

SPECIALTY LABORATORIES INC  
Form 8-K  
April 21, 2004

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## 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) **April 21, 2004**

## Specialty Laboratories, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**California**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-16217**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**95-2961036**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**2211 Michigan Avenue, Santa Monica, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**90404**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(310) 828-6543**

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

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ITEM 7 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) Exhibits The following document is filed as an exhibit to this report:

99.1 Press Release dated April 21, 2004.

ITEM 9 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

ITEM 12 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On April 21, 2004, Specialty Laboratories, Inc., (the Registrant ) announced financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2004. A copy of the press release issued by the Registrant on April 21, 2004 concerning the foregoing matter is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**SIGNATURE**

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

Specialty Laboratories, Inc.

Date: April 21, 2004

By: /s/ NICHOLAS R. SIMMONS  
Nicholas R. Simmons,  
Vice President and General Counsel

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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