For further information on risk factors, please refer to "Risk Factors" contained in CryoLife's most recently filed Form 10-K and its subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, as well as in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto. CryoLife disclaims any obligation or duty to update or modify these forward-looking statements.

Section 9Financial Statements and Exhibits.Item 9.01(d)Exhibits.

- (a) Financial Statements. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number 99.1*

Description Press release dated October 31, 2018

* This exhibit is furnished, not filed.

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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: October 31, 2018

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 Reports Third Quarter 2018 Results

Third Quarter and Recent Business Highlights:

- Total revenues increased 47 percent to \$64.6 million in the third quarter of 2018 compared to the third quarter of 2017
- Non-GAAP total revenues increased 17 percent in the third quarter of 2018 compared to the third quarter of 2017; Non-GAAP total revenues increased 17 percent on a constant currency basis
- · On-X* revenues increased 36 percent in the third quarter of 2018 compared to the third quarter of 2017
- JOTEC[®] revenues were \$15.0 million in the third quarter of 2018, a 32 percent increase on a Non-GAAP basis compared to the third quarter of 2017
- Net income was \$1.6 million or \$0.04 per fully diluted common share; Non-GAAP net income was \$3.1 million, or \$0.08 per fully diluted common share

ATLANTA, GA – (October 31, 2018) – CryoLife, Inc. (NYSE: CRY), a leading cardiac and vascular surgery company focused on aortic disease, announced today its financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2018.

"We had a very successful third quarter which included strong revenue growth, market share gains, new account growth and progress on our clinical and R&D programs," said Pat Mackin, Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Officer. "Our On-X and JOTEC products continue to gain momentum as our direct salesforce is effectively conveying the differentiating attributes of these products. We expect our business momentum to continue and we are therefore updating our full year guidance. Looking ahead, we have many internal initiatives that we believe can drive substantial future growth. Given our highly experienced leadership team, we are confident we can deliver on our goals and objectives for 2018."

Third Quarter 2018 Financial Results

Total revenues for the third quarter of 2018 increased 47 percent to \$64.6 million, compared to \$44.0 million for the third quarter of 2017. The increase was primarily driven by \$15.0 million in revenues from JOTEC and strong revenue growth from On-X and tissue processing. Non-

GAAP total revenues for the third quarter of 2018 increased 17 percent, compared to the third quarter of 2017, a 17 percent increase on a constant currency basis.

Net income for the third quarter of 2018 was \$1.6 million, or \$0.04 per fully diluted common share, compared to net income of \$1.3 million, or \$0.04 per fully diluted common share for the third quarter of 2017. Non-GAAP net income for the third quarter of 2018 was \$3.1 million, or \$0.08 per fully diluted common share, compared to non-GAAP net income of \$3.1 million, or \$0.09 per fully diluted common share for the third quarter of 2017.

2018 Financial Outlook

The Company is updating its full-year 2018 financial guidance, as summarized below, and expects total revenues in the fourth quarter of 2018 to be between \$66.5 million and \$67.5 million.

	Previous	Revised
Total Revenues	\$256.0 million - \$260.0 million	\$261.5 million - \$262.5 million
Gross Margins	65.5% - 66.5% (includes \$3.5 million non-cash charges related to acquired JOTEC inventory and distributor inventory buy backs)	65.5% - 66.5% (includes \$2.8 million non-cash charges related to acquired JOTEC inventory and distributor inventory buy backs)
R&D Expenses	\$23.0 million - \$25.0 million	\$22.0 million - \$23.0 million
Non-GAAP Tax Rate	Mid 20% (excludes effect of nondeductible transaction costs and the tax effect of stock compensation expenses)	same
Non-GAAP EPS	\$0.29 - \$0.32 (assumes approximately 37.5 million fully diluted shares outstanding and 25% effective tax rate)	\$0.30 - \$0.33 (assumes approximately 37.5 million fully diluted shares outstanding and 25% effective tax rate)

All numbers are presented on a GAAP basis except where expressly referenced as non-GAAP. The Company does not provide GAAP income per common share on a forward-looking basis because the Company is unable to predict with reasonable certainty business development and acquisition-related expenses, purchase accounting fair value adjustments, and any unusual gains and losses without unreasonable effort. These items are uncertain, depend on various factors, and could be material to results computed in accordance with GAAP.

The Company's financial guidance for 2018 is subject to the risks identified below.

Non-GAAP Financial Measures

This press release contains non-GAAP financial measures. Investors should consider this non-GAAP information in addition to, and not as a substitute for, financial measures prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP. In addition, this non-GAAP financial information may not be the same as similar measures presented by other companies. The Company's non-GAAP revenues include JOTEC revenues for the same nine-month period in 2017 prior to the closing of the acquisition of JOTEC on December 1, 2017. The Company did not own JOTEC during the nine-month period ended September 30, 2017, so the Company is unable to report its GAAP revenue

growth for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2018 compared to the same period in 2017. The Company's other non-GAAP results exclude (as applicable) business development and integration expenses, amortization expense, and inventory basis step-up expense. The Company believes that these non-GAAP presentations provide useful information to investors regarding unusual non-operating transactions, and the operating expense structure of the Company's existing and recently acquired operations, without regard to its on-going efforts to acquire additional complementary products and businesses and the transaction and integration expenses incurred in connection with recently acquired and divested product lines. The Company believes it is useful to exclude certain expenses because such amounts in any specific period may not directly correlate to the underlying performance of its business operations or can vary significantly between periods as a result of factors such as acquisitions, or non-cash expense related to amortization of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets. The Company does, however, expect to incur similar types of expenses in the future, and this non-GAAP financial information should not be viewed as a statement or indication that these types of expenses will not recur.

Webcast and Conference Call Information

The Company will hold a teleconference call and live webcast tomorrow, November 1, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. ET to discuss the results followed by a question and answer session. To listen to the live teleconference, please dial 201-689-8261. A replay of the teleconference will be available through November 8, 2018 and can be accessed by calling (toll free) 877-660-6853 or 201-612-7415. The Conference ID for the replay is 13684106.

The live webcast and replay can be accessed by going to the Investor Relations section of the CryoLife website at <u>www.cryolife.com</u> and selecting the heading Webcasts & Presentations.

About CryoLife, Inc.

Headquartered in suburban Atlanta, Georgia, CryoLife is a leader in the manufacturing, processing, and distribution of medical devices and implantable tissues used in cardiac and vascular surgical procedures focused on aortic repair. CryoLife markets and sells products in more than 100 countries worldwide. For additional information about CryoLife, visit our website, www.cryolife.com.

Forward Looking Statements

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. Such forward-looking statements reflect the views of management at the time such statements are made. These statements include our forecasted revenues, gross margins, R&D expenses, non-GAAP income tax rate and non-GAAP earnings per share; and our beliefs that our On-X and JOTEC products continue to gain momentum as our direct salesforce is effectively conveying the differentiating attributes of these products, that we expect our business momentum to continue, that we have many internal initiatives that we believe can drive substantial future growth and that we are confident we can deliver on our goals and objectives for 2018. These forward-looking statements are subject to a number of risks, uncertainties, estimates, and assumptions that may cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations. These risks and uncertainties include the risk factors detailed in our Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including our Form 10-K for year ended December

31, 2017. CryoLife does not undertake to update its forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

CRYOLIFE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Financial Highlights (In thousands, except per share data)

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30,				(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2018		2017		2018	2017		
Revenues:									
Products	\$	45,152	\$	27,029	\$	138,063	\$	84,519	
Preservation services		19,446		16,970		56,979		52,357	
Total revenues		64,598		43,999		195,042		136,876	
Cost of products and preservation services:									
Products		12,459		6,220		40,166		21,196	
Preservation services		9,425		7,917		27,083		23,401	
Total cost of products and									
preservation services		21,884		14,137		67,249		44,597	
Gross margin		42,714		29,862	127,793			92,279	
Operating expenses: General, administrative, and marketing		32,871		24,756		104,946		71,016	
Research and development		5,225		4,277		16,314		13,098	
Total operating expenses Operating income		38,096	29,033		121,260			84,114	
		4,618		829		6,533			
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Interest expense Interest income		4,104 (52)		851 (64)		11,863 (141)		2,486 (159)	
Other (income) expense, net		(1 = 42)		21		(257)		(70)	
net		(1,542)		21		(257)		(70)	
Income (loss) before income taxes Income tax expense		2,108		21		(4,932)		5,908	
(benefit)		543		(1,304)		(2,868)		(803)	
Net income (loss)	\$	1,565	\$	1,325	\$	(2,064)	\$	6,711	
Income (loss) per common share:									
Basic	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	(0.06)	\$	0.20	
Diluted	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	(0.06)	\$	0.19	
Weighted-average common shares outstanding:									
Basic		36,526		32,887		36,331		32,665	
Diluted		37,610		34,057		36,331		33,851	

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CRYOLIFE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Financial Highlights (In thousands)

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30,					(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	2018 2017				2018	2	017			
Products:										
BioGlue and BioFoam	\$	15,646	\$	15,730	\$	48,685	\$	48,094		
JOTEC		15,004				46,669				
On-X		11,298		8,326		33,495		27,048		
CardioGenesis cardiac laser therapy		1,590		1,489		4,514		5,130		
PerClot		882		886		2,822		2,641		
PhotoFix		732		598		1,878		1,606		
Total products		45,152		27,029		138,063		84,519		
Preservation services:										
Cardiac tissue		9,502		7,932		26,660		23,911		
Vascular tissue		9,944		9,038		30,319		28,446		
Total preservation services		19,446		16,970		56,979		52,357		
Total revenues	\$	64,598	\$	43,999	\$	195,042	\$	136,876		
Revenues:										
U.S.	\$	36,516	\$	32,208	\$	108,123	\$	100,454		
International		28,082		11,791		86,919		36,422		
Total revenues	\$	64,598	\$	43,999	\$	195,042	\$	136,876		

	Sèpte	audited) ember 30, 2018	December 31, 2017		
Cash, cash equivalents, and restricted securities	\$	35,311	\$	40,753	
Total current assets	+	173,952	+	179,280	
Total assets		569,695		589,693	
Total current liabilities		30,749		42,940	
Total liabilities		292,888		312,635	
Shareholders' equity		276,807		277,058	

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CRYOLIFE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss) and Diluted Income (Loss) per Common Share (In thousands, except per share data)

	(Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30, 2018 2017			(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30,				
					2018	· · · · ,	2017	
GAAP: Income (loss) before income taxes	\$	2,108	\$	21	\$	(4,932)	\$	5,908
Income tax expense (benefit)		543		(1,304)		(2,868)		(803)
Net income (loss)	\$	1,565	\$	1,325	\$	(2,064)	\$	6,711
Diluted income (loss) per common share:	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	(0.06)	\$	0.19
Diluted weighted-average common								
shares outstanding		37,610		34,057		36,331		33,851
Reconciliation of income (loss) before income taxes, GAAP to adjusted net income, non-GAAP:								
Income (loss) before income taxes, GAAP	\$	2,108	\$	21	\$	(4,932)	\$	5,908
Adjustments: Business development and								
integration expenses		1,917		2,998		6,933 9 105		4,380
Amortization expense Gain on On-X escrow		2,707		1,140		8,195		3,423
settlement Inventory basis step-up		(2,675)				(2,675)		
expense		62		32		2,805		2,144
Adjusted income before income taxes,								
non-GAAP		4,119		4,191		10,326		15,855
Income tax expense calculated								
at 25% pro forma tax rate		1,030		1,048		2,582		3,964
Adjusted net income, non- GAAP	\$	3,089	\$	3,143	\$	7,744	\$	11,891
Reconciliation of diluted income (loss) per common share, GAAP to adjusted diluted income per common share, non- GAAP:			Ť				Ť	
Diluted income (loss) per common share, GAAP: Adjustments:	\$	0.04	\$	0.04	\$	(0.06)	\$	0.19
Ámortization expense		0.08		0.04		0.22		0.10
Business development and integration expenses		0.05		0.09		0.19		0.13
Gain on On-X escrow settlement		(0.07)				(0.07)		
Inventory basis step-up expense						0.07		0.06
Tax effect of non-GAAP				(0.04)				
adjustments Effect of 25% pro forma tax		(0.02)		(0.04)		(0.10)		(0.07)
rate Adjusted diluted income				(0.04)		(0.04)		(0.07)
per common share, non-GAAP:	\$	0.08	\$	0.09	\$	0.21	\$	0.34
Diluted weighted-average common		07.010		24.057		07.054		22.054
shares outstanding		37,610		34,057		37,351		33,851

CRYOLIFE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Revenues; Gross Margin; General, Administrative, and Marketing (In thousands, except per share data)

	(In thousands, except per share dat (Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30,						Nine	Unaud Month ptemb			
		2018		2017	Growth Rate		2018	-	2017	Growth Rate	
Reconciliation of total revenues, GAAP to total revenues, non-GAAP: Total revenues, GAAP	\$	64,598	\$	43,999	47%	\$	195,042	\$	136,876	42%	
Plus: JOTEC pre- acquisition revenues				11,339					36,439		
Total revenues, non-GAAP	\$	64,598	\$	55,338	17%	\$	195,042	\$	173,315	13%	
Impact of changes in currency exchange Total constant			¥	(203)					3,625		
currency revenues, non- GAAP	\$	64,598	\$	55,135	17%	\$	195,042	\$	176,940	10%	
		(Unaudited) Three Months Ended September 30,					(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30,				
		2018		2017			2018		2017		
Reconciliation of gross margin %, GAAP to gross margin %, non-GAAP:											
Total revenues, GAAP	\$	64,598	\$	43,999		\$	195,042	\$	136,876		
Gross margin, GAAP Gross margin %, GAAP	\$	42,714 66%	\$	29,862 68%		\$	127,793 66%	\$	92,279 67%		
Gross margin, GAAP Plus: Inventory basis step- up	\$	42,714	\$	29,862		\$	127,793	\$	92,279		
expense		62		32			2,805		2,144		
Gross margin, non-GAAP	\$	42,776	\$	29,894		\$	130,598	\$	94,423		
Gross margin %, non-GAAP		66%		68%			67%		69%		
	Three Months Ended Nine				Nine Mont	(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30,					
Reconciliation of		2018		2017			2018		2017		
general, administrative, and marketing, GAAP to general, administrative, and marketing, non- GAAP: General, administrative, and marketing,											
GAAP Less: Business development and integration	\$	32,871	\$	24,756		\$	104,946	\$	71,016		
expenses General, administrative, and		(1,917)		(2,998)		_	(6,933)		(4,380)		
marketing, non-GAAP	\$	30,954	\$	21,758		\$	98,013	\$	66,636		

CRYOLIFE, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Net Income (Loss) to Adjusted EBITDA (In thousands)

		(Unau) Three Mon Septerr	 ed	(Unaudited) Nine Months Ended September 30,				
	2018		2017		2018	2017		
Reconciliation of net income (loss), GAAP to adjusted EBITDA, non-GAAP:								
Net income (loss), GAAP Adjustments:	\$	1,565	\$ 1,325	\$	(2,064)	\$	6,711	
Interest income		(52)	(64)		(141)		(159)	
Interest expense		4,104	851		11,863		2,486	
Income tax expense (benefit) Depreciation and amortization		543	(1,304)		(2,868)		(803)	
expense Loss (gain) on foreign currency		4,530	2,331		13,636		6,683	
revaluation Business development and		683	21		2,141		(78)	
integration expenses Gain on On-X escrow		1,917	2,998		6,933		4,380	
settlement Inventory basis step-up		(2,675)			(2,675)			
expense Stock-based compensation		62	32		2,805		2,144	
expense		1,565	1,856		4,685		5,652	
Adjusted EBITDA, non- GAAP	\$	12,242	\$ 8,046	\$	34,315	\$	27,016	

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