## 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): February 26, 2019

MERITAEDICAL

#### 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) 87-0447695

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1600 West Merit Parkway

South Jordan, Utah
(Address of principal executive offices)

84095

(Zip Code)

(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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 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 February 26, 2019, Merit Medical Systems, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its operating and financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 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 February 26, 2019, the Company is scheduled to conduct a conference call for the purpose of discussing its operating and financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 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 fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2018. 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
99.1	Press Release, dated February 26, 2019, entitled "Merit Medical Reports Earnings for Fourth Quarter and Year Ended December 31, 2018, Gives 2019 and 2020 Guidance," including unaudited financial information.
99.2	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: February 26, 2019

By: /s/ Brian G. Lloyd

Brian G. Lloyd

Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: February 26, 2019

Phone:

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#### **MERIT MEDICAL REPORTS EARNINGS** FOR FOURTH QUARTER AND YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018, **GIVES 2019 AND 2020 GUIDANCE**

- Q4 2018 worldwide revenue of \$233.2 million, up 22.2% as reported over Q4 2017
- Q4 2018 core revenue on a comparable, constant currency basis\* up 13.1% over Q4 2017
- Q4 2018 GAAP EPS was \$0.16, compared to \$0.13 in Q4 2017
- Q4 2018 non-GAAP EPS\* was \$0.48, compared to \$0.33 in Q4 2017

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 \$233.2 million for the quarter ended December 31, 2018, an increase of 22.2% over revenue of \$190.9 million for the quarter ended December 31, 2017. Core revenue on a comparable, constant currency basis\* for the fourth quarter of 2018 would have been up 13.1% over revenue for the comparable quarter of 2017. For the year ended December 31, 2018, Merit's revenue was \$882.8 million, up 21.3% compared to revenue of \$727.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2017. Core revenue on a comparable, constant currency basis\* for the year ended December 31, 2018 would have been up 11.4% when compared to 2017.

Merit's GAAP net income for the fourth quarter of 2018 was \$9.2 million, or \$0.16 per share, compared to GAAP net income of \$6.8 million, or \$0.13 per share, for the fourth quarter of 2017. Merit's non-GAAP net income\* for the quarter ended December 31, 2018 was \$27.0 million, or \$0.48 per share, compared to \$16.8 million, or \$0.33 per share, for the quarter ended December 31, 2017.

<sup>\*</sup> Core revenue on a constant currency basis, non-GAAP EPS, non-GAAP net income and non-GAAP gross margin 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

For the year ended December 31, 2018, Merit's GAAP net income was \$42.0 million, or \$0.78 per share, compared to \$27.5 million, or \$0.55 per share, for 2017. Merit's non-GAAP net income\* for the year ended December 31, 2018 was \$91.3 million, or \$1.69, compared to \$64.3 million, or \$1.28 per share, for 2017.

Merit's GAAP gross margin for the fourth quarter of 2018 was 44.9%, compared to GAAP gross margin of 44.9% for the fourth quarter of 2017. Merit's non-GAAP gross margin\* for the fourth quarter of 2018 was 49.4%, compared to non-GAAP gross margin\* of 47.9% for the fourth quarter of 2017. Merit's GAAP gross margin for the year ended December 31, 2018 was 44.7%, compared to 44.8% for 2017. Merit's non-GAAP gross margin\* for the year ended December 31, 2018 was 48.9% compared to 48.1% for 2017.

Merit's revenue by category for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2018, compared to the corresponding periods in 2017, was as follows (unaudited, in thousands, except for percentages):

		Three Mo	nths			Ended			
		Decen	ıber	31,		December 31,			31,
	% Change	2018	2017		% Change	2018			2017
Cardiovascular									
Stand-alone devices	40.5%	\$ 101,188	\$	71,997	33.6%	\$	367,905	\$	275,456
Custom kits and procedure trays	(1.7)%	34,397		35,007	6.9%		134,756		126,089
Inflation devices	11.0%	22,802		20,546	15.7%		92,419		79,875
Catheters	24.9%	41,695		33,390	21.7%		155,525		127,747
Embolization devices	(2.1)%	12,332		12,596	1.0%		50,038		49,532
CRM/EP	27.5%	12,672		9,936	16.5%		48,834		41,914
Total	22.7%	225,086		183,472	21.2%		849,477		700,613
Endoscopy									
Endoscopy devices	9.9%	8,163		7,425	22.2%		33,276		27,239
Grand Total	22.2%	\$ 233,249	\$	190,897	21.3%	\$	882,753	\$	727,852

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.

"2018 was an important and very positive year for the company and included the closing of the Becton Dickinson deal, the acquisitions of Cianna Medical and Vascular Insights, and the execution of our global growth and profitability plan," said Fred P. Lampropoulos, Merit's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "Integration of these new businesses and sales of our core products continue to drive growth to the point where we are confident forecasting an expansion of our 2019 core revenue growth to a range of 8 - 10%."

"We believe our forecasted growth will be facilitated by recently introduced products such as the EmboCube<sup>TM</sup> Embolization Gelatin, the basixTAU<sup>TM</sup> Inflation Device, the Prelude Prestige<sup>TM</sup> Splittable Sheath Introducer, the Prelude Ideal<sup>TM</sup> Sheath Introducer, the PreludeSYNC<sup>TM</sup> Radial Hemostasis Device, as well as the momentum of our

legacy products," Lampropoulos continued. "As we look forward, we are also comfortable adding a forecast for 2020, which we currently believe will be in the range of 8 - 10% core revenue growth, an addition of 100 - 150 basis points to gross margin, and net income improvement of approximately 14 - 19%. Please note that we believe this will be in addition to our 2019 range of 45.6 - 46.5% (GAAP) and 50.6 - 51.3% gross margin projection (non-GAAP)."

"Recently we opened a new distribution center in Reading, England in an effort to hedge against potential Brexit disruption, as well as a direct sales and distribution center in Johannesburg, South Africa," Lampropoulos said. "We believe the ability to provide essentially same-day service to our customers in those regions will enhance customer confidence and increase our growth prospects."

"Additionally, our new product pipeline is full," Lampropoulos continued. "We expect to introduce 10 - 15 new products this year that will continue to support our overall business strategy. Our business measurements of top-line improvement, discipline of the SG&A and R&D expenses, and bottom-line improvement continue to support our business thesis. Finally, the healthcare market continues to consolidate, and we intend to continue to pursue opportunities that fit our overall strategy and financial metrics."

#### 2019 GUIDANCE

Based upon information currently available to Merit's management, Merit estimates for the year ending December 31, 2019, absent material acquisitions or non-recurring transactions, the following:

Financial Measure		Range	
Net Sales	\$1,011 million	-	\$1,030 million
GAAP			
Earnings per share	\$1.02	-	\$1.13
Gross Margin	45.6%	-	46.5%
Non-GAAP			
Earnings per share	\$1.97	-	\$2.08
Gross Margin	50.6%	-	51.3%
Effective Tax Rate	22.5%	-	24.5%

Merit's financial guidance for the year ending December 31, 2019 is subject to risks and uncertainties identified in Merit's public filings.

#### CONFERENCE CALL

Merit will hold its investor conference call (conference ID 9186535) today, Tuesday, February 26, 2019, 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)

	December 31, 2018 (Unaudited)		De	cember 31, 2017
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	67,359	\$	32,336
Trade receivables, net		137,174		105,536
Other receivables		11,879		9,429
Inventories		197,536		155,288
Prepaid expenses and other assets		11,326		9,096
Prepaid income taxes		3,627		3,225
Income tax refund receivables		933		1,211
Total current assets		429,834		316,121
Property and equipment, net		331,452		292,820
Intangible assets, net		462,713		227,324
Goodwill		335,433		238,147
Deferred income tax assets		3,001		2,359
Other assets		57,579		35,040
Total Assets	\$	1,620,012	\$	1,111,811
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current Liabilities				
Trade payables	\$	54,024	\$	34,931
Accrued expenses		96,173		58,932
Current portion of long-term debt		22,000		19,459
Income taxes payable		3,146		2,298
Total current liabilities		175,343		115,620
Long-term debt		373,152		259,013
Deferred income tax liabilities		56,363		23,289
Long-term income taxes payable		392		4,846
Liabilities related to unrecognized tax benefits		3,013		2,746
Deferred compensation payable		11,219		11,181
Deferred credits		2,261		2,403
Other long-term obligations		65,494		16,379
Total liabilities		687,237		435,477
Stockholders' Equity				
Common stock		571,383		353,392
Retained earnings		363,425		321,408
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(2,033)		1,534
Total stockholders' equity		932,775		676,334
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$	1,620,012	\$	1,111,811

#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited, in thousands except per share amounts)

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	_	2018		2017		2018		2017
NET SALES	\$	233,249	\$	190,897	\$	882,753	\$	727,852
COST OF SALES	_	128,583	_	105,241	\$	487,983	\$	401,599
GROSS PROFIT		104,666		85,656		394,770		326,253
OPERATING EXPENSES								
Selling, general and administrative		75,629		59,239		276,018		229,134
Research and development		15,368		12,727		59,532		51,403
Acquired in-process research and development		263		_		644		12,136
Intangible asset impairment charge		_		809		657		809
Contingent consideration expense		(256)		(338)		(698)		(298)
Total		91,004		72,437		336,153		293,184
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS		13,662		13,219		58,617		33,069
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)								
Interest income		352		115		1,199		381
Interest expense		(2,296)		(1,801)		(10,360)		(7,736)
Gain on bargain purchase		_		243		_		11,039
Other income (expense) - net		492		(496)		63		(872)
Total other income (expense) - net		(1,452)	_	(1,939)		(9,098)	Ξ	2,812
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES		12,210		11,280		49,519		35,881
INCOME TAX EXPENSE	_	3,022	_	4,474	_	7,502	_	8,358
NET INCOME	\$	9,188	\$	6,806	\$	42,017	\$	27,523
EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE:								
Basic Basic	\$	0.17	\$	0.14	\$	0.80	\$	0.56
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Diluted	\$	0.16	\$	0.13	\$	0.78	\$	0.55
AVERAGE COMMON SHARES:								
Basic	_	54,850	_	50,208	_	52,268	_	48,805
Diluted	_	56,514	_	51,722	_	53,931	_	50,101

#### 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 or write-off of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets, severance expenses, expenses resulting from non-ordinary course litigation, governmental proceedings or changes in tax regulations, and debt issuance costs. Merit may incur similar types of expenses in the future, and the non-GAAP financial information included in this release should not be viewed as a statement or indication that these 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 adjustments of \$2.2 million and \$(5.2) million for the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2018, respectively, were calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2017, respectively.

#### Core Revenue and Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis

Merit's core revenue is defined (a) with respect to prior fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue, and (b) with respect to current fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue, less revenue from certain acquisitions and strategic transactions. For the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2018, Merit's core revenue excludes revenues from (i) the acquisition of (1) the assets of Catheter Connections, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), (2) the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), (3) Osseon LLC in July 2017 (excluded through June 2018 only), (4) Laurane Medical S.A.S. in August 2017 (excluded through July 2018 only), (5) ITL Healthcare Pty. Ltd. in October 2017 (excluded through September 2018 only), (6) certain divested assets of Becton, Dickinson and Company in February 2018, (7) the assets of DirectACCESS Medical, LLC in May 2018, (8) Cianna Medical, Inc. in November 2018, (9) certain assets of Vascular Insights, LLC in December 2018, and (ii) revenues from (1) the distribution arrangement with NinePoint Medical, Inc. executed in April 2018 and (2) the distribution arrangement with QXMedical, LLC executed in May 2018. Core revenue on a constant currency basis is defined as core revenue (as described in the first sentence of this paragraph) 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 or write-off of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets, severance expenses, expenses resulting from non-ordinary course litigation, governmental proceedings or changes in tax regulations, and debt issuance costs, 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 tables in this release set 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 and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2018 and 2017. The non-GAAP income adjustments referenced in these table do not reflect stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$1.6 million and \$1.2 million for the three-month periods ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and approximately \$6.1 million and \$4.1 million for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

#### Three Months Ended December 31, 2018

				December 3	31, 2018	
	]	Pre-Tax	Tax 1	Impact (a)	After-Tax	Per Share Impact
GAAP net income	\$	12,210	\$	(3,022) \$	9,188	\$ 0.16
Non-GAAP adjustments:						
Cost of Sales						
Amortization of intangibles		9,245		(2,365)	6,880	0.13
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions		1,255		(323)	932	0.02
Operating Expenses						
Severance		440		(114)	326	0.01
Acquisition-related (b)		4,465		(876)	3,589	0.06
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)		(256)		68	(188)	0.00
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)		70		(18)	52	0.00
Acquired in-process research and development		263		(67)	196	0.00
Amortization of intangibles		2,574		(679)	1,895	0.03
Special legal expense (f)		1,363		(351)	1,012	0.02
Other (Income) Expense						
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs		201		(52)	149	0.00
Tax expense related to tax reform (h)		_		3,005	3,005	0.05
Non-GAAP net income	\$	31,830	\$	(4,794) \$	27,036	\$ 0.48
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Diluted shares						56,514
Difference shares						30,311
				Three Montl	ns Ended	
				December 3		
	1	Pre-Tax	Tav	Impact (a)	After-Tax	Per Share Impact
GAAP net income	\$	11,280		(4,474) \$	6,806	
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Non-GAAP adjustments:						
Cost of Sales						
Amortization of intangibles		5,490		(1,848)	3,642	0.07
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions		279		(39)	240	0.00
Operating Expenses				(44)		5.00
Severance		446		(171)	275	0.01
Acquisition-related (b)		1,593		(532)	1,061	0.02
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)		(338)			, , , , ,	0.00
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)				131	(207)	0.00
Intangible asset impairment charge (e)				131	(207) 57	0.00
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Amortization of intangibles		93		131 (36) —	57	0.00
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Amortization of intangibles Special legal expense (f)		93 809		131 (36) —	57 809	0.00 0.02 0.02
Amortization of intangibles Special legal expense (f) Other (Income) Expense		93 809 1,908 2,001		131 (36) — (703)	57 809 1,205 1,222	0.00 0.02 0.02 0.02
Amortization of intangibles Special legal expense (f) Other (Income) Expense Gain on bargain purchase (g)		93 809 1,908 2,001		131 (36) — (703) (779)	57 809 1,205 1,222 (243)	0.00 0.02 0.02 0.02
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Year Ended December 31, 2018

	Pre-Tax	Tax Impact (a)	After-Tax	Per Share Impact
GAAP net income	\$ 49,519	\$ (7,502) \$	42,017	\$ 0.78
Non-GAAP adjustments:				
Cost of Sales				
Amortization of intangibles	31,795	(8,123)	23,672	0.43
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions	5,233	(1,347)	3,886	0.07
Operating expenses				
Severance	920	(205)	715	0.01
Acquisition-related (b)	7,584	(1,679)	5,905	0.11
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)	(698)	(21)	(719)	(0.01)
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)	156	(40)	116	0.00
Acquired in-process research and development	644	(166)	478	0.01
Intangible asset impairment charge (e)	657	(169)	488	0.01
Amortization of intangibles	9,438	(2,503)	6,935	0.12
Special legal expense (f)	5,645	(1,453)	4,192	0.08
Other (Income) Expense				
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs	804	(207)	597	0.01
Tax expense related to tax reform (h)	_	3,005	3,005	0.06
Non-GAAP net income	\$ 111,697	\$ (20,410) \$	91,287	\$ 1.69
Diluted shares				53,931

#### Year Ended December 31, 2017

		Pre-Tax	Tax Impact (a)	After-Tax	Per Share Impact
GAAP net income	\$	35,881	\$ (8,358)	27,523	\$ 0.55
Non-GAAP adjustments:					
Cost of Sales					
Amortization of intangibles		20,705	(7,550)	13,155	0.26
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions		3,400	(1,253)	2,147	0.04
Operating Expenses					
Severance		2,185	(847)	1,338	0.03
Acquisition-related (b)		6,648	(2,048)	4,600	0.09
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)		(298)	116	(182)	0.00
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)		179	(70)	109	0.00
Acquired in-process research and development		12,136	(97)	12,039	0.24
Intangible asset impairment charge (e)		809	_	809	0.02
Amortization of intangibles		6,111	(2,324)	3,787	0.07
Special legal expense (f)		12,616	(4,908)	7,708	0.15
Other (Income) Expense					
Gain on bargain purchase (g)		(11,039)	_	(11,039)	(0.22)
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs		685	(267)	418	0.01
Tax expense related to tax reform (h)		_	1,855	1,855	0.04
Non-GAAP net income	\$	90,018	\$ (25,751) 5	64,267	\$ 1.28
Diluted shares					50,101

<sup>(</sup>a) Reflects the tax effect associated with pre-tax income and the tax effect of non-GAAP adjustments based on statutory tax rates within the applicable markets with adjustments. (b) Represents transaction and certain direct integration costs, including travel, related to acquisitions.
(c) Represents changes in the fair value of contingent consideration liabilities and contingent receivables associated with prior acquisitions.
(d) Represents abandoned patents.

- (e) Represents impairment charges related to certain acquired intangible assets.
  (f) Costs incurred in responding to an inquiry from the U.S. Department of Justice.
  (g) Represents the gain on bargain purchase realized from the acquisition of the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc.
  (h) Net tax impact related to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

#### 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 except percentages)

Three Months Ended						Year Ended		
December 31,						December	31,	
% Change		2018	2017	% Change		2018	2017	
22.2%	\$	233,249 \$	190,897	21.3%	\$	882,753 \$	727,852	
		2,217	_			(5,163)	_	
23.3%	\$	235,466 \$	190,897	20.6%	\$	877,590 \$	727,852	
		Three Months	s Ended			Year End	led	
		December	r 31,			December	31,	
% Change		2018	2017	% Change		2018	2017	
22.2%	\$	233,249 \$	190,897	21.3%	\$	882,753 \$	727,852	
		(19,470)	_			(66,564)	_	
12.0%	\$	213,779 \$	190,897	12.1%	\$	816,189 \$	727,852	
		2,217	_			(5,163)	_	
13.1%	\$	215,996 \$	190,897	11.4%	\$	811,026 \$	727,852	
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<sup>(</sup>a) The constant currency revenue adjustments of \$2.2 million and \$(5.2) million to reported revenue and to core revenue, for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2018, respectively, were calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2017, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>b) Merit's core revenue is defined (a) with respect to prior fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue, and (b) with respect to current fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue, less revenue from certain acquisitions and strategic transactions. For the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2018, Merit's core revenue excludes revenues from (i) the acquisitions of (1) the assets of Catheter Connections, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), (2) the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), (3) Osseon LLC in July 2017 (excluded through June 2018 only), (4) Laurane Medical S.A.S. in August 2017 (excluded through July 2018 only), (5) ITIL Healthcare Pty. Ltd. in October 2017 (excluded through September 2018 only), (6) Certain divested assets of Becton, Dickinson and Company in February 2018, (7) the assets of DirectACCESS Medical, LLC in May 2018, (8) Cianna Medical, Inc. in November 2018, (9) certain assets of Vascular Insights, LLC in December 2018, and (ii) revenues from (1) the distribution arrangement with NinePoint Medical, Inc. executed in April 2018 and (2) the distribution arrangement with QXMedical, LLC executed in May 2018.

## Reconciliation of Reported Gross Margin to Non-GAAP Gross Margin (Non-GAAP) $\,$

(Unaudited, as a percentage of reported revenue)

	Three month	s ended	Year Ended			
	Decembe	r 31,	December	31,		
	2018	2018 2017		2017		
Reported Gross Margin	44.9%	44.9%	44.7%	44.8%		
Add back impact of:						
Amortization of intangibles	4.0%	2.9%	3.6%	2.8%		
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions	0.5%	0.1%	0.6%	0.5%		
Non-GAAP Gross Margin	49.4%	47.9%	48.9%	48.1%		

#### 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 and clinical support team totaling in excess of 300 individuals. Merit employs approximately 6,000 people worldwide with facilities in South Jordan, Utah; Pearland, Texas; Richmond, Virginia; Malvern, Pennsylvania; Rockland, Massachusetts; San Jose and Aliso Viejo, California; Maastricht and Venlo, The Netherlands; Paris, France; Galway, Ireland; Beijing, China; Tijuana, Mexico; Joinville, Brazil; Markham, Ontario, Canada; Melbourne, Australia; Tokyo, Japan; Reading, United Kingdom; Johannesburg, South Africa; and Singapore.

#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

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# Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2018 Results, 2019 Guidance

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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 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. Certain financial measures included in this presentation, or which may be referenced in management's discussion of Merit's historical and future operations and financial results, have not been calculated in accordance with GAAP, and, therefore, are referenced as non-GAAP financial measures. Non-GAAP financial measures used in this presentation 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. Readers should consider non-GAAP measures used in this presentation 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. Additionally, non-GAAP financial measures used in this presentation 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. Please refer to "Notes to Non-GAAP Financial Measures" at the end of these materials for more information.

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## Financial Summary GAAP

	Q4 2018	Q4 2017	YTD 2018	YTD 2017
Revenue	\$233.2M	\$190.9M	\$882.8M	\$727.9M
Gross Margin	44.9%	44.9%	44.7%	44.8%
Net Income	\$9.2M	\$6.8M	\$42.0M	\$27.5M
EPS	\$0.16	\$0.13	\$0.78	\$0.55

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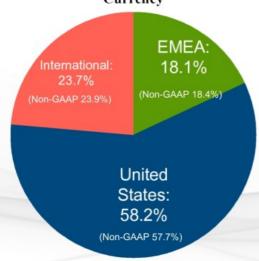
## Financial Summary Non-GAAP

	Q4 2018	Q4 2017	YTD 2018	YTD 2017
Revenue (Constant Currency)	\$235.5M	\$190.9M	\$877.6M	\$727.9M
Non-GAAP Gross Margin	49.4%	47.9%	48.9%	48.1%
Non-GAAP Net Income	\$27.0M	\$16.8M	\$91.3M	\$64.3M
Non-GAAP EPS	\$0.48	\$0.33	\$1.69	\$1.28

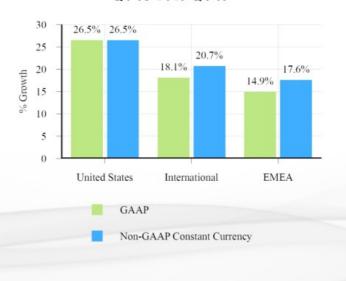
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## Q4 2018 Revenue by Market

#### Revenue by Market - GAAP and Non-GAAP Constant Currency



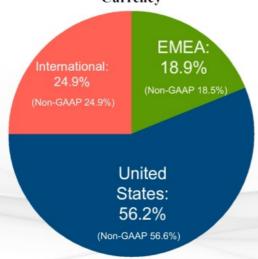
## Revenue Growth Q4'18 over Q4'17



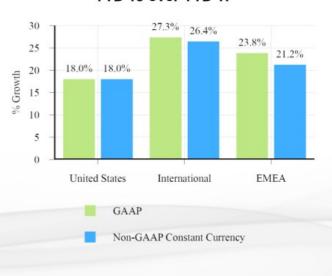


## YTD 2018 Revenue by Market

#### Revenue by Market - GAAP and Non-GAAP Constant Currency



#### Revenue Growth YTD'18 over YTD'17











### New Products in 2019





#### 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 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.

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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 \$2.2 million and \$(5.2) million for the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2018, respectively, were calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2017, respectively.

#### Core Revenue and Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis

Merit's core revenue is defined (a) with respect to prior fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue, and (b) with respect to current fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue, less revenue from certain acquisitions and strategic transactions. For the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2018, Merit's core revenue excludes revenues from (i) the assets of Catheter Connections, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), (2) the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), (3) Osseon LLC in July 2017 (excluded through June 2018 only), (4) Laurane Medical S.A.S. in August 2017 (excluded through July 2018 only), (5) ITL Healthcare Pty. Ltd. in October 2017 (excluded through September 2018 only), (6) certain divested assets of Becton, Dickinson and Company in February 2018, (7) the assets of DirectACCESS Medical, LLC in May 2018, (8) Cianna Medical, Inc in November 2018, (9) certain assets of Vascular Insights LLC in December 2018, and (ii) revenues from (1) the distribution arrangement with NinePoint Medical, Inc. executed in April 2018 and (2) the distribution arrangement with QXMedical, LLC executed in May 2018.

#### 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 Mcrit'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 and write-off of previously acquired tangible and intangible assets, severance expenses, expenses resulting from non-ordinary course litigation, governmental proceedings or changes in tax regulations, and debt issuance costs, 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, in each case, for the three and twelve months ended December 31, 2018 and 2017. The non-GAAP income adjustments referenced in the following table do not reflect stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$1.6 million for the three-month periods ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively, and approximately \$6.1 million and \$4.1 million for the twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, respectively.



(Unbounds, in a rocker as a real carrounts)	Three Months Ended December 31, 2018 Tax Impact Per Share				Per Share			
	Pre-Tax	(a)	After-Tax	Impact	Pre-Tax	Tax Impact (a)	After-Tax	Impact
GAAP net income	\$ 12,210	\$ (3,022)	\$ 9,188 \$	0.16	\$ 11,280	\$ (4,474) \$	6,806 \$	0.13
Non-GAAP adjustments:								
Cost of Sales								
Amortization of intangibles	9,245	(2,365)	6,880	0.13	5,490	(1,848)	3,642	0.07
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions	1,255	(323)	932	0.02	279	(39)	240	0.00
Operating Expenses								
Severance	440	(114)	326	0.01	446	(171)	275	0.01
Acquisition-related (b)	4,465	(876)	3,589	0.06	1,593	(532)	1,061	0.02
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)	(256	68	(188)	0.00	(338)	131	(207)	0.00
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)	70	(18)	52		93	(36)	57	0.00
Acquired in-process research and development	263	(67)	196	0.00	_	-		0.00
Intangible asset impairment charge (e)	_	_	_	0.00	809	_	809	0.02
Amortization of intangibles	2,574	(679)	1,895	0.03	1,908	(703)	1,205	0.02
Special legal expense (f)	1,363	(351)	1,012	0.02	2,001	(779)	1,222	0.02
Other (Income) Expense								
Gain on bargain purchase (g)	_	_		_	(243)	_	(243)	0.00
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs	201	(52)	149	0.00	171	(67)	104	0.00
Tax expense related to tax reform (h)	_	3,005	3,005	0.05		1,855	1,855	0.04
Non-GAAP net income	\$ 31,830	\$ (4,794)	\$ 27,036 \$	0.48	\$ 23,489	\$ (6,663) \$	16,826 \$	0.33

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Net tax impact related to the enactment of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (a) (b) (c) (d) (e) (f) (g) (h)



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	Year Ended December 31, 2018 Tax Impact Per Share				Year Ended December 31, 2017 Tax Impact Per Share					
	P	re-Tax	Tax Impact (a)	After-Tax	Impact	Pre-Tax	(a)		After-Tax	Impact
GAAP net income	\$	49,519 \$	(7,502)	\$ 42,017 \$	0.78	\$ 35,881	\$ (	8,358) \$	27,523 \$	0.55
Non-GAAP adjustments:										
Cost of Sales										
Amortization of intangibles		31,795	(8,123)	23,672	0.43	20,705	(	7,550)	13,155	0.26
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions		5,233	(1,347)	3,886	0.07	3,400	(	1,253)	2,147	0.04
Operating expenses										
Severance		920	(205)	715	0.01	2,185		(847)	1,338	0.03
Acquisition-related (b)		7,584	(1,679)	5,905	0.11	6,648	(	2,048)	4,600	0.09
Fair value adjustment to contingent consideration (c)		(698)	(21)	(719)	(0.01)	(298)		116	(182)	0.00
Long-term asset impairment charge (d)		156	(40)	116	0.00	179		(70)	109	0.00
Acquired in-process research and development		644	(166)	478	0.01	12,136		(97)	12,039	0.24
Intangible asset impairment charge (e)		657	(169)	488	0.01	809			809	0.02
Amortization of intangibles		9,438	(2,503)	6,935	0.12	6,111	(:	2,324)	3,787	0.07
Special legal expense (f)		5,645	(1,453)	4,192	0.08	12,616	(4	4,908)	7,708	0.15
Other (Income) Expense										
Gain on bargain purchase (g)		1901		<u> </u>	<u>-</u>	(11,039)		_	(11,039)	(0.22
Amortization of long-term debt issuance costs		804	(207)	597	0.01	685		(267)	418	0.01
Tax expense related to tax reform (h)		-	3,005	3,005	0.06	-		1,855	1,855	0.04
Non-GAAP net income	\$	111,697 \$	(20,410)	91,287 \$	1.69	\$ 90,018	\$ (2	5,751) \$	64,267 \$	1.28
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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 except percentages)

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	% Change		2018	2017	% Change	2018	2017	
Reported Revenue	22.2%	\$	233,249 \$	190,897	21.3%	\$ 882,753	\$ 727	,852
Add: Impact of foreign exchange (a)			2,217	_		(5,163)		_
Constant Currency Revenue	23.3%	\$	235,466 \$	190,897	20.6%	\$ 877,590	\$ 727	7,852
			Three Months December				Ended ber 31,	
	% Change		2018	2017	% Change	2018	2017	
Reported Revenue	22.2%	S	233,249 \$	190,897	21.3%	\$ 882,753	\$ 727	,852
Less: Revenue from certain acquisitions (b)			(19,470)	_		(66,564)		_
Core Revenue	12.0%	\$	213,779 \$	190,897	12.1%	\$ 816,189	\$ 727	,852
Add: Impact of foreign exchange (a)			2,217	_		(5,163)		-
Core Revenue on a Constant Currency Basis	13.1%	\$	215,996 \$	190,897	11.4%	\$ 811,026	\$ 727	,852

<sup>(</sup>a) The constant currency revenue adjustments of \$2.2 million and \$(5.2) million to reported revenue and to core revenue for the three and twelve-months ended December 31, 2018, respectively, were calculated using the applicable average foreign exchange rates for the three and twelve-months ended December 31, 2017, respectively.

<sup>(</sup>b) Merit's core revenue is defined (a) with respect to prior fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue, and (b) with respect to current fiscal year periods, as GAAP revenue, less revenue from certain acquisitions and strategic transactions. For the three and twelve-month periods ended December 31, 2018, Merit's core revenue excludes revenues from (i) the acquisitions of (1) the assets of Catheter Connections, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), (2) the critical care division of Argon Medical Devices, Inc. in January 2017 (excluded January 2018 only), (3) Descon LLC in July 2017 (excluded through July 2018 only), (4) Laurane Medical SAAS, in August 2017 (excluded through Superiorer 2018 only), and (6) certain divested assets of Becton, Dickinson and Company in February 2018, (7) the assets of DirectACCESS Medical, LLC in May 2018, (8) Cianna Medical, Inc. in November 2018, (9) certain assets of Vascular Insights, LLC in December 2018, and (ii) revenues from (1) the distribution arrangement with NinePoint Medical, Inc. executed in April 2018 and (2) the distribution arrangement with QXMedical, LLC executed in May 2018.

Reconciliation of Reported Gross Margin to Non-GAAP Gross Margin (Non-GAAP) (Unaudited, as a percentage of reported revenue)

	Three Months	Three Months Ended  December 31,		
	December			
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Reported Gross Margin	44.9%	44.9%	44.7%	44.8%
Add back impact of:				
Amortization of intangibles	4.0%	2.9%	3.6%	2.8%
Inventory mark-up related to acquisitions	0.5%	0.1%	0.6%	0.5%
Non-GAAP Gross Margin	49.4%	47.9%	48.9%	48.1%

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Financial Measure		Range	Э	225
Reported Sales	\$1,011 million	-	\$1,030 million	
GAAP				
Earnings per share	\$1.02	-	\$1.13	
Gross Margin	45.6%	-	46.5%	
Non-GAAP				
Earnings per share	\$1.97	-	\$2.08	
Gross Margin	50.6%	-	51.3%	
Effective Tax Rate	22.5%	-	24.5%	

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