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## 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

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#### **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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