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): April 25, 2018



Merit Medical Systems, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Utah

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

0-18592 (Commission File Number)

1600 West Merit Parkway South Jordan, Utah (Address of principal executive offices) 84095

(Zip Code)

87-0447695

(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

(801) 253-1600

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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:

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

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o 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 o

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. o

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 25, 2018, Merit Medical Systems, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its operating and financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2018. The full text of the Company's press release, including unaudited financial information, is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission should also be consulted for other important information about the Company.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including the exhibits attached hereto) is furnished pursuant to General Instruction B.2. 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 (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing made by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 25, 2018, the Company is scheduled to conduct a conference call for the purpose of discussing its operating and financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2018. In connection with that call, the Company posted a slide presentation to its website. The presentation discusses the Company's operating and financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, as well as the Company's outlook for its future operations and financial performance. A copy of the presentation is attached herewith as Exhibit 99.2.

The Company is furnishing the information in this Item 7.01 (including Exhibit 99.2 attached hereto) pursuant to Regulation FD promulgated under the Exchange Act. Such information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of the Exchange Act or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and is not deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
<u>99.1</u>	Press Release, dated April 25, 2018, entitled "Merit Medical Reports Record Revenues for First Quarter of 2018," including unaudited financial information.
<u>99.2</u>	Conference Call Presentation.

SIGNATURES

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

MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC.

Date: April 25, 2018

By: <u>/s/ Brian G. Lloyd</u> Brian G. Lloyd Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

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PRESS RELEASE

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MERIT MEDICAL REPORTS RECORD REVENUES FOR FIRST QUARTER OF 2018

- Q1 2018 worldwide revenue of \$203.0 million (\$197.9 million on a comparable, constant currency* basis), up 18.7% as reported (up 15.7% on a comparable, constant currency* basis) over Q1 2017
- Q1 2018 core revenue* up 10.1% over Q1 2017 core revenue* (core revenue* up 7.1% on a comparable, constant currency* basis)
- Q1 2018 GAAP EPS was \$0.10, compared to \$0.32 in Q1 2017; Q1 2018 non-GAAP EPS* was \$0.31, compared to \$0.28 in Q1 2017
- Q1 2018 GAAP gross margin was 43.4%, compared to 44.4% in Q1 2017; Q1 2018 non-GAAP gross margin* was 47.5%, compared to 48.3% for Q1 2017

* Constant currency revenue, core revenue, core revenue on a constant currency basis, non-GAAP EPS, non-GAAP gross margin and non-GAAP net income (referenced on the following page) are non-GAAP financial measures. A reconciliation of these and other non-GAAP financial measures used in this release to their most directly comparable GAAP financial measures is included under the heading "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" below.

SOUTH JORDAN, UTAH - Merit Medical Systems, Inc. (NASDAQ: MMSI), a leading manufacturer and marketer of proprietary disposable devices used in interventional, diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, particularly in cardiology, radiology, oncology, critical care and endoscopy, today announced revenue of \$203.0 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, an increase of 18.7% over revenue of \$171.1 million for the quarter ended March 31, 2017. On a comparable, constant currency basis, revenue for the first quarter of 2018 would have been up 15.7% over revenue for the comparable quarter of 2017.

Merit's GAAP net income for the first quarter of 2018 was \$5.3 million, or \$0.10 per share, compared to \$14.8 million, or \$0.32 per share, for the first quarter of 2017. GAAP net income for the first quarter of 2017 included a preliminary

bargain purchase gain of approximately \$12.2 million, or \$0.27 per share pre-tax, which Merit recognized as a result of its acquisition of the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. Furthermore, Merit's average diluted common shares outstanding increased by approximately six million shares (or 13%) from the first quarter of 2017 to the first quarter of 2018, largely due to Merit's equity offering completed during March 2017. Merit's non-GAAP net income* for the quarter ended March 31, 2018 was \$15.9 million, or \$0.31 per share, compared to \$12.7 million, or \$0.28 per share, for the quarter ended March 31, 2017.

Merit's revenue by category for the quarter ended March 31, 2018, compared to the corresponding quarter in 2017, was as follows:

		Three Months Ended March 31,					
	% Change		2018		2017		
Cardiovascular							
Stand-alone devices	30.8%	\$	83,246	\$	63,653		
Custom kits and procedure trays	15.2%		33,272		28,874		
Inflation devices	21.1%		22,419		18,507		
Catheters	12.2%		33,865		30,176		
Embolization devices	0.5%		12,587		12,527		
CRM/EP	(5.0)%		10,466		11,017		
Total	18.9%		195,855		164,754		
Endoscopy							
Endoscopy devices	13.7%		7,180		6,315		
Grand Total	18.7%	\$	203,035	\$	171,069		

Note: Certain revenue categories for 2017 have been adjusted from prior disclosures to reflect changes in product classifications to be consistent with updates in Merit's management of its product portfolios during 2018.

"The first quarter of 2018 was an extraordinarily active quarter in all aspects of our business," said Fred P. Lampropoulos, Merit's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "We closed the BD transaction and initiated order to cash activities in the U.S., Latin America and Canada. The production transition is on schedule. Merit teams of transition specialists activated customer uploads, inventory and logistical transfer and are planning for future production transfers."

"Cleanrooms in our Tijuana facility are nearing completion, and equipment acquisition and training activities have commenced," Lampropoulos said.

"In addition to all the activities involving the BD transaction, sales were robust in the first quarter," Lampropoulos said. "The products we acquired from Laurane Medical last year have been transferred for production to our Galway, Ireland facility and are scheduled to launch in the second quarter," Lampropoulos continued. "Because of restrained capacity, new sales activities had been controlled to meet existing demand. New capacity is now on line, and stock is being prepared for full release."

"During the first quarter, Merit received 510(k) clearances for the Prelude IDeal[™] Hydrophilic Sheath Introducer and PreludeSYNC[™] Distal Access Device ("Snuff Box") as well as the Merit Pursue[™] Microcatheter," Lampropoulos said. "Recently we entered into a long-term agreement with NinePoint Medical to become the exclusive worldwide distributor for the NvisionVLE® Imaging System with Real-time Targeting[™] using Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT). We believe this product line will enhance the product offerings of our Endotek Division and will be another step to adding therapy and disease-state products to our accessories. Although the products have both 510(k) and CE mark clearances, sales have been limited to the United States due to resource limitations. Merit plans to launch these globally on a measured basis, which we anticipate will strengthen our global Endotek expansion."

"We are off to a good start with a full pipeline of new products and opportunities as well as continued focus on the goals and objectives we have committed to our shareholders," Lampropoulos said.

CONFERENCE CALL

Merit will hold its investor conference call (conference ID 8799557) today, Wednesday, April 25, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern (4:00 p.m. Central, 3:00 p.m. Mountain, and 2:00 p.m. Pacific). The domestic telephone number is (844) 578-9672 and the international number is (508) 637-5656. A live webcast and slide deck will also be available at merit.com.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(In thousands)

(in mousulus)	March 31, 2018 Unaudited)	December 31, 2017		
ASSETS	 ,			
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 34,171	\$	32,336	
Trade receivables, net	117,396		105,536	
Other receivables	8,727		9,429	
Inventories	166,716		155,288	
Prepaid expenses and other assets	10,360		9,096	
Prepaid income taxes	3,323		3,225	
Income tax refunds receivable	1,327		1,211	
Total Current Assets	342,020		316,121	
Property and equipment, net	303,725		292,820	
Intangibles, net	307,877		227,324	
Goodwill	244,125		238,147	
Deferred income tax assets	2,441		2,359	
Other assets	37,271		35,040	
Total Assets	\$ 1,237,459	\$	1,111,811	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current Liabilities				
Trade payables	\$ 43,739	\$	34,931	
Accrued expenses	55,781		58,932	
Current portion of long-term debt	20,733		19,459	
Income taxes payable	 2,397		2,298	
Total Current Liabilities	122,650		115,620	
Long-term debt	365,797		259,013	
Deferred income tax liabilities	23,330		23,289	
Long-term income taxes payable	4,846		4,846	
Liabilities related to unrecognized tax benefits	2,746		2,746	
Deferred compensation payable	11,185		11,181	
Deferred credits	2,367		2,403	
Other long-term obligations	 16,027		16,379	
Total Liabilities	548,948		435,477	
Stockholders' Equity				
Common stock	356,228		353,392	
Retained earnings	326,677		321,408	
Accumulated other comprehensive income	5,606		1,534	
Total stockholders' equity	 688,511		676,334	
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 1,237,459	\$	1,111,811	

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited, in thousands except per share amounts)

(Unaudited, in thousands except per share amounts)							
		88,056 75,94 64,913 57,77 14,322 12,52					
		2018		2017			
SALES	\$	203 035	\$	171 069			
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COST OF SALES		114,979		95,127			
GROSS PROFIT		88,056		75,942			
OPERATING EXPENSES							
Selling, general and administrative		64,913		57,771			
Research and development				12,525			
Contingent consideration expense				37			
Total		79,275		70,333			
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		8,781		5,609			
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)							
Interest income		146		83			
Interest expense		(2,398)		(2,706)			
Gain on bargain purchase		-		12,243			
Other income (expense) - net		(170)		264			
Total other income (expense) - net		(2,422)		9,884			
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		6,359		15,493			
INCOME TAX EXPENSE		1,090		690			
NET INCOME	\$	5,269	\$	14,803			
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:							
Basic	\$	0.10	\$	0.33			
Diluted	\$	0.10	\$	0.32			
AVERAGE COMMON SHARES:							
Basic		50,277		44,830			
Diluted		51,910		45,820			
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Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Although Merit's financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), Merit's management believes that certain non-GAAP financial measures referred to in this release provide investors with useful information regarding the underlying business trends and performance of Merit's ongoing operations and can be useful for period-over-period comparisons of such operations. Non-GAAP financial measures used in this release include:

- constant currency revenue;
- core revenue;
- core revenue on a constant currency basis;
- non-GAAP gross margin;
- non-GAAP net income; and
- non-GAAP earnings per share.

Merit's management team uses these non-GAAP financial measures to evaluate Merit's profitability and efficiency, to compare operating results to prior periods, to evaluate changes in the operating results of its operating segments, and to measure and allocate financial resources internally. However, Merit's management does not consider such non-GAAP measures in isolation or as an alternative to such measures determined in accordance with GAAP.

Readers should consider non-GAAP measures used in this release in addition to, not as a substitute for, financial reporting measures prepared in accordance with GAAP. These non-GAAP financial measures generally exclude some, but not all, items that may affect Merit's net income. In addition, they are subject to inherent limitations as they reflect the exercise of judgment by management about which items are excluded. Merit believes it is useful to exclude such items in the calculation of non-GAAP earnings per share, non-GAAP gross margin and non-GAAP net income (in each case, as further illustrated in the reconciliation table below) because such amounts in any specific period may not directly correlate to the underlying performance of Merit's business operations and can vary significantly between periods as a result of factors such as new acquisitions, non-cash expenses related to amortization of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets, unusual compensation expenses or expenses resulting from litigation, governmental proceedings or changes in tax regulations. Merit may incur similar types of expenses will not recur. Additionally, the non-GAAP financial measures used in this release may not be comparable with similarly titled measures of other companies. Merit urges investors and potential investors to review the reconciliations of its non-GAAP financial measures to the comparable GAAP financial measures, and not to rely on any single financial measure to evaluate Merit's business or results of operations.

Constant Currency Revenue

Merit's revenue on a constant currency basis is prepared by translating the current-period reported revenue of subsidiaries whose functional currency is other than the U.S. dollar at the applicable foreign exchange rates in effect

during the comparable prior-year period. The constant currency revenue adjustment of \$(5.2) million for the three months ended March 31, 2018 was calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three months ended March 31, 2017.

Core Revenue and Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis

Merit's core revenue is defined as reported revenue excluding revenues from the acquisitions of the assets of Catheter Connections, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), Osseon LLC in July 2017, Laurane Medical S.A.S. in August 2017, ITL Healthcare Pty. Ltd. in October 2017 and certain divested assets of Becton, Dickinson and Company in February 2018. Core revenue on a constant currency basis is defined as core revenue (as described in the preceding sentence) plus the foreign exchange impact related to those core sales, using the applicable foreign exchange rates in effect for the comparable prior-year periods presented.

Non-GAAP Gross Margin

Non-GAAP gross margin is calculated by reducing GAAP cost of sales by amounts recorded for amortization of intangible assets and inventory mark-up related to acquisitions.

Non-GAAP Net Income

Non-GAAP net income is calculated by adjusting GAAP net income for certain items which are deemed by Merit's management to be outside of core operations and vary in amount and frequency among periods, such as expenses related to new acquisitions, non-cash expenses related to amortization of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets, unusual compensation expenses or expenses resulting from litigation, governmental proceedings or changes in tax regulations, as well as other items set forth in the table below.

Non-GAAP EPS

Non-GAAP EPS is defined as non-GAAP net income divided by the diluted shares outstanding for the corresponding period.

Other Non-GAAP Financial Measure Reconciliation

The following table sets forth supplemental financial data and corresponding reconciliations of non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP earnings per share to Merit's net income and earnings per share prepared in accordance with GAAP for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017. The non-GAAP income adjustments referenced in the following table do not reflect stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$1.3 million and \$0.6 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP Net Income

(Unaudited, in thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended								
			Marc	ch 31, 2018					
		Pre-Tax	Tax Impact (a)) After-Tax	Per Share Impact				
GAAP net income	\$	6,359	\$ (1,090	0) \$ 5,269	\$ 0.10				
Non-GAAP adjustments:									
Cost of Sales									
Amortization of intangibles		6,463	(1,600	6) 4,857	0.10				
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions		1,873	(48)	1) 1,392	0.03				
Operating Expenses									
Acquisition-related (b)		1,970	(506	5) 1,464	0.03				
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)		40	(10	0) 30	_				
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)		56	(14	4) 42					
Amortization of intangibles		2,000	(532	2) 1,468	0.03				
Special legal expense (e)		1,691	(435	5) 1,256	0.02				
Other (Income) Expense									
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs		201	(52	2) 149	_				
Non-GAAP net income	\$	20,653	\$ (4,720	5) \$ 15,927	\$ 0.31				
Diluted shares					51,910				

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2017						
	Pre-Tax	Tax Impact (a)	After-Tax	Per Share Impact			
GAAP net income	15,493	(690)	14,803	0.32			
Non-GAAP adjustments:							
Cost of Sales							
Amortization of intangibles	4,826	(1,805)	3,021	0.07			
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions	1,893	(736)	1,157	0.03			
Operating Expenses							
Severance	1,216	(473)	743	0.02			
Acquisition-related (b)	1,552	(282)	1,270	0.03			
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)	37	(15)	22	_			
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)	18	(7)	11	—			
Amortization of intangibles	1,343	(518)	825	0.02			
Special legal expense (e)	4,840	(1,883)	2,957	0.06			
Other (Income) Expense							
Gain on bargain purchase (f)	(12,243)	_	(12,243)	(0.27)			
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs	172	(67)	105	_			
Non-GAAP net income	19,147	(6,476)	12,671	0.28			
Diluted shares				45,820			

(a) Reflects the tax effect associated with pre-tax income and the non-GAAP adjustments.

(b) Represents transaction costs related to acquisitions.

(c) Represents changes in the fair value of contingent consideration liabilities and contingent receivables as a result of acquisitions.

(d) Represents abandoned patents.

(e) Costs incurred in responding to an inquiry from the U.S. Department of Justice.

(f) Represents the gain on bargain purchase realized from the acquisition of the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc.

Reconciliation of Reported Revenue to Core Revenue (Non-GAAP), Constant Currency Revenue (Non-GAAP), and Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis (Non-GAAP)

(Unaudited, in thousands)

			Three Months March 3	
	% Change		2018	2017
Reported Revenue	18.7%	\$	203,035 \$	171,069
Add: Impact of foreign exchange (a)			(5,154)	
Constant Currency Revenue	15.7%	\$	197,881 \$	171,069
			Three Months	. T. J. J
			March 3	
	% Change		2018	2017
Reported Revenue	18.7%	\$	203,035 \$	171,069
Less: Revenue from certain acquisitions (b)			(14,635)	—
		A	400.400 \$	454.000
Core Revenue	10.1%	\$	188,400 \$	171,069
Add: Impact of foreign exchange on core revenue (a)			(5,154)	—
Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis	7.1%	\$	183,246 \$	171,069

(a) The constant currency revenue adjustment of \$(5.2) million to reported revenue and to core revenue, for the three months ended March 31, 2018, was calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three months ended March 31, 2017.

(b) Represents revenue from the acquisitions of the assets of Catheter Connections, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only); the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only); Osseon LLC in July 2017; Laurane Medical S.A.S. in August 2017; ITL Healthcare Pty. Ltd. in October 2017, and certain divested assets of Becton, Dickinson and Company in February 2018.

Reconciliation of Reported Gross Margin to Non-GAAP Gross Margin (Non-GAAP)

(Unaudited, as a percentage of reported revenue)

	Three month	is ended
	March 3	31,
	2018	2017
Reported Gross Margin	43.4%	44.4%
Add back impact of:		
Amortization of intangibles	3.2%	2.8%
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions	0.9%	1.1%
Non-GAAP Gross Margin	47.5%	48.3%

ABOUT MERIT

Founded in 1987, Merit Medical Systems, Inc. is engaged in the development, manufacture and distribution of proprietary disposable medical devices used in interventional, diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, particularly in cardiology, radiology, oncology, critical care and endoscopy. Merit serves client hospitals worldwide with a domestic and international sales force totaling approximately 290 individuals. Merit employs approximately 5,000 people worldwide with facilities in South Jordan, Utah; Pearland, Texas; Richmond, Virginia; Malvern, Pennsylvania; Rockland, Massachusetts; San Jose, California; Maastricht and Venlo, The Netherlands; Paris, France; Galway, Ireland; Beijing, China; Tijuana, Mexico; Joinville, Brazil; Markham, Ontario, Canada; Melbourne, Australia; Tokyo, Japan; and Singapore.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Statements contained in this release which are not purely historical, including, without limitation, statements regarding Merit's forecasted plans, revenues, net income, financial results or anticipated or completed acquisitions, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and are subject to risks and uncertainties such as those described in Merit's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such risks and uncertainties include risks relating to Merit's potential inability to successfully manage growth through acquisitions, including the inability to commercialize technology acquired through completed, proposed or future transactions; expenditures relating to research, development, testing and regulatory approval or clearance of Merit's products and risks that such products may not be developed successfully or approved for commercial use; governmental scrutiny and regulation of the medical device industry, including governmental inquiries, investigations and proceedings involving Merit; restrictions on Merit's liquidity or business operations resulting from its debt agreements; infringement of Merit's technology or the assertion that Merit's technology infringes the rights of other parties; product recalls and product liability claims; changes in customer purchasing patterns or the mix of products we sell; the potential of fines, penalties or other adverse consequences if Merit's employees or agents violate the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act or other laws or regulations; laws and regulations targeting fraud and abuse in the healthcare industry; potential for significant adverse changes in governing regulations, including reforms to the procedures for approval or clearance of our products by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration or comparable regulatory authorities in other jurisdictions; changes in tax laws and regulations in the United States or other countries; increases in the prices of commodity components; negative changes in economic and industry conditions in the United States or other countries; termination or interruption of relationships with Merit's suppliers, or failure of such suppliers to perform; fluctuations in exchange rates; concentration of a substantial portion of Merit's revenues among a few products and procedures; development of new products and technology that could render Merit's existing products obsolete; market acceptance of new products; volatility in the market price of Merit's common stock; modification or limitation of governmental or private insurance reimbursement policies; changes in healthcare policies or markets related to healthcare reform initiatives; failure to comply with applicable environmental laws; changes in key personnel; work stoppage or transportation risks; introduction of products in a timely fashion; price and product competition; availability of labor and materials; fluctuations in and obsolescence of inventory; and

other factors referred to in Merit's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2017 and other materials filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. All subsequent forward-looking statements attributable to Merit or persons acting on its behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements. Actual results will likely differ, and may differ materially, from anticipated results. Financial estimates are subject to change and are not intended to be relied upon as predictions of future operating results, and Merit assumes no obligation to update or disclose revisions to those estimates.

TRADEMARKS

Unless noted otherwise, trademarks and registered trademarks used in this release are the property of Merit Medical Systems, Inc., in the United States and other jurisdictions.

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First Quarter 2018 Results

FRED LAMPROPOULOS Chairman & CEO

BERNARD BIRKETT CFO Exhibit 99.2



DISCLOSURE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This presentation and any accompanying management commentary include "forward-looking statements," as defined within applicable securities laws and regulations. All statements on historical fact, are "forward-looking statements", including projections of earnings, revenues or other financial items, statements regarding our plans and objectives for future operations, statements concerning proposed products or services, statements regarding governmental inquiries, investigations or proceedings and statements or any business, assets or operations we have acquired or may acquire, statements regarding future economic conditions or performance, statements regarding governmental inquiries, investigations or proceedings and statements of assumptions underlying any of the foregoing. All forward-looking statements, including financial projections, included in this presentation are made as of the date of this presentation, and are based on information available to us as of such date. We assume no obligation to update or disclose revisions to any forward-looking statements, "monodition, so were requision. In some cases, forward-looking statements are based on our current beliefs, expectations and assumptions regarding our business, domestic and global economies, regulatory and other conditions. There can be no assumace that such beliefs, expectations or assumptions or any of the forward-looking statements will likely differ, and may differ materially, from those projected or assumed in the forward-looking statements. Our future financial and operating results and condition, as well as any forward-looking statements, including the inality its ouscessfully manage growth through acquisitors, including the inality to commercial use; governmental inquiries, including the inality to commercial use; governmental inquiries, including acquisitor or protect Actual results and technology acquired through acquisitor our potential inability to successfully manage growth through acquisitors, including the inality in commercial and opera

All forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by these cautionary statements. The financial projections set forth in this presentation are based on a number of assumptions, estimates and forecasts. The inaccuracy of any one of those assumptions, estimates or forecasts could materially impact our financial results. Inevitably, some of those assumptions, estimates or forecasts will not occur and unanticipated events and circumstances will occur subsequent to the date of this presentation. In addition to changes in the underlying assumptions, our future performance is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties with respect to our existing and proposed business and other factors that may cause our actual results or performance to be materially different from any predicted or implied. Although we have attempted to identify important assumptions in the financial projections, there may be other factors that could materially affect our actual financial performance, and no assurance can be given that all material factors have been considered in the preparation of the financial projections. Accordingly, you should not place undue reliance on such projections. Future operating results are, in fact, impossible to predict.

NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

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Financial Summary GAAP

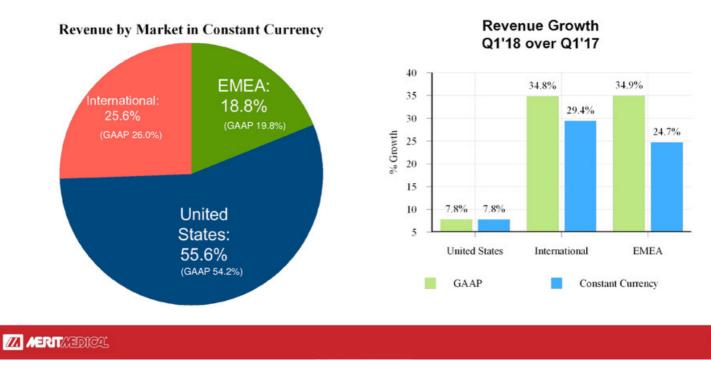
	Q1 2018	Q1 2017
Revenue	\$203.0M	\$171.1M
Gross Margin	43.4%	44.4%
Net Income	\$5.3M	\$14.8M
EPS	\$0.10	\$0.32

Financial Summary Non-GAAP

	Q1 2018	Q1 2017
Revenue (Constant Currency)	\$197.9M	\$171.1M
Revenue (Reported)	\$203.0M	\$171.1M
Gross Margin	47.5%	48.3%
Net Income	\$15.9M	\$12.7M
EPS	\$0.31	\$0.28

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Q1 2018 Revenue by Market



Assets Purchased from Becton, Dickinson and Company

Achieve[®] Automatic Biopsy System
Pink Achieve[™] Automatic Biopsy System
Original Temno[™] Biopsy Device
Temno Evolution[®] Biopsy Device
Adjustable Coaxial Temno[™] (ACT) Biopsy
Aspira[®] Drainage System

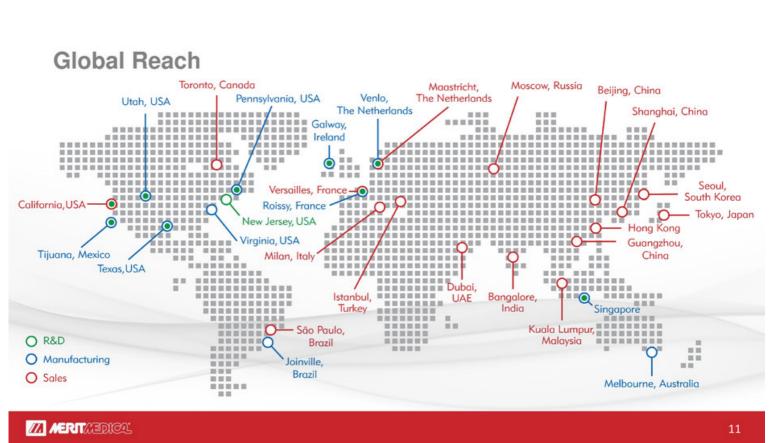
New Products in 2018

- FLO40XR™ Hemostasis Valve
- PreludeSYNC DISTAL™
 Radial Compression Device
- Prelude Pursuit[™]
 Splittable Sheath Introducer
- Prelude IDeal™
 Hydrophilic Sheath Introducer
- Prelude Choice[™] Hemostasis
 Valve Adapter









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NOTES TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

For additional details, please see the accompanying press release and forward-looking statement disclosure.

These presentation materials and associated commentary from Merit's management, as well as the press release issued today, use non-GAAP financial measures, including:

- constant currency revenue;
- core revenue;
- core revenue on a constant currency basis;
- non-GAAP gross margin;
- non-GAAP net income; and non-GAAP earnings per share.

Merit's management team uses these non-GAAP financial measures to evaluate Merit's profitability and efficiency, to compare operating results to prior periods, to evaluate changes in the operating results of each segment, and to measure and allocate financial resources internally. However, Merit's management does not consider such non-GAAP measures in isolation or as an alternative to such measures determined in accordance with GAAP.

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NOTES TO NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES (cont.)

Constant Currency Revenue

Merit's revenue on a constant currency basis is prepared by translating the current-period reported sales of subsidiaries whose functional currency is other than the U.S. dollar at the applicable foreign exchange rates in effect during the comparable prior-year period. The constant currency revenue adjustments of \$(5.2) million for the three-month period ended March 31, 2018 was calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three-month period ended March 31, 2017.

Core Revenue and Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis

Merit's core revenue is defined as reported revenue excluding revenues from the acquisitions of the assets of Catheter Connections, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), Osseon LLC in July 2017, Laurane Medical S.A.S. in August 2017, ITL Healthcare Pty. Ltd. in October 2017 and certain divested assets of Becton, Dickinson and Company in February 2018. Core revenue on a constant currency basis is defined as core revenue (as described in the preceding sentence) plus the foreign exchange impact related to those core sales, using the applicable foreign exchange rates in effect for the comparable prior-year period presented.

Non-GAAP Gross Margin

Non-GAAP gross margin is calculated by reducing GAAP cost of sales by amounts recorded for amortization of intangible assets and inventory mark-up related to acquisitions.

Non-GAAP Net Income

Non-GAAP net income is calculated by reducing GAAP net income by certain items which are deemed by Merit's management to be of a special or non-recurring nature, such as items related to new acquisitions, non-cash expense related to amortization of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets, unusual compensation expenses or expense resulting from litigation, governmental proceedings or changes in tax regulations, as well as other items as set forth in the table below.

Non-GAAP EPS

Non-GAAP EPS is defined as non-GAAP net income divided by the diluted shares outstanding for the corresponding period.

Other Non-GAAP Financial Measure Reconciliation

The following table sets forth supplemental financial data and corresponding reconciliations of non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP earnings per share to Merit's net income and earnings per share prepared in accordance with GAAP, in each case, for the three months ended March 31, 2018 and 2017. The non-GAAP income adjustments referenced in the following table do not reflect stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$1.3 million and \$0.6 million for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

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Reconciliation of GAAP Net Income to Non-GAAP Net Income

(Unaudited, in thousands except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended Three Months Ended March 31, 2018 March 31, 2017											
	0.5	Pre-Tax	Tax	Impact (a)	After-Tax	Per Share Impact		Pre-Tax	T,	ax Impact (a)	After-Tax	Per Share Impac
GAAP net income	\$	6,359	\$	(1,090) \$	5,269	\$ 0.10	\$	15,493	\$	(690) \$	14,803	\$ 0.3
Non-GAAP adjustments:												
Cost of Sales												
Amortization of intangibles		6,463		(1,606)	4,857	0.10		4,826		(1,805)	3,021	0.0
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions		1,873		(481)	1,392	0.03		1,893		(736)	1,157	0.0
Operating Expenses												
Severance		-		_	_			1,216		(473)	743	0.0
Acquisition-related (b)		1,970		(506)	1,464	0.03		1,552		(282)	1,270	0.0
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)		40		(10)	30	0.00		37		(15)	22	0.0
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)		56		(14)	42	0.00		18		(7)	11	0.0
Amortization of intangibles		2,000		(532)	1,468	0.03		1,343		(518)	825	0.0
Special legal expense (e)		1,691		(435)	1,256	0.02		4,840		(1,883)	2,957	0.0
Other (Income) Expense												
Gain on bargain purchase (f)		-		-	-	-		(12,243)		-	(12,243)	(0.2
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs		201		(52)	149	0.00		172		(67)	105	0.0
Non-GAAP net income	S	20,653	\$	(4,726) \$	15,927	\$ 0.31	\$	19,147	\$	(6,476) \$	12,671	\$ 0.2
Diluted shares						51,910						45,82

(a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f)

Reflects the tax effect associated with pre-tax income and the non-GAAP adjustments Represents transaction costs related to acquisitions Represents changes in the fair value of contingent consideration liabilities and contingent receivables as a result of acquisitions Represents abandoned patents Costs incurred in responding to an inquiry from the U.S. Department of Justice Represents the gain on bargain purchase realized from the acquisition of the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc.

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Reconciliation of Reported Revenue to Core Revenue (Non-GAAP), Constant Currency Revenue (Non-GAAP), and Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis (Non-GAAP)

(Unaudited, in thousands)

				hree Months Ended March 31,	
	% Change		2018	2017	
Reported Revenue	18.7%	\$	203,035 \$	171,069	
Add: Impact of foreign exchange (a)			(5,154)	_	
Constant Currency Revenue	15.7%	\$	197,881 \$	171,069	
			Three Months Ended		
		March 31,		,	
	% Change		2018	2017	
Reported Revenue	18.7%	\$	203,035 \$	171,069	
Less: Revenue from certain acquisitions (b)			(14,635)	_	
Core Revenue	10.1%	\$	188,400 \$	171,069	
Add: Impact of foreign exchange on core revenue (a)			(5,154)		
Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis	7.1%	\$	183,246 \$	171,069	

(a) The constant currency revenue adjustment of \$(5.2) million to reported revenue and to core revenue for the three-month period ended March 31, 2018 was calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three-month period ended March 31, 2017.

(b) Represents revenue from the acquisitions of the assets of Catheter Connections, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only); the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only); Osseon LLC in July 2017; Laurane Medical S.A.S. in August 2017; ITL Healthcare Pty. Ltd. in October 2017, and certain divested assets of Becton, Dickinson and Company in February 2018.

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Reconciliation of Reported Gross Margin to Non-GAAP Gross Margin (Non-GAAP)

(Unaudited, as a percentage of reported revenue)

	Three Months Ended	
	March 3	1,
	2018	2017
Reported Gross Margin	43.4%	44.4%
Add back impact of:		
Amortization of intangibles	3.2%	2.8%
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions	0.9%	1.1%
Non-GAAP Gross Margin	47.5%	48.3%

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