

CERUS CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 19, 2004

# 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): **May 19, 2004**

## CERUS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State of jurisdiction)

**0-21937**  
(Commission File No.)

**68-0262011**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**2411 Stanwell Drive**  
**Concord, California 94520**  
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(925) 288-6000**

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**Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure.**

On May 19, 2004, Cerus Corporation (the Company) issued a press release reporting on its Phase III results for the Intercept Plasma System. A copy of the Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibit
99.1	Press Release, dated May 19, 2004, entitled Cerus Reports Phase III Results for the Intercept Plasma System.

**SIGNATURE**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

**CERUS CORPORATION**

Dated: May 19, 2004

By:                    /s/ Gregory W. Schafer  
                          Gregory W. Schafer  
                          Vice President, Finance and  
                          Chief Financial Officer

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