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### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM S–1 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

### MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

3841 (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) **58-2394628** (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: As soon as practicable after the effective date of this registration statement.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (check one)

Large Accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer	$\Box$ (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	Smaller reporting company	X

### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed	
	Amount	Maximum	Maximum	Amount of
Title of each class of	to be	Offering Price	Aggregate	Registration

securities to be registered	Registered(1)	Per Security(2)	Offering Price	Fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	15,556,398	\$0.90	\$14,000,758.20	\$1,626.89
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share underlying warrants	7,329,457	\$0.90	\$6,596,511.30	\$766.51
Total	22,885,855	\$0.90	\$20,597,269.50	\$2,393.40

(1) In the event of a stock split, reverse stock split, stock dividend or similar transaction involving our common stock, the number of shares registered shall automatically be adjusted to cover the additional shares of stock issuable pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act.

(2) Estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee in accordance with Rule 457(c) under the Securities Act, using the average of the high and low prices as reported by OTC Markets on January 9, 2015, which was \$0.90 per share.

The Registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to Section 8(a), may determine.

The information contained in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. The selling securityholders named in this prospectus may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell securities, and the selling securityholder is not soliciting offers to buy these securities, in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

### PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS

#### SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED JANUARY 13, 2015



### **MRI Interventions, Inc.**

### 22,885,855 Shares of Common Stock

This prospectus relates to 15,556,398 outstanding shares of our common stock, and 7,329,457 shares of our common stock issuable upon the exercise of outstanding warrants, held by some of our securityholders which are named in this prospectus. The securities we are registering are to be offered for the account of the securityholders. We will pay the expenses of registering the shares, but we are not selling any shares of common stock in this offering and therefore will not receive any proceeds from this offering. We will, however, receive the exercise price of the warrants if and when the warrants are exercised for cash by the securityholders.

Our common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market and is quoted on OTC Markets and the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol MRIC. On January 9, 2015, the last reported sale price of our common stock was \$0.90 per share.

The shares included in this prospectus may be offered and sold directly by the securityholders in accordance with one or more of the methods described in the "Plan of Distribution," which begins on page 32 of this prospectus. To the extent the securityholders decide to sell their shares, we will not control or determine the price at which the shares are sold. Brokers or dealers effecting transactions in these shares should confirm that the shares are registered under applicable state law or that an exemption from registration is available.

We are an "emerging growth company" under the federal securities laws and will be subject to reduced public company reporting requirements. Investing in our common stock involves risk. See "Risk Factors" on page 6 to read about factors you should consider before buying shares of our common stock.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

Prospectus dated , 2015

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No dealer, salesperson or other person is authorized to give any information or to represent anything not contained in this prospectus. You must not rely on any unauthorized information or representations. This prospectus is an offer to sell only the shares of common stock offered hereby, but only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information contained in this prospectus is current only as of its date.

#### Trademarks, Trade Names and Service Marks

*ClearConnect*<sup>TM</sup>, *ClearPoint*<sup>®</sup>, *ClearTrace*<sup>®</sup>, *MRI Interventions*<sup>®</sup>, *SmartFlow*<sup>®</sup>, *SmartFrame*<sup>®</sup> and *SmartGrid*<sup>®</sup> are trademarks of MRI Interventions, Inc. Any other trademarks, trade names or service marks referred to in this registration statement are the property of their respective owners. As used in this registration statement, Siemens refers to Siemens Aktiengesellschaft, Healthcare Sector, and its affiliates, Boston Scientific refers to Boston Scientific Corporation and its affiliates, and Brainlab refers to Brainlab AG.

### **Industry and Market Data**

Market data and other statistical information contained in this registration statement are based on independent industry publications, government publications, reports by market research firms and other published independent sources. Some data is also based on our good faith estimates, which are derived from other relevant statistical information, as well as the independent sources listed above. Although we believe these sources are reliable, we have not independently verified the information.

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#### PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights the information contained elsewhere in this prospectus. Because this is only a summary, it does not contain all of the information that may be important to you. Before investing in our common stock, you should read this entire prospectus, including the information set forth under the heading "Risk Factors" and the financial statements and the notes thereto.

Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this prospectus to "MRI Interventions," "we," "our," "us" and the "company" refer to MRI Interventions, Inc.

#### **Our Business**

We are a medical device company that develops and commercializes innovative platforms for performing minimally invasive procedures in the brain and heart under direct, intra-procedural magnetic resonance imaging, or MRI, guidance. For the year ended December 31, 2013, we recorded revenues of approximately \$3,931,000 and incurred a net loss of approximately \$7,086,000. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we recorded revenues of approximately \$2,645,000 and incurred a net loss of approximately \$2,610,000.

We have two product platforms. Our ClearPoint system, which is in commercial use in the United States, is used to perform minimally invasive surgical procedures in the brain. We anticipate that our ClearTrace system, which is still in development, will be used to perform minimally invasive surgical procedures in the heart. Both systems utilize intra-procedural MRI to guide the procedures. Both systems are designed to work in a hospital's existing MRI suite.

Our products are designed to provide a new, minimally invasive surgical approach to address large patient populations for whom we believe traditional surgical techniques are deficient. Our ClearPoint system is a neuro-navigation system designed for placing catheters and electrodes across a variety of neurological diseases and conditions and for performing biopsies. Our ClearTrace system is designed to deliver catheter-based therapies to treat certain cardiac diseases. We believe that our two product platforms, subject to appropriate regulatory clearance and approval, will provide better patient outcomes, enhance revenue potential for both physicians and hospitals, and reduce costs to the healthcare system.

Our ClearPoint system is in commercial use. In June 2010, we received 510(k) clearance from the Food and Drug Administration, or FDA, to market our ClearPoint system in the United States for general neurological interventional procedures. In February 2011, we also obtained CE marking approval, which enables us to sell the ClearPoint system in the European Union. In April 2011, we entered into a co-development and distribution agreement with Brainlab, a leader in the image-guided surgery field, under which Brainlab serves as a distribution partner for our ClearPoint system. The ClearPoint system is intended to provide stereotactic guidance for the placement and operation of instruments or devices during planning and operation of neurological procedures within the MRI environment and in conjunction with MRI guidance. It is intended as an integral part of procedures that have traditionally used stereotactic methodologies. Those procedures include placement of electrodes, such as deep brain stimulation leads and depth electrodes, the placement of catheters, such as laser ablation catheters and drug delivery catheters, and biopsies. ClearPoint systems are in clinical use with MRI scanners from the three major manufacturers, Siemens, GE Healthcare and Philips Healthcare, as well as the two major interventional MR/OR platforms that are manufactured by IMRIS and Brainlab.

Our ClearTrace system, a product candidate still in development, is designed to allow catheter-based minimally invasive procedures in the heart to be performed using continuous, intra-procedural MRI guidance. In May 2009, we entered into an exclusive development agreement with Siemens under which initial work was performed related to the development of hardware and software needed for MRI-guided, catheter-based ablation procedures to treat cardiac arrhythmias. Working closely with us, Siemens created a research version of the software platform specifically for use in MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures with our catheters. In February 2014, we entered into a new exclusive development agreement with Siemens, which replaced our May 2009 agreement. Under the new development agreement, with cooperation, assistance and technical support from Siemens, we plan to develop the commercial version of the research software platform created by Siemens under our original agreement, which software will serve as the software component of our ClearTrace system. Our development activities on the ClearTrace system are ongoing, and we have not made any filings seeking regulatory clearance or approval for our ClearTrace system. We expect the initial market for our ClearTrace system will be the European Union.

#### **Our Business Model and Strategy**

Our key objective is to commercialize medical systems to enable minimally invasive surgical procedures to be performed under direct, intra-procedural MRI guidance. Key elements to achieve this objective are:

- growing the installed base for our ClearPoint system;
- · increasing utilization of our ClearPoint system; and
- building upon our core technologies to continue to develop MRI-based products.

Our business model for the ClearPoint system is focused on producing high margin revenue from sales of the disposable components. Given that focus on disposable product sales, we sell our reusable components at lower margins in order to secure installations of our system within hospitals. In addition, we may make the reusable ClearPoint components available to a hospital by loaning the equipment under our ClearPoint Placement Program. Our disposable and reusable ClearPoint products are tightly integrated, which allows us to leverage each new installation of a system to generate recurring sales of our disposable products.

#### **Risks Related to Our Business**

We are subject to a number of risks of which you should be aware before you decide to buy our common stock. These risks are discussed more fully in the "Risk Factors" section of this prospectus beginning on page 6 and should be read in their entirety. In general, we face risks associated with the following:

- our ability to achieve broader market acceptance of our products;
- our ability to expand, manage and maintain our marketing and sales capabilities;
- our dependence on a relatively small number of customers;
- product quality and patient safety issues, which could lead to product recalls, withdrawals, launch delays, sanctions, seizures, litigation, or declining sales;
- our dependence on collaboration relationships and licensing arrangements;
- individual, group or class action alleging products liability claims;
- legislation, regulation and other governmental pressures in the United States or globally, which may affect pricing, reimbursement, taxation and rebate policies of government agencies and private payors or other elements of our business;
- future actions of the FDA or any other regulatory body or government authority that could delay, limit or suspend product manufacturing, sale or development or result in seizures, injunctions, monetary sanctions or criminal or civil liabilities;
- our ability to successfully complete the development of, and to obtain regulatory clearance or approval for, future products, including our ClearTrace system;
- the sufficiency of our cash resources to maintain planned commercialization efforts and research and development programs;
- our ability to identify business development and growth opportunities for current or future products;



- our ability to enforce our patent rights or patents of third parties preventing or restricting the manufacture, sale or use of affected products or technology; and
- any impact of the commercial and credit environment on us and our customers and suppliers.

#### **Recent Developments**

#### December 2014 PIPE Financing

In December 2014, we raised \$10.2 million, before commissions and offering expenses, from the sale of 15,812,808 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 6,325,125 shares of our common stock to various investors in a private placement, or the December 2014 PIPE financing. The warrants we issued to the investors, or the investor warrants, have a term of five years from the date of issuance and have an exercise price of \$0.858 per share. Our placement agent for the financing, together with the sub-agents it engaged, collectively received warrants to purchase up to 1,106,896 shares of our common stock, or placement agent warrants. The placement agent warrants have the same exercise price and substantially the same terms and conditions as the investor warrants. The placement agents also earned aggregate commissions of \$711,000 from the December 2014 PIPE financing.

The registration statement of which this prospectus is a part is being filed pursuant to the registration rights agreement with the investors in the December 2014 PIPE financing, under which we agreed to undertake to file a resale registration statement with respect to the shares of our common stock we issued in the December 2014 PIPE financing and the shares of our common stock underlying the investor warrants and the placement agent warrants.

In connection with the December 2014 PIPE financing, we entered into derivative restriction agreements with each of our directors and executive officers. Under the derivative restriction agreements, each director and executive officer is prohibited from exercising his or her outstanding options and warrants for shares of our common stock until our certificate of incorporation has been amended to provide a number of authorized shares sufficient to permit us to reserve shares of our common stock for exercise of such options and warrants. Derivative restriction agreements were entered into with respect to 9,141,250 shares underlying outstanding options and warrants held by our directors and executive officers. The purpose of the derivative restriction agreements was to ensure a sufficient number of authorized, unissued and unreserved shares of common stock to enable us to consummate the December 2014 PIPE financing.

#### **Corporate Information**

We were incorporated in Delaware in 1998 under the name Surgi-Vision, Inc. On November 12, 2008, we changed our name to SurgiVision, Inc. On May 13, 2011, we changed our name to MRI Interventions, Inc. We operate in only one business segment. Our principal executive office and our principal operations are located at 5 Musick, Irvine, CA 92618, and our telephone number is (949) 900-6833. Our website address is www.mriinterventions.com. We do not incorporate the information on our website into this prospectus, and you should not consider it part of this prospectus.

#### Summary of the Offering

This offering involves 22,885,855 shares of our common stock issued or issuable to the selling securityholders, consisting of 15,556,398 shares of our common stock and 7,329,457 shares of our common stock issuable upon exercise of warrants to purchase shares of our common stock.

Common stock offered by the selling securityholders	22,885,855 shares (1)
Common stock outstanding prior to this offering	74,842,428 shares (2)
Common stock to be outstanding after the offering, assuming the exercise of all warrants for the shares covered by this prospectus	82,171,885 shares (3)
Trading symbol	MRIC

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**Risk Factors** 

An investment in our common stock involves significant risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 6.

- (1) Includes 7,329,457 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of outstanding warrants, at an exercise price of \$0.858 per share.
- (2) Based on the number of shares outstanding as of December 31, 2014, and excluding:
  - 7,143,309 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options issued under our stock option plans, at a weighted average exercise price of \$1.45 per share, which includes 5,141,250 shares underlying options subject to derivative restriction agreements;
  - 3,200,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options not issued under our stock option plans, at a weighted average exercise price of \$1.16 per share, which includes 3,000,000 shares underlying options subject to derivative restriction agreements;
  - 20,759,136 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of warrants, at a weighted average exercise price of \$0.91 per share, which includes 1,000,000 shares underlying warrants subject to derivative restriction agreements;
  - 211,833 shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan; and
  - 275,000 shares of common stock reserved for issuance under our 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) Based on the number of shares outstanding as of December 31, 2014, and excluding:
  - 7,143,309 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of options issued under our stock option plans, at a weighted average exercise price of \$1.45 per share, which includes 5,141,250 shares underlying options subject to derivative restriction agreements;
  - 3,200,000 shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of options not issued under our stock option plans, at a weighted average exercise price of \$1.16 per share, which includes 3,000,000 shares underlying options subject to derivative restriction agreements;
  - 13,429,679 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of warrants, at a weighted average exercise price of \$0.93 per share, which includes 1,000,000 shares underlying warrants subject to derivative restriction agreements;
  - 211,833 shares of common stock reserved for future issuance under our 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan; and
  - 275,000 shares of common stock reserved for issuance under our 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan.

#### **Summary Financial Information**

The summary financial information below should be read in conjunction with "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and the financial statements, notes thereto and other financial information included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary financial information for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 has been derived from our audited financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus. The summary financial information as of and for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 has been derived from our unaudited financial statements and the notes thereto included elsewhere in this prospectus and includes, in the opinion of management, all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring accruals, necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the entire fiscal year. Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of our results to be expected in any future period.



		Nine Months Ended September 30,		Years Ended D		December 31,		
(in thousands except for share and per share amounts)		2014		2013	2013		2	012
Statements of Operations Data:								
Product revenues	\$	2,456	\$	1,808	\$2,	915	\$	1,171
Service revenues		189		296		366		541
License revenues		-		650		<u>650</u>		3,346
Total revenues		2,645		2,754	3,	931		5,058
Costs and operating expenses:								
Cost of product revenues		1,243		888	1,	421		556
Research and development		2,590		2,239	2,	923		1,602
Selling, general and administrative		5,792		5,034	7,	061		6,030
Gain on sale of intellectual property		(4,339)						-
Operating loss		(2,641)		(5,407)	(7,	474)		(3,130)
Other income (expense):								
Gain on change in fair value of derivative liability		578		1,328	1,	686		(171)
Other income (expense), net		168		(949)	(	822)		4
Interest income (expense), net		(715)		(342)	(*	<u>476</u> )		(2,581)
Net loss	\$	(2,610)	\$	(5,370)	\$ (7,	<u>086</u> ) 3	\$	(5,878)
Net loss per share (basic and diluted)	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.09)	\$ ((	<u>).12</u> ) <u>(</u>	\$	(0.15)
Weighted average shares outstanding (basic and diluted)	4	8,864,305	5	6,845,732	57,261,	713	40,	374,048

The following table presents highlights from our balance sheet as of September 30, 2014 and as of December 31, 2013:

(amounts in thousands)		As of September 30, 2014	As of December 31, 2013
Balance Sheet Data:			
Cash and cash equivalents	9	5 1,895	\$ 3,516
Inventory, net		2,256	1,477
Other current assets		597	945
Total assets		6,505	7,873
Derivative liabilities		3,170	3,748
Other current liabilities		2,867	6,343
Total liabilities		14,432	14,707
Accumulated deficit		(75,363)	(72,753)
Total stockholders' deficit		(7,927)	(6,834

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#### **RISK FACTORS**

Any investment in our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should consider carefully the risks and uncertainties described below and all information contained in this prospectus, before you decide whether to purchase our common stock. If any of the following risks or uncertainties actually occurs, our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects would likely suffer, possibly materially. In addition, the trading price of our common stock could decline due to any of these risks or uncertainties, and you may lose part or all of your investment.

#### **Risks Related to Our Business**

### We have incurred losses since our inception and we may continue to incur losses. If we fail to generate significant revenue from sales of our products, we may never achieve or sustain profitability.

As of September 30, 2014, we had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$75.4 million. The accumulated deficit has resulted principally from costs incurred in connection with our sales and marketing activities, research and development efforts and manufacturing activities and other general and administrative expenses associated with our operations. We have incurred losses in each year since our inception in 1998, and we may continue to incur losses as we continue to invest capital in the sales and marketing of our ClearPoint products, development of our ClearTrace system and growth of our business generally.

As a result of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with developing medical devices, we are unable to predict the extent of any future losses or when we will become profitable, if at all. Our profitability will depend on revenues from the sale of our products. We cannot provide any assurance that we will ever achieve profitability and, even if we achieve profitability, that we will be able to sustain or increase profitability on a quarterly or annual basis. Further, because of our relatively limited commercialization history, we have limited insight into the trends that may emerge and affect our business. We may make errors in predicting and reacting to relevant business trends, which could harm our business and financial condition. Any failure to achieve and maintain profitability would continue to have an adverse effect on our stockholders' equity (deficit) and working capital and could result in a decline in our stock price or cause us to cease operations.

#### Our ClearPoint system may not achieve broad market acceptance or be commercially successful.

We expect that sales of our ClearPoint system products will account for the vast majority of our revenues for at least the next few years. Our ClearPoint system may not gain broad market acceptance unless we continue to convince physicians, hospitals and patients of its benefits. Moreover, even if physicians and hospitals understand the benefits of our ClearPoint system, they still may elect not to use our ClearPoint system for a variety of reasons, such as:

- the shift in location of the procedure from the operating room to the MRI suite;
- demand for the MRI suite within the hospital, which may result in limited or no MRI scanner availability for procedures in which our ClearPoint system would be used;
- the familiarity of the physician with other devices and surgical approaches;
- the physician's perception that there are insufficient benefits of our ClearPoint system relative to those other devices and surgical approaches;
- budgetary constraints with respect to the purchase of our ClearPoint system hardware and software;
- the price of our ClearPoint system disposable products, which may be higher than devices used with other surgical approaches; and
- the physician's perception that there is a lack of clinical data on the use of our ClearPoint system.

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If physicians and hospitals do not perceive our ClearPoint system as an attractive alternative to other products and procedures, we will not achieve significant market penetration or be able to generate significant revenues. To the extent that our ClearPoint system is not commercially successful or is withdrawn from the market for any reason, our revenues will be adversely impacted, and our business, operating results and financial condition will be harmed.

### We have relatively limited experience marketing and selling our ClearPoint system, and if we are unable to expand, manage and maintain our marketing and sales capabilities, we may be unable to generate significant growth in our product revenues.

We started selling our ClearPoint system on a limited basis in August 2010, and we did not begin to meaningfully expand our sales and clinical support capabilities until 2013. As a result, we have relatively limited experience marketing and selling our ClearPoint system. Our operating results are directly dependent upon the marketing and sales efforts of our employees. If our team fails to adequately promote, market and sell our products, our sales would suffer.

We expect to continue building our team to market, sell and support our ClearPoint system products in the United States. That effort, though, could take longer than we anticipate, in which case our commercialization efforts would be negatively impacted. Our ability to achieve significant revenue growth will depend, in large part, on our success in recruiting, training, motivating and retaining a sufficient number of qualified personnel. New hires require significant training and, in most cases, take significant time before they achieve full productivity. Our recent hires and planned hires may not become as productive as we expect, and we may be unable to hire or retain sufficient numbers of qualified individuals, in which case our business would be harmed.

We have entered into a co-development and distribution agreement with Brainlab pursuant to, among other things, which we appointed Brainlab as a distributor of our ClearPoint system products in the United States and Europe. However, there is no assurance that Brainlab will be successful in marketing and selling our ClearPoint system products. In addition, under our agreement, Brainlab is not subject to any minimum sales or other performance requirements. Therefore, we may not realize the desired benefits from our agreement with Brainlab. To date, we have not generated significant revenues from our distribution relationship with Brainlab.

## The existence of adequate coverage and reimbursement is important for sales of our products. If hospitals and physicians believe coverage and reimbursement from third-party payors for procedures utilizing our ClearPoint system products are inadequate, adoption of our products will be adversely affected and our revenues and prospects for profitability will suffer.

Our ClearPoint system products are purchased primarily by hospitals, which bill various third-party payors, including governmental healthcare programs, such as Medicare, and private insurance plans, for procedures in which our ClearPoint system is used. Reimbursement is a significant factor considered by hospitals in determining whether to acquire and utilize medical devices such as our ClearPoint system products. Therefore, our ability to successfully commercialize our ClearPoint system depends significantly on the adequacy of coverage and reimbursement from these third-party payors. In the United States, coverage and reimbursement varies among payors.

Medicare pays hospitals a prospectively determined amount for inpatient operating costs. The prospective payment for a patient's stay is determined by the patient's condition and other patient data and procedures performed during the inpatient stay using a classification system known as Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Groups, or MS-DRGs. Medicare pays a fixed amount to the hospital based on the MS-DRG into which the patient's stay is assigned, regardless of the actual cost to the hospital of furnishing the procedures, items and services provided. Therefore, a hospital must absorb the cost of our products as part of the payment it receives for the procedure in which the products are used. In addition, physicians that perform procedures in hospitals are paid a set amount by Medicare for performing such services under the Medicare physician fee schedule. Medicare payment rates for both systems are established annually.



For commercial payors, reimbursement to hospitals and physicians generally is dependent upon the specific contract terms between the provider and the payor. Many commercial payors look to Medicare policies as a guideline in setting their coverage policies and payment amounts. However, the current coverage policies of these commercial payors may differ from the Medicare program, and the payment rates they make may be higher, lower or the same as the Medicare program. If Medicare reimbursement payments for hospitals and physicians are decreased or limited, coverage and reimbursement determinations by many commercial payors may be affected.

Because hospitals are reimbursed for the procedures in which our ClearPoint system products are used and our products are not separately reimbursed, the additional cost associated with the use of our products could impact hospital profit margins. Some hospitals could believe third-party reimbursement levels are not adequate to cover the cost of our ClearPoint system products. Furthermore, some physicians could believe third-party reimbursement levels are not adequate to compensate them for performing the procedures in which our products are used. Failure by hospitals and physicians to receive an amount that they consider to be adequate reimbursement for procedures in which our products are used will deter them from purchasing or using our products and will limit our sales growth.

#### The Affordable Care Act and other payment and policy changes may have a material adverse effect on our business.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, or, together, the Affordable Care Act, includes a number of provisions that should result in increased coordination between hospitals and physicians and alignment of financial incentives between hospitals and physicians to control hospital costs. Most significantly, the Affordable Care Act provides for a Medicare shared savings program whereby Medicare will share certain savings realized in the delivery of services to Medicare beneficiaries with accountable care organizations, which may be organized through various different legal structures between hospitals and physicians. Other payment reform provisions in the Affordable Care Act include pay-for-performance initiatives, payment bundling and the establishment of an independent payment advisory board. We expect that the overall result of such payment reform efforts and the increased coordination among hospitals and physicians will be voluntary reductions in the array of choices currently available to physicians with respect to diagnostic services, medical supplies and equipment. Such a reduction in physician choices may also result in hospitals reducing the overall number of vendors from which they purchase supplies, equipment and products. The Affordable Care Act could limit the acceptance and availability of our products, which would have an adverse effect on our financial results and business.

Federal healthcare reform continues to be a political issue, and various healthcare reform proposals have also emerged at the state level. We cannot predict what healthcare initiatives will be implemented at the federal or state level, or the effect any future legislation or regulation will have on us. However, an expansion in government's role in the United States healthcare industry may lower reimbursements for our products, reduce medical procedure volumes and adversely affect our business, possibly materially.

### If there are changes in coverage or reimbursement from third-party payors, our revenues and prospects for profitability could suffer.

In the United States, we believe that existing billing codes apply to procedures in which physicians use our ClearPoint system. Reimbursement levels for procedures using our ClearPoint system or any product that we may market in the future could be decreased or eliminated as a result of future legislation, regulation or reimbursement policies of third-party payors. Any such decrease or elimination would adversely affect the demand for our products and our ability to sell our products on a profitable basis. Furthermore, if procedures using our ClearPoint system gain market acceptance and the number of these procedures increases, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, the federal agency that administers the Medicare Program, as well as other public or private payors, may establish new billing codes for those procedures that provide for a lower reimbursement amount than traditional approaches, which would adversely affect our financial results and business.

Among other things, the Affordable Care Act will ultimately increase the overall pool of persons with access to health insurance in the United States, at least in those states that expand their Medicaid programs. Although such an increase in covered lives should ultimately benefit hospitals, the Affordable Care Act also includes a number of cuts in Medicare reimbursement to hospitals that may take effect prior to the time hospitals realize the financial benefit of a larger pool of insured persons. Those cuts in Medicare reimbursement could adversely impact the operations and finances of hospitals, reducing their ability to purchase medical devices, such as our products. Further, Congress has not yet addressed in a comprehensive and permanent manner the pending reduction in Medicare payments to physicians under the sustainable growth rate formula, which if not resolved will likely result in an overall reduction in physicians willing to participate in Medicare.



### If third-party payors deny coverage or reimbursement for procedures using our ClearPoint system, our revenues and prospects for profitability will suffer.

Notwithstanding the ClearPoint system's regulatory clearance in the United States, third-party payors may deny coverage or reimbursement if the payor determines that the use of our ClearPoint system is unnecessary, inappropriate, experimental or not cost-effective, or that the ClearPoint system is used for a non-cleared indication. In addition, no uniform policy of coverage and reimbursement for medical technology exists among third-party payors. Therefore, coverage and reimbursement for medical technology can differ significantly from payor to payor. Any denial of coverage or reimbursement for procedures using our ClearPoint system could have an adverse effect on our business, financial results and prospects for profitability.

### We currently have significant customer concentration, so economic difficulties or changes in the purchasing policies or patterns of our key customers could have a significant impact on our business and operating results.

A small number of our hospital customers account for a substantial portion of our revenues from sales of ClearPoint disposable products. For example, our largest customer, the University of California, San Francisco Medical Center, or UCSF, accounted for 15% of our ClearPoint disposable product revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. Likewise, Emory University Hospital, or Emory, accounted for 11% of our ClearPoint disposable product revenues for the same period. Sales to almost all of our customers, including UCSF and Emory, are not based on long-term, committed volume purchase contracts, and we may not continue to generate a similar level of revenues from UCSF, Emory or any other customer. Because of our current customer concentration, our revenues could fluctuate, possibly significantly, due to a reduction or delay in orders from any of our significant customers, which could harm our business and results of operations.

### We have limited internal manufacturing resources, and if we are unable to provide an adequate supply of our ClearPoint disposable products, our growth could be limited and our business could be harmed.

Final assembly of many of our ClearPoint disposable components occurs at our Irvine, California facility. If our facility experiences a disruption, we would have no other means of assembling those components until we are able to restore the manufacturing capability at our current facility or develop the same capability at an alternative facility.

In connection with the continued commercialization of our ClearPoint system, we expect that we will need to increase, or "scale up," the production process of our disposable components over the current level of production. While we have taken steps in anticipation of growth, manufacturers often encounter difficulties in scaling up production, such as problems involving yields, quality control and assurance, and shortages of qualified personnel. If the scaled-up production process is not efficient or produces a product that does not meet quality and other standards, we may be unable to meet market demand and our revenues, business and financial prospects would be adversely affected.

### Our reliance on single-source suppliers could harm our ability to meet demand for our ClearPoint system in a timely manner or within budget.

Many of the components and component assemblies of our ClearPoint system are provided to us by single-source suppliers. We generally purchase components and component assemblies through purchase orders rather than long-term supply agreements and generally do not maintain large volumes of inventory. While alternative suppliers exist and have been identified for substantially all components, the disruption or termination of the supply of components and component assemblies could cause a significant increase in the cost of these components, which could affect our operating results. Our dependence on a limited number of third-party suppliers and the challenges we may face in obtaining adequate supplies involve several risks, including limited control over pricing, availability, quality and delivery schedules. A disruption or termination in the supply of components could also result in our inability to meet demand for our ClearPoint system, which could harm our ability to generate revenues, lead to customer dissatisfaction and damage our reputation. Furthermore, if we are required to change the supplier of a key component or component assembly of our ClearPoint system, we may be required to verify that the new supplier maintains facilities and procedures that comply with quality standards and with all applicable regulations and guidelines. The delays associated with the verification of a new supplier could also adversely affect our ability to meet demand for our ClearPoint system.



### Our ClearTrace system remains under development. We cannot be certain that we will be able to successfully complete development of, and obtain regulatory clearances or approvals for, our ClearTrace system in a timely fashion, or at all.

Our ClearTrace system is still under development, and, to date, we have conducted only animal studies and other preclinical work with respect to that product candidate. Our ClearTrace system will require substantial additional development and testing. There can be no assurance that our development efforts will be successfully completed or that the ClearTrace system will have the capabilities we expect. We may encounter significant difficulties and costs during the course of our development efforts and we may encounter significant delays. Even if we successfully complete development of our ClearTrace system, there can be no assurance that we will obtain the regulatory clearances or approvals to market and commercialize it. If we are unable to obtain regulatory clearances or approvals for our ClearTrace system will be delayed or prevented, which will adversely affect our ability to generate revenues. Even if cleared or approved, the ClearTrace system may not be cleared or approved for the indications that are necessary or desirable for successful commercialization. Delays in developing our ClearTrace system or obtaining regulatory clearances or approvals may also result in the loss of potential competitive advantages that might otherwise be attained by bringing products to market earlier than our competitors. Any of these contingencies could adversely affect our business.

In the United States, unless an exemption applies, we cannot market a new medical device without first receiving either 510(k) clearance or approval of a premarket approval application, or PMA, from the FDA. In the 510(k) clearance process, the FDA must determine that a proposed device is "substantially equivalent" to a device legally on the market, known as a "predicate" device, with respect to intended use, technology, safety and effectiveness, in order to clear the proposed device for marketing. Clinical data is sometimes required to support substantial equivalence. The 510(k) clearance process generally takes three to twelve months from submission, but can take significantly longer. The process of obtaining PMA approval is much more costly and uncertain than the 510(k) clearance process. The PMA approval process can be lengthy and expensive and requires an applicant to demonstrate the safety and effectiveness of the device based, in part, on data obtained in clinical trials. The PMA process generally takes one to three years, or even longer, from the time the PMA application is submitted to the FDA until an approval is obtained.

Outside the United States, the regulatory approval process varies among jurisdictions and can involve substantial additional testing. Clearance or approval by the FDA does not ensure clearance or approval by regulatory authorities in other jurisdictions, and clearance or approval by one foreign regulatory authority does not ensure clearance or approval by regulatory authorities in other foreign jurisdictions. The foreign regulatory approval process may include all of the risks associated with obtaining FDA clearance or approval in addition to other risks. In addition, the time required to obtain foreign clearance or approval may differ from that required to obtain FDA clearance or approval and we may not obtain foreign regulatory clearances or approvals on a timely basis, if at all.

We anticipate that the initial market for our ClearTrace system will be the European Union and, at the appropriate time, we expect to seek CE marking approval for the ClearTrace system. The ClearTrace system consists of several components, one or more of which may require the submission of a PMA in the United States.

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#### Our business will be subject to economic, political, regulatory and other risks associated with international operations.

At present, our commercialization activities for our ClearPoint system are focused in the United States. However, we do have CE marking approval to market our ClearPoint system in the European Union. In addition, we ultimately intend to market our ClearPoint system in other foreign jurisdictions as well. There are a number of risks associated with conducting business internationally, including:

- differences in treatment protocols and methods across the markets in which we expect to market our ClearPoint system;
- requirements necessary to obtain product reimbursement;
- product reimbursement or price controls imposed by foreign governments;
- difficulties in compliance with foreign laws and regulations;
- changes in foreign regulations and customs;
- changes in a specific country's or region's political or economic environment;
- trade protection measures, import or export licensing requirements or other restrictive actions by U.S. or foreign governments; and
- negative consequences from changes in tax laws.

Any of these risks could adversely affect our financial results and our ability to operate outside the United States, which could harm our business.

### To the extent we seek a new indication for use of, or new claims for, our ClearPoint system, the FDA may not grant 510(k) clearance or PMA approval of such new use or claims, which may affect our ability to grow our business.

We received 510(k) clearance to market our ClearPoint system for use in general neurological interventional procedures. We could seek to obtain additional, more specific indications for use of our ClearPoint system beyond the general neurological intervention claim. To the extent we seek expanded claims for our ClearPoint system, such claims could, depending on their nature, require FDA 510(k) clearance or FDA approval of a PMA. Moreover, some specific ClearPoint system claims could require clinical trials to support regulatory clearance or approval. In the event we seek a new indication for use of, or new claims for, the ClearPoint system that we believe are necessary or desirable for successful commercialization, the FDA may refuse our requests for 510(k) clearance or PMA approval. Likewise, to the extent clinical trials are necessary, we may not successfully complete or have the funds to initiate such clinical trials.

# Clinical trials necessary to support 510(k) clearance or PMA approval for our ClearTrace system or any new indications for use for our ClearPoint system would be expensive and could require the enrollment of large numbers of suitable patients, who could be difficult to identify and recruit. Delays or failures in any necessary clinical trials would prevent us from commercializing any modified product or new product candidate and could adversely affect our business, operating results and prospects.

Initiating and completing clinical trials necessary to support 510(k) clearance or PMA approval for our ClearTrace system or any other product candidates that we may develop, or additional safety and efficacy data that the FDA may require for 510(k) clearance or PMA approval for any new specific indications of our ClearPoint system that we may seek, would be time consuming and expensive with an uncertain outcome. Moreover, the results of early clinical trials are not necessarily predictive of future results, and any product candidate we advance into clinical trials may not have favorable results in later clinical trials.

Conducting successful clinical trials could require the enrollment of large numbers of patients, and suitable patients could be difficult to identify and recruit. Patient enrollment in clinical trials and completion of patient participation and follow-up depends on many factors, including the size of the patient population, the nature of the trial protocol, the attractiveness of, or the discomforts and risks associated with, the treatments received by enrolled subjects, the availability of appropriate clinical trial investigators and support staff, the proximity to clinical sites of patients that are able to comply with the eligibility and exclusion criteria for participation in the clinical trial, and patient compliance. For example, patients could be discouraged from enrolling in our clinical trials if the trial protocol requires them to undergo extensive post-treatment procedures or follow-up to assess the safety and effectiveness of our product candidates or if they determine that the treatments received under the trial protocols are not attractive or involve unacceptable risks or discomforts. In addition, patients participating in clinical trials may die before completion of the trial or suffer adverse medical events unrelated to our product candidates.

Development of sufficient and appropriate clinical protocols to demonstrate safety and efficacy will be required and we may not adequately develop such protocols to support clearance or approval. Further, the FDA could require us to submit data on a greater number of patients than we originally anticipated and/or for a longer follow-up period or change the data collection requirements or data analysis applicable to our clinical trials. Delays in patient enrollment or failure of patients to continue to participate in a clinical trial could cause an increase in costs and delays in the approval and attempted commercialization of our product candidates or result in the failure of the clinical trial. Such increased costs and delays or failures could adversely affect our business, operating results and prospects.

### The results of our clinical trials may not support our product candidate claims or any additional claims we may seek for our products and may result in the discovery of adverse side effects.

Even if any clinical trial that we need to undertake is completed as planned, we cannot be certain that its results will support our product candidate claims or any new indications that we may seek for our products or that the FDA or foreign authorities will agree with our conclusions regarding the results of those trials. The clinical trial process may fail to demonstrate that our products or a product candidate is safe and effective for the proposed indicated use, which could cause us to stop seeking additional clearances or approvals for our ClearPoint system, abandon our ClearTrace system or delay development of other product candidates. Any delay or termination of our clinical trials will delay the filing of our regulatory submissions and, ultimately, our ability to commercialize a product candidate. It is also possible that patients enrolled in clinical trials will experience adverse side effects that are not currently part of the product candidate's profile.

### The markets for medical devices are highly competitive, and we may not be able to compete effectively against the larger, wellestablished companies in our markets or emerging and small innovative companies that may seek to obtain or increase their share of the market.

We will face competition from products and techniques already in existence in the marketplace. The markets for the ClearPoint system and the ClearTrace system are intensely competitive, and many of our competitors are much larger and have substantially more financial and human resources than we do. Many have long histories and strong reputations within the industry, and a relatively small number of companies dominate these markets. Examples of such large, well-known companies include Medtronic, Inc., St. Jude Medical Inc. and Biosense Webster Inc., a division of Johnson & Johnson.

These companies enjoy significant competitive advantages over us, including:

- broad product offerings, which address the needs of physicians and hospitals in a wide range of procedures;
- greater experience in, and resources for, launching, marketing, distributing and selling products, including strong sales forces and established distribution networks;
- existing relationships with physicians and hospitals;
- more extensive intellectual property portfolios and resources for patent protection;



- greater financial and other resources for product research and development;
- greater experience in obtaining and maintaining FDA and other regulatory clearances or approvals for products and product enhancements;
- established manufacturing operations and contract manufacturing relationships; and
- significantly greater name recognition and more recognizable trademarks.

We may not succeed in overcoming the competitive advantages of these large and established companies. Smaller or early-stage companies may also prove to be significant competitors, particularly through collaborative arrangements with large and established companies. These companies may introduce products that compete effectively against our products in terms of performance, price or both.

### We could become subject to product liability claims that could be expensive, divert management's attention and harm our business.

Our business exposes us to potential product liability risks that are inherent in the manufacturing, marketing and sale of medical devices. We may be held liable if our products cause injury or death or are found otherwise unsuitable or defective during usage. Our ClearPoint system and our ClearTrace system each incorporates mechanical and electrical parts, complex computer software and other sophisticated components, any of which can have defective or inferior parts or contain defects, errors or failures. Complex computer software is particularly vulnerable to errors and failures, especially when first introduced.

Because our ClearPoint system and our ClearTrace system are each designed to be used to perform complex surgical procedures, defects could result in a number of complications, some of which could be serious and could harm or kill patients. The adverse publicity resulting from any of these events could cause physicians or hospitals to review and potentially terminate their relationships with us.

The medical device industry has historically been subject to extensive litigation over product liability claims. A product liability claim, regardless of its merit or eventual outcome, could result in significant legal defense costs. Although we maintain product liability insurance that we believe is appropriate, this insurance coverage is subject to deductibles and coverage limitations, and may not be adequate to protect us against any future product liability claims. Additionally, we may be unable to maintain our existing product liability insurance in the future at satisfactory rates or in adequate amounts. A product liability claim, regardless of its merit or eventual outcome, could result in:

- decreased demand for our products;
- injury to our reputation;
- diversion of management's attention;
- significant costs of related litigation;
- payment of substantial monetary awards by us;
- product recalls or market withdrawals;
- a change in the design, manufacturing process or the indications for which our marketed products may be used;
- loss of revenue; and
- an inability to commercialize product candidates.



#### **Risks Related to Funding**

### In the event we need additional funding for our business, we may not be able to raise capital when needed or on terms that are acceptable to us, which could force us to delay, reduce or eliminate our commercialization efforts or our product development programs.

We have not yet achieved profitability. Accordingly, we have financed our activities principally from sales of equity securities, borrowings and license arrangements. Most recently, in December 2014, we raised \$10.2 million, before commissions and offering expenses, from the sale of shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase shares of our common stock in a private placement transaction. Because of the various risks and uncertainties associated with the commercialization of medical devices, there can be no assurance that our cash resources will cover all of our costs until we achieve profitability. Therefore, we could need additional funding. Additional funds, if needed, may not be available on a timely basis or on terms that are acceptable to us, or at all, in which event we could take actions that negatively impact the commercialization of our ClearPoint system, or terminate or delay the development of the ClearTrace system.

The funding requirements for our business will depend on many factors, including:

- the timing of broader market acceptance and adoption of our ClearPoint system products;
- the scope, rate of progress and cost of our ongoing product development activities relating to our ClearPoint system;
- the cost and timing of expanding our sales, clinical support, marketing and distribution capabilities and other corporate infrastructure;
- the cost and timing of establishing inventories at levels sufficient to support our sales;
- the scope, rate of progress and cost of our research and development activities relating to our ClearTrace system;
- the effect of competing technological and market developments;
- the terms and timing of any future collaborative, licensing or other arrangements that we may establish;
- the cost and timing of any clinical trials;
- the cost and timing of regulatory filings, clearances and approvals; and
- the cost of filing, prosecuting, defending and enforcing any patent claims and other intellectual property rights.

### Raising additional funds may cause dilution to existing stockholders, restrict our operations or require us to relinquish proprietary rights.

To the extent we raise additional capital through the sale of equity or convertible debt securities, your ownership interest will be diluted, and the terms may include liquidation or other preferences that adversely affect your rights as a stockholder. Debt financing, if available, may involve agreements that include covenants limiting or restricting our ability to take specific actions such as incurring additional debt, making capital expenditures or declaring dividends. If we secure additional funds through arrangements with a strategic or other collaboration partner, we may have to relinquish valuable rights to our technologies, products or product candidates or grant licenses on terms that are not favorable to us. Any of these events could adversely affect our ability to achieve our commercialization and/or product development goals and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects.



#### **Risks Related to our Intellectual Property**

## If we, or the third parties from whom we license intellectual property, are unable to secure and maintain patent or other intellectual property protection for the intellectual property covering our marketed products or our product candidates, our ability to compete will be harmed.

Our commercial success depends, in part, on obtaining patent and other intellectual property protection for the technologies contained in our products and product candidates. The patent positions of medical device companies, including ours, can be highly uncertain and involve complex and evolving legal and factual questions. Our patent position is uncertain and complex, in part, because of our dependence on intellectual property that we license from others. If we, or the third parties from whom we license intellectual property, fail to obtain adequate patent or other intellectual property protection for intellectual property covering our products or product candidates, or if any protection is reduced or eliminated, others could use the intellectual property covering our products or product candidates, resulting in harm to our competitive business position. In addition, patent and other intellectual property protection may not provide us with a competitive advantage against competitors that devise ways of making competitive products without infringing any patents that we own or have rights to.

United States patents and patent applications may be subject to interference proceedings and United States patents may be subject to reissue and reexamination proceedings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Foreign patents may be subject to opposition or comparable proceedings in the corresponding foreign patent offices. Any of these proceedings could result in either loss of the patent or denial of the patent application, or loss or reduction in the scope of one or more of the claims of the patent or patent application. Changes in either patent laws or in interpretations of patent laws may also diminish the value of our intellectual property or narrow the scope of our protection. Interference, reexamination and opposition proceedings may be costly and time consuming, and we, or the third parties from whom we license intellectual property, may be unsuccessful in such proceedings. Thus, any patents that we own or license may provide limited or no protection against competitors. In addition, our pending patent applications and those we may file in the future may not result in patents being issued or may have claims that do not cover our products or product candidates. Even if any of our pending or future patent applications are issued, they may not provide us with adequate protection or any competitive advantages. Our ability to develop additional patentable technology is also uncertain.

Non-payment or delay in payment of patent fees or annuities, whether intentional or unintentional, may also result in the loss of patents or patent rights important to our business. Many countries, including certain countries in Europe, have compulsory licensing laws under which a patent owner may be compelled to grant licenses to third parties. In addition, many countries limit the enforceability of patents against third parties, including government agencies or government contractors. In these countries, the patent owner may have limited remedies, which could materially diminish the value of the patent. In addition, the laws of some foreign countries do not protect intellectual property rights to the same extent as do the laws of the United States, particularly in the field of medical devices and procedures.

### Others may assert that our products infringe their intellectual property rights, which may cause us to engage in costly disputes and, if we are not successful in defending ourselves, could also cause us to pay substantial damages and prohibit us from selling our marketed products.

There may be United States and foreign patents issued to third parties that relate to our business, including MRI-guided intervention systems and the components and methods and processes related to these systems. Some of these patents may be broad enough to cover one or more aspects of our present technologies and/or may cover aspects of our future technologies. We do not know whether any of these patents, if they exist and if asserted, would be held valid, enforceable and infringed. We cannot provide any assurance that a court or administrative body would agree with any arguments or defenses we may have concerning invalidity, unenforceability or non-infringement of any third-party patent. The medical device industry has been characterized by extensive litigation and administrative proceedings regarding patents and other intellectual property rights, and companies have employed such actions to gain a competitive advantage. If third parties assert infringement or other intellectual property claims against us, our management personnel will experience a significant diversion of time and effort and we will incur large expenses defending our company. If third parties in any patent action are successful, our patent portfolio may be damaged, we may have to pay substantial damages and we may be required to stop selling our products or obtain a license which, if available at all, may require us to pay substantial royalties. We cannot be certain that we will have the financial resources or the substantive arguments to defend our products from infringement or our patents from claims of invalidity or unenforceability, or to defend our products against allegations of infringement of third-party patents. In addition, any public announcements related to litigation or administrative proceedings initiated by us, or initiated or threatened against us, could negatively impact our business.

### If we lose access to third-party software that is integrated into our ClearPoint system software, our costs could increase and new installations of our ClearPoint system could be delayed, potentially hurting our competitive position.

We have received a non-exclusive, non-transferable, worldwide license from a third party to certain software, in source code form, that is integrated into the software component of our ClearPoint system. In return, we agreed to pay the third party a one-time license fee, as well as a license fee for each copy of the ClearPoint system software that we distribute, subject to certain minimum license purchase commitments which we already have satisfied. The source code license is perpetual, except in the event we breach our agreement with the third party, in which case the third party may terminate the license for cause. A loss of the license could impede our ability to install our ClearPoint system at new sites until equivalent software could be identified, licensed or developed, and integrated into the software component of our ClearPoint system. These delays, if they occur, would harm our business, operating results and financial condition.

## If the combination of patents, trade secrets and contractual provisions that we rely on to protect our intellectual property is inadequate, our ability to successfully commercialize our marketed products and product candidates will be harmed, and we may not be able to operate our business profitably.

Our success and ability to compete is dependent, in part, upon our ability to maintain the proprietary nature of our technologies. We rely on a combination of patent, copyright, trademark and trade secret law and nondisclosure agreements to protect our intellectual property. However, such methods may not be adequate to protect us or permit us to gain or maintain a competitive advantage. Our patent applications may not issue as patents in a form that will be advantageous to us, or at all. Our issued patents, and those that may issue in the future, may be challenged, invalidated or circumvented, which could limit our ability to stop competitors from marketing related products.

To protect our proprietary rights, we may in the future need to assert claims of infringement against third parties to protect our intellectual property. There can be no assurance that we will be successful on the merits in any enforcement effort. In addition, we may not have sufficient resources to litigate, enforce or defend our intellectual property rights. Litigation to enforce our intellectual property rights in patents, copyrights or trademarks is highly unpredictable, expensive and time consuming and would divert human and monetary resources away from managing our business, all of which could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations even if we were to prevail in such litigation. In the event of an adverse judgment, a court could hold that some or all of our asserted intellectual property rights are not infringed, or that they are invalid or unenforceable, and could award attorney fees.

Despite our efforts to safeguard our unpatented and unregistered intellectual property rights, we may not be successful in doing so or the steps taken by us in this regard may not be adequate to detect or deter misappropriation of our technologies or to prevent an unauthorized third party from copying or otherwise obtaining and using our products, technologies or other information that we regard as proprietary. Additionally, third parties may be able to design around our patents. Furthermore, the laws of foreign countries may not protect our proprietary rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States. Our inability to adequately protect our intellectual property could allow our competitors and others to produce products based on our technologies, which could substantially impair our ability to compete.

We have entered into confidentiality and intellectual property assignment agreements with our employees and consultants as one of the ways we seek to protect our intellectual property and other proprietary technologies. However, these agreements may not be enforceable or may not provide meaningful protection for our trade secrets or other proprietary information in the event of unauthorized use or disclosure or other breaches of the agreements.



Our employees and consultants may unintentionally or willfully disclose our confidential information to competitors, and confidentiality agreements may not provide an adequate remedy in the event of unauthorized disclosure of confidential information. Enforcing a claim that a third party illegally obtained and is using our proprietary know-how is expensive and time-consuming, and the outcome is unpredictable. In addition, courts outside the United States are sometimes less willing to protect know-how than courts in the United States. Moreover, our competitors may independently develop equivalent knowledge, methods and know-how. Failure to obtain or maintain intellectual property protection could adversely affect our competitive business position.

### We may be dependent upon one of our licenses from The Johns Hopkins University to develop and commercialize some components of the ClearTrace system.

We have entered into exclusive license agreements with The Johns Hopkins University, or Johns Hopkins, with respect to a number of technologies owned by Johns Hopkins. Under one of those agreements, which we entered into in 1998, we licensed a number of technologies relating to devices, systems and methods for performing MRI-guided interventions, particularly MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures. Therefore, that license is important to the development of the ClearTrace system. Without that license, we may not be able to commercialize some of the components of the ClearTrace system, when and if developed, subject to regulatory clearance or approval. Johns Hopkins has the right to terminate the license under specified circumstances, including a breach by us and failure to cure such breach. We are obligated to use commercially reasonable efforts to develop and commercialize products based on the licensed patents and patent applications. This obligation could require us to take actions related to the development of the ClearTrace system that we would otherwise not take.

#### **Risks Related to Regulatory Compliance**

### We operate in a highly-regulated industry and any failure to comply with the extensive government regulations may subject us to fines, injunctions and other penalties that could harm our business.

We are subject to extensive regulation by the FDA and various other federal, state and foreign governmental authorities. Government regulations and foreign requirements specific to medical devices are wide ranging and govern, among other things:

- design, development and manufacturing;
- testing, labeling and storage;
- product safety;
- marketing, sales and distribution;
- premarket clearance or approval;
- recordkeeping procedures;
- advertising and promotions;
- recalls and field corrective actions;
- post-market surveillance, including reporting of deaths or serious injuries and malfunctions that, if they were to recur, could lead
  to death or serious injury; and
- product export.

We are subject to ongoing FDA requirements, including: required submissions of safety and other post-market information; manufacturing facility registration and device listing requirements; compliance with FDA's medical device current Good Manufacturing Practice regulations, as codified in the Quality System Regulation, or QSR; requirements regarding field corrections and removals of our marketed products; reporting of adverse events and certain product malfunctions to the FDA; and numerous recordkeeping requirements. If we or any of our collaborators or suppliers fail to comply with applicable regulatory requirements, a regulatory agency may take action against us, including any of the following sanctions:

- untitled letters, warning letters, fines, injunctions, consent decrees and civil penalties;
- customer notifications or orders for the repair or replacement of our products or refunds;
- recall, detention or seizure of our products;
- operating restrictions or partial suspension or total shutdown of production;
- refusing or delaying requests for 510(k) clearances or PMA approvals of new products or modified products;
- withdrawing 510(k) clearances or PMA approvals that have already been granted; or
- refusing to grant export approval for our products.

The FDA's and foreign regulatory agencies' statutes, regulations or policies may change, and additional government regulation or statutes may be enacted, which could increase post-approval regulatory requirements, or delay, suspend or prevent marketing of our products. We cannot predict the likelihood, nature or extent of adverse governmental regulation that might arise from future legislative or administrative action, either in the United States or abroad.

### If we or our third-party suppliers fail to comply with the FDA's QSR or any applicable state equivalent, our manufacturing operations could be interrupted and our potential product sales and operating results could suffer.

We and some of our third-party suppliers are required to comply with the FDA's QSR, which covers the methods and documentation of the design, testing, production, control, quality assurance, labeling, packaging, sterilization, storage and shipping of our products and product candidates. We and our suppliers will also be subject to the regulations of foreign jurisdictions regarding the manufacturing process to the extent we market our products in these jurisdictions. The FDA enforces the QSR through periodic and unannounced inspections of manufacturing facilities. Our facilities were inspected by the FDA for QSR compliance in September 2014. We anticipate that we and certain of our third-party suppliers will be subject to future inspections. The failure by us or one of our third-party suppliers to comply with applicable statutes and regulations administered by the FDA and other regulatory bodies, or the failure to timely and adequately respond to any adverse inspectional observations, could result in enforcement actions against us, which could impair our ability to produce our products in a cost-effective and timely manner in order to meet our customers' demands. If we fail to comply with the FDA's QSR or any applicable state equivalent, we would be required to incur the costs and take the actions necessary to bring our operations into compliance, which may have a negative impact on our future sales and our ability to generate a profit.

# Our products may in the future be subject to product recalls that could harm our reputation, business operating results and financial condition. Likewise, products that are manufactured and sold by third parties and that are needed for procedures in which physicians use our products also may be subject to recalls, which could adversely impact our business, operating results and financial condition.

The FDA and similar foreign governmental authorities have the authority to require the recall of commercialized products in the event of material deficiencies or defects in design, manufacture or labeling. In the case of the FDA, the authority to require a recall must be based on an FDA finding that there is a reasonable probability that the device would cause serious injury or death. In addition, foreign governmental bodies have the authority to require the recall of our products in the event of material deficiencies or defects in design or manufacture. Manufacturers may, under their own initiative, recall a product if any material deficiency in a device is found. A government-mandated or voluntary recalls by us could occur as a result of component failures, manufacturing errors, design or labeling defects or other deficiencies and issues. Recalls of any of our products would divert managerial and financial resources and have an adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. We may initiate certain voluntary recalls involving our products in the future. Companies are required to maintain certain records of recalls, even if they are not reportable to the FDA. If we determine that certain of those recalls do not require notification to the FDA, the FDA may disagree with our determinations and require us to report those actions as recalls. A future recall announcement could harm our reputation with customers and negatively affect our sales. In addition, the FDA could take enforcement actions against us, which could impair our ability to produce our products in a cost-effective and timely manner in order to meet our customers' demands. Regulatory investigations or product recalls could also result in our incurring substantial costs, losing revenues and implementing a change in the design, manufacturing process or the indications for which our products may be used, each of which would harm our business.

In addition, products that are manufactured and sold by other companies and that are needed for procedures in which physicians use our ClearPoint system also could become subject to a recall. Our ClearPoint system is designed to enable a range of minimally-invasive procedures in the brain. Those procedures involve insertion of a catheter, probe, electrode or other similar device into a target region of the brain, and most of those devices are manufactured and sold by other companies. Any of those devices may become the subject of a recall, whether required by the FDA or a foreign governmental body or initiated by the third party manufacturer. The shortage or absence of any of those devices in the marketplace could adversely impact the number of procedures performed by physicians using our ClearPoint system, which would adversely impact our financial condition and results of operations.

### If our products cause or contribute to a death or a serious injury, or malfunction in certain ways, we will be subject to Medical Device Reporting regulations, which can result in voluntary corrective actions or agency enforcement actions.

Under the FDA's Medical Device Reporting regulations, we are required to report to the FDA any incident in which our products may have caused or contributed to a death or serious injury or in which our products malfunctioned and, if the malfunction were to recur, would likely cause or contribute to death or serious injury. In the future, we may experience events that may require reporting to the FDA pursuant to the medical device reporting regulations. In addition, all manufacturers placing medical devices in European Union markets are legally bound to report any serious or potentially serious incidents involving devices they produce or sell to the relevant authority in whose jurisdiction the incident occurred. Any adverse event involving our products could result in future voluntary corrective actions, such as recalls or customer notifications, or agency action, such as inspection, mandatory recall or other enforcement action. Any corrective action, whether voluntary or involuntary, as well as defending ourselves in a lawsuit, will require the dedication of our time and capital, distract management from operating our business, and may harm our reputation and financial results. In addition, failure to report such adverse events to appropriate government authorities on a timely basis, or at all, could result in an enforcement action against us.

### We may incur significant liability if it is determined that we are promoting off-label uses of our products in violation of federal and state regulations in the United States or elsewhere.

We obtained 510(k) clearance of our ClearPoint system from the FDA for a general neurological intervention claim. This general neurological intervention indication is the same indication for use that applies to other devices that have traditionally been used in the performance of stereotactic neurological procedures. Unless and until we receive regulatory clearance or approval for use of our ClearPoint system in specific procedures, uses in procedures other than general neurological interventional procedures, such as biopsies and catheter and electrode insertions, may be considered off-label uses of our ClearPoint system.

Under the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and other similar laws, we are prohibited from labeling or promoting our ClearPoint system, or training physicians, for such off-label uses. The FDA defines labeling to include not only the physical label attached to the product, but also items accompanying the product. This definition also includes items as diverse as materials that appear on a company's website. As a result, we are not permitted to promote off-label uses of our products, whether on our website, in product brochures or in customer communications. However, although manufacturers are not permitted to promote for off-label uses, in their practice of medicine, physicians may lawfully choose to use medical devices for off-label uses. Therefore, a physician could use our ClearPoint system for uses not covered by the cleared labeling.



The FDA and other regulatory agencies actively enforce regulations prohibiting promotion of off-label uses and the promotion of products for which marketing clearance or approval has not been obtained. If the FDA determines that our promotional materials or training constitutes promotion of an off-label use, it could request that we modify our training or promotional materials or subject us to regulatory or enforcement actions, including the issuance of an untitled letter, warning letter, injunction, seizure, civil fine and criminal penalties. It is also possible that other federal, state or foreign enforcement authorities might take action if they consider our promotional or training materials to constitute promotion of an unapproved use, which could result in significant fines or penalties under other statutory authorities, such as laws prohibiting false claims for reimbursement. In that event, our reputation could be damaged and market adoption of our products would be impaired. In addition, the off-label use of our products may increase the risk of injury to patients, and, in turn, the risk of product liability claims are expensive to defend and could divert our management's attention and result in substantial damage awards against us.

### We may be subject, directly or indirectly, to federal and state healthcare fraud and abuse laws and regulations and could face substantial penalties if we are unable to fully comply with such laws.

Although we do not provide healthcare services or receive payments directly from Medicare, Medicaid or other third-party payors for our products or the procedures in which our products may be used, many state and federal healthcare laws and regulations governing financial relationships between medical device companies and healthcare providers apply to our business and we could be subject to enforcement by both the federal government, private whistleblowers and the states in which we conduct our business. The healthcare laws and regulations that may affect our ability to operate include:

- The federal healthcare programs' Anti-Kickback Statute, which prohibits, among other things, individuals or entities from knowingly and willfully soliciting, receiving, offering or providing any kickback, bribe or other remuneration, directly or indirectly, in exchange for or to induce the purchase, lease or order, or arranging for or recommending of, any item or service for which payment may be made under a federal healthcare program such as the Medicare and Medicaid programs.
- Federal false claims laws, which prohibit, among other things, individuals or entities from knowingly presenting, or causing to be presented, claims for payment to Medicare, Medicaid or other federally-funded healthcare programs that are false or fraudulent, or are for items or services not provided as claimed, and which may apply to entities like us to the extent that our interactions with customers may affect their billing or coding practices. Changes to the federal false claims law enacted as part of the Affordable Care Act will likely increase the number of whistleblower cases brought against providers and suppliers of health care items and services.
- The federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, or HIPAA, which established new federal crimes for knowingly and willfully executing a scheme to defraud any healthcare benefit program or making false statements in connection with the delivery of or payment for healthcare benefits, items or services.
- State and foreign law equivalents of each of the above federal laws, such as anti-kickback and false claims laws, and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, which may apply to items or services reimbursed by any third-party payor, including commercial insurers, or when physicians are employees of a foreign government entity.
- The Affordable Care Act, which imposes certain reporting obligations on manufacturers of drugs, devices and biologics. Specifically, such manufacturers are required to report payments or other transfers of value to or on behalf of a physician or teaching hospital by such manufacturers, as well as any ownership or investment interest held by physicians in such manufacturers. Violations of the reporting requirements are subject to civil monetary penalties.
- The Affordable Care Act also grants the Office of Inspector General additional authority to obtain information from any individual or entity to validate claims for payment or to evaluate the economy, efficiency or effectiveness of the Medicare and Medicaid programs, expands the permissible exclusion authority to include any false statements or misrepresentations of material facts, enhances the civil monetary penalties for false statements or misrepresentation of material facts, and enhances the Federal Sentencing Guidelines for those convicted of federal healthcare offenses.



The medical device industry has been under heightened scrutiny as the subject of government investigations and government enforcement or private whistleblower actions under the Anti-Kickback Statute and the False Claims Act involving manufacturers who allegedly offered unlawful inducements to potential or existing customers in an attempt to procure their business, including specifically arrangements with physician consultants.

We may from time to time have agreements with physicians that could be scrutinized or could be subject to reporting requirements in the future, including consulting contracts in which we compensate physicians for various services, which could include:

- providing training and other similar services on the proper use of our products;
- advising us with respect to the commercialization of products in their respective fields;
- keeping us informed of new developments in their respective fields of practice;
- advising us on our research and development projects related to their respective fields;
- advising us on improvements to methods, processes and devices related to their respective fields (such as advice on the development of prototype devices); and
- assisting us with the technical evaluation of our methods, processes and devices related to their respective fields.

The Affordable Care Act mandates increased transparency of arrangements between physicians and medical device companies, which we expect will increase our overall cost of compliance. We believe that this increased transparency will also result in a heightened level of government scrutiny of the relationships between physicians and medical device companies. While we believe that all of our arrangements with physicians comply with applicable law, the increased level of scrutiny, coupled with the expanded enforcement tools available to the government under the Affordable Care Act, may increase the likelihood of a governmental investigation. If we become subject to such an investigation, our business and operations would be adversely affected even if we ultimately prevail because the cost of defending such investigation would be substantial. Moreover, companies subject to governmental investigations could lose both overall market value and market share during the course of the investigation.

In addition, we may provide customers with information on products that could be deemed to influence their coding or billing practices, and may have sales, marketing or other arrangements with hospitals and other providers that could also be the subject of scrutiny under these laws. If our operations are found to be in violation of any of the laws described above or any other governmental regulations that apply to us, we may be subject to penalties, including civil and criminal penalties, damages, fines, exclusion from the Medicare and Medicaid programs and the curtailment or restructuring of our operations. Any penalties, damages, fines, exclusions, curtailment or restructuring of our operations could adversely affect our ability to operate our business and our financial results. The risk of our being found in violation of these laws is increased by the fact that many of these laws are broad and their provisions are open to a variety of interpretations. Any action against us for violation of these laws, even if we successfully defend against it, could cause us to incur significant legal expenses and divert our management's attention from the operation of our business. If the physicians or other providers or entities with whom we do business are found to be non-compliant with applicable laws, they may be subject to sanctions, which could also have a negative impact on our business.



## We may be subject to privacy and data protection laws governing the transmission, use, disclosure, security and privacy of health information which may impose restrictions on technologies and subject us to penalties if we are unable to fully comply with such laws.

Numerous federal, state and international laws and regulations govern the collection, use, disclosure, storage and transmission of patient-identifiable health information. These laws include:

- HIPAA and the Privacy and Security Rules promulgated thereunder apply to covered entities, which include most healthcare facilities that purchase and use our products. The HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules set forth minimum standards for safeguarding individually identifiable health information, impose certain requirements relating to the privacy, security and transmission of individually identifiable health information and provide certain rights to individuals with respect to that information. HIPAA also requires covered entities to contractually bind third parties, known as business associates, in the event that they perform an activity or service for or on behalf of the covered entity that involves access to patient identifiable health information.
- The federal Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act of 2009, or HITECH, which strengthens and expands the HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules and its restrictions on use and disclosure of patient identifiable health information, including imposing liability on business associates of covered entities.
- Both HITECH and state data breach laws that necessitate the notification in certain situations of a breach that compromises the privacy or security of personal information.
- Other federal and state laws restricting the use and protecting the privacy and security of patient information may apply, many of which are not preempted by HIPAA.
- Federal and state consumer protection laws are being applied increasingly by the United States Federal Trade Commission and state attorneys general to regulate the collection, use, storage and disclosure of personal or patient information, through websites or otherwise, and to regulate the presentation of website content.
- Other countries also have, or are developing, laws governing the collection, use and transmission of personal or patient information.
- Federal and state laws regulating the conduct of research with human subjects.

We are required to comply with federal and state laws governing the transmission, security and privacy of patient identifiable health information that we may obtain or have access to in connection with manufacture and sale of our products. We do not believe that we are a HIPAA-covered entity because we do not submit electronic claims to third-party payors, but there may be limited circumstances in which we may operate as a business associate to covered entities if we receive patient identifiable data through activities on behalf of a healthcare provider. We may be required to make costly system modifications to comply with the HIPAA privacy and security requirements that will be imposed on us contractually through business associate agreements by covered entities and directly under HITECH or HIPAA regulations. Our failure to comply may result in criminal and civil liability because the potential for enforcement action against business associates is now greater. Enforcement actions can be costly and interrupt regular operations which may adversely affect our business.

In addition, numerous other federal and state laws protect the confidentiality of patient information as well as employee personal information, including state medical privacy laws, state social security number protection laws, state data breach laws and federal and state consumer protection laws. These various laws in many cases are not preempted by the HIPAA rules and may be subject to varying interpretations by the courts and government agencies, creating complex compliance issues for us and our customers and potentially exposing us to additional expense, adverse publicity and liability. In connection with any clinical trials we conduct, we will be subject to state and federal privacy and human subject protection regulations. The HIPAA requirements and other human subjects research laws could create liability for us or increase our cost of doing business because we must depend on our research collaborators to comply with the applicable laws. We may adopt policies and procedures that facilitate our collaborators' compliance, and contractually require compliance, but we cannot ensure that non-employee collaborators or investigators will comply with applicable laws. As a result, unauthorized uses and disclosures of research subject information in violation of the law may occur. These violations may lead to sanctions that will adversely affect our business.

#### **Risks Related to Facilities, Employees and Growth**

### We are dependent on our senior management team, our sales, clinical support and marketing team and our engineering team, and the loss of any of them could harm our business.

All of our employees, including the members of our senior management team, are at-will employees, and therefore they may terminate employment with us at any time. Accordingly, there are no assurances that the services of any of our employees will be available to us for any specified period of time. The loss of members of our senior management team, our sales, clinical support and marketing team or our engineering team, or our inability to attract or retain other qualified personnel, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. If the need to replace any of our key employees arises, the replacement process likely would involve significant time and costs, and may significantly delay or prevent the achievement of our business objectives.

### We need to hire and retain additional qualified personnel to grow and manage our business. If we are unable to attract and retain qualified personnel, our business and growth could be seriously harmed.

Our performance depends on the talents and efforts of our employees. Our future success will depend on our ability to attract, retain and motivate highly skilled personnel in all areas of our organization, but particularly as part of our sales, clinical support and marketing team. We plan to continue to grow our business and will need to hire additional personnel to support this growth. It is often difficult to hire and retain these persons, and we may be unable to replace key persons if they leave or fill new positions requiring key persons with appropriate experience. If we experience difficulties locating and hiring suitable personnel in the future, our growth may be hindered. Qualified individuals are in high demand, particularly in the medical device industry, and we may incur significant costs to attract and retain them. If we are unable to attract and retain the personnel we need to succeed, our business and growth could be harmed.

### If we do not effectively manage our growth, we may be unable to successfully market and sell our products or develop our product candidates.

Our future revenue and operating results will depend on our ability to manage the anticipated growth of our business. In order to achieve our business objectives, we must continue to grow. However, continued growth presents numerous challenges, including:

- expanding our sales, clinical support and marketing infrastructure and capabilities;
- expanding our assembly capacity and increasing production;
- implementing appropriate operational and financial systems and controls;
- improving our information systems;
- identifying, attracting and retaining qualified personnel in our areas of activity; and
- hiring, training, managing and supervising our personnel.

We cannot be certain that our systems, controls, infrastructure and personnel will be adequate to support our future operations. Any failure to effectively manage our growth could impede our ability to successfully develop, market and sell our products and our business will be harmed.



### Our operations are vulnerable to interruption or loss due to natural disasters, power loss and other events beyond our control, which would adversely affect our business.

We do not have redundant facilities. We conduct a significant portion of our activities, including research and development, component processing, final assembly, packaging and distribution activities for our ClearPoint system, at a facility located in Irvine, California, which is a seismically active area that has experienced major earthquakes in the past, as well as other natural disasters, including wildfires. We have taken precautions to safeguard our facility, including obtaining business interruption insurance. However, any future natural disaster, such as an earthquake or a wildfire, could significantly disrupt our operations, and delay or prevent product assembly and shipment during the time required to repair, rebuild or replace our facility, which could be lengthy and result in significant expenses. Furthermore, the insurance coverage we maintain may not be adequate to cover our losses in any particular case or continue to be available at commercially reasonable rates and terms. In addition, our facility may be subject to shortages of electrical power, natural gas, water and other energy supplies. Any future shortage or conservation measure could disrupt our operations and cause expense, thus adversely affecting our business and financial results.

#### **Risks Related to Our Shares of Common Stock**

### Our stock may be traded infrequently and in low volumes, so you may be unable to sell your shares at or near the quoted bid prices if you need to sell your shares.

The shares of our common stock may trade infrequently and in low volumes in the over-the-counter market, meaning that the number of persons interested in purchasing our common shares at or near bid prices at any given time may be relatively small or non-existent. This situation may be attributable to a number of factors, including the fact that we are a small company which is relatively unknown to stock analysts, stock brokers, institutional investors and others in the investment community who can generate or influence sales volume. Even if we come to the attention of such institutionally oriented persons, they may be risk-averse in the current economic environment and could be reluctant to follow a company such as ours or purchase or recommend the purchase of our shares until such time as we become more seasoned. As a consequence, there may be periods of several days or more when trading activity in our shares is minimal or non-existent, as compared to a seasoned issuer which has a large and steady volume of trading activity that will generally support continuous sales without an adverse effect on share price. We cannot give you any assurance that a broader or more active public trading market for our shares will develop or be sustained. Due to these conditions, we can give you no assurance that you will be able to sell your shares at or near bid prices or at all if you need money or otherwise desire to liquidate your shares. As a result, investors could lose all or part of their investment.

### Our stock price is below \$5.00 per share and is treated as a "penny stock", which places restrictions on broker-dealers recommending the stock for purchase.

Our common stock is defined as "penny stock" under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act, and its rules. The Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, has adopted regulations that define "penny stock" to include common stock that has a market price of less than \$5.00 per share, subject to certain exceptions. These rules include the following requirements:

- a broker-dealer must deliver, prior to the transaction, a disclosure schedule prepared by the SEC relating to the penny stock market;
- a broker-dealer must disclose the commissions payable to the broker-dealer and its registered representative;
- a broker-dealer must disclose current quotations for the securities; and
- a broker-dealer must furnish its customers with monthly statements disclosing recent price information for all penny stocks held in the customer's account and information on the limited market in penny stocks.

Additional sales practice requirements are imposed on broker-dealers who sell penny stocks to persons other than established customers and accredited investors. For these types of transactions, the broker-dealer must make a special suitability determination for the purchaser and must have received the purchaser's written consent to the transaction prior to sale. If our common stock remains subject to these penny stock rules these disclosure requirements may have the effect of reducing the level of trading activity in the secondary market for our common stock. As a result, fewer broker-dealers may be willing to make a market in our stock, which could affect a stockholder's ability to sell their shares.

#### Our common stock is traded in the over-the-counter market, and our stock price could be volatile.

Our common stock is currently traded in the over-the-counter market. The over-the-counter market lacks the credibility of established stock markets and is characterized by larger gaps between bid and ask prices. Stocks traded in the over-the-counter market have traditionally experienced significant price and volume fluctuations that often are unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of a company traded in such market. Regardless of our actual operating performance, the market price for our common stock may materially decline from time to time. There can be no assurance that you will be able to sell your stock at a time when the market price is greater than what you paid. If a large volume of our shares of common stock is posted for sale, it will likely cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

### Sales of a substantial number of shares of our common stock in the public market, or the perception that they may occur, may depress the market price of our common stock.

All of the shares of our common stock covered by this prospectus will be freely transferable, unless held by an affiliate of ours. Excluding the shares of our common stock covered by this prospectus, as of December 31, 2014, almost all of our outstanding shares were freely transferable or could be publicly resold pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act. In general, under Rule 144 as currently in effect, a person (or persons whose shares are aggregated) who has beneficially owned restricted securities for at least six months, including our affiliates, would be entitled to sell such securities, subject to the availability of current public information about the company. A person who has not been our affiliate at any time during the three months preceding a sale, and who has beneficially owned his shares for at least one year, would be entitled under Rule 144 to sell such shares without regard to any limitations under Rule 144. Under Rule 144, sales by our affiliates are subject to volume limitations, manner of sale provisions and notice requirements. Any substantial sale of common stock pursuant to this prospectus, Rule 144 or otherwise may have an adverse effect on the market price of our common stock by creating an excessive supply. Likewise, the availability for sale of substantial amounts of our common stock could reduce the prevailing market price.

#### We have not paid dividends in the past and do not expect to pay dividends in the future.

We have never declared or paid cash dividends on our capital stock. We currently intend to retain all future earnings for the operation and expansion of our business and, therefore, do not anticipate declaring or paying cash dividends in the foreseeable future. The payment of dividends will be at the discretion of our Board of Directors and will depend on our results of operations, capital requirements, financial condition, prospects, contractual arrangements, any limitations on payments of dividends present in any of our future debt agreements and other factors our Board of Directors may deem relevant. If we do not pay dividends, a return on your investment will only occur if our stock price appreciates.

### Anti-takeover provisions in our certificate of incorporation, bylaws and Delaware law could prevent or delay a change in control of our company.

Provisions in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, as well as provisions of Delaware law, may discourage, delay or prevent a merger, acquisition or change of control. These provisions could also discourage proxy contests and make it more difficult for stockholders to elect directors and take other corporate actions. These provisions:

• permit our Board of Directors to issue shares of preferred stock, with any rights, preferences and privileges as they may designate, including the right to approve an acquisition or other change in our control;



- provide that the authorized number of directors may be changed only by resolution of the Board of Directors;
- provide that all vacancies, including newly created directorships, may, except as otherwise required by law, be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of directors then in office, even if less than a quorum;
- require that any action to be taken by our stockholders must be effected at a duly called annual or special meeting of stockholders and not be taken by written consent;
- provide that stockholders seeking to present proposals before a meeting of stockholders or to nominate candidates for election as directors at a meeting of stockholders must provide notice in writing in a timely manner, and also specify requirements as to the form and content of a stockholder's notice;
- do not provide for cumulative voting rights (therefore allowing the holders of a majority of the shares of common stock entitled to vote in any election of directors to elect all of the directors standing for election, if they should so choose);
- provide that special meetings of our stockholders may be called only by the chairman of the Board of Directors, our Chief Executive Officer or by the Board of Directors pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of the total number of authorized directors; and
- provide that stockholders will be permitted to amend our bylaws only upon receiving at least 66 2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of all outstanding shares then entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class.

In addition, we are subject to Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which generally prohibits a Delaware corporation from engaging in any broad range of business combinations with any stockholder who owns, or at any time in the last three years owned, 15% or more of our outstanding voting stock, for a period of three years following the date on which the stockholder became an interested stockholder. This provision could have the effect of delaying or preventing a change of control, whether or not it is desired by or beneficial to our stockholders.

### We are an "emerging growth company," and we cannot be certain if the reduced reporting requirements applicable to emerging growth companies will make our common stock less attractive to investors.

We are an "emerging growth company," as defined in the Jumpstart Our Business Startups Act, or the JOBS Act. For as long as we continue to be an emerging growth company, we may take advantage of exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to other public companies that are not emerging growth companies, including not being required to comply with the auditor attestation requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, reduced disclosure obligations regarding executive compensation in our periodic reports and proxy statements and exemptions from the requirements of holding a nonbinding advisory vote on executive compensation and shareholder approval of any golden parachute payments not previously approved. We could be an emerging growth company for up to five years, although we could lose that status sooner if our revenues exceed \$1 billion, if we issue more than \$1 billion in non-convertible debt in a three year period, or if the market value of our common stock held by non-affiliates exceeds \$700

million as of any June 30 before that time, in which case we would no longer be an emerging growth company as of the following December 31. We cannot predict if investors will find our common stock less attractive because we may rely on these exemptions. If some investors find our common stock less attractive as a result, there may be a less active trading market for our common stock and our stock price may be more volatile.

Under the JOBS Act, emerging growth companies can also delay adopting new or revised accounting standards until such time as those standards apply to private companies. We have irrevocably elected not to avail ourselves of this exemption from new or revised accounting standards and, therefore, will be subject to the same new or revised accounting standards as other public companies that are not emerging growth companies.



#### SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements are contained principally in the sections entitled "Business", "Risk Factors," and "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations." These statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause our actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, performances or achievements, expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements may include, but are not limited to, statements about:

- our ability to market, commercialize and achieve broader market acceptance for our ClearPoint system products;
- future revenues from sales of ClearPoint system products;
- our ability to successfully complete the development of, and obtain regulatory clearance or approval for, our ClearTrace system;
- the anticipated progress of our research and development activities;
- the expected capabilities of our ClearTrace system; and
- the estimates regarding the sufficiency of our cash resources.

In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terms such as "anticipates," "believes," "could," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "plans," "potential," "predicts," "projects," "should," "will," "would," and similar expressions intended to identify forward-looking statements, although not all forward-looking statements contain these words. Although we believe that we have a reasonable basis for each forward-looking statement contained in this prospectus, we caution you that these statements are based on a combination of facts and factors currently known by us and our projections of the future, about which we cannot be certain.

You should refer to the section of this prospectus entitled "Risk Factors" for a discussion of important factors that may cause our actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements. As a result of these factors, we cannot assure you that the forward-looking statements in this prospectus will prove to be accurate. Furthermore, if our forward-looking statements prove to be inaccurate, the inaccuracy may be material. In light of the significant uncertainties in these forward-looking statements, you should not regard these statements as a representation or warranty by us or any other person that we will achieve our objectives and plans in any specified time frame, or at all. We do not undertake to update any of the forward-looking statements after the date of this prospectus, except to the extent required by applicable securities laws.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale of the common stock by selling securityholders pursuant to this prospectus. All proceeds from the sale of the shares will be for the account of the selling securityholders. We could receive up to approximately \$6.3 million in proceeds from the exercise of all of the warrants held by the securityholders and covered by this prospectus, when and if such warrants are exercised for cash. However, the warrants are exercisable on a cashless basis under certain circumstances, and, to the extent the warrants are exercised, we expect that most securityholders would utilize the cashless exercise feature. To the extent we receive any cash proceeds from the exercise of the warrants, we intend to use the proceeds for working capital and general corporate purposes. We will pay the expenses of registration of the shares of our common stock covered by this prospectus, including legal and accounting fees.

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#### SELLING SECURITY HOLDERS FOR WHOSE ACCOUNTS WE ARE REGISTERING SHARES

The shares to be offered by the securityholders named in this prospectus are "restricted" securities under applicable federal and state securities laws and are being registered under the Securities Act to give those securityholders the opportunity to publicly sell these shares, if they elect to do so. The registration of these shares does not require that any of the shares be offered or sold by the securityholders. The securityholders may from time to time offer and sell all or a portion of their shares in the over-the-counter market, in negotiated transactions, or otherwise, at prices then prevailing or related to the then current market price or at negotiated prices.

The registered shares may be sold directly or through brokers or dealers, or in a distribution by one or more underwriters on a firm commitment or best efforts basis. To the extent required, the names of any agent or broker-dealer and applicable commissions or discounts and any other required information with respect to any particular offer will be set forth in a prospectus supplement. Please see "Plan of Distribution." The securityholders and any agents or broker-dealers that participate with the securityholders in the distribution of registered shares may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any commissions received by them and any profit on the resale of the registered shares may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act.

The following table sets forth the name of each securityholder, the number of shares of our common stock known by us to be beneficially owned by such securityholder as of December 31, 2014, the number of shares of our common stock that may be offered for resale for the account of such securityholder pursuant to this prospectus and the number of shares of our common stock to be held by such securityholder subsequent to the offering. The information is based upon our review of our stockholder, optionholder and warrantholder registers and information furnished by the securityholders. No estimate can be given as to the amount or percentage of our common stock that will be held by the named securityholders subsequent to the offering because the securityholders are not required to sell any of the shares being registered under this prospectus. Therefore, the following table includes two columns with respect to the number of shares of our common stock to be held by the securityholders following the offering. One column assumes that the securityholders will not sell any of the shares listed in this prospectus, while the other column assumes that the securityholders will sell all of the shares listed in this prospectus.

Beneficial ownership is determined in accordance with the rules of the SEC and generally includes voting or investment power with respect to securities. Shares of common stock subject to options and warrants currently exercisable or convertible, or exercisable or convertible within 60 days are deemed outstanding, including for purposes of computing the percentage ownership of the person holding the option or warrant, but not for purposes of computing the percentage of any other holder. Percentage ownership is based on 74,842,428 shares of common stock outstanding as of December 31, 2014.

<u>Securityholder</u>	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to the <u>Offering(1)(2)</u>	this Owned Su		Shares Beneficially Owned Subsequent to the Offering(1)(2)(4)		eficially osequent ing(5)(6)
		-	Shares	Percent	Shares	Percent
AAR Associates, L.P. <sup>(7)</sup>	43,512	43,512	43,512	*	-	-
Alice Ann Corporation <sup>(8)</sup>	214,280	108,780	214,280	*	105,500	*
Robert G. Allison <sup>(8)</sup>	308,393	217,560	308,393	*	90,833	*
American Capital Management						
LLC <sup>(9)</sup>	163,170	163,170	163,170	*	-	-
Roger J. Anderson	76,390	54,390	76,390	*	22,000	*
James Hannah Austin V	109,080	108,780	109,080	*	300	*
Rodney D. Baber <sup>(10)</sup>	1,088,101	268,259 (11)	1,088,101	1.5	819,842	1.1
William H. Baxter Trustee FBO						
William H. Baxter Revocable Trust						
u/a dtd 7/3/96 <sup>(8)</sup>	152,847	76,146	152,847	*	76,701	*
Gary A. Bergren <sup>(8)</sup>	151,146	76,146	151,146	*	75,000	*
James E. Besser	331,196	217,560	331,196	*	113,636	*
BioMatrix Partners, Ltd. <sup>(12)</sup>	2,175,602	2,175,602	2,175,602	2.9	-	-
Brookline Group, LLC <sup>(13)</sup>	421,906	326,403	421,906	*	95,503	*

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Securityholder	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to the Offering(1)(2)	Shares Offered by this Prospectus(3)	Offered by thisShares Beneficially Owned SubsequentProspectus(3)to the Offering(1)(2)(4)		Shares Beneficially Owned Subsequent to the Offering(5)(6)		
		_	Shares	Percent	Shares	Percent	
David & Carole Brown Trustees							
FBO David & Carole Brown							
Revocable Trust u/a dtd $10/23/97^{(8)}$	98,139	54,390	98,139	*	43,749	*	
Clark Dodge & Co., Inc. <sup>(14)</sup>	17,484	17,484	17,484	*	-	-	
Brian C. Connolly	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	-	-	
Bruce C. Conway <sup>(15)</sup>	7,007,414 (16)		7,007,414	9.2	4,830,724	6.4	
David S. Conway	146,922	108,888	146,922	*	38,034	*	
Angela C. Dong <sup>(17)</sup>	40,000	40,000	40,000	*	-	-	
Gregory Dean Duncan	489,510	489,510 (18)	489,510	*	-	-	
Jennifer A. Duncan Inheritor's							
Trust <sup>(19)</sup>	652,680	652,680	652,680	*	-	-	
Jennifer Duncan	163,170	163,170 (20)	163,170	*	-	-	
Cynthia Finerman	21,756	21,756	21,756	*	-	-	
Ralph Finerman	43,512	43,512	43,512	*	-	-	
Gemini Master Fund, Ltd. <sup>(21)</sup>	761,460	761,460	761,460	1.0	-	-	
Gary Ginsberg	98,142	54,390	98,142	*	43,752	*	
Frances A. Gonyea <sup>(8)</sup>	117,812	76,146	117,812	*	41,666	*	
Lloyd M. Grissinger	108,780	108,780 (22)	108,780	*	-	-	
Michael E. Harris	108,780	108,780	108,780	*	_	_	
Dorothy J. Hoel <sup>(8)</sup>	138,648	76,146	138,648	*	62,502	*	
Richard A. Hoel <sup>(8)</sup>	62,217	32,634	62,217	*	29,583	*	
Iroquois Master Fund Ltd. <sup>(23)</sup>	543,900	543,900	543,900	*		-	
JEB Partners, L.P. <sup>(24)</sup>	652,680	652,680	652,680	*	-	-	
Lorna C. Jensen	54,390	54,390	54,390	*	_	-	
JPM Partners LLC <sup>(25)</sup>	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	-	-	
Scott A. Katzmann <sup>(26)</sup>	310,803	310,803	310,803	*	_	_	
Diane S. Kendall	108,780	108,780	108,780	*	-	-	
Donald R. Kendall, Jr.	108,780	108,780	108,780	*		-	
Steven L. Korby	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	_	_	
Klaus Kretschmer	1,008,102	304,584	1,008,102	1.3	703,518	*	
Lincoln Park Capital Fund, LLC <sup>(27)</sup>	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	705,510	-	
London Family Trust <sup>(28)</sup>	457,847	435,120	457,847	*	22,727	*	
Christina E. Lowery	108,780	108,780	108,780	*		-	
Matthew A. Lowery	128,780	108,780	128,780	*	20,000	*	
Harris R.L. Lydon <sup>(29)</sup>	686,096	310,807	686,096	*	375,289	*	
MAC, LLC <sup>(30)</sup>	135,780	108,780	135,780	*	27,000	*	
Charles Mosseri Marlio	543,900	543,900	543,900	*		-	
Stanley E. Maron	54,390	54,390	54,390	*	-		
Lowry Mays	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	-	-	
Richard O. McCall	477,560 (31)		477,560	*	260,000	- *	
Bryan McShane	896,197	217,560		1.2	678,637	*	
Mellon Group, LLC <sup>(32)</sup>	1,087,800		896,197		078,037		
Newport Coast Securities, Inc. <sup>(33)</sup>		1,087,800 50,700	1,087,800	1.4	-	-	
Parallax Biomedical Fund, L.P. <sup>(34)</sup>	50,700	,	50,700	*	-	- *	
Ryan and Brittany Pearson	648,067	543,900	648,067	*	104,167	*	
· ·	91,146	76,146	91,146	*	15,000	*	
Joseph Pietro	59,390	54,390	59,390	*	5,000	7	
Jason Pinson	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	-	- *	
Neal Polan	126,146	76,146	126,146	*	50,000	7	
Langhorne Reid III	543,900	543,900 (35)	543,900		-	-	
Vera A. Reid	54,390	54,390	54,390	*	-	-	
Stephanie L. Russo <sup>(8)</sup>	106,146	76,146	106,146	*	30,000	*	
Carl Sadowsky & Toni Sadowsky	010 540	017 540	017 540				
TEN ENT	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	-	-	
Toni Sadowsky IRR TR Carl H							
Sadowsky & Joseph R Russo TTEE, U/A/D 12/11/2012 <sup>(36)</sup>	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	-	-	

Securityholder	Shares Beneficially Owned Prior to the Offering(1)(2)	Shares Offered by this Prospectus(3)	Shares Beneficially Owned Subsequent to the Offering(1)(2)(4)		Shares Be Owned Sul to the Offer	bsequent
			Shares	Percent	Shares	Percent
Paul and Nancy Seel JT TEN <sup>(8)</sup>	115,223	54,390	115,223	*	60,833	*
Bradley C. Shoup	54,390	54,390	54,390	*	-	-
Stefan P. Shoup & Jane R. Shoup as trustees of the Shoup Revocable Trust						
U/A/D 4/29/03	215,337	54,390	215,337	*	160,947	*
Graham R. Smith	672,049	174,048	672,049	*	498,001	*
Richard A. Smith	108,780	108,780	108,780	*	-	-
Jean-Pierre Sommadossi 1998						
Irrevocable Trust <sup>(37)</sup>	326,340	326,340	326,340	*	-	-
Gary J. Strauss	278,164	65,268	278,164	*	212,896	*
Gary E. Stavrum	326,340	326,340	326,340	*	-	-
Striker Asia Opportunities Fund						
Corporation <sup>(38)</sup>	3,263,403	3,263,403	3,263,403	4.3	-	-
TrammCap Partners, L.P. <sup>(39)</sup>	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	-	-
VWA Group, Inc. <sup>(40)</sup>	54,390	54,390	54,390	*	-	-
Waverly Trust <sup>(41)</sup>	652,680	652,680	652,680	*	-	-
Felix Walter Zulauf	217,560	217,560	217,560	*	-	-

\* Represents beneficial ownership of less than 1% of our outstanding common stock.

(1) Includes an aggregate of 9,019,945 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants and 45,000 shares issuable upon exercise of options, and assumes a cash exercise of such warrants and options.

(2) Does not take into account any limitations on exercise contained in any warrants.

(3) Includes an aggregate of 7,329,457 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants, and assumes a cash exercise of such warrants.

(4) Assumes the securityholder does not sell any of the shares of common stock included in this prospectus.

(5) Assumes the securityholder sells all of the shares of common stock included in this prospectus.

(6) Includes an aggregate of 1,690,488 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants and 45,000 shares issuable upon exercise of options, and assumes a cash exercise of such warrants and options.

(7) Ralph Finerman has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by AAR Associates, L.P.

- (8) This securityholder has granted Perkins Capital Management Inc. voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by the securityholder. Richard C. Perkins, in his capacity as portfolio manager at Perkins Capital Management Inc., may also be deemed to have voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by the securityholder. Mr. Perkins disclaims any beneficial ownership of the shares.
- (9) Mrs. Kimberly Page has voting control and investment discretion over securities held by American Capital Management, LLC ("American"). As manager of American, Mrs. Page makes voting and investment decisions on behalf of American in her capacity as investment manager to American Capital Management, LLC. As a result of the foregoing, Mrs. Page may be deemed to have beneficial ownership (as determined under Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) of the securities held by American.
- (10) Mr. Baber is a registered representative of Newport Coast Securities, Inc., a registered broker-dealer that served as a sub-placement agent in our December 2014 PIPE financing. Includes 50,699 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants Newport Coast Securities, Inc. received as compensation for its investment banking services. Mr. Baber previously was a registered representative of Aaron Capital, Inc., a registered broker-dealer that served as a sub-placement agent for our July 2012 private offering
- (11) Includes 217,560 shares beneficially owned by Mr. Baber through an individual retirement account.
- (12) Mr. George Houston Hall has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by BioMatrix Partners, Ltd.
- (13) Mr. Madding King, III has voting and investment power with respect to shares owned by Brookline Group, LLC. Brookline Group, LLC is a registered broker-dealer that served as placement agent for our December 2014 PIPE financing. Includes 326,403 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants Brookline Group, LLC received as compensation for its investment banking services. Brookline Group, LLC also previously served as placement agent for our March 2014 private offering, as a co-placement agent for our January 2013 private offering, and as a sub-placement agent for our July 2012 private offering.
- (14) Mr. Joseph DiMauro has voting and investment power with respect to shares owned by Clark Dodge & Co., Inc. Clark Dodge & Co., Inc. is a registered broker-dealer that served as a sub-placement agent for our December 2014 PIPE financing. Includes 17,484 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants Clark Dodge & Co., Inc. received as compensation for its investment banking services.

- (15) Mr. Conway previously served as one of directors from May 2011 to April 2013.
- (16) Includes 35,000 shares jointly held with his spouse, 363,250 shares held solely by his spouse, and 1,655,000 shares in the aggregate owned by the Alden M. Conway Trust, the Chase T. Conway Trust, the Merritt Elizabeth Conway Trust, the Edna N. Conway Irrevocable Trust FBO Alden M. Conway, the Edna N. Conway Irrevocable Trust FBO Chase T. Conway, the Edna N. Conway Irrevocable Trust FBO Merritt Elizabeth Conway and the Conway Family GST Trust. Mr. Conway is the trustee of each of the aforementioned trusts and has voting and investment power of each trust's shares, which are held in trust for the benefit of members of his family. Also includes 48,000 shares owned by the BCC Life Insurance Trust, which shares are held in trust for the benefit of Mr. Conway's children. A third party serves as trustee for such trust.
- (17) Ms. Dong is a registered representative of Brookline Group, LLC, a registered broker-dealer that served as placement agent in our December 2014 PIPE financing. Includes 40,000 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants Brookline Group, LLC received as compensation for its investment banking services. Brookline Group, LLC also previously served as placement agent for our March 2014 private offering, as a co-placement agent for our January 2013 private offering, and as a sub-placement agent for our July 2012 private offering.
- (18) Includes 489,510 shares beneficially owned by Mr. Duncan through an individual retirement account.
- (19) Ms. Jennifer Duncan has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by the trust.
- (20) Includes 163,170 shares beneficially owned by Ms. Duncan through an individual retirement account.
- (21) Mr. Steven Winters has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by Gemini Master Fund, Ltd.
- (22) Includes 65,268 shares beneficially owned by Mr. Grissinger through an individual retirement account.
- (23) Iroquois Capital Management L.L.C. ("Iroquois Capital") is the investment manager of Iroquois Master Fund, Ltd. ("IMF"). Consequently, Iroquois Capital has voting control and investment discretion over securities held by IMF. As managing members of Iroquois Capital, Joshua Silverman and Richard Abbe make voting and investment decisions on behalf of Iroquois Capital in its capacity as investment manager to IMF. As a result of the foregoing, Mr. Silverman and Mr. Abbe may be deemed to have beneficial ownership (as determined under Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended) of the securities held by IMF.
- (24) Mr. James E. Besser has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by JEB Partners, L.P.
- (25) Mr. Jean-Pierre Sommadossi has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by JPM Partners, LLC.
- (26) Mr. Katzmann is a registered representative of Brookline Group, LLC, a registered broker-dealer that served as placement agent in our December 2014 PIPE financing. Includes 310,803 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants Brookline Group, LLC received as compensation for its investment banking services. Brookline Group, LLC also previously served as placement agent for our March 2014 private offering, as a co-placement agent for our January 2013 private offering, and as a sub-placement agent for our July 2012 private offering.
- (27) Josh Scheinfeld and Jonathan Cope, the principals of Lincoln Park Capital Fund, LLC ("Lincoln Park"), are deemed to be beneficial owners of all of the shares of common stock owned by Lincoln Park. Messrs. Scheinfeld and Cope have shared voting and disposition power over the shares being offered under this prospectus.
- (28) Mr. Robert S. London has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by the London Family Trust.
- (29) Mr. Lydon is a registered representative of Brookline Group, LLC, a registered broker-dealer that served as placement agent in our December 2014 PIPE financing. Includes 310,807 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants Brookline Group, LLC received as compensation for its investment banking services. Brookline Group, LLC also previously served as placement agent for our March 2014 private offering, as a co-placement agent for our January 2013 private offering, and as a sub-placement agent for our July 2012 private offering. Mr. Lydon previously was a registered representative of Custom Equity Research, Inc. dba Summer Street Research Partners, a registered broker-dealer that served as placement agent for our July 2012 private offering and the private offering we completed in February 2012.
- (30) Mr. Madding King has voting and investment power with respect to shares owned by MAC, LLC. Mr. King is a registered representative and principal of Brookline Group, LLC, a registered broker-dealer that served as placement agent in our December 2014 PIPE financing. Brookline Group, LLC also previously served as placement agent for our March 2014 private offering, as a coplacement agent for our January 2013 private offering, and as a sub-placement agent for our July 2012 private offering.



- (31) Includes 150,000 shares issued or issuable to the Mary McCall ROM Trust, for which Mr. McCall is the trustee.
- (32) Mr. Henry S. Mellon has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by Mellon Group, LLC.
- (33) Mr. Donald A. Wojnowski, Jr. has voting and investment power with respect to shares owned by Newport Coast Securities, Inc. Newport Coast Securities, Inc. is a registered broker-dealer that served as a sub-placement agent for our December 2014 PIPE financing. Includes 50,700 shares issuable upon exercise of warrants Newport Coast Securities, Inc. received as compensation for its investment banking services.
- (34) Ms. Kellie Seringer has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by Parallax Biomedical Fund, L.P.
- (35) Includes 435,120 shares beneficially owned by Mr. Reid through an individual retirement account.
- (36) Carl H. Sadowsky and Joseph R. Russo serve as co-trustees of the trust and share voting and investment power with respect to shares owned by the trust.
- (37) Robert L. Murphy, as trustee, has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by the trust.
- (38) Guardian Capital Management Limited ("Guardian"), the investment manager of Striker Asia Opportunities Fund Corporation, and Huen Chung Yuen Ian, in his capacity as managing director of Guardian, each have voting and investment power over these securities. Guardian and Mr. Huen each disclaim beneficial ownership over these securities.
- (39) Mr. Jayson Derek Trammell has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by TrammCap Partners, L.P.
- (40) Ms. Vera A. Reid has voting and investment power with respect to the shares owned by VWA Group, Inc.
- (41) Regions Bank ("Regions"), the trustee of the Waverly Trust, and Ms. Marilyn E. Rozier, in her capacity as trust officer, each have voting and investment power over these securities. Regions and Ms. Rozier each disclaim beneficial ownership over these securities.

#### **Relationships with Selling Securityholders**

Except as disclosed in the table above, to our knowledge, none of the selling securityholders had any position, office, or other material relationship with us or any of our affiliates within the past three years.

#### PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The selling securityholders, which as used herein includes donees, pledgees, transferees or other successors-in-interest selling shares of common stock or interests in shares of common stock received after the date of this prospectus from a selling securityholder as a gift, pledge, partnership distribution or other transfer, may, from time to time, sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any or all of their shares of common stock or interests in shares of common stock on any stock exchange, market or trading facility on which the shares are traded or in private transactions. These dispositions may be at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of sale, at prices related to the prevailing market price, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices.

The selling securityholders may use any one or more of the following methods when disposing of shares or interests therein:

- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;
- block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent, but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;



- privately negotiated transactions;
- settlement of short sales;
- through the writing or settlement of options or other hedging transactions, whether through an options exchange or otherwise;
- broker-dealers may agree with the selling securityholders to sell a specified number of such shares at a stipulated price per share;
- a combination of any such methods of sale; and
- any other method permitted by applicable law.

The selling securityholders may, from time to time, pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the shares of common stock owned by them and, if they default in the performance of their secured obligations, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell the shares of common stock, from time to time, under this prospectus, or under an amendment to this prospectus under Rule 424(b)(3) or other applicable provision of the Securities Act amending the list of selling securityholders to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors-ininterest as selling securityholders under this prospectus. The selling securityholders also may transfer the shares of common stock in other circumstances, in which case the transferees, pledgees or other successors in interest will be the selling beneficial owners for purposes of this prospectus.

In connection with the sale of our common stock or interests therein, the selling securityholders may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions, which may in turn engage in short sales of the common stock in the course of hedging the positions they assume. The selling securityholders may also sell shares of our common stock short and deliver these securities to close out their short positions, or loan or pledge the common stock to broker-dealers that in turn may sell these securities. The selling securityholders may also enter into option or other transactions with broker-dealers or other financial institutions or the creation of one or more derivative securities which require the delivery to such broker-dealer or other financial institution of shares offered by this prospectus, which shares such broker-dealer or other financial institution may resell pursuant to this prospectus (as supplemented or amended to reflect such transaction).

The aggregate proceeds to the selling securityholders from the sale of the common stock offered by them will be the purchase price of the common stock less discounts or commissions, if any. Each of the selling securityholders reserves the right to accept and, together with their agents from time to time, to reject, in whole or in part, any proposed purchase of common stock to be made directly or through agents. We will not receive any of the proceeds from this offering. Upon any exercise of the warrants by payment of cash, however, we will receive the exercise price of the warrants.

The selling securityholders also may resell all or a portion of the shares in open market transactions in reliance upon Rule 144 under the Securities Act, provided that they meet the criteria and conform to the requirements of that rule.

The selling securityholders and any underwriters, broker-dealers or agents that participate in the sale of the common stock or interests therein may be "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act. Any discounts, commissions, concessions or profit they earn on any resale of the shares may be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. Selling securityholders who are "underwriters" within the meaning of Section 2(11) of the Securities Act will be subject to the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act.

To the extent required, the shares of our common stock to be sold, the names of the selling securityholders, the respective purchase prices and public offering prices, the names of any agent, dealer or underwriter, and any applicable commissions or discounts with respect to a particular offer will be set forth in an accompanying prospectus supplement or, if appropriate, a post-effective amendment to the registration statement that includes this prospectus.



In order to comply with the securities laws of some states, if applicable, the common stock may be sold in these jurisdictions only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, in some states the common stock may not be sold unless it has been registered or qualified for sale or an exemption from registration or qualification requirements is available and is complied with.

We have advised the selling securityholders that the anti-manipulation rules of Regulation M under the Exchange Act may apply to sales of shares in the market and to the activities of the selling securityholders and their affiliates. In addition, to the extent applicable, we will make copies of this prospectus (as it may be supplemented or amended from time to time) available to the selling securityholders for the purpose of satisfying the prospectus delivery requirements of the Securities Act. The selling securityholders may indemnify any broker-dealer that participates in transactions involving the sale of the shares against certain liabilities, including liabilities arising under the Securities Act.

We have agreed to indemnify the selling securityholders against liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act and state securities laws, relating to the registration of the shares offered by this prospectus.

We have agreed with the selling securityholders to keep the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part effective until the earlier of (1) such time as all of the shares covered by this prospectus have been disposed of pursuant to and in accordance with the registration statement or (2) the date on which all of the shares may be sold without restriction pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act.

# MARKET PRICE AND DIVIDENDS ON COMMON EQUITY AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

#### **Market Information**

Our common stock has been traded in the over-the-counter market since May 21, 2012, under the symbol "MRIC." The following table provides the high and low bid information for our common stock during the periods indicated. This bid information reflects inter-dealer prices, without retail mark-up, mark-down or commission and may not represent actual transactions. Prior to May 21, 2012, there was no established public trading market for our common stock.

Quarter Ended	High Bid	Low Bid
Fiscal 2014		
Fourth Quarter 2014 (through December 31, 2014)	\$1.34	\$0.74
Third Quarter 2014 (through September 30, 2014)	\$1.28	\$0.86
Second Quarter 2014 (through June 30, 2014)	\$1.38	\$0.65
First Quarter 2014 (through March 31, 2014)	\$1.58	\$1.15
Fiscal 2013		
Fourth Quarter 2013 (through December 31, 2013)	\$1.62	\$1.28
Third Quarter 2013 (through September 30, 2013)	\$1.49	\$1.09
Second Quarter 2013 (through June 30, 2013)	\$1.31	\$1.06
First Quarter 2013 (through March 31, 2013)	\$1.95	\$1.18

## Holders

As of December 31, 2014, we had 74,842,428 shares of common stock outstanding and no shares of preferred stock outstanding. As of December 31, 2014, we had approximately 600 stockholders of record. In addition, as of December 31, 2014, options and warrants to purchase 31,102,445 shares of common stock were outstanding, provided that 9,141,250 shares underlying such options and warrants were subject to derivative restriction agreements.

## **Dividend Policy**

We have never declared or paid cash dividends on our capital stock. We currently intend to retain all future earnings for the operation and expansion of our business and, therefore, do not anticipate declaring or paying cash dividends in the foreseeable future. The payment of dividends will be at the discretion of our Board of Directors and will depend on our results of operations, capital requirements, financial condition, prospects, contractual arrangements, any limitations on payments of dividends present in any of our future debt agreements and other factors our Board of Directors may deem relevant.

# **Equity Compensation Plan Information**

Plan Category	Number of securities to be issued upon exercise of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Weighted-average exercise price of outstanding options, warrants and rights	Number of securities remaining available for future issuance under equity compensation plans (excluding securities reflected in column (a))
	(a)	(b)	(c)
Equity compensation plans approved by stockholders (1)	4,477,309	\$1.29	211,833
Equity compensation plans not approved by stockholders $(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)(6)(7)$	5,866,000	\$1.41	275,000
Total	10,343,309	\$1.36	486,833

(1) The information presented in this table is as of December 31, 2014.

- (2) We adopted our 2010 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan in December 2010. The plan provided for the issuance of non-qualified stock options to purchase up to 2,565,675 shares of our common stock. We ceased making awards under the plan upon the adoption of our 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan. As of December 31, 2014, options to purchase 2,371,000 shares of our common stock were outstanding under the 2010 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan.
- (3) In November 2012 and November 2014, we entered into written compensatory contracts with Robert C. Korn, our Vice President, Sales, pursuant to which we awarded Mr. Korn non-qualified stock options to purchase 150,000 shares and 100,000 shares, respectively, of our common stock.
- (4) In December 2013, we entered into written compensatory contracts with an employee and a non-employee director pursuant to which we awarded those individuals non-qualified stock options to purchase 75,000 shares and 125,000 shares, respectively, of our common stock.
- (5) In December 2013, we adopted our 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan. The plan provides for the issuance of awards with respect to an aggregate of 570,000 shares of our common stock. As of December 31, 2014, 295,000 were outstanding under the 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan.



- (6) In October 2014, we entered into a written compensatory contract with Francis P. Grillo pursuant to which we awarded Mr. Grillo nonqualified stock options to purchase 2,400,000 shares of our common stock. Mr. Grillo, who initially joined the company as our President, became our Chief Executive Officer on January 1, 2015.
- (7) In December 2014, we entered into a written compensatory contract with Wendelin C. Maners, our Vice President, Marketing, pursuant to which we awarded Ms. Maners non-qualified stock options to purchase 350,000 shares of our common stock.

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read together with our financial statements and related notes included elsewhere in this prospectus. This discussion and analysis contains forward-looking statements that are based upon current expectations and involve risks, assumptions and uncertainties. You should review the "Risk Factors" section of this prospectus for a discussion of important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from the results described in or implied by the forward-looking statements described in the following discussion and analysis.

## Overview

We are a medical device company that develops and commercializes innovative platforms for performing minimally invasive surgical procedures in the brain and heart under direct, intra-procedural MRI guidance. We have two product platforms. Our ClearPoint system, which is in commercial use, is used to perform minimally invasive surgical procedures in the brain. We anticipate that our ClearTrace system, which is still in development, will be used to perform minimally invasive surgical procedures in the heart. Both systems utilize intra-procedural MRI to guide the procedures. Both systems are designed to work in a hospital's existing MRI suite. We believe that our two product platforms, subject to appropriate regulatory clearance and approval, will deliver better patient outcomes, enhance revenue potential for both physicians and hospitals, and reduce costs to the healthcare system.

In 2010, we received regulatory clearance from the FDA to market our ClearPoint system in the United States for general neurological procedures. In 2011, we also obtained CE marking approval for our ClearPoint system, which enables us to sell our ClearPoint system in the European Union. The vast majority of our product revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and the year ended December 31, 2013 relate to sales of our ClearPoint system products. We do not have regulatory clearance or approval to sell our ClearTrace system for commercial use; however, we have had an isolated sale of certain ClearTrace system components to a research site for non-commercial use. We have financed our operations and internal growth primarily through the sale of equity securities, the issuance of convertible and other secured notes, and license arrangements. We have incurred significant losses since our inception in 1998 as we devoted substantial efforts to research and development. As of September 30, 2014, we had an accumulated deficit of \$75.4 million. We may continue to incur operating losses as we commercialize our ClearPoint system products, continue to develop our ClearTrace system and expand our business.

## Factors Which May Influence Future Results of Operations

The following is a description of factors which may influence our future results of operations, and which we believe are important to an understanding of our business and results of operations.

#### Revenues

In June 2010, we received 510(k) clearance from the FDA to market our ClearPoint system in the United States for general neurological procedures. Future revenues from sales of our ClearPoint system products are difficult to predict and may not be sufficient to offset our continuing research and development expenses and our increasing selling, general and administrative expenses. We cannot sell our ClearTrace system for commercial use until we receive regulatory clearance or approval.



Generating recurring revenues from the sale of disposable products is an important part of our business model for our ClearPoint system. We anticipate that, over time, recurring revenues will constitute an increasing percentage of our total revenues as we leverage each new installation of our ClearPoint system to generate recurring sales of our ClearPoint disposable products.

Our product revenues were \$2.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, and \$2.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. Since inception, the most significant source of our revenues has been related to our collaborative agreements with Boston Scientific, principally from recognition of \$13.0 million of licensing fees we received in 2008. Revenues associated with these licensing fees were recognized on a straight-line basis over a five year period, which was the period we estimated for our continuing involvement in the development activities, and which period ended March 31, 2013.

Our revenue recognition policies are more fully described in the "Critical Accounting Policies and Significant Judgments and Estimates" section below.

# Cost of Product Revenues

Cost of product revenues includes the direct costs associated with the assembly and purchase of disposable products and ClearPoint reusable products which we have sold, and for which we have recognized the revenue in accordance with our revenue recognition policy. Cost of product revenues also includes the allocation of manufacturing overhead costs and depreciation of loaned systems installed under our ClearPoint Placement Program, as well as write-offs of obsolete, impaired or excess inventory. Cost of product revenues also includes similar applicable costs associated with the sale of any ClearTrace system components for non-commercial use.

### **Research and Development Costs**

Our research and development costs consist primarily of costs associated with the conceptualization, design, development, testing and prototyping of our ClearPoint system products and our ClearTrace system components. This includes: the salaries, travel and benefits of research and development personnel, including related share-based compensation; materials and laboratory supplies in research and development activities; consultant costs; sponsored research and product development with third parties; and licensing costs related to technology not yet commercialized. We anticipate that, over time, our research and development expenses may increase as we: (1) continue our ClearTrace system product development efforts; (2) continue to develop enhancements to our ClearPoint system; and (3) expand our research to apply our technologies to additional product applications. From our inception through September 30, 2014, we have incurred approximately \$42 million in research and development expenses.

Product development timelines, likelihood of success and total costs can vary widely by product candidate. There are also risks inherent in the regulatory clearance and approval process. At this time, we are unable to estimate with any certainty, the costs that we will incur in the continuing development of our ClearTrace system for commercialization.

# Selling, General and Administrative Expenses

Our selling, general and administrative expenses consist primarily of: salaries, sales incentive payments, travel and benefits, including related share-based compensation; professional fees, including fees for attorneys and outside accountants; occupancy costs; insurance; marketing costs; medical device excise taxes; and other general and administrative expenses, which include corporate licenses, director fees, hiring costs, taxes, postage, office supplies and meeting costs. Our selling, general and administrative expenses are expected to increase due to costs associated with the commercialization of our ClearPoint system and increased headcount necessary to support our continued growth in operations.

## Critical Accounting Policies and Significant Judgments and Estimates

Our management's discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based on our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, or GAAP. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities as of the date of the financial statements as well as the reported expenses during the reporting periods. The accounting estimates that require our most significant, difficult and subjective judgments have an impact on revenue recognition, computation of the fair value of our derivative liabilities and the determination of share-based compensation and financial instruments. We evaluate our estimates and judgments on an ongoing basis. Actual results may differ materially from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions.

While our significant accounting policies are more fully described in Note 2 to our audited and unaudited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus, we believe that the following accounting policies and estimates are most critical to a full understanding and evaluation of our reported financial results.

*Revenue Recognition.* Our revenues arise from: (1) product revenues resulting from the sale of ClearPoint system reusable products and disposable products and ClearTrace system components; (2) license and development arrangements; (3) development service revenues; and (4) other service revenues. We recognize revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the selling price or fee is fixed or determinable, collection is probable and, for product revenues, risk of loss has transferred to the customer. For all sales, we require either a purchase agreement or a purchase order as evidence of an arrangement.

(1) Product Revenues

Sales of ClearPoint system reusable components: Generally, revenues related to ClearPoint reusable product sales are recognized upon installation of the system and the completion of training of at least one of the customer's physicians, which typically occurs concurrently with the installation. Reusable products include software which is integral to the utility of the system as a whole. Sales of reusable components that have stand-alone value to the customer are recognized when risk of loss passes to the customer. Sales of ClearPoint reusable components to a distributor that has been trained to perform system installations and to conduct ClearPoint physician training are recognized at the time risk of loss passes to the distributor.

*Sales of ClearPoint disposable products*: Revenues from the sale of ClearPoint disposable products are recognized at the time risk of loss passes to the customer, which is generally at shipping point or upon delivery to the customer's location, depending upon the specific terms agreed upon with the customer.

*Sales of ClearTrace components:* Sales of ClearTrace system components to research sites for non-commercial use are recognized at the time risk of loss passes to the customer, which is generally at shipping point or upon delivery to the customer's location, depending upon the specific terms agreed upon with the customer. We do not have regulatory clearance or approval to sell ClearTrace system components for commercial use.

(2) License and Development Arrangements — We analyze revenue recognition on an agreement by agreement basis. We determine whether the deliverables under the arrangement represent separate units of accounting as defined by GAAP. Application of GAAP regarding multiple-element arrangements requires us to make subjective judgments about the values of the individual elements and whether delivered elements are separable from the other aspects of the contractual relationship. We defer recognition of non-refundable upfront license fees if there are continuing performance obligations, without which the technology, know-how, rights, products or services conveyed in conjunction with the non-refundable fees have no utility to the licensee that could be considered separate and independent of our performance under other elements of the arrangement.



- (3) Development Service Revenues We are party to an agreement to provide development services to a third party. Under this agreement, we earn revenue equal to costs incurred for outside expenses related to the development services provided, plus actual direct internal labor costs (including the cost of employee benefits), plus an overhead markup of the direct internal labor costs incurred. Revenue is recognized in the period in which we incur the related costs. From time to time, we may also perform development services for other third parties evidenced by either a development agreement or a purchase order.
- (4) Other Service Revenues Other service revenues are comprised primarily of installation fees charged in connection with ClearPoint system installations and ClearPoint service agreement revenues. Typically, we will bill upfront for service agreements, which have terms ranging from one to three years. These amounts are recognized as revenues ratably over the term of the related service agreement.

*Inventory*. Inventory is carried at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or net realizable value. Substantially all items included in inventory relate to our ClearPoint system. Software license inventory that is not expected to be utilized within the next twelve months is classified as a non-current asset. We periodically review our inventory for obsolete items and provide a reserve upon identification of potential obsolete items.

Derivative Liabilities for Warrants to Purchase Common Stock. Derivative liabilities for warrants represents the fair value of warrants issued in connection with private placements of shares of our common stock. The fair values of these warrants are presented as liabilities based on net cash settlement and exercise price reset, or down round, provisions. These derivative liabilities, which are recorded at fair value at each balance sheet date, are calculated utilizing the Monte Carlo simulation valuation method. The change in the fair values of these warrants is recognized as other income or expense in the statement of operations.

*Share-Based Compensation.* We account for compensation for all arrangements under which employees and others receive shares of stock or other equity instruments (including options and warrants) based on fair value. The fair value of each award is estimated as of the grant date and amortized as compensation expense over the requisite vesting period. The fair values of our share-based awards are estimated on the grant dates using the Black-Scholes valuation model. This valuation model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the expected stock volatility, estimated award terms and risk-free interest rates for the expected terms. To estimate the expected terms, we utilize the "simplified" method for "plain vanilla" options discussed in the SEC's Staff Accounting Bulletin 107, or SAB 107. We believe that all factors listed within SAB 107 as pre-requisites for utilizing the simplified method apply to us and to our share-based compensation arrangements. We intend to utilize the simplified method for the foreseeable future until more detailed information about exercise behavior becomes available. We based our estimate of expected volatility on the average of historical volatilities of publicly traded companies we deemed similar to us because we lack our own relevant historical volatility data. We will consistently apply this methodology until a sufficient amount of historical information regarding the volatility of our own share prices becomes available. We utilize risk-free interest rates based on a zero-coupon U.S. treasury instrument, the term of which is consistent with the expected term of the share-based award. We have not paid and do not anticipate paying cash dividends on shares of our common stock; therefore, the expected dividend yield is assumed to be zero.

Research and Development Costs. Costs related to research, design and development of products are charged to research and development expense as incurred. These costs include direct salary and employee benefit-related costs for research and development personnel, costs for materials used in research and development activities, sponsored research and costs for outside services. Since most of the expenses associated with our development service revenues relate to existing internal resources, these amounts are included in research and development costs.

# **Results of Operations**

## Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014 Compared to the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2013

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			Percentage
(\$s in thousands)		2014	2013	Change
Product and other service revenues	\$	2,541	\$ 1,836	38%
Development service revenues		104	268	(61)%
License revenues		-	650	(100)%
Cost of product revenues		1,243	888	40%
Research and development costs		2,589	2,239	16%
Selling, general and administrative expenses		5,792	5,035	15%
Gain on sale of intellectual property		(4,339)	-	NM
Other income (expense):				
Gain on change in fair value of derivative liabilities		578	1,328	(56)%
Loss on loan modification		-	(1,356)	-
Other income, net		167	408	(59)%
Interest expense, net		(715)	(342)	109%
Net loss		(2,610)	(5,370)	(51)%

### NM= not meaningful

*Product and Other Service Revenues.* Product and other service revenues were \$2.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, and \$1.8 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$705,000, or 38%. Product and other service revenues included disposable product sales for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 of \$1.9 million, compared with \$1.2 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$686,000, or 56%. The increase reflected customer purchases of disposable products during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 for a higher number of performed and anticipated procedures, compared with the same period in 2013, as well as the sale of drug delivery catheters we manufactured on a contract basis for a third party. Approximately \$492,000 of the product and other service revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 related to the sale of ClearPoint system reusable products, compared with \$586,000 for the same period in 2013, a decrease of \$94,000. Product and other service revenues for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 also included \$56,000 in ClearTrace system components sold to a research site for non-commercial use. Other service revenues, mostly related to ClearPoint system service agreements and installation services, were \$85,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, and \$28,000 for the same period in 2013.

*Development Service Revenues.* During the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, we recorded development service revenues of \$104,000 and \$268,000, respectively, representing a decrease of \$164,000. The decrease reflects the completion of a development project we performed on a contract basis. We do not expect development service revenues to be an ongoing source of revenues.

*License Revenues.* License revenues of \$650,000 recorded during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 related to license fees we received in 2008 from Boston Scientific that were deferred and recognized over the period we estimated for our continued involvement with Boston Scientific's development program for the licensed technology. That period ended on March 31, 2013; thus, all revenues related to the license fees we received in 2008 were recognized as of March 31, 2013.

*Cost of Product Revenues.* Cost of product revenues was \$1.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, compared to \$888,000 for the same period in 2013, an increase of 40%. The increase in cost of product revenues of 40% was slightly more than the 36% increase in product revenues because we recorded a higher provision for expired and obsolete products during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared with the same period in 2013.

*Research and Development Costs.* Research and development costs were \$2.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, compared to \$2.2 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$350,000, or 16%. The increase was driven by a \$542,000 increase in expenses related to our ClearTrace system development program, which was partially offset by a decrease in share-based compensation expense of approximately \$112,000 and a \$107,000 decrease in product development costs.

*Selling, General and Administrative Expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$5.8 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, compared with \$5.0 million for the same period in 2013, an increase of \$757,000, or 15%. The overall increase was driven by an \$884,000 increase in sales and marketing expenses, a \$105,000 increase in consulting expenses mostly related to a project performed by a healthcare consulting firm, and a \$79,000 increase in hiring costs. These increases were partially offset by a \$335,000 decrease in share-based compensation expense.

*Gain on Sale of Intellectual Property.* During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we recorded a gain of \$4.3 million related to the sale of certain intellectual property to Boston Scientific. The purchase price was satisfied through the cancellation of related party convertible notes payable we previously issued to Boston Scientific in the aggregate principal amount of \$4.3 million. We recorded a gain equal to the purchase price, as the assets sold had not been previously recorded on our balance sheet.

*Other Income (Expense).* During the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, we recorded gains of \$578,000 and \$1.3 million, respectively, resulting from changes in the fair value of the derivative liability associated with the warrants we issued in equity private placement transactions.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, we recorded a loss of \$1.4 million related to the March 2013 Brainlab loan modification, which modification included a \$1.9 million increase to the principal balance of the note, a decrease in the interest rate from 10% to 5.5%, and the elimination of the note's equity conversion feature. The \$1.4 million loss we recorded represented the difference between the carrying amount of the note plus the related accrued interest immediately prior to the loan modification and the fair value of the note immediately following the loan modification.

Net other income was \$167,000 and \$408,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Net other income for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 was attributable mostly to \$75,000 in grant income and \$70,000 in negotiated reductions in amounts payable to service providers. Net other income for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 was primarily related to negotiated reductions in amounts payable to service providers.

Net interest expense for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$715,000, compared with \$342,000 for the same period in 2013. The increase relates mostly to interest on the notes payable we issued in our March 2014 private offering, as well as the amortization of the related debt discount and deferred financing costs recorded from that transaction.



# Comparison of the Year Ended December 31, 2013 to the Year Ended December 31, 2012

Year Ended December 31,			cember 31,	Percentage	
(\$s in thousands)		2013	2012	Change	
Product and service revenues	\$	3,281 \$	5 1,712	92%	
License revenues		650	3,346	(81)%	
Cost of product revenues		1,421	556	156%	
Research and development:					
Research and development costs		2,923	2,485	18%	
Reversal of R&D obligations		-	(883)	NM	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		7,061	6,030	17%	
Other income (expense):					
Gain (loss) on change in fair value of derivative liability		1,686	(171)	NM	
Loss on loan modification		(1,356)	-	NM	
Other income, net		533	4	NM	
Interest expense, net		(475)	(2,581)	(82)%	
Net loss		(7,086)	(5,878)	21%	

NM= not meaningful

*Product and Service Revenues*. Product and service revenues were \$3.3 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, and \$1.7 million for the prior year, an increase of \$1.6 million, or 92%. Product revenues for the year ended December 31, 2013 were \$2.9 million compared to \$1.2 million for the prior year, an increase of \$1.7 million, or 149%. Product revenues included ClearPoint system disposable product sales for the year ended December 31, 2013 of \$1.8 million, compared with \$1.0 million for the prior year, an increase of \$763,000, or 75%. That increase in disposable product sales resulted primarily from the higher number of ClearPoint procedures that were performed during the year ended December 31, 2013. Revenues related to sales of ClearPoint system reusable components were \$1.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2013 compared with \$150,000 for the prior year, representing an increase of \$982,000. During the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, we recorded development service revenues of \$284,000 and \$541,000, respectively, a decrease of \$257,000. We do not expect development service revenues to be a long-term ongoing source of revenues. Other service revenues, mostly related to installation services and ClearPoint system service agreements, were \$82,000 for the year ended December 31, 2013. No such revenues were recorded during the prior year.

*License Revenues.* License revenues of \$650,000 and \$3.3 million for the years ended December 31, 2013, and 2012, respectively, related to license fees we received in 2008 from Boston Scientific that were deferred and recognized over the period we estimated for our continued involvement with Boston Scientific's development program for the licensed technology. That period ended on March 31, 2013; thus, all revenues related to the license fees we received in 2008 were recognized as of March 31, 2013.

*Cost of Product Revenues.* Cost of product revenues was \$1.4 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to \$556,000 for the prior year, an increase of 156%. The increase in cost of product revenues was primarily attributable to the 149% increase in product revenues for the same period. Cost of product revenues grew at a somewhat higher rate that revenues due to sales mix, as ClearPoint reusable component sales, which yield lower margins, grew faster than ClearPoint disposable component sales.

*Research and Development Costs.* Research and development costs were \$2.9 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared to \$2.5 million for the prior year, an increase of \$438,000, or 18%. The primary driver for the increase was costs for research that we sponsored, which increased by \$302,000. Sponsored research costs were approximately \$286,000 for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared with a net credit of \$16,000 recorded during the prior year as we negotiated with a research partner to reduce by \$97,000 amounts previously invoiced to us, but not yet paid. Spending on development related to ClearPoint system software enhancements increased by approximately \$150,000 during the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to the prior year. In addition, share-based compensation expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 increased by \$133,000 compared to the prior year. This increase in share-based compensation was primarily a result of certain options we granted in 2013 that were vested immediately upon grant. These increases were partially offset by a decrease of \$121,000 related to our Key Personnel Incentive Program.

*Reversal of R&D Obligation.* During the year ended December 31, 2012, we recorded a credit to expense of \$883,000. This credit was recorded to reverse expenses previously accrued as research and development costs under our Key Personnel Incentive Program. The reversal occurred as a result of the program participants' voluntary and irrevocable relinquishment, in June 2012, of their rights to receive any incentive bonus payments related to performance of services under the program, and our corresponding discharge from our obligations to make any and all such service-based payments. Of the amount reversed, \$121,000 of the expense had been recorded during the three months ended March 31, 2012, and the remaining amounts had been accrued as research and development costs in 2010 and 2011.

*Selling, General and Administrative Expenses.* Selling, general and administrative expenses were \$7.1 million for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared with \$6.0 million for the prior year, an increase of \$1.1 million, or 17%. The increase was mostly related to higher sales and marketing expenses, which increased by approximately \$1.4 million, and an increase in professional services of \$256,000. These increases were partially offset by a decrease of \$705,000 related to lower share-based compensation expense. The lower share-based compensation expense was primarily the result of fewer common stock warrants issued in the year ended December 31, 2013 compared to the prior year. During the year ended December 31, 2012, we issued common stock warrants to two non-employee directors, two research contributors, a service provider and a long-time financial adviser. In comparison, during the year ended December 31, 2013, we issued common stock warrants to only a single service provider.

*Other Expense.* We recorded a gain \$1.7 million and a loss \$171,000 during the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Both the gain and the loss resulted from changes in the fair value of the derivative liability associated with the warrants we issued in equity private placement transactions.

During the year ended December 31, 2013 we recorded a loss of \$1.4 million related to the March 2013 Brainlab loan modification, which included a \$1.9 million increase to the principal balance of the note, a decrease in the interest rate from 10% to 5.5%, and the elimination of the note's equity conversion feature. The \$1.4 million loss we recorded represented the difference between the carrying amount of the note plus the related accrued interest immediately prior to the loan modification and the fair value of the note immediately following the loan modification.

Net other income was \$533,000 for the year ended December 31, 2013, compared with \$4,000 for the prior year. Net other income for the year ended December 31, 2013 was primarily related to negotiated reductions in amounts payable to service providers.

Net interest expense for the year ended December 31, 2013 was \$475,000, compared with \$2.6 million for the prior year. Approximately \$2.0 million of the interest expense during the year ended December 31, 2012 related to the write-off of debt discounts and deferred financing costs associated with convertible notes that converted into shares of our common stock upon the effectiveness of our Form 10 registration statement in February 2012. The decrease in net interest expense was also attributable to a February 2012 loan modification pursuant to which the interest rate on our related party notes payable to Boston Scientific was reduced from 10% to 0%.

# Liquidity and Capital Resources

For the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and the year ended December 31, 2013, we incurred net losses of \$2.6 million and \$7.1 million, respectively, and our cumulative net loss from inception through September 30, 2014 was \$75.4 million. We expect such losses to continue through at least the year ended December 31, 2015 as we continue to commercialize our ClearPoint system and pursue research and development activities related to our ClearTrace system. Net cash used in operations was \$5.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and \$7.8 million for the year ended December 31, 2013. Since inception, we have financed our activities principally from the sale of equity securities, the issuance of convertible and other secured notes, and license arrangements.

Our primary financing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and the year ended December 31, 2013 were our March 2014 private offering of non-convertible promissory notes and common stock warrants, which resulted in net proceeds of \$3.4 million, and our January 2013 equity private placement, which resulted in net proceeds of \$9.8 million. In addition, in March 2014 we completed a transaction with Boston Scientific that resulted in the cancellation of \$4.3 million in related party convertible notes payable which were scheduled to mature in 2014. In December 2014, we completed an equity private offering, which resulted in net proceeds of \$9.3 million. While we expect to continue to use cash in operations, we believe our cash and cash equivalents at September 30, 2014 of \$1.9 million, combined with the net proceeds from the December 2014 private offering and cash expected to be generated from product sales, will be sufficient to meet our anticipated cash requirements through at least March 2016.

# **Cash Flows**

Cash activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 is summarized as follows:

	Nine Months Ended September 30,			
(\$s in thousands)		2014	2013	
Cash used in operating activities	\$	(5,256) \$	(6,264)	
Cash used in investing activities		(12)	(174)	
Cash provided by financing activities		3,646	9,849	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$	(1,622) \$	3,411	

*Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities.* We used \$5.3 million and \$6.3 million of cash for operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Net cash used in operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 primarily reflected our \$2.6 million loss from operations, less a \$1.2 million increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses, less \$556,000 in share-based compensation, less \$375,000 related to expenses paid through the issuance of common stock, less \$295,000 in depreciation and license amortization, plus the gain on the sale of intellectual property of \$4.3 million and a \$658,000 increase in inventory. Net cash used in operating activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2013 primarily reflects our \$5.4 million loss from operations, reduced by \$1.0 million in share-based compensation and \$346,000 in depreciation and amortization, but increased by the \$678,000 decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses, as well as the \$652,000 decrease in deferred revenue, and the increases in inventory and accounts receivable of \$356,000 and \$342,000, respectively.

.Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities. Net cash flows used in investing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 were \$12,000 and \$174,000, respectively.

*Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities.* Net cash provided by financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 of \$3.6 million related primarily to proceeds from our March 2014 private offering. Net cash provided by financing activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2013 related to the \$9.8 million of net proceeds generated from our January 2013 private placement.

Cash activity for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 is summarized as follows:

	Years Ended l	Decen	nber 31,
(\$s in thousands)	2013		2012
Cash used in operating activities	\$ (7,778)	\$	(7,434)
Cash used in investing activities	(174)		(127)
Cash provided by financing activities	 9,848		9,036
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,896	\$	1,475

*Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities.* We used \$7.8 million and \$7.4 million of cash for operating activities during the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Net cash used in operating activities during the year ended December 31, 2013 primarily reflected our \$7.5 million operating loss, reduced by \$1.5 million for share-based compensation and \$457,000 for depreciation and amortization, but increased by the \$656,000 change from the prior year end deferred revenue balance, the \$790,000 reduction in accounts payable and accrued expenses, the \$340,000 increase in inventory and the \$325,000 increase in accounts receivable. The reductions in accounts payable and accrued expenses occurred as we paid down certain previously existing outstanding balances. Net cash used in operating activities in the year ended December 31, 2012 primarily reflected our \$3.1 million loss from operations, reduced by \$2.0 million for share-based compensation and \$417,000 for depreciation and amortization, but increased by the \$3.2 million change from the prior year end deferred revenue balance, the \$2.7 million reduction in accounts payable and accrued the prior year end deferred revenue balance, the \$2.7 million for share-based compensation and \$417,000 for depreciation and amortization, but increased by the \$3.2 million change from the prior year end deferred revenue balance, the \$2.7 million reduction in accounts payable and accrued expenses, and the \$270,000 increase in inventory. All of the changes noted for both years exclude the impact of non-cash changes.

*Net Cash Flows from Investing Activities.* Net cash flows used in investing activities for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 were \$174,000 and \$127,000, respectively.

*Net Cash Flows from Financing Activities.* Net cash provided by financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2013 related to the \$9.8 million of net proceeds generated from our January 2013 private placement. Net cash provided by financing activities for the year ended December 31, 2012 related to \$3.4 million in net proceeds from the unit offering we concluded in February 2012 and the \$5.5 million of net proceeds from our July 2012 private placement.

# **Operating Capital and Capital Expenditure Requirements**

To date, we have not achieved profitability. We could continue to incur net losses as we commercialize our ClearPoint system products, continue to develop the ClearTrace system, expand our corporate infrastructure and pursue additional applications for our technology platforms. Our cash balances are typically held in a variety of interest bearing instruments, including interest bearing demand accounts and certificates of deposit. Cash in excess of immediate requirements is invested primarily with a view to liquidity and capital preservation.

Because of the numerous risks and uncertainties associated with the development and commercialization of medical devices, we are unable to estimate the exact amounts of capital outlays and operating expenditures necessary to successfully commercialize our products and complete the development of our product candidates. Our future capital requirements will depend on many factors, including but not limited to the following:

- the timing of broader market acceptance and adoption of our ClearPoint system products;
- the scope, rate of progress and cost of our ongoing product development activities relating to our ClearPoint system;
- the scope, rate of progress and cost of our research and development activities relating to our ClearTrace system;
- the cost and timing of expanding our sales, clinical support, marketing and distribution capabilities and other corporate infrastructure;
- the cost and timing of establishing inventories at levels sufficient to support our sales;
- the effect of competing technological and market developments;
- the terms and timing of any future collaborative, licensing or other arrangements that we may establish;
- the cost and timing of any clinical trials;
- the cost and timing of regulatory filings, clearances and approvals; and
- the cost of filing, prosecuting, defending and enforcing any patent claims and other intellectual property rights.

#### BUSINESS

#### Overview

We are a medical device company that develops and commercializes innovative platforms for performing minimally invasive surgical procedures in the brain and heart under direct, intra-procedural magnetic resonance imaging, or MRI, guidance. Since our inception in 1998, we have focused on research and product development in the field of interventional MRI. From 1998 to 2002, we deployed significant resources to fund our efforts to develop the foundational capabilities for enabling MRI-guided interventions and to build an intellectual property position. In 2003, our focus shifted to identifying and building out commercial applications for the technologies we developed in prior years.

We have two product platforms. Our ClearPoint system, which is in commercial use in the United States, is used to perform minimally invasive surgical procedures in the brain. We anticipate that our ClearTrace system, which is still in development, will be used to perform minimally invasive surgical procedures in the heart. Both systems utilize intra-procedural MRI to guide the procedures. Both systems are designed to work in a hospital's existing MRI suite.

Our products are designed to provide a new, minimally invasive surgical approach to address large patient populations for whom we believe current surgical techniques are deficient. Our ClearPoint system is a neuro-navigation system designed for placing catheters and electrodes across a variety of neurological diseases and conditions and for performing biopsies. Our ClearTrace system is designed to deliver catheter-based therapies to treat certain cardiac diseases. We believe that our two product platforms, subject to appropriate regulatory clearance and approval, will provide better patient outcomes, enhance revenue potential for both physicians and hospitals, and reduce costs to the healthcare system.

- *Better Patient Outcomes.* We believe that if a physician can see the surgical field, the surgical instruments and the patient's anatomy all at the same time and in the same "imaging space," the physician can more efficiently perform a surgical intervention in the brain or heart. Our product platforms, subject to appropriate regulatory clearance or approval, are designed to enable physicians to see the target site, guide the surgical instrument to the site, deliver the therapy, monitor for adverse events and complications and confirm the desired results of the procedure, all under high resolution, intra-procedural MRI guidance. We believe that these capabilities will translate directly into better outcomes for the patients undergoing the procedures due to improved efficiency, the potential for the reduction of adverse events and side effects, as well as the potential for faster recovery times.
- Enhance Revenue Potential. By providing direct, intra-procedural visualization, we believe our ClearPoint system can reduce the amount of time needed to perform the procedures for which it was designed. As a result, we believe that our ClearPoint system may improve the overall economics of the procedures for both the performing physician and the hospital. We believe that our ClearPoint system may also enable a physician to treat more patients in a given period of time, and treat patients who would otherwise not be able to be treated utilizing current surgical techniques.
- Reduce Costs to the Healthcare System. We believe that use of our products may result in more efficient utilization of healthcare
  resources and physician time. For example, our product platforms are designed to work in a hospital's existing MRI suite,
  which adds additional utility for an infrastructure investment that has already been made by the hospital. Further, if patient
  outcomes and procedure efficiencies are improved by use of our products, we believe that the result will be a reduction in
  overall healthcare costs.

Our ClearPoint system is in commercial use. In June 2010, we received 510(k) clearance from the Food and Drug Administration, or FDA, to market our ClearPoint system in the United States for general neurological interventional procedures. In February 2011, we also obtained CE marking approval, which enables us to sell the ClearPoint system in the European Union. In April 2011, we entered into a co-development and distribution agreement with Brainlab, a leader in the image-guided surgery field, under which Brainlab serves as a distribution partner for our ClearPoint system. The ClearPoint system is intended to provide stereotactic guidance for the placement and operation of instruments or devices during planning and operation of neurological procedures within the MRI environment and in conjunction with MRI guidance. It is intended as an integral part of procedures that have traditionally used stereotactic methodologies. Those procedures include placement of electrodes, such as deep brain stimulation leads and depth electrodes, the placement of catheters, such as laser ablation catheters and drug delivery catheters, and biopsies. ClearPoint systems are in clinical use with MRI scanners from the three major manufacturers, Siemens, GE Healthcare and Philips Healthcare, as well as the two major interventional MR/OR platforms that are manufactured by IMRIS and Brainlab.

Our ClearTrace system, a product candidate still in development, is designed to allow catheter-based minimally invasive procedures in the heart to be performed using continuous, intra-procedural MRI guidance. In May 2009, we entered into an exclusive development agreement with Siemens under which initial work related to the development of hardware and software needed for MRI-guided, catheterbased ablation procedures to treat cardiac arrhythmias, such as atrial fibrillation, was performed. Working closely with us, Siemens created a research version of the software platform specifically for use in MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures with our catheters. In February 2014, we entered into a new exclusive development agreement with Siemens, which replaced our May 2009 agreement. Under the new development agreement, with cooperation, assistance and technical support from Siemens, we plan to develop the commercial version of the research software platform created by Siemens under our original agreement, and that software will serve as the software component of our ClearTrace system. Our development activities on the ClearTrace system are ongoing, and we have not made any filings seeking regulatory clearance or approval for our ClearTrace system. We expect the initial market for our ClearTrace system will be the European Union.

We have a significant intellectual property portfolio in the field of MRI-guided interventions. As of December 31, 2014, our portfolio included 58 United States patents and 42 United States patent applications, which we wholly-own, co-own or have licensed. We also hold various foreign patents and patent applications that correspond with many of our United States patents and patent applications. Our technologies have been the subject of numerous peer-reviewed articles in medical and scientific journals. As a result of our product offerings, collaborative relationships and intellectual property position, we believe that we are well-positioned to remain on the forefront of the emerging market for MRI-guided minimally invasive surgical procedures.

## **Industry Background**

# Magnetic Resonance Imaging

MRI is a widely practiced imaging technique that uses spatially varying magnetic fields to produce images of the human anatomy. Hydrogen nuclei, present in molecules throughout the body, are slightly magnetic. When placed in large external magnetic fields, they can be induced to emit or resonate radio frequency signals. These radio frequency signals are used to construct images of human anatomy, including high resolution images of soft tissue.

MRI has important and advantageous properties that differentiate it from other imaging methods. MRI scans can provide images of any part of the body, in any plane of view, and offer more detailed information than other modalities, including fluoroscopy and computed tomography. Some of the unique advantages of MRI include:

- soft tissue imaging that enables superior tissue visualization and enhanced differentiation between healthy and diseased tissues;
- unlimited orientation and positioning of the imaging plane;
- ability to directly acquire volumetric (three dimensional) data sets;
- ability to evaluate both the structure and certain functions of internal organs; and
- no harmful ionizing radiation exposure for either the patient or the physician.



There are approximately 4,500 1.5T MRI scanners and approximately 550 3T MRI scanners installed in hospitals throughout the United States. MRI scanners are available in a number of different configurations and field strengths, which refers to the strength of the magnet used to create the magnetic field. Magnetic field strength is measured in Tesla, or T. The most common field strength for MRI scanners is 1.5T. Higher field strength scanners such as 3T MRI scanners are gaining commercial market adoption, offering faster scanner speeds and even higher resolution images than 1.5T MRI scanners.

# Minimally Invasive Surgical Procedures

Over the past few decades, one of the most significant medical trends has been the development of minimally invasive surgical methods and techniques. As its name implies, a minimally invasive procedure is a less invasive approach than open surgery. Minimally invasive procedures typically involve use of laparoscopic devices, catheter-based devices or remote-control manipulation of instruments once inside the body. Minimally invasive procedures in the brain have typically been performed using a complex technique known as stereotactic neurosurgery, under which a physician merges pre-operative images and data with specialized surgical instruments to help guide the surgical procedure in the brain.

# **Our Current Products and Product Candidates**

# **ClearPoint Neuro Intervention System**

## General

Our ClearPoint system is designed to allow minimally invasive procedures in the brain to be performed in a hospital's existing MRI suite. The ClearPoint system provides guidance for the placement and operation of instruments or devices during the planning and operation of neurological procedures performed within the MRI suite using MRI guidance. Our ClearPoint system is intended to be used as an integral part of procedures, such as biopsies and the insertion of catheters and electrodes, which have traditionally been performed using stereotactic methodologies. Our ClearPoint system is intended to be used with both 1.5T and 3T MRI scanners. Our research efforts for our ClearPoint system began in 2003, and in June 2010, we received 510(k) clearance from the FDA to market our ClearPoint system. The CE mark is an international procedures. In February 2011, we also obtained CE marking approval for our ClearPoint system. The CE mark is an international symbol of adherence to quality assurance standards and compliance with applicable European Union medical device directives, and it allows us to market the ClearPoint system in the European Union. Today, ClearPoint systems are in clinical use with MRI scanners from the three major manufacturers, Siemens, GE Healthcare and Philips Healthcare, as well as the two major interventional MR/OR platforms, which are manufactured by IMRIS and Brainlab.

In April 2011, we entered into a co-development and distribution agreement with Brainlab, which we believe is a leader in the development of software-driven medical technology that supports targeted, less-invasive patient treatment. Under that agreement, we appointed Brainlab as a distributor of our ClearPoint system products, on a non-exclusive basis, in the United States and Europe. We also agreed to collaborate on the potential integration of our ClearPoint system technologies with Brainlab's own interventional MRI technologies, with particular focus on direct delivery of drugs and other therapeutic agents to targets in the brain under MRI guidance, which we call the MRI-guided neurological drug delivery field of use. For that reason, we appointed Brainlab as our exclusive distributor of ClearPoint system products within the MRI-guided neurological drug delivery field of use.

## The Need for Minimally Invasive Neurological Interventions

Millions of people suffer from neurological diseases including: movement disorders such as Parkinson's disease, essential tremor and dystonia; psychiatric disorders such as major depression, obsessive compulsive disorder and Alzheimer's disease; and brain tumors, such as glioblastoma multiforme. The first line of therapy for most of these conditions is systemic administration of drugs. For example, to treat the early stages of Parkinson's disease, a patient is often prescribed a drug called levodopa. Drugs such as levodopa can be effective in the earlier stages of the disease; however, as the disease progresses, systemic drugs may become less effective, and potentially ineffective, in treating the patient. Given the shortcomings of systemic drugs like levodopa, the medical community has focused significant resources to find new non-systemic or "local" therapies to treat these patients.



The development activity in, and the use of, local therapies is growing. For example, drug companies and researchers have identified and are investigating various compounds that are delivered directly into the diseased area of the brain, such as directly into the center of a tumor in the brain. Similarly, the medical community has developed a technique commonly referred to as focal lesioning, under which a special probe is inserted into a target area of the brain and a small area of diseased brain tissue is then destroyed by applying laser energy or radio frequency energy through the tip of the special probe. Physicians perform this procedure to treat disorders such as Parkinson's disease, essential tremor and epilepsy. The medical community has also developed another local therapy known as deep brain stimulation, or DBS. DBS uses mild electrical pulses from an implanted device to stimulate a small target region in the brain. A DBS system looks and operates much like a cardiac pacemaker, except that instead of sending pulses to the heart, it delivers electrical stimulation through the electrodes placed at a precisely targeted area in the brain. The FDA has approved the use of DBS for the treatment of Parkinson's disease and essential tremor. The FDA has also being investigated as a therapy for other neurological disorders, such as epilepsy, treatment-resistant major depression and Alzheimer's disease.

These local therapies, among others, involve insertion of a catheter, probe or electrode into a target region of the brain, typically performed as a minimally invasive procedure. However, performing these minimally invasive interventions in the brain presents special challenges, including a need to reach a small therapeutic target often located deep within the brain, which target is often an area as small as a few millimeters in diameter. To reach these targets, the physician must act with precision to avoid damaging adjacent areas that are responsible for important neurological functions, such as memory or speech, or penetrating blood vessels which can lead to a life-threatening hemorrhage. The medical community developed stereotactic neurosurgery to address these obstacles. But, despite years of development and clinical experience, conventional stereotactic procedures remain complicated and time-consuming for many neurological interventions and can be extremely difficult on the patient.

### Challenges with Conventional Stereotactic Neurosurgical Procedures

Conventional stereotactic neurosurgical procedures are performed in a standard operating room. With this method, a large, metal stereotactic frame is typically fixed to the patient's skull, using skull pins, to provide a fixed and common coordinate system. After the frame is attached to the patient's skull, the patient is then imaged pre-operatively, often using MRI, in order to obtain images showing both the stereotactic frame axes and the anatomical structures of the patient's brain. These pre-operative images are then loaded into a surgical planning workstation. Surgical planning software is used to identify the neurological target for the procedure, as well as to define a trajectory path from the skull, through the brain tissue, and to the target. The planned trajectory and target location are then calculated in relation to the frame axes and then used to guide the surgery.

Because conventional stereotaxy relies on pre-operative images, and not intra-procedural images, errors in the alignment of the preoperative images with the patient's brain anatomy can, and often do, occur as a consequence of brain shift, variation in patient hydration, registration errors or misalignment of the frame. As a result, the physician often must undertake additional steps to further refine the process of locating the patient's neurological target. These steps include physiological "mapping" of the brain and require an additional procedural step called microelectrode recording, which is a tedious and time-consuming process during which small probes containing microelectrodes are inserted into the deep brain structures, usually multiple times. As these microelectrode recording probes are passed through brain tissue, they pick up electrical activity. The microelectrode recording system then converts the electrical activity into audible tones. In hearing these various audible tones, a trained neurologist or neurophysiologist can distinguish different regions of the brain. Based on these tones, locations are mapped against the pre-operative images and used to refine and adjust the neurological target as depicted on those pre-operative images. New coordinates are then calculated and a new trajectory is planned. To further confirm locations in the brain, various physiologic responses are induced or monitored with the microelectrodes. These physiological mapping steps require the patient to be awake during the surgery and off medications. Given the procedure's complexity, it is not uncommon for the procedure to last six or more hours.

#### Our ClearPoint System Solution

We believe the design of our ClearPoint system can significantly simplify how stereotactic neurological interventions are performed. Instead of relying on the indirect guidance of pre-operative imaging, our ClearPoint system is based on a direct approach, in which a physician is guided by high resolution MRI during the procedure, which is designed to be performed in a standard hospital-based MRI scanner instead of a traditional operating room.

Our ClearPoint system is an integrated system comprised of hardware components, disposable components and intuitive, menudriven software.

*ClearPoint Hardware.* Our hardware components consist primarily of a head fixation frame, computer workstation and in-room monitor. The head fixation frame immobilizes the patient's head during the procedure, and it is designed to optimize the placement of an imaging head coil in proximity to the patient's head. Our ClearPoint system software is installed on a computer workstation networked with an MRI scanner, for which we use a commercially available laptop computer. The in-room monitor allows the physician to view the display of our ClearPoint system workstation from the scanner room while performing the procedure.

*ClearPoint Disposables*. The disposable components of our ClearPoint system consist primarily of our SmartFrame trajectory device, a hand controller and related accessories. Our SmartFrame device is an adjustable trajectory frame that attaches to the patient's skull and holds the targeting cannula. The hand controller attaches to our SmartFrame device, and it is used by the physician to adjust the roll, pitch and X and Y orientation of the targeting cannula while the patient is in the MRI scanner. The accessories include all other components necessary to facilitate the MRI-guided neurological procedure, such as our SmartGrid patch, which is an MRI-visible marking grid that enables rapid localization of the entry position into the brain, and our customized surgical draping, which creates a sterile field within the MRI scanner. For drug delivery procedures, our SmartFlow cannula, which is an MRI-compatible injection and aspiration cannula, serves as the vehicle for the delivery of the compound.

*ClearPoint Software*. Our ClearPoint system software guides the physician in surgical planning, device alignment, navigation to the target and procedure monitoring. The software receives standard images from the MRI scanner through a network connection. The software leads the physician through a series of predefined steps, including MR image acquisition, establishment of image orientation landmarks, target identification and selection, trajectory planning, entry point planning and marking, targeting cannula orientation and refinement, and confirmation that the desired anatomical target(s) have been reached. The software uses image segmentation algorithms to help locate and identify our SmartFrame device and its targeting cannula, as well as the anatomical structures of the brain. The software also performs geometric computations to provide the physician with information regarding the positioning of instruments inserted into the patient's brain relative to the target anatomical structures. At the completion of the procedure, the software generates an automated report that includes the key metrics from the procedure.

*The ClearPoint Procedure.* A procedure utilizing our ClearPoint system is performed entirely within a standard hospital-based MRI suite. Once placed in the MRI scanner, the patient's head is immobilized in our head fixation frame with the patient's head accessible to the physician. The physician then places our MRI-visible SmartGrid patch onto the patient's head where the physician expects to enter the skull. The patient is then moved to the center of the scanner and images are taken of the patient's brain that include the target area and our SmartGrid patch. Once the imaging is complete, the images are transferred to our ClearPoint system workstation so that the physician can determine the specific target site within the brain and the optimal trajectory path for the placement of the interventional device. With the trajectory path established, our ClearPoint system software will identify the specific location on our SmartGrid patch that corresponds with where the planned trajectory intersects the skull. The physician will then mark the skull using our custom marking tool. At the site of the mark, the physician will create the burr hole, which is the small hole in the patient's skull through which the interventional device can be inserted into the brain.

Our SmartFrame device is then centered and attached over the burr hole. The target and planned trajectory is reconfirmed by the physician using our ClearPoint system workstation. Using the hand controller, the physician adjusts the trajectory of the MRI-visible SmartFrame device to align the instrument with the planned trajectory. During this process, the software estimates a number of turns and direction of turn on each of the hand controller's color coded thumbwheels to align the instrument to the planned trajectory.

Once our SmartFrame device has been aligned to the proper trajectory, the depth dimension is calculated by the software. Immediately before insertion and partway through insertion, images are taken to ensure that the probe is correctly tracking along the planned trajectory. The physician continues advancing the interventional device towards the target site until it "snaps" into place on the SmartFrame device indicating that the interventional device has reached the proper depth. At this time, images are taken at the target site to insure the interventional device is in the proper location relative to the desired target.

### Regulatory Status

Our ClearPoint system has a general indication for use. Our 510(k) clearance from the FDA permits us to market and promote our ClearPoint system in the United States for use in general neurological procedures, which includes procedures such as biopsies, catheter insertions and electrode insertions. This is the same general indication for use that applies to other devices that have traditionally been used in the performance of stereotactic neurological procedures. Similar to other conventional stereotaxy-based systems, our ClearPoint system's general neurological indication for use does not reference specific neurological procedures. In the European Union, our CE mark approval carries the same indication for use as our 510(k) clearance in the United States.

Our SmartFlow cannula has received 510(k) clearance and is indicated for use in the injection of Cytarabine, which is a chemotherapy drug, or the removal of cerebrospinal fluid from the ventricles of the brain during an intracranial procedure. Delivery of other therapeutic agents using our SmartFlow cannula is investigational. The SmartFlow cannula is a disposable device intended for single patient use only and is not intended for implant.

# The ClearTrace Cardiac Intervention System

Our second product platform, the ClearTrace system, is a product candidate still in development. The ClearTrace system is designed to allow catheter-based minimally invasive procedures in the heart to be performed using continuous, intra-procedural MRI guidance.

### General

Catheter-based cardiac interventions performed in a fluoroscopy suite, generally referred to as a Cath Lab or EP Lab, have been the standard of care for the treatment of many cardiac disorders, such as cardiovascular disease. Certain procedures, such as stent placement, are well suited for fluoroscopic imaging because they do not require continuous, detailed visualization of the cardiac tissue. However, other procedures are not well suited for fluoroscopy because of the clinical need for continuous, high resolution imaging of the cardiac anatomy along with the interventional instruments. We believe an example of such a procedure is cardiac ablation to treat cardiac arrhythmias. Another example is the precision delivery of stem cells directly into the wall of the heart, which represents a promising therapy being researched for the treatment of heart failure.

We anticipate that our ClearTrace system will be similar to the conventional Cath Lab or EP Lab, but with two critical distinctions. First, unlike the Cath Lab or EP Lab, we believe the ClearTrace system, once we have completed its development, will provide a continuous, high resolution, four dimensional imaging environment (the fourth dimension being time), which will include detailed visualization of cardiac tissue, along with the cardiac catheters used to deliver the therapy. We believe that this capability is required for the next generation of interventional cardiac therapies. Second, we anticipate that the ClearTrace system will eliminate all radiation exposure for both the patient and physician from the X-ray utilized in current procedures. Under current catheter-based treatments utilizing fluoroscopy, radiation exposure can exceed 45 minutes. We believe that the attributes of our ClearTrace system could position it to be the therapy of choice for cardiac ablation procedures to treat cardiac arrhythmias, and the ideal platform for delivering future biologic therapies to treat heart failure and other similar cardiac disorders.

We began preliminary research for an MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedure shortly following our inception in 1998. As a culmination of those research efforts, in May 2009, we entered into an exclusive development agreement with Siemens, under which we and Siemens performed initial work related to the development of hardware and software needed for MRI-guided, catheter-based ablation procedures to treat cardiac arrhythmias. Working closely with us, Siemens created a research version of the software platform specifically for use in MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures with our catheters. In February 2014, we entered into new exclusive development agreement with Siemens, which replaced our May 2009 agreement. Under the new development agreement, with cooperation, assistance and technical support from Siemens, we plan to develop the commercial version of the research software platform created by Siemens under our original agreement, which software will be necessary for our ClearTrace system. With our agreement with Siemens, the ClearTrace system is designed for procedures that will be performed, at least initially, using certain Siemens MAGNETOM MRI systems. We believe that our exclusive relationship with Siemens secures an important strategic market position for our ClearTrace system.



### ClearTrace System Components

We believe our ClearTrace system could represent a new paradigm in performing cardiac interventions. Similar to our ClearPoint system, the ClearTrace system is designed as an integrated system of hardware components, disposable components and intuitive, menudriven software.

*ClearTrace Hardware*. The hardware components will be centered around our ClearConnect system, which is an MRI-compatible hardware and cabling system to enable catheter-based procedures in an MRI scanner.

*ClearTrace Disposables.* The disposable components will include, among other items, an ablation catheter and mapping catheter. Our ablation catheter will be used to perform MRI-guided delivery of ablative energy to create cardiac lesions. Our mapping catheter will be used for MRI-guided collection of intracardiac electrocardiogram signals and will include analog/digital filtering to enable electrocardiogram collection during scanning. All catheters and components will be MRI-compatible and tightly integrated with the MRI scanner.

*ClearTrace Software*. The ClearTrace system will include software designed to assist the physician in: surgical planning; creating three dimensional volumes of cardiac chambers; navigating our ClearTrace catheters within the cardiac chambers; visualizing lesions; tracking prior lesion locations; evaluating ablated cardiac tissue; and monitoring for possible adverse events. The ClearTrace system software will be integrated with our disposable components.

### Regulatory Status

Our ClearTrace system is still under development, and to date we have conducted only animal studies and other preclinical work with respect to the ClearTrace system. We have not made any filing with any regulatory authority seeking approval or clearance for the ClearTrace system. We expect the initial market for our ClearTrace system will be the European Union, and, therefore, we intend to seek CE marking approval for the ClearTrace system at the appropriate time. In the United States, we believe that most components of the ClearTrace system will be Class II medical devices and will fall under the FDA's 510(k) regulatory process. However, we believe the ablation catheter component may be a Class III medical device and could require FDA approval of a premarket approval application, or PMA.

# Licenses and Collaborative Relationships

In addition to our internally-developed technologies and devices, we have established and may continue to pursue licensing and other collaborative relationships with medical device companies and academic institutions to further the development and commercialization of our product platforms and our core technologies. Our current material relationships are discussed below.

## Brainlab

In April 2011, we entered into a co-development and distribution agreement with Brainlab. Our agreement with Brainlab has a term of five years. The agreement contemplates that we and Brainlab could work to potentially integrate our ClearPoint system technologies with Brainlab's own interventional MRI technologies for application in the MRI-guided neurological drug delivery field of use, subject to appropriate regulatory clearance or approval. Brainlab, at its expense, also could explore the integration of our ClearPoint system technologies with Brainlab's interventional MRI technologies for other MRI-guided neurological procedures as well. During the term of the agreement, neither we nor Brainlab may enter into a collaborative arrangement with another party relating to the commercial development, sales or marketing of products in the MRI-guided neurological drug delivery field of use. In addition, Brainlab may not develop, market or sell in the MRI-guided neurological drug delivery field of use any product that performs substantially the same function as or otherwise competes with any of our ClearPoint products, other than products resulting from any co-development activities under the agreement.

Under the agreement, we also granted Brainlab distribution rights with respect to our ClearPoint system. We appointed Brainlab as an exclusive distributor of ClearPoint products within the MRI-guided neurological drug delivery field of use and as a non-exclusive distributor of ClearPoint products for other MRI-guided neurological procedures. Brainlab's distribution territory includes the United States, the European Union and Canada, although we do not yet have regulatory approval to sell our ClearPoint system in Canada. As our distributor, we will supply products to Brainlab at agreed upon transfer prices. We believe the agreed-upon transfer prices will yield substantially the same financial return per unit as we receive on our own direct sales. As both we and Brainlab will be selling the ClearPoint products outside the MRI-guided neurological drug delivery field of use, our agreement specifies that, to the extent a ClearPoint system is installed at a hospital due to Brainlab's selling efforts, Brainlab will then be the party that sells all ClearPoint disposable products to that hospital.

#### Siemens

We entered into a cooperation and development agreement with Siemens in May 2009, under which we and Siemens performed initial work related to the development of hardware and software needed for MRI-guided, catheter-based ablation procedures to treat cardiac arrhythmias. Pursuant to the terms of our agreement, we were generally responsible for developing catheters and other hardware, and Siemens was responsible for developing software, to our specifications. We were responsible for paying Siemens for its software development work, but, under the terms of the agreement, Siemens owned the software. Working closely with us, Siemens created a research version of the software platform specifically for use in MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures with our catheters, but a commercial version was not developed.

In February 2014, we entered into a new development agreement with Siemens, which replaced our May 2009 agreement. Under the new agreement, with cooperation, assistance and technical support from Siemens, we plan to develop the commercial version of the research software platform created by Siemens under the original agreement. Once the development work is completed, subject to appropriate regulatory clearance or approval, we will sell the software as our own product, and the software will serve as the software component of our ClearTrace system.

Under the development agreement, Siemens developed, at our cost, certain software features, or host features, for certain of Siemens' MAGNETOM MRI systems. The host features will enable the connection of our software and catheters to those MAGNETOM systems. The host features, which are owned by Siemens, run within the MRI scanner system. The host features will then connect to our software, which will operate on a separate computer workstation, and enable the performance of MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures. Siemens will maintain technical compatibility of the host features with our software for the term of the development agreement.

The development agreement provides for certain commercial exclusivity, generally extending for a period of four years following the European product release date of the host features, in the field of MRI-guided catheter-based cardiac electrophysiology using catheters that are actively tracked by the MRI scanner. During that period and within that field, Siemens agreed that it will not engage in certain actions and activities, the intention being that we will have the exclusive opportunity to commercialize MRI-guided catheter-based cardiac electrophysiology with active catheter tracking with Siemens MRI systems. Likewise, during that period and within that field, we agreed that we will not sell or otherwise provide to any third party actively tracked catheters for commercial use, within the meaning of the development agreement, that are intended to be used with a non-Siemens MRI system.

The development agreement contains a cross-licensing arrangement between us and Siemens. Under that arrangement, each party granted the other party a non-exclusive license to use certain intellectual property rights owned by the granting party and realized in the research software platform developed under the May 2009 agreement. Under our license from Siemens, we may use the licensed intellectual property rights to develop, manufacture and sell software, provided that during the parties' exclusivity period and within the exclusivity field, any such software must be solely for use with Siemens MRI systems. Under its license from us, Siemens may also use the licensed intellectual property rights to develop, manufacture and sell software, provided that during the parties' exclusivity period and within the exclusivity field, any such software must be solely for use with our catheters.

The term of the development agreement will expire four years following the European product release date of the host features for the applicable Siemens MAGNETOM MRI systems.

#### **Boston Scientific**

In connection with our research and development efforts for the ClearPoint and ClearTrace systems, we developed technologies that we believe can improve the MRI-safety profile of implantable medical leads. Implantable medical leads are thin, insulated wires that are connected to implantable generators, such as a pacemaker or neurostimulator, and deliver electrical pulses or stimulation to a specific area of the body, such as the heart or the brain. In 2005 and 2008, we entered into agreements with Boston Scientific that contemplate the potential use of our MRI-safety technologies in Boston Scientific's implantable leads.

In December 2005, we entered into a development agreement and license agreement with Boston Scientific in the neuromodulation field. The development agreement related to the design and development of MRI-compatible and MRI-safe implantable leads for neuromodulation applications, such as implantable DBS leads. Under the license agreement, we granted Boston Scientific an exclusive, worldwide license with respect to certain of our intellectual property in the neuromodulation field to make, use, import, lease and sell neuro-related leads, neuro-related lead extensions, and neuro-related lead-type devices, such as implantable pulse generators. Boston Scientific is responsible for patent prosecution of the intellectual property it licensed and the payment of costs associated with patent prosecution.

In March 2008, we entered into a development agreement and license agreement with Boston Scientific in the field of implantable medical leads for cardiac applications. The development agreement related to feasibility assessment, design and development of certain MRI-compatible, MRI-safe implantable cardiac rhythm management leads. Under the license agreement, we granted Boston Scientific an exclusive, worldwide license with respect to certain of our intellectual property in the field of implantable medical leads for cardiac applications to make, have made, use, promote, market, import, distribute, lease, sell, offer for sale and commercialize products in that particular field of use. Boston Scientific is responsible for patent prosecution of the intellectual property it licensed and the payment of costs associated with patent prosecution.

In March 2014, Boston Scientific purchased from us some, but not but all, of the intellectual property we had licensed exclusively to Boston Scientific within the fields of neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications. In connection with that purchase transaction, we entered into amendments to our development and license agreements with Boston Scientific to eliminate the milestone-based payments and royalties provided under those agreements. Accordingly, we are no longer entitled to receive future milestone-based payments or royalties under our development and license agreements with Boston Scientific.

# The Johns Hopkins University

We have entered into certain exclusive license agreements with The Johns Hopkins University, or Johns Hopkins. For additional information regarding these licenses, see "Business-Intellectual Property."

# Sales and Marketing

Commercializing our ClearPoint system involves marketing primarily to:

- physicians who care for patients suffering from neurological disorders, including neurosurgeons, who perform the neurological procedures, and neurologists, who interact with patients prior to and following surgery and who refer patients for surgery; and
- hospitals involved in the treatment of neurological disorders and the opinion leaders at these hospitals.

There are approximately 4,800 neurosurgeons in the United States. Similar to many fields of medicine, some neurosurgeons elect to focus on a particular specialty within the neurological field. For example, some neurosurgeons focus their practice on spine surgeries, others more on open craniotomy surgeries and others more on minimally invasive approaches, such as functional neurosurgery. We believe our ClearPoint system may be most applicable to those functional neurosurgeons, as well as oncologic neurosurgeons, but we also market our ClearPoint system to other neurosurgeons. We believe that our ClearPoint system represents an attractive platform for a neurosurgery team within a hospital to perform various general neurological procedures.



Our business model for the ClearPoint system is focused on producing high margin revenue from sales of the disposable components. Given that focus on disposable product sales, we sell our reusable components at lower margins in order to secure installations of our system within hospitals. In addition, we may make the reusable ClearPoint components available to hospitals pursuant to our ClearPoint Placement Program, under which we install a system at the hospital but we retain title to the system. Under that program, we may make the reusable ClearPoint components available to a hospital for use during an agreed-upon period of time while the hospital evaluates and processes the purchase opportunity. In addition, under the ClearPoint Placement Program we may permit a hospital to pay for an installed system or its use over an agreed-upon period of time. Our disposable and reusable ClearPoint products are tightly integrated, which allows us to leverage each new installation of a system to generate recurring sales of our disposable products.

Presently, our commercialization efforts for our ClearPoint system are being coordinated primarily through our Vice President, Sales and our Vice President, Marketing. As of December 31, 2014, our sales, clinical support and marketing team consisted of 15 employees.

Given the stage of development of the ClearTrace system, we have not developed a sales and marketing plan to commercialize ClearTrace either inside or outside the United States.

## **Research and Development**

Continued innovation through research and development is important to our future success. As of December 31, 2014, our research and development team consisted primarily of seven employees. We have assembled an experienced team with recognized expertise in both the development of medical devices and advanced MRI technologies, including interventional MRI microcoils and catheters. We believe that our current research and development team is sufficient for our current needs; however, we may increase the size of our team depending on the progress of our ongoing research and development efforts. Our principal research and development goals are to continue to enhance our ClearPoint system and to complete development of our ClearTrace system.

We have historically spent a significant portion of our capital resources on research and development. Our research and development expenses were approximately \$2,589,000, \$2,239,000, \$2,923,000 and \$2,485,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013 and the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

## Manufacturing and Assembly

Our ClearPoint system includes off-the-shelf components, custom-made components produced to our proprietary specifications by various third parties and components that we assemble in our Irvine, California facility. We use third parties to manufacture these components to utilize their individual expertise, minimize our capital investment and help control costs. We purchase most custom-made components of our ClearPoint system from a single source due to quality considerations, lower costs and constraints resulting from regulatory requirements; however, we believe alternative sources are available, if needed. Generally, we purchase our components through purchase orders and do not have long-term contracts with most of our suppliers.

Our Irvine, California facility is structured to complete component processing, final assembly, packaging and distribution activities for our ClearPoint system. The assembly process is performed in a controlled environment as required by applicable regulation for medical device assembly. Our operations are subject to extensive regulation by the FDA under its Quality System Regulation, or QSR, which requires that manufacturers have a quality management system for the design and production of medical devices. In addition, to the extent we conduct business outside the United States, we are subject to international regulatory requirements.

Our Irvine, California facility is FDA-registered, and we believe it is compliant with the FDA's QSR. We are also certified to ISO standard 13485. We have instituted a quality management system, under which we have established policies and procedures that control and direct our operations with respect to design, procurement, manufacture, inspection, testing, installation, data analysis, training and marketing. We review and internally audit our compliance with these policies and procedures, which provides a means for continued evaluation and improvement. As required by our quality management system, we undertake an assessment and qualification process for each third-party manufacturer or supplier that we use. Typically, our third-party manufacturers and suppliers are certified to ISO standard 9001 and/or 13485. We also periodically perform audit procedures on our key third-party manufacturers and suppliers to monitor their activities for compliance with our quality management system. Our facility and the facilities of the third-party manufacturers and suppliers we use are subject to periodic inspections by regulatory authorities, including the FDA and other governmental agencies.



#### **Intellectual Property**

We believe that in order to maintain a competitive advantage in the marketplace, we must develop and maintain the proprietary aspects of our technologies. We rely on a combination of patent, trademark, trade secret, copyright and other intellectual property rights and measures to protect our intellectual property.

Our patent portfolio includes patents and patent applications that we own, whether wholly-owned or co-owned, or license from others. We seek patent protection in the United States and internationally for our products and technologies where and when we believe it is appropriate. United States patents are granted generally for a term of 20 years from the earliest effective priority date of the patent application. The actual protection afforded by a foreign patent, which can vary from country to country, depends on the type of patent, the scope of its claims and the availability of legal remedies in the country.

We also rely on other forms of intellectual property rights and measures, including trade secrets and nondisclosure agreements, to maintain and protect proprietary aspects of our products and technologies. We require our employees and consultants to execute confidentiality agreements in connection with their employment or consulting relationships with us. We also require our employees and consultants to disclose and assign to us all inventions conceived during the term of their employment or engagement which relate to our business.

#### Patents and Patent Applications

We have a significant patent portfolio in the field of MRI-guided interventions. As of December 31, 2014, we wholly-owned, coowned or licensed a total of 58 United States patents and 42 United States patent applications, as well as various foreign patents and foreign patent applications corresponding with many of our United States patents and applications. Our owned, issued patents expire at various dates beginning in 2020. Our licensed, issued patents expire at various dates beginning in 2015. Some of our patents and patent applications are coowned by Boston Scientific, and, with respect to those patents and patent applications, we have licensing and cross-licensing arrangements in place with Boston Scientific. As a result of those arrangements, we have exclusive rights to all fields outside neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications, and we have licensed the fields of neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications to Boston Scientific.

#### Certain License Arrangements

## License Arrangements with The Johns Hopkins University

Our principal licensing arrangement is with Johns Hopkins. Shortly following our formation in 1998, we entered into a license agreement with Johns Hopkins pursuant to which we obtained an exclusive, worldwide license to a number of technologies owned by Johns Hopkins relating to devices, systems and methods for performing MRI-guided interventions, such as MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures. The field of use for this exclusive license covers diagnostic or therapeutic methods, processes or devices using an intravascular, intralumen or intratissue miniature magnetic resonance coil detection probe. We are obligated to pay Johns Hopkins an annual maintenance fee, and we are also obligated to pay a royalty to Johns Hopkins based on the sale of products or provision of services covered by a licensed patent. To the extent we sublicense any licensed intellectual property to a third-party, we agreed to pay Johns Hopkins a percentage of revenue we receive as a result of the sublicense. This license agreement with Johns Hopkins will terminate upon the expiration of the last to expire of the licensed patents.

In December 2006, we entered into a second license agreement with Johns Hopkins under which we obtained an exclusive, worldwide license to certain MRI-safety technologies owned by Johns Hopkins. Under the agreement, we are obligated to pay a royalty to Johns Hopkins based on the sale of products or provision of services covered by a licensed patent, subject to a minimum annual payment. Likewise, to the extent we sublicense any intellectual property to a third party, we agreed to pay Johns Hopkins a percentage of revenue we receive as a result of the sublicense. This license agreement with Johns Hopkins will terminate upon the expiration of the last to expire of the licensed patents.



In June 2008, we also entered into an exclusive license agreement with Johns Hopkins with respect to certain catheter technology. Under the agreement, we are obligated to pay a royalty to Johns Hopkins based on the sale of products or provision of services incorporating the licensed technology. Likewise, to the extent we sublicense any licensed technology to a third party, we agreed to pay Johns Hopkins a percentage of revenue we receive as a result of the sublicense. The license agreement terminates upon the expiration of the last to expire of the licensed patents.

# License Arrangements with Merge

In July 2007, we entered into a master services and licensing agreement with Merge Healthcare Canada Corp. (formerly known as Cedara Software Corp.), or Merge, for Merge to develop on our behalf, based on our detailed specifications, a customized software solution for our ClearPoint system. Merge was in the business of providing software development and engineering services on a contract basis to a number of companies. In developing our ClearPoint system software, Merge utilized certain of its own pre-existing software code, or Merge software. Under our agreement with Merge, we received a non-exclusive, worldwide license to the Merge software, in object code form, as an integrated component of our ClearPoint system software. In return, we agreed to pay Merge a license fee for each copy of our ClearPoint system software, the work performed by Merge was a "work made for hire" and we exclusively own our ClearPoint system software. Under the master services and licensing agreement, Merge also performed ongoing custom engineering, maintenance and support services with respect to our ClearPoint system software, for which we compensated Merge.

At our request, in July 2013, the master services and licensing agreement was amended to enable us to internally handle development, maintenance and support of our ClearPoint system software going forward. As a result, we now perform the software services which we previously outsourced to Merge. Under the amendment, Merge granted us a non-exclusive, non-transferable, worldwide license to the source code for the Merge software to use in our further development and commercialization of our ClearPoint system software. In return, we agreed to pay Merge a one-time license fee. Merge may terminate the source code license only for cause. We will continue to pay Merge a license fee for each copy of our ClearPoint system software that we distribute, but only for licenses in excess of the licenses we already had purchased or otherwise acquired from Merge prior to the July 2013 amendment. We already have satisfied our minimum license purchase commitments from Merge under the master services and licensing agreement.

#### License Arrangements with Boston Scientific

In connection with our March 2014 sale of certain MRI-safety technologies to Boston Scientific, we entered into a license agreement with Boston Scientific. Under that license agreement, Boston Scientific granted us an exclusive, royalty-free, fully paid, irrevocable, worldwide license to the transferred intellectual property, with the right to sublicense, within fields of use other than neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications.

# Competition

# General

The medical device industry is highly competitive, subject to rapid technological change and significantly affected by new product introductions and market activities of other participants. Therefore, our currently marketed products are, and future products we commercialize will be, subject to competition.

#### ClearPoint System

Currently, we are not aware of any other company that offers a direct MRI-guided stereotactic system for neurological interventions, although two companies, Monteris Medical Inc. and Medtronic, Inc. offer devices for laser ablation under direct MRI guidance. In addition, companies such as Brainlab, Medtronic, Inc., Elekta AB, FHC Inc., Neurologica Corporation, a subsidiary of Samsung Electronics Co., and Mazor Robotics Ltd. offer devices and systems for use in conventional stereotactic neurological procedures, such as surgical navigation workstations, frame-based and frameless stereotactic systems, portable computer tomography scanners and computer-controlled guidance systems, and these devices and systems are competitive with our ClearPoint system. Additionally, we could also face competition from other medical device, biotechnology and pharmaceutical companies that have the technology, experience and capital resources to develop alternative therapy methods, including MRI-guided technologies. Many of our competitors have substantially greater financial, manufacturing, marketing and technical resources than we have.

### ClearTrace System

We are not aware of any company that currently offers a direct MRI-guided cardiac ablation system that has received regulatory clearance or approval. However, at least one company, Imricor Medical Systems, Inc., is in the process of developing such a system, and at least one other company, Philips Healthcare, has a research and development effort in this field. We are not aware of any potential competitive advantages or disadvantages relative to any such system under development; however, if any such company develops, obtains regulatory clearance or approval and achieves commercial success for a direct MRI-guided cardiac ablation system, the ClearTrace system could be rendered non-competitive.

We also will face competition from companies who are engaged in the development and marketing of conventional catheter-based cardiac ablation systems and devices. These products include mapping systems using contact mapping, single-point spatial mapping and noncontact, multi-site electrical mapping technologies and ablation systems using radio frequency, ultrasound, laser and cryoablation technologies. These products evolve rapidly, and their manufacturers are constantly attempting to make them easier to use or more efficacious in performing procedures. Today, the vast majority of minimally invasive catheter-based cardiac ablation procedures are performed with these products. Because these products are currently in use while the ClearTrace system remains under development, physician preferences will have to shift for the ClearTrace system to gain market acceptance. We believe that the primary factors which will drive physician preference will be the relative success rates and ease of the procedure for physicians with respect to the ClearTrace system compared to the alternative technologies available.

We are aware of two companies, Hansen Medical, Inc. and Stereotaxis, Inc., which market systems to remotely control catheters during interventional cardiac ablation and other procedures using either robotic or magnetic steering. The nature of these systems potentially could provide better control over the catheter compared to manual manipulation by the physician; however, these systems do not provide the physician with detailed intra-procedural visualization of the cardiac tissue. Also, other manufacturers are attempting to market devices that access the exterior of the heart wall through an endoscopic surgical technique called thoracoscopy to treat atrial fibrillation. Because this procedure was developed recently, the clinical advantages and disadvantages of this approach compared to a catheter-based approach inside the heart have not been established. Therefore, we are not aware of any competitive advantages or disadvantages of this procedure relative to the anticipated ClearTrace system procedure.

Additionally, we will face competition from large companies who are engaged in the development and marketing of products for other treatments of cardiac arrhythmias. Their products include drugs, implantable devices, such as implantable defibrillators and pacemakers, and the devices used in open-heart surgery.

Many of our potential competitors have an established presence in the field of cardiac electrophysiology, including cardiac ablation, such as Biosense Webster Inc., a division of Johnson & Johnson, Boston Scientific, Cardio Focus, Inc., Medtronic, Inc. and St. Jude Medical, Inc. These potential competitors have substantially greater financial and other resources than we do, including larger research and development staffs and more experience and greater capabilities in conducting research and development activities, testing products in clinical trials, obtaining regulatory clearances or approvals, and manufacturing, marketing and distributing products.

## **Regulatory Requirements of the United States Food and Drug Administration**

Our research, development and clinical programs, as well as our manufacturing and marketing operations, are subject to extensive regulation in the United States and other countries. Most notably, all of our products sold in the United States are subject to regulation as medical devices under the federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act, or FDCA, as implemented and enforced by the FDA. The FDA governs the following activities that we perform or that are performed on our behalf, to ensure that the medical devices we manufacture, promote and distribute domestically or export internationally are safe and effective for their intended uses:

- product design, preclinical and clinical development and manufacture;
- product premarket clearance and approval;
- product safety, testing, labeling and storage;
- record keeping procedures;
- product marketing, sales and distribution; and
- post-marketing surveillance, complaint handling, medical device reporting, reporting of deaths, serious injuries or device malfunctions and repair or recall of products.

## FDA Premarket Clearance and Approval Requirements

Unless an exemption applies, each medical device we wish to commercially distribute in the United States will require either premarket notification, or 510(k) clearance, or approval of a PMA from the FDA. The FDA classifies medical devices into one of three classes. Class I devices, considered to have the lowest risk, are those for which safety and effectiveness can be assured by adherence to the FDA's general regulatory controls for medical devices, which include compliance with the applicable portions of the FDA's QSR, facility registration and product listing, reporting of adverse medical events, and appropriate, truthful and non-misleading labeling, advertising, and promotional materials (General Controls). Class II devices are subject to the FDA's General Controls, and any other special controls as deemed necessary by the FDA to ensure the safety and effectiveness of the device (Special Controls). Manufacturers of most Class II and some Class I devices are required to submit to the FDA a premarket notification under Section 510(k) of the FDCA requesting permission to commercially distribute the device. This process is generally known as 510(k) clearance. Devices deemed by the FDA to pose the greatest risks, such as life-sustaining, life-supporting or implantable devices, or devices that have a new intended use, or use advanced technology that is not substantially equivalent to that of a legally marketed device, are placed in Class III, requiring approval of a PMA.

### 510(k) Clearance Pathway

When a 510(k) clearance is required, we will be required to submit a 510(k) application demonstrating that our proposed device is substantially equivalent to a previously cleared 510(k) device or a device that was in commercial distribution before May 28, 1976 for which the FDA has not yet called for the submission of PMAs. By regulation, the FDA is required to clear or deny a 510(k) premarket notification within 90 days of submission of the application. As a practical matter, clearance may take longer. The FDA may require further information, including clinical data, to make a determination regarding substantial equivalence.

Once filed, the FDA has 90 days in which to review the 510(k) application and respond. Typically, the FDA's response after reviewing a 510(k) application is a request for additional data or clarification. Depending on the complexity of the application and the amount of data required, the process may be lengthened by several months or more. If additional data, including clinical data, are needed to support our claims, the 510(k) application process may be significantly lengthened.

If the FDA issues an order declaring the device to be Not Substantially Equivalent, or NSE, the device is placed into a Class III or PMA category. At that time, a company can request a de novo classification of the product. De novo generally applies where there is no predicate device and the FDA believes the device is sufficiently safe so that no PMA should be required. The request must be in writing and sent within 30 days from the receipt of the NSE determination. The request should include a description of the device, labeling for the device, reasons for the recommended classification and information to support the recommendation. The de novo process has a 60 day review period. If the FDA classifies the device into Class II, a company will then receive an approval order to market the device. This device type can then be used as a predicate device for future 510(k) submissions. However, if the FDA subsequently determines that the device will remain in the Class III category, the device cannot be marketed until the company has obtained an approved PMA.

Any modification to a 510(k)-cleared device that would constitute a major change in its intended use, or any change that could significantly affect the safety or effectiveness of the device, requires a new 510(k) clearance and may even, in some circumstances, require a PMA, if the change raises complex or novel scientific issues or the product has a new intended use. The FDA requires every manufacturer to make the determination regarding the need for a new 510(k) submission in the first instance, but the FDA may review any manufacturer's decision. If the FDA were to disagree with any of our determinations that changes did not require a new 510(k) submission, it could require us to cease marketing and distribution and/or recall the modified device until 510(k) clearance or PMA approval is obtained. If the FDA requires us to seek 510(k) clearance or PMA approval for any modifications, we may be required to cease marketing and/or recall the modified device, if already in distribution, until 510(k) clearance or PMA approval is obtained and we could be subject to significant regulatory fines or penalties.

## PMA Approval Pathway

A PMA must be submitted to the FDA if the device cannot be cleared through the 510(k) process, or is not otherwise exempt from the FDA's premarket clearance and approval requirements. A PMA must generally be supported by extensive data, including, but not limited to, technical, preclinical, clinical trial, manufacturing and labeling, to demonstrate to the FDA's satisfaction the safety and effectiveness of the device for its intended use. During the review period, the FDA will typically request additional information or clarification of the information already provided. Also, an advisory panel of experts from outside the FDA may be convened to review and evaluate the application and provide recommendations to the FDA as to the approvability of the device. The FDA may or may not accept the panel's recommendation. In addition, the FDA will generally conduct a pre-approval inspection of our or our third-party manufacturers' or suppliers' manufacturing facility or facilities to ensure compliance with the QSR. Once a PMA is approved, the FDA may require that certain conditions of approval be met, such as conducting a post market clinical trial.

New PMAs or PMA supplements are required for modifications that affect the safety or effectiveness of the device, including, for example, certain types of modifications to the device's indication for use, manufacturing process, labeling and design. PMA supplements often require submission of the same type of information as a PMA, except that the supplement is limited to information needed to support any changes from the device covered by the original PMA and may not require as extensive clinical data or the convening of an advisory panel. Although we believe that most components of our ClearTrace system will fall under the FDA's 510(k) regulatory process, we do believe the ablation catheter component will require the approval of a PMA. Likewise, we could seek to add new indications for use of our existing products that require the approval of a PMA, although we do not have any current plans to do that.

## **Clinical Trials**

Clinical trials are generally required to support a PMA application and are sometimes required for 510(k) clearance. Such trials generally require an application for an investigational device exemption, or IDE, which is approved in advance by the FDA for a specified number of patients and study sites, unless the product is deemed a non-significant risk device eligible for more abbreviated IDE requirements. A significant risk device is one that presents a potential for serious risk to the health, safety, or welfare of a patient and either is implanted, used in supporting or sustaining human life, substantially important in diagnosing, curing, mitigating, or treating disease or otherwise preventing impairment of human health, or otherwise presents a potential for serious risk to a subject. Clinical trials are subject to extensive monitoring, recordkeeping and reporting requirements. Clinical trials must be conducted under the oversight of an institutional review board, or IRB, for the relevant clinical trial sites and must comply with FDA regulations, including, but not limited to, those relating to good clinical practices. To conduct a clinical trial, we also are required to obtain the patient's informed consent in a form and substance that complies with both FDA requirements and state and federal privacy and human subject protection regulations. We, the FDA or the IRB could suspend a clinical trial at any time for various reasons, including a belief that the risks to study subjects outweigh the anticipated benefits. Even if a trial is completed, the results of clinical testing may not adequately demonstrate the safety and efficacy of the device or may otherwise not be sufficient to obtain FDA clearance or approval to market the product in the United States. Similarly, in Europe, the clinical study must be approved by a local ethics committee and in some cases, including studies with high-risk devices, by the ministry of health in the applicable country.

## Pervasive and Continuing Regulation

After a device is placed on the market, numerous regulatory requirements continue to apply. In addition to the requirements below, the Medical Device Reporting regulations require that we report to the FDA any incident in which our product may have caused or contributed to a death or serious injury or in which our product malfunctioned and, if the malfunction were to recur, would likely cause or contribute to death or serious injury. Additional regulatory requirements include:

- product listing and establishment registration, which helps facilitate FDA inspections and other regulatory action;
- QSR, which requires manufacturers, including third-party manufacturers, to follow stringent design, testing, control, documentation and other quality assurance procedures during all aspects of the design and manufacturing process;
- labeling regulations and FDA prohibitions against the promotion of products for uncleared, unapproved or off-label use or indication;
- clearance of product modifications that could significantly affect safety or effectiveness or that would constitute a major change in intended use of one of our cleared devices;
- approval of product modifications that affect the safety or effectiveness of one of our approved devices;
- post-approval restrictions or conditions, including post-approval study commitments;
- post-market surveillance regulations, which apply, when necessary, to protect the public health or to provide additional safety and effectiveness data for the device;
- the FDA's recall authority, whereby it can ask, or under certain conditions order, device manufacturers to recall from the market a product that is in violation of governing laws and regulations;
- regulations pertaining to voluntary recalls; and
- notices of corrections or removals.

As a medical device manufacturer, we are subject to announced and unannounced inspections by the FDA to determine our compliance with FDA's QSR and other regulations. We have not yet been inspected by the FDA. We believe that we are in compliance with QSR and other regulations.

Advertising and promotion of medical devices, in addition to being regulated by the FDA, are also regulated by the United States Federal Trade Commission, or FTC, and by state regulatory and enforcement authorities. Promotional activities for FDA-regulated products of other companies have been the subject of enforcement action brought under healthcare reimbursement laws and consumer protection statutes. Furthermore, under the federal Lanham Act and similar state laws, competitors and others can initiate litigation relating to advertising claims. In addition, we are required to meet regulatory requirements in countries outside the United States, which can change rapidly with relatively short notice. If the FDA determines that our promotional materials or training constitutes promotion of an unapproved or uncleared use, it could request that we modify our training or promotional materials or subject us to regulatory or enforcement actions. It is also possible that other federal, state or foreign enforcement authorities might take action if they consider our promotional or training materials to constitute promotion of an unapproved use, which could result in significant fines or penalties under other statutory authorities, such as laws prohibiting false claims for reimbursement.



Failure by us or by our third-party manufacturers and suppliers to comply with applicable regulatory requirements can result in enforcement action by the FDA or other regulatory authorities, which may result in sanctions including, but not limited to:

- untitled letters, warning letters, fines, injunctions, consent decrees and civil penalties;
- customer notifications or repair, replacement, refunds, recall, detention or seizure of our marketed products;
- operating restrictions or partial suspension or total shutdown of production;
- refusing or delaying requests for 510(k) clearance or PMA approvals of new products or modified products;
- withdrawing 510(k) clearances or PMA approvals that have already been granted;
- refusal to grant export approval for our marketed products; or
- criminal prosecution.

# **International Marketing Approvals**

International sales of medical devices are subject to foreign government regulations, which vary substantially from country to country. The time required to obtain approval by a foreign country may be longer or shorter than that required for FDA clearance or approval, and the requirements may differ.

The European Union has adopted numerous directives and standards regulating the design, manufacture, clinical trials, labeling, and adverse event reporting for medical devices. Each European Union member state has implemented legislation applying these directives and standards at a national level. Other countries, such as Switzerland, have voluntarily adopted laws and regulations that mirror those of the European Union with respect to medical devices. Devices that comply with the requirements of the laws of the relevant member state applying the applicable European Union directive are entitled to bear a CE mark and, accordingly, can be distributed throughout the member states of the European Union as well as in other countries, such as Switzerland and Israel, that have mutual recognition agreements with the European Union or have adopted the European Union's regulatory standards.

The method of assessing conformity with applicable regulatory requirements varies depending on the classification of the medical device, which may be Class I, Class IIa, Class IIb or Class III. Normally, the method involves a combination of self-assessment by the manufacturer of the safety and performance of the device, and a third-party assessment by a Notified Body, usually of the design of the device and of the manufacturer's quality system. A Notified Body is a private commercial entity that is designated by the national government of a member state as being competent to make independent judgments about whether a device complies with applicable regulatory requirements. An assessment by a Notified Body in one country with the European Union is required in order for a manufacturer to commercially distribute the device throughout the European Union. In addition, compliance with ISO 13485 issued by the International Organization for Standardization, among other standards, establishes the presumption of conformity with the essential requirements for CE marking. Certification to the ISO 13485 standard demonstrates the presence of a quality management system that can be used by a manufacturer for design and development, production, installation and servicing of medical devices and the design, development and provision of related services.

# Healthcare Laws and Regulations

## Third-Party Reimbursement

In the United States and elsewhere, healthcare providers that perform surgical procedures using medical devices such as ours generally rely on third-party payors, including governmental payors such as Medicare and Medicaid and private payors, to cover and reimburse all or part of the cost of the products. Consequently, sales of medical devices are dependent in part on the availability of reimbursement to the customer from third-party payors. The manner in which reimbursement is sought and obtained varies based upon the type of payor involved and the setting in which the product is furnished and utilized. In general, third-party payors will provide coverage and reimbursement for medically reasonable and necessary procedures and tests that utilize medical devices. Third-party payors may provide separate payments for implanted or disposable devices themselves, although no such separate payments are currently provided for our ClearPoint disposable products. Most third-party payors will not pay separately for capital equipment. Instead, payment for the cost of using the capital equipment is considered to be covered as part of payments received for performing the procedure. In determining payment rates, third-party payors are increasingly scrutinizing the prices charged for medical products and services in comparison to other therapies.

In many foreign markets, including the countries in the European Union, pricing of medical devices is subject to governmental control. In the United States, there have been, and we expect that there will continue to be, a number of federal and state proposals to limit payments by governmental payors for medical devices, and the procedures in which medical devices are used.

## Medicare and Medicaid

The Medicare program is a federal health benefit program administered by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, or CMS, that covers and pays for certain medical care items and services for eligible elderly and certain disabled individuals, and individuals with end stage renal disease. The Medicaid program is a federal-state partnership under which states receive matching federal payments to fund healthcare services for the poor. Because some private commercial health insurers and some state Medicaid programs may follow the coverage and payment policies for Medicare, Medicare's coverage and payment policies are significant to our business.

Medicare coverage for the procedures in which our ClearPoint products are used currently exists in the hospital inpatient setting, which falls under Part A of the Medicare program. Under Medicare Part A, Medicare reimburses acute care hospitals a prospectively determined payment amount for beneficiaries receiving covered inpatient services in an acute care hospital. This method of payment is known as the prospective payment system, or PPS. Under PPS, the prospective payment for a patient's stay in an acute care hospital is determined by the patient's condition and other patient data and procedures performed during the inpatient stay using a classification system known as Medicare Severity Diagnosis Related Groups, or MS-DRGs. Payments also are adjusted to reflect other factors, such as regional variations in labor costs and indirect medical education expenses. Medicare pays a fixed amount to the hospital based on the MS-DRG into which the patient's stay is classified, regardless of the actual cost to the hospital of furnishing the procedures, items and services that the patient's condition requires. Accordingly, acute care hospitals generally do not receive direct Medicare reimbursement under PPS for the specific costs incurred in purchasing medical devices. Rather, reimbursement for these costs is deemed to be included within the MS-DRG-based payments made to hospitals for the services furnished to Medicare-eligible inpatients in which the devices are utilized. For cases involving unusually high costs, a hospital may receive additional "outlier" payments above the pre-determined amount. In addition, there is a mechanism by which new technology services can apply to Medicare for additional payments above the pre-determined amount, although such requests have not been granted frequently.

Because PPS payments are based on predetermined rates and may be less than a hospital's actual costs in furnishing care, and due to payment reforms enacted relatively recently, acute care hospitals have incentives to lower their inpatient operating costs by utilizing products, devices and supplies that will reduce the length of inpatient stays, decrease labor or otherwise lower their costs. For each MS-DRG, a relative weight is calculated representing the average resources required to care for cases grouped in that particular MS-DRG relative to the average resources used to treat cases in all MS-DRGs. MS-DRG relative weights are recalculated every year to reflect changes in technology and medical practice in a budget neutral manner. Under the MS-DRG payment system, there can be significant delays in obtaining adequate reimbursement amounts for hospitals for new technologies such that reimbursement may be insufficient to permit broad acceptance by hospitals.

In addition to payments to hospitals for procedures using our technology, Medicare makes separate payments to physicians for their professional services. The American Medical Association, or AMA, has developed a coding system known as the Current Procedural Terminology, or CPT, codes, which has been adopted by the Medicare program to describe and develop payment amounts for certain physician services.



The Medicare physician fee schedule uses CPT codes (and other codes) as part of the determination of allowable payment amounts to physicians. In determining appropriate payment amounts for surgeons, CMS receives guidance from the AMA regarding the relative technical skill level, level of resources used, and complexity of a new surgical procedure. Generally, the designation of a new procedure code for a new procedure using a new product does not occur until after FDA clearance or approval of the product used in the procedure. Codes are assigned by either the AMA (for CPT codes) or CMS (for Medicare-specific codes), and new codes usually become effective on January 1st of each year.

One result of the current Medicare payment system, which is also utilized by most non-governmental third-party payors, is that a patient's treating physician orders a particular service and the hospital (or other facility in which the procedure is performed) bears the cost of delivery of the service. Hospitals have limited ability to align their financial interests with that of the treating physician because Medicare law generally prohibits hospitals from paying physicians to assist in controlling the costs of hospital services, including paying physicians to limit or reduce services to Medicare beneficiaries even if such services are medically unnecessary. As a result, hospitals have traditionally stocked supplies and products requested by physicians and have had limited ability to restrict physician choice of products and services.

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, or, together, the Affordable Care Act, included a number of provisions that will likely result in more coordination between hospitals and physicians and alignment of financial incentives between hospitals and physicians to control hospital costs. Most significantly, the Affordable Care Act provided for a Medicare shared savings program whereby Medicare will share certain savings realized in the delivery of services to Medicare beneficiaries with accountable care organizations, which may be organized through various different legal structures between hospitals and physicians. Other payment reform provisions in the Affordable Care Act included pay-for-performance initiatives, payment bundling and the establishment of an independent payment advisory board.

Among other things, the Affordable Care Act will ultimately increase the overall pool of persons with access to health insurance in the United States, at least in those states that expand their Medicaid programs. Although such an increase in covered lives should ultimately benefit hospitals, the Affordable Care Act also includes a number of cuts in Medicare reimbursement to hospitals that may take effect prior to the time hospitals realize the financial benefit of a larger pool of insured persons. Such cuts in Medicare reimbursement could adversely impact the operations and finances of hospitals, reducing their ability to purchase medical devices such as our products. Further, Congress has yet to address in a comprehensive and permanent manner the pending reduction in Medicare payments to physicians under the sustainable growth rate formula, which, if not resolved, will likely result in an overall reduction of physicians willing to participate in Medicare.

# **Commercial Insurers**

In addition to the Medicare program, many private payors look to CMS policies as a guideline in setting their coverage policies and payment amounts. The current coverage policies of these private payors may differ from the Medicare program, and the payment rates they make may be higher, lower, or the same as the Medicare program. If CMS or other agencies decrease or limit reimbursement payments for hospitals and physicians, this may affect coverage and reimbursement determinations by many private payors. Additionally, some private payors do not follow the Medicare guidelines, and those payors may reimburse only a portion of the costs associated with the use of our products, or none at all.

## Fraud and Abuse Laws

Because of the significant federal funding involved in Medicare and Medicaid, Congress and the states have enacted, and actively enforce, a number of laws whose purpose is to eliminate fraud and abuse in federal healthcare programs. Our business is subject to compliance with these laws.

#### Anti-Kickback Laws

In the United States, there are federal and state anti-kickback laws that generally prohibit the payment or receipt of kickbacks, bribes or other remuneration in exchange for the referral of patients or other health-related business. The United States federal healthcare programs' Anti-Kickback Statute makes it unlawful for individuals or entities knowingly and willfully to solicit, offer, receive or pay any kickback, bribe or other remuneration, directly or indirectly, in exchange for or to induce the purchase, lease or order, or arranging for or recommending purchasing, leasing, or ordering, any good, facility, service, or item for which payment may be made in whole or in part under a federal healthcare program such as Medicare or Medicaid. The Anti-Kickback Statute covers "any remuneration," which has been broadly interpreted to include anything of value, including for example gifts, certain discounts, the furnishing of free supplies, equipment or services, credit arrangements, payments of cash and waivers of payments. Several courts have interpreted the statute's intent requirement to mean that if any one purpose of an arrangement involving remuneration is to induce referrals of federal healthcare covered business, the arrangement can be found to violate the statute. Penalties for violations include criminal penalties and civil sanctions such as fines, imprisonment and possible exclusion from Medicare, Medicaid and other federal healthcare programs. In addition, several courts have permitted kickback cases brought under the federal False Claims Act to proceed, as discussed in more detail below.

Because the Anti-Kickback Statute is broadly written and encompasses many harmless or efficient arrangements, Congress authorized the Office of Inspector General of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or OIG, to issue a series of regulations, known as "safe harbors." For example, there are regulatory safe harbors for payments to bona fide employees, properly reported discounts, and payments for certain investment interests. Although an arrangement that fits into one or more of these exceptions or safe harbors is immune from prosecution, arrangements that do not fit squarely within an exception or safe harbor do not necessarily violate the statute. The failure of a transaction or arrangement to fit precisely within one or more of the exceptions or safe harbors does not necessarily mean that it is illegal or that prosecution will be pursued. However, conduct and business arrangements that arguably implicate the Anti-Kickback Statute but do not fully satisfy all the elements of an exception or safe harbor may be subject to increased scrutiny by government enforcement authorities such as the OIG. The Affordable Care Act increased the investigatory authority of the OIG, clarified that Anti-Kickback Statute claims can be brought under the federal civil False Claims Act, and provided for enhanced civil monetary penalties and expanded permissible exclusion authority.

Many states have laws that implicate anti-kickback restrictions similar to the federal Anti-Kickback Statute. Some of these state prohibitions apply regardless of whether federal healthcare program business is involved, such as for self-pay or private pay patients.

Government officials have focused their enforcement efforts on marketing of healthcare services and products, among other activities, and recently have brought cases against companies, and certain sales, marketing and executive personnel, for allegedly offering unlawful inducements to potential or existing customers in an attempt to procure their business.

# Federal Civil False Claims Act and State False Claims Laws

The federal civil False Claims Act imposes liability on any person or entity who, among other things, knowingly and willfully presents, or causes to be presented, a false or fraudulent claim for payment by a federal healthcare program, including Medicare and Medicaid. The "qui tam" or "whistleblower" provisions of the False Claims Act allow a private individual to bring actions on behalf of the federal government alleging that the defendant has submitted a false claim to the federal government and to share in any monetary recovery. In recent years, the number of suits brought against healthcare providers by private individuals has increased dramatically. Medical device companies, like us, can be held liable under false claims laws, even if they do not submit claims to the government where they are deemed to have caused submission of false claims by, among other things, providing incorrect coding or billing advice about their products to customers that file claims, or by engaging in kickback arrangements with customers that file claims.

The False Claims Act also has been used to assert liability on the basis of misrepresentations with respect to the services rendered and in connection with alleged off-label promotion of products. Our activities relating to the manner in which we sell our products and document our prices such as the reporting of discount and rebate information and other information affecting federal, state and third-party reimbursement of our products, and the sale and marketing of our products, may be subject to scrutiny under these laws.



The Affordable Care Act may increase the number of cases asserting civil False Claims Act violations since it removes a significant defense to such claims and clarifies that a violation of the Anti-Kickback Statute and the retention of a federal healthcare program overpayment are both actionable under the civil False Claims Act.

When an entity is determined to have violated the False Claims Act, it may be required to pay up to three times the actual damages sustained by the government, plus civil penalties for each separate false claim. There are many potential bases for liability under the False Claims Act. A number of states have enacted false claim laws analogous to the federal civil False Claims Act and many of these state laws apply where a claim is submitted to any state or private third-party payor.

# HIPAA Fraud and Other Regulations

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, or HIPAA, created a class of federal crimes known as the "federal healthcare offenses," including healthcare fraud and false statements relating to healthcare matters. The HIPAA healthcare fraud statute prohibits, among other things, knowingly and willfully executing, or attempting to execute, a scheme or artifice to defraud any healthcare benefit program, or to obtain by means of false of fraudulent pretenses, any money under the control of any healthcare benefit program, including private payors. A violation of this statute is a felony and may result in fines, imprisonment and/or exclusion from government-sponsored programs. The Affordable Care Act also provides for civil monetary penalties for knowingly participating in certain federal healthcare offenses and enhances sentences under the Federal Sentencing Guidelines for such offenses. The HIPAA false statements statute prohibits, among other things, knowingly and willfully falsifying, concealing or covering up a material fact or making any materially false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or representation in connection with the delivery of or payment for healthcare benefits, items or services. A violation of this statute is a felony and may result in fines and/or imprisonment. Entities that are found to have aided or abetted in a violation of the HIPAA federal healthcare offenses are deemed by statute to have committed the offense and are punishable as a principal.

We are also subject to the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and similar anti-bribery laws applicable in non-United States jurisdictions that generally prohibit companies and their intermediaries from making improper payments to non-United States government officials for the purpose of obtaining or retaining business. Because of the predominance of government sponsored healthcare systems around the world, we expect that many of customer relationships outside of the United States will be with governmental entities and therefore subject to such anti-bribery laws.

#### HIPAA and Other Privacy & Security Laws

As a part of HIPAA, Congress enacted the Administrative Simplification provisions, which are designed to require the establishment of uniform standards governing the conduct of certain electronic healthcare transactions and protecting the security and privacy of individually identifiable health information maintained or transmitted by healthcare providers, health plans and healthcare clearinghouses, which are referred to as "covered entities." Several regulations have been promulgated under HIPAA, including: the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information, or the Privacy Rule, which restricts the use and disclosure of certain individually identifiable health information, and the use of electronic signatures; and the Security Standards for the Protection of Electronic Protected Health Information, or the Security Rule, which requires covered entities to implement and maintain certain security measures to safeguard certain electronic health information. Although we do not believe we are a covered entities and may ask us to contractually comply with certain aspects of these standards by entering into confidentiality agreement or, when appropriated, business associate agreements. While the government intended this legislation to reduce administrative expenses and burdens for the healthcare industry, our compliance with certain provisions of these standards could entail significant costs for us.



The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act, or HITECH, which was enacted in February 2009, strengthened and expanded the HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules and the restrictions on use and disclosure of patient identifiable health information. HITECH also fundamentally changed a business associate's obligations by imposing a number of Privacy Rule requirements and a majority of Security Rule provisions directly on business associates that were previously only directly applicable to covered entities. HITECH includes, but is not limited to, prohibitions on exchanging patient identifiable health information for remuneration (directly or indirectly), restrictions on marketing to individuals and obligations to agree to provide individuals an accounting of virtually all disclosures of their health information. Moreover, HITECH requires covered entities to report any unauthorized use or disclosure of patient identifiable health information that compromises the security or privacy of the information, known as a breach, to the affected individuals, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or HHS, and depending on the size of any such breach, the media for the affected market. Business associates are similarly required to notify covered entities of a breach.

HITECH has increased civil penalty amounts for violations of HIPAA by either covered entities or business associates up to an annual maximum of \$1.5 million for each uncorrected violation based on willful neglect. Imposition of these penalties is more likely now because HITECH significantly strengthens enforcement. It requires HHS to conduct periodic audits to confirm compliance and to investigate any violation that involves willful neglect. Additionally, state attorneys general are authorized to bring civil actions seeking either injunctions or damages in response to violations of HIPAA Privacy and Security Rules that threaten the privacy of state residents.

In addition to federal regulations issued under HIPAA, some states have enacted privacy and security statutes or regulations that, in some cases, are more stringent than those issued under HIPAA. Further, the majority of states have enacted state data breach laws, which also require notification of certain alleged breaches of the privacy or security of personal information.

Federal and state consumer protection laws are being applied increasingly by the FTC and state attorneys general to regulate the collection, use, storage and disclosure of personal or patient information, through websites or otherwise, and to regulate the presentation of web site content. Courts may also adopt the standards for fair information practices promulgated by the FTC, which concern consumer notice, choice, security and access. Numerous other countries have or are developing laws governing the collection, use, disclosure and transmission of personal or patient information.

HIPAA, as well as other federal and state laws, will apply to our receipt of patient identifiable health information in connection with any clinical trials we conduct. In addition, we collaborate with other individuals and entities in conducting research and all involved parties must comply with applicable laws. Therefore, the compliance of the physicians, hospitals or other providers or entities with which we collaborate affects our company.

# Employees

As of December 31, 2014, we had 37 full time employees, of whom seven were engaged primarily in research and development, eight in manufacturing and quality assurance, 15 in sales, clinical support and marketing, and seven in administrative and finance functions. None of our employees is covered by a collective bargaining agreement, and we consider our relationship with our employees to be good.

## Facilities

We lease approximately 7,400 square feet of space in Irvine, California under a lease that expires in September 2015. Our principal executive office and our principal operations are based at this facility.

We also lease approximately 3,300 square feet of office space in Memphis, Tennessee, which we use for executive offices. Our Memphis lease expires in November 2015.

We believe that our Irvine, California and Memphis, Tennessee facilities are sufficient to meet our needs for the foreseeable future.

# Litigation

In the ordinary course of our business, we may be subject to various claims, pending and potential legal actions for damages, investigations relating to governmental laws and regulations and other matters arising out of the normal conduct of our business. We are not aware of any material pending legal proceedings to which we are a party or of which any of our properties is the subject.

## MANAGEMENT

### **Directors and Executive Officers**

The following table sets forth information about our directors and executive officers.

Name	Age	Position(s)
Directors and Executive Officers		
Pascal E.R. Girin	54	Director
Kimble L. Jenkins	52	Director; Chairman
Charles E. $Koob^{(1)(3)}$	70	Director
Philip A. $Pizzo^{(2)(3)}$	70	Director
Timothy T. Richards <sup>(2)</sup>	57	Director
Andrew K. Rooke	58	Director
Michael J. Ryan <sup>(1)</sup>	36	Director
Maria Sainz <sup>(3)</sup>	49	Director
John N. Spencer, Jr. <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	74	Director
Francis P. Grillo	52	Chief Executive Officer and President
David W. Carlson	50	Chief Financial Officer
Peter G. Piferi	55	Chief Operating Officer
Robert C. Korn	49	Vice President, Sales
Wendelin C. Maners	52	Vice President, Marketing
Oscar L. Thomas	44	Vice President, Business Affairs and Secretary

(1) Member of the Audit Committee

(2) Member of the Compensation Committee

(3) Member of the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee

*Pascal E.R. Girin* joined our Board of Directors in September 2014. Mr. Girin possesses over two decades of management and executive experience in the field of medical technology. Mr. Girin has served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Wright Medical Technology, Inc. since November 2012. Prior to joining Wright Medical, Mr. Girin served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Keystone Dental Inc. from February 2011 to June 2012, at which time the company successfully merged with Southern Implants Inc. From October 2010 to February 2011, Mr. Girin served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Keystone Dental Inc. From July 2010 to September 2010, Mr. Girin served as Chief Operating Officer of ev3 Inc. following its acquisition by a wholly owned subsidiary of Covidien Group S.a.r.l. Prior to that time, Mr. Girin served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of ev3 Inc. from January 2010 to July 2010, as Executive Vice President and President, Worldwide Neurovascular and International of ev3 Neurovascular Inc. from July 2008 to January 2010, as Senior Vice President and President, International of ev3 International from July 2005 to July 2008, and as General Manager, Europe of ev3 Inc. from September 2003 to July 2005. From September 1998 to August 2003, Mr. Girin served in various capacities at BioScience Europe Baxter Healthcare Corporation, most recently as Vice President. Mr. Girin received an engineering education at the French Ecole des Mines. From November 2010 until November 2, 2012, Mr. Girin had served as a director of Tornier, N.V., a publicly traded global medical device company, as well as a member of its Nominating, Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee. Mr. Girin offers substantial expertise in the management of medical technology companies.

*Kimble L. Jenkins* joined our Board of Directors in September 2002. Mr. Jenkins, who currently serves as Chairman of the company, previously served as our President from January 2003 to October 2014, and as our Chief Executive Officer from September 2004 through December 2014. Mr. Jenkins served in those two positions on a part-time basis until May 2008, at which time he began serving as President and Chief Executive Officer on a full-time basis. Prior to May 2008, Mr. Jenkins was a Managing Director with the investment bank Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc., where he founded that firm's Private Equity Group in 1998. Mr. Jenkins has over 20 years of experience building and working with growth stage companies. As our former Chief Executive Officer, we believe Mr. Jenkins' perspective into our business is an invaluable resource for our Board.

*Charles E. Koob* joined our Board of Directors in August 2008. From 1970 to 2008, Mr. Koob practiced competition, trade regulation and antitrust law at the law firm of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett and served as the co-head of the firm's litigation department for a portion of his tenure. For much of his career, Mr. Koob served as a strategic advisor for the boards of directors of many public companies. Mr. Koob presently serves on the board of directors of MiMedx Group, Inc., a publicly traded biomedical products company, DemeRx, Inc., a privately held biotechnology company, and Stanford Hospital & Clinics, the major teaching hospital for Stanford University and its School of Medicine. As a byproduct of Mr. Koob's sophisticated former legal practice, we believe Mr. Koob offers expertise in the areas of corporate governance and organizational and strategic leadership.

*Philip A. Pizzo* joined our Board of Directors in April 2013. Dr. Pizzo served as Dean of the Stanford School of Medicine from April 2001 to December 1, 2012, where he was also the Carl and Elizabeth Naumann Professor of Pediatrics and of Microbiology and Immunology. Dr. Pizzo has devoted much of his distinguished medical career to the diagnosis, management, prevention and treatment of childhood cancers and the infectious complications that occur in children whose immune systems are compromised by cancer and AIDS. He has also been a leader in academic medicine, championing programs and policies to improve the future of science, education and healthcare in the United States and beyond. Before joining Stanford, Dr. Pizzo was the physician-in-chief of Children's Hospital in Boston and chair of the Department of Pediatrics at Harvard Medical School from 1996 to 2001. He is the author of more than 500 scientific articles and 16 books and monographs. Dr. Pizzo presently serves on the board of directors, or the equivalent governing body, of the University of Rochester, a private university, and Koc University, a private university located in Istanbul, Turkey. We believe Dr. Pizzo offers a deep understanding of medical sciences and innovation, as well as physicians and other healthcare providers who are central to the use of our products.

*Timothy T. Richards* joined our Board of Directors in March 2014. Since October 2012, Mr. Richards has served as the Senior Vice President, Commercial Operations for Seventh Sense BioSystems, Inc., a venture capital-backed start-up with a focus on point-of-care diagnostic testing, where he was recruited to build and develop the company's business development and commercial organization. Prior to joining Seventh Sense BioSystems, from October 2011 through August 2012, Mr. Richards served as President of Facet Technologies, LLC, a privately-held supplier to major diagnostic companies, where he led the company's manufacturing and supply chain platform. From November 2008 until May 2010, Mr. Richards held executive-level positions within the Covidien organization, first as U.S. President of the Patient Care & Safety Products business unit, and subsequently as President of VNUS Medical Technologies following its acquisition by Covidien in 2009. From October 2003 through October 2008, Mr. Richards served as Senior Vice President, Chief Marketing Officer and a member of the Executive Board of B. Braun Medical Inc., a leader in infusion therapy and pain management. Before joining B. Braun Medical, he held a number of progressive leadership positions throughout the U.S. and Asia with Becton Dickinson and Company. We believe Mr. Richards brings to the Board extensive leadership experience and expertise in general management, operations, commercial management and strategy in the medical device field.

Andrew K. Rooke joined our Board of Directors in July 2011. Mr. Rooke owns and manages Rooke Fiduciary Management, a private trust company, which specializes in the investment management of publicly held securities and the oversight of a multitude of trust investments. Mr. Rooke is also President and a director of Withington Foundation, a private foundation. Over the years, he has acquired, managed and sold a number of private companies as well as commercial real estate properties. Mr. Rooke was also previously employed by the former securities firm Kidder, Peabody & Co. With significant experience in financing, analyzing, investing in and managing investments in public and private companies, Mr. Rooke offers expertise in strategic and financial matters.

*Michael J. Ryan* joined our Board of Directors in May 2011. Mr. Ryan is Director of Corporate Business Development at Boston Scientific Corporation, where he leads business development activities in the fields of neuromodulation, gastroenterology, pulmonology, urology and gynecology. Prior to joining Boston Scientific in 2005, Mr. Ryan was a Senior Consultant at Decision Resources, providing management consulting services to the pharmaceutical and biotech industries. With his background, we believe Mr. Ryan offers insight into the medical device industry, particularly as it relates to neurological applications.

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*Maria Sainz* joined our Board of Directors in January 2014. Since April 2012, Ms. Sainz has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of CardioKinetix, Inc., a privately-held medical device company based in Menlo Park, California that is pioneering a catheter-based treatment for heart failure. Beginning in April 2008, she served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Concentric Medical, Inc., a privately-held medical device company focused on developing endovascular devices for revascularizing stroke patients. Ms. Sainz held that position until October 2011, when Concentric Medical was acquired by Stryker Corporation, at which time she was named General Manager of the Stryker Neurovascular business unit, a position she held until April 2012. Prior to Concentric Medical, as an advisor to Boston Scientific Corporation's Chief Operating Officer, Ms. Sainz led integration activities following Boston Scientific's acquisition of Guidant Corporation. From February 2003 through June 2006, she served as President of Guidant Corporation's Cardiac Surgery Division, during which time she successfully grew the multi-therapy division's revenue from \$90 million to \$176 million. Prior to that, from January 2001 through February 2003, Ms. Sainz served as Vice President, Global Marketing for the Vascular Intervention Division of Guidant Corporation, where she was responsible for worldwide new product and market development activities. Ms. Sainz currently serves as a director of The Spectranetics Corporation and Orthofix International N.V., both publicly-traded medical device companies, as well as a director of CardioKinetix, Inc. Ms. Sainz brings to the Board over 20 years of experience in the medical device industry having held commercial and general management positions both in the United States and Europe.

*John N. Spencer, Jr.* joined our Board of Directors in March 2010. Mr. Spencer is a certified public accountant and was a partner of Ernst & Young LLP where he spent more than 38 years until his retirement in 2000. Mr. Spencer serves on the board of directors of GeoVax Labs, Inc., a publicly traded biotechnology company, and until April 2009, served on the board of directors of Firstwave Technologies, Inc., formerly a publicly traded customer relationship management software company. In addition, he serves as a consultant to various companies, primarily relating to financial accounting and reporting matters. From November 2013 until February 2014, Mr. Spencer served as interim Chief Financial Officer of Applied Genetic Technologies Corporation, which is now a publicly traded biotechnology company, while such company was in registration with the SEC. By virtue of his experience at Ernst & Young, where he was the partner in charge of its life sciences practice for the southeastern United States, together with his continuing expertise as a director of, and a consultant to, other publicly traded and privately held companies, we believe Mr. Spencer offers expertise in accounting, finance and the medical device industry.

*Francis (Frank) P. Grillo* joined us in October 2014 as President. Mr. Grillo also became our Chief Executive Officer effective January 1, 2015. Prior to joining our company, Mr. Grillo served as Vice President, Marketing and New Business Development of Intuitive Surgical, Inc., a publicly-traded medical technology company, since August 2008. Before joining Intuitive Surgical, Mr. Grillo worked for Kyphon Inc. from February 2006 to June 2008, most recently as Vice President, Marketing and Business Development. Kyphon was a publicly-traded medical technology company prior to its acquisition by Medtronic, Inc. in November 2007. Prior to Kyphon, from September 1996 to January 2006, Mr. Grillo held various positions at Boston Scientific Corporation, most recently as Vice President, Marketing, Women's Health, Urology/Gynecology Division.

*David W. Carlson* joined us in February 2010 as Vice President, Finance and was promoted to Chief Financial Officer in April 2010. Mr. Carlson has 20 years of experience in financial leadership roles in the medical device industry. From 1999 to 2009, he served in various financial management positions as a Vice President of Finance and Senior Finance Director at Medtronic, Inc., a global leader in medical technologies. In these positions at Medtronic, he served as controller for the Spinal business, oversaw all financial and administrative functions of the Spinal business' sales organization and also served in a role focused on optimizing global financial processes. Mr. Carlson was serving as the Corporate Controller of Sofamor Danek, Inc., a then publicly traded medical device company, when it was acquired by Medtronic, Inc. in 1999. Mr. Carlson is a certified public accountant, and was formerly an auditor for PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

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*Peter G. Piferi* joined us in December 2006 as Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Piferi has over 20 years of experience in the areas of product development, operations, engineering and production in the medical device industry. From March 2003 to December 2006, Mr. Piferi served as Vice President, Endovascular Technologies for Edwards Lifesciences Corporation. In addition, Mr. Piferi has served as Vice President at Kriton Medical Inc. and Orbus Medical Technologies, Inc., and as Director of Advanced Engineering at Cordis Corporation.

*Wendelin C. Maners* joined us in December 2014 as Vice President, Marketing. Ms. Maners has more than two decades of global medical device experience focused on the marketing, acquisition, and licensing of medical device technologies. Prior to joining MRI Interventions, Ms. Maners served as Vice President, Emerging Technologies with CSA Medical, where she managed commercial marketing for the company's products, led market development efforts for the company's emerging applications in new market and disease segments and developed internal and external product training programs. Prior to her time with CSA Medical, Ms. Maners served for over 14 years in various roles at Boston Scientific Corporation, most recently as Vice President, Strategy and Business Development. During that time, she developed and executed acquisition strategies in the Neuromodulation and Electrophysiology markets, managed and built technology and venture capital business relationships to assemble a portfolio of investment options for supported divisions and served as a delegate Board member/observer for Boston Scientific investments, including Cyberonics, Northstar Neuroscience, Neuropace, Intelect Medical, IntraPace, Quallion and MRI Interventions.

*Robert C. Korn* joined us in November 2012, and he serves as our Vice President, Sales. Mr. Korn has over 20 years of experience in the health care industry focused in the medical device sales and marketing business. During his career, Mr. Korn gained experience in developing and implementing sales and marketing strategies for both Fortune 500 and startup companies. From May 2005 to November 2012, Mr. Korn served as a Regional Sales Director with Medtronic Surgical Technologies, the neurosurgery, ear, nose and throat (ENT) and advanced energy business of Medtronic, Inc. In that position, Mr. Korn managed a sales and clinical support team in the Midwest, and he was responsible for revenues in excess of \$30 million per year. While at Medtronic, Mr. Korn also worked extensively on business development and acquisition opportunities. In 2010, Mr. Korn was named to the Medtronic Corporate Neuroscience Advisory Team. Prior to joining Medtronic, from April 2004 to April 2005, Mr. Korn served as Senior Vice President for Vassol, Inc., a private company, where he was responsible for the company's sales and marketing functions. Prior to Vassol, Mr. Korn held various sales leadership positions with Codman, a Johnson & Johnson company, and he also held multiple sales and marketing positions with the Bayer Corporation's Diagnostics Division.

*Oscar L. Thomas* joined us in April 2008 as Vice President, Business Affairs. In addition, Mr. Thomas also serves as our Secretary. From January 2003 to April 2008, Mr. Thomas was a partner in the Corporate and Securities Practice Group of the law firm Bass, Berry & Sims PLC. Mr. Thomas spent 12 years in private practice representing clients in a broad range of transactions, including licensing transactions, development collaborations, joint ventures, merger and acquisition transactions, and debt and equity financings.

## **Board Composition**

Our Board of Directors consists of nine members. Each director's term of office runs from the time of his election until the next following annual meeting of our stockholders and until a successor has been elected or until the director's earlier death, resignation or removal. Our certificate of incorporation provides that the authorized number of directors may be changed only by resolution of the Board of Directors and that a director may be removed only for cause by the affirmative vote of the holders of a majority of our voting stock.

#### **Board Independence**

We have not applied to list our securities on a national securities exchange or an inter-dealer quotation system which has requirements that a majority of our Board of Directors be independent. However, for purposes of determining independence, we have adopted the provisions of Nasdaq Marketplace Rule 5605. Our Board of Directors undertook a review of the composition of our Board of Directors and its committees and the independence of each director. Based upon information requested from and provided by each director concerning his or her background, employment and affiliations, including family relationships, our Board of Directors has determined that none of Dr. Pizzo, Ms. Sainz, or Messrs. Girin, Koob, Richards, Ryan or Spencer, representing seven of our nine directors, has a relationship that would interfere with the exercise of independent judgment in carrying out the responsibilities of a director and that each of these directors is "independent" as that term is defined under Rule 5605(a)(2) of the Nasdaq Marketplace Rules. In making such determination, our Board of Directors considered the relationships that each such director has with us and all other facts and circumstances the Board of Directors deemed relevant in determining independence, including the beneficial ownership of our capital stock by each director.

#### **Board Committees**

Our Board of Directors has an audit committee, a compensation committee, and a corporate governance and nominating committee.

#### Audit Committee

Our audit committee consists of Messrs. Koob, Ryan and Spencer. Mr. Spencer serves as the Chairperson of the audit committee. The functions of the audit committee include:

- overseeing the audit and other services of our independent registered public accounting firm and being directly responsible for the appointment, compensation, retention and oversight of the independent registered public accounting firm, who will report directly to the audit committee;
- reviewing and pre-approving the engagement of our independent registered public accounting firm to perform audit services and any permissible non-audit services;
- overseeing compliance with the requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as required;
- reviewing our annual and quarterly financial statements and reports and discussing the financial statements and reports with our independent registered public accounting firm and management;
- reviewing and approving all related person transactions pursuant to our Related Party Transaction Policy;
- reviewing with our independent registered public accounting firm and management significant issues that may arise regarding accounting principles and financial statement presentation, as well as matters concerning the scope, adequacy and effectiveness of our internal controls over financial reporting;
- establishing procedures for the receipt, retention and treatment of complaints received by us regarding internal controls over financial reporting, accounting or auditing matters; and
- preparing the audit committee report for inclusion in our proxy statement for our annual meeting.

Our Board of Directors has determined that, at this time, Mr. Spencer is an audit committee financial expert within the meaning of SEC rules. Furthermore, our Board has determined that all the members of the Audit Committee satisfy the independence, experience and other requirements established by the Nasdaq Marketplace Rules, which were adopted by the Company. Our Audit Committee met four times during 2014. Both our independent registered public accounting firm and management periodically meet privately with our audit committee.

A copy of the charter for our audit committee is posted on our website at www.mriinterventions.com. The inclusion of our website address in this prospectus does not include or incorporate by reference the information on our website into this prospectus.

#### **Compensation Committee**

Our compensation committee consists of Dr. Pizzo and Messrs. Richards and Spencer. Mr. Richards serves as the Chairperson of the compensation committee. The functions of the compensation committee include:

• determining the compensation and other terms of employment of our Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers and reviewing and approving our performance goals and objectives relevant to such compensation;



- administering and implementing our incentive compensations plans and equity-based plans, including approving option grants, restricted stock and other awards;
- evaluating and recommending to our Board of Directors the equity incentive-compensation plans, equity-based plans and similar programs advisable for us, as well as modifications or terminations of our existing plans and programs;
- reviewing and approving the terms of any employment-related agreements, severance arrangements, change-in-control and similar agreements/provisions and any amendments, supplements or waivers to the foregoing agreements with our Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers;
- to the extent required, reviewing and discussing the Compensation Discussion & Analysis for our annual report and proxy statement with management and determining whether to recommend to our Board of Directors the inclusion of the Compensation Discussion & Analysis in the annual report and proxy statement; and
- to the extent required, preparing a report on executive compensation for inclusion in our proxy statement for our annual meeting.

Each member of our compensation committee is a non-employee director, as defined in Rule 16b-3 promulgated under the Exchange Ac, and an outside director, as defined pursuant to Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Furthermore, our Board of Directors has determined that Dr. Pizzo and Messrs. Richards and Spencer each satisfy the independence standards for compensation committees established by the Nasdaq Marketplace Rules. Our compensation committee met five times during 2014.

A copy of the charter for our compensation committee is posted on our website at www.mriinterventions.com. The inclusion of our website address in this prospectus does not include or incorporate by reference the information on our website into this prospectus.

## Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee

Our corporate governance and nominating committee consists of Mr. Koob, Dr. Pizzo and Ms. Sainz. Mr. Koob serves as Chairperson of the corporate governance and nominating committee. The functions of the corporate governance and nominating committee include:

- evaluating director performance on the Board of Directors and applicable committees of the Board of Directors;
- interviewing, evaluating, nominating and recommending individuals for membership on our Board of Directors;
- evaluating nominations by stockholders of candidates for election to our Board of Directors;
- reviewing and recommending to our Board of Directors any amendments to our corporate governance documents; and
- making recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding management succession planning.

Our Board of Directors has determined that Mr. Koob, Dr. Pizzo and Ms. Sainz each satisfy the independence standards for the corporate governance and nominating committees established by the Nasdaq Marketplace Rules. Our corporate governance and nominating committee met one time during 2014.

A copy of the charter for our corporate governance and nominating committee is posted on our website at www.mriinterventions.com. The inclusion of our website address in this prospectus does not include or incorporate by reference the information on our website into this prospectus.



#### Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

Our Board of Directors has adopted a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics applies to all of our employees, officers (including our principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, or persons performing similar functions), agents and representatives, including directors and consultants. The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics is posted on our website at www.mriinterventions.com. We will provide a copy of this document to any person, without charge, upon request, by writing to our Investor Relations Department, One Commerce Square, Suite 2550, Memphis, TN 38103. We intend to disclose future amendments to certain provisions of our Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, or waivers of such provisions, applicable to any principal executive officer, principal financial officer, principal accounting officer or controller, persons performing similar functions or our directors on our website identified above. The inclusion of our website address in this prospectus does not include or incorporate by reference the information on our website into this prospectus.

#### **Compensation Committee Interlocks and Insider Participation**

No member of our compensation committee has ever been an executive officer or employee of ours. None of our executive officers currently serves, or has served during the last completed fiscal year, on the compensation committee or board of directors of any other entity that has one or more executive officers serving as a member of our Board of Directors or compensation committee.

#### **Compensation Risks**

We have assessed our compensation programs and have concluded that our compensation policies and practices do not create risks that are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on us. Our compensation program is relatively simple and has only three material elements: base salary; annual bonus; and long-term equity compensation. Base salary represents a fixed amount of payment and therefore does not encourage any excessive risk taking. The compensation committee has determined annual bonus amounts by subjectively analyzing company and individual performance for the prior year and only rewarding individual and company performance that, in the opinion of the compensation committee, had a positive effect on stockholder value. The subjective nature of the compensation committee's determinations regarding both the award and the amount of annual bonus or equity grants provides a significant control over the incentive of an employee to take undue risk in order to receive a larger annual bonus or equity grant. Finally, our long-term equity compensation program serves to align the interest of management with the interests of stockholders and does not encourage excessive risk taking. Based on the foregoing, we believe that our compensation approach on the create inappropriate or unintended significant risk to the company as a whole. We also believe that our compensation arrangements provide incentives that do not encourage risk-taking beyond the organization's ability to effectively identify and manage significant risks; are compatible with effective internal controls and the risk management practices of the company; and are supported by the oversight and administration of the compensation committee with regard to executive compensation programs.

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#### **Summary Compensation Table**

The following table shows the compensation awarded or paid to, or earned by, our Chief Executive Officer and our two other most highly compensated executive officers for the years ended December 31, 2014 and 2013. We refer to these executive officers as our "named executive officers."

Name and Principal Position	Year	Salary (\$)	Bonus (\$)	Option Awards (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>		Comp	Other ensation S) <sup>(2)</sup>		Total (\$)
Kimble L. Jenkins <sup>(3)</sup>	2014	\$ 325,000	\$ -	\$ -		\$	9,994	\$	334,994
Chief Executive Officer	2013	325,000	-	58,888	(4)		66,401 (5)	)	450,289 (6)
Francis P. Grillo <sup>(7)</sup>	2014	83,686	-	1,351,200	(8)		893		1,435,779 (9)
President	2013	-	-	-			-		-
Robert C. Korn	2014	220,000	72,307 (10)	47,900	(11)		10,574		350,781 (12)
Vice President, Sales	2013	220,000	63,000 (10)	69,300	(13)		9,926		362,226 (14)

(1) These amounts do not represent cash compensation paid to the named individual. These non-cash amounts represent only the aggregate grant date fair value of the option awards as computed in accordance with the Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification, or ASC, Topic 718. For a discussion of the assumptions made in the valuation of the awards, see the discussion under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations–Critical Accounting Policies and Significant Judgments and Estimates–Share-based Compensation" and note 2 to the audited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

- (2) Until otherwise noted, these amounts consist of the group medical, life and disability premiums that we paid.
- (3) On January 1, 2015, Mr. Jenkins ceased serving as our Chief Executive Officer as Mr. Grillo assumed that position. Mr. Jenkins continues to serve as Chairman.
- (4) Does not represent cash compensation. Represents only the grant date fair value in accordance with ASC Topic 718 of an option to purchase 85,000 shares of our common stock issued to Mr. Jenkins with an exercise price of \$1.51 per share.
- (5) Of this amount, \$56,875 represents payment of the remaining amount owed from the temporary salary reduction previously taken by Mr. Jenkins to conserve cash for our operations.
- (6) Of this amount, the cash compensation paid to Mr. Jenkins totaled only \$381,875.
- (7) Mr. Grillo joined us in October 2014 as our President. Mr. Grillo also became our Chief Executive Officer effective January 1, 2015.
- (8) Does not represent cash compensation. Represents only the aggregate grant date fair value in accordance with ASC Topic 718 of options to purchase an aggregate of 2,400,000 shares of our common stock issued to Mr. Grillo with an exercise price of \$1.13 per share.
- (9) Of this amount, the cash compensation paid to Mr. Grillo totaled only \$83,686.
- (10) Represents amounts paid pursuant to Mr. Korn's sales incentive plan.
- (11) Does not represent cash compensation. Represents only the grant date fair value in accordance with ASC Topic 718 of an option to purchase 100,000 shares of our common stock issued to Mr. Korn with an exercise price of \$0.98 per share.
- (12) Of this amount, the cash compensation paid to Mr. Korn totaled only \$292,307.
- (13) Does not represent cash compensation. Represents only the grant date fair value in accordance with ASC Topic 718 of an option to purchase 100,000 shares of our common stock issued to Mr. Korn with an exercise price of \$1.51 per share.
- (14) Of this amount, the cash compensation paid to Mr. Korn totaled only \$283,000.



## **Outstanding Equity Awards at December 31, 2014**

The table below sets forth information regarding the outstanding equity awards held by our named executive officers at December 31, 2014.

		Option A	Awards	
	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)	Number of Securities Underlying Unexercised Options (#)	Option Exercise Price	Option
Name	Exercisable	Unexercisable	(\$)	Expiration Date
Kimble L. Jenkins	5,000(1)	(1)	3.20	March 28, 2017
	$2,500^{(2)}$	(2)	9.64	September 16, 2018
	$2,500^{(3)}$	(3)	9.64	November 8, 2018
	$2,500^{(4)}$	(4)	9.64	December 10, 2019
	509,200 <sup>(5)</sup>	(5)	1.80	December 13, 2020
	$160,800^{(6)}$	(6)	1.80	December 13, 2020
	200,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	100,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	1.00	April 13, 2022
	202,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	101,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	1.00	April 13, 2022
	28,334(8)	56,666 <sup>(8)</sup>	1.51	November 5, 2023
Francis P. Grillo	(9)	$2,400,000^{(9)}$	1.13	October 6, 2024
Robert C. Korn	100,000(10)	50,000(10)	1.63	November 10, 2022
	100,000(10)	50,000(10)	1.63	November 10, 2022
	33,334(8)	66,666 <sup>(8)</sup>	1.51	November 5, 2023
	(11)	100,000 <sup>(11)</sup>	0.98	November 10, 2024

(1) The vesting of shares subject to this option occurred on the date of grant, March 28, 2007.

(2) The vesting of shares subject to this option occurred on the date of grant, September 16, 2008.

- (3) The vesting of shares subject to this option occurred on the first anniversary of the date of grant, November 8, 2009.
- (4) The vesting of shares subject to this option occurred on April 22, 2010, which was the day immediately preceding the 2010 annual meeting of our stockholders.
- (5) One-third of the shares subject to this option vested on the first anniversary of the grant date, December 13, 2011. An additional one-third of the shares subject to this option vested on the second anniversary of the grant date, December 13, 2012. The remaining shares subject to this option vested on the third anniversary of the grant date, December 13, 2013.
- (6) One-third of the shares subject to this option vested on July 3, 2012, which is the date we achieved a "target equity financing," defined as one or more equity financing transactions that result in cumulative gross proceeds of at least \$10 million. An additional one-third of the shares vested on the second anniversary of the option grant date, December 13, 2012. The remaining shares subject to this option vested on the third anniversary of the grant date, December 13, 2013.
- (7) One-third of the shares subject to this option vested on the first anniversary of the grant date, April 13, 2013. An additional one-third of the shares vested on the second anniversary of the grant date, April 13, 2014. The remaining shares subject to this option will vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, April 13, 2015.
- (8) One-third of the shares subject to this option vested on the first anniversary of the grant date, November 5, 2014. The remaining shares subject to this option will vest ratably on the second and third anniversaries of the option grant date, November 5, 2015 and November 5, 2016.
- (9) The shares subject to this option will vest ratably on the first, second and third anniversaries of the option grant date, October 6, 2015, October 6, 2016 and October 6, 2017.
- (10)One-third of the shares subject to this option vested on the first anniversary of the grant date, November 10, 2013. An additional one-third of the shares vested on the second anniversary of the grant date, November 10, 2014. The remaining shares subject to this option vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, November 10, 2015.
- (11) The shares subject to this option will vest ratably on the first, second and third anniversaries of the option grant date, November 10, 2015, November 10, 2016 and November 10, 2017.

#### **Option Exercises**

None of our named executive officers exercised stock options in 2014.

### **Employment Agreements**

In June 2012, we entered into employment agreement with Mr. Jenkins. In November 2012, we entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Korn. In September 2014, we entered into an employment agreement with Mr. Grillo. The material terms of those employment agreements are summarized below.

### Term

Under each of the employment agreements, the employment of the named executive officer may be terminated by either party upon written notice to the other party.

### Compensation

The base salaries of our named executive officers, as of December 31, 2014, were as follows:

Named Executive Officer	<u>Title</u>	Base Salary <sup>(1)</sup>	<u>Bonus</u>
Kimble L. Jenkins	Chief Executive Officer <sup>(2)</sup>	\$325,000	(3)
Francis P. Grillo	President <sup>(2)</sup>	\$350,000	(4)
Robert C. Korn	Vice President, Sales	\$220,000	(5)

- (1) Each named executive officer's salary is subject to adjustment at the discretion of the compensation committee, subject to certain limitations.
- (2) On January 1, 2015, Mr. Jenkins ceased serving as our Chief Executive Officer as Mr. Grillo assumed that position. Mr. Jenkins continues to serve as Chairman. The terms of Mr. Jenkins' employment as Chairman are otherwise the same as the terms of his prior employment as Chief Executive Officer.
- (3) Mr. Jenkins is eligible for a cash bonus in an amount and upon terms and conditions determined by the compensation committee.
- (4) Starting with the fiscal year commencing on January 1, 2015 and for each year thereafter, Mr. Grillo is eligible to receive an annual target incentive bonus of 40% of his annual base salary, subject to certain performance goals to be established by the compensation committee. The amount of the incentive bonus payable to Mr. Grillo may be more or less than the target amount, depending on whether, and to what extent, applicable performance goals for such year have been achieved.
- (5) Mr. Korn is eligible for additional cash compensation under a sales incentive plan, which is targeted to yield an annual payout of at least \$100,000 for reaching targeted sales levels. The actual payout under Mr. Korn's sales incentive plan may be more or less than the targeted payout based on actual sales achieved.

In addition, each named executive officer is eligible for equity compensation in an amount and based upon goals and criteria determined by the compensation committee. Likewise, each named executive officer is entitled to participate in any benefit plan from time to time in effect for our executives and/or employees generally, subject to the eligibility provisions of that plan.

If we terminate the employment of Mr. Jenkins or Mr. Grillo without cause or if Mr. Jenkins or Mr. Grillo terminates his employment for good reason, as those terms are defined in each employment agreement, then he will be entitled to receive: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date; (ii) an amount equal to his annual base salary in effect on the termination date; (iii) an amount equal to his average bonus for the previous two years, if any, except that, in the case of Mr. Grillo, if the termination occurs during 2015, the average bonus will be deemed to be the target bonus for 2015; (iv) \$18,000; and (v) any unreimbursed business expenses to which he is entitled as of the termination date. In addition, if we terminate the employment of Mr. Jenkins or Mr. Grillo without cause or Mr. Jenkins or Mr. Grillo terminates his employment for good reason, any unvested stock options and restricted stock previously granted to him will become fully vested on the termination date and, in the case of stock options, will be exercisable until the earlier of three years after the termination date or the final expiration date provided for in the applicable award agreement.

If we terminate Mr. Korn's employment without cause, then Mr. Korn will be entitled to receive: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date; (ii) any unreimbursed business expenses to which he is entitled as of the termination date; and (iii) an amount equal to 25% of his base salary in effect on the termination date, which amount will be paid in six semi-monthly installments.

If we terminate the employment of a named executive officer with cause or if the named executive officer terminates his employment voluntarily, as those terms are defined in each employment agreement, then the named executive officer will receive only: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date; and (ii) any unreimbursed business expenses to which he is entitled as of the termination date.

### Change in Control Payments

Upon a change of control, as such term is defined in Mr. Grillo's employment agreement, any unvested stock options and restricted stock previously granted to Mr. Grillo will become fully vested. In addition, if we terminate Mr. Grillo's employment without cause, or if he terminates his employment for good reason, in either case within two months prior to or within 12 months following the change of control, then Mr. Grillo will be entitled to receive a lump sum payment equal to the sum of: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date; (ii) two times his annual base salary in effect on the termination date; (iii) two times the average of his two highest bonuses paid in the previous three years, except that if such termination occurs during 2015, the average bonus will be deemed to be the target bonus for 2015; (iv) \$18,000; and (v) any unreimbursed business expenses to which he is entitled as of the termination date.

Upon a change of control involving a sale transaction, as those terms are defined in Messrs. Jenkins' and Korn's employment agreements, any unvested stock options and restricted stock previously granted to Messrs. Jenkins and Korn will become fully vested. Upon a change of control involving a sale transaction, Mr. Jenkins will also receive a bonus in the amount of \$455,000.

In addition, if we terminate the employment of Mr. Jenkins without cause, or if Mr. Jenkins terminates his employment for good reason, in either case within two months prior to or within 12 months following the sale transaction, then he will be entitled to receive a lump sum payment equal to: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date; (ii) his COC Multiplier, which is set forth below, times his base salary in effect on the termination date; (iii) his COC Multiplier times the greater of the average of his highest two bonuses paid in the previous three years or his current year target bonus, if any; (iv) \$18,000; and (v) any unreimbursed business expenses to which he is entitled as of the termination date.

The COC Multiplier for Mr. Jenkins is based on the value of the sale transaction and is determined as follows:

Value of Sale Transaction	COC Multiplier
Less than \$30,000,000	0
\$30,000,000-\$49,999,999.99	0.5
\$50,000,000-\$69,999,999.99	0.75
\$70,000,000-\$89,999,999.99	1.0
\$90,000,000-\$109,999,999.99	1.25
\$110,000,000 or more	1.5

If we terminate Mr. Korn's employment without cause, or if Mr. Korn terminates his employment for good reason, in either case within two months prior to or within six months following the sale transaction, then he will be entitled to receive a lump sum payment equal to: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date; (ii) his COC Multiplier, which is set forth below, times his base salary in effect on the termination date; (iii) \$18,000; and (iv) any unreimbursed business expenses to which he is entitled as of the termination date.

Mr. Korn's COC Multiplier is based on the value of the sale transaction and is determined as follows:

Value of Sale Transaction	COC Multiplier
Less than \$60,000,000	0
\$60,000,000-\$99,999,999.99	0.5
\$100,000,000-\$139,999,999.99	0.75
\$140,000,000-\$179,999,999.99	1.0
\$180,000,000-\$219,999,999.99	1.25
\$220,000,000 or more	1.5

Upon a change of control not involving a sale transaction, any unvested stock options and restricted stock previously granted to Messrs. Jenkins and Korn will become fully vested. In addition, if we terminate the employment of Mr. Jenkins without cause, or if Mr. Jenkins terminates his employment for good reason, in either case within two months prior to or within 12 months following the change of control, then he will be entitled to receive a lump sum payment equal to: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date; (ii) two times his base salary in effect on the termination date; (iii) two times the greater of the average of his two highest bonuses paid in the previous three years or his current year target bonus, if any; (iv) \$18,000; and (v) any unreimbursed business expenses to which he is entitled as of the termination date. Likewise, if we terminate Mr. Korn's employment without cause, or if Mr. Korn terminates his employment for good reason, in either case within two months prior to or within six months following the change of control, then he will be entitled to receive a lump sum payment equal to: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date. Likewise, if we terminate Mr. Korn's employment without cause, or if Mr. Korn terminates his employment for good reason, in either case within two months prior to or within six months following the change of control, then he will be entitled to receive a lump sum payment equal to: (i) any portion of base salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the termination date; (ii) 50% of his base salary in effect on the termination date; (iii) \$18,000; and (iv) any unreimbursed business expenses to which he is entitled as of the termination date.

For purposes of these benefits, a change of control is deemed to occur, in general, if there is: (1) a change in our ownership; (2) a change in our effective control; or (3) a change in the ownership of a substantial portion of our assets. For purposes of this definition, a change in our ownership will occur on the date on which any one person, or more than one person acting as a group, acquires ownership of our stock that, together with stock already held by such person or group, constitutes more than 50% of the total fair market value or total voting power of our stock. A change in our effective control will occur on the date on which either (i) a person, or more than one person acting as a group, acquires ownership of our stock possessing 30% or more of the total voting power of our stock, taking into account all such stock acquired during the 12-month period ending on the date of the most recent acquisition, or (ii) a majority of the members of our assets will occur on the date on which any one person, or more than one person acting as a group, other than a person or group of persons that is related to us, acquires assets from us that have a total gross fair market value equal to or more than 40% of the total gross fair market value of all of our assets acquired during the 12-month period such acquisition, a change in the ownership of a substantial portion of our assets will occur on the date of the appointment or election. A change in the ownership of a substantial portion of our assets will occur on the date on which any one person, or more than one person acting as a group, of the total gross fair market value equal to or more than 40% of the total gross fair market value of all of our assets acquired during the 12-month period ending on acquisitions, taking into account all such assets acquired during the 12-month period such acquisition or acquisitions, taking into account all such assets acquired during the 12-month period ending on the cate of the most recent acquisition.

## Non-Competition; Non-Solicitation; Confidentiality; Assignment of Inventions

In connection with their employment agreements, each of the executives also entered into a confidentiality agreement and noncompete agreement, which agreements impose on the executive customary restrictive covenants prohibiting the disclosure of our confidential information, requiring the executive to assign us any invention discovered in the scope of his employment, prohibiting him from competing with us during the term of his employment and for one year following the termination of his employment, and prohibiting him from soliciting our employees, consultants and contractors during the term of his employment and for two years following the termination of his employment.

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### 2014 Director Compensation

The following table sets forth information with respect to the compensation of our non-employee directors in 2014.

Name	or	Earned Paid in Cash (\$)	Option Awards (\$) <sup>(1)</sup>	All Other Compensatior (\$)	1	Total (\$)
Paul A. Bottomley <sup>(2)</sup>	\$	4,333	\$-	\$	-	\$ 4,333
Pascal E.R. Girin <sup>(3)</sup>		6,391 <sup>(4)</sup>	22,185(5)		-	28,576
Charles E. Koob		29,367(6)	7,686 <sup>(7)</sup>		-	37,053
Michael A. Pietrangelo <sup>(8)</sup>		18,304 <sup>(9)</sup>	7,686 <sup>(7)</sup>		-	25,990
Philip A. Pizzo		25,000(10)	7,686 <sup>(7)</sup>		-	32,686
Timothy T. Richards <sup>(11)</sup>		18,167(12)	37,841(13)	)	-	56,008
Andrew K. Rooke		18,900 <sup>(14)</sup>	7,686(7)		-	26,586
Michael J. Ryan		19,804(15)	7,686(7)		-	27,490
Maria Sainz		21,600 <sup>(16)</sup>	40,991(17)	)	-	62,591
John N. Spencer, Jr.		30,100 <sup>(18)</sup>	7,686 <sup>(7)</sup>		-	37,786

<sup>(1)</sup> These amounts do not represent cash compensation paid to the named individuals. These non-cash amounts represent the aggregate grant date fair value of option awards as computed in accordance with ASC Topic 718. For a discussion of the assumptions made in the valuation of the awards, see the discussion under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations–Critical Accounting Policies and Significant Judgments and Estimates–Share-based Compensation" and note 2 to the audited financial statements included elsewhere in this prospectus.

- (2) Dr. Bottomley resigned as a director of the Company in March 2014. Dr. Bottomley elected to step down from our Board of Directors simply to give Mr. Richards the opportunity to serve on the Board. Dr. Bottomley's resignation was not the result of any disagreement with us, our management or our operations, policies or practices.
- (3) Mr. Girin joined the Board of Directors in September 2014.
- (4) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Mr. Girin elected to receive 6,844 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$6,391.
- (5) Represents the grant date fair value of a stock option to purchase 45,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.97 per share, which option was granted to Mr. Girin when he became a director in September 2014.
- (6) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Mr. Koob elected to receive 27,553 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$29,367.
- (7) Represents the grant date fair value of a stock option grant following our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which entitles the director to purchase 20,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.80 per share.
- (8) Mr. Pietrangelo resigned as a director of the Company in September 2014. Mr. Pietrangelo elected to step down from our Board of Directors simply to give Mr. Girin the opportunity to serve on the Board. Mr. Pietrangelo's resignation was not the result of any disagreement with us, our management or our operations, policies or practices.
- (9) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Mr. Pietrangelo elected to receive 16,043 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$18,304.
- (10) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Dr. Pizzo elected to receive 15,547 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$16,667.
- (11) Mr. Richards joined the Board of Directors in March 2014.
- (12) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Mr. Richards elected to receive 11,816 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$12,111.

- (13) Includes the grant date fair value of Mr. Richards' stock option grant following our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which entitles him to purchase 20,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.80 per share. Also includes the grant date fair value of a stock option to purchase 45,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$1.33 per share, which option was granted to Mr. Richards when he became a director in March 2014.
- (14) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Mr. Rooke elected to receive 17,774 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$18,900.
- (15) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Mr. Ryan elected to receive 12,516 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$13,203.
- (16) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Ms. Sainz elected to receive 13,451 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$14,400.
- (17) Includes the grant date fair value of Ms. Sainz's stock option grant following our 2014 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, which entitles her to purchase 20,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.80 per share. Also includes the grant date fair value of a stock option to purchase 45,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$1.46 per share, which option was granted to Ms. Sainz when she became a director in January 2014.
- (18) Under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan, Mr. Spencer elected to receive 18,852 shares of our common stock in lieu cash fees totaling \$20,067.

# **Benefit Plans**

## 2007 Stock Incentive Plan

We adopted the 2007 Stock Incentive Plan in March 2007 to enable us to attract, retain and motivate our officers, directors, employees and consultants. Of the 625,000 shares of common stock that were eligible for issuance pursuant to awards made under this plan, 93,625 shares of common stock were subject to options outstanding as of December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstanding options had a weighted average exercise price of \$6.04 per share and had expiration dates ranging from March 2017 to December 2019. Although this plan remains in effect and options under the plan remain outstanding, we ceased making awards under the plan upon the adoption of our 2010 Incentive Compensation Plan.

## 2010 Equity Plans

We adopted our 2010 Incentive Compensation Plan in April 2010, and we adopted our 2010 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan in December 2010. The principal purpose of both plans was to attract, retain and motivate selected employees, consultants and directors through the granting of stock-based compensation awards. Of the 1,250,000 shares of common stock that were eligible for issuance pursuant to awards made under the 2010 Incentive Compensation Plan, 449,450 shares of common stock were subject to options outstanding as of December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstanding options had exercise prices of \$1.80 per share and had expiration dates of December 2020. Of the 2,565,675 shares of common stock were subject to options outstanding December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstand stock were subject to options outstanding December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstand stock were subject to options outstanding December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstand stock were subject to options outstanding December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstand stock were subject to options outstanding December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstand stock were subject to options outstanding December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstanding options had exercise prices of \$1.80 per share and had expiration dates of December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstanding options had exercise prices of \$1.80 per share and had expiration dates of December 2020. Although these plans remain in effect and options under the plans remain outstanding, we ceased making awards under these plans upon the adoption of our 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan.

#### 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan

We adopted our 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan in February 2012. The principal purpose of the plan was to attract, retain and motivate selected employees, consultants and directors through the granting of stock-based compensation awards. Of the 3,000,000 shares of common stock that were eligible for issuance pursuant to awards made under this plan, 2,896,067 shares were subject to options outstanding as of December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstanding options had a weighted average exercise price of \$1.04 per share and had expiration dates ranging from April 2022 to May 2023. Although this plan remains in effect and options under the plan remain outstanding, we ceased making awards under the plan upon stockholder approval of our 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan.

#### 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan

We adopted our 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan, or the "2013 Plan," in March 2013. The principal purpose of the 2013 Plan is to attract, retain and motivate selected employees, consultants and directors through the granting of stock-based compensation awards and cash-based performance bonus awards. The 2013 Plan is also designed to permit us to make cash-based awards and equity-based awards intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) of the Code.

*Eligibility.* Awards may be granted under the 2013 Plan to officers, directors (including non-employee directors) and other employees of the Company or any of our subsidiaries or other affiliates, and to any individual who is an advisor, consultant or other provider of services to us or any of our subsidiaries or other affiliates. Only our employees or those of any of our subsidiaries are eligible to receive incentive stock options.

Administration, Amendment and Termination. Our compensation committee has the power and authority to administer the 2013 Plan. The compensation committee has the authority to interpret the terms and intent of the 2013 Plan, determine eligibility for and terms of awards for participants and make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the 2013 Plan. To the extent permitted by law, our compensation committee may delegate authority under the 2013 Plan to our Chief Executive Officer or to our other executive officers under conditions and limitations the compensation committee may establish.

The compensation committee may amend, suspend or terminate the 2013 Plan at any time with respect to any shares of common stock as to which awards have not been made. However, no amendment may be made without the approval of the Company's stockholders if the amendment would increase the total number of shares reserved for the purposes of the 2013 Plan or change the maximum number of shares for which awards may be granted to any participant (which does not include adjustments made by the compensation committee in the event of certain changes in our capitalization, as described below).

*Awards*. Awards under the 2013 Plan may be made in the form of: options; stock appreciation rights; stock awards; restricted share units; cash bonuses; or other incentive awards granted under the 2013 Plan; whether singly, in combination, or in tandem. Any of the foregoing awards may be made subject to attainment of performance goals over any applicable performance period.

*Shares Subject to the Plan.* The aggregate number of shares of our common stock that may be issued initially pursuant to awards under the 2013 Plan is 1,250,000 shares. The maximum number of shares that may be issued pursuant to the exercise of incentive stock options under the 2013 Plan is 1,250,000 shares. Shares issued under the 2013 Plan may be authorized but unissued shares or treasury shares. Any shares covered by an award, or portion of an award, granted under the 2013 Plan that is forfeited or canceled or expires will be deemed not to have been issued for purposes of determining the maximum number of shares available for issuance under the plan. Of the 1,250,000 shares of common stock that are eligible for issuance pursuant to awards made under the 2013 Plan, 1,038,167 shares of common stock were subject to options outstanding as of December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstanding options had a weighted average exercise price of \$1.34 per share and had expiration dates ranging from April 2023 to October 2024. No awards other than options were outstanding under the 2013 Plan as of December 31, 2014.

Adjustment of Shares Subject to 2013 Plan. In the event of certain changes in our capitalization, the compensation committee will adjust, among other award terms, the number and kind of shares or property that may be delivered in connection with awards and the exercise price, grant price or purchase price relating to any award in such manner as the compensation committee determines to be necessary to prevent dilution or enlargement of the rights of participants.

Effect of Change of Control. Upon the occurrence of a change of control, the compensation committee may:

• accelerate, vest or cause the restrictions to lapse with respect to all or any portion of an award under the 2013 Plan;



- cancel such awards for fair value (as determined by the compensation committee);
- provide for the issuance of substitute awards that will substantially preserve the otherwise applicable terms of any affected awards previously granted under the 2013 Plan, as determined by the compensation committee; or
- provide that for a period of at least 10 days prior to the change of control, option awards will be exercisable as to all shares of common stock subject thereto and that upon the occurrence of the change of control, such awards will terminate and be of no further force or effect.

*Corporate Performance Objectives.* Section 162(m) of the Code limits public companies to an annual deduction for federal income tax purposes of \$1,000,000 for compensation paid to their Chief Executive Officer and, based on recent IRS interpretation, the three most highly compensated executive officers determined at the end of each year. Performance-based compensation is excluded from this limitation. The 2013 Plan is designed to permit the compensation committee to grant awards that qualify as performance-based compensation for purposes of satisfying the conditions of Section 162(m).

## 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan

We adopted our 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan, or the "Director Equity Plan," in December 2013. The principal purpose of the Director Equity Plan is to aid the Company in recruiting, retaining and motivating non-employee directors of outstanding ability through the granting of stock-based awards.

Eligibility. Only our non-employee directors are eligible to receive awards under the Director Equity Plan.

Administration, Amendment and Termination. Our compensation committee has the power and authority to administer the Director Equity Plan. The compensation committee has the authority to interpret the terms and intent of the plan, determine the terms of awards for participants and make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the plan. The compensation committee may amend, suspend or terminate the Director Equity Plan at any time with respect to any shares of common stock as to which awards have not been made.

*Awards*. Awards under the Director Equity Plan may be made in the form of: options; stock appreciation rights; stock awards; or restricted share units; whether singly, in combination, or in tandem.

*Shares Subject to the Plan.* The aggregate number of shares of our common stock that may be issued initially pursuant to awards under the Director Equity Plan is 570,000 shares. Shares issued under the Director Equity Plan may be authorized but unissued shares or treasury shares. Any shares covered by an award, or portion of an award, granted under the Director Equity Plan that is forfeited or canceled or expires will be deemed not to have been issued for purposes of determining the maximum number of shares available for issuance under the plan. Of the 570,000 shares of common stock that are eligible for issuance pursuant to awards made under the Director Equity Plan, 295,000 shares of common stock were subject to options outstanding as of December 31, 2014. As of such date, the outstanding options had a weighted average exercise price of \$1.01 per share and had expiration dates ranging from January 2024 to September 2024. No awards other than options were outstanding under the Director Equity Plan as of December 31, 2014.

Adjustment of Shares Subject to the Plan. In the event of certain changes in our capitalization, the Compensation Committee will adjust, among other award terms, the number and kind of shares or property that may be delivered in connection with awards and the exercise price, grant price or purchase price relating to any award in such manner as the Compensation Committee determines to be necessary to prevent dilution or enlargement of the rights of participants.



Effect of Change of Control. Upon the occurrence of a change of control, the compensation committee may:

- accelerate, vest or cause the restrictions to lapse with respect to all or any portion of an award under the Director Equity Plan;
- cancel such awards for fair value (as determined by the compensation committee);
- provide for the issuance of substitute awards that will substantially preserve the otherwise applicable terms of any affected awards previously granted under the Director Equity Plan, as determined by the compensation committee; or
- provide that for a period of at least 10 days prior to the change of control, option awards will be exercisable as to all shares of common stock subject thereto and that upon the occurrence of the change of control, such awards will terminate and be of no further force or effect.

### Key Personnel Incentive Program

We adopted Key Personnel Incentive Program, or the KPIP, to provide a consultant and an employee, who at the time of adoption of the KPIP were key to our development and licensing activities, with the opportunity to receive incentive bonus payments upon a consummation of a sale transaction, as defined in the KPIP. The compensation committee is responsible for administering the program, and the only participants in the program are Paul A. Bottomley and Parag Karmarkar. The program will terminate on the earlier of December 31, 2025 or the occurrence of a sale transaction.

In the event of a sale transaction, each of the participants will be entitled to receive a bonus payment under the program as of the date of the transaction. Mr. Karmarkar would receive a bonus equal to \$1,000,000. Dr. Bottomley would receive a bonus equal to (i) \$1,000,000, plus (ii) 1.4% of the amount by which the "net proceeds" from the sale transaction exceed \$50,000,000, but not to exceed \$700,000. For purposes of the KPIP, the "net proceeds" from a sale transaction will be the portion of the aggregate cash and non-cash consideration paid or payable in connection with the consummation of the sale transaction that is distributed, or otherwise available for distribution, to holders of our common stock.

#### Cardiac EP Business Participation Plan

In June 2010, we adopted the Cardiac EP Business Participation Plan, or the EP Participation Plan, to enable us to provide a key product development advisor and consultant with financial rewards in the event we sell our business operations relating to catheter-based MRI-guided cardiac ablation to treat cardiac arrhythmias, which we refer to as our cardiac EP business operations. The cardiac EP business operations include our operations relating to our ClearTrace system for MRI-guided cardiac ablation to treat cardiac arrhythmias, which system remains under development, but it does not include our operations relating to our ClearPoint system or any other product or product candidate. The sole participant in the EP Participation Plan is Dr. Nassir F. Marrouche.

In the event we sell our cardiac EP business operations, whether on a stand-alone basis or as part of the sale of our entire company, the participant will receive a payment under the EP Participation Plan equal to (i) the transaction value paid for or allocated to the cardiac EP business operations in the sale, multiplied by (ii) the participant's "participation interest" at the time of the sale. The participant was initially awarded a participation interest of 6.6%. Pursuant to the terms of the EP Participation Plan, that percentage interest is equitably reduced from time to time to take into account equity financing transactions in which we issue shares of our common stock or securities convertible into shares of our common stock in exchange for cash proceeds. As of December 31, 2014, the participant's participation interest was 2.5%. The plan will terminate on June 2, 2025.

# 401(k) Plan

We offer a 401(k) plan pursuant to Section 401(k) of the Code. All full time United States employees are eligible to participate in the plan. The plan permits pretax contributions by participants not to exceed annual amounts allowable under the Code. Participants are fully vested in their contributions.



### Limitations on Directors' Liability and Indemnification Agreements

As permitted by Delaware law, we have adopted provisions in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws that limit or eliminate the personal liability of directors for a breach of their fiduciary duty of care as a director. The duty of care generally requires that, when acting on behalf of the corporation, a director exercise an informed business judgment based on all material information reasonably available to him or her. Consequently, a director will not be personally liable to us or our stockholders for monetary damages or breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability for any:

- breach of the director's duty of loyalty to us or our stockholders;
- act or omission not in good faith or that involves intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- act related to unlawful stock repurchases, redemptions or other distributions or payments of dividends; or
- transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

These limitations of liability do not limit or eliminate our rights or any stockholder's rights to seek non-monetary relief, such as injunctive relief or rescission. These provisions will not alter a director's liability under federal securities laws. Our certificate of incorporation also authorizes us to indemnify our officers, directors and other agents to the fullest extent permitted under Delaware law.

As permitted by Delaware law, our bylaws also provide that:

- we will indemnify our directors, officers, employees and other agents to the fullest extent permitted by law;
- we may advance expenses to our directors, officers, employees and other agents in connection with a legal proceeding to the fullest extent permitted by law; and
- the rights provided in our bylaws are not exclusive.

We believe that indemnification under our bylaws covers at least negligence and gross negligence on the part of indemnified parties. Our bylaws also permit us to secure insurance on behalf of any officer, director, employee or other agent for any liability arising out of his or her actions in connection with their services to us, regardless of whether our bylaws permit such indemnification. We have obtained such insurance.

In addition to the indemnification provided for in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, we have entered into separate indemnification agreements with each of our directors and executive officers. These indemnification agreements may require us, among other things, to indemnify our directors and officers for some expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and settlement amounts incurred by a director or officer in any action or proceeding arising out of his or her service as one of our directors or officers, or any of our subsidiaries or any other company or enterprise to which the person provides services at our request. We believe that these provisions and agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified individuals to serve as directors and officers. There is no pending litigation or proceeding involving any of our directors or officers to which indemnification is required or permitted, and we are not aware of any threatened litigation or proceeding that may result in a claim for indemnification.



## CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS

#### **Policies and Procedures for Related Person Transactions**

We adopted a related person transactions policy, pursuant to which our executive officers, directors and principal stockholders, including their immediate family members, are not permitted to enter into a related person transaction with us without the consent of our audit committee. Any request for us to enter into a transaction with an executive officer, director, principal stockholder or any of such persons' immediate family members, other than a transaction available to all employees generally or involving less than \$5,000 when aggregated with similar transactions, must be presented to our audit committee for review, consideration and approval, unless the transaction involves an employment or other compensatory arrangement approved by our compensation committee. All of our directors, executive officers and employees are required to report to our audit committee any such related person transaction. In approving or rejecting the proposed agreement, our audit committee will take into account, among other factors it deems appropriate, whether the proposed related person transaction is on terms no less favorable than terms generally available to an unaffiliated third party under the same or similar circumstances, the extent of the person's interest in the transaction and, if applicable, the impact on a director's independence. After consideration of these and other factors, the audit committee may approve or reject the transaction. Consistent with the policy, if we should discover related person transactions that have not been approved, the audit committee will be notified and will determine the appropriate action, including ratification, rescission or amendment of the transaction.

#### **Related Person Transactions**

The following is a description of transactions since January 1, 2012 to which we have been a party, in which the amount involved in the transaction exceeds \$67,000, which is 1% of the average of our total assets at year-end for our 2012 and 2013 fiscal years, and in which any of our executive officers, directors and principal stockholders, including their immediate family members, had or will have a direct or indirect material interest.

On May 9, 2012, we issued an aggregate of 1,250,000 warrants to two non-employee directors, Bruce C. Conway and Andrew K. Rooke, in recognition of their long-standing support of the company. The warrants were fully vested and exercisable upon issuance, have an exercise price of \$1.00 per share and have a term of five years.

In July 2012, we entered into securities purchase agreements with certain investors for the sale of shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase shares of our common stock in a private placement offering. In the offering, we sold to the investors 5,454,523 shares of common stock, together with warrants to purchase 2,727,274 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$6.0 million. The warrants were fully vested and exercisable upon issuance, have a term of five years from the date of issuance and had an original exercise price of \$1.45 per share. As a result of our January 2013 financing, described below, the exercise price of the warrants has been adjusted to \$1.41 per share. Four of our non-employee directors, Bruce C. Conway, James K. Malernee, Jr., Michael A. Pietrangelo and John N. Spencer, Jr., invested \$269,980 in the offering and acquired, in the aggregate, 245,435 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 122,718 shares of our common stock.

In January 2013, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain investors for the sale of shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase shares of our common stock in a private placement offering. In the offering, we sold to the investors 9,201,684 shares of common stock, together with warrants to purchase 4,600,842 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$11.0 million. The warrants were fully vested and exercisable upon issuance, have a term of five years from the date of issuance and have an exercise price of \$1.75 per share. Four of our non-employee directors, Bruce C. Conway, James K. Malernee, Jr., Michael A. Pietrangelo and John N. Spencer, Jr., invested \$402,000 in the offering and acquired, in the aggregate, 335,000 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 167,500 shares of our common stock.

In March 2014, we entered into securities purchase agreements with certain investors for the sale of 12% second-priority, secured non-convertible promissory notes due 2019 and warrants to purchase shares of our common stock in a private placement offering. In the offering, we sold to the investors notes in an aggregate principal amount of \$3,725,000, together with warrants to purchase 1,117,500 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$3,725,000. The warrants were fully vested and exercisable upon issuance, have a term of five years from the date of issuance and have an exercise price of \$1.75 per share. One of our directors, Michael A. Pietrangelo, and a trust for which another of our directors, Andrew K. Rooke, serves as trustee, invested \$1,100,000 in the offering and acquired notes in a total aggregate principal amount of \$1,100,000 and warrants to purchase 330,000 shares of our common stock.

In December 2014, we entered into a securities purchase agreement with certain investors for the sale of shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase shares of our common stock in a private placement offering. In the offering, we sold to the investors 15,812,808 shares of common stock, together with warrants to purchase 6,325,125 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$10.2 million. The warrants were fully vested and exercisable upon issuance, have a term of five years from the date of issuance and have an exercise price of \$0.858 per share. One of our non-employee directors, Maria Sainz, and a beneficial owner of more than five percent of our common stock, Bruce C. Conway, invested \$1,015,500 in the offering and acquired, in the aggregate, 1,578,088 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 631,236 shares of our common stock.

In connection with our December 2014 financing, we entered into derivative restriction agreements with each of our directors and executive officers. Under the derivative restriction agreements, each director and executive officer is prohibited from exercising his or her outstanding options and warrants for shares of our common stock until our certificate of incorporation has been amended to provide a number of authorized shares sufficient to permit us to reserve shares of our common stock for exercise of such options and warrants. Derivative restriction agreements were entered into with respect to 9,141,250 shares underlying outstanding options and warrants held by our directors and executive officers. The purpose of the derivative restriction agreements was to ensure a sufficient number of authorized, unissued and unreserved shares of common stock to enable us to consummate the December 2014 financing.

In addition to the disclosure above, the terms of the Key Personnel Incentive Plan, which is more fully described in the section entitled "Benefit Plans—Key Personnel Incentive Plan," is incorporated and restated herein.

## **Indemnification Agreements**

We have entered into separate indemnification agreements with each of our directors and executive officers, in addition to the indemnification provided for in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws. See "Management—Limitations on Directors' Liability and Indemnification Agreements."

## PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS

The following table sets forth information as of December 31, 2014 regarding the beneficial ownership of our common stock by:

- each person, or group of affiliated persons, who is known by us to own beneficially five percent or more of our common stock;
- each of our directors;
- each of our named executive officers; and
- all our directors and executive officers as a group.

Percentage ownership calculations for beneficial ownership are based on 74,842,428 shares outstanding as of December 31, 2014.

Except as otherwise indicated below, the address of each officer, director and five percent stockholder listed below is c/o MRI Interventions, Inc., 5 Musick, Irvine, CA 92618.

We have determined beneficial ownership in accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission. These rules generally attribute beneficial ownership of securities to persons who possess sole or shared voting power or investment power with respect to those securities. In addition, the rules include shares of common stock issuable pursuant to the exercise of stock options and warrants that are either immediately exercisable or exercisable within 60 days of December 31, 2014. These shares are deemed to be outstanding and beneficially owned by the person holding those options or warrants for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of that person, but they are not treated as outstanding for the purpose of computing the percentage ownership of any other person. Unless otherwise indicated, the persons or entities identified in this table have sole voting and investment power with respect to all shares shown as beneficially owned by them.

Beneficial Owner	Number of Shares Owned	% of Shares Outstanding
5% Stockholders		
Bruce C. Conway	7,007,414 (1)	9.2
5403 Drane Dr.		
Dallas, TX 75209		
Directors and Named Executive Officers		
Kimble L. Jenkins	100,969 (2)	2.8
Pascal E.R. Girin	6,844	*
Charles E. Koob	666,878 <sup>(3)</sup>	*
Philip A. Pizzo	58,337 (4)	*
Timothy T. Richards	11,816	*
Andrew K. Rooke	6,785,331 <sup>(5)</sup>	8.9
Michael J. Ryan	76,222 (6)	*
Maria Sainz	61,085 (7)	*
John N. Spencer, Jr.	223,938 (8)	*
Francis P. Grillo		-
Robert C. Korn	233,334 <sup>(9)</sup>	*
All directors and executive officers as group (15 persons)	12,781,112 (10)	15.9

<sup>\*</sup> Represents beneficial ownership of less than 1% of our outstanding common stock.

(2) Includes 1,112,834 shares that Mr. Jenkins has the right to acquire through the exercise of options.

- (4) Includes 35,000 shares that Dr. Pizzo has the right to acquire through the exercise of options.
- (5) Includes 500,000 shares owned by Payne Partners, LLC, 340,102 shares owned by Withington Foundation, 2,058,207 shares owned by Rooke Fiduciary Management, 1,000,000 shares that Mr. Rooke has the right to acquire through the exercise of warrants, 50,000 shares that Mr. Rooke has the right to acquire through the exercise of options and 300,000 shares that the Robert L. and Alice W. Rooke Trust, for which Mr. Rooke serves as trustee, has the right to acquire through the exercise of warrants. Mr. Rooke has voting and investment power over the shares owned by Payne Partners, LLC, Withington Foundation and Rooke Fiduciary Management, as well as any shares acquired by the Robert L. and Alice W. Rooke Trust through the exercise of warrants. Also includes 1,577,832 shares owned by 12 trusts established for the benefit of Mr. Rooke and his family members. Mr. Rooke is the trustee of each of those trusts and he has voting and investment power of each trust's shares.

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes 35,000 shares jointly held with his spouse, 427,500 shares held solely by his spouse, 971,912 shares that Mr. Conway has the right to acquire through the exercise of warrants, 45,000 shares that Mr. Conway has the right to acquire through the exercise of options and 1,795,000 shares in the aggregate owned by the Alden M. Conway Trust, the Chase T. Conway Trust, the Merritt Elizabeth Conway Trust, the Edna N. Conway Irrevocable Trust FBO Alden M. Conway, the Edna N. Conway Irrevocable Trust FBO Chase T. Conway, the Edna N. Conway Irrevocable Trust FBO Merritt Elizabeth Conway and the Conway Family GST Trust. Mr. Conway is the trustee of each of the aforementioned trusts and has voting and investment power of each trust's shares, which are held in trust for the benefit of members of his family. Also includes 70,000 shares owned by the BCC Life Insurance Trust, which shares are held in trust for the benefit of Mr. Conway's children. A third party serves as trustee for such trust. Does not take into account limitations on exercise that are contained in certain warrants to purchase shares of our common stock that Mr. Conway holds.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes 20,000 shares held jointly with his spouse and 108,750 shares that Mr. Koob has the right to acquire through the exercise of options.

- (6) Includes 50,000 shares that Mr. Ryan has the right to acquire through the exercise of options.
- (7) Includes 9,324 shares that Ms. Sainz has the right to acquire through the exercise of warrants, and 15,000 shares that Ms. Sainz has the right to acquire through the exercise of options.
- (8) Includes 89,197 shares jointly held with his spouse, 7,500 shares held in his daughter's IRA, 9,991 shares that Mr. Spencer and his spouse have the right to acquire through the exercise of warrants, and 100,000 shares that Mr. Spencer has the right to acquire through the exercise of options.
- (9) Includes 233,334 shares that Mr. Korn has the right to acquire through the exercise of options.
- (10) Includes 2,898,309 shares owned by entities controlled by a director, 1,577,832 shares owned by trusts, 5,298,902 shares issuable upon the exercise of options and warrants held by directors and executive officers, and 300,000 shares issuable upon the exercise of warrants held by a trust.

# DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

### **Common Stock**

Under our certificate of incorporation, we have 100,000,000 authorized shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value per share.

### Voting Rights

Each holder of our common stock is entitled to one vote for each share on all matters submitted to a vote of the stockholders, including the election of directors. Under our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, our stockholders do not have cumulative voting rights. Because of this, the holders of a majority of the shares of common stock entitled to vote in any election of directors can elect all of the directors standing for election, if they should so choose.

### Dividends

Subject to preferences that may be applicable to any then outstanding preferred stock, holders of common stock are entitled to receive ratably those dividends, if any, as may be declared from time to time by the Board of Directors out of legally available funds.

#### Liquidation

In the event of our liquidation, dissolution or winding up, holders of common stock will be entitled to share ratably in the net assets legally available for distribution to stockholders after the payment of all of our debts and other liabilities and the satisfaction of any liquidation preference granted to the holders of any outstanding shares of preferred stock.

## **Rights and Preferences**

Holders of common stock have no preemptive, conversion or subscription rights, and there are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to the common stock. The rights, preferences and privileges of the holders of common stock are subject to, and may be adversely affected by, the rights of the holders of shares of any series of preferred stock that we may designate in the future.

## Fully Paid and Nonassessable

All of our outstanding shares of common stock are fully paid and nonassessable.

### **Preferred Stock**

Under our certificate of incorporation, we have 25,000,000 authorized shares of preferred stock, \$0.01 par value per share. The Board of Directors has the authority, without further action by the stockholders, to issue up to that number of shares of preferred stock in one or more series, to establish from time to time the number of shares to be included in each such series, to fix the rights, preferences and privileges of the shares of each wholly unissued series and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereon, and to increase or decrease the number of shares of any such series, but not below the number of shares of such series then outstanding. The Board of Directors may authorize the issuance of preferred stock with voting or conversion rights that could adversely affect the voting power or other rights of the holders of the common stock. The issuance of preferred stock, while providing flexibility in connection with possible acquisitions and other corporate purposes, could, among other things, have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in control of the company and may adversely affect the market price of our common stock and the voting and other rights of the holders of our common stock.

### Delaware Anti-Takeover Law and Certain Provisions of our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws

#### Delaware Law

We are governed by Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law. In general, Section 203 prohibits a public Delaware corporation from engaging in a "business combination" with an "interested stockholder" for a period of three years after the date of the transaction in which the person became an interested stockholder, unless the business combination is approved in a prescribed manner. A "business combination" includes mergers, asset sales or other transactions resulting in a financial benefit to the stockholder. An "interested stockholder" is a person who, together with affiliates and associates, owns, or within three years, did own, 15% or more of the corporation's outstanding voting stock. These provisions may have the effect of delaying, deferring or preventing a change in our control.

### Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaw Provisions

Our certificate of incorporation:

- permits our Board of Directors to issue shares of preferred stock, with any rights, preferences and privileges as they may
  designate, including the right to approve an acquisition or other change in our control;
- provides that the authorized number of directors may be changed only by resolution of the Board of Directors;
- provides that all vacancies, including newly created directorships, may, except as otherwise required by law, be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of directors then in office, even if less than a quorum;
- requires that any action to be taken by our stockholders must be effected at a duly called annual or special meeting of stockholders and not be taken by written consent;
- provides that stockholders seeking to present proposals before a meeting of stockholders or to nominate candidates for election as directors at a meeting of stockholders must provide notice in writing in a timely manner, and also specify requirements as to the form and content of a stockholder's notice;
- does not provide for cumulative voting rights (therefore allowing the holders of a majority of the shares of common stock entitled to vote in any election of directors to elect all of the directors standing for election, if they should so choose);
- provides that special meetings of our stockholders may be called only by the chairman of the Board of Directors, our Chief Executive Officer or by the Board of Directors pursuant to a resolution adopted by a majority of the total number of authorized directors; and



 provides that stockholders will be permitted to amend our amended and restated bylaws only upon receiving at least 66 2/3% of the votes entitled to be cast by holders of all outstanding shares then entitled to vote generally in the election of directors, voting together as a single class.

These and other provisions contained in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws could delay or discourage some types of transactions involving an actual or potential change in our control or change in our management, including transactions in which stockholders might otherwise receive a premium for their shares over then current prices, and may limit the ability of stockholders to remove current management or approve transactions that stockholders may deem to be in their best interests and, therefore, could adversely affect the price of our common stock.

#### **Transfer Agent and Registrar**

Our transfer agent is currently Continental Stock Transfer & Trust Company. The transfer agent's address is 17 Battery Place, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10004.

## SHARES ELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE SALE

As of December 31, 2014, we had approximately 74.8 million shares of common stock outstanding. The registration statement of which this prospectus is a part registers an additional 15.6 million shares of our common stock and 7.3 million shares of common stock issuable upon the exercise of warrants. In addition to the shares of our common stock covered by the registration statement, as of December 31, 2014, approximately 59.0 million of our outstanding shares were freely transferable or could be publicly resold pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act. The sale, or availability for sale, of substantial amounts of common stock could, in the future, adversely affect the market price of our common stock and could impair our ability to raise additional capital through the sale of our equity securities or debt financing.

In general, under Rule 144 as currently in effect, a person (or persons whose shares are aggregated) who has beneficially owned restricted securities for at least six months, including persons who may be deemed our affiliates, would be entitled to sell such securities, provided that sales under Rule 144 are subject to the availability of current public information about the company. A person who has not been our affiliate at any time during the three months preceding a sale, and who has beneficially owned his shares for at least one year, would be entitled under Rule 144 to sell such shares without regard to any limitations under Rule 144. Under Rule 144, sales by our affiliates are also subject to volume limitations, manner of sale provisions and notice requirements.

In addition, we have filed with the SEC two registration statements under the Securities Act covering the shares of common stock issuable under most of our stock option plans, as well as certain written compensatory contracts. Accordingly, shares registered under those registration statements are available for sale in the open market, subject to Rule 144 volume limitations applicable to affiliates and subject to the terms of the derivative restriction agreements entered into by our directors and executive officers.

# VALIDITY OF THE COMMON STOCK

The validity of the shares of common stock offered hereby and certain other legal matters will be passed upon for us by Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, Memphis, Tennessee.

## EXPERTS

The financial statements of MRI Interventions, Inc. as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2013 appearing in this prospectus and registration statement, have been audited by Cherry Bekaert LLP, independent registered public accounting firm, as set forth in their report thereon appearing elsewhere herein, and are included in reliance upon such report, given on the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

## WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement on Form S-1 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, with respect to the shares of common stock being offered by this prospectus. This prospectus does not contain all of the information in the registration statement and its exhibits. For further information with respect to MRI Interventions, Inc. and the common stock offered by this prospectus, we refer you to the registration statement and its exhibits. Statements contained in this prospectus as to the contents of any contract or any other document referred to are not necessarily complete, and in each instance, we refer you to the copy of the contract or other document filed as an exhibit to the registration statement. Each of these statements is qualified in all respects by this reference.

You can read our SEC filings, including the registration statement, over the Internet at the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. You may also read and copy any document we file with the SEC at its public reference facilities at 100 F Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. You may also obtain copies of these documents at prescribed rates by writing to the Public Reference Section of the SEC at 100 F Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the public reference facilities.

We are subject to the information reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and we will file reports, proxy statements and other information with the SEC. These reports, proxy statements and other information will be available for inspection and copying at the public reference room and website of the SEC referred to above. We also maintain a website at http://www.mriinterventions.com, at which you may access these materials free of charge as soon as reasonably practicable after they are electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. The information contained in, or that can be accessed through, our website is not part of this prospectus.

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# **Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of MRI Interventions, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of MRI Interventions, Inc. (the "Company") as of December 31, 2013 and 2012, and the related statements of operations, stockholders' deficit and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purposes of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of MRI Interventions, Inc. as of December 31, 2013 and 2012 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Company recognized a net losses of approximately \$7.1 million, and \$5.9 million during 2013 and 2012, respectively. At December 31, 2013 the Company had incurred cumulative net losses of approximately \$72.7 million. Management's plans in regard to this matter are described in Note 1.

/s/ Cherry Bekaert LLP Tampa, Florida March 28, 2014

# **Balance Sheets**

	December 31,			31,
		2013		2012
ASSETS				
Current Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,516,244	\$	1,620,005
Accounts receivable		770,352		445,432
Inventory		1,477,161		899,702
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		174,870		110,873
Total current assets		5,938,627		3,076,012
Property and equipment, net		903,160		1,287,115
Software license inventory		927,500		1,137,500
Other assets		103,783		51,119
Total assets	\$	7,873,070	\$	5,551,746
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	1,376,627	\$	1,961,195
Accrued compensation		210,359		278,124
Other accrued liabilities		310,317		1,177,142
Derivative liabilites		3,747,858		2,129,091
Related party deferred revenues		-		650,000
Deferred product and service revenues		106,859		112,725
Related party convertible notes payable		4,338,601		-
Total current liabilities		10,090,621		6,308,277
Other accrued liabilities		531,830		574,722
Related party convertible notes payable		-		4,338,601
Note payable, net of unamortized discount of \$437,261 and \$0 at December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively		3,852,183		2,000,000
Junior secured notes payable, net of unamortized discount of \$2,767,595 and \$2,804,451 at		5,652,165		2,000,000
December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively		232,405		195,549
Total liabilities		14,707,039		13,417,149
Commitments and contingencies (Notes 5, 8, 10, 11 and 12)	-	14,707,039		15,417,149
Stockholders' deficit:				
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 58,536,972 shares issued				
and outstanding at December 31, 2013; and 48,418,830 and 48,093,000 issued and				
outstanding, respectively, at December 31, 2012		585,369		484,187
Additional paid-in capital		65,333,264		58,995,972
Treasury stock, at cost, 325,830 common shares at December 31, 2012		05,555,204		(1,679,234)
Accumulated deficit		(72,752,602)		(65,666,328)
Total stockholders' deficit		(6,833,969)		(7,865,403)
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	\$	7,873,070	\$	5,551,746
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See notes to financial statements.



# **Statements of Operations**

	Years Ended December 31,			
	 2013	2012		
Revenues:				
Product revenues	\$ 2,914,774	\$ 1,170,679		
Development service revenues	283,764	541,182		
Other service revenues	82,037	-		
Related party license revenues	650,000	3,346,374		
Total revenues	3,930,575	5,058,235		
Costs and operating expenses:				
Cost of product revenues	1,421,148	555,703		
Research and development:				
Research and development costs	2,922,912	2,484,503		
Reversal of research and development obligation	-	(882,537		
Selling, general, and administrative	7,061,286	6,029,844		
Total costs and operating expenses	11,405,346	8,187,513		
Operating loss	(7,474,771)	(3,129,278		
Other income (expense):				
Gain (loss) on change in fair value of deriviative liabilities	1,686,478	(171,371		
Gain on forgiveness of amounts in accounts payable	477,263	-		
Loss on note payable modification	(1,356,177)	-		
Other income, net	56,228	3,586		
Interest income	24,544	14,152		
Interest expense	(499,839)	(2,594,807		
Net loss	\$ (7,086,274)	\$ (5,877,718		
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders:				
Basic and diluted	\$ (0.12)	\$ (0.15		
Weighted average shares outstanding:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Basic and diluted	 57,261,713	40,374,048		

See notes to financial statements.

# Statements of Stockholders' Deficit Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2013

	Convertible Stock S		Common	Stock	Additional Paid-in	Treasury	Accumulated	
	Shares	Amount	Shares	Amount	Capital	Stock	Deficit	Total
Balances, January 1,								
2012	7,965,000	\$ 7,965,000	16,084,990	\$ 164,108	\$31,495,593	\$(1,679,234)	\$ (59,788,610)	\$(21,843,143)
Employee share-based	, í		, ,					
compensation	-	-	-	-	1,168,034	-	-	1,168,034
Beneficial conversion								
feature of convertible								
notes payable	-	-	-	-	383,204	-	-	383,204
Warrants issued with								
convertible notes								
payable	-	-	-	-	383,204	-	-	383,204
Warrants issued to								
placement agents and								
subagents	-	-	-	-	237,299	-	-	237,299
Conversion of								
convertible notes and								
accrued interest into								
common stock	-	-	16,397,727	163,977	11,216,232	-	-	11,380,209
Conversion of Series A								
preferred stock into								
common stock	(7,965,000)	(7,965,000)	7,965,000	79,650	7,885,350	-	-	-
Non-employee share								
based compensation	-	-	-	-	863,257	-	-	863,257
Common stock issued								
in exchange for								
settlement of								
software license								
obligations	-	-	1,500,000	15,000	1,647,500	-	-	1,662,500
Issuance of common								
stock in payment of			51.000	510	124 106			104 (05
director fees	-	-	51,928	519	124,106	-	-	124,625
July 2012 unit offering Exercise of options and	-	-	5,454,523	54,545	3,504,230	-	-	3,558,775
warrants			620 022	6 200	97 062			04 251
Net loss for the year	-	-	638,832	6,388	87,963	-	(5,877,718)	94,351 (5,877,718)
Balances, December							(3,877,718)	(3,877,718)
31, 2012			48,093,000	484,187	58,995,972	(1,679,234)	(65,666,328)	(7,865,403)
January 2013 Private	-	-	48,093,000	404,107	38,993,972	(1,079,234)	(05,000,528)	(7,803,403)
Placement	_	_	9,201,684	92,017	6,407,533	_	_	6,499,550
Share-based	-	_	9,201,004	92,017	0,407,555	-	_	0,477,550
compensation	_	_	_	_	1,458,271	_	_	1,458,271
Warrant exercises	_	_	1,127,829	11,278	8,347	_	_	19,625
Issuance of common			1,127,029	11,270	0,517			17,025
stock in payment of								
director fees	-	-	114,459	1,145	139,117	-	-	140,262
Retirement of treasury			11,109	1,1 10	10,117			110,202
stock	_	-	-	(3,258)	(1,675,976)	1,679,234	_	_
Net loss for the year	-	-	-	-			(7,086,274)	(7,086,274)
Balances, December								
31, 2013		<u>\$</u>	58,536,972	<u>\$ 585,369</u>	\$65,333,264	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ (72,752,602</u> )	\$ (6,833,969)

See notes to financial statements.

# **Statements of Cash Flows**

	Years Ended De	ember 31,		
	2013	2012		
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net loss	\$ (7,086,274) \$	6 (5,877,718		
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash flows from operating activities:		(-)		
Depreciation and license amortization	426,183	416,970		
Share-based compensation	1,458,271	2,031,291		
Expenses paid through the issuance of common stock	140,262	124,625		
(Gain) loss on change in fair value of derivative liabilities	(1,686,478)	171,371		
Gain on negotiated reductions in accounts payable and other accrued expenses	(477,263)	-		
Loss on loan modification	1,356,177	-		
Amortization and write-off of debt issuance costs and original issue discounts	143,418	2,061,078		
Increase (decrease) in cash resulting from changes in:				
Accounts receivable	(324,920)	(43,852		
Inventory	(309,551)	(270,686		
Cost of deferred product revenue	-	(47,639		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(63,997)	(43,461		
Other assets	(2,550)	16,581		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	(695,343)	(2,738,727		
Deferred revenue	(655,866)	(3,233,649		
Net cash flows from operating activities	(7,777,931)	(7,433,816		
Cash flows from investing activities:				
Purchases of property and equipment	(74,469)	(127,453		
Acquisition of license	(100,000)	-		
Net cash flows from investing activities	(174,469)	(127,453		
Cash flows from financing activities:				
Net proceeds from issuance of convertible notes payable	-	3,424,950		
Net proceeds from equity private placement	9,829,014	5,516,495		
Proceeds from warrant exercises	19,625	94,351		
Net cash flows from financing activities	9,848,639	9,035,796		
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	1,896,239	1,474,527		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	1,620,005	145,478		
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 3,516,244	5 1,620,005		
SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION				
Cash paid for:				
Income taxes	<u>\$ - 9</u>	<u> </u>		
Interest	\$ 11,168	33,200		

See notes to financial statements.

### **Statements of Cash Flows**

## NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING TRANSACTIONS:

- In February 2012, the terms of related party notes payable were modified (see Note 6) and accrued interest of \$838,601 was added to the principal balances of the original notes.
- Upon the effectiveness of the Company's Form 10 registration statement in February 2012, the principal balance of convertible notes payable totaling \$10,811,500 and the related accrued interest of \$974,311 were converted into shares of the Company's common stock (see Note 8). In addition, unamortized debt discounts totaling \$405,602 at the conversion date related to the relative fair value of warrants issued in connection with the issuance of the convertible notes (originally accounted for as equity) were offset against additional paid-in capital.
- In February 2012, warrants with a fair value of \$237,299 (recorded as deferred financing costs and additional paid-in capital) were
  issued to the placement agent and its sub-placement agents in connection with the Company's sale of units consisting of secured
  convertible notes and common stock warrants (see Note 8).
- In January and February 2012, both the \$383,204 relative fair value of warrants and the \$383,204 intrinsic value of the beneficial conversion feature associated with notes issued by the Company in an offering of units (see Note 8) were recorded as additional paid-in capital and a discount to the convertible notes payable.
- In June 2012, the Company issued 1,500,000 shares of its common stock in exchange for settlement of accounts payable of \$612,500 and the purchase of software licenses in the amount of \$1,050,000 (see Note 10).
- At December 31, 2012, deferred financing costs in the amount of \$24,219, were included in accrued expenses.
- ClearPoint reusable components were transferred from inventory to loaned systems, which is a component of property and equipment, during the year ended December 31, 2012 with a cost of \$339,802. During the year ended December 31, 2013, a net amount of ClearPoint reusable components with a cost of \$143,372 and accumulated depreciation of \$115,952 were transferred from loaned systems to inventory at the net carrying cost.
- In March 2013, in connection with a loan modification, accrued interest in the amount of \$389,444 was rolled into the principal balance of a note payable.

See notes to financial statements.

# 1. Description of the Business and Liquidity

MRI Interventions, Inc. (the "Company") is a medical device company focused on the development and commercialization of technology that enables physicians to see inside the brain and heart using direct, intra-procedural magnetic resonance imaging, or MRI, guidance while performing minimally invasive surgical procedures. The Company was incorporated in the State of Delaware on March 12, 1998. The Company's principal executive office is located in Memphis, Tennessee, and the Company's principal operations are located in Irvine, California. The Company established MRI Interventions (Canada) Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary incorporated in Canada, in August 2013. This subsidiary was established primarily for the purpose of performing software development, and there was minimal activity in this new subsidiary during 2013.

The Company's ClearPoint system, an integrated system comprised of reusable components and disposable products, is designed to allow minimally invasive procedures in the brain to be performed in an MRI suite. The Company received 510(k) clearance from the Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") in 2010 to market the ClearPoint system in the United States for general neurological interventional procedures. The Company's ClearTrace system is a product candidate under development that is designed to allow catheter-based minimally invasive procedures in the heart to be performed in an MRI suite. The Company has also entered into exclusive licensing and development agreements (see Note 5 and 12) with affiliates of Boston Scientific Corporation ("Boston Scientific"), pursuant to which Boston Scientific may incorporate certain of the Company's MRI-safety technologies into Boston Scientific's implantable leads for cardiac and neurological applications.

In December 2011, the Company filed a Form 10 registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") to register the Company's common stock as a class of equity securities under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). Such Form 10 registration statement became effective on February 27, 2012. As a result, the Company became a public reporting company subject to the periodic reporting requirements of the Exchange Act.

# Liquidity and Management's Plans

For the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company incurred net losses of \$7,086,274 and \$5,877,718, respectively, and the cumulative net loss since the Company's inception through December 31, 2013 was \$72,752,602. The Company expects such losses to continue through at least the year ending December 31, 2014 as the Company continues to commercialize its ClearPoint system and pursue research and development activities. Net cash used in operations was \$7,777,931 and \$7,433,816 for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Since inception, the Company has financed its activities principally from the sale of equity securities, the issuance of convertible notes and license arrangements.

The Company's primary financing activities during the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 were:

- a January 2013 equity private placement, which resulted in net proceeds of \$9,829,014;
- a July 2012 equity private placement, which resulted in net proceeds of \$5,516,495; and
- a unit offering the Company completed in February 2012, which resulted in net proceeds of \$4,946,560, \$3,424,950 of which were received in 2012 and \$1,521,610 of which were received in 2011.

In March 2014, the Company conducted a private offering (see Note 12) in which it sold securities, consisting of non-convertible notes payable and common stock warrants, for net proceeds of approximately \$3,400,000. In addition, in March 2014 the Company completed a transaction with Boston Scientific that resulted in the cancellation of \$4,338,601 in related party convertible notes payable which were scheduled to mature in 2014 (see Note 12). While the Company expects to continue to use cash in operations, the Company believes its cash and cash equivalents at December 31, 2013 of \$3,516,244, combined with the net proceeds from the March 2014 private offering and cash expected to be generated from product sales, will be sufficient to meet its anticipated cash requirements through at least March 2015.

During 2014, the Company expects to increase revenues from sales of ClearPoint system products as a result of the additions the Company made in 2013 to its sales and clinical support team. If necessary, certain planned expenditures, including expenditures related to research and development projects, sponsored research, public and investor relations efforts, planned hires, and patent filings, could be deferred or forgone if the Company believes it is necessary to do so in order to fund operations. In addition, if necessary, the Company could implement restrictions on non-essential travel, put in place a salary deferral program for certain employees, reduce utilization of outside professional service providers and implement a reduction in the Company's workforce.

To the extent the Company's available cash and cash equivalents are insufficient to satisfy its long-term operating requirements, the Company will need to seek additional sources of funds, from the sale of equity or debt securities or through a credit facility, or the Company will need to modify its current business plan. There can be no assurances that the Company will be able to obtain additional financing on commercially reasonable terms, if at all. The sale of additional equity or convertible debt securities would likely result in dilution to the Company's current stockholders.

## 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

### Basis of Presentation and Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP") requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

## Derivative Liability for Warrants to Purchase Common Stock

The derivative liability for warrants represents the fair value of warrants issued in connection with private placements of shares of the Company's common stock (see Note 8). These warrants are presented as liabilities based on certain exercise price reset and net cash settlement provisions. The liability, which is recorded at fair value on the accompanying balance sheets, is calculated utilizing the Monte Carlo simulation valuation method. The change in fair value of these warrants is recognized as other income or expense in the statements of operations.

## Other Derivative Financial Instruments

The Company adjusts its derivative financial instruments to fair value at each balance sheet date (see Note 6). Changes in the fair values of derivatives are recorded each period as gains or losses in the statements of operations unless the derivatives qualify for hedge accounting. At December 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company did not have any derivative instruments that were designated as hedges.

### Fair Value Measurements

Carrying amounts of the Company's cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair values due to their short maturities.

The table below reflects the carrying values and the estimated fair values of the Company's outstanding notes payable at December 31, 2013:

	 Carrying Values		
Related party Boston Scientific convertible notes payable	\$ 4,338,601	\$	4,000,842
Note payable	3,852,183		3,852,183
Junior secured notes payable	232,405		2,095,610

The difference between the carrying value of the related party Boston Scientific convertible notes payable, which is equal to the face value due to troubled debt restructuring accounting (see Note 6), and the estimated fair value is attributable to the fact that no interest is charged per the terms of the convertible notes payable, which is below market. The difference between the carrying value and the fair value of the junior secured notes payable relates to an unamortized debt discount (see Note 7).

The Company measures and records certain financial assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis. GAAP provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities ("Level 1"), the next priority is given to quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, that is, markets in which there are few transactions for the asset or liability ("Level 2") and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs ("Level 3"). The table below reflects the level of the inputs used in the Company's fair value calculation for instruments carried at fair value:

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	n Significant Markets Observable		Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level <u>3</u> )		Total Fair Value	
At December 31, 2013:							
Derivative liability - warrants	\$	- \$	-	\$	3,747,858	\$	3,747,858
Derivative liability - conversion option			-		-		-
At December 31, 2012:							
Derivative liability - warrants	\$	· \$	-	\$	2,128,302	\$	2,128,302
Derivative liability - conversion option			-		789		789

#### Inventory

Inventory is carried at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out ("FIFO") method) or net realizable value. All items included in inventory relate to the Company's ClearPoint system. Software license inventory that is not expected to be utilized within the next twelve months is classified as a non-current asset. The Company periodically reviews its inventory for obsolete items and provides a reserve upon identification of potential obsolete items.

## Property and Equipment

Property and equipment, including loaned ClearPoint systems, are recorded at cost and are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, principally five to seven years. Leasehold improvements are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the lesser of their estimated useful lives or the life of the related lease.

## Impairment of Long-Lived Assets

The Company evaluates the recoverability of its long-lived assets (finite-lived intangible assets and property and equipment). Whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of such assets may not be fully recoverable, the expected undiscounted future cash flows are compared to the net book value of the related assets. If the net book value of the related assets exceeds the undiscounted expected future cash flows of the assets, the carrying amount would be reduced to the present value of the expected future cash flows and an impairment loss would be recognized. The Company has not recorded any impairment losses for the years ended December 31, 2013 or 2012.

## Revenue Recognition

The Company's revenues arise from: (1) product revenues resulting from the sale of ClearPoint system reusable components and the sale of ClearPoint system disposable products; (2) license and development arrangements; (3) development service revenues; and (4) other service revenues. The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the selling price or fee is fixed or determinable, collection is probable and risk of loss has transferred to the customer for product revenues. For all sales, the Company requires either a purchase agreement or a purchase order as evidence of an arrangement.

(1) Product Revenues—Sales of ClearPoint system reusable components: Generally, revenues related to ClearPoint system sales are recognized upon installation of the system and the completion of training of at least one of the customer's physicians, which typically occurs concurrently with the ClearPoint system installation. ClearPoint system reusable components include software which is integral to the utility of the ClearPoint system as a whole. Sales of reusable components that have stand-alone value to the customer are recognized when risk of loss passes to the customer. Sales of reusable components to a distributor that has been trained to perform ClearPoint system installations are recognized at the time risk of loss passes to the distributor.

Sales of ClearPoint disposable products: Revenues from the sale of ClearPoint disposable products utilized in procedures performed using the ClearPoint system are recognized at the time risk of loss passes to the customer, which is generally at shipping point or upon delivery to the customer's location, depending upon the specific terms agreed upon with the customer.

(2) License and development arrangements— The Company analyzes revenue recognition on an agreement by agreement basis. The Company determines whether the deliverables under the arrangement represent separate units of accounting as defined by GAAP. Application of GAAP regarding multiple-element arrangements requires management to make subjective judgments about the values of the individual elements and whether delivered elements are separable from the other aspects of the contractual relationship. The Company defers recognition of non-refundable upfront license fees if there are continuing performance obligations without which the technology, know-how, rights, products or services conveyed in conjunction with the non-refundable fees have no utility to the licensee that could be considered separate and independent of the Company's performance under other elements of the arrangement. Amounts received related to substantive, performance-based milestones in research and development arrangements will be recognized upon receipt. Future product royalty income under such arrangements will be recognized as the related products are sold and amounts are payable to the Company.

(3) *Development Service Revenues*— The Company is party to an agreement to provide development services to a third party. Under this agreement, the Company earns revenue equal to costs incurred for outside expenses related to the development services provided, plus actual direct internal labor costs (including the cost of employee benefits), plus an overhead markup of the direct internal labor costs incurred. Revenue is recognized in the period in which the Company incurs the related costs. During the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, the Company recorded development service revenues of approximately \$284,000 and \$531,000, respectively, related to this agreement. From time to time, the Company may also perform development services for other third parties evidenced by either a development agreement or a purchase order. During 2012, the Company recorded revenues totaling \$10,000 for such services.

(4) *Other Service Revenues*— Other service revenues are comprised primarily of installation fees charged in connection with ClearPoint system installations and service agreement revenues. Typically, the Company will bill upfront for service agreements that have terms ranging from one to three years. These amounts are recognized as revenues ratably over the term of the related service agreement.

# Research and Development Costs

Costs related to research, design and development of products are charged to research and development expense as incurred. These costs include direct salary and employee benefit related costs for research and development personnel, costs for materials used in research and development activities, sponsored research and costs for outside services. Since most of the expenses associated with the Company's development service revenues relate to existing internal resources, these amounts are included in research and development costs.

## Income Taxes

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are recognized for the estimated future tax consequences attributable to differences between the financial statement carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective income tax basis. Such assets and liabilities are measured using enacted tax rates expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled. The effect of a change in tax rates is recognized in the period that includes the enactment date. The Company provides a valuation allowance against net deferred income tax assets unless, based upon available evidence, it is more likely than not the deferred income tax assets will be realized. The Company recognizes interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits as a component of income tax expense. As of December 31, 2013, the Company has no accrued interest or penalties related to uncertain tax positions.

### Net Loss Per Share

Basic loss per share is calculated by dividing the net loss attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period, without giving consideration to common stock equivalents. Diluted loss per share is computed by dividing the net loss attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. The calculation of diluted net loss per share does not include the weighted average number of common stock equivalents outstanding for the period because to do so would be anti-dilutive. Accordingly, for all periods presented, diluted net loss per share is the same as basic net loss per share. The following table sets forth potential shares of common stock that are not included in the calculation of diluted net loss per share loss per share because of the anti-dilutive result:

	As of Decem	ıber 31,
	2013	2012
Stock options	7,430,225	6,432,127
Warrants	12,136,865	8,763,836
Shares under convertible note agreements	542,325	4,454,362
	20,109,415	19,650,325

#### Share-Based Compensation

The Company accounts for compensation for all arrangements under which employees and others receive shares of stock or other equity instruments (including options and warrants) based on fair value. The fair value of each award is estimated as of the grant date and amortized as compensation expense over the requisite vesting period. The fair values of the Company's share-based awards are estimated on the grant dates using the Black-Scholes valuation model. This valuation model requires the input of highly subjective assumptions, including the expected stock volatility, estimated award terms and risk-free interest rates for the expected terms. To estimate the expected terms, the Company utilizes the "simplified" method for "plain vanilla" options discussed in the SEC's Staff Accounting Bulletin 107 ("SAB 107"). The Company believes that all factors listed within SAB 107 as pre-requisites for utilizing the simplified method apply to the Company and the Company's share-based compensation arrangements. The Company intends to utilize the simplified method for the foreseeable future until more detailed information about exercise behavior becomes available. The Company because the Company lacks its own relevant historical volatility of the Company will consistently apply this methodology until a sufficient amount of historical information regarding the volatility of the Company's own share prices becomes available. The Company utilizes risk-free interest rates based on zero-coupon U.S. treasury instruments, the terms of which are consistent with the expected terms of the stock awards. The Company has not paid and does not anticipate paying cash dividends on its shares of common stock; therefore, the expected dividend yield is assumed to be zero.

## Fair Value Determination of Share-Based Transactions

Since May 21, 2012, the Company's common stock has been traded in the over-the-counter market and has been quoted on OTC Markets and the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol MRIC. Since the Company's common stock has been publicly traded, the closing stock price has been used as a key input in determining the fair value for share-based transactions.Prior to the time the Company's stock became publicly traded, the fair value of the Company's common stock, as well as the common stock underlying options and warrants, granted as compensation, or issued in connection with the settlement of liabilities ("share-based transactions"), were estimated by management, with input from a third-party valuation specialist from time to time.

Determining the fair value of shares of privately held companies requires making complex and subjective judgments. Prior to the time the Company's common stock was publicly traded, the Company used the income approach, the market approach, and the probability weighted expected return method to estimate the enterprise values for the dates on which these transactions occurred. The assumptions used in each of the different valuation methods take into account certain discounts such as selecting the appropriate discount rate and control and lack of marketability discounts. The discount rates used in these valuations ranged from 22% to 35%. The discounts for lack of marketability and control discounts had been used, the valuations would have been different. The enterprise value under each valuation method was allocated to preferred and common shares taking into account the enterprise value available to all stockholders and allocating that value among the various classes of stock based on the rights, privileges, and preferences of the respective classes in order to provide an estimate of the fair value of a share of the Company's common stock. There is inherent uncertainty in these estimates.

#### Concentration Risks and Other Risks and Uncertainties

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to significant concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable. The Company holds its cash and cash equivalents on deposit with financial institutions in the United States insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. At December 31, 2013 no amounts on deposit were in excess of insured limits.

Accounts receivable at December 31, 2013 and all product revenues recognized for the year ended December 31, 2013 relate to sales and services to a limited number of customers located in the United States ("U.S.") and to one distributor outside of the U.S. Three customers in the U.S. represented 28.0%, 18.4%, and 15.0%, respectively, of the Company's accounts receivable balance at December 31, 2013. No other customer represented more that 7.5% of total accounts receivable. For the year ended December 31, 2013, sales to one of these customers represented 19.6% of total product sales. No other single customer represented greater than 9% of sales. The Company may perform credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition and, generally, requires no collateral from its customers. The Company will provide an allowance for doubtful accounts when collections become doubtful, but the Company has not experienced any credit losses or recorded any allowances to date.

The Company is subject to risks common to emerging companies in the medical device industry including, but not limited to: new technological innovations; dependence on key personnel; dependence on key suppliers; changes in general economic conditions and interest rates; protection of proprietary technology; compliance with changing government regulations; uncertainty of widespread market acceptance of products; access to credit for capital purchases by customers; and product liability claims. Certain components used in manufacturing have relatively few alternative sources of supply and establishing additional or replacement suppliers for such components cannot be accomplished quickly. The inability of any of these suppliers to fulfill the Company's supply requirements may negatively impact future operating results.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

There have been no recent accounting pronouncements or changes in accounting pronouncements which we believe will have a material impact on our financial statements. Likewise, we do not believe that any recently issued, but not yet effective, accounting standards will, if adopted, have a material impact on our financial statements.

#### 3. Inventory

Inventory consists of the following as of December 31:

	2013		2012
Work in process	\$ 6	73,860	\$ 494,290
Software license inventory	3	85,000	344,500
Finished goods	4	18,301	60,912
Inventory included in current assets	1,4	77,161	899,702
Software license inventory	<u>c</u>	27,500	1,137,500
	\$ 2,4	04,661 \$	\$ 2,037,202

# 4. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consist of the following as of December 31:

	 2013	 2012
Equipment	\$ 1,081,056	\$ 1,044,969
Furniture and fixtures	106,054	105,376
Leasehold improvements	157,236	157,236
Computer equipment and software	134,285	114,786
Loaned systems	 920,406	 1,063,777
	2,399,037	2,486,144
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	 (1,495,877)	 (1,199,029)
Total property and equipment, net	\$ 903,160	\$ 1,287,115

Depreciation and amortization expense related to property and equipment for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was \$400,516 and, \$398,970, respectively. The Company may loan the reusable components of a ClearPoint system to a customer. Any such customer can then use the loaned ClearPoint system to perform procedures using ClearPoint disposable products which are generally purchased from the Company.

# 5. Related Party License Agreements (see Note 12)

The Company has entered into various license and development agreements with affiliates of Boston Scientific. Because an affiliate of Boston Scientific is a stockholder of the Company and such affiliate of Boston Scientific has a representative that has been elected to serve on the Company's board of directors, management has deemed all transactions with Boston Scientific and its affiliates to be of a related party nature.

## BSC Neuro Agreement

The Company has definitive license and development agreements (collectively, as amended, the "BSC Neuro Agreement") with Boston Scientific Neuromodulation Corporation ("BSC Neuro"). Under the BSC Neuro Agreement, the Company granted BSC Neuro an exclusive commercial license with respect to certain of the Company's owned and licensed intellectual property, in the neuromodulation field, to make, use, import, lease and sell neuro-related leads, neuro-related lead extensions, and neuro-related lead-type devices, such as implantable pulse generators. The Company has determined that it did not and does not have clear and objective evidence of the fair values of each of the various elements of the agreement and, therefore, under GAAP, the deliverables under this agreement are being treated as one unit of accounting.

The BSC Neuro Agreement provides for milestone-based payments from BSC Neuro to the Company associated with successful development and regulatory approval of the implantable leads incorporating the licensed technology. The BSC Neuro Agreement also provides for the payment of royalties to the Company based on BSC Neuro's net sales of licensed products.

The BSC Neuro Agreement requires the Company to meet certain net working capital targets, be current on its payroll obligations, and not suffer an event of default under any indebtedness for borrowed money, in each case while the Boston Scientific Notes remain outstanding (see Note 6). If the Company does not meet those requirements while the Boston Scientific Notes are outstanding, the BSC Neuro Agreement requires the Company to assign certain patents and patent applications to BSC Neuro. However, in the event of any such assignment, the BSC Neuro Agreement requires BSC Neuro to grant the Company an exclusive, royalty-free, perpetual worldwide license to the same patents and patent applications in all fields of use other than neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications.

The BSC Neuro Agreement required specified milestones in the development of an MRI-safe implantable lead to be achieved by December 31, 2012. The BSC Neuro Agreement provided that, if the milestones were not achieved by that date and such failure was not the result of BSC Neuro's failure to reasonably cooperate with the Company in pursuing the milestones, the Company would be required to repay BSC Neuro certain amounts, including any development expenses and milestone payments previously made to the Company under the agreement and any patent prosecution costs incurred by BSC Neuro with respect to the intellectual property licensed under the agreement. In drafting the re-payment provision of the agreement, the parties contemplated that the Company would be the party primarily performing the lead development activities, with assistance to be provided by BSC Neuro. However, subsequent to the execution of the agreement, BSC Neuro assumed responsibility from the Company for the lead development efforts under the agreement, and, consequently, BSC Neuro wholly controlled the pace and progress of the development efforts. As such, BSC Neuro acknowledged that the repayment provision was not triggered. Consequently, the Company recognized revenue of approximately \$746,000 during the year ended December 31, 2012 which had been previously recorded as deferred revenue.

#### Boston Scientific Cardiac Agreement

The Company has definitive license and development agreements (collectively the "BSC Cardiac Agreement") with Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc. ("BSC Cardiac"), an affiliate of Boston Scientific. Under the BSC Cardiac Agreement, the Company granted BSC Cardiac an exclusive commercial license with respect to certain of the Company's owned and licensed intellectual property rights, in the field of implantable medical leads for cardiac applications, to make, have made, use, promote, market, import, distribute, lease, sell, offer for sale and commercialize products in the licensed field of use. The Company analyzed whether the deliverables under the arrangement represent separate units of accounting as defined by GAAP. The Company determined it did not and does not have clear and objective evidence of the fair values of the various elements of the BSC Cardiac Agreement and, therefore, under GAAP, the deliverables are being treated as one unit of accounting.

Pursuant to the BSC Cardiac Agreement, the Company received a non-refundable licensing fee of \$13,000,000 in 2008. The Company recorded the \$13,000,000 payment as deferred revenue and recognized the revenue on a straight-line basis over the five year period estimated by the Company for its continuing involvement in the development effort (see Note 2, Revenue Recognition), which period ended on March 31, 2013. The Company determined the five year estimated period of continuing involvement based upon the Company's internal development plan and projected timeline for the various implantable cardiac leads contemplated under the BSC Cardiac Agreement. The Company reevaluated its estimated remaining period of continuing involvement at each reporting period until all of the revenue that had been deferred was recognized. The BSC Cardiac Agreement provides for milestone-based payments from BSC Cardiac to the Company associated with successful development and regulatory approval of the implantable cardiac leads that incorporate the Company's technology, subject to certain patents being issued on patent applications licensed to BSC Cardiac. The BSC Cardiac Agreement also provides for the payment of royalties to the Company based on BSC Cardiac's net sales of licensed products.

# 6. Related Party Boston Scientific Convertible Notes Payable (see Note 12)

The Company has a convertible note payable arrangement with Boston Scientific. During 2009, the Company borrowed an aggregate of \$3,500,000 from Boston Scientific under this arrangement pursuant to three convertible notes payable (the "Boston Scientific Notes"). These borrowings accrued interest at 10% per year and were scheduled to mature on the second anniversary of the date on which the funds were advanced. Effective February 2, 2012, the Company entered into a loan modification with Boston Scientific (also see Note 5) pursuant to which (i) interest accrued under each of the Boston Scientific Notes as of February 2, 2012 was added to the principal balance of the note, (ii) beginning February 2, 2012, the interest rate of each of the Boston Scientific Notes was reduced from 10% per year to 0%, and (iii) the maturity date of each of the Boston Scientific Notes of \$39,499 during the year ended December 31, 2012. As of February 2, 2012, the outstanding aggregate loan balance, including principal and interest, owed to Boston Scientific was \$4,338,601. Under GAAP, the loan modification was considered a "Troubled Debt Restructuring." However, because the total future cash payments required under the new terms of the Boston Scientific Notes were not reduced from what was owed at the time of the loan modification, no gain was recorded under Troubled Debt Restructuring accounting.

The Boston Scientific Notes require the Company to prepay all or a portion of the notes upon the consummation of any future "qualified financing," which is defined as any equity financing in which shares of the Company's preferred stock are issued in exchange for cash proceeds. Each of the Boston Scientific Notes is convertible, at the option of the holder, at any time prior to the earlier of the maturity date or the consummation of a qualified initial public offering (which is defined as a bona fide first underwritten public offering of the Company's common stock on a firm commitment basis in which the aggregate gross proceeds received by the Company at the public offering price equals or exceeds \$20,000,000), into one share of the Company's preferred stock at a conversion price equal to the lower of \$8.00 per share or the price per share paid by investors in a future qualified financing conducted by the Company. In the event of a conversion of the Boston Scientific Notes into shares of preferred stock other than in the context of a qualified financing, each such share of preferred stock would initially be convertible into one share of the Company's common stock. The Boston Scientific Notes are secured by a first priority security interest in all of the Company's assets.



The Company analyzed the terms of the conversion feature of the Boston Scientific Notes and determined that the conversion price reset provision required that the conversion feature be accounted for as a derivative liability (see Note 2, Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – Fair Value Measurements). Under this guidance, the conversion feature was initially measured at fair value upon the issuance of the Boston Scientific Notes and has been adjusted to the current fair value at the end of each reporting period.

Changes in fair value are recorded in other income (expense) in the related statements of operations. The Company calculates the fair value of this derivative liability utilizing the Black-Scholes pricing model. The fair value of the derivative liability was computed using Level 2 inputs at December 31, 2013 and 2012. As a result of the conversion price of \$8.00 being significantly higher than the fair value of the Company's common stock, the fair value of the derivative liability was nil at the beginning of the year ended December 31, 2012, \$789 at December 31, 2012, and nil at December 31, 2013.

# 7. Other Notes Payable

# Note Payable

The Company had a \$2,000,000 subordinated secured convertible note ("April 2011 Note") payable to a medical device co-development partner ("Strategic Partner"). Upon issuance, the April 2011 Note was scheduled to mature in April 2016, unless earlier converted, and it accrued interest at the rate of 10% per year. The April 2011 Note was amended in February 2012, to, among other things, provide the Strategic Partner the option to convert the April 2011 Note into shares of the Company's common stock at a conversion price of \$0.60 per share at any time on or before February 23, 2013.

On February 21, 2013, the Strategic Partner delivered notice to the Company of its election to convert the April 2011 Note into shares of the Company's common stock at the conversion price of \$0.60 per share. However, prior to the issuance of those conversion shares, on March 6, 2013, the Company and the Strategic Partner entered into a loan modification. As a result of that loan modification, the Strategic Partner revoked its election to convert the April 2011 Note into shares of common stock. Under the loan modification, the Company issued an amended and restated subordinated secured note to the Strategic Partner (the "Amended and Restated Note") which amended the April 2011 Note (i) to remove the equity conversion feature, such that the Amended and Restated Note is not convertible into any shares of the Company's capital stock, (ii) to reduce the interest rate, beginning March 6, 2013, from 10% per year to 5.5% per year, (iii) to ease certain restrictive loan covenants, and (iv) to reflect a new note principal balance of \$4,289,444, which represents the sum of (A) the original principal balance of the April 2011 Note in the amount of \$2,000,000, plus (B) interest accrued under the April 2011 Note through March 6, 2013 in the amount of \$389,444, plus (C) \$1,900,000. The Amended and Restated Note completely replaced and superseded the April 2011 Note. The Amended and Restated Note matures in April 2016, and principal and accrued interest under the Amended and Restated Note is payable in a single installment upon maturity. Like the April 2011 Note, the Amended and Restated Note is security interest that secures the Boston Scientific Notes.

The Company calculated the fair value of the Amended and Restated Note, as of the loan modification date, based on the amended terms. On the date of the loan modification, the fair value of the Amended and Restated Note, with its principal balance of \$4,289,444, was \$3,745,621. The difference between the fair value of the Amended and Restated Note on the date of the loan modification and the carrying value of the April 2011 Note and related accrued interest immediately prior to the loan modification, resulted in a charge to other expense of \$1,356,177 in the statement of operations during the year ended December 31, 2013. The \$543,823 difference between the principal amount of the Amended and Restated Note on the date of the loan modification was recorded as a debt discount and is being amortized to interest expense using the effective interest method over the term of the Amended and Restated Note.



#### Junior Secured Notes Payable

In November 2010, the Company issued an aggregate of 10,714,286 units and received proceeds of \$3,000,000. The units were sold to existing stockholders and other existing securityholders of the Company. Each unit consisted of a junior secured note, and one share of the Company's common stock. The Company issued 10,714,286 shares of common stock and junior secured notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$3,000,000. The notes mature in November 2020 and accrue interest at the rate of 3.5% per year. The notes are secured by a security interest in the assets of the Company, which security interest is junior and subordinate to the security interests that secure the Boston Scientific Notes and the Amended and Restated Note. All outstanding principal and interest on the junior secured notes will be due and payable in a single payment upon maturity.

Under GAAP, the Company allocated the \$3,000,000 in proceeds from the sale of the units between the junior secured notes and the shares of common stock based on their relative fair values, with \$2,775,300 being recorded as equity. The junior secured notes were recorded at the principal amount of \$3,000,000 less a discount of \$2,775,300. This discount is being amortized to interest expense over the 10-year term of the notes using the effective interest method. The fair value of the notes was estimated based on an assumed market interest rate for notes of similar terms and risk. The fair value of the Company's common stock was estimated by management using a market approach, with input from a third-party valuation specialist.

Four officers of the Company purchased an aggregate of 882,726 units in the offering for \$247,164. In addition, three non-employee directors of the Company also purchased an aggregate of 567,203 units for \$158,816 in the offering.

### 8. Stockholders' Equity

#### January 2013 Private Placement

In January 2013, the Company entered into a securities purchase agreement for the private placement of shares of the Company's common stock and warrants to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, at a purchase price of \$1.20 per unit (the "January 2013 Financing Transaction"). Each unit consisted of one share of common stock and a warrant to purchase one-half share of common stock.

In the January 2013 Financing Transaction, the Company sold to the investors 9,201,684 shares of common stock, together with warrants to purchase 4,600,842 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$11,042,021, before commissions and offering expenses. Non-employee directors of the Company invested a total of \$402,000 in the January 2013 Financing Transaction. Each warrant is exercisable for five years from the date of issuance and has an exercise price of \$1.75 per share, subject to adjustment from time to time for stock splits or combinations, stock dividends, stock distributions, recapitalizations and other similar transactions. In the event the Company issues shares of its common stock or common stock equivalents in a subsequent financing transaction at a price below the then prevailing warrant exercise price, the exercise price of the warrants will be adjusted downward (commonly referred to as a "down round" provision) to the price at which the Company issues the common stock or common stock or common stock equivalents.

In addition, the warrants contain a net-cash settlement feature that gives the warrant holder the right to net-cash settlement in the event certain transactions occur. Pursuant to the net-cash settlement provision of the warrants, if such a transaction occurs, the warrant holder will be entitled to receive cash equal to the value calculated under the Black-Scholes valuation model using (i) an expected volatility equal to the greater of 100% and the 100-day volatility obtained from the HVT function on Bloomberg, (ii) an expected term equal to the remaining term of the warrant, and (iii) an interest rate equal to the United States Treasury risk-free rate for the term of the lesser of the remaining term of the warrant or twenty-four months.

The Company's placement agents earned commissions of \$1,104,202 and the Company incurred other transaction costs of \$133,024 related to the January 2013 Financing Transaction.

#### July 2012 Private Placement

In July 2012, the Company entered into securities purchase agreements for the private placement of shares of the Company's common stock and warrants to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, at a purchase price of \$1.10 per unit (the "July 2012 Financing Transaction"). Each unit consisted of one share of common stock and a warrant to purchase one-half share of common stock. In the July 2012 Financing Transaction , the Company sold to the investors 5,454,523 shares of common stock, together with warrants to purchase 2,727,274 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$6,000,000. Each warrant is exercisable for five years from the date of issuance and had an initial exercise price of \$1.45 per share. The exercise price is subject to adjustment from time to time for stock splits or combinations, stock dividends, stock distributions, recapitalizations and other similar transactions. In addition, the exercise price of the warrants is subject to a down round provision requiring adjustment on a weighted average basis in the event the Company issues common stock or common stock equivalents in a financing transaction at a price below the then prevailing warrant exercise price. As a result the January 2013 Financing Transaction, the exercise price of the warrants issued in the July 2012 Financing Transaction. The Company's placement agent for the July 2012 Financing Transaction, and its sub-placement agents, earned cash commissions of \$480,000 as well as warrants to purchase 409,093 shares of the Company's common stock. The placement agent warrants have the same terms and conditions as the investor warrants, except that the placement agent warrants have an exercise price of \$1.10 per share.



# Common Stock Warrants Requiring Liability Accounting

The net-cash settlement and down round provisions contained in the warrants issued in the January 2013 Financing Transaction require derivative liability accounting treatment for the warrants. Likewise, the down round provision contained in the warrants issued in the July 2012 Financing Transaction also requires derivative liability accounting treatment for the warrants. The fair value of these warrants was calculated using the Monte Carlo simulation valuation method

Assumptions used in calculating the fair value of these warrants are noted below:

			Transaction Date			
	December	31,	January 2013	July 2012		
	2013	2012	Financing	Financing		
Dividend yield	0%	0%	0%	0%		
Expected volatility	40.38% - 100.00%	47.08%	47.08% - 100.00%	47.64%		
Risk free interest rates	1.01% - 1.27%	0.65%	0.91%	0.75%		
Expected remaining term (in years)	3.51 to 4.07	4.51	5.00	5.00		

In addition to the assumptions above, the Company also takes into consideration whether or not it would participate in another round of equity financing and, if so, what that stock price would be for such a financing at that time.

The fair values and the changes in fair values of the warrants accounted for as a derivative liability is reflected below:

Balance at January 1, 2012	\$ -
Fair value of July 2012 warrants at transaction date	1,957,720
Loss on change in fair value	170,582
Balance at December 31, 2012	2,128,302
Fair value of January 2013 warrants at transaction date	3,305,245
Gain on change in fair value	(1,685,689)
Balance at December 31, 2013	\$ 3,747,858

#### Preferred Stock

In 2006, the Company issued 7,965,000 shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. The holders of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock had the right to convert such shares, at any time, into shares of common stock at the then applicable conversion rate. In addition, the terms of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock provided for automatic conversion into common stock at the then applicable conversion rate upon the closing of an initial public offering or the consent of holders of a majority of the outstanding shares of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. In connection with any of the foregoing conversion events, every four shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock would convert into one share of common stock, subject to adjustment for certain corporate events, including stock splits, stock dividends and recapitalizations. However, on December 15, 2011, the Company's Board of Directors approved an amendment to the terms of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock providing for the automatic conversion of all outstanding shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock into shares of common stock, on a 1-for-1 basis, upon the effectiveness of a Form 10 registration statement filed by the Company with the SEC under the Exchange Act. That amendment was approved by the stockholders of the Company on February 10, 2012, and a Certificate of Amendment effecting the change to the terms of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock was filed with the State of Delaware on that same day. Accordingly, upon the effectiveness of the Company's Form 10 on February 27, 2012, the outstanding shares of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock converted into 7,965,000 shares of the Company's common stock.



On February 10, 2012, the stockholders of the Company also approved an Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to be filed in connection with the effectiveness of the Company's Form 10 registration statement. The Company filed the Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the test of Delaware on February 27, 2012, and it became effective upon filing. Under such Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation, the Company has the authority to issue up to 25,000,000 shares of preferred stock, and the Board of Directors has the authority, without further action by the stockholders, to issue up to that number of shares of preferred stock in one or more series, to establish from time to time the number of shares to be included in each such series, to fix the rights, preferences and privileges of the shares of each series and any qualifications, limitations or restrictions thereon, and to increase or decrease the number of shares of any such series, but not below the number of shares of such series then outstanding. In June 2012, the Board of Directors designated the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock solely to provide Boston Scientific a series of the Company's preferred stock into which Boston Scientific could elect to convert the Boston Scientific Notes other than in connection with a qualified financing (see Note 6). The Company has not issued any shares of the State of Delaware to create the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. The Company would only file such Certificate of Designations in the event of a conversion of the Boston Scientific Notes into shares of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. The Company has not filed a Certificate of Designations with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware to create the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. The Company would only file such Certificate of Designations in the event of a conversion of the Boston Scientific Notes into shares of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock. The Company would only file such Certificate of Design

## Summary of Conversions to Common Stock Upon Effectiveness of the Form 10

*Summer 2011 Notes* - The Company had unsecured convertible notes payable (the "Summer 2011 Notes") in the aggregate amount of \$1,310,000 issued to six non-employee directors of the Company. The Summer 2011 Notes were scheduled to mature in 2013 and accrued interest at 15% per year. The Summer 2011 Notes, as amended, provided for automatic conversion of the principal and all accrued interest into shares of the Company's common stock upon the effectiveness of a Form 10 registration statement filed by the Company with the SEC under the Exchange Act, based on a conversion price of \$0.60 per share. Upon the effectiveness of the Company's Form 10 on February 27, 2012, all of the Summer 2011 Notes, representing an aggregate of \$1,425,865 in principal and accrued interest, were converted into 2,376,447 shares of the Company's common stock.

*March 2010 Notes* - The Company had 10% senior unsecured convertible notes (the "March 2010 Notes") in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,071,000. The March 2010 Notes were scheduled to mature in March 2012. All accrued interest was to be paid in cash upon the earlier of maturity or conversion. The March 2010 Notes, as amended, provided for automatic conversion of the outstanding principal and accrued interest into shares of the Company's common stock on the effective date of a Form 10 registration statement filed by the Company with the SEC under the Exchange Act, based on a conversion price of \$1.00 per share. Upon the effectiveness of the Company's Form 10 on February 27, 2012, all of the March 2010 Notes, representing an aggregate of \$4,868,017 in principal and accrued interest, were converted into 4,868,041 shares of the Company's common stock.

*2011 Unit Offering Notes* - In October 2011, the Company initiated a private placement of units, each unit consisting of a 10% junior secured convertible note ("2011 Unit Offering Note") in the principal amount of \$100,000 and a warrant to purchase 50,000 shares of the Company's common stock. The 2011 Unit Offering Notes were scheduled to mature three years from the date of issuance and accrued interest at 10% per year. Per the terms of the 2011 Unit Offering Notes, all principal and accrued interest automatically converted into shares of the Company's common stock based on a conversion price of \$0.60 per share on the effective date of the Company's Form 10 on February 27, 2012. The warrants were fully vested upon issuance, have a term of five years, and have an exercise price of \$0.75 per share. Upon completion of the unit offering in February 2012, the Company had sold 54.305 units resulting in the issuance of convertible notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$5,430,500 and warrants to purchase 2,715,250 shares of common stock. Of the 54.305 units sold, 38.055 units were sold after December 31, 2011. The Company's placement agent for the unit offering, and its sub-placement agents, received an aggregate cash fee equal to 10% of the gross proceeds from the offering, as well as warrants to purchase an aggregate of 941,288 shares of the Company's common stock at \$0.60 per share. The fair value of these warrants of \$237,299 was calculated using the Black-Scholes pricing model. The \$237,299 was recorded as a deferred offering cost to be amortized to interest expense using the effective interest method over the term of the 2011 Unit Offering Notes.



Upon the effectiveness of the Company's Form 10 on February 27, 2012, all of the 2011 Unit Offering Notes, representing an aggregate of \$5,491,929 in principal and accrued interest, were converted into 9,153,239 shares of the Company's common stock. In conjunction with the conversion of the 2011 Unit Offering Notes, the Company charged the related aggregate unamortized debt discount of \$1,063,018 and unamortized deferred offering costs of \$785,239 to interest expense.

The table below summarizes the impact on the Company's balance sheet and shares outstanding of the conversions to common stock that occurred upon the effectiveness of the Company's Form 10 registration statement on February 27, 2012:

	Impact to Balance Sheet						Increase in
	Before Conversi			npact of nversions		fter ersions	Common Shares Outstanding
Impact on assets							
Deferred costs	\$ 799.	,123	\$	(799,123)	\$	_	
Impact on liabilities and equity							
Accrued interest on converted notes	\$ 974.	,311	\$	(974,311)	\$	-	1,092,559
Summer 2011 Notes, net	904	,397		(904,397)		-	2,183,334
March 2010 Notes, net	4,057	,500	(	(4,057,500)		-	4,071,000
2011 Unit Offering Notes, net	4,367	,482	(	(4,367,482)			9,050,834
Total impact on liabilities	10,303	,690	(1	.0,303,690)			16,397,727
Series A convertible preferred stock	7,965,	,000,	(	(7,965,000)		-	7,965,000
Additional paid-in capital and common stock		-	1	9,345,209	19,3	345,209	-
Accumulated deficit		-	(	(1,875,642)	(1,8	<u>875,642</u> )	
Total impact on equity	7,965	,000		9,504,567	17,4	469,567	7,965,000
Total impact on liabilities and equity	\$ 18,268	,690	\$	(799,123)	\$ 17,4	469,567	24,362,727

The impact to accumulated deficit relates to the write-off of unamortized debt discounts and deferred financing costs.

#### Stock Incentive Plans

The Company has various share-based compensation plans and share-based compensatory contracts (collectively, the "Plans"). The Plans provide for the granting of share-based awards, such as incentive and non-qualified stock options, to employees, directors, consultants and advisors, and some of the Plans provide for cash-based awards. Awards may be subject to a vesting schedule as set forth in each individual award agreement.

In February 2012, the stockholders of the Company approved the 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan (the "2012 Plan"). Upon stockholder approval of the 2012 Plan, the Company ceased making awards under prior Plans adopted in 2010. A total of 3,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock were reserved for issuance under the 2012 Plan, of which awards as to 2,916,650 shares were outstanding as of December 31, 2013.

In June 2013, the stockholders of the Company approved the 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan (the "2013 Plan"). Upon stockholder approval of the 2013 Plan, the Company ceased making awards under the 2012 Plan. A total of 1,250,000 shares of the Company's common stock are reserved for issuance under the 2013 Plan, of which awards as to 949,500 shares had been made as of December 31, 2013. Thus, 300,500 shares remained available for award grants as of December 31, 2013 under the 2013 Plan.

In December 2013, the Company's board of directors approved the 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan (the "Director Plan"). A total of 570,000 shares of the Company's common stock are reserved for issuance under the Director Plan. The shares reserved for issuance under the Director Plan are intended to be used to cover the stock options granted pursuant to the terms of the Company's Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan. As of December 31, 2013, no awards had been issued under the Director Plan.

Activity with respect to stock options issued by the Company is summarized as follows:

	Options Outstanding	Options <u>Exercisable</u>	Rang Exercise		Weighted- average Exercise price per share	Intrinsic Value (1)
Balance at January 1, 2012	3,679,977		\$ 0.88 -	\$ 9.64	\$ 2.05	\$ -
Exercisable at January 1, 2012		1,501,659	0.88 -	9.64	2.15	-
Granted (2)	3,097,400		1.00	2.13	1.08	
Exercised	(14,000)		1.80 -	9.64	1.80	
Cancelled or forfeited	(331,250)		1.80 -	9.64	2.14	
Outstanding at December 31, 2012	6,432,127		0.88 -	9.64	1.58	1,846,040
Exercisable at December 31, 2012		2,386,909	0.88 -	9.64	2.13	205,000
Granted (2)	1,219,500		1.09 -	1.75	1.43	
Cancelled or forfeited	(221,402)		1.00 -	9.64	4.33	
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	7,430,225		0.88 -	9.64	1.47	1,493,368
Exercisable at December 31, 2013		4,416,292	0.88 -	9.64	1.68	566,589

(1) Intrinsic value is calculated as the estimated fair value of the Company's stock at the end of the related period less the option exercise price of in-the-money options.

(2) All options granted during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2013 were granted with exercise prices which were deemed to be the fair market value of the Company's stock on the date of grant, except for 200,000 options granted in December 2013 that have an exercise price of \$1.75, which was deemed to be above market.

The following table summarizes information about stock options at December 31, 2013 (contractual life expressed in years):

	Ор	tions Outstandi	ng		0	ptions Exercisab	le	
Range of	Number	Weighted - Average Remaining Contractual		Veighted - Average Exercise	Number	Weighted - Average Remaining Contractual		/eighted - A verage Exercise
Exercise Prices	Outstanding	Life		Price	Exercisable	Life		Price
\$0.88-\$1.26	3,375,650	7.31	\$	1.01	1,189,384	6.36	\$	0.97
1.40-2.13	3,948,450	8.29		1.74	3,120,783	7.40		1.79
3.20-9.64	106,125	4.17		6.16	106,125	4.17		6.16
	7,430,225	7.79		1.47	4,416,292	7.04		1.68

The weighted average grant date fair value of options granted during the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012 was \$0.63 and \$0.48, respectively. A summary of the status of the Company's nonvested stock options during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2013 is presented below:

Nonvested Stock Options	Shares	Weighted - Average Grant Date Fair Value
Nonvested January 1, 2012	2,178,318	0.87
Granted	3,097,400	0.48
Forfeited	(258,516)	0.85
Vested	(971,984)	1.04
Nonvested December 31, 2012	4,045,218	0.56
Granted	1,219,500	0.63
Forfeited	(94,833)	0.76
Vested	(2,155,952)	0.58
Nonvested December 31, 2013	3,013,933	0.52

As of December 31, 2013 there was a total of approximately \$1,160,000 of unrecognized compensation cost related to share-based compensation arrangements granted under the Plans. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 2.0 years.

The assumptions used in calculating the fair value under the Black-Scholes option-pricing model are set forth in the following table for options issued by the Company in 2013 and 2012:

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2013	2012	
Dividend yield	0%	0%	
Expected Volatility	43.4% to 46.0%	45.2% to 45.3%	
Risk free Interest rates	0.92% to 2.10%	0.83% to 1.13%	
Expected lives (years)	5.0 - 6.0	6.0	

Warrants

As noted above, common stock warrants were issued in the July 2012 Financing Transaction and the January 2013 Financing Transaction. In May 2012, the Company issued an aggregate of 1,250,000 common stock warrants to two non-employee directors in recognition of their long-standing support of the Company. The warrants were immediately vested and exercisable upon issuance, have an exercise price of \$1.00 per share, and have a term of five years. The fair value of the 1,250,000 warrants issued was \$514,250, which was calculated using the Black-Scholes pricing model. During the year ended December 31, 2012, the Company issued 421,666 warrants to third parties with an exercise price of \$1.00 and having a fair value of \$349,003. In addition, during year ended December 31, 2013, the Company issued 43,000 warrants to a service provider with an exercise price of \$1.75 and having a fair value of \$14,805. The aggregate fair value of the aforementioned warrants, which was calculated using the Black-Scholes valuation model, totaled \$14,805 and \$863,253 during years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively, and was recorded as selling, general and administrative expenses.

Warrants have been issued for terms of up to five years. Common stock warrants issued, expired, and outstanding during the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2013 are as follows:

	Shares	Weighted - Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at January 1, 2012	1,922,944 \$	0.43
Issued	7,652,071	1.05
Shares withheld on net settled exercises	(186,347)	0.70
Exercised	(624,832)	0.67
Outstanding at December 31, 2012	8,763,836	0.95
Expired	(41,666)	1.00
Issued	4,643,842	1.75
Shares withheld on net settled exercises	(101,318)	0.85
Exercised	(1,127,829)	0.08
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	12,136,865	1.33

The assumptions used in calculating the fair value of warrants under the Black-Scholes pricing model are as follows:

	Year Ended December 31,		
	2013 2012		
Dividend yield	0%	0%	
Expected Volatility	46.49%	40.96% to 46.88%	
Risk free Interest rates	1.38%	0.19% to 0.77%	
Expected lives (years)	5.0	1.6 to 5.0	

#### Warrants

As noted above, common stock were issued in the July 2012 Financing Transaction and the January 2013 Financing Transaction. In May 2012, the Company issued an aggregate of 1,250,000 common stock warrants to two non-employee directors in recognition.

#### Retirement of Treasury Stock

On December 5, 2013, the Board of Directors approved the retirement of 325,830 shares of treasury stock. These retired shares are now included in the Company's pool of authorized but unissued shares. The retired treasury shares had a carrying value of \$1,679,234. Upon retirement of these treasury shares, Common Stock was reduced by the par value of the shares, and the excess cost above the par value of the retired shares was recorded as a reduction of Additional Paid-In Capital.

# 9. Income Taxes

The Company had no income tax expense for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012. Due to uncertainties surrounding the realization of its deferred income tax assets in future periods, the Company has recorded a 100% valuation allowance against its net deferred income tax assets. If it is determined in the future that it is more likely than not that any deferred income tax assets are realizable, the valuation allowance will be reduced by the estimated net realizable amounts.

The tax effect of temporary differences and net operating losses that give rise to components of deferred income tax assets and liabilities consist of the following:

	As of December 31,		
	2013	2012	
Deferred income tax assets (liabilities):			
Property and equipment	\$ (153,864) \$	(54,443)	
Deferred revenue	40,564	246,740	
Accrued expenses	223,022	288,338	
Share based compensation related	1,554,048	1,094,927	
Other	208,266	546,636	
Net operating loss carryforwards	 23,089,111	19,816,443	
	24,961,147	21,938,641	
Less valuation allowance	 (24,961,147)	(21,938,641)	
	\$ - \$	-	

The Company had a cumulative federal net operating loss of approximately \$60,000,000 as of December 31, 2013, which begins to expire in 2015. Under Sections 382 and 383 of the Internal Revenue Code, if an ownership change occurs with respect to a "loss corporation," as defined, there are annual limitations on the amount of the net operating loss and other deductions which are available to the Company. The Company has not determined whether such an ownership change has occurred. However, given the equity transactions in which the Company has engaged, the Company believes that the use of the net operating losses shown as deferred tax assets will be significantly limited.

Management has evaluated the effect of guidance provided by GAAP regarding accounting for uncertainty in income taxes and determined the Company has no uncertain tax positions that could have a significant impact on its financial statements. The Company's income tax returns after 2009 remain open for examination.

#### 10. Commitments

#### Leases

The Company leases office space in Tennessee and California under non-cancellable operating leases. The leases expire in 2014 and 2015, respectively.

Future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

Years ending December 31,	
2014	\$ 140,583
2015	 62,638
Total minium payments	\$ 203,221

Rent expense under all operating leases was approximately \$149,000 and \$145,000 for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, respectively

### Licenses

Certain license arrangements require minimum royalty payments. As of December 31, 2013, future minimum payments under these arrangements are as follows:

Years ending December 31,	
2014	\$ 124,110
2015	100,000
2016	105,000
2017	115,000
2018	95,000
Thereafter	890,000
Total minium payments	<u>\$ 1,429,110</u>

Royalty payment amounts may be greater than the minimum required payment amounts based on the negotiated royalty rates. If the Company sublicenses the intellectual property that is licensed from the licensor and the Company receives any royalty payment under or with respect to such sublicense, the Company is obligated to pay the licensor an agreed upon percentage of any such payment(s). Under the terms of these license agreements, the Company is required to reimburse the licensor for costs incurred by the licensor associated with patent filing, prosecution and maintenance. The Company may terminate these license agreements for any reason, upon giving the licensor either 60 or 90 days written notice, depending on the agreement.

# Co-Development Agreement (see Note 12)

In 2009, the Company entered into a Cooperation and Development Agreement (the "Original Siemens Agreement") with Siemens Aktiengesellschaft, Healthcare Sector ("Siemens AG"), pursuant to which the Company agreed to pay Siemens AG up to approximately \$2,476,000 in milestone-based payments for development of software to be used in conjunction with products being developed by the Company. Under the Original Siemens Agreement, the software was owned by Siemens AG. At December 31, 2013, the Company had made milestone-based payments to Siemens AG totaling \$1,373,889 under the Original Siemens Agreement.

#### Research Agreements

The Company entered into research agreements with certain universities whereby the Company committed to pay certain research-related expenses. As of December 31, 2013, the Company is obligated to make payments totaling approximately \$274,000, all payable in 2014 under such agreements.

#### Master Services and Software License Agreement

In July 2007, the Company entered into a Master Services and Licensing Agreement (the "Master Software Agreement") with Merge Healthcare Canada Corp. f/k/a Cedara Software Corp. ("Merge") for Merge to develop on the Company's behalf, based on the Company's detailed specifications, a customized software solution for the Company's ClearPoint system. Merge was in the business of providing software development and engineering services on a contract basis to a number of companies. In developing the Company's ClearPoint system software, Merge utilized certain of its own pre-existing software code. Under the Master Software Agreement, the Company received a non-exclusive, worldwide license to the pre-existing software code, in object code form, as an integrated component of the Company's ClearPoint system software. In return, the Company agreed to pay Merge a license fee for each copy of the ClearPoint system software that the Company distributes, subject to certain minimum license purchase commitments by the Company. In addition, under the Master Software Agreement, Merge performed ongoing custom engineering, maintenance and support services with respect to the Company's ClearPoint system software, for which services the Company compensated Merge.

In 2012, the Company and Merge entered into an amendment to the Master Software Agreement (the "2012 Software Amendment"). Pursuant to the 2012 Merge Amendment, the Company agreed to issue Merge, or its designee, 1,500,000 shares of the Company's common stock (i) in full payment and satisfaction of license fees owed to Merge in the amount of \$612,500 for licenses previously purchased by the Company, (ii) in full payment and satisfaction of all of the Company's remaining minimum license purchase commitments from Merge in the amount of \$962,500, and (iii) in exchange for additional licenses provided by Merge to the Company valued at \$87,500 based on the original terms of the Master Software Agreement. Applying GAAP for equity-based payments to non-employees, the Company used the contractual value of the amounts owed and of the licenses acquired to measure and record the transaction. The portion of the licenses purchased by the Company that are not expected to be sold or placed in service in the next 12 months has been recorded as a non-current asset, called software license inventory.

In July 2013, the Company and Merge entered into another amendment to the Master Software Agreement (the "2013 Software Amendment"). At the Company's request, the parties entered into the 2013 Software Amendment to enable the Company to internally perform development, maintenance and support of its ClearPoint system software going forward. As a result, the services which the Company had been outsourcing to Merge are now performed by the Company itself. Under the 2013 Software Amendment, Merge granted the Company a non-exclusive, non-transferable, worldwide license to the source code for certain Merge software, which as mentioned above had been utilized in Merge's original development work, to use in the Company's further development and commercialization of its ClearPoint system software. In return, the Company agreed to pay Merge a one-time license fee. Merge may terminate the source code license only for cause. The Company will continue to pay Merge a license fee for each copy of the ClearPoint system software that the Company distributes, but only for licenses in excess of those licenses already purchased or otherwise acquired by the Company prior to the 2013 Software Amendment. The Company had already satisfied its minimum license purchase commitments from the Master Software Agreement.

#### Cardiac EP Business Participation Plan

In June 2010, the Company adopted a plan to provide a key product development advisor and consultant with financial rewards in the event that the Company sells its business operations relating to catheter-based MRI-guided cardiac ablation to treat cardiac arrhythmias, which the Company refers to as its cardiac EP operations. In the event the Company sells its cardiac EP operations, whether on a standalone basis or as part of the sale of the Company, the participant will receive a payment under the plan equal to (i) the transaction value paid for or allocated to the cardiac EP operations in the sale, multiplied by (ii) the participant's "participation interest" at the time of the sale. The participant was initially awarded a participation interest of 6.6%. However, pursuant to the terms of the plan, the participation interest is equitably reduced from time to time to take into account equity financing transactions in which the Company issues shares of its common stock, or securities convertible into shares of its common stock, in exchange for cash proceeds. At December 31, 2013, the participation interest was 3.1%. The plan will terminate in June 2025.

#### **Employment Agreements**

During 2012, the Company entered into employment agreements (each, an "Employment Agreement," and collectively, the "Employment Agreements") with five executive officers (each, an "Executive"). Among other provisions customary for agreements of this nature, the Employment Agreements provide for severance in the event of a termination without cause or if the Executive terminates his employment for good reason, as those terms are defined in each Employment Agreement. Likewise, the Employment Agreements provide for certain payments in connection with a change of control transaction.

#### Key Personnel Incentive Program

The Company adopted its Key Personnel Incentive Program to provide a consultant and an employee (collectively, the "Participants"), who at the time of adoption of the program were key to the Company's development and licensing activities, with the opportunity to receive incentive bonus payments based on the performance of future services to the Company or upon a consummation of a transaction involving the sale of the Company. In June 2012, the Participants voluntarily and irrevocably relinquished their rights to receive, and the Participants discharged the Company from its obligations to make, any and all incentive bonus payments under the Key Personnel Incentive Program based on the performance of services.

Pursuant to the Key Personnel Incentive Program, in the event of a sale transaction, each of the Participants will be entitled to receive an incentive bonus payment equal to \$1,000,000. In addition, one of the Participants will also receive an incentive bonus payment equal to 1.4% of net proceeds from the sale transaction in excess of \$50,000,000, but not to exceed \$700,000. If a sale has not occurred by December 31, 2025, the Key Personnel Incentive Program will terminate.

Because the Company was discharged from any obligations to make incentive bonus payments related to performance of services under the Key Personnel Incentive Program, in June 2012 the Company reversed all amounts previously accrued for such service-based payments under the program. This resulted in a credit to reverse a research and development obligation of \$882,537 in 2012 for the amounts that previously had been accrued as research and development costs. One of the Participants in the Key Personnel Incentive Program is a non-employee director of the Company.

# 11. Legal Proceeding

In June 2013, Custom Equity Research, Inc. d/b/a Summer Street Research Partners ("Summer Street") commenced an arbitration proceeding alleging breach of contract and quantum meruit claims against the Company. Summer Street claims, among other things, that the Company owes Summer Street \$480,000 in cash commissions, as well as warrants to purchase 460,338 shares of the Company's common stock, in connection with the Company's engagement of Summer Street to serve as its financial advisor and placement agent for two financing transactions undertaken by the Company in 2011 and 2012, respectively. As required under the Company's engagement agreements with Summer Street, the arbitration has been brought before JAMS, The Resolution Experts, an alternative dispute resolution provider. In the arbitration, the Company has filed counter-claims against Summer Street alleging fraud and misrepresentation, abuse of process and malicious prosecution, and the Company is seeking unspecified monetary damages from Summer Street in connection with the counter-claims. At December 31, 2013, the parties were conducting discovery in preparation for the arbitration hearing, which is scheduled in July 2014.

Due to the uncertainty surrounding the arbitration process, the Company is unable to reasonably estimate the ultimate outcome of the foregoing matter at this time. Based on currently available information, the Company believes that it has meritorious defenses to Summer Street's claims and that the likelihood is remote that the resolution of this matter will have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition or future results of operations. As such, no liability associated with this matter has been recorded in the Company's financial statements.

# 12. Subsequent Events

#### Sale of Certain Intellectual Property in Exchange for Cancellation of the Boston Scientific Notes

On March 19, 2014, the Company entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement (the "BSC Purchase Agreement") with Boston Scientific. Pursuant to the BSC Purchase Agreement, Boston Scientific purchased from the Company certain MRI-safety technology for implantable medical leads (the "Transferred Intellectual Property") for an aggregate purchase price of \$4,338,601. The Transferred Intellectual Property includes some, but not but all, of the intellectual property the Company previously licensed exclusively to Boston Scientific within the fields of neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications. The asset purchase price was satisfied through the cancellation of the Boston Scientific Notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,338,601. Accordingly, all obligations of the Company under the Boston Scientific Notes have been discharged and the liens that secured the Company's obligations under the Boston Scientific Notes have been terminated and released. The Company will record a gain equal to the aggregate purchase price on the sale of the assets sold under the BSC Purchase Agreement in its statement of operations and a corresponding decrease to related party convertible notes payable during the first quarter of 2014.

In connection with the BSC Purchase Agreement, the parties entered into a license agreement pursuant to which Boston Scientific granted the Company an exclusive, royalty-free, fully paid up, irrevocable, worldwide license to the Transferred Intellectual Property, with the right to sublicense, within fields of use other than neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications.



In addition, Boston Scientific and the Company entered into amendments to their pre-existing development and license agreements, in the fields of neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications, to eliminate the milestone-based payments and royalties provided under those agreements. As such, the Company will no longer be entitled to receive any potential future milestone-based payments or royalties under its development and license agreements with Boston Scientific.

The transactions contemplated by the BSC Purchase Agreement do not impact the Company's ability to continue to commercialize its ClearPoint system or to continue the development of its ClearTrace system.

### 2014 Junior Secured Notes Offering

In March 2014, the Company entered into securities purchase agreements for the private placement of (i) 12% second-priority secured non-convertible promissory notes due 2019 (the "2014 Secured Notes") and (ii) warrants to purchase 0.3 share of the Company's common stock for each dollar in principal amount of 2014 Secured Notes sold by the Company. Pursuant to those securities purchase agreements, the Company sold 2014 Secured Notes in a total aggregate principal amount of \$3,625,000, together with warrants to purchase up to 1,087,500 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$3,625,000, before expenses of approximately \$80,000 and placement agent commissions.

The 2014 Secured Notes have a five-year maturity, and they bear interest at a rate of 12% per year, payable semi-annually, in arrears, on each six-month and one-year anniversary of the issuance date. The 2014 Secured Notes are not convertible into shares of the Company's common stock. Following the third anniversary of the issuance date, the 2014 Secured Notes may be prepaid, without penalty or premium, provided that all principal and unpaid accrued interest under all 2014 Secured Notes is prepaid at the same time. Prior to the third anniversary of the issuance date, the Company may prepay all, but not less than all, of the principal and unpaid accrued interest under the 2014 Secured Notes are secured Notes at any time, subject to the Company's payment of the additional prepayment premium stated in the notes. The 2014 Secured Notes are secured by a security interest in the Company's property and assets, which security interest is junior and subordinate to the security interest that secures the Amended and Restated Note discussed in Note 7.

The warrants issued to the investors are exercisable, in full or in part, at any time prior to the fifth anniversary of the issuance date, at an exercise price of \$1.75 per share, subject to adjustment from time to time for stock splits or combinations, stock dividends, stock distributions, recapitalizations and other similar transactions.

Non-employee directors of the Company invested a total of \$1,100,000, either directly or through a trust. The Company's placement agent earned cash commissions of \$139,500 as well as warrants to purchase 69,750 shares of the Company's common stock. The placement agent warrants have the same terms and conditions as the investor warrants.

#### Modification of Co-Development Agreement

In February 2014, the Company and Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc. ("Siemens Medical") entered into a Development Agreement (the "New Siemens Agreement"), which replaces and supersedes the Original Siemens Agreement. Therefore, upon execution of the New Siemens Agreement, the Company and Siemens AG terminated the Original Siemens Agreement. References below to "Siemens" will mean Siemens Medical or Siemens AG, as applicable.

Under the Original Siemens Agreement, Siemens and the Company performed initial work related to the development of hardware and software needed for MRI-guided, catheter-based ablation procedures to treat cardiac arrhythmias, such as atrial fibrillation. Pursuant to the terms of the Original Siemens Agreement, the Company generally was responsible for developing catheters and other hardware, and Siemens was responsible for developing software, to the Company's specifications. The Company was responsible for paying Siemens for its software development work, but, under the Original Siemens Agreement, Siemens owned the software. Working closely with the Company, Siemens created a research version of the software platform specifically for use in MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures with the Company's catheters, but a commercial version was not developed under the Original Siemens Agreement.

Under the New Siemens Agreement, the Company, with cooperation, assistance and technical support from Siemens, will develop the commercial version of the research software platform created by Siemens under the Original Siemens Agreement. Once the development work is completed, subject to appropriate regulatory clearance or approval, the Company will sell the software as its own product.

Under the New Siemens Agreement, Siemens will develop certain software features (the "Host Features") for a planned software release for certain Siemens MAGNETOM MRI systems. The Host Features will enable the connection of the Company's software and catheters to those MAGNETOM MRI systems, and the Company will pay Siemens to perform development work for the Host Features. The amount the Company will be obligated to pay to Siemens under the New Siemens Agreement for this development work is less than the remaining amount that was to be paid under the Original Siemens Agreement described in Note 10. The Host Features, which will be owned by Siemens, will run within the MRI scanner system. The Host Features will then connect to the Company's software, which will operate on a separate computer workstation, and enable the performance of MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures.

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets (Unaudited)

	Se	September 30, 2014		), December 31, 2013	
ASSETS					
Current Assets:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,894,681	\$	3,516,244	
Accounts receivable		548,766		770,352	
Inventory, net		2,255,839		1,477,161	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		48,092		174,870	
Total current assets		4,747,378		5,938,627	
Property and equipment, net		559,380		903,160	
Software license inventory		892,500		927,500	
Other assets		305,735		103,783	
Total assets	\$	6,504,993	\$	7,873,070	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT					
Current liabilities:					
Accounts payable	\$	1,436,386	\$	1,376,627	
Accrued compensation		313,570		210,35	
Other accrued liabilities		1,023,035		310,317	
Derivative liabilites		3,169,679		3,747,85	
Deferred product and service revenues		94,063		106,859	
Related party convertible notes payable		-		4,338,601	
Total current liabilities		6,036,733		10,090,62	
Other accrued liabilities		789,976		531,830	
Note payable, net of unamortized discount of \$314,511 and \$437,261 at September 30, 2014		,			
and December 31, 2013, respectively		3,974,933		3,852,183	
2010 junior secured notes payable, net of unamortized discount of \$2,711,796 and					
\$2,767,595 at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively		288,204		232,405	
2014 junior secured 12% notes payable, net of unamortized discount of \$382,686 at					
September 30, 2014		3,342,314			
Total liabilities		14,432,160		14,707,039	
Commitments and contingencies (Notes 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9)					
Stockholders' deficit:					
Common stock, \$0.01 par value; 100,000,000 shares authorized; 58,986,797 shares issued and					
outstanding at September 30, 2014; and 58,536,972 issued and outstanding, at December 31,		500.015		505.05	
2013		589.867		585.36	

2013	589,867	585,369
Additional paid-in capital	66,845,488	65,333,264
Accumulated deficit	(75,362,522)	(72,752,602)
Total stockholders' deficit	(7,927,167)	(6,833,969)
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	<u>\$ 6,504,993</u> <u>\$</u>	7,873,070

See accompanying notes.

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended September 30,		Nine Mont Septemi					
	_	2014		2013	_	2014	_	2013
Revenues:								
Product revenues	\$	588,343	\$	850,027	\$	2,456,171	\$	1,807,653
Development service revenues		-		49,052		103,846		268,114
Other service revenues		44,861		28,378		84,623		28,378
Related party license revenues						-		650,000
Total revenues		633,204		927,457		2,644,640		2,754,145
Cost of product revenues		315,852		365,497		1,243,472		887,605
Research and development costs		873,366		725,304		2,589,410		2,238,574
Selling, general, and administrative expenses		2,062,309		1,697,876		5,792,241		5,034,514
Gain on sale of intellectual property		-				(4,338,601)		
Operating loss		(2,618,323)	(	(1,861,220)		(2,641,882)		(5,406,548)
Other income (expense):								
Gain (loss) on change in fair value of deriviative liabilities		(781,157)	(	(1,250,857)		578,179		1,328,112
Loss on note payable modification		-		-		-		(1,356,177)
Other income, net		38,237		39,160		167,614		406,548
Interest income		2,804		5,798		10,055		20,688
Interest expense		(288,783)		(127,693)		(723,886)		(363,115)
Net loss	\$	(3,647,222)	\$ (	(3,194,812)	\$	(2,609,920)	\$	(5,370,492)
Net loss per share attributable to common stockholders:								
Basic and diluted	\$	(0.06)	\$	(0.05)	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.09)
Weighted average shares outstanding:								
Basic and diluted		58,957,191	5	58,254,039	_	58,864,305	_	56,845,732

See accompanying notes.

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC. Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows (Unaudited)

Cash flows from operating activities: Net loss Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash flows from operating activities: Depreciation and license amortization Share-based compensation	\$ 2014 (2,609,920) \$	<b>2013</b> (5,370,492
Net loss Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash flows from operating activities: Depreciation and license amortization	\$ (2,609,920) \$	(5,370,492
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash flows from operating activities: Depreciation and license amortization	\$ (2,609,920) \$	(5,370,492
Depreciation and license amortization		
Share-based compensation	294,639	346,183
	555,909	1,003,028
Expenses paid through the issuance of common stock	374,546	101,683
Gain on change in fair value of derivative liabilities	(578,179)	(1,328,112
Gain on negotiated reductions in account payable	(70,000)	(382,263
Gain on sale of intellectual property	(4,338,601)	
Loss on loan modification	-	1,356,177
Amortization of debt issuance costs and and original issue discounts	233,865	94,732
Increase (decrease) in cash resulting from changes in:		
Accounts receivable	221,586	(342,274
Inventory	(657,948)	(355,709
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	126,778	(54,120
Other assets	-	(2,125
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,203,834	(678,042
Deferred revenue	 (12,796)	(652,460
Net cash flows from operating activities	 (5,256,287)	(6,263,800
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of property and equipment	(11,590)	(73,645
Acquisition of license	 	(100,000
Net cash flows from investing activities	 (11,590)	(173,645
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Net proceeds from equity private placement	-	9,829,014
Net proceeds from debt private placement	3,503,314	
Proceeds from stock option and warrant exercises	 143,000	19,625
Net cash flows from financing activities	 3,646,314	9,848,639
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	(1,621,563)	3,411,194
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	 3,516,244	1,620,005
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 1,894,681 \$	5,031,199

Interest \$ 223,823 \$ 10,709

See accompanying notes.

## MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC. Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (continued) (Unaudited)

# NON-CASH INVESTING AND FINANCING TRANSACTIONS:

- During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, ClearPoint reusable components with a cost of \$163,553 were transferred from inventory to loaned systems, which is a component of property and equipment. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, a net amount of ClearPoint reusable components with a cost of \$172,542 and accumulated depreciation of \$86,812 were transferred from loaned systems to inventory at the net carrying cost.
- In March 2013, in connection with a loan modification, accrued interest in the amount of \$389,444 was rolled into the principal balance of a note payable and the principal balance of the note was increased by an additional \$1,900,000.
- In recording the January 2013 equity private placement transaction, deferred financing costs of \$24,219 were netted against the proceeds recorded to additional paid-in capital.
- In March 2014, the Company entered into an asset purchase agreement to sell certain intellectual property. The asset purchase price was satisfied through the cancellation of related party convertible notes payable in the aggregate amount of \$4,338,601.



## MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC. Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (continued) (Unaudited)

### 1. Description of the Business and Liquidity

MRI Interventions, Inc. (the "Company") is a medical device company focused on the development and commercialization of technology that enables physicians to see inside the brain and heart using direct, intra-procedural magnetic resonance imaging ("MRI") guidance while performing minimally invasive surgical procedures. The Company was incorporated in the state of Delaware in March 1998. The Company's principal executive office is located in Memphis, Tennessee, and the Company's principal operations are located in Irvine, California. The Company established MRI Interventions (Canada) Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary incorporated in Canada, in August 2013. This subsidiary was established primarily for the purpose of performing software development and its activities are reflected in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

The Company's ClearPoint system, an integrated system comprised of reusable and disposable products, is designed to allow minimally invasive procedures in the brain to be performed in an MRI suite. The Company received 510(k) clearance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") in 2010 to market the ClearPoint system in the United States for general neurological interventional procedures. The Company's ClearTrace system is a product candidate under development that is designed to allow catheter-based minimally invasive procedures in the heart to be performed in an MRI suite.

#### Liquidity and Management's Plans

The cumulative net loss from the Company's inception through September 30, 2014 was \$75,362,522. Net cash used in operations was \$5,256,287 for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and \$7,777,931 for the year ended December 31, 2013. Since inception, the Company has financed its activities principally from the sale of equity securities, the issuance of notes payable and license arrangements.

The Company's primary financing activities during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and the year ended December 31, 2013 were:

- a March 2014 private offering (see Note 5), which resulted in net proceeds of \$3,503,314; and
- a January 2013 equity private placement, which resulted in net proceeds of \$9,829,014.

In addition, in March 2014, the Company completed a transaction with Boston Scientific Corporation and certain of its affiliates (collectively "Boston Scientific") that resulted in the cancellation of \$4,338,601 in related party convertible notes payable held by Boston Scientific which were scheduled to mature in 2014 (see Note 4).

The Company believes its cash and cash equivalents at September 30, 2014 of \$1,894,681, combined with cash expected to be generated from product sales, will be sufficient to meet its anticipated cash requirements into the first quarter of 2015. The Company is pursuing and evaluating opportunities to secure additional funding. These opportunities could involve the sale of equity or debt securities, entering into an agreement with a strategic partner, or some other form of collaborative relationship.

These consolidated condensed financial statements have been prepared with the assumption that the Company will continue as a going concern and will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business and do not include any adjustments to reflect the possible future effects on the recoverability and classification of assets or the amounts and classification of liabilities that may result from the inability of the Company to continue as a going concern. The Company may not be able to secure sufficient funding on commercially reasonable terms, if at all, through the sale of equity or debt securities to continue operations, and the Company may not be able to timely enter into a strategic or other collaborative relationship on commercially reasonable terms, if at all, to continue operations. The sale of additional equity or convertible debt securities would result in dilution, which could be significant, to the Company's current stockholders.



## 2. Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Basis of Presentation and Use of Estimates

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements ("condensed financial statements") have been prepared on a basis consistent with the Company's December 31, 2013 audited financial statements, and include all adjustments, consisting of only normal recurring adjustments, necessary to fairly state the information set forth therein. The condensed financial statements have been prepared in accordance with U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") rules for interim financial information, and, therefore, omit certain information and footnote disclosures necessary to present the statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States ("GAAP"). The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses and the related disclosures at the date of the financial statements and during the reporting period. Actual results could materially differ from these estimates. These condensed financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 has been derived from the audited financial statements. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 may not be indicative of the results to be expected for the entire year or any future periods.

#### Derivative Liabilities for Warrants to Purchase Common Stock

Derivative liabilities for warrants represents the fair value of warrants issued in connection with private placements of shares of the Company's common stock. The fair values of these warrants are presented as liabilities based on certain net cash settlement and exercise price reset, or down round provisions. These derivative liabilities, which are recorded on the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets, are calculated utilizing the Monte Carlo simulation valuation method. Changes in the fair values of these warrants are recognized as other income or expense in the related statement of operations.

#### Fair Value Measurements

Carrying amounts of the Company's cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their fair values due to their short maturities.

The Company measures and records certain financial assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis. GAAP provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority, referred to as Level 1, to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and liabilities. The next priority, referred to as Level 2, is given to quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets or quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active; that is, markets in which there are few transactions for the asset or liability. The lowest priority, referred to as Level 3, is given to unobservable inputs. The table below reflects the level of the inputs used in the Company's fair value calculation for instruments carried at fair value at:

	Quoted Prices in Active Markets (Level 1)	Significant Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level <u>3</u> )	Total Fair Value
September 30, 2014				
Derivative liabilities - warrants	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$ 3,169,679</u>	<u>\$ 3,169,679</u>
December 31, 2013				
Derivative liabilities - warrants	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ 3,747,858	<u>\$ 3,747,858</u>

#### Inventory

Inventory is carried at the lower of cost (first-in, first-out method) or net realizable value. Substantially all items included in inventory relate to the Company's ClearPoint system. Software license inventory that is not expected to be utilized within the next twelve months is classified as a non-current asset. The Company periodically reviews its inventory for obsolete items and provides a reserve upon identification of potential obsolete items.

#### Revenue Recognition

The Company's revenues are comprised of: (1) product revenues resulting from the sale of ClearPoint system reusable products, disposable products and ClearTrace system components; (2) license and development arrangements; (3) development service revenues; and (4) other service revenues. The Company recognizes revenue when persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists, the selling price or fee is fixed or determinable, collection is probable and, for product revenues, risk of loss has transferred to the customer. For all sales, the Company requires either a purchase agreement or a purchase order as evidence of an arrangement.

#### (1) Product Revenues

*Sales of ClearPoint reusable products:* Generally, revenues related to ClearPoint reusable product sales are recognized upon installation of the system and the completion of training of at least one of the customer's physicians, which typically occurs concurrently with the installation. Reusable products include software which is integral to the utility of the system as a whole. Sales of reusable products that have stand-alone value to the customer are recognized when risk of loss passes to the customer. Sales of ClearPoint reusable products to a distributor that has been trained to perform system installations and to conduct ClearPoint physician training are recognized at the time risk of loss passes to the distributor.

*Sales of disposable products:* Revenues from the sale of disposable products are recognized at the time risk of loss passes to the customer, which is generally at shipping point or upon delivery to the customer's location, depending upon the specific terms agreed upon with the customer.

*Sales of ClearTrace components:* Sales of ClearTrace system components to research sites for non-commercial use are recognized at the time risk of loss passes to the customer, which is generally at shipping point or upon delivery to the customer's location, depending upon the specific terms agreed upon with the customer. The Company does not have regulatory clearance or approval to sell ClearTrace system components for commercial use.

- (2) License and Development Arrangements The Company analyzes revenue recognition on an agreement by agreement basis. The Company determines whether the deliverables under the arrangement represent separate units of accounting as defined by GAAP. Application of GAAP regarding multiple-element arrangements requires management to make subjective judgments about the values of the individual elements and whether delivered elements are separable from the other aspects of the contractual relationship. The Company defers recognition of non-refundable upfront license fees if there are continuing performance obligations without which the technology, know-how, rights, products or services conveyed in conjunction with the non-refundable fees have no utility to the licensee that could be considered separate and independent of the Company's performance under other elements of the arrangement.
- (3) Development Service Revenues The Company is party to an agreement to provide development services to a third party. Under this agreement, the Company earns revenue equal to costs incurred for outside expenses related to the development services provided, plus actual direct internal labor costs (including the cost of employee benefits), plus an overhead markup of the direct internal labor costs incurred. Revenue is recognized in the period in which the Company incurs the related costs.
- (4) Other Service Revenues Other service revenues are comprised primarily of installation fees charged in connection with ClearPoint system installations and ClearPoint service agreement revenues. Typically, the Company will bill upfront for service agreements, which have terms ranging from one to three years. These amounts are recognized as revenues ratably over the term of the related service agreement.

#### Net Loss Per Share

Basic loss per share is calculated by dividing the net loss attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period, without giving consideration to common stock equivalents. Diluted loss per share is computed by dividing the net loss attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. The calculation of diluted net loss per share does not include the weighted average number of common stock equivalents outstanding for the period because to do so would be anti-dilutive. Accordingly, for all periods presented, diluted net loss per share is the same as basic net loss per share. The following table sets forth potential shares of common stock that are not included in the calculation of diluted net loss per share loss per share because of the anti-dilutive result:

	As of Septem	ber 30,
	2014	2013
Stock options	7,554,725	6,739,877
Warrants	13,327,115	12,203,489
Shares under convertible note agreements		542,325
	20.881.840	19.485.691

#### New Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-09, "Revenue from Contracts with Customers," which creates a new Topic, Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") Topic 606. The standard is principle-based and provides a five-step model to determine when and how revenue is recognized. The core principle is that an entity should recognize revenue when it transfers promised goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. This standard is effective for the Company beginning in 2017 and allows for either full retrospective adoption or modified retrospective adoption. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of ASC Topic 606 on its financial statements.

In August 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-15, "Disclosure of Uncertainties About an Entity's Ability to Continue as a Going Concern" which provides guidance on determining when and how to disclose going-concern uncertainties in the financial statements. The new standard requires management to perform interim and annual assessments of an entity's ability to continue as a going concern within one year of the date the financial statements are issued. An entity must provide certain disclosures if "conditions or events raise substantial doubt about [the] entity's ability to continue as a going concern." The ASU applies to all entities and is effective for annual periods ending after December 15, 2016, and interim periods thereafter, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of this guidance is not expected to have any impact on the Company's results of operations or financial position. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this update on future disclosures concerning its liquidity position.

#### 3. Inventory, Net

Inventory consists of the following as of:

	S	September 30,		December 31,
		2014		2013
Work in process	\$	1,025,530	\$	673,860
Software license inventory		385,000		385,000
Finished goods		845,309		418,301
Inventory included in current assets		2,255,839		1,477,161
Software license inventory		892,500		927,500
	\$	3,148,339	\$	2,404,661

## 4. Sale of Intellectual Property in Exchange for Cancellation of the Boston Scientific Notes

In March 2014, the Company entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement (the "BSC Purchase Agreement") with Boston Scientific. Pursuant to the BSC Purchase Agreement, Boston Scientific purchased from the Company certain MRI-safety technology for implantable medical leads (the "Transferred Intellectual Property") for an aggregate purchase price of \$4,338,601. The Transferred Intellectual Property includes some, but not all, of the intellectual property the Company previously licensed exclusively to Boston Scientific within the fields of neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications. The purchase price was satisfied through the cancellation of three convertible notes payable issued by the Company to Boston Scientific in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,338,601 (the "Boston Scientific Notes"). Accordingly, all obligations of the Company under the Boston Scientific Notes were discharged and the liens that secured the Company's obligations under the Boston Scientific Notes were terminated and released. The Company recorded a gain in its statement of operations equal to the aggregate purchase price for the assets sold under the BSC Purchase Agreement.

In connection with the BSC Purchase Agreement, the parties entered into a license agreement pursuant to which Boston Scientific granted the Company an exclusive, royalty-free, fully paid up, irrevocable, worldwide license to the Transferred Intellectual Property, with the right to sublicense, within fields of use other than neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications.

In addition, Boston Scientific and the Company entered into amendments to their pre-existing development and license agreements, in the fields of neuromodulation and implantable medical leads for cardiac applications, to eliminate the milestone-based payments and royalties provided under those agreements. As such, the Company is no longer entitled to receive any potential future milestone-based payments or royalties under its development and license agreements with Boston Scientific.

The transactions contemplated by the BSC Purchase Agreement do not impact the Company's ability to continue to commercialize its ClearPoint system or to continue the development of its ClearTrace system.

## 5. 2014 Junior Secured Notes Offering

In March 2014, the Company entered into securities purchase agreements for the private placement of (i) 12% second-priority secured non-convertible promissory notes maturing in 2019 (the "2014 Secured Notes") and (ii) warrants to purchase 0.3 share of the Company's common stock for each dollar in principal amount of the 2014 Secured Notes sold by the Company. Pursuant to those securities purchase agreements, the Company sold 2014 Secured Notes in a total aggregate principal amount of \$3,725,000, together with warrants to purchase up to 1,117,500 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$3,725,000, before placement agent commissions and other expenses.

The 2014 Secured Notes have a five-year term, and they bear interest at a rate of 12% per year, payable semi-annually, in arrears, on each six-month and one-year anniversary of the issuance date. The 2014 Secured Notes are not convertible into shares of the Company's common stock. Following the third anniversary of the issuance date, the 2014 Secured Notes may be prepaid, without penalty or premium, provided that all principal and unpaid accrued interest under all 2014 Secured Notes is prepaid at the same time. Prior to the third anniversary of the issuance date, the Company may prepay all, but not less than all, of the principal and unpaid accrued interest under the 2014 Secured Notes are secured Notes at any time, subject to the Company's payment of the additional prepayment premium stated in the notes. The 2014 Secured Notes are secured by a security interest in the Company's property and assets, which security interest is junior and subordinate to the security interest that secures the senior secured note payable previously issued by the Company to Brainlab AG.

The warrants issued to the investors are exercisable, in full or in part, at any time prior to the fifth anniversary of the issuance date, at an exercise price of \$1.75 per share, subject to adjustment from time to time for stock splits or combinations, stock dividends, stock distributions, recapitalizations and other similar transactions. Assumptions used in calculating the fair value of the warrants using the Black-Scholes valuation model were:

Dividend yield	0%
Expected volatility	47.5% - 47.7%
Risk free interest rates	1.73% - 1.76%
Expected lives (in years)	5.0

The Company allocated the \$3,725,000 in proceeds proportionately between the 2014 Secured Notes and the warrants issued to investors based on their relative fair values, with \$413,057 being recorded as equity. The 2014 Secured Notes were recorded at the principal amount less a discount equal to the \$413,057 amount recorded as equity. This discount is being amortized to interest expense over the five year term of the notes using the effective interest method.

Non-employee directors of the Company invested a total of \$1,100,000, either directly or through a trust. The Company's placement agents earned cash commissions of \$145,500 as well as warrants to purchase 72,750 shares of the Company's common stock. The placement agent warrants have the same terms and conditions as the investor warrants. The placement agent cash commissions, the \$30,210 fair value of the placement agent warrants, and other offering expenses totaling \$76,186 were recorded as deferred financing costs are being amortized to interest expense over the term of the 2014 Secured Notes using the effective interest method.

# 6. Stockholders' Equity

## Common Stock Warrants Requiring Liability Accounting

The net-cash settlement and down round provisions contained in common stock warrants issued by the Company in a January 2013 private placement require derivative liability accounting treatment for the warrants. Likewise, the down round provision contained in common stock warrants issued by the Company in a July 2012 private placement also requires derivative liability accounting treatment for the warrants. The fair value of all such warrants was calculated using the Monte Carlo simulation valuation method.

Assumptions used in calculating the fair value of these warrants at September 30, 2014 are noted below:

Dividend yield	0%
Expected volatility	38.5% - 100.0%
Risk free interest rates	0.76% - 1.18%
Expected remaining term (in years)	2.76 to 3.32

In addition to the assumptions above, the Company also takes into consideration whether it would participate in another round of equity financing and, if so, what that stock price would be for such a financing at that time.

The fair values and the changes in fair values of the warrants accounted for as derivative liabilities are reflected below:

Fair value at December 31, 2013	\$ 3,747,858
Gain on change in fair value	 (578,179)
Fair value at September 30, 2014	\$ 3,169,679

#### Stock Options

The Company has various share-based compensation plans and share-based compensatory contracts (collectively, the "Plans"). The Plans provide for the granting of share-based awards, such as incentive and non-qualified stock options, to employees, directors, consultants and advisors, and some of the Plans provide for cash-based awards. Awards may be subject to a vesting schedule as set forth in each individual award agreement.

In June 2013, the stockholders of the Company approved the 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan (the "2013 Plan"). Upon stockholder approval of the 2013 Plan, the Company ceased making awards under a previous plan. A total of 1,250,000 shares of the Company's common stock are reserved for issuance under the 2013 Plan, of which awards as to 1,054,000 shares were outstanding as of September 30, 2014. Thus, awards as to 196,000 shares remained available for grants under the 2013 Plan as of September 30, 2014.

In December 2013, the Company's board of directors approved the 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan (the "Director Plan"). A total of 570,000 shares of the Company's common stock are reserved for issuance under the Director Plan. The shares reserved for issuance under the Director Plan are intended to be used to cover the stock options granted pursuant to the terms of the Company's Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan. As of September 30, 2014, awards for 295,000 shares had been issued under the Director Plan. Therefore, awards for 275,000 shares remained available for grants under the Director Plan as of September 30, 2014.

Activity under all of the Company's equity compensation plans during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 is summarized below:

	Shares	Weighted - Average Exercise Price	_
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	7,430,225	\$ 1.47	
Granted	417,000	1.05	
Exercised	(162,500)	0.88	
Forfeited	(130,000)	1.88	
Outstanding at September 30, 2014	7,554,725	1.46	1

The estimated grant date fair values of options granted during the nine months ended September 30, 2014 were calculated using the Black-Scholes valuation model, based on the following assumptions:

Dividend yield	0%
Expected volatility	49.7% to 51.8%
Risk free interest rates	1.90% to 2.71%
Expected lives (in years)	5.5 to 6.0

The Company records share-based compensation expense on a straight-line basis over the related vesting period. For the periods indicated below, share-based compensation expense related to options are:

 Three Months End	led Sep	tember 30,	 Nine Months End	ed Sep	tember 30,
2014		2013	 2014		2013
\$ 192,001	\$	345,632	\$ 555,909	\$	988,223

As of September 30, 2014, there was unrecognized compensation expense of \$812,279 related to outstanding stock options, which is expected to be recognized over a weighted average period of approximately 1.5 years.

In October 2014, an option to purchase 2,400,000 shares of the Company's common stock with an exercise price of \$1.13 were issued to a new executive hired by the Company. The options vest over a three year period.

#### Warrants

Warrants have generally been issued for terms of up to five years. Common stock warrant activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 was as follows:

		Weighted	-
		A verage Exercise	
	Shares	Price	
Outstanding at December 31, 2013	12,136,865	\$	1.33
Issued (see Note 5)	1,190,250		1.75
Outstanding at September 30, 2014	13,327,115		1.37

## 7. Legal Proceeding

In June 2013, Custom Equity Research, Inc. d/b/a Summer Street Research Partners ("Summer Street") commenced an arbitration proceeding alleging breach of contract and quantum meruit claims against the Company. Summer Street claimed that the Company owed it additional cash commissions and common stock warrants in connection with the Company's previous engagement of Summer Street to serve as its financial advisor and placement agent. In the arbitration, the Company filed counter-claims against Summer Street alleging fraud and misrepresentation, abuse of process and malicious prosecution. In July 2014, the Company and Summer Street entered into a settlement agreement, which resulted in the dismissal of the arbitration. Pursuant to the settlement agreement, the Company paid Summer Street \$20,000.

# 8. Modification of Co-Development Agreement

In February 2014, the Company and Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc. ("Siemens Medical") entered into a Development Agreement (the "New Siemens Agreement"), which replaced and supersedes the Company's Cooperation and Development Agreement with Siemens Aktiengesellschaft, Healthcare Sector ("Siemens AG") entered into in 2009 (the "Original Siemens Agreement"). References below to "Siemens" will mean Siemens Medical or Siemens AG, as applicable.

Under the New Siemens Agreement, the Company, with cooperation, assistance and technical support from Siemens, will develop the commercial version of the research software platform created by Siemens under the Original Siemens Agreement. In addition, Siemens will develop certain software features (the "Host Features") for a planned software release for certain Siemens MAGNETOM MRI systems. The Host Features will enable the connection of the Company's software and catheters to those MAGNETOM MRI systems, and the Company will pay Siemens to perform development work for the Host Features. The Host Features, which will be owned by Siemens, will run within the MRI scanner system. The Host Features will then connect to the Company's software, which will operate on a separate computer workstation, and enable the performance of MRI-guided cardiac ablation procedures.

#### 9. Recent Commitments

In September 2014, the Company entered into new employment agreements with certain key employees. Among other provisions customary for agreements of this nature, the employment agreements provide for retention bonuses totaling \$166,667 to be paid to the key employees if they are still employed by the Company on December 31, 2014, and additional retention bonuses totaling \$333,333 if the key employees are still employed by the Company at July 31, 2015.



#### PART II

# INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

#### Item 13. Other Expenses of Issuance and Distribution

We estimate that expenses in connection with the distribution described in this registration statement (other than brokerage commissions, discounts or other expenses relating to the sale of the shares by the selling stockholders) will be as set forth below. We will pay all of the expenses with respect to the distribution, and such amounts, with the exception of the Securities and Exchange Commission registration fee, are estimates.

	A	mount to be paid
SEC registration fee	\$	2,393
Accounting fees and expenses	\$	10,000
Legal fees and expenses	\$	30,000
Printing and related expenses	\$	2,500
Total	\$	44,893

#### Item 14. Indemnification of Directors and Officers

As permitted by Delaware law, we have adopted provisions in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws that limit or eliminate the personal liability of directors for a breach of their fiduciary duty of care as a director. The duty of care generally requires that, when acting on behalf of the corporation, a director exercise an informed business judgment based on all material information reasonably available to him or her. Consequently, a director will not be personally liable to us or our stockholders for monetary damages or breach of fiduciary duty as a director, except for liability for any:

- breach of the director's duty of loyalty to us or our stockholders;
- act or omission not in good faith or that involves intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law;
- act related to unlawful stock repurchases, redemptions or other distributions or payments of dividends; or
- transaction from which the director derived an improper personal benefit.

These limitations of liability do not limit or eliminate our rights or any stockholder's rights to seek non-monetary relief, such as injunctive relief or rescission. These provisions will not alter a director's liability under federal securities laws. Our certificate of incorporation also authorizes us to indemnify our officers, directors and other agents to the fullest extent permitted under Delaware law.

As permitted by Delaware law, our bylaws also provide that:

- we will indemnify our directors, officers, employees and other agents to the fullest extent permitted by law;
- we may advance expenses to our directors, officers, employees and other agents in connection with a legal proceeding to the fullest extent permitted by law; and
- the rights provided in our bylaws are not exclusive.

We believe that indemnification under our bylaws covers at least negligence and gross negligence on the part of indemnified parties. Our bylaws also permit us to secure insurance on behalf of any officer, director, employee or other agent for any liability arising out of his or her actions in connection with their services to us, regardless of whether our bylaws permit such indemnification. We have obtained such insurance. In addition to the indemnification provided for in our certificate of incorporation and bylaws, we have entered into separate indemnification agreements with each of our directors and executive officers. These indemnification agreements may require us, among other things, to indemnify our directors and officers for some expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines and settlement amounts incurred by a director or officer in any action or proceeding arising out of his or her service as one of our directors or officers, or any of our subsidiaries or any other company or enterprise to which the person provides services at our request. We believe that these provisions and agreements are necessary to attract and retain qualified individuals to serve as directors and officers. There is no pending litigation or proceeding involving any of our directors or officers to which indemnification is required or permitted, and we are not aware of any threatened litigation or proceeding that may result in a claim for indemnification.

Reference is made to the following documents filed as exhibits to this registration statement regarding relevant indemnification provisions described above and elsewhere herein:

#### Item 15. Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

The following sets forth information regarding all unregistered securities sold since December 31, 2011:

1. We granted stock options to employees and directors to purchase an aggregate of 2,746,400 shares of common stock under our 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan, 382,500 shares of common stock under our 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan, and 295,000 shares of common stock under our 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan. In November 2012, we granted Robert C. Korn an option to purchase 150,000 shares of our common stock under a separate written compensatory contract. In October 2014, we granted Francis P. Grillo an option to purchase 2,400,000 shares of our common stock under a separate written compensatory contract. In November 2014, we granted Robert C. Korn an option to purchase 100,000 shares of our common stock under a separate written compensatory contract. Finally, in December 2014, we granted Wendelin C. Maners an option to purchase 350,000 shares of our common stock under a separate written compensatory contract. The issuance of all of these options was exempt from registration under Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and/or Rule 506 of Regulation D, as a sale not involving a public offering.

2. In October 2011, we began a private placement of our securities to accredited investors in which we offered units, with each unit consisting of a 10% secured convertible note in the principal amount of \$100,000 and a warrant to purchase 50,000 shares of our common stock. We completed the private placement transaction, or unit offering, in February 2012. In the unit offering, we sold approximately 54.3 units for gross proceeds of \$5,430,500. As a result, we issued notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$5,430,500 and warrants to purchase 2,715,250 shares of our common stock. Of the total number of units sold in the unit offering, approximately 38 units were sold in January and February 2012, which represented notes in the aggregate principal amount of \$3,805,500 and warrants to purchase 1,902,750 shares of our common stock. The notes had a three year maturity from the date of issuance, unless earlier converted, and accrued interest at 10% per year. The notes were secured by a security interest in all our assets. The notes provided for automatic conversion of the principal and all accrued interest into shares of our common stock upon the effectiveness of a registration statement on Form 10, based on a conversion price of \$0.60 per share. Warrants to purchase a total of 2,715,250 shares of our common stock were issued. The warrants were immediately exercisable upon issuance, have a term of five years, and have an exercise price of \$0.75 per share. The placement agent and its sub-placement agents for the financing received, in the aggregate, cash fees in the amount of \$543,050, as well as warrants to purchase up to 941,288 shares of our common stock upon the effectiveness of our common stock upon the effectiveness of our secure of \$0.60 per share. The notes we issued into \$12,015,248 shares of our common stock upon the effectiveness of our common stock upon the effectiveness we issued in the financing converted into 9,153,248 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.60 per share. The notes we is

3. In May 2012, we issued to five individuals warrants to purchase an aggregate of 1,391,666 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$1.00 per share, which included warrants we issued to two non-employee directors to purchase an aggregate of 1,250,000 shares of our common stock. Each of the warrants has a five year term.

4. In May 2012, we entered into a service agreement with a third party service provider, pursuant to which we issued the service provider warrants to purchase up to 270,000 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$1.00 per share, as partial compensation for services rendered. The warrants had an expiration date of May 2014.



5. In June 2012, we issued a third party provider of software development services 1,500,000 shares of our common stock (i) in full payment and satisfaction of license fees we owed the software developer in the amount of \$612,500 for licenses we previously purchased, (ii) in full payment and satisfaction of all of our remaining minimum license purchase commitments in the amount of \$962,500 under our agreement with the software developer, and (iii) in exchange for additional licenses from the software developer valued at \$87,500.

6. In July 2012, we raised \$6,000,000, before commissions and offering expenses, from the sale of 5,454,523 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 2,727,274 shares of our common stock to various investors in a private placement. The warrants we issued to the investors have a term of five years from the date of issuance and had an original exercise price of \$1.45 per share. As a result of our January 2013 financing, described below, the exercise price of the warrants was adjusted to \$1.41 per share. The placement agent and its sub-placement agents for the financing received, in the aggregate, cash fees in the amount of \$480,000, as well as warrants to purchase up to 409,093 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$1.10 per share.

7. In January 2013, we raised \$11,042,020, before commissions and offering expenses, from the sale of 9,201,684 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 4,600,842 shares of our common stock to various investors in a private placement. The warrants we issued to the investors have a term of five years from the date of issuance and have an exercise price of \$1.75 per share. The placement agents for the financing earned aggregate commissions of \$1,104,202.

8. From July 2012 through November 2013, holders of warrants to purchase an aggregate of 2,040,326 shares of our common stock exercised their warrants. Of that aggregate number, warrants to purchase 1,222,500 shares of our common stock were exercised for cash, generating proceeds of \$113,975. The remaining warrants were exercised on a cashless basis, which resulted in the net issuance of 530,161 shares of our common stock. Therefore, we issued a total of 1,752,661 shares of our common stock upon exercise of warrants.

9. In June 2013, we issued an aggregate of 60,693 shares of common stock to eight non-employee directors under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan. These shares were issued in payment of compensation owed to the non-employee directors under that plan. The shares were issued at a price equal to the volume-weighted average price of our common stock for the five-trading day period ended June 28, 2013. The shares were subsequently registered under a registration statement on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 25, 2013.

10. In September 2013, we issued an aggregate of 24,760 shares of common stock to eight non-employee directors under our Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan. These shares were issued in payment of compensation owed to the non-employee directors under that plan. The shares were issued at a price equal to the volume-weighted average price of our common stock for the five-trading day period ended September 30, 2013. The shares were subsequently registered under a registration statement on Form S-8 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on October 25, 2013.

11. In January 2014, we issued 189,752 shares of common stock to a service provider in full payment and satisfaction of fees owed to the service provider in the amount of \$332,068.

12. In March 2014, we entered into securities purchase agreements for the private placement of (i) 12% second-priority secured nonconvertible promissory notes due 2019 (the "2014 Secured Notes") and (ii) warrants to purchase 0.3 share of the Company's common stock for each dollar in principal amount of 2014 Secured Notes sold by us. Pursuant to those securities purchase agreements, we sold 2014 Secured Notes in a total aggregate principal amount of \$3,625,000, together with warrants to purchase up to 1,087,500 shares of common stock, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$3,625,000, before expenses of approximately \$80,000 and placement agent commissions.

13. In December 2014, we raised \$10,175,550, before commissions and offering expenses, from the sale of 15,812,808 shares of our common stock and warrants to purchase 6,325,125 shares of our common stock to various investors in a private placement. The warrants we issued to the investors have a term of five years from the date of issuance and have an exercise price of \$0.858 per share. The placement agent and its sub-placement agents for the financing received, in the aggregate, cash fees in the amount of \$710,825.04, as well as warrants to purchase up to 1,106,896 shares of our common stock at an exercise price of \$0.858 per share.

We claimed exemption from registration under the Securities Act for the sales and issuances of securities in the transactions described in paragraphs (2) through (13) by virtue of Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act and/or Rule 506 of Regulation D. Such sales and issuances did not involve any public offering, were made without general solicitation or advertising and each purchaser was a sophisticated investor with access to all relevant information necessary to evaluate the investment and represented to us that the shares were being acquired for investment.

## Item 16. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules

(a) Exhibits

	-		Incorporation by Reference			
Exhibit		SEC File				
Number 3.1	Exhibit Description           Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation	Form 10-Q	<u>No.</u> 000-54575	Exhibit 3.1	Filing Date May 11, 2012	
		-		5.1	•	
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws	10-Q	000-54575	3.2	May 11, 2012	
4.1	Reference is made to Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2					
4.2	Specimen of Common Stock Certificate	10-Q	000-54575	4.2	November 14, 2014	
4.3	Amended and Restated Subordinated Secured Note Due 2016 issued to Brainlab AG	8-K	000-54575	4.1	March 7, 2013	
4.4	Form of Junior Secured Promissory Note Due 2020, as amended by that certain Omnibus Amendment dated as of April 5, 2011, as further amended by that certain Second Omnibus Amendment dated as of October 14, 2011	10	000-54575	4.4	December 28, 2011	
4.5*	Third Omnibus Amendment to the Junior Secured Promissory Notes Due 2020, dated March 25, 2014					
4.6	Form of Warrant issued to purchasers in the July 2012 private placement to purchase shares of common stock of MRI Interventions, Inc.	8-K	000-54575	4.1	July 6, 2012	
4.7	Form of Warrant issued to purchasers in the January 2013 private placement to purchase shares of common stock of MRI Interventions, Inc.	8-K	000-54575	4.1	January 22, 2013	
4.8	Form of 12% Second-Priority Secured Non-Convertible Promissory Note Due 2019 issued in March 2014 private offering	8-K	000-54575	4.1	March 10, 2014	
4.9	Form of Warrant to Purchase Common Stock issued in March 2014 private offering	8-K	000-54575	4.2	March 10, 2014	
4.10	Form of Warrant to Purchase Common Stock issued in December 2014 private offering	8-K	000-54575	4.1	December 19, 2014	
5.1*	Opinion of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC					
10.1†	Master Security Agreement dated April 5, 2011 by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and Brainlab AG	10	000-54575	10.18	December 28, 2011	
10.2*	Security Agreement by and between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Landmark Community Bank, in its capacity as collateral agent, dated as of March 25, 2014					
10.3	Junior Security Agreement by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and Landmark Community Bank, in its capacity as collateral agent, dated as of November 5, 2010, as amended by that certain First Amendment dated April 5, 2011, and as further amended by that certain Second Amendment dated October 14, 2011	10	000-54575	10.6	December 28, 2011	
10.4*	Third Amendment to Junior Security Agreement by and between MPL Interventions. Inc and Landmark Community Bank, in its					

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xhibit umber	Exhibit Description	Form	SEC File No.	Exhibit	Filing Data	
.5†	License Agreement by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and The Johns Hopkins University entered into on or around June 20, 1998, as amended by that certain Amendment to License Agreement dated as of January 15, 2000, and as further amended by that certain Addendum to License Agreement entered into on or around December 7, 2004	10	000-54575	10.9	Filing Date	
6†	License Agreement by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and The Johns Hopkins University entered into on or around December 7, 2006	10	000-54575	10.10	December 28, 201	
.7†	License Agreement by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and The Johns Hopkins University entered into on or around June 30, 2008	10	000-54575	10.21	December 28, 201	
).8†	Technology License Agreement dated as of December 30, 2005 by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and Boston Scientific Neuromodulation Corporation (formerly known as Advanced Bionics Corporation), as amended by that certain Omnibus Amendment dated June 30, 2007, as further amended by that certain Omnibus Amendment #2 dated March 19, 2008	10	000-54575	10.11	March 15, 2012	
9;9†	System and Lead Development and Transfer Agreement dated as of December 30, 2005 by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and Boston Scientific Neuromodulation Corporation (formerly known as Advanced Bionics Corporation), as amended by that certain Amendment No. 1 dated May 31, 2006, as further amended by that certain Omnibus Amendment dated June 30, 2007, as further amended by that certain Omnibus Amendment #2 dated March 19, 2008	10	000-54575	10.12	March 15, 2012	
10†	Omnibus Amendment No. 3 to Technology License Agreement and System and Lead Development and Transfer Agreement effective February 2, 2012, between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Boston Scientific Neuromodulation Corporation	10	000-54575	10.38	March 15, 2012	
11†	Omnibus Amendment No. 4 to Technology License Agreement and System and Lead Development and Transfer Agreement, between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Boston Scientific Neuromodulation Corporation, effective March 19, 2014	10-Q/A	000-54575	10.5	August 29, 2014	
.12†	Technology License Agreement dated as of March 19, 2008 by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc.	10	000-54575	10.13	December 28, 2011	
0.13†	Omnibus Amendment No. 1 to Technology License Agreement and Development Agreement between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc., dated March 19, 2014	10-Q/A	000-54575	10.4	August 29, 2014	
.14†	Development Agreement dated as of March 19, 2008 by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and Cardiac Pacemakers, Inc.	10	000-54575	10.14	December 28, 201	
0.15†	Asset Purchase Agreement dated March 19, 2014 between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Boston Scientific Neuromodulation Corporation	10-Q/A	000-54575	10.2	August 29, 2014	
.16†	Exclusive License Agreement dated March 19, 2014 between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Boston Scientific Neuromodulation Corporation	10-Q/A	000-54575	10.3	August 29, 2014	
).17†	Development Agreement between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Siemens Medical Solutions USA, Inc., dated February 2014	10-Q/A	000-54575	10.1	August 29, 2014	
).18†	Co-Development and Distribution Agreement dated as of April 5, 2011 by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and Brainlab AG, as	10	000-54575	10.17	March 15, 2012	

	amended by that certain First Amendment dated as of July 18, 2011				
10.19	Second Amendment to Co-Development and Distribution Agreement, dated March 6, 2013, between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Brainlab AG	8-K	000-54575	10.1	March 7, 2013
10.20†	Master Services and Licensing Agreement dated as of July 20, 2007 by and between Surgi-Vision, Inc. and Cedara Software Corp., as amended by that certain First Amendment dated January 18, 2011	10	000-54575	10.20	March 15, 2012

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Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Form	SEC File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
10.21†	Second Amendment to the Master Services and Licensing Agreement, dated as of June 22, 2012, by and between Merge Healthcare Canada Corp. and MRI Interventions, Inc.	8-K	000-54575	10.1	June 26, 2012
10.22†	Third Amendment to the Master Services and Licensing Agreement, dated as of July 28, 2013, by and between Merge Healthcare Canada Corp. and MRI Interventions, Inc.	10-Q	000-54575	10.56	August 14, 2013
10.23	Lease Agreement, dated as of April 21, 2008, by and between Shaw Investment Company, LLC and Surgi-Vision, Inc., as amended by that certain Amendment to Lease dated January 20, 2011, as further amended by that certain Amendment to Lease dated March 26, 2012	10-Q	000-54575	10.27	May 11, 2012
10.24	Form of Securities Purchase Agreement by and among MRI Interventions, Inc. and the investors party thereto with respect to January 2013 private offering	8-K	000-54575	10.1	January 22, 2013
10.25	Form of Registration Rights Agreement by and among MRI Interventions, Inc. and the investors party thereto	8-K	000-54575	10.2	January 22, 2013
10.26	Form of Securities Purchase Agreement by and among MRI Interventions, Inc. and the investors party thereto with respect to March 2014 private offering	8-K	000-54575	10.1	March 10, 2014
10.27	Form of Securities Purchase Agreement by and among MRI Interventions, Inc. and the investors party thereto with respect to December 2014 private offering	8-K	000-54575	10.1	December 19, 2014
10.28	Form of Registration Rights Agreement by and among MRI Interventions, Inc. and the investors party thereto	8-K	000-54575	10.2	December 19, 2014
10.29+	2007 Stock Incentive Plan	10	000-54575	10.2	December 28, 2011
10.30+	2007 Stock Incentive Plan Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement	10-K	000-54575	10.26	March 28, 2014
10.31+	2007 Stock Incentive Place Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement	10-K	000-54575	10.27	March 28, 2014
10.32+	2010 Incentive Compensation Plan	10	000-54575	10.4	December 28, 2011
10.33+	2010 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan	10	000-54575	10.5	December 28, 2011
10.34+	2010 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement	10-K	000-54575	10.3	March 28, 2014
10.35+	2010 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement for Non-Employee Directors	10-K	000-54575	10.31	March 28, 2014
10.36+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan	10	000-54575	10.34	February 9, 2012
10.37+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement	10	000-54575	10.35	February 9, 2012
10.38+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement	10	000-54575	10.36	February 9, 2012
10.39+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan Form of Non-Qualified Incentive Stock Option Agreement for Non- Employee Directors	10-K	000-54575	10.35	March 28, 2014
10.40+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan	Schedule 14A	000-54575	А	May 1, 2013

10.41+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan Form of Incentive Stock Option Agreement	10-Q	000-54575	10.53	August 14, 2013
10.42+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement	10-Q	000-54575	10.54	August 14, 2013
10.43+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement for Non-Employee Directors	10-Q	000-54575	10.55	August 14, 2013

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Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description	Form	SEC File No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
10.44+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan	8-K	000-54575	10.1	December 6, 2012
10.45+	MRI Interventions, Inc. 2013 Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement	10-K	000-54575	10.41	March 28, 2014
10.46+	MRI Interventions, Inc. Non-Employee Director Compensation Plan	8-K	000-54575	10.2	June 14, 2013
10.47+	Form of Indemnification Agreement	10	000-54575	10.8	December 28, 2011
10.48+	Employment Agreement, dated as of June 19, 2012, by and between Kimble L. Jenkins and MRI Interventions, Inc.	8-K	000-54575	10.1	June 21, 2012
10.49+	Employment Agreement, dated as of January 1, 2015, by and between Kimble L. Jenkins and MRI Interventions, Inc.	8-K	000-54575	10.1	December 31, 2014
10.50+	Employment Agreement, dated as of September 9, 2014, by and between Francis P. Grillo and MRI Interventions, Inc.	8-K	000-54575	10.1	September 11, 2014
10.51+	Employment Agreement, dated as of November 10, 2012, by and between Robert C. Korn and MRI Interventions, Inc.	S-1	333-186573	10.47	February 11, 2013
10.52+	Employment Agreement, dated as of September 12, 2014, by and between David W. Carlson and MRI Interventions, Inc.	8-K	000-54575	10.1	September 12, 2014
10.53*+	Employment Agreement, dated as of September 12, 2014, by and between Oscar L. Thomas and MRI Interventions, Inc.				
10.54+	Second Amended and Restated Key Personnel Incentive Program	10-Q	000-54575	10.3	August 14, 2013
10.55+	Second Amended and Restated Key Personnel Incentive Award Agreement, dated June 13, 2013, by and between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Paul A. Bottomley	10-Q	000-54575	10.31	August 14, 2013
10.56+	Amended and Restated Key Personnel Incentive Award Agreement, dated June 13, 2013, by and between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Paul A. Bottomley	10-Q	000-54575	10.32	August 14, 2013
10.57+	Second Amended and Restated Key Personnel Incentive Award Agreement, dated June 13, 2013, by and between MRI Interventions, Inc. and Parag V. Karmarkar	10-Q	000-54575	10.33	August 14, 2013
10.58+	SurgiVision, Inc. Cardiac EP Business Participation Plan	10	000-54575	10.29	December 28, 2011
10.59+	Cardiac EP Business Participation Plan Award Agreement, dated June 3, 2010, by and between SurgiVision, Inc. and Nassir F. Marrouche	10	000-54575	10.30	December 28, 2011
10.60+	Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement, effective as of November 10, 2012, granted by MRI Interventions, Inc. to Robert C. Korn	S-8	333-191908	99.3	October 25, 2013
10.61+	Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement, effective as of December 5, 2013, granted by MRI Interventions, Inc. to Parag Karmarkar	10-K	000-54575	10.56	March 28, 2014
10.62+	Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement, effective as of December 5, 2013, granted by MRI Interventions, Inc. to Paul A. Bottomley	10-K	000-54575	10.57	March 28, 2014

- 10.63\*+ Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement, effective as of October 6, 2014, granted by MRI Interventions, Inc. to Francis P. Grillo
- 10.64\*+ Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement, effective as of November 10, 2014, granted by MRI Interventions, Inc. to Robert C. Korn
- 10.65\*+ Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement, effective as of December 1, 2014, granted by MRI Interventions, Inc. to Wendelin C. Maners
- 23.1\* Consent of Cherry Bekaert LLP



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Exhibit			SEC File		
Number	Exhibit Description	Form	No.	Exhibit	Filing Date
23.2	Consent of Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC (included in Exhibit 5.1)				
24.1*	Power of Attorney (included on the signature pages hereto)				
101.INS*	XBRL Instance				
101.SCH*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema				
101.CAL*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation				
101.DEF*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition				
101.LAB*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Labels				
101.PRE*	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation				
* Filed here	ewith.				

- <sup>†</sup> Confidential treatment granted under Rule 24b-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The confidential portions of this exhibit have been omitted and are marked accordingly. The confidential portions have been filed separately with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the request for confidential treatment.
- + Indicates management contract or compensatory plan.

#### Item 17. Undertakings

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement to:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act.

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20% change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to securities offered therein, and the offering of the securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof;

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering;

(4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act to any purchaser, each prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) as part of a registration statement relating to an offering, other than registration statements relying on Rule 430B or other than prospectuses filed in reliance on Rule 430A, shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the date it is first used after effectiveness. Provided, however, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement or made in a document incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference into the registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such first use, supersede or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such date of first use.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, MRI Interventions, Inc. has duly caused this Registration Statement on Form S-1 to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Irvine, State of California, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015.

#### MRI Interventions, Inc.

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Francis P. Grillo Chief Executive Officer

/s/ Francis P. Grillo

# POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints Mr. Francis P. Grillo and Mr. David W. Carlson, and each of them, his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents with full power of substitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including posteffective amendments) to this registration statement, and to sign any registration statement for the same offering covered by the registration statement that is to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462(b) promulgated under the Securities Act, and all post-effective amendments thereto, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and all documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them, or his or their substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done or by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Francis P. Grillo Francis P. Grillo	President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	January 13, 2015
/s/ David W. Carlson David W. Carlson	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer)	January 13, 2015
/s/ Kimble L. Jenkins Kimble L. Jenkins	Chairman and Director	January 13, 2015
/s/ Pascal E.R. Girin Pascal E.R. Girin	Director	January 13, 2015
/s/ Charles E. Koob Charles E. Koob	Director	January 13, 2015
/s/ Philip A. Pizzo Philip A. Pizzo	Director	January 13, 2015
/s/ Timothy T. Richards	Director	January 13, 2015
/s/ Andrew K. Rooke Andrew K. Rooke	Director	January 13, 2015
/s/ Michael J. Ryan Michael J. Ryan	Director	January 13, 2015
/s/ Maria Sainz. Maria Sainz	Director	January 13, 2015

/s/ John N. Spencer, Jr.

John N. Spencer, Jr.

Director

### THIRD OMNIBUS AMENDMENT TO THE JUNIOR SECURED PROMISSORY NOTES DUE 2020

This **THIRD OMNIBUS AMENDMENT** (this "<u>Third Amendment</u>") is dated as of March 25, 2014 and is made in reference to those certain Junior Secured Promissory Notes Due 2020, as amended (the "<u>Junior Notes</u>"), issued by MRI Interventions, Inc. f/k/a SurgiVision, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and payable to the registered holders thereof (each a "<u>Holder</u>," and collectively the "<u>Holders</u>").

#### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Company previously issued its Junior Notes to the Holders;

**WHEREAS**, the Junior Notes were previously amended pursuant to that certain Omnibus Amendment dated as of April 5, 2011 and that certain Second Omnibus Amendment dated as of October 14, 2011;

WHEREAS, the Junior Notes may be further amended upon the consent of Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Junior Notes then outstanding (the "Required Holders"); and

WHEREAS, the Required Holders have consented to the amendment of the Junior Notes as set forth below;

NOW, THEREFORE, each of the Junior Notes is hereby amended as set forth below:

1. <u>Defined Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used in this Third Amendment without definition shall have the same meanings ascribed to such terms in Section 1 of the Junior Notes.

2. Amendment to Section 1 (Definitions).

(a) Section 1 of the Junior Notes (Definitions) is hereby amended by adding the following new defined terms thereto:

<u>Notes Offering Debt</u> means all indebtedness, including principal and all accrued interest thereon, outstanding from time to time under the Second Priority Notes.

Second Priority Note Holders means the persons in whose names the Second Priority Notes are registered.

<u>Second Priority Notes</u> means those certain 12% Second-Priority Secured Non-Convertible Promissory Notes Due 2019 to be issued by the Company, as such notes may be amended and in effect from time to time.

(b) Section 1 of the Junior Notes (Definitions) is hereby further amended by deleting the defined terms "BSC Debt," "Bridge Debt," "Bridge Notes," and "Bridge Note Holders."

(c) Section 1 of the Junior Notes (Definitions) is hereby further amended by deleting the defined terms "Senior Debt" and "Senior Lender" and substituting the following therefor:

Senior Debt means the Brainlab Debt and/or the Notes Offering Debt.

Senior Lender means (i) Brainlab AG., so long as any Brainlab Debt remains outstanding, and/or (ii) the Second Priority Note Holders, so long as any Notes Offering Debt remains outstanding.

3. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. On and after the date hereof, reference in each of the Junior Notes to "this Note", "hereunder", "hereof", "herein" or words of like import referring to such Junior Note shall mean and be a reference to the Junior Note as amended by this Third Amendment. Except as expressly provided in this Third Amendment, all other terms, conditions and provisions of the Junior Notes shall continue in full force and effect as provided therein.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the Company has executed, acknowledged and delivered this Third Amendment as of the day and year first above written.

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Kimble Jenkins

Name: <u>Kimble Jenkins</u> Title: <u>CEO</u>

# BAKER DONELSON BEARMAN, CALDWELL & BERKOWITZ, PC

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Exhibit 5.1

January 13, 2015

MRI Interventions, Inc. 5 Musick Irvine, California 92618

Re: Securities Being Registered on Form S-1

Ladies and Gentlemen:

You have requested our opinion in connection with the filing by MRI Interventions, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), of a Registration Statement on Form S-1 (the "<u>Registration Statement</u>") with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "<u>Commission</u>"), including a related prospectus made part of the Registration Statement (the "<u>Prospectus</u>"), covering the offering by the selling securityholders identified in the Prospectus for resale of 15,556,398 issued and outstanding shares (the "<u>Issued Shares</u>") of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company ("<u>Common Stock</u>") and 7,329,457 shares (the "<u>Warrant Shares</u>") of Common Stock that are issuable upon the exercise of outstanding warrants (the "<u>Warrants</u>").

In connection with our representation of the Company, and as a basis for the opinion hereinafter set forth, we have examined originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of the following documents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Documents"):

- 1. The Registration Statement;
- 2. The Prospectus;
- 3. The Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (the "COI"),;
- 4. The Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company;
- 5. The form of Warrant;

6. Resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company and its Pricing Committee relating to the Issued Shares and the Warrant Shares, certified as of a recent date by the Secretary of the Company;

7. The Derivative Restriction Agreements between the Company and each of its executive officers and directors;

8. A certificate of the SOS as to the good standing of the Company, dated as of a recent date; and

ALABAMA	FLORIDA	GEORGIA	LOUISIANA	MISSISSIPPI	TENNESSEE	TEXAS	WASHINGTON, D.C.
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9. Such other documents and matters as we have deemed necessary or appropriate to express the opinion set forth in this letter, subject to the assumptions, limitations and qualifications stated herein.

In expressing the opinion set forth below, we have assumed, and so far as is known to us there are no facts inconsistent with, the following:

1. Each individual executing any of the Documents, whether on behalf of such individual or another person, is legally competent to do so.

2. Each individual executing any of the Documents on behalf of a party (other than the Company) is duly authorized to do so.

3. Each of the parties (other than the Company) executing any of the Documents has duly and validly executed and delivered each of the Documents to which such party is a signatory, and such party's obligations set forth therein are legal, valid and binding and are enforceable in accordance with all stated terms.

4. All Documents submitted to us as originals are authentic. All Documents submitted to us as certified or photostatic copies conform to the original documents. All signatures on all such Documents are genuine. All public records reviewed or relied upon by us or on our behalf are true and complete. All statements and information contained in the Documents are true and complete. There has been no oral or written modification or amendment to the Documents, or waiver of any of the provision of any of the Documents, by action or omission of the parties or otherwise.

The opinion set forth below is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (including applicable rules and regulations promulgated under the Delaware General Corporation Law and applicable reported judicial and regulatory determinations interpreting the Delaware General Corporation Law).

Based upon the foregoing, we are of the opinion that:

1. The Company is a corporation duly incorporated and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware and is in good standing with the Secretary of State for the State of Delaware.

2. The Issued Shares are validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

3. The Warrant Shares, when issued and paid for in accordance with the terms of the Warrants, will be validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

We hereby consent to the inclusion of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name wherever appearing in the Registration Statements. In giving our consent, we do not admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations thereunder.

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The opinions set forth herein are expressed as of the date hereof and we disclaim any undertaking to advise you of any changes which may subsequently be brought to our attention in the facts or the law upon which such opinions are based.

This opinion is being furnished to you for submission to the Commission as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

Very truly yours,

BAKER, DONELSON, BEARMAN, CALDWELL & BERKOWITZ, a professional corporation

By: <u>/s/Richard F. Mattern</u> Richard F. Mattern Authorized Representative

## SECURITY AGREEMENT

THIS SECURITY AGREEMENT (as it may be amended or modified from time to time, this, "<u>Agreement</u>") is made and entered as of March 25, 2014, by and between MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANK, a Tennessee state-chartered bank, in its capacity as collateral agent (the "<u>Collateral Agent</u>") for the ratable benefit of the Holders (as defined below).

#### WITNESSETH:

That for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Holders, hereby agree as follows:

1. Definitions. In addition to the terms defined elsewhere in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings indicated:

(a) "<u>Business Day</u>" means any day except Saturday, Sunday, any day which is a federal legal holiday in the United States or any day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or required by law or other governmental action to close.

(b) "Event of Default" shall have the meaning indicated in the Notes.

(c) "<u>Fundamental Transaction</u>" means that (A) the Company shall, directly or indirectly, in one or more related transactions, (1) consolidate or merge with or into (whether or not the Company is the surviving corporation) another Person (but excluding a migratory merger effected solely for the purpose of changing the jurisdiction of incorporation of the Company), or (2) sell, assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the properties or assets of the Company to another Person, or (3) allow another Person to make a purchase, tender or exchange offer that is accepted by the holders of more than the 50% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (not including any shares of Common Stock held by the Person or Persons making or party to, or associated or affiliated with the Persons making or party to, such purchase, tender or exchange offer), or (4) consummate a stock purchase agreement or other business combination (including, without limitation, a reorganization, recapitalization, spin-off or scheme of arrangement) with another Person whereby such other Person or other Persons making or party to, or associated or affiliated with the other Persons making or party to, such stock held by the other Person or other Persons making or party to, or associated or affiliated with the other Persons making or party to, such stock held by the other Person or other Persons making or party to, or associated or affiliated with the other Persons making or party to, such stock purchase agreement or other business combination), or (5) reorganize, recapitalize or reclassify its Common Stock, or (B) any "person" or "group" (as these terms are used for purposes of Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Exchange Act) is or shall become the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act), directly or indirectly, of 50% of the aggregate ordinary voting power represented by issued and outstanding Common Stock.

(d) "Holder" shall mean a Person in whose name a Note is registered.

(e) "<u>Lien</u>" shall mean, with respect to any asset, any mortgage, lien, pledge or security interest, or any other type of preferential arrangement that has the practical effect of creating a security interest, in respect of such asset.

(f) "<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" shall mean, with respect to the Company, any change or effect that, when taken individually or together with all other adverse changes or effects, is materially adverse to the results of operations, assets, prospects, business or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Company.

(g) "Note" shall mean a 12% Second-Priority Secured Non-Convertible Promissory Note Due 2019 issued by the Company.

(h) "<u>Officer</u>" shall mean, with respect to any Person, the Chairman of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, the President, the Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, or any Vice President of such Person.

(i) "<u>Officers' Certificate</u>" shall mean a certificate signed on behalf of the Company by two Officers of the Company, one of whom must be the Chief Executive Officer or the Chief Financial Officer.

(j) "<u>Other Existing Secured Debt</u>" shall mean all indebtedness, other than the Senior Debt, outstanding from time to time under promissory notes issued by the Company prior to the date of this Agreement that are secured by a security interest in the Company's property and assets including the Third Lien Notes.

- (k) "<u>Permitted Lien</u>" shall mean any of the following Liens:
  - (i) Liens arising out of or securing the Senior Debt;
  - (ii) Liens arising out of or securing the Other Existing Secured Debt;
  - (iii) Liens arising out of this Agreement;

(iv) Liens securing the payment of taxes, assessments or other governmental charges or levies either not yet overdue or the validity of which are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently pursued and available to the Company;

(v) non-consensual statutory Liens (other than as described in clause (v) above) arising in the ordinary course of the Company's business to the extent: (A) such Liens secure indebtedness which is not overdue or (B) such Liens secure indebtedness relating to claims or liabilities which (1) are fully insured and being defended at the sole cost and expense and at the sole risk of the insurer or (2) are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently pursued and available to the Company, in each case prior to the commencement of foreclosure or other similar proceedings;

(vi) purchase money security interests in equipment or other fixed or capital assets (including capital leases) and purchase money mortgages on real property;

(vii) pledges and deposits of cash by the Company in the ordinary course of business in connection with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other types of social security benefits;

(viii) pledges and deposits of cash by the Company to secure the performance of tenders, bids, leases, trade contracts (other than for the repayment of indebtedness), statutory obligations and other similar obligations, in each case in the ordinary course of the Company's business;

(ix) Liens arising from (A) operating leases and the precautionary UCC financing statement filings in respect thereof and (B) equipment or other materials that are not owned by the Company but are located on the premises of the Company (but not in connection with, or as part of, the financing thereof) from time to time in the ordinary course of the Company's business and the precautionary UCC financing statement filings in respect thereof;

(x) statutory or common law Liens or rights of setoff of depository banks with respect to funds of the Company at such banks to secure fees and charges in connection with returned items or the standard fees and charges of such banks in connection with the deposit accounts maintained by the Company at such banks (but not any other indebtedness); and

(xi) judgments and other similar Liens arising in connection with court proceedings, provided that (A) such Liens are being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings diligently pursued, and (B) a stay of enforcement of any such Liens is in effect.

(l) "<u>Person</u>" shall mean any individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, trust, business trust, association, joint stock company, joint venture, sole proprietorship, unincorporated organization, governmental authority or any other form of entity not specifically listed herein.

(m) "<u>Purchase Agreement</u>" shall mean, collectively, the one or more Securities Purchase Agreement(s) entered into by the Company and the Purchasers identified therein pursuant to which the Company issued the Notes.

(n) "<u>Required Holders</u>" shall mean, at any time, Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding.

(o) "Secured Obligations" shall mean all obligations of the Company with respect to the Notes.

(p) "<u>Senior Debt</u>" shall mean all obligations of the Company with respect to that certain Amended and Restated Subordinated Secured Note Due 2016 issued by the Company to Brainlab AG, dated as of March 6, 2013, in the principal amount of \$4,289,444.44, as such note may be amended and in effect from time to time subject to the limitations found in the Purchase Agreement.

(q) "Senior Lender" shall mean Brainlab AG, so long as any Senior Debt remains outstanding.

(r) "<u>Subordination Agreement</u>" shall mean a Subordination Agreement among the Senior Lender, the Collateral Agent and the Company effectuating the subordination of the Secured Obligations, and the Liens arising out of this Agreement, to the Senior Debt and the Liens arising out of or securing the Senior Debt.

(s) "Third Lien Notes" shall mean the Junior Secured Promissory Notes Due 2020 issued by the Company.

(t) "<u>UCC</u>" shall mean the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in any applicable jurisdiction and any successor statute, as in effect from time to time (except that terms used herein which are defined in the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in such jurisdiction on the date hereof shall continue to have the same meaning notwithstanding any replacement or amendment of such statute except as the Collateral Agent may otherwise determine).

The foregoing definitions shall be equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of the defined terms.

#### 2. Grant of Security Interest.

(a) To secure the prompt and complete payment and performance of the Secured Obligations, the Company hereby grants to the Collateral Agent, on behalf of and for the ratable benefit of the Holders, a second priority security interest in the properties, assets and rights of the Company, wherever located, whether now owned or hereafter acquired or arising, and all proceeds and products thereof (all of the same being hereinafter called the "<u>Collateral</u>"), including, without limitation, all goods (including inventory, equipment and any accessions thereto), intellectual property (including all patents, patent applications, trade secrets, trademarks, copyrights and all other intellectual property), instruments (including promissory notes), documents, accounts, chattel paper (whether tangible or electronic), deposit accounts, letter-of-credit rights (whether or not the letter of credit is evidenced by a writing), commercial tort claims, securities and all other investment property, supporting obligations, any other contract rights or rights to the payment of money, insurance claims and proceeds, and all general intangibles (including all payment intangibles and goodwill of any kind or nature), subject to the first priority security interests and liens granted in favor of the Senior Lender.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, in no event shall the Collateral include, and the Company (b) shall not be deemed to have granted a security interest in, the following: (i) any of the Company's rights or interests in or under any lease, license, contract or agreement to which the Company is a party to the extent, but only to the extent, that such a grant would, under the terms of such lease, license, contract or agreement, constitute or result in (A) the abandonment, invalidation or unenforceability of any right, title or interest of the Company therein or (B) a breach or termination event pursuant to the terms of, or a default under, such lease, license, contract or agreement, provided, that (1) immediately upon the ineffectiveness, lapse, termination or waiver of any such provision, the Collateral shall include, and the Company shall be deemed to have granted a security interest in, all such rights and interests as if such provision had never been in effect and (2) to the extent that any such lease, license, contract or agreement would otherwise constitute Collateral (but for the provisions of this paragraph), all proceeds resulting from the sale or disposition by the Company of any rights of the Company under such lease, license, contract or agreement shall constitute Collateral, (ii) any equipment or other fixed or capital assets owned by the Company acquired after the date hereof that is subject to a Permitted Lien securing a purchase money financing, project financing or capital or finance lease obligation if the contract or other agreement in which such Lien is granted (or the documentation providing for such purchase money, project financing or capital or finance lease obligation) prohibits the creation of any other Lien on such property, provided, that immediately upon the ineffectiveness, lapse, termination or waiver of any such provision, the Collateral shall include, and the Company shall be deemed to have granted a security interest in, all such rights and interests as if such provision had never been in effect, and (iii) any trademark applications filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the basis of the Company's "intent-to-use" such trademark, unless and until acceptable evidence of use of the trademark has been filed with and accepted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to Section 1(c) or Section 1(d) of the Lanham Act (15 U.S.C. 1051, et seq.), to the extent that granting a Lien in such trademark application prior to such filing would adversely affect the enforceability or validity of such trademark application.

(c) Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the Company shall be permitted, without consent from the Collateral Agent or any Holders, to conduct ordinary course activities with respect to the Collateral, including, without limitation: (i) selling or otherwise disposing of, in any transaction or series of related transactions, any property subject to the Liens of this Agreement that has become worn out, defective, obsolete or not used or useful in the business; (ii) abandoning, terminating, canceling, releasing or making alterations in or substitutions of any leases or contracts subject to the Liens of this Agreement; (iii) surrendering or modifying any franchise, license or permit subject to the Liens of this Agreement that the Company may own or under which it may be operating; (iv) altering, repairing, replacing, changing the location or position of or adding to the Company's structures, machinery, systems, equipment, fixtures and appurtenances; (v) granting a license of any intellectual property; (vi) selling, transferring or otherwise disposing of inventory in the ordinary course of business; (vii) collecting accounts receivable in the ordinary course of business; (viii) making payments (including for the repayment of indebtedness or interest) from cash that is at any time part of the Collateral in the ordinary course of business; and (ix) abandoning any intellectual property that is no longer used or useful in the Company's business.

3. <u>Representations and Warranties</u>. The Company represents and warrants, as of the date of this Agreement, to the Collateral Agent and the Holders as follows:

(a) The Company is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and has all requisite corporate power and authority to carry on its business as now conducted. The Company is duly qualified to transact business and is in good standing in each other jurisdiction in which the failure to so qualify could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. The Company has all requisite corporate power and authority to own and operate its properties and assets.

(b) All corporate action on the part of the Company necessary for the authorization, execution, delivery and performance of the Company's obligations under this Agreement has been taken. This Agreement, when executed and delivered by the Company, shall constitute the valid and legally binding obligation of the Company, legally enforceable against the Company in accordance with its terms.

(c) Neither the execution and delivery of this Agreement, nor compliance by the Company with the terms and provisions hereof, conflicts with, or results in a breach or violation of, any of the terms, conditions and provisions of: (i) the Company's certificate of incorporation or bylaws; (ii) any judgment, order, injunction, decree or ruling of any court or governmental authority; (iii) subject to the provisions of <u>Section 2(b)</u> and <u>Section 7</u> hereof, any note, mortgage, indenture, contract or agreement to which the Company is a party or to which it is subject.

(d) The Company owns the Collateral free of any Liens, except for (i) Liens arising out of or securing the Senior Debt, (ii) Liens arising out of or securing the Other Existing Secured Debt, (iv) Liens described in clauses (vii) – (xi) of the definition of Permitted Liens, and (v) Liens arising out of this Agreement.

(e) The Company has full power and authority to grant to the Collateral Agent the security interest in the Collateral pursuant hereto. When financing statements have been filed in the appropriate offices against the Company in the locations listed on <u>Exhibit A</u>, the Collateral Agent will have a fully perfected security interest in that Collateral of the Company in which a security interest may be perfected by filing, subject only to Permitted Liens.

(f) The Liens arising under this Agreement and the exercise of any right or remedy by the Collateral Agent in respect thereof will be junior and subordinate to the interest of the Senior Lender with respect to the Senior Debt and the Liens that secure the Senior Debt. The Liens arising under this Agreement will be senior to the Liens securing the Other Existing Secured Debt irrespective of the time of the execution, delivery or issuance of any thereof or the filing or recording for perfection of any thereof or the filing of any financing statement or continuation statement relating to any thereof.

(g) No authorization or approval or other action by, and no notice to or filing with, any governmental authority or other regulatory body is required either for the grant by the Company of the Liens created hereby in the Collateral or for the exercise by the Collateral Agent of its rights and remedies hereunder.

4. <u>Covenants as to the Collateral</u>. So long as any of the Secured Obligations remain outstanding:

(a) Subject to the provisions of <u>Section 7</u> hereof:

(i) the Company agrees to file and deliver to the Collateral Agent all financing statements and other documents and take such other actions as may from time to time be necessary in order to maintain a perfected security interest in the Collateral owned by the Company;

(ii) the Company shall, at the Company's expense, at any time and from time to time, promptly execute and deliver all further instruments and documents and take all further action that the Collateral Agent deems reasonably necessary or desirable or that the Collateral Agent may reasonably request (A) to enable the Collateral Agent to exercise and enforce its rights and remedies hereunder in respect of the Collateral; or (B) to otherwise effect the purposes of this Agreement, including, without limitation, furnishing to the Collateral Agent from time to time statements and schedules identifying and describing the Collateral and such other reports in connection with the Collateral as the Collateral Agent may reasonably request, all in reasonable detail.

(b) The Company agrees to take any and all actions necessary to defend title to the Collateral against all Persons, to defend the security interest of the Collateral Agent in the Collateral and the priority thereof against any Lien that is not a Permitted Lien hereunder, and to defend the security interest of the Collateral Agent in the Collateral and the seniority thereof against the Liens securing the Other Existing Secured Debt.

(c) The Company shall not (i) change its name as it appears in official filings in the state of its incorporation, (ii) change its chief executive office or mailing address, (iii) change the type of entity that it is, (iv) change its organization identification number, if any, issued by its state of incorporation, or (v) change its state of incorporation, in each case, unless the Collateral Agent shall have received at least ten (10) days prior written notice of such change and the Company shall have acknowledged in writing that such change will not adversely affect the validity, perfection or priority of the Collateral Agent's security interest in the Collateral.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in <u>Section 2(c)</u> hereof, the Company (i) shall cause all of its material tangible properties used or useful in the conduct of its business to be maintained and kept in good condition, repair and working order, and (ii) shall cause to be made all necessary repairs, renewals, replacements, betterments and improvements thereof, all as in the judgment of the Company may be reasonably necessary so that the business carried on in connection therewith may be properly and advantageously conducted at all times.

(e) The Company shall pay promptly before delinquent all property and other taxes, assessments and governmental charges or levies imposed upon, and all claims (including claims for labor, materials and supplies) against the Collateral, except to the extent the validity thereof is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings diligently pursued and available to the Company.

(f) The Company shall maintain with reputable insurers insurance with respect to the Collateral against loss or damage of the kinds and in the amounts customarily insured against or carried by corporations engaged in the same or similar businesses and similarly situated to the Company.

(g) The Company shall not create, incur or suffer to exist any Lien on the Collateral, except for Permitted Liens.

(h) The Company shall not sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any of its assets, except (i) as contemplated by <u>Section 2(c)</u> hereof, (ii) in connection with a Fundamental Transaction, provided the successor in such Fundamental Transaction assumes the Secured Obligations, (iii) as contemplated by <u>Section 7(e)</u> hereof, or (iv) as otherwise permitted under the Subordination Agreement or the documents or instruments evidencing or securing the Senior Debt.

- (i) The Company shall not wind up, liquidate or dissolve, except as part of a Fundamental Transaction.
- 5. Additional Provisions Concerning the Collateral.

(a) The Company hereby authorizes the Collateral Agent to file, without the signature of the Company where permitted by law, one or more financing or continuation statements and amendments thereto relating to the Collateral to perfect the Liens created by this Agreement.

(b) Subject to the provisions of <u>Section 7</u> hereof, upon occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and after the acceleration of the Notes (so long as such Event of Default has not been waived), the Company hereby irrevocably appoints the Collateral Agent the Company's attorney-in-fact and proxy, with full authority in the place and stead of the Company and in the name of the Company or otherwise, from time to time in the Collateral Agent's discretion, to take any action and to execute any instrument which the Collateral Agent may deem necessary or advisable to accomplish the purposes of this Agreement. The Company hereby ratifies and approves all acts of said attorney; and the attorney shall have no liability to the Company for any act or omission as such attorney, except in the case of the Collateral Agent's willful misconduct or gross negligence.

(c) Anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, (i) the Company shall remain liable under any contracts and agreements included in or relating to the Collateral to the extent set forth therein to perform all of the Company's obligations thereunder to the same extent as if this Agreement had not been executed; (ii) the exercise by the Collateral Agent of any of its rights hereunder shall not release the Company from any of the Company's duties or obligations under the contracts and agreements included in or relating to the Collateral; and (iii) the Collateral Agent shall not have any obligation or liability by reason of this Agreement under any contracts and agreements included in or relating to the Collateral Agent be obligated to perform any of the obligations or duties of the Company thereunder or to take any action to collect or enforce any claim for payment assigned hereunder.

#### 6. Events of Default and Remedies.

(a) Upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and after the acceleration of the Notes (so long as such Event of Default has not been waived), subject to the provisions of <u>Section 7</u> hereof, the Collateral Agent may exercise in respect of the Collateral, in addition to other rights and remedies provided for herein or otherwise available to it, all the rights and remedies of a secured party on default under the UCC (whether or not the UCC applies to the affected Collateral), and also may (i) require the Company to, and the Company hereby agrees that the Company shall, at the Company's expense and upon request of the Collateral Agent forthwith, assemble all or part of the Collateral as directed by the Collateral Agent and make it available to the Collateral Agent at a place to be designated by the Collateral Agent which is reasonably convenient to both parties; and (ii) without notice except as specified below, sell the Collateral or any part thereof in one or more parcels at public or private sale, at the office of the Collateral Agent may deem commercially reasonable. The Company agrees that, to the extent notice of sale shall be required by law, at least ten (10) days prior notice to the Company of the time and place of any public or private sale is to be made shall constitute reasonable notification. The Collateral Agent shall not be obligated to make any sale of Collateral regardless of notice of sale having been given. The Collateral Agent may adjourn any public or private sale from time to time by announcement at the time and place fixed therefor, and such sale may, without further notice, be made at the time and place to which it has been so adjourned.

(b) Subject to the provisions of Section 7 hereof and after satisfying its responsibilities to turn over funds to the Senior Lender pursuant to the Subordination Agreement, upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default and after the acceleration of the Notes (so long as such Event of Default has not been waived), any cash held by the Collateral Agent as Collateral and all cash proceeds received by the Collateral Agent in respect of any sale of, collection from or other realization upon, all or any part of the Collateral shall be applied as follows:

(i) First: to the Collateral Agent, its agents and attorneys for amounts due under <u>Section 9</u> hereof, including payment of all compensation, expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Collateral Agent and the costs and expenses of such collection;

(ii) Second: to Holders of Notes for amounts due and unpaid on the Notes for principal and interest, ratably, without preference or priority of any kind, according to the amounts due and payable on the Notes for principal and interest, respectively; and

(iii) Third: to the Company or to such party as a court of competent jurisdiction shall direct.

In the event that the proceeds of any such sale, collection or realization are insufficient to pay all Secured Obligations in full, the Company shall remain liable for any deficiency, including any attorney's fees and other expenses incurred by the Collateral Agent or any Holder to collect such deficiency.

(c) Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, neither the Collateral Agent nor the Holders shall be required to (i) make any demand upon, pursue or exhaust any of their rights or remedies against the Company with respect to the payment of the Secured Obligations or to pursue or exhaust any of their rights or remedies with respect to any Collateral therefor, or (ii) marshal the Collateral or resort to the Collateral in any particular order.

## 7. Subordination.

(a) The Liens arising under this Agreement and the exercise of any right or remedy by the Collateral Agent in respect thereof are junior and subordinate to the interest of the Senior Lender with respect to the Senior Debt and the Liens that secure the Senior Debt.

(b) The Liens securing the Senior Debt shall be senior to the Liens securing the Secured Obligations irrespective of the time of the execution, delivery or issuance of any thereof or the filing or recording for perfection of any thereof or the filing of any financing statement or continuation statement relating to any thereof. The Collateral Agent shall not contest the validity, perfection, priority or enforceability of, or assert the avoidability of, any security interest or lien granted by the Company to the Senior Lender and, upon the request of the Senior Lender, the Collateral Agent agrees to cooperate, at the sole expense of the Company as provided in <u>Section 9</u> hereof, in the defense of any action regarding the validity, perfection, priority, enforceability or avoidability of any such security interest or lien.

(c) Upon request of the Senior Lender at any time and from time to time, the Collateral Agent agrees to execute, on behalf of the Holders, such other documents or instruments as may be requested by the Senior Lender further to evidence of public record or otherwise the senior priority of the Senior Debt as contemplated hereby.

(d) The Collateral Agent agrees to maintain on its books and records such notations as the Senior Lender may reasonably request to reflect the subordination contemplated hereby and to perfect or preserve the rights of the Senior Lender hereunder.

(e) Without limiting any of the rights of the Senior Lender, in the event the Senior Lender (i) releases or discharges any Liens upon any collateral that secures the Senior Debt and also secures the Secured Obligations or (ii) consents to the Company entering into any sale or other disposition of collateral (each of the foregoing, a "<u>Release Event</u>"), such collateral shall thereupon be deemed to have been released from all such Liens in favor of the Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Holders, and the Collateral Agent and the Holders shall be deemed to have consented to any such sale or disposition. The Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Holders, agrees that, within ten (10) days following the joint request of the Senior Lender and the Company therefor, the Collateral Agent will execute, deliver and file any and all such termination statements, releases and other agreements and instruments as the Senior Lender reasonably deems necessary or appropriate in order to give effect to the preceding sentence. The Collateral Agent shall not be liable for any such release undertaken in good faith in reliance upon any such joint written request of the Company and Senior Lender, and notwithstanding any term hereof to the contrary, the Collateral Agent shall not be under any obligation to execute and deliver any such instrument of release, satisfaction or termination unless and until it receives such joint written request. The Collateral Agent hereby irrevocably appoints the Senior Lender, and its successors and assigns and its officers, with full power of substitution, the true and lawful attorney(s) of the Collateral Agent for the purpose of effecting any such executions, deliveries and filings if and to the extent that the Collateral Agent shall have failed to perform such obligations within such ten (10) day period.

(f) The Company and the Senior Lender may modify the terms of the Senior Debt or the documents evidencing the Senior Debt in accordance with the Purchase Agreement, and the Senior Lender may grant extensions of the time of payment or performance to and make compromises, including releases of collateral and settlements with the Company, in each case without the consent of the Collateral Agent or any Holder and without affecting the agreements contained in this <u>Section 7</u>; provided, however, that nothing contained in this <u>Section 7(f)</u> shall constitute a waiver of the right of the Company itself to agree or consent to a settlement or compromise of a claim which the Senior Lender may have against the Company.

(g) Nothing contained in this <u>Section 7</u> shall impair, as between the Company, on the one hand, and the Collateral Agent and the Holders, on the other hand, the obligation of the Company to pay to the Collateral Agent and the Holders all amounts payable in respect of this Agreement and the Notes as and when the same shall become due and payable in accordance with the terms thereof, subject, however, to the rights of the Senior Lender as set forth in this <u>Section 7</u>.

(h) This <u>Section 7</u> shall continue in full force and effect and shall be operative until the full discharge of the Senior Debt.

#### 8. <u>The Collateral Agent.</u>

(a) The Collateral Agent has been designated and appointed the Holders' collateral agent hereunder. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the Collateral Agent shall not have any duties or responsibilities, except those expressly set forth herein, nor shall the Collateral Agent have or be deemed to have any fiduciary relationship with any Holder, the Senior Lender or the Company, and no implied covenants, functions, responsibilities, duties, obligations or liabilities shall be read into this Agreement or otherwise exist against the Collateral Agent other than as a "representative" as such term is used in Section 9-102(a)(72)(E) of the UCC. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing sentence, the use of the term "agent" in this Agreement with reference to the Collateral Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under agency doctrine of any applicable law. Instead, such term is used merely as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create and reflect only an administrative relationship between independent contracting parties. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, the Collateral Agent shall have and may use its sole discretion with respect to exercising or refraining from exercising any discretionary rights or taking or refraining from taking any actions which the Collateral Agent is expressly entitled to take or assert under this Agreement, and any action so taken or not taken shall be deemed consented to by the Holders.

(b) None of the Collateral Agent or any of its agents or employees shall (i) be liable for any action taken or omitted to be taken by any of them under or in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby, except for its own willful misconduct, gross negligence or bad faith, or (ii) be responsible in any manner to any Holder or the Senior Lender for any recital, statement, representation, warranty, covenant or agreement made by the Company contained in this Agreement or in any certificate, report, statement or other document received by the Collateral Agent under or in connection with this Agreement, or the validity, effectiveness, genuineness, enforceability or sufficiency of this Agreement, or for any failure of the Company to perform its obligations hereunder or under the Notes. None of the Collateral Agent or any of its agents or employees shall be under any obligation to any Holder or the Senior Lender to ascertain or to inquire as to the observance or performance of any of the agreements contained in, or conditions of, this Agreement or to inspect the properties, books or records of the Company.

(c) The Collateral Agent shall be accountable only for amounts that it actually receives as a result of the exercise of its rights or powers hereunder, and neither the Collateral Agent nor any of its employees or agents shall be responsible for any act or failure to act hereunder, except for its own willful misconduct, gross negligence or bad faith.

(d) The Collateral Agent shall be entitled to rely, and shall be fully protected in relying, upon any writing, resolution, notice, consent, certificate, affidavit, letter, telegram, facsimile, telex or telephone message, statement or other document or conversation believed by it to be genuine and correct and to have been signed, sent or made by the proper Person or Persons, and upon advice and statements of legal counsel (including, without limitation, counsel to the Company), independent accountants and other experts and advisors selected by the Collateral Agent.

(e) The Collateral Agent shall not be deemed to have knowledge or notice of the occurrence of any Event of Default and the acceleration of the Notes unless the Collateral Agent shall have received written notice from the Company or the Required Holders that refers to this Agreement, describes the Event of Default and states that there has been an acceleration of the Notes. The Collateral Agent shall be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers vested in it by this Agreement, at the request, order or direction of any Required Holders, unless such Required Holders shall have offered to the Collateral Agent reasonable security or indemnity satisfactory to the Collateral Agent against the costs, expenses and liabilities (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees) which might be incurred therein or thereby.

(f) The Collateral Agent is each Holder's agent for the purpose of perfecting the Holders' security interest in assets which, in accordance with Article 9 of the UCC, can be perfected only by possession or control.

(g) The Collateral Agent may resign at any time upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the Company, such resignation to be effective upon the acceptance of a successor agent to its appointment as Collateral Agent. The Collateral Agent may appoint, after consulting with the Company, a successor Collateral Agent prior to the intended effective date of the resignation. If no successor Collateral Agent sappointed within thirty (30) days after the intended effective date of resignation (as stated in the notice of resignation) the Collateral Agent shall be entitled to petition at the expense of the Company a court of competent jurisdiction to appoint a successor. Upon the acceptance of its appointment as successor Collateral Agent hereunder, such successor Collateral Agent shall succeed to all the rights, powers and duties of the retiring Collateral Agent, and the term "Collateral Agent" shall mean such successor Collateral Agent's resignation hereunder, the provisions of this <u>Section 8</u> (and <u>Section 9</u>) shall continue to inure to its benefit and the retiring Collateral Agent shall not by reason of such resignation be deemed to be released from liability as to any actions taken or omitted to be taken by it while it was the Collateral Agent under this Agreement. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, any successor Collateral Agent appointed pursuant to this <u>Section 8(g)</u> must either be a bank or trust company with a minimum of \$100,000,000 in total assets.

(h) The Collateral Agent may make loans to, issue letters of credit for the account of, accept deposits from, and generally engage in any kind of banking, trust or other business relationship with the Company as though it was not the collateral agent hereunder. The Collateral Agent may receive information regarding the Company (including information that may be subject to confidentiality obligations in favor of the Company), and the Collateral Agent shall not be under any obligation to provide such information to the Holders.

## 9. Indemnity and Expenses.

(a) The Company agrees to indemnify the Collateral Agent from and against any and all claims, losses and liabilities growing out of or resulting from this Agreement (including, without limitation, enforcement of this Agreement), except claims, losses or liabilities resulting solely and directly from Collateral Agent's willful misconduct, gross negligence or bad faith.

(b) The Company will pay to the Collateral Agent on demand the amount of any and all reasonable costs and expenses which the Collateral Agent may incur in connection with (i) the administration of this Agreement (excluding the salary of the Collateral Agent's employees and the Collateral Agent's normal and usual overhead expenses); (ii) the custody, preservation, use or operation of, or the sale of, collection from, or other realization upon, any Collateral; (iii) the exercise or enforcement of any of the rights of the Collateral Agent hereunder; or (iv) the failure by the Company to perform or observe any of the provisions hereof, except expenses resulting solely and directly from the Collateral Agent's willful misconduct, gross negligence or bad faith.

10. <u>Notices</u>. Any and all notices or other communications or deliveries hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given and effective on the earliest of (i) the date of transmission, if such notice or communication is delivered (A) via facsimile at the facsimile number specified in this <u>Section 10</u> or (B) via email at the email address specified in in this <u>Section 10</u>, prior to 5:30 p.m., New York City time, on a Business Day, (ii) the next Business Day after the date of transmission, if such notice or communication is delivered (A) via facsimile at the facsimile number specified in in this <u>Section 10</u> or (B) via email at the email address specified in in this <u>Section 10</u>, on a day that is not a Business Day or later than 5:30 p.m., New York City time, on any Business Day, (iii) the Business Day following the date of mailing, if sent by nationally recognized overnight courier service specifying next business day delivery, or (iv) upon actual receipt by the Person to whom such notice is required to be given, if by hand delivery. The address of each party for such notices or communications shall be as follows:

if to the <u>Company</u> :	MRI Interventions, Inc. Attention: Vice President, Business Affairs One Commerce Square, Ste 2550 Memphis TN 38103 Facsimile: (901) 522-9400 Email: othomas@mriinterventions.com
if to the <u>Collateral Agent</u> :	Landmark Community Bank Attention: Bryan Jones 1000 Ridgeway Loop Rd. Suite 103 Memphis, Tennessee 38120 Facsimile: (901) 260-2525 Email: bjones@landmarkbanktn.com

or such other address with respect to a party as such party shall notify the other party in writing as above provided.

11. <u>Security Interest Absolute</u>. The Liens and obligations of the Company hereunder shall be absolute and unconditional irrespective of: (a) any lack of validity or enforceability of the Notes; (b) any change in the time, manner or place of payment of, or in any other term in respect of, the Secured Obligations, or any other amendment or waiver of or consent to any departure from this Agreement or the Notes; (c) any increase in, addition to, or exchange, release or non-perfection of, any collateral for all or any of the Secured Obligations; or (d) any other circumstance which might otherwise constitute a defense available to, or a discharge of, the Company in respect of the Secured Obligations or this Agreement.

## 12. Amendments; Waivers.

(a) Subject to the provisions of <u>Section 7</u> hereof, the Company and the Collateral Agent may amend or supplement this Agreement without the consent of any Holder:

(i) to cure any ambiguity, defect or inconsistency herein;

(ii) to make any change that would provide any additional benefits to the Holders, to further secure the Notes, to add to the covenants of the Company for the benefit of the Holders or to surrender any right or power conferred upon the Company, or to make any change that does not adversely affect the benefits hereunder of the Holders; or

(iii) to comply with the requirements of applicable law.



(b) Subject to the provisions of <u>Section 7</u> hereof, the Company and the Collateral Agent may amend or supplement this Agreement with the consent of the Required Holders.

(c) Upon the request of the Company accompanied by a resolution of its Board of Directors authorizing the execution of any amendment or supplement to this Agreement, and, if applicable, upon the Collateral Agent's receipt of evidence reasonably satisfactory to it of the requisite consent of the Required Holders, the Collateral Agent shall join with the Company in the execution of such amendment or supplement unless such amendment or supplement affects the Collateral Agent's own rights, duties or immunities under this Agreement or otherwise, in which case the Collateral Agent may in its discretion, but shall not be obligated to, enter into such amendment or supplement.

(d) The Required Holders may waive compliance in any particular instance by the Company with any provision of this Agreement.

(e) It shall not be necessary for the consent of any Holder to approve the particular form of any proposed amendment, supplement or waiver, but it shall be sufficient if such consent approves the substance thereof.

(f) After an amendment, supplement or waiver under this <u>Section 12</u> becomes effective, the Company shall mail to the Holders affected thereby a notice briefly describing the amendment, supplement or waiver. Any failure of the Company to mail such notice, or any defect therein, shall not, however, in any way impair or affect the validity of any such amendment, supplement or waiver.

- 13. <u>Release of Collateral; Termination of Agreement.</u>
- (a) The Liens created by this Agreement shall be released:

(i) as to any Collateral sold, exchanged or otherwise disposed by the Company as provided in <u>Section 2(c)</u> or <u>Section 7(e)</u> hereof; and

(ii) in whole, if the Secured Obligations have been satisfied in full.

(b) Except as described in <u>Section 7(e)</u> hereof, upon receipt of an Officer's Certificate certifying that all conditions precedent under this Agreement to such release have been met and any necessary or proper instruments of termination, satisfaction or release prepared by the Company, the Collateral Agent shall execute, deliver or acknowledge (at the Company's expense) such instruments to evidence the release of any Collateral permitted to be released pursuant to this Agreement. The Collateral Agent shall not be liable for any such release undertaken in good faith in reliance upon any such Officer's Certificate, and notwithstanding any term hereof to the contrary, the Collateral Agent shall not be under any obligation to execute and deliver any such instrument of release, satisfaction or termination unless and until it receives such Officer's Certificate.

- (c) This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect until the full satisfaction of the Secured Obligations.
- 14. Miscellaneous.

(a) No failure on the part of the Collateral Agent to exercise, and no delay in exercising any right hereunder shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right preclude any other or further exercise thereof, or the exercise of any other right. The rights and remedies of the Collateral Agent provided herein are cumulative and are in addition to, and not exclusive of, any rights or remedies provided by law.

(b) All rights, remedies and powers provided in this Agreement may be exercised only to the extent that the exercise thereof does not violate any applicable provision of law, including without limitation any existing or subsequent federal or state banking laws or regulations, and all the provisions of this Agreement are intended to be subject to all applicable mandatory provisions of law that may be controlling and to be limited to the extent necessary so that they shall not render this Agreement invalid, unenforceable or not entitled to be recorded or registered, in whole or in part. Any provision of this Agreement which is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity without invalidating the remaining portions hereof or thereof, or affecting the validity or enforceability of such provision in any other jurisdiction.

(c) The terms and provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Company, the Collateral Agent and the Holders and their respective successors and assigns, except that the Company shall not have the right to assign its rights or delegate its obligations under this Agreement or any interest herein, without the prior written consent of the Required Holders, except to a successor in the event of a Fundamental Transaction.

(d) This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, except as required by mandatory provisions of law and except to the extent that the validity or perfection of the security interest created hereby or remedies hereunder in respect of any particular Collateral are governed by the laws of a jurisdiction other than the State of New York.

(e) This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect and continue to be effective should any petition be filed by or against the Company for liquidation or reorganization, should the Company make an assignment for the benefit of any creditor or creditors or should a receiver or trustee be appointed for all or any significant part of the Company's assets, and shall continue to be effective or be reinstated, as the case may be, if at any time payment and performance of the Secured Obligations, or any part thereof, is, pursuant to applicable law, rescinded or reduced in amount, or must otherwise be restored or returned by any obligee of the Secured Obligations, whether as a "voidable preference," "fraudulent conveyance," or otherwise, all as though such payment or performance had not been made. In the event that any payment, or any part thereof, is rescinded, reduced, restored or returned, the Secured Obligations shall be reinstated and deemed reduced only by such amount paid and not so rescinded, reduced, restored or returned.

(f) The captions or headings of the Sections of this Agreement are inserted merely for convenience of reference and shall not be deemed to limit or modify the terms and provisions hereof.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Company and the Collateral Agent have executed and delivered this Agreement (or caused the execution and delivery of this Agreement by its duly authorized officers) on the date first above written.

## **COMPANY:**

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

By:	/s/ Kimble Jenkins
Name:	Kimble Jenkins
Title:	CEO

# **COLLATERAL AGENT:**

## LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANK,

as collateral agent for the ratable benefit of the Holders

By:	/s/ Wm. Bryan Jones
Name:	Wm. Bryan Jones
Title:	S.V.P.

# EXHIBIT A LOCATIONS FOR PURPOSES OF FINANCING STATEMENTS

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## THIRD AMENDMENT TO JUNIOR SECURITY AGREEMENT

THIS THIRD AMENDMENT TO JUNIOR SECURITY AGREEMENT (this "<u>Third Amendment</u>") is made and entered as of March 25, 2014, by and between **MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.**, f/k/a SurgiVision, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANK, a Tennessee state-chartered bank, in its capacity as collateral agent (the "<u>Collateral Agent</u>") for the ratable benefit of the registered holders (the "<u>Holders</u>") of the Company's Junior Secured Promissory Notes due 2020 (the "<u>Notes</u>").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company and the Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Holders, entered into that certain Junior Security Agreement dated as of November 5, 2010, as amended by that certain First Amendment dated as of April 5, 2011 and that certain Second Amendment dated October 14, 2011 (as amended, the "Security Agreement");

WHEREAS, the terms of the Security Agreement may be amended by the Company and the Collateral Agent with the consent of Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Notes outstanding (the "Required Holders");

WHEREAS, the Required Holders have consented to the amendment of the terms of the Security Agreement as set forth below; and

WHEREAS, with the consent of the Required Holders, the Company and the Collateral Agreement desire to amend the terms of the Security Agreement as set forth below;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Company and the Collateral Agent, on behalf of the Holders, hereby agree as follows:

1. <u>Defined Terms</u>. Capitalized terms used in this Amendment without definition shall have the same meanings ascribed to such terms in <u>Section 1</u> of the Security Agreement.

2. Amendment to Section 1 (Definitions).

(a) Section 1 of the Security Agreement (Definitions) is hereby amended by adding the following new defined terms

thereto:

"<u>Notes Offering Debt</u>" shall mean all indebtedness, including principal and all accrued interest thereon, outstanding from time to time under the Second Priority Notes.

"Second Priority Note Holders" shall mean the persons in whose names the Second Priority Notes are registered.

"Second Priority Notes" shall mean those certain 12% Second-Priority Secured Non-Convertible Promissory Notes Due 2019 to be issued by the Company, as such notes may be amended and in effect from time to time.

(b) Section 1 of the Security Agreement (Definitions) is hereby further amended by deleting the defined terms "BSC Debt," "Bridge Debt," "Bridge Notes," and "Bridge Note Holders."

(c) Section 1 of the Security Agreement (Definitions) is hereby further amended by deleting the defined terms "Senior Debt" and "Senior Lender" and substituting the following therefor:

"Senior Debt" shall mean the Brainlab Debt and/or the Notes Offering Debt.

"Senior Lender" shall mean (i) Brainlab AG., so long as any Brainlab Debt remains outstanding, and/or (ii) the Second Priority Note Holders, so long as any Notes Offering Debt remains outstanding.

3. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. On and after the date hereof, each reference in the Security Agreement to "this Agreement", "hereunder", "hereof", "herein" or words of like import referring to the Security Agreement shall mean and be a reference to the Security Agreement as amended by this Third Amendment. Except as expressly provided in this Third Amendment, all other terms, conditions and provisions of the Security Agreement shall continue in full force and effect as provided therein. This Third Amendment may be executed in any number of counterparts and by different parties hereto in separate counterparts, each of which when so executed and delivered shall be deemed an original but all such counterparts together shall constitute but one and the same instrument. Signature pages may be detached from multiple separate counterparts and attached to a single counterpart so that all signature pages are physically attached to the same document.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company and the Collateral Agent have executed and delivered this Third Amendment on the date first above written.

## **COMPANY:**

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

By:	/s/ Kimble Jenkins
Name:	Kimble Jenkins
Title:	CEO

# COLLATERAL AGENT:

# LANDMARK COMMUNITY BANK,

as collateral agent for the ratable benefit of the Holders

By: /s/ Wm. Bryan Jones

Name:	Wm. Bryan Jones
Title:	S.V.P.

## AGREEMENT

**THIS AGREEMENT** (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is entered into as of this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014, to be effective as of August 1, 2014 (the "<u>Effective Date</u>"), by and between **MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.**, a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and **OSCAR L. THOMAS** (the "<u>Executive</u>").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Company desires to employ the Executive to serve as the Vice President, Business Affairs of the Company;

WHEREAS, the Company and the Executive each deem it necessary and desirable to execute a written document setting forth the terms and conditions of said relationship; and

WHEREAS, to the extent this Agreement provides for any "deferred compensation" within the meaning of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>"), the Agreement will be administered in compliance with Section 409A of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and mutual obligations hereinafter set forth, the parties agree as follows:

1. <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following definitions:

"2010 Plan" means the Company's 2010 Non-Qualified Stock Option Plan.

"2012 Plan" means the Company's 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan.

"Accounting Firm" has the meaning set forth in Section 11(b) of this Agreement.

"Affiliate" has the same meaning ascribed to such term in Rule 12b-2 under the Exchange Act.

"Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the preamble above.

"<u>Arbitrators</u>" means the arbitrators selected to conduct any arbitration proceeding in connection with any disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

"<u>Award Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 4(f)(iv)</u> of this Agreement.

"Award Plans" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(b) of this Agreement.

"Base Salary" means the annual salary to be paid to the Executive as set forth in Section 4(a) of this Agreement.

"Benefit Plans" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(c) of this Agreement.

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company.

"<u>Change of Control</u>" means the occurrence with respect to the Company of any of the following events: (i) a change in the ownership of the Company; (ii) a change in the effective control of the Company; or (iii) a change in the ownership of a substantial portion of the assets of the Company.

For purposes of this definition, a change in the ownership of the Company occurs on the date on which any one person, or more than one person acting as a group, acquires ownership of stock of the Company that, together with stock held by such person or group, constitutes more than 50% of the total fair market value or total voting power of the stock of the Company. A change in the effective control of the Company occurs on the date on which either (i) a person, or more than one person acting as a group, acquires ownership of stock of the Company possessing 30% or more of the total voting power of the stock of the Company, taking into account all such stock acquired during the 12-month period ending on the date of the most recent acquisition, or (ii) a majority of the members of such Board prior to the date of the appointment or election. A change in the ownership of a substantial portion of the assets of the Company occurs on the date on which any one person, or more than one person acting as a group, acquires assets from the Company that have a total gross fair market value equal to or more than 40% of the total gross fair market value of all of the assets of the Company immediately prior to such acquisition or acquisitions, taking into account all such assets acquired during the 12-month period ending on the date of acquisition or acquisitions, taking into account all such assets acquired to the Company, acquires assets from the Company that have a total gross fair market value equal to or more than 40% of the total gross fair market value of all of the assets of the Company immediately prior to such acquisition or acquisitions, taking into account all such assets acquired during the 12-month period ending on the date of the most recent acquisition.

The determination as to the occurrence of a Change of Control shall be based on objective facts and in accordance with the requirements of Section 409A of the Code.

"<u>Change of Control Termination</u>" means a Termination Without Cause or a Termination for Good Reason that occurs (i) prior to the Second Eligibility Date and (ii) within two (2) months prior to, on, or within nine (9) months after, a Change of Control.

"<u>COC Multiplier</u>" means the following, as applicable: (a) 0, if the Transaction Value is less than \$30,000,000; (b) 0.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$30,000,000 but less than \$50,000,000; (c) 0.75, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$70,000,000; (d) 1.0, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$70,000,000; (e) 1.25, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (e) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$110,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$10,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$10,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$10,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$10,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$10,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$10,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$10,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the Transaction Value is equal to or greater than \$10,000,000; (f) 1.5, if the

"Code" has the meaning set forth in the recitals above.

"Company" has the meaning set forth in the preamble above.

"<u>Company Shares</u>" means shares of common stock of the Company or any securities of a successor company which shall have replaced such common stock.

"Compensation Committee" means the compensation committee of the Board.

"<u>Confidentiality Agreement</u>" means that certain Non-Disclosure and Proprietary Rights Agreement between the Company and the Executive in substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

"Effective Date" has the meaning set forth in the preamble above.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Excise Tax" means the excise tax imposed by Section 4999 of the Code with respect to the Total Payments, together with any interest or penalties with respect to such excise tax.

"Executive" has the meaning set forth in the preamble above.

"First Eligibility Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(f) below.

"<u>First Installment</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 4(f) below</u>.

"<u>Net After-Tax Benefit</u>" means (i) the Total Payments, less (ii) the amount of all United States federal, state and local income and employment taxes payable with respect to the Total Payments (calculated at the maximum applicable marginal income tax rate for the Executive under the Code), and less (iii) the amount of the Excise Tax imposed (based upon the rate for such year as set forth in the Code at the time of the first payment of the foregoing).

"<u>Non-Compete Agreement</u>" means that certain Non-Compete Agreement between the Company and the Executive in substantially the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"<u>Option(s)</u>" means (i) any option issued to the Executive pursuant to the 2010 Plan, the 2012 Plan or any other equity plan adopted by the Company, (ii) other than options described in the preceding clause (i), any option issued to the Executive by the Company to purchase Company Shares, or (iii) any option granted under the plan of any successor company that replaces or assumes the Company's options.

"Permanent Disability" means the Executive: (i) is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than twelve (12) months; or (ii) is, by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than twelve (12) months; or (ii) is, by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than twelve (12) months, receiving income replacement benefits for a period of not less than three (3) months under an accident and health plan covering employees or directors of the Company. Medical determination of Permanent Disability may be made by either the Social Security Administration or by the provider of an accident or health plan covering employees or directors of the Company provided that the definition of "disability" applied under such disability insurance program complies with the requirements of the preceding sentence. Upon the request of the Company, the Executive must submit proof to the Company of the Social Security Administration's or the provider's determination.

"<u>Restricted Stock</u>" means (i) any restricted Company Shares issued to the Executive pursuant to the 2012 Plan or any other equity plan adopted by the Company, or (ii) any restricted stock granted under the plan of any successor company that replaces or assumes the Company's restricted stock awards.

"<u>Retention Bonus</u>" has the meaning set forth in <u>Section 4(f)</u> below.

"<u>Sale Transaction</u>" means a transaction or series of related transactions pursuant to which (a) the Company is merged, consolidated or reorganized into or with another person, or securities of the Company are exchanged for securities of another person, or (b) the Company sells all or a substantial portion of its assets to another person.

"Second Eligibility Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(f) below.

"Second Installment" has the meaning set forth in Section 4(f) below.

"Section 4999 Limit" has the meaning set forth in Section 11(a) of this Agreement.

"Specified Employee" means a key employee (as defined in Section 416(i) of the Code without regard to paragraph 5 thereof) of the Company if any stock of the Company is publicly traded on an established securities market or otherwise.

"Term" has the meaning assigned to it in Section 3(a) of this Agreement.

"<u>Termination Date</u>" means the date on which the employment of the Executive is terminated, which date shall be (i) in the case of the Executive's death, the date of death, (ii) in the case of the Executive's Permanent Disability, thirty (30) days after a Termination Notice is given, provided the Executive does not return to the full-time performance of his duties within such thirty (30) day period, (iii) in the case of a Termination With Cause, the date specified in the Termination Notice, or (iv) in all other instances, the date specified as the Termination Date in the Termination Notice, which date shall not be less than ten (10) days from the date the Termination Notice is given.

"<u>Termination for Good Reason</u>" means the termination of the Executive's employment with the Company by the Executive based on any of the following circumstances, if, within the six (6) month period preceding the Executive's termination, the Executive notified the Company in writing of such circumstances within ninety (90) days of occurrence and the Company did not remedy such circumstances within thirty (30) days thereafter:

Executive's consent;

(i) a material demotion or diminution in the Executive's authority, duties or responsibilities without the

(ii) the Company requiring the Executive to be based at any place other than a location within a fifty (50) mile radius of the Executive's work location as of the Effective Date without the Executive's consent, except for reasonably required travel on the Company's business; or

(iii) any action or inaction that constitutes a material breach by the Company of this Agreement.

"Termination Notice" means a written notice of termination of employment by the Executive or the Company.

"<u>Termination of Employment</u>" means the termination of the Executive's employment with the Company for reasons other than death or Permanent Disability. Whether a Termination of Employment takes place is determined based on the facts and circumstances surrounding the termination of the Executive's employment and whether the Company and the Executive intended for the Executive to provide significant services for the Company following such termination. A change in the Executive's employment status will not be considered a Termination of Employment if the Executive continues to provide services as an employee of the Company or in any other capacity at an annual rate that is twenty percent (20%) or more of the services rendered, on average, during the immediately preceding three full calendar years of employment (or, if employed less than three years, such lesser period).

"Termination With Cause" means the termination of the Executive's employment by the Company for any of the following reasons: (i) the Executive's gross negligence or willful misconduct in the performance of the Executive's duties where such gross negligence or willful misconduct has resulted or is likely to result in substantial and material damage to the Company; (ii) the material violation by the Executive's breach of the Non-Compete Agreement; (iv) the Executive's material breach of the Confidentiality Agreement; (v) the Executive's commission of any act of fraud with respect to the Company; (vi) the Executive's conviction of, or the Executive's entry of a guilty plea or plea of nolo contendere with respect to, a felony; or (vii) the Executive's failure to perform duties consistent with this Agreement or the Executive's position or to follow or comply with the reasonable directives of the Board or the Executive's supervisor(s) (to the extent not inconsistent with the terms of this Agreement), provided that (A) the Executive shall have received written notice that specifically identifies the manner in which the Company believes that Executive has engaged in such failure and (B) the Executive shall not have cured such failure within thirty (30) days following receipt of such notice, provided further that such opportunity to cure a failure shall not apply if the Executive has received more than one notice with respect to the same or similar conduct pursuant to this clause (vii) during any twelve (12) consecutive month period.

"<u>Termination Without Cause</u>" means the termination of the Executive's employment by the Company for any reason other than (i) Termination With Cause, or (ii) termination by the Company due to the Executive's death or Permanent Disability.

"<u>Total Payments</u>" means the total payments or other benefits that the Executive becomes entitled to receive from the Company or an Affiliate thereof in connection with a Change of Control that would constitute a "parachute payment" (within the meaning of Section 280G of the Code), whether payable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or any other plan, arrangement or agreement with the Company or an Affiliate thereof.

"<u>Transaction Value</u>" means the aggregate cash and non-cash consideration in connection with the consummation of a Sale Transaction that is paid, payable, distributed, or otherwise available for distribution, to holders of Company Shares. The fair market value of any securities issued, and any other non-cash consideration and any future payments or consideration to be paid or delivered, in connection with a Sale Transaction will be valued in good faith by the Board.

"Voluntary Termination" means the Executive's voluntary termination of his employment hereunder for any reason, other than a Termination for Good Reason. If the Executive gives a Termination Notice of Voluntary Termination and, prior to the Termination Date, the Executive voluntarily refuses or fails to provide substantially all the services described in <u>Section 2</u> hereof, the Voluntary Termination shall be deemed to be effective as of the date on which the Executive so ceases to carry out his duties. Voluntary refusal to perform services shall not include (i) taking vacation otherwise permitted in accordance with <u>Section 4(d)</u> hereof, (ii) the Executive's failure to perform services on account of his illness or the illness of a member of the Executive's immediate family, provided such illness is adequately substantiated at the reasonable request of the Company, or (iii) any other absence from service with the written consent of the Board.

2. <u>Employment; Services</u>. The Company shall employ the Executive, and the Executive agrees to be so employed, in the capacity of the Vice President, Business Affairs of the Company to serve for the Term hereof. The Executive shall assume and discharge such duties and responsibilities as are commensurate with the Executive's position. The Executive shall be a full-time employee of the Company and shall exert his best efforts and devote substantially all of his business time and attention to the Company's affairs and the performance of his duties hereunder.

#### 3. Term; Termination.

(a) The term of the Executive's employment under this Agreement (the "<u>Term</u>") shall commence as of the Effective Date and shall end as of the Termination Date.

(b) Any purported termination of employment by the Executive or the Company, other than by reason of the Executive's death, shall be communicated by a Termination Notice. The Termination Notice shall indicate the specific termination provision in this Agreement relied upon and, in the event of a Termination With Cause or a Termination for Good Reason, set forth the facts and circumstances claimed to provide a basis for termination.

# 4. Compensation.

(a) <u>Base Salary</u>. During the Term, the Company shall pay the Executive for his services a "<u>Base Salary</u>" of Two Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$260,000) per year, to be paid in accordance with customary Company policies. The Base Salary shall be subject to increase or decrease according to policies and practices adopted by the Compensation Committee or the Board, as the case may be; provided, however, that in no event (i) shall the Base Salary for any year be decreased by more than ten percent (10%) from the immediately preceding year's Base Salary, and (ii) shall the Base Salary be less than Two Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$260,000).

(b) <u>Award Plans</u>. During the Term, the Executive shall also be eligible for additional compensation in the form of a cash bonus, shares of stock in the Company, Restricted Stock and/or Options, according to the policies and practices adopted by the Compensation Committee or the Board, as the case may be, and the Executive shall be eligible to participate in any stock option, incentive compensation, profit participation, bonus or extra compensation plan that is adopted by the Company and in which the Company's executive officers generally participate (collectively, "<u>Award Plans</u>").

(c) <u>Benefit Plans</u>. During the Term, the Executive shall be entitled to participate in, and to all rights and benefits provided by, the health, life, medical, dental, disability, insurance and welfare plans that are maintained from time to time by the Company for the benefit of the Executive, the executives of the Company generally or for the Company's employees generally, provided that the Executive is eligible to participate in such plan under the eligibility provisions thereof that are generally applicable to the participants thereof (collectively, "<u>Benefit Plans</u>").

(d) <u>Vacation</u>. The Executive shall be entitled each year to vacation time, during which time his compensation shall be paid in full. The time allotted for such vacation shall be three (3) weeks, to be taken at such time or times as shall be mutually convenient and consistent with his duties and obligations to the Company. Vacation accrues based on the Executive's anniversary date. Any unused vacation shall not be carried into subsequent years.

(e) <u>Overall Qualification</u>. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as preventing the Company from modifying, suspending, discontinuing or terminating any of the Benefit Plans or Award Plans without notice or liability to the Executive so long as (i) the modification, suspension, discontinuation or termination of any such plan is authorized by and performed in accordance with the specific provisions of such plan and (ii) such modification, suspension, discontinuation or termination or termination is taken generally with respect to all similarly situated employees of the Company and does not single out or discriminate against the Executive.

(f) <u>Retention Bonus</u>. The Company shall pay to the Executive a retention bonus equal to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) (the "<u>Retention Bonus</u>"), less applicable taxes and withholdings required by law. The Retention Bonus will be paid in two installments, with the first installment in the amount of Eighty Three Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Three Dollars (\$83,333) (the "<u>First Installment</u>") to be paid by the Company on December 31, 2014 (the "<u>First Eligibility Date</u>") and the second installment in the amount of One Hundred Sixty Six Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty Seven Dollars (\$166,667) (the "<u>Second Installment</u>") to be paid by the Company on July 31, 2015 (the "<u>Second Eligibility Date</u>"), in each case so long as the Executive remains continuously employed by the Company from the date of signing of this Agreement until the First Eligibility Date or Second Eligibility Date, as applicable. The Company until the First Eligibility Date is a condition precedent to the receipt of the First Installment, which does not vest or accrue until the First Eligibility Date, and (ii) Executive's continuous employment with the Company until the Second Eligibility Date is a condition precedent to the receipt of the Second Eligibility Date. The Retention Bonus herein will be paid in addition to the Executive's other compensation set forth above in this <u>Section 4</u>.

(i) <u>Termination With Cause</u>. In the event (A) the Executive's employment with the Company is terminated following the First Eligibility Date but prior to the Second Eligibility Date and (B) the termination is a Termination With Cause, the Executive must repay the Company the net amount of the First Installment that the Executive actually received (i.e., net of applicable taxes and withholdings) within sixty (60) days of the date of such Termination of Employment. Otherwise, the Executive shall be entitled to retain the First Installment, regardless of a Termination of Employment.

(ii) <u>Death</u>. In the event of the Executive's death prior to the First Eligibility Date, the Company shall have no obligation to pay the Retention Bonus hereunder, and the Executive's estate shall have no rights against the Company hereunder with respect to the Retention Bonus. In the event of the Executive's death following the First Eligibility Date but prior to the Second Eligibility Date, the Company shall have no obligation to pay the Second Installment hereunder, and the Executive's estate shall have no rights against the Company hereunder with respect to the Second Installment.

(iii) <u>Permanent Disability</u>. In the event of a termination of the Executive's employment with the Company prior to the First Eligibility Date due to Permanent Disability, the Company shall have no obligation to pay the Retention Bonus hereunder, and the Executive's employment with the Company hereunder with respect to the Retention Bonus. In the event of a termination of the Executive's employment with the Company prior to the Second Eligibility Date due to Permanent Disability, the Company shall have no obligation to pay the Second Installment hereunder, and the Executive shall have no rights against the Company hereunder with respect to the Second Installment.

(iv) <u>Option Exercise; First Eligibility Date</u>. Notwithstanding the terms of any award agreement heretofore granted to the Executive under any Award Plan, including, without limitation, the 2010 Plan and the 2012 Plan, or any other agreement heretofore granting the Executive Options (in each case, an "<u>Award Agreement</u>"), in the event of a Voluntary Termination following the First Eligibility Date but prior to the Second Eligibility Date, the Executive shall continue to have the right to exercise any Options granted to the Executive as of the Effective Date until the two (2) year anniversary of the Termination Date, but only to the extent such Options (or portions thereof) were vested immediately prior to the Termination Date.

(v) Option Vesting and Exercise; Second Eligibility Date. Notwithstanding the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore granted to the Executive, as long as the Executive remains continuously employed by the Company from the date of signing of this Agreement until the Second Eligibility Date, (A) all Options granted to the Executive as of the Effective Date which do not constitute deferred compensation for Code Section 409A purposes shall become fully vested on the Second Eligibility Date (to the extent not then vested already) and (B) Executive shall thereafter have the right to exercise all such Options until the final expiration date for such Options as provided for in the applicable Award Agreement, regardless of any termination of the Executive's employment with the Company following the Second Eligibility Date. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Section 4(f)(v) and terms of any Award Agreement heretofore granted to the Executive, the terms of this Section 4(f)(v) shall control and govern. Notwithstanding the foregoing to the contrary, in the event a Change of Control Termination occurs prior to the Second Eligibility Date, the terms of <u>Section 9(d)</u> or <u>Section 10(c)</u>, as applicable, shall supersede the terms of this <u>Section 4(f)(v)</u>.

(vi) <u>Change of Control Termination</u>. In the event of a Change of Control Termination as defined herein, the terms set forth in the applicable <u>Section 9 or 10</u> shall then supersede the terms of this section; provided, however, that in the event such Change of Control Termination occurs after the First Eligibility Date, the Executive shall be entitled to retain the First Installment.

5. <u>Expenses</u>. The Company recognizes that the Executive will have to incur certain out-of-pocket expenses, including but not limited to travel expenses, related to his services and the Company's business and the Company agrees to reimburse the Executive for all reasonable expenses necessarily incurred by him in the performance of his duties upon presentation of documentation indicating the amount and business purposes of any such expenses; provided, that the Executive complies with the Company's policies and procedures regarding business expenses.

6. <u>Voluntary Termination; Termination With Cause</u>. If the Executive shall cease being an employee of the Company on account of the Executive's Voluntary Termination or a Termination With Cause, the Executive shall have no further rights against the Company hereunder after the Termination Date, except for the right to receive (i) any Base Salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the Termination Date, (ii) reimbursement of business expenses to which the Executive is entitled as of the Termination Date pursuant to Section 5, and (iii) if applicable, the benefits described in Section 4(f)(iv) or Section 4(f)(v). In the event of a Voluntary Termination or a Termination With Cause, the Executive shall continue to be subject to the Confidentiality Agreement and the Non-Compete Agreement.

#### 7. Termination Upon Death or Permanent Disability.

(a) <u>Death</u>. The Executive's employment with the Company shall terminate automatically upon the Executive's death. Upon termination of employment due to the Executive's death, the Executive's estate shall have no further rights against the Company hereunder after the Termination Date, except for the right to receive (i) any Base Salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the Termination Date, (ii) any unreimbursed business expenses to which the Executive is entitled as of the Termination Date pursuant to <u>Section 5</u>, (iii) the lump sum amount of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000), and (iv) if applicable, the benefits described in <u>Section 4(f)(v)</u>. In addition, the Executive's estate shall be entitled to any vested benefits under the Company's Award Plans and Benefit Plans as of the Termination Date, in accordance with the terms of such plans.

(b) Permanent Disability. In the event of the Executive's Permanent Disability, the Company may terminate the Executive's employment with the Company if the Executive does not return to the full-time performance of his duties within thirty (30) days after a Termination Notice is given. Upon termination of employment due to the Executive's Permanent Disability, the Executive shall have no further rights against the Company hereunder after the Termination Date, except for the right to receive (i) any Base Salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the Termination Date, (ii) any unreimbursed business expenses to which the Executive is entitled as of the Termination Date pursuant to Section 5, (iii) the lump sum amount of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000), and (iv) if applicable, the benefits described in Section 4(f)(v). In addition, the Executive shall be entitled to any vested benefits under the Company's Award Plans and Benefit Plans as of the Termination Date, in accordance with the terms of such plans. In the event of a termination of employment upon the Executive's Permanent Disability, the Executive shall continue to be subject to the Confidentiality Agreement and the Non-Compete Agreement.

(c) <u>Life Insurance</u>. Upon the Company's request, the Executive shall cooperate with the Company in obtaining "key man" life insurance on the life of the Executive with death benefits payable to the Company.

8. <u>Termination Without Cause: Termination for Good Reason</u>. The Company may terminate the Executive's employment for any reason, or no reason at all, at any time, and the Executive may effect a Termination for Good Reason at any time. Upon a Termination for Good Reason or a Termination Without Cause at any time on or prior to the Second Eligibility Date, except as otherwise provided in <u>Section 9</u> of this Agreement, the Company shall provide the compensation and benefits set forth below in <u>Section 8(a)</u> and <u>Section 8(b)</u>. Upon a Termination for Good Reason or a Termination Without Cause following the Second Eligibility Date, the Company shall provide the compensation and benefits set forth below in <u>Section 8(b)</u>. Upon a Termination for Good Reason notwithstanding any incapacity due to physical or mental illness. In the event of a Termination Without Cause or a Termination for Good Reason, the Executive shall continue to be subject to the Confidentiality Agreement and the Non-Compete Agreement.

(a) <u>Base Salary and Other Amounts</u>. Upon a Termination Without Cause or Termination for Good Reason at any time on or prior to the Second Eligibility Date, the Company shall pay to the Executive, on the Termination Date, a lump sum amount which is equal to the sum of: (i) an amount equal to the Executive's Base Salary in effect on the Termination Date, less any portion of the Retention Bonus paid to the Executive prior to the Termination Date; plus (ii) any Base Salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the Termination Date; plus (iii) any unreimbursed business expenses to which the Executive is entitled as of the Termination Date pursuant to <u>Section 5</u>. The Company shall also pay the Executive any amounts due to the Executive pursuant to the terms of any Award Plans and/or Benefit Plans in which the Executive was a participant, in accordance with the terms of such plans. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Executive is a Specified Employee and the total of the payments under this <u>Section 8(a)</u> exceeds the limit set forth in Treas. Reg. §1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii)(A) (related to separation pay), then, the amount in excess of such limit shall be delayed for six (6) months following the Termination Date. The delayed amount shall be paid in a lump sum after the end of the six-month delay.

(b) <u>Options</u>. Notwithstanding the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore granted to the Executive, upon a Termination Without Cause or Termination for Good Reason at any time on or prior to the Second Eligibility Date, (i) all Options granted to the Executive as of the Effective Date which do not constitute deferred compensation for Code Section 409A purposes shall become fully vested on the Termination Date and immediately prior to the time of termination, and (ii) the Executive shall continue to have the right to exercise any such Options until the final expiration date for such Options as provided for in the applicable Award Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this <u>Section 8(b)</u> and the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, the terms of this <u>Section 8(b)</u> shall control and govern.

(c) <u>Benefits</u>. Upon a Termination Without Cause or Termination for Good Reason at any time following the Second Eligibility Date, the Executive shall have no further rights against the Company hereunder after the Termination Date, except for the right to receive (i) any Base Salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the Termination Date, (ii) any unreimbursed business expenses to which the Executive is entitled as of the Termination Date pursuant to <u>Section 5</u>, and (iii) the benefits described in <u>Section 4(f)(v)</u>. In addition, the Executive shall be entitled to any vested benefits under the Company's Award Plans and Benefit Plans as of the Termination Date, in accordance with the terms of such plans.

## 9. Change of Control in Connection with Sale Transaction.

(a) <u>Accelerated Vesting</u>. Notwithstanding the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, in the event of a Change of Control in connection with a Sale Transaction, all Options and Restricted Stock granted to the Executive which do not constitute deferred compensation for Code Section 409A purposes shall become fully vested on the date of the Change of Control and immediately prior to the time of the Change of Control. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this <u>Section 9(a)</u> and the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, the terms of this <u>Section 9(a)</u> shall control and govern.

(b) <u>Bonus Payment</u>. In the event a Change of Control occurs in connection with a Sale Transaction at any time during the Term, the Company shall, on the date of such Change of Control, pay the Executive a bonus in the lump sum amount of Three Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$315,000).

(c) <u>Change of Control Termination</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement to the contrary, in the event of a Change of Control Termination that is in connection with a Sale Transaction, the Company shall, on the Termination Date, pay the Executive a lump sum amount which is equal to the sum of: (i) the product of (A) the Executive's Base Salary in effect as of the Termination Date multiplied by (B) the COC Multiplier; plus (ii) the product of (A) the greater of (1) the average of the two highest annual cash bonuses paid to the Executive for the three years preceding the year in which the Termination Date occurs or (2) the Executive's target bonus, if any, for the year in which the Termination Date occurs, multiplied by (B) the COC Multiplier; plus (ii) Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000); plus (iv) any Base Salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the Termination Date; plus (v) any unreimbursed business expenses to which the Executive is entitled as of the Termination Date under <u>Section 5</u>. The Company shall also pay the Executive any amounts due to the Executive pursuant to the terms of any Award Plans and/or Benefit Plans in which the Executive was a participant, in accordance with the terms of such plans. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Executive is a Specified Employee and the total of the payments under this <u>Section 9(c)</u> exceeds the limit set forth in Treas. Reg. §1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii)(A) (related to separation pay), then the amount in excess of such limit shall be delayed for six (6) months following the Executive's Termination Date, and such delayed amount shall be paid in a lump sum after the end of the six-month delay. In the event of a Change of Control Termination that is in connection with a Sale Transaction, the Executive shall continue to be subject to the Confidentiality Agreement and the Non-Compete Agreement.

(d) <u>Options</u>. Notwithstanding the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, in the event of a Change of Control Termination that is in connection with a Sale Transaction, the Executive shall continue to have the right to exercise any Options granted to the Executive prior to the Change of Control, to the extent not cancelled or terminated in connection with the Change of Control, until the earlier to occur of (A) the three (3) year anniversary of the Termination Date or (B) the final expiration date for such Options as provided for in the applicable Award Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this <u>Section 9(d)</u> and the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, the terms of this <u>Section 9(d)</u> shall control and govern.

#### 10. Change of Control not in Connection with Sale Transaction.

(a) <u>Accelerated Vesting</u>. Notwithstanding the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, in the event of a Change of Control not in connection with a Sale Transaction, all Options and Restricted Stock granted to the Executive which do not constitute deferred compensation for Code Section 409A purposes shall become fully vested on the date of the Change of Control and immediately prior to the time of the Change of Control. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this <u>Section 10(a)</u> and the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, the terms of this <u>Section 10(a)</u> shall control and govern.

(b) Change of Control Termination. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Agreement to the contrary, in the event of a Change of Control Termination that is not in connection with a Sale Transaction, the Company shall, on the Termination Date, pay the Executive a lump sum amount which is equal to the sum of: (i) the product of (A) the Executive's Base Salary in effect as of the Termination Date multiplied by (B) two (2), plus (ii) the product of (A) the greater of (1) the average of the two highest annual cash bonuses paid to the Executive for the three years preceding the year in which the Termination Date occurs or (2) the Executive's target bonus, if any, for the year in which the Termination Date occurs or (2); plus (iii) Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000); plus (iv) any Base Salary and bonus compensation earned but unpaid as of the Termination Date, plus (v) any unreimbursed business expenses to which the Executive is entitled as of the Termination Date under <u>Section 5</u>. The Company shall also pay the Executive any amounts due to the Executive pursuant to the terms of any Award Plans and/or Benefit Plans in which the Executive was a participant, in accordance with the terms of such plans. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Executive is a Specified Employee and the total of the payments under this <u>Section 10(b)</u> exceeds the limit set forth in Treas. Reg. \$1.409A-1(b)(9)(iii)(A) (related to separation pay), then the amount in excess of such limit shall be delayed for six (6) months following the Executive's Termination Date, and such delayed amount shall be paid in a lump sum after the end of the sixmonth delay. In the event of a Change of Control Termination that is not in connection with a Sale Transaction, the Executive shall continue to be subject to the Confidentiality Agreement and the Non-Compete Agreement.

(c) <u>Options</u>. Notwithstanding the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, in the event of a Change of Control Termination that is not in connection with a Sale Transaction, the Executive shall continue to have the right to exercise any Options granted to the Executive prior to the Change of Control until the earlier to occur of (A) the three (3) year anniversary of the Termination Date or (B) the final expiration date for such Options as provided for in the applicable Award Agreement. In the event of any conflict between the terms of this <u>Section 10(c)</u> and the terms of any Award Agreement heretofore or hereafter granted to the Executive, the terms of this <u>Section 10(c)</u> shall control and govern.

# 11. Maximum Net After-Tax Benefit.

(a) Potential Reduction in Total Payments. It is the parties' objective to maximize the Executive's Net After-Tax Benefit if any payments or benefits provided hereunder would be subject to the Excise Tax. Accordingly, in the event the Company or the Executive believes that the Total Payments to or for the benefit of the Executive, whether paid or payable or distributed or distributable or otherwise, including, by example and not by way of limitation, acceleration of the date of vesting or payment under any agreement, arrangement, plan or program, would be subject to the Excise Tax, calculations shall be made to determine (i) the maximum amount of payments and benefits that may be provided to the Executive so that no portion thereof will be subject to the Excise Tax (the "Section 4999 Limit"), (ii) the Executive's Net After-Tax Benefit assuming application of the Section 4999 Limit, and (iii) the Executive's Net After-Tax Benefit without the application of the Section 4999 Limit. Based on such calculations or otherwise, and notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary, the Executive may elect to reduce the amount of the Total Payments up to the Section 4999 Limit so that no portion of the Total Payments received by the Executive will be subject to the Excise Tax. Alternatively, the Executive may elect to receive all Total Payments, in which case the Executive shall be solely liable for any and all Excise Tax related thereto.

(b) <u>Manner of Determination</u>. Unless otherwise agreed between the Company and the Executive, all calculations required to be made under this <u>Section 11</u> shall be made, at the Company's expense, by the accounting firm which is the Company's accounting firm immediately prior to the Change of Control or another nationally recognized accounting firm designated by the Board (or a duly authorized committee thereof) prior to the Change of Control (the "<u>Accounting Firm</u>"). The Accounting Firm shall provide its calculations, together with supporting documentation, both to the Company and to the Executive at such time as reasonably requested by the Company or the Executive.

(c) Order of Reduction. If the Executive elects to reduce the Total Payments as contemplated in Section 11(a), the Executive may select the order of reduction; provided, however, that none of the selected payments may be "nonqualified deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code. In the event the Executive fails to select an order in which Total Payments are to be reduced, or does not select such an order without selecting payments that would be "nonqualified deferred compensation" subject to Section 409A of the Code, the Company shall (to the extent feasible) reduce the Total Payments in the following order: (i) reduction of any cash severance payments otherwise payable to the Executive that are exempt from Section 409A of the Code, but excluding any payments attributable to any acceleration of vesting or payments with respect to any Options or other equity or equity-type awards that are exempt from Section 409A of the Code; (iii) reduction of any other payments or benefits otherwise payable to any other payments or benefits otherwise payable to any acceleration of vesting or payments or benefits otherwise payable to the Executive that are exempt from Section 409A of the Code, but excluding any payments attributable to any acceleration of any other payments or benefits otherwise payable to the Executive of any other payments attributable to any acceleration of vesting and payments or benefits otherwise payable to the Code, but excluding any payments attributable to any acceleration of vesting and payments with respect to any Options or other equity or equity-type awards that are exempt from Section 409A of the Code; and (iv) reduction of any acceleration of vesting or payments with respect to any Options or other equity or equity-type awards that are exempt from Section 409A of the Code; and (iv) reduction of any payments attributable to any acceleration of vesting or payments with respect to any Options or other equity or equity-type awards that are exempt from Section 409A of the Code; in each

12. Exclusive Remedy. To the extent permitted by applicable law, the payments contemplated by Section 7, Section 8, Section 9 and Section 10 shall constitute the exclusive and sole remedy for any termination of the Executive's employment due to death or Permanent Disability, any Termination Without Cause or any Termination for Good Reason. The Executive agrees, for himself and any administrator, beneficiary, devisee, executor, heir, legatee or personal representative, (i) to not assert or pursue any remedies, other than an action to enforce the payments due to the Executive's estate) under this Agreement, at law or in equity, with respect to the termination of the Executive's employment under Section 7, Section 8, Section 9 or Section 10, as applicable, and (ii) to execute a release and waiver on such terms and conditions as the Company may reasonably require as a condition of entitlement to such payments.

13. <u>Confidentiality and Noncompetition</u>. The Executive shall enter into the Confidentiality Agreement and Non-Compete Agreement. The Executive's execution of those agreements is a material inducement for the Company to enter into this Agreement. Therefore, this Agreement will be null and void unless the Executive enters into the Confidentiality Agreement and the Non-Compete Agreement.

14. <u>Employment Status</u>. The parties acknowledge and agree that the Executive is an employee of the Company, not an independent contractor. Any payments made to the Executive by the Company pursuant to this Agreement shall be treated for federal and state payroll tax purposes as payments made to a Company employee, irrespective whether such payments are made subsequent to the Termination Date.

15. <u>Notices</u>. All notices or deliveries authorized or required pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to have been given when in writing and personally delivered or when deposited in the U.S. mail, certified, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties at the following addresses or to such other addresses as either may designate in writing to the other party:

To the Company:	One Commerce Square Suite 2550 Memphis, TN 38103 Attn: Chief Financial Officer
To the Executive:	Oscar L. Thomas One Commerce Square Suite 2550 Memphis, TN 38103

16. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement contains the entire understanding between the parties hereto with respect to the subject matter hereof and shall not be modified in any manner except by instrument in writing signed, by or on behalf of, the parties hereto. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties hereto. In the event of any inconsistencies between the terms of this Agreement and any Award Agreement, the terms of this Agreement shall govern.

17. <u>Arbitration</u>. Any controversy concerning or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be settled by final and binding arbitration in Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee at a location specified by the party seeking such arbitration.

(a) <u>The Arbitrators</u>. Any arbitration proceeding shall be conducted by three (3) Arbitrators and the decision of the Arbitrators shall be binding on all parties. Each Arbitrator shall have substantial experience and expert competence in the matters being arbitrated. The party desiring to submit any matter relating to this Agreement to arbitration shall do so by written notice to the other party, which notice shall set forth the items to be arbitrated, such party's choice of an Arbitrator, and such party's substantive position in the arbitration. The party receiving such notice shall, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of such notice, appoint an Arbitrator and notify the other party of its appointment and of its substantive position. The Arbitrators appointed by the parties to the Arbitration shall select an additional Arbitrator meeting the aforedescribed criteria. The Arbitrators shall be required to render a decision in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 17(b) below within thirty (30) days after being notified of their selection. The fees of the Arbitrators shall be equally divided amongst the parties to the arbitration.

(b) <u>Arbitration Procedures</u>. Arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association, except to the extent the provisions of such are modified by this Agreement or the subsequent mutual agreement of the parties. Judgment upon the award rendered by the Arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. Any party hereto may bring an action, including a summary or expedited proceeding, to compel arbitration of any controversy or claim to which this provision applies in any court having jurisdiction over such action in Shelby County, Tennessee, and the parties agree that jurisdiction and venue in Shelby County, Tennessee are appropriate and approved by such parties.

18. <u>Certain 409A Matters</u>. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, for purposes of identifying Specified Employees or determining when a Termination of Employment has occurred. or for any other purpose where Section 409A of the Code applies, references to the Company shall be deemed to include Affiliates of the Company which are required to be aggregated with the Company under Section 409A of the Code.

19. <u>Applicable Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Tennessee without giving effect to conflict of laws principles thereof.

20. <u>Assignment</u>. The Executive acknowledges that his services are unique and personal. Accordingly, the Executive may not assign his rights or delegate his duties or obligations under this Agreement.

21. <u>Headings</u>. Headings in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be used to interpret or construe its provisions.

22. <u>Successors: Binding Agreement</u>. The Company will require any successor to all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company to expressly assume and agree to perform this Agreement in the same manner and to the same extent that the Company would be required to perform it if no such succession had taken place. Failure of the Company to obtain such assumption and agreement prior to the effectiveness of any such succession shall be a breach of this Agreement and shall entitle Executive to compensation from the Company in the same amount and on the same terms as Executive would be entitled to hereunder upon a Change of Control Termination in connection with a Sale Transaction. The Company's rights and obligations under this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall be binding upon the Company's successors and assigns.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement effective as of the date first above written.

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

By:	/s/Timothy T. Richards	
Name:	Timothy T. Richards	
Title:	Chairman, Compensation Committee	

# **EXECUTIVE:**

/s/ Oscar L. Thomas Oscar L. Thomas

#### Exhibit A

#### MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

# NON-DISCLOSURE AND PROPRIETARY RIGHTS AGREEMENT

In consideration and as a condition of my employment (or my continued employment) with MRI Interventions, Inc., or any of its current or future subsidiaries, affiliates, successors or assigns (collectively, the "<u>Company</u>"), and in consideration of my receipt of Confidential Information (as defined in Section 2 below) and of the compensation now and hereafter paid to me by the Company, the undersigned (hereinafter referred to as "<u>Employee</u>") hereby acknowledges and agrees to the following:

1. <u>Purpose of Agreement</u>. Employee understands that the Company is engaged in a continuous program of research, development, production and marketing in connection with its business and that it is critical for the Company to preserve and protect its Confidential Information (as defined in <u>Section 2</u> below), its rights in Inventions (as defined in <u>Section 7</u> below) and in all related intellectual property rights. Accordingly, Employee is entering into this Non-Disclosure and Proprietary Rights Agreement (this "<u>Agreement</u>") as a condition of his or her employment (or continued employment) with the Company, regardless of whether Employee is expected to create Inventions of value for the Company.

2. <u>Non-Disclosure of Confidential Information</u>. At all times during his or her employment with the Company and thereafter, Employee will hold the Confidential Information in strictest confidence and Employee will not disclose, communicate, reproduce, copy, publish, license, distribute, modify, adapt, transmit, reverse engineer, decompile, disassemble or use any Confidential Information, except (a) as may be necessary for Employee to perform his or her duties as an employee of the Company for the exclusive benefit of the Company or (b) to the extent an officer of the Company expressly authorizes such in writing. Employee will take all appropriate action, whether by instruction, agreement or otherwise, to ensure the protection, confidentiality and security of the Confidential Information and to satisfy Employee's obligations under this Agreement. Employee will notify the Company immediately upon discovery of any loss, misuse, misappropriation or disclosure of Confidential Information or any other breach of this Agreement by Employee, and Employee will cooperate with the Company in every reasonable way to help the Company regain possession of the Confidential Information and prevent its further unauthorized use or disclosure.

For purposes of this Agreement, the term "<u>Confidential Information</u>" means, but is not limited to, all information that is possessed by or developed for the Company and which relates to the Company's existing or potential business, which information is not reasonably knowable by the Company's competitors or by the general public through lawful means. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such Confidential Information also includes, but is not limited to, all Proprietary Rights (as defined in <u>Section 3</u> below), all Third Party Information (as defined in <u>Section 4</u> below) and all information regarding the Company's operations, research and development efforts, plans for products or services, methods of doing business, business strategies, customers, suppliers, service providers, manufacturers, business relations, product prices and costs, markets, marketing plans, budgets and forecasts, financial information and/or Inventions, as well as information regarding the skills, know how and compensation of other employees of the Company. Confidential Information may be expressly designated as confidential or proprietary on its face (whether verbally, in writing or otherwise) or be of such a nature that a reasonable person under the circumstances should understand or believe it to be confidential or proprietary. Confidential Information may be oral, written, recorded magnetically or electronically or otherwise stored, and may be that which Employee originates as well as that which otherwise comes into the possession or knowledge of Employee. 3. <u>Recognition of Company's Rights</u>. Employee acknowledges and agrees that all Confidential Information will be the sole property of the Company and that the Company will be the sole owner of all patents, patent applications, design patents or registration, design patent applications, copyrights, mask works, trademarks, trade secrets and all other intellectual property rights throughout the world (collectively, "<u>Proprietary Rights</u>") in connection therewith. Accordingly, Employee hereby assigns and agrees to assign to the Company any rights Employee may have or acquire in any Confidential Information and Proprietary Rights.

4. <u>Non-Disclosure of Third Party Information</u>. Employee understands that the Company may from time to time receive from third parties confidential information ("<u>Third Party Information</u>"), subject to a duty on the Company's part to maintain the confidentiality of such information and to use it only for certain limited purposes. At all times during Employee's employment with the Company and thereafter, Employee will hold the Third Party Information in strictest confidence and Employee will not disclose, communicate, reproduce, copy, publish, license, distribute, modify, adapt, transmit, reverse engineer, decompile, disassemble or use any Third Party Information, except (a) as may be necessary for Employee to perform his or her duties as an employee of the Company for the exclusive benefit of the Company or (b) to the extent an officer of the Company expressly authorizes such in writing. Employee will take all appropriate action, whether by instruction, agreement or otherwise, to ensure the protection, confidentiality and security of the Third Party Information and to satisfy Employee's obligations under this Agreement. Employee will notify the Company immediately upon discovery of any loss, misuse, misappropriation or disclosure of Third Party Information or any other breach of this Agreement by Employee, and Employee will cooperate with the Company in every reasonable way to help the Company prevent its further unauthorized use or disclosure.

5. <u>Return of Information; Inspections</u>. Employee will, at the Company's request and/or upon termination of the employment relationship for any reason, return all originals, copies, reproductions and summaries of any Confidential Information and all other tangible materials and devices provided to Employee as Confidential Information or containing Confidential Information, and/or, at the Company's option, certify destruction of the same. In addition, Employee will, at the Company's request and/or upon termination of the employment relationship for any reason, return all originals, copies, reproductions and summaries of any Third Party Information and all other tangible materials and devices provided to Employee as Third Party Information or containing Third Party Information, and/or, at the Company's option, certify destruction of the same. Upon termination of his or her employment with the Company, Employee will promptly deliver to the Company all property in Employee's possession, custody or control that is owned by the Company. Employee agrees that any property situated on the Company's premises and owned by the Company, including, but not limited to, computers, disks and other storage media, is subject to inspection by Company personnel at any time without notice.

6. <u>No Improper Use of Materials</u>. During his or her employment with the Company, Employee will not improperly use or disclose any Confidential Information or trade secrets, if any, of any former employer or any other person to whom Employee has an obligation of confidentiality, and Employee will not bring onto the premises of the Company any unpublished documents or any property belonging to any former employer or any other person to whom Employee has an obligation of confidentiality unless consented to in writing by that former employer or person.

7. Assignment of Inventions. Employee hereby irrevocably assigns to the Company all right, title and interest of Employee in and to any and all Inventions (and all Proprietary Rights with respect thereto), whether or not patentable, copyrightable or protectable as trade secrets, made, conceived, reduced to practice or created by Employee, either alone or jointly with others, during the period of his or her employment with the Company. Employee acknowledges that all original works of authorship which are made by Employee (alone or jointly with others) within the scope of his or her employment and which are copyrightable are "works made for hire," as that term is defined in the United States Copyright Act. In addition to the foregoing assignment of Inventions (and all Proprietary Rights with respect thereto) to the Company, Employee hereby irrevocably assigns to the Company any and all Moral Rights (as defined below) that Employee may have in or with respect to any Invention, even after termination of employment with the Company.

For purposes of this Agreement, the term "<u>Inventions</u>" means inventions, discoveries, improvements, designs, techniques, ideas, processes, compositions of matter, formulas, data, software programs, databases, mask works, works of authorship, know-how and trade secrets.

For purposes of this Agreement, the term "<u>Moral Rights</u>" means any right to claim authorship of an Invention, to object to or prevent the modification of any Invention, or to withdraw from circulation or control the publication or distribution of any Invention, and any similar right, existing under judicial or statutory law of any country or under any treaty, regardless of whether such right is denominated or generally referred to as a "moral right."

8. <u>Disclosure of Inventions</u>. Employee will promptly disclose to the Company all Inventions that Employee makes, conceives, reduces to practice or creates, either alone or jointly with others, during the period of his or her employment with the Company. In addition, Employee will disclose to the Company all patent applications filed by Employee within three (3) years after termination of employment with the Company.

9. Assistance. Employee agrees to assist the Company in every proper way to obtain and, from time to time, enforce United States and foreign Proprietary Rights relating to Inventions assigned hereunder to the Company in any and all countries. To that end, Employee will execute, verify and deliver such documents and perform such other acts (including appearances as a witness) as the Company may reasonably request for use in applying for, obtaining, perfecting, evidencing, sustaining and enforcing such Proprietary Rights and the assignment thereof. In addition, Employee will execute, verify and deliver assignments of such Proprietary Rights to the Company or its designee. Employee's obligation to assist the Company with respect to Proprietary Rights relating to Inventions in any and all countries will continue beyond the termination of Employee's employment, but the Company agrees to compensate Employee at a reasonable rate after Employee's termination for the time actually spent by Employee at the Company's request on such assistance. Employee hereby irrevocably designates and appoints the Company and its duly authorized officers and agents as Employee's agent and attorney-in-fact to act for and on behalf of Employee (a) to execute, verify and file any document needed in connection with the actions specified in this section and (b) to do all other lawfully permitted acts to further the purposes of this section, in each case with the same legal force and effect as if executed or performed by Employee. Employee hereby waives and quitclaims to the Company any and all claims, of any nature whatsoever, which Employee now or may hereafter have for infringement of any Proprietary Rights assigned hereunder to the Company.

10. <u>Prior Inventions</u>. Inventions, if any, which Employee made prior to the commencement of his or her employment with the Company are excluded from the scope of this Agreement. To preclude any possible uncertainty, Employee has set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto a complete list of all Inventions that Employee, whether alone or jointly with others, has conceived, developed or reduced to practice or caused to be conceived, developed or reduced to practice prior to commencement of his or her employment with the Company, that Employee considers to be his or her property or the property of third parties and that Employee wishes to have expressly excluded from the scope of this Agreement.

11. <u>Efforts; Non-Competition</u>. Employee acknowledges that his or her employment with the Company requires his or her full attention and effort during normal business hours, and Employee will give his or her best effort, skill and inventive ability to the business interests of the Company. During the term of his or her employment with the Company, Employee will not, directly or indirectly, participate in the management, operation, financing or control of, or be employed by or consult for or otherwise render services to, any person or entity that competes anywhere in the world with the Company in the conduct of the business of the Company as conducted or as proposed to be conducted (a "<u>Competing Business</u>"), nor will Employee engage in any other activities that conflict with his or her obligations to the Company.

12. <u>Non-Solicitation</u>. During the term of his or her employment by the Company and for a period of two (2) years after the date his or her employment with the Company ends for any reason, Employee will not, directly or indirectly, (a) hire, engage or solicit to hire or engage any individual who is engaged as a contractor or consultant or employed by the Company or who was engaged as a contractor or consultant or employed by the Company to terminate such engagement or employment, (c) in any way interfere with the relationship between the Company and any individual who is engaged as a contractor or consultant or employed by the Company to terminate such engagement or employment, (c) in any way interfere with the relationship between the Company and any individual who is engaged as a contractor or consultant or employed by the Company; (d) contact, solicit, divert, appropriate or call upon with the intent of doing business with (other than for the exclusive benefit of the Company) any customer of the Company if the purpose of such activity is to solicit such customer or prospective customer for a Competing Business, to encourage such customer to discontinue, reduce or adversely alter the amount of such customer's business with the Company or to otherwise interfere with the Company's relationship with any supplier, manufacturer, service provider or other business relation of the Company.

13. <u>No Conflicting Obligation</u>. Employee represents and agrees that his or her performance of the provisions of this Agreement does not, and will not, breach any agreement to keep in confidence information acquired by Employee in confidence or in trust prior to his or her employment by the Company. Employee agrees not to enter into any agreement, either written or oral, in conflict herewith.

14. <u>Reasonableness of Restrictions</u>. Employee agrees that the restrictions on Employee's activities outlined in this Agreement are reasonable and necessary to protect the Company's legitimate business interests, that the consideration provided by the Company is fair and reasonable, and that given the importance to the Company of its Confidential Information, the post-employment restrictions on Employee's activities are likewise fair and reasonable.

15. <u>Injunctive Relief</u>. Employee acknowledges and agrees that failure to adhere to the terms of this Agreement will cause the Company irreparable damage for which monetary damages alone would be inadequate compensation. Therefore, Employee agrees that, in addition to monetary damages, the Company will be entitled to an injunction and other equitable relief, including *ex parte* injunctive relief, in the event of any breach or threatened breach (such threatened breach being determined in the sole judgment of the Company) of the provisions of this Agreement. Employee waives the making of a bond or showing actual damages as a condition for obtaining injunctive relief. Such remedy shall not be deemed the exclusive remedy for the breach of this Agreement by Employee, but will be in addition to all other remedies available to the Company whether at law or in equity. Additionally, if Employee breaches this Agreement, the Company will be entitled to its reasonable attorney's fees and costs associated with enforcing this Agreement. Notwithstanding any judicial determination that any provision of this Agreement is not specifically enforceable, the Company will nonetheless be entitled to recover monetary damages as a result of any breach by Employee.

16. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the state of Tennessee, without giving any effect to that state's conflict of laws principles..

17. <u>Employment</u>. Employee acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement does not create an employment contract with the Company for any term, nor does it in any way limit the Company's right to otherwise terminate Employee's employment. Any change or changes in Employee's duties, salary or compensation will not affect the validity or scope of this Agreement.

18. <u>Severability</u>. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in a manner to be effective, valid and enforceable. If, however, any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable under any present or future law, then such provision will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating or affecting in any manner whatsoever the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Agreement. Furthermore, there shall be added automatically as a part of this Agreement a provision as similar in terms to such illegal, invalid, or unenforceable provision as may be possible and still have such similar provision be construed and enforced as legal, valid, and enforceable.

19. <u>Amendments</u>; <u>Waivers</u>. No modification or amendment to this Agreement, nor any waiver of any rights under this Agreement, will be effective unless in writing signed by the party to be charged. No waiver by the Company of any breach of this Agreement will be a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach.

20. <u>Assignment</u>. The Company may assign its rights under this Agreement. This Agreement, and the duties and obligations of Employee hereunder, may not be assigned or delegated by Employee.

21. <u>Survival</u>. The terms of this Agreement, and Employee's duties and obligations hereunder, will survive any termination of Employee's employment with the Company for any reason.

22. <u>Headings</u>. Headings in this Agreement are for informational purposes only and will not be used to construe the intent of this Agreement.

23. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the Company and Employee concerning the matters addressed herein.

24. <u>Further Assurances</u>. Employee will cooperate reasonably with the Company in connection with any steps required to be taken as part of Employee's obligations under this Agreement, and Employee will (a) execute and deliver to the Company such other documents, and (b) do such other acts and things, in each case as the Company may reasonably request for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement.

25. <u>Acknowledgment</u>. Employee acknowledges that he or she has received a copy of this Agreement, which he or she has read and understood, and Employee voluntarily agrees to abide by its terms. Employee authorizes the Company to notify any future employer(s) of Employee of the terms of this Agreement and Employee's obligations hereunder.

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<u>/s/ Oscar L. Thomas</u> Employee Signature September 11, 2014 Date

Oscar L. Thomas Employee Name

Accepted by:

MRI Interventions, Inc.

By: /s/ Timothy T. Richards

Name: <u>Timothy T. Richards</u>

Title: Chairman, Compensation Committee

# Exhibit A

The following is a complete list of all inventions or improvements relevant to the subject matter of my employment with the Company that have been made, conceived, first reduced to practice or created by me, alone or jointly with others, prior to my employment with the Company that I desire to remove from the operation of the Company's Non-Disclosure and Proprietary Rights Agreement:

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		See below:
		Additional sheets attached.
I propos	e to br	ing to my employment the following materials and documents of a former employer:
	$\checkmark$	No materials or documents
		See below:
		Additional sheets attached.
<u>/s/ Oscar</u> Employe		
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#### Exhibit B

### MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

# NON-COMPETITION AGREEMENT

In consideration and as a condition of my employment (or my continued employment) with MRI Interventions, Inc., or any of its current or future subsidiaries, affiliates, successors or assigns (collectively, the "Company"), and in consideration of my receipt of the compensation now and hereafter paid to me by the Company, the undersigned (hereinafter referred to as "Employee") hereby acknowledges and agrees to the following:

1. <u>Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified or referred to in this <u>Section</u> <u>1</u>:

(a) "<u>Conflicting Organization</u>" means any individual or entity that, directly or indirectly, engages in, or is about to become engaged in, Conflicting Research or the development, design, production, manufacture, promotion, marketing, sale, support or service of a Conflicting Product.

(b) "<u>Conflicting Product</u>" means medical devices, goods, products, product lines or services, and each and every component thereof, developed, designed, produced, manufactured, marketed, promoted, sold, supported or serviced, or that are in development or the subject of research, by anyone other than the Company that are the same or similar to, perform any of the same or similar functions as, may be substituted for, or are intended or used for any of the same purposes as, a Company Product.

(c) "<u>Conflicting Research</u>" means any research or development of any kind or nature conducted by anyone other than the Company, which is intended for, or may be useful in, any aspect of the development, design, production, manufacture, marketing, promotion, sale, support or service of a Conflicting Product.

(d) "<u>Company Product</u>" means any medical device, goods, products, product lines or services (i) that during the last one (1) year in which Employee was employed by the Company, Employee, or persons under Employee's management, direction or supervision, performed research regarding, designed, developed, produced, manufactured, marketed, promoted, sold, solicited sales of, supported or serviced on behalf of the Company, or (ii) with respect to which Employee at any time received or otherwise obtained or learned Confidential Information.

(e) "<u>Restricted Area</u>" means the United States of America or in any other country in which the Company has received or applied for regulatory clearances or approvals for Company Products.

2. <u>Efforts; Non-Competition</u>. Employee acknowledges that his or her employment with the Company requires his or her full attention and effort during normal business hours, and Employee will give his or her best effort, skill and inventive ability to the business interests of the Company. During the term of his or her employment with the Company, Employee will not, directly or indirectly, participate in the management, operation, financing or control of, or be employed by or consult for or otherwise render services to, any individual or entity that competes with the Company in the Restricted Area in the conduct of the business of the Company as conducted or as proposed to be conducted, nor will Employee engage in any other activities that conflict with his or her obligations to the Company.

In addition, for a period of one (1) year after the date his or her employment with the Company ends for any reason, Employee will not, directly or indirectly, participate in the management, operation, financing or control of, or be employed by or consult for or otherwise render services to, any Conflicting Organization in the Restricted Area in connection with or relating to a Conflicting Product or Conflicting Research.

3. <u>No Conflicting Obligation</u>. Employee represents and agrees that his or her performance of the provisions of this Agreement does not, and will not, breach any agreement to keep in confidence information acquired by Employee in confidence or in trust prior to his or her employment by the Company. Employee agrees not to enter into any agreement, either written or oral, in conflict herewith.

4. <u>Reasonableness of Restrictions</u>. Employee agrees that the restrictions on Employee's activities outlined in this Agreement are reasonable and necessary to protect the Company's legitimate business interests, that the consideration provided by the Company is fair and reasonable, and that the post-employment restrictions on Employee's activities are fair and reasonable.

5. Injunctive Relief. Employee acknowledges and agrees that failure to adhere to the terms of this Agreement will cause the Company irreparable damage for which monetary damages alone would be inadequate compensation. Therefore, Employee agrees that in addition to monetary damages, the Company will be entitled to an injunction and other equitable relief, including *ex parte* injunctive relief, in the event of any breach or threatened breach (such threatened breach being determined in the sole judgment of the Company) of the provisions of this Agreement. Employee waives the making of a bond or showing actual damages as a condition for obtaining injunctive relief. Such remedy shall not be deemed the exclusive remedy for the breach of this Agreement by Employee, but will be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity to the Company. Additionally, if Employee breaches this Agreement, the Company will be entitled to its reasonable attorney's fees and costs associated with enforcing this Agreement. Notwithstanding any judicial determination that any provision of this Agreement is not specifically enforceable, the Company will nonetheless be entitled to recover monetary damages as a result of any breach by Employee.

6. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws of the state of Tennessee, without giving any effect to that state's conflict of laws principles.

7. <u>Employment</u>. Employee acknowledges and agrees that this Agreement does not create an employment contract with the Company for any term, nor does it in any way limit the Company's right to otherwise terminate Employee's employment. Any change or changes in Employee's duties, salary or compensation will not affect the validity or scope of this Agreement.

8. <u>Severability</u>. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in a manner to be effective, valid and enforceable. If, however, any provision of this Agreement is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable under any present or future law, then such provision will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating or affecting in any manner whatsoever the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Agreement. Furthermore, there shall be added automatically as a part of this Agreement a provision as similar in terms to such illegal, invalid, or unenforceable provision as may be possible and still have such similar provision be construed and enforced as legal, valid, and enforceable.

9. <u>Amendments; Waivers</u>. No modification or amendment to this Agreement, nor any waiver of any rights under this Agreement, will be effective unless in writing signed by the party to be charged. No waiver by the Company of any breach of this Agreement will be a waiver of any preceding or succeeding breach.

10. <u>Assignment</u>. The Company may assign its rights under this Agreement. This Agreement, and the duties and obligations of Employee hereunder, may not be assigned or delegated by Employee.

11. <u>Survival</u>. The terms of this Agreement, and Employee's duties and obligations hereunder, will survive any termination of Employee's employment with the Company for any reason.

12. <u>Headings</u>. Headings in this Agreement are for informational purposes only and will not be used to construe the intent of this Agreement.

13. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the Company and Employee concerning the matters addressed herein.

14. <u>Further Assurances</u>. Employee will cooperate reasonably with the Company in connection with any steps required to be taken as part of Employee's obligations under this Agreement, and Employee will (a) execute and deliver to the Company such other documents, and (b) do such other acts and things, in each case as the Company may reasonably request for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Agreement.

15. <u>Acknowledgment</u>. Employee acknowledges that he or she has received a copy of this Agreement, which he or she has read and understood, and Employee voluntarily agrees to abide by its terms. Employee authorizes the Company to notify any future employer(s) of Employee of the terms of this Agreement and Employee's obligations hereunder.

/s/ Oscar L. Thomas Employee Signature September 11, 2014 Date

Oscar L. Thomas Employee Name

Accepted by:

MRI Interventions, Inc.

Name: Timothy T. Richards

Title: Chairman, Compensation Committee

THIS OPTION AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE UPON EXERCISE HEREOF HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), OR APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS. THIS OPTION, AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE UPON EXERCISE HEREOF, MAY NOT BE SOLD, MORTGAGED, PLEDGED, HYPOTHECATED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHOUT AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS, OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS.

### MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC. NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT

THIS NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is made effective as of the 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014 (the "<u>Effective Date</u>"), by and between MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and FRANCIS P. GRILLO (the "<u>Optionee</u>").

WHEREAS, the Company desires to afford the Optionee an opportunity to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Shares"), subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, agree as follows:

# 1. Grant of Option.

(a) The Company grants as of the date of this Agreement the right and option (the "<u>Stock Option</u>") to purchase two million four hundred thousand (2,400,000) Shares, in whole or in part (the "<u>Option Shares</u>"), at an exercise price of \$1.13 per Share (the "<u>Option Exercise Price Per Share</u>"), on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

(b) The Stock Option shall be a non-qualified stock option. The Stock Option is not intended to be an "incentive stock option" under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>"). In order to comply with all applicable federal or state tax laws or regulations, the Company may take such action as it deems appropriate to insure that, if necessary, all applicable federal, state or other taxes are withheld or collected from the Optionee. This Agreement is not subject to, and the Stock Option is not granted under, the Company's 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan.

2. <u>Exercisability Schedule</u>. No portion of the Stock Option may be exercised until such portion shall have become exercisable. Except as set forth below, and subject to the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors or a duly authorized committee thereof (in either case, the "<u>Board</u>") to accelerate the exercisability schedule hereunder, the Stock Option shall be exercisable with respect to the following number of Option Shares on the dates indicated:

Incremental Number of	
Option Shares Exercisable	Exercisability Date
800,000	On the first anniversary of the Effective Date
800,000	On the second anniversary of the Effective Date
800,000	On the third anniversary of the Effective Date

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event of a Change of Control, the Stock Option shall become fully exercisable as of the effective time of the Change of Control. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Change of Control" shall have the same meaning given to that term in the Company's 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan.

- 3. Manner of Exercise.
  - (a) The Optionee may exercise the Stock Option only in the following manner:

The Optionee may give written notice to the Company of his election to purchase some or all of the Option Shares purchasable at the time of such notice. This notice shall specify the number of Option Shares to be purchased.

Payment of the purchase price for the Option Shares may be made by one or more of the following methods: (i) in cash or its equivalent (e.g., by personal check) at the time the Stock Option is exercised; (ii) in Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased and satisfying such other requirements as may be imposed by the Board; provided, that such Shares have been held by the Optionee for no less than six months (or such other period as established from time to time by the Board in order to avoid adverse accounting treatment applying generally accepted accounting principles); (iii) partly in cash and partly in Shares (as described in the preceding clause (ii)); (iv) if there is a public market for the Shares at such time, through the delivery of irrevocable instructions to a broker to sell Shares obtained upon the exercise of the Stock Option and to deliver promptly to the Company an amount out of the proceeds of such sale equal to the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased, provided that in the event the Optionee chooses to pay the Option Exercise Price Per Share as so provided, the Optionee and the broker shall comply with such procedures and enter into such agreements of indemnity and other agreements as the Board shall prescribe as a condition of such payment procedure; or (v) through "net settlement" in Shares. In the case of a "net settlement" of the Stock Option, the Company will not require a cash payment of the Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased, but will reduce the number of Shares issued upon the exercise by the largest number of whole Shares that have a Fair Market Value that does not exceed the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares set forth in this Agreement. With respect to any remaining balance of the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares, the Company shall accept a cash payment. Payment instruments will be received subject to collection.

The transfer to the Optionee on the records of the Company or of the transfer agent of the Option Shares will be contingent upon (i) the Company's receipt from the Optionee of the full purchase price for such Option Shares, as set forth above, (ii) the fulfillment of any other requirements contained herein or in any other applicable agreement or applicable laws and regulations, and (iii) the receipt by the Company of any agreement, statement or other evidence that the Company may require to satisfy itself that the issuance of the Shares pursuant to the exercise of the Stock Option and any subsequent resale of such Shares will be in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

(b) The Shares purchased upon exercise of the Stock Option shall be transferred to the Optionee on the records of the Company or of the transfer agent upon compliance to the satisfaction of the Board with all requirements under applicable laws or regulations in connection with such transfer and with the requirements hereof. The determination of the Board as to such compliance shall be final and binding on the Optionee. The Optionee shall not be deemed to be the holder of, or to have any of the rights of a holder with respect to, any Shares subject to the Stock Option unless and until the Stock Option shall have been exercised pursuant to the terms hereof, the Company or the transfer agent shall have transferred the Shares to the Optionee, and the Optionee's name shall have been entered as the stockholder of record on the books of the Company.

(c) The minimum number of Shares with respect to which the Stock Option may be exercised at any one time shall be 100 Shares, unless the number of Shares with respect to which the Stock Option is being exercised is the total number of Shares subject to exercise under the Stock Option at the time.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, no portion of the Stock Option shall be exercisable after the Expiration Date hereof.

4. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. If the Optionee's employment by the Company (or any affiliate of the Company) is terminated, the period within which to exercise the Stock Option may be subject to earlier termination as set forth below or as set forth in that certain Employment Agreement dated as of September 9, 2014 by and between the Company and the Optionee (as the same may be amended from time to time, the "Employment Agreement").

(a) <u>Termination Due to Death</u>. If the Optionee's employment terminates by reason of the Optionee's death, any portion of the Stock Option outstanding on such date may be exercised, to the extent exercisable on the date of Optionee's death, by the Optionee's legal representative or legatee for a period of 12 months from the date of death or until the Expiration Date, if earlier. Any portion of the Stock Option that is not exercisable on the date of death shall terminate immediately and be of no further force or effect.

(b) <u>Termination Due to Disability</u>. If the Optionee's employment terminates by reason of the Optionee's Disability, any portion of the Stock Option outstanding on such date may be exercised, to the extent exercisable on the date of Disability, by the Optionee, or the Optionee's legal representative or guardian, as applicable, for a period of 12 months from the date of Disability or until the Expiration Date, if earlier. Any portion of the Stock Option that is not exercisable on the date of Disability shall terminate immediately and be of no further force or effect.

(c) <u>Termination for Cause</u>. If the Optionee's employment with the Company (or any affiliate thereof) terminates for Cause, any portion of the Stock Option outstanding on such date shall terminate immediately and be of no further force or effect. For purposes of this Agreement, "<u>Cause</u>" shall have the meaning set forth in the Employment Agreement.

(d) <u>Voluntary Termination</u>. If the Optionee voluntarily terminates his employment, (i) any portion of the Stock Option outstanding on such date may be exercised, to the extent exercisable on the date of termination, for a period of three months from the date of termination or until the Expiration Date, if earlier, and (ii) any portion of the Stock Option that is not exercisable on the date of termination shall terminate immediately and be of no further force or effect.

(e) <u>Other Termination</u>. If the Optionee's employment terminates for any reason other than the Optionee's voluntary termination, the Optionee's death, the Optionee's Disability or for Cause, the terms of the Employment Agreement shall control and govern the exercisability of the Stock Option following such termination.

The Board's determination of the reason for termination of the Optionee's employment shall be conclusive and binding on the Optionee and his representatives or legatees.

5. <u>Termination of Option</u>. The Option will expire as of 5:00 pm (Central time) on the tenth anniversary of the Effective Date (the "<u>Expiration Date</u>") with respect to any then unexercised portion thereof, unless terminated earlier as set forth herein or the Employment Agreement.

6. <u>Registration; Legend</u>. The Company acknowledges its intention to prepare and file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission a registration statement on Form S-8 covering the Shares issuable upon exercise of the Stock Option. Upon exercise of the Stock Option, the certificate evidencing the purchased Shares shall set forth any legend required by applicable law.

7. Adjustments. In the event that any unusual or non-recurring transactions, including an unusual or non-recurring dividend or other distribution (whether in the form of an extraordinary cash dividend, dividend of Shares, other securities or other property), recapitalization, stock split, reverse stock split, reorganization, merger, consolidation, split-up, spin-off, combination or other similar corporate transaction or event affects the Shares, then the Company shall, depending on the particular circumstances, in an equitable and proportionate manner (and, as applicable, in such equitable and proportionate manner as is consistent with Section 409A of the Code and the regulations thereunder) either: (a) adjust any or all of (i) the number of Shares or other securities of the Company (or number and kind of other securities or property) subject to the Stock Option, provided that the number of Shares subject to the Stock Option shall always be a whole number; and (ii) the Option Exercise Price Per Share with respect to the Stock Option; (b) provide for an equivalent award in respect of securities of the surviving entity of any merger, consolidation or other transaction or event having a similar effect; or (c) make provision for a cash payment to the Optionee in lieu of the Stock Option.

8. <u>No Obligation to Continue Employment</u>. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates is obligated by or as a result of this Agreement to continue the Optionee in employment and this Agreement shall not interfere in any way with the right of the Company or any of its affiliates to terminate the employment of the Optionee at any time, subject to the terms of the Employment Agreement.

9. <u>Amendments to Stock Option</u>. The Company may waive any conditions or rights under, amend any terms of, or alter, suspend, discontinue, cancel or terminate, the Stock Option, prospectively or retroactively; provided that any such waiver, amendment, alteration, suspension, discontinuance, cancellation or termination that would adversely affect the rights of the Optionee or any holder or beneficiary of the Option shall not to that extent be effective without the consent of the Optionee, holder or beneficiary affected.

9. <u>Limited Transferability</u>. Unless otherwise approved by the Board, this Agreement is personal to the Optionee, is nonassignable and is not transferable in any manner, by operation of law or otherwise, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution. Except as provided in <u>Section 4(b)</u> of this Agreement, the Stock Option is exercisable, during the Optionee's lifetime, only by the Optionee, and thereafter, only by the Optionee's legal representative or legatee.

10. <u>Reservation of Shares</u>. At all times during the term of the Stock Option, the Company shall use its best efforts to reserve and keep available such number of Shares as shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of this Agreement.

11. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement is, or becomes, or is deemed to be, invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any jurisdiction or to either party, such provision shall be construed or deemed amended to conform to the applicable laws, or if it cannot be construed or deemed amended without, in the determination of the Board, materially altering the intent of this Agreement, such provision shall be stricken as to such jurisdiction or party, and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

12. <u>Tax Withholding</u>. The Optionee shall, not later than the date as of which the exercise of the Stock Option becomes a taxable event for federal income tax purposes, pay to the Company or make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for payment of any federal, state, and local taxes required by law to be withheld on account of such taxable event. The minimum required tax withholding obligation may be satisfied, in whole or in part, by the Company withholding from the Option Shares to be issued a number of Shares with an aggregate Fair Market Value that would satisfy the withholding amount due.

13. <u>Notices</u>. Notices hereunder shall be mailed or delivered to the Company at its principal place of business and shall be mailed or delivered to the Optionee at the address on file with the Company or, in either case, at such other address as one party may subsequently furnish to the other party in writing.

14. <u>Certain Defined Terms</u>. Although the Stock Option is not granted under the Company's 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan, for purposes of this Agreement, the terms "Change of Control," "Disability" and "Fair Market Value" shall have the same meanings given to those terms in such 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan.

15. <u>Governing Law</u>. The validity, construction and effect of this Agreement shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without giving effect to conflicts of laws principles.

16. <u>Successors in Interest</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon any successor to the Company. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the Optionee's administrators, executors, heirs and legal representatives. All obligations imposed upon the Optionee and all rights granted to the Company under this Agreement shall be binding upon the Optionee's administrators, executors, heirs and legal representatives.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the parties have executed this Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement to be effective as of the Effective Date.

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

By: /s/ Oscar Thomas

Name:	Oscar L. Thomas
Title:	Vice President, Business Affairs

/s/ Francis P. Grillo Francis P. Grillo

THIS OPTION AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE UPON EXERCISE HEREOF HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), OR APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS. THIS OPTION, AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE UPON EXERCISE HEREOF, MAY NOT BE SOLD, MORTGAGED, PLEDGED, HYPOTHECATED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHOUT AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS, OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES ACT AP

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC. NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT

THIS NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is made effective as of the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014, by and between MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and ROBERT C. KORN (the "<u>Optionee</u>").

WHEREAS, the Company desires to afford the Optionee an opportunity to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Shares"), subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, agree as follows:

#### 1. Grant of Option.

(a) The Company grants as of the date of this Agreement the right and option (the "<u>Stock Option</u>") to purchase 100,000 Shares, in whole or in part (the "<u>Option Shares</u>"), at an exercise price of \$0.98 per Share (the "<u>Option Exercise Price Per Share</u>"), on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

(b) The Stock Option shall be a non-qualified stock option. The Stock Option is not intended to be an "incentive stock option" under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>"). In order to comply with all applicable federal or state tax laws or regulations, the Company may take such action as it deems appropriate to insure that, if necessary, all applicable federal, state or other taxes are withheld or collected from the Optionee. This Agreement is not subject to, and the Stock Option is not granted under, the Company's 2012 Incentive Compensation Plan.

2. <u>Exercisability Schedule</u>. No portion of the Stock Option may be exercised until such portion shall have become exercisable. Except as set forth below, and subject to the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors or a duly authorized committee thereof (in either case, the "<u>Board</u>") to accelerate the exercisability schedule hereunder, the Stock Option shall be exercisable with respect to the following number of Option Shares on the dates indicated:

Incremental Number of	
Option Shares Exercisable	Exercisability Date
33,334	November 10, 2015
33,333	November 10, 2016
33,333	November 10, 2017

Once exercisable, the Stock Option shall continue to be exercisable at any time or times prior to the close of business on the Expiration Date (as defined below). Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event of a Change of Control, the Stock Option shall become fully exercisable as of the effective time of the Change of Control. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Change of Control" shall have the same meaning given to that term in the Company's 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan.

#### 3. Manner of Exercise.

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(a) The Optionee may exercise the Stock Option only in the following manner: from time to time on or prior to the Expiration Date (as defined below), the Optionee may give written notice to the Company of his election to purchase some or all of the Option Shares purchasable at the time of such notice. This notice shall specify the number of Option Shares to be purchased.

Payment of the purchase price for the Option Shares may be made by one or more of the following methods: (i) in cash or its equivalent (e.g., by personal check) at the time the Stock Option is exercised; (ii) in Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased and satisfying such other requirements as may be imposed by the Board; provided, that such Shares have been held by the Optionee for no less than six months (or such other period as established from time to time by the Board in order to avoid adverse accounting treatment applying generally accepted accounting principles); (iii) partly in cash and partly in Shares (as described in the preceding clause (ii)); (iv) if there is a public market for the Shares at such time, through the delivery of irrevocable instructions to a broker to sell Shares obtained upon the exercise of the Stock Option and to deliver promptly to the Company an amount out of the proceeds of such sale equal to the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased, provided that in the event the Optionee chooses to pay the Option Exercise Price Per Share as so provided, the Optionee and the broker shall comply with such procedures and enter into such agreements of indemnity and other agreements as the Board shall prescribe as a condition of such payment procedure; or (v) through "net settlement" in Shares. In the case of a "net settlement" of the Stock Option, the Company will not require a cash payment of the Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased, but will reduce the number of Shares issued upon the exercise by the largest number of whole Shares that have a Fair Market Value that does not exceed the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares set forth in this Agreement. With respect to any remaining balance of the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares, the Company shall accept a cash payment. Payment instruments will be received subject to collection.

The transfer to the Optionee on the records of the Company or of the transfer agent of the Option Shares will be contingent upon (i) the Company's receipt from the Optionee of the full purchase price for such Option Shares, as set forth above, (ii) the fulfillment of any other requirements contained herein or in any other applicable agreement or applicable laws and regulations, and (iii) the receipt by the Company of any agreement, statement or other evidence that the Company may require to satisfy itself that the issuance of the Shares pursuant to the exercise of the Stock Option and any subsequent resale of such Shares will be in compliance with applicable laws and regulations. (b) The Shares purchased upon exercise of the Stock Option shall be transferred to the Optionee on the records of the Company or of the transfer agent upon compliance to the satisfaction of the Board with all requirements under applicable laws or regulations in connection with such transfer and with the requirements hereof. The determination of the Board as to such compliance shall be final and binding on the Optionee. The Optionee shall not be deemed to be the holder of, or to have any of the rights of a holder with respect to, any Shares subject to the Stock Option unless and until the Stock Option shall have been exercised pursuant to the terms hereof, the Company or the transfer agent shall have transferred the Shares to the Optionee, and the Optionee's name shall have been entered as the stockholder of record on the books of the Company.

(c) The minimum number of Shares with respect to which the Stock Option may be exercised at any one time shall be 100 Shares, unless the number of Shares with respect to which the Stock Option is being exercised is the total number of Shares subject to exercise under the Stock Option at the time.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, no portion of the Stock Option shall be exercisable after the Expiration Date hereof.

4. <u>Termination of Employment</u>. If the Optionee's employment by the Company (or any affiliate of the Company) is terminated, the period within which to exercise the Stock Option may be subject to earlier termination as set forth below.

(a) <u>Termination Due to Death</u>. If the Optionee's employment terminates by reason of the Optionee's death, any portion of the Stock Option outstanding on such date may be exercised, to the extent exercisable on the date of Optionee's death, by the Optionee's legal representative or legatee for a period of 12 months from the date of death or until the Expiration Date, if earlier. Any portion of the Stock Option that is not exercisable on the date of death shall terminate immediately and be of no further force or effect.

(b) <u>Termination Due to Disability</u>. If the Optionee's employment terminates by reason of the Optionee's Disability, any portion of the Stock Option outstanding on such date may be exercised, to the extent exercisable on the date of Disability, by the Optionee, or the Optionee's legal representative or guardian, as applicable, for a period of 12 months from the date of Disability or until the Expiration Date, if earlier. Any portion of the Stock Option that is not exercisable on the date of Disability shall terminate immediately and be of no further force or effect.

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The Board's determination of the reason for termination of the Optionee's employment shall be conclusive and binding on the Optionee and his representatives or legatees.

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6. Adjustments. In the event that any unusual or non-recurring transactions, including an unusual or non-recurring dividend or other distribution (whether in the form of an extraordinary cash dividend, dividend of Shares, other securities or other property), recapitalization, stock split, reverse stock split, reorganization, merger, consolidation, split-up, spin-off, combination or other similar corporate transaction or event affects the Shares, then the Company shall, depending on the particular circumstances, in an equitable and proportionate manner (and, as applicable, in such equitable and proportionate manner as is consistent with Section 409A of the Code and the regulations thereunder) either: (a) adjust any or all of (i) the number of Shares or other securities of the Company (or number and kind of other securities or property) subject to the Stock Option, provided that the number of Shares subject to the Stock Option shall always be a whole number; and (ii) the Option Exercise Price Per Share with respect to the Stock Option; (b) provide for an equivalent award in respect of securities of the surviving entity of any merger, consolidation or other transaction or event having a similar effect; or (c) make provision for a cash payment to the Optionee in lieu of the Stock Option.

7. <u>No Obligation to Continue Employment</u>. Neither the Company nor any of its affiliates is obligated by or as a result of this Agreement to continue the Optionee in employment and this Agreement shall not interfere in any way with the right of the Company or any of its affiliates to terminate the employment of the Optionee at any time.

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9. <u>Limited Transferability</u>. Unless otherwise approved by the Board, this Agreement is personal to the Optionee, is non-assignable and is not transferable in any manner, by operation of law or otherwise, other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution. Except as provided in <u>Section 4(b)</u> of this Agreement, the Stock Option is exercisable, during the Optionee's lifetime, only by the Optionee, and thereafter, only by the Optionee's legal representative or legatee.

10. <u>Reservation of Shares</u>. At all times during the term of the Stock Option, the Company shall use its best efforts to reserve and keep available such number of Shares as shall be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of this Agreement.

11. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Agreement is, or becomes, or is deemed to be, invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any jurisdiction or to either party, such provision shall be construed or deemed amended to conform to the applicable laws, or if it cannot be construed or deemed amended without, in the determination of the Board, materially altering the intent of this Agreement, such provision shall be stricken as to such jurisdiction or party, and the remainder of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

12. <u>Tax Withholding</u>. The Optionee shall, not later than the date as of which the exercise of the Stock Option becomes a taxable event for federal income tax purposes, pay to the Company or make arrangements satisfactory to the Committee for payment of any federal, state, and local taxes required by law to be withheld on account of such taxable event. The minimum required tax withholding obligation may be satisfied, in whole or in part, by the Company withholding from the Option Shares to be issued a number of Shares with an aggregate Fair Market Value that would satisfy the withholding amount due.

13. <u>Notices</u>. Notices hereunder shall be mailed or delivered to the Company at its principal place of business and shall be mailed or delivered to the Optionee at the address on file with the Company or, in either case, at such other address as one party may subsequently furnish to the other party in writing.

14. <u>Certain Defined Terms</u>. Although the Stock Option is not granted under the Company's 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan, for purposes of this Agreement, the terms "Change of Control," "Disability" and "Fair Market Value" shall have the same meanings given to those terms in such 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan.

15. <u>Governing Law</u>. The validity, construction and effect of this Agreement shall be determined in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without giving effect to conflicts of laws principles.

16. <u>Successors in Interest</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon any successor to the Company. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the Optionee's administrators, executors, heirs and legal representatives. All obligations imposed upon the Optionee and all rights granted to the Company under this Agreement shall be binding upon the Optionee's administrators, executors, heirs and legal representatives.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement to be effective as of the day and year first above written.

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Oscar Thomas</u> Name: <u>Oscar L. Thomas</u> Title: Vice President, Business Affairs

/s/ Robert C. Korn Robert C. Korn

THIS OPTION AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE UPON EXERCISE HEREOF HAVE NOT BEEN REGISTERED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT"), OR APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS. THIS OPTION, AND THE SECURITIES ISSUABLE UPON EXERCISE HEREOF, MAY NOT BE SOLD, MORTGAGED, PLEDGED, HYPOTHECATED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED WITHOUT AN EFFECTIVE REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT AND ANY APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES LAWS, OR THE AVAILABILITY OF AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REGISTRATION PROVISIONS OF THE SECURITIES ACT AND APPLICABLE STATE SECURITIES ACT AP

# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC. NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT

THIS NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is made effective as of the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2014, by and between MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC., a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and WENDELIN MANERS (the "<u>Optionee</u>").

WHEREAS, the Company desires to afford the Optionee an opportunity to purchase shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Shares"), subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, agree as follows:

#### 1. Grant of Option.

(a) The Company grants as of the date of this Agreement the right and option (the "<u>Stock Option</u>") to purchase 350,000 Shares, in whole or in part (the "<u>Option Shares</u>"), at an exercise price of \$0.91 per Share (the "<u>Option Exercise Price Per Share</u>"), on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

(b) The Stock Option shall be a non-qualified stock option. The Stock Option is not intended to be an "incentive stock option" under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "<u>Code</u>"). In order to comply with all applicable federal or state tax laws or regulations, the Company may take such action as it deems appropriate to insure that, if necessary, all applicable federal, state or other taxes are withheld or collected from the Optionee. This Agreement is not subject to, and the Stock Option is not granted under, the Company's 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan.

2. <u>Exercisability Schedule</u>. No portion of the Stock Option may be exercised until such portion shall have become exercisable. Except as set forth below, and subject to the discretion of the Company's Board of Directors or a duly authorized committee thereof (in either case, the "<u>Board</u>") to accelerate the exercisability schedule hereunder, the Stock Option shall be exercisable with respect to the following number of Option Shares on the dates indicated:

Incremental Number of	
Option Shares Exercisable	Exercisability Date
116,667	December 1, 2015
116,667	December 1, 2016
116,666	December 1, 2017

Once exercisable, the Stock Option shall continue to be exercisable at any time or times prior to the close of business on the Expiration Date (as defined below). Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in the event of a Change of Control, the Stock Option shall become fully exercisable as of the effective time of the Change of Control. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Change of Control" shall have the same meaning given to that term in the Company's 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan.

### 3. Manner of Exercise.

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(a) The Optionee may exercise the Stock Option only in the following manner: from time to time on or prior to the Expiration Date (as defined below), the Optionee may give written notice to the Company of his election to purchase some or all of the Option Shares purchasable at the time of such notice. This notice shall specify the number of Option Shares to be purchased.

Payment of the purchase price for the Option Shares may be made by one or more of the following methods: (i) in cash or its equivalent (e.g., by personal check) at the time the Stock Option is exercised; (ii) in Shares having a Fair Market Value equal to the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased and satisfying such other requirements as may be imposed by the Board; provided, that such Shares have been held by the Optionee for no less than six months (or such other period as established from time to time by the Board in order to avoid adverse accounting treatment applying generally accepted accounting principles); (iii) partly in cash and partly in Shares (as described in the preceding clause (ii)); (iv) if there is a public market for the Shares at such time, through the delivery of irrevocable instructions to a broker to sell Shares obtained upon the exercise of the Stock Option and to deliver promptly to the Company an amount out of the proceeds of such sale equal to the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased, provided that in the event the Optionee chooses to pay the Option Exercise Price Per Share as so provided, the Optionee and the broker shall comply with such procedures and enter into such agreements of indemnity and other agreements as the Board shall prescribe as a condition of such payment procedure; or (v) through "net settlement" in Shares. In the case of a "net settlement" of the Stock Option, the Company will not require a cash payment of the Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares being purchased, but will reduce the number of Shares issued upon the exercise by the largest number of whole Shares that have a Fair Market Value that does not exceed the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares set forth in this Agreement. With respect to any remaining balance of the aggregate Option Exercise Price Per Share for the Option Shares, the Company shall accept a cash payment. Payment instruments will be received subject to collection.

The transfer to the Optionee on the records of the Company or of the transfer agent of the Option Shares will be contingent upon (i) the Company's receipt from the Optionee of the full purchase price for such Option Shares, as set forth above, (ii) the fulfillment of any other requirements contained herein or in any other applicable agreement or applicable laws and regulations, and (iii) the receipt by the Company of any agreement, statement or other evidence that the Company may require to satisfy itself that the issuance of the Shares pursuant to the exercise of the Stock Option and any subsequent resale of such Shares will be in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

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(c) The minimum number of Shares with respect to which the Stock Option may be exercised at any one time shall be 100 Shares, unless the number of Shares with respect to which the Stock Option is being exercised is the total number of Shares subject to exercise under the Stock Option at the time.

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# MRI INTERVENTIONS, INC.

By: <u>/s/ Oscar Thomas</u>

 Name:
 Oscar L. Thomas

 Title:
 Vice President, Business Affairs

/s/ Wendelin Maners

Wendelin Maners

# CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We hereby consent to the reference of our firm under the caption "Experts" in this Registration Statement of MRI Interventions, Inc. (the "Company"), and to the inclusion of our report dated March 28, 2014, relating to the Company's financial statements as of and for the years ended December 31, 2013 and 2012, in this Registration Statement.

# /s/ Cherry Bekaert LLP

Charlotte, North Carolina

January 13, 2015