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**QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the quarterly period ended March 31, 2011

Commission File Number 1-6926

C. R. BARD, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New Jersey
(State of incorporation)

730 Central Avenue
Murray Hill, New Jersey 07974
(Address of principal
executive offices)

22-1454160
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (908) 277-8000

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes ☒ No ☐

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes ☒ No ☐

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.

Large accelerated filer ☒

Accelerated filer ☐

Non-accelerated filer ☐

Smaller reporting company ☐

(Do not check if smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes ☐ No ☒

Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock, as of the latest practicable date.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Outstanding at March 31, 2011</u>
Common Stock - \$0.25 par value	85,655,345

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PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

C. R. BARD, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(dollars in thousands except per share amounts, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Net sales	\$700,300	\$650,800
Costs and expenses:		
Cost of goods sold	264,800	252,700
Marketing, selling and administrative expense	194,300	179,700
Research and development expense	48,000	40,600
Interest expense	9,100	2,900
Other (income) expense, net	100	(100)
Total costs and expenses	516,300	475,800
Income from operations before income taxes	184,000	175,000
Income tax provision	52,100	53,800
Net income	131,900	121,200
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest	—	300
Net income attributable to common shareholders	<u>\$131,900</u>	<u>\$120,900</u>
Basic earnings per share available to common shareholders	<u>\$ 1.52</u>	<u>\$ 1.25</u>
Diluted earnings per share available to common shareholders	<u>\$ 1.49</u>	<u>\$ 1.24</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

C. R. BARD, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(dollars in thousands except share and per share amounts, unaudited)

	<u>March 31, 2011</u>	<u>December 31, 2010</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 748,300	\$ 641,400
Accounts receivable, less allowances of \$6,500 and \$10,500, respectively	459,700	460,800
Inventories	327,600	308,900
Short-term deferred tax assets	35,100	42,700
Other current assets	71,700	75,500
Total current assets	<u>1,642,400</u>	<u>1,529,300</u>
Property, plant and equipment, at cost	620,000	598,800
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	<u>287,400</u>	<u>270,900</u>
Net property, plant and equipment	332,600	327,900
Goodwill	611,400	607,400
Core technologies, net	388,400	397,500
Other intangibles assets, net	138,500	142,800
Deferred tax assets	77,900	78,400
Other assets	97,100	88,200
Total assets	<u>\$3,288,300</u>	<u>\$3,171,500</u>
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' INVESTMENT		
Current liabilities		
Short-term borrowings	\$ —	\$ 80,500
Accounts payable	67,500	51,400
Accrued expenses	123,100	142,300
Accrued compensation and benefits	86,000	121,600
Income taxes payable	9,700	1,900
Total current liabilities	<u>286,300</u>	<u>397,700</u>
Long-term debt	895,300	896,900
Other long-term liabilities	240,100	230,400
Deferred income taxes	14,900	15,000
Commitments and contingencies	—	—
Shareholders' investment:		
Preferred stock, \$1 par value, authorized 5,000,000 shares; none issued	—	—
Common stock, \$0.25 par value, authorized 600,000,000 shares; issued and outstanding 85,655,345 shares at March 31, 2011 and 84,973,586 shares at December 31, 2010	21,400	21,300
Capital in excess of par value	1,205,300	1,146,400
Retained earnings	651,900	520,000
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	<u>(26,900)</u>	<u>(56,200)</u>
Total shareholders' investment	<u>1,851,700</u>	<u>1,631,500</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' investment	<u>\$3,288,300</u>	<u>\$3,171,500</u>

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' INVESTMENT
(dollars in thousands except share amounts, unaudited)

	<u>Common Stock</u>		<u>Capital in Excess of Par Value</u>	<u>Retained Earnings</u>	<u>Accumulated Other Comp. (Loss) Inc.</u>	<u>Noncontrolling Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Amount</u>					
Balance at December 31, 2010	84,973,586	\$21,300	\$1,146,400	\$ 520,000	\$(56,200)	\$ —	\$1,631,500
Net income	—	—	—	131,900	—	—	131,900
Available-for-sale securities (net of \$100 taxes)	—	—	—	—	(400)	—	(400)
Change in derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges (net of \$ — taxes)	—	—	—	—	(500)	—	(500)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	28,900	—	28,900
Amortization of items included in net periodic benefit cost (net of \$700 taxes)	—	—	—	—	1,300	—	1,300
Total comprehensive income							161,200
Issuance of common stock	681,759	100	38,500	—	—	—	38,600
Share-based compensation	—	—	14,100	—	—	—	14,100
Tax benefit relating to share-based compensation plans	—	—	6,300	—	—	—	6,300
Balance at March 31, 2011	<u>85,655,345</u>	<u>\$21,400</u>	<u>\$1,205,300</u>	<u>\$ 651,900</u>	<u>\$(26,900)</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$1,851,700</u>
Balance at December 31, 2009	95,917,095	\$24,000	\$1,060,900	\$1,133,400	\$(24,700)	\$12,300	\$2,205,900
Net income	—	—	—	120,900	—	300	121,200
Change in derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges (net of \$1,200 taxes)	—	—	—	—	2,700	—	2,700
Foreign currency translation adjustment	—	—	—	—	(38,400)	—	(38,400)
Amortization of items included in net periodic benefit cost (net of \$600 taxes)	—	—	—	—	1,200	—	1,200
Total comprehensive income							86,700
Issuance of common stock	380,007	100	15,200	—	—	—	15,300
Share-based compensation	—	—	14,600	—	—	—	14,600
Purchase of common stock	(1,200,000)	(300)	—	(97,600)	—	—	(97,900)
Tax benefit relating to share-based compensation plans	—	—	4,300	—	—	—	4,300
Balance at March 31, 2010	<u>95,097,102</u>	<u>\$23,800</u>	<u>\$1,095,000</u>	<u>\$1,156,700</u>	<u>\$(59,200)</u>	<u>\$12,600</u>	<u>\$2,228,900</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(dollars in thousands, unaudited)

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net income	\$131,900	\$ 121,200
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	28,200	24,300
Purchased research and development	3,000	—
Deferred income taxes	(2,300)	(10,100)
Share-based compensation	14,100	14,700
Inventory reserves and provision for doubtful accounts	2,100	3,100
Other noncash items	500	(500)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(3,500)	(2,700)
Inventories	(14,400)	3,600
Current liabilities	(13,000)	(20,700)
Taxes	24,100	39,200
Other, net	7,000	9,300
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>177,700</u>	<u>181,400</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(16,300)	(9,200)
Change in short term investments, net	—	(13,400)
Payments made for intangibles	(3,400)	(500)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(19,700)</u>	<u>(23,100)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Change in short-term borrowings, net	(80,500)	—
Proceeds from exercises under share-based compensation plans, net	31,300	6,700
Excess tax benefit relating to share-based compensation plans	5,600	4,100
Purchase of common stock	—	(97,900)
Dividends paid	(15,500)	(16,500)
Other	(1,200)	—
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(60,300)</u>	<u>(103,600)</u>
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	9,200	(8,700)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents during the period	<u>106,900</u>	<u>46,000</u>
Balance at January 1	<u>641,400</u>	<u>674,400</u>
Balance at March 31	<u><u>\$748,300</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 720,400</u></u>
Supplemental cash flow information		
Cash paid for:		
Interest	\$ 400	\$ 400
Income taxes	24,600	20,000
Non-cash transactions:		
Receipt of foreign bonds	\$ 16,100	\$ —

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NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements of C. R. Bard, Inc. and its subsidiaries (the “company” or “Bard”) should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in C. R. Bard, Inc.’s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K. These financial statements have been prepared on a basis that is substantially consistent with the accounting principles applied in C. R. Bard, Inc.’s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K. The preparation of these financial statements requires the company to make estimates and judgments that affect reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and the related disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. These financial statements include all normal and recurring adjustments necessary for a fair presentation. The accounts of most foreign subsidiaries are consolidated as of and for the quarters ended February 28, 2011 and February 28, 2010 and as of November 30, 2010. No events occurred related to these foreign subsidiaries during the months of March 2011, March 2010 or December 2010 that materially affected the financial position or results of operations of the company. The results for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of the results expected for the year.

2. Initiatives

On December 15, 2010, the company entered into an accelerated share repurchase (“ASR”) agreement with a bank to repurchase \$750 million of the company’s outstanding common stock. The company received 8.1 million shares upon initial settlement under the ASR transaction. The initial settlement is subject to an adjustment related to a forward purchase contract based on the volume-weighted average share price of the company’s common stock during a predetermined period of less than one year, less a discount. Upon final settlement of the forward purchase contract, the company will either receive a settlement amount of additional shares of its common stock or be required to remit a settlement amount, payable, at the company’s option, in cash or common stock. If the forward purchase contract had been settled at March 31, 2011, the company would have been required to remit approximately 180,000 shares or the equivalent amount of cash to the bank counterparty.

3. Restructuring

On December 9, 2010, the company committed to a plan (the “2010 Restructuring Plan”) to improve its overall cost structure and enhance operational effectiveness. The 2010 Restructuring Plan includes the realignment of certain manufacturing, sales and marketing, and administrative functions. At March 31, 2011, the remaining liability related to this restructuring charge was \$9.0 million. The decrease in the liability for the quarter related substantially to cash payments. The company expects activities under the 2010 Restructuring Plan to be substantially complete by the end of 2011.

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4. Earnings per Common Share

Earnings per share (“EPS”) is computed under the two-class method using the following common share information:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
(dollars and shares in millions)		
EPS Numerator:		
Net income attributable to common shareholders	\$131.9	\$120.9
Less: Income allocated to participating securities	2.6	1.4
Net income available to common shareholders	<u>\$129.3</u>	<u>\$119.5</u>
EPS Denominator:		
Weighted average common shares outstanding	85.3	95.4
Dilutive common share equivalents from share-based compensation plans	1.7	1.3
Weighted average common and common equivalent shares outstanding, assuming dilution . . .	<u>87.0</u>	<u>96.7</u>

5. Income Taxes

The company’s effective tax rate for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 was approximately 28% compared to approximately 31% for the same period in 2010. The effective tax rate in the current quarter reflected the benefit of certain U.S. tax credits and a foreign tax grant, and favorable earnings mix among the company’s jurisdictions. At March 31, 2011, the total amount of liability for unrecognized tax benefits related to federal, state and foreign taxes was \$45.9 million (of which \$44.6 million would impact the effective tax rate, if recognized) plus \$7.4 million of accrued interest. As of December 31, 2010, the liability for unrecognized tax benefits was \$53.6 million plus \$11.4 million of accrued interest. Depending upon open tax examinations and/or the expiration of applicable statutes of limitation, the company believes it is reasonably possible that the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits may decrease by up to \$15.7 million within the next 12 months.

6. Financial Instruments

Foreign Exchange Derivative Instruments

The company enters into readily marketable forward and option contracts with financial institutions to help reduce its exposure to foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations. These contracts limit volatility because gains and losses associated with foreign currency exchange rate movements are generally offset by movements in the underlying hedged item. The notional value of the company’s forward currency and option currency contracts was \$151.6 million and \$182.7 million at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. For further discussion regarding the company’s use of derivative instruments, see Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements in C. R. Bard, Inc.’s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Interest Rate Derivative Instrument

The company’s outstanding interest rate swap contract effectively converts its 2.875% fixed-rate notes due 2016 to a floating-rate instrument. The notional value of this interest rate swap contract is \$250.0 million.

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The location and fair values of derivative instruments segregated between those derivatives that are designated as hedging instruments and those that are not designated as hedging instruments recognized in the condensed consolidated balance sheets are as follows:

		Fair Value of Derivatives	
		March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010
<u>Derivatives Designated as Hedging Instruments</u>			
(dollars in millions)			
Forward currency contracts	Other current assets	\$ 3.6	\$ 2.8
Option currency contracts	Other current assets	0.3	1.5
Interest rate swap contract	Other assets	—	0.7
		<u>\$ 3.9</u>	<u>\$ 5.0</u>
Forward currency contracts	Accrued expenses	\$ 1.6	\$ 1.1
Interest rate swap contract	Other long-term liabilities	1.0	—
		<u>\$ 2.6</u>	<u>\$ 1.1</u>
<u>Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments</u>			
(dollars in millions)			
Forward currency contracts	Other current assets	\$ 3.7	\$ —
Forward currency contracts	Other assets	—	1.8
		<u>\$ 3.7</u>	<u>\$ 1.8</u>

The location and amounts of gains and losses on derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges and the impact on the condensed consolidated statements of shareholders' investment are as follows:

	Gain/(Loss) Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income			Gain/(Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comp. Loss to Income	
	Three Months Ended March 31,		Location of Gain/(Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated Other Comp. Loss to Income	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010		2011	2010
(dollars in millions)					
Forward currency contracts	\$ 0.1	\$1.3	Costs of goods sold	\$ 0.6	\$(1.1)
Option currency contracts	<u>(0.6)</u>	<u>1.4</u>	Costs of goods sold	<u>—</u>	<u>0.2</u>
	<u>\$(0.5)</u>	<u>\$2.7</u>		<u>\$ 0.6^(A)</u>	<u>\$(0.9)^(A)</u>

(A) The tax effect of the amount reclassified from accumulated other comprehensive loss to income was \$0.3 million and \$0.6 million at March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The location and amounts of gains and losses on the derivative instrument designated as a fair value hedge for the three months ended March 31, 2011 are as follows:

	Income Statement Location	(Loss) Recognized on Swap	Gain Recognized on Long-Term Debt
(dollars in millions)			
Interest rate swap contract	Interest expense	<u>\$(1.7)</u>	<u>\$1.7</u>

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The location and amounts of gains and losses on derivative instruments not designated as hedging instruments for the three months ended March 31, 2011 are as follows:

	Income Statement Location	Gain Recognized in Earnings
(dollars in millions)		
Forward currency contracts ^(A)	Other (income) expense, net	<u>\$1.9</u>

^(A) These derivative contracts mitigate changes in the value of remeasured foreign currency denominated monetary loans attributable to changes in foreign currency exchange rates.

Financial Instruments Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

Fair value is defined as the exit price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability. Fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined using assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. The fair value guidance establishes a three-level hierarchy to prioritize the inputs used in measuring fair value. The levels within the hierarchy range from Level 1 having the highest priority to Level 3 having the lowest.

The following table summarizes financial assets and (liabilities) measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010
(dollars in millions)		
Foreign government bonds	\$16.1	\$ —
Forward currency contracts	5.7	3.5
Option currency contracts	0.3	1.5
Interest rate swap contract	(1.0)	0.7

The fair values were measured using significant other observable inputs and valued by reference to similar financial instruments, adjusted for restrictions and other terms specific to each instrument. All of these financial instruments are categorized as Level 2 under the fair value hierarchy.

Financial Instruments not Measured at Fair Value

There were no outstanding short-term borrowings, including commercial paper borrowings, at March 31, 2011. The fair value of commercial paper borrowings of \$80.5 million at December 31, 2010 approximated its carrying value. The company maintains a committed syndicated bank credit facility with a \$400 million five-year credit agreement that expires in June 2012. The credit facility supports the company's commercial paper program and can be used for general corporate purposes. The facility includes pricing based on the company's long-term credit rating and includes a financial covenant that limits the amount of total debt to total capitalization.

The estimated fair value of long-term debt including the effect of the related interest rate swap contract was \$931.8 million and \$937.7 million at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The fair value was estimated using dealer quotes for similarly-rated debt instruments over the remaining contractual term of the company's obligation. Long-term debt is categorized as Level 2 under the fair value hierarchy.

Concentration Risk

Accounts receivable balances include sales to government-supported healthcare systems outside the United States. The company monitors these receivables for potential collection risks. The company is experiencing

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significant delays in the collection of accounts receivable associated with the national healthcare system in Greece, which amounted to \$12.4 million and \$32.8 million, at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The Greek government announced a proposal in June 2010 to settle its outstanding debts from 2007 through 2009, primarily by issuing non-interest bearing bonds with maturities of one to three years. The proposal was adopted as law in August 2010. In December 2010, the Greek government began the process of issuing these bonds. As of March 31, 2011, the company had received \$16.1 million of bonds, net of discount, in partial settlement of 2007 through 2009 accounts receivable. These bonds are classified as available-for-sale investments and reported at fair value. The issuance process is ongoing and is expected to be completed in the second quarter of 2011.

7. Inventories

Inventories consisted of:

	March 31, 2011	December 31, 2010
(dollars in millions)		
Finished goods	\$193.6	\$176.3
Work in process	20.4	18.6
Raw materials	113.6	114.0
	<u>\$327.6</u>	<u>\$308.9</u>

8. Contingencies

General

In the ordinary course of business, the company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims, including, for example, product liability matters, environmental matters, employment disputes, disputes on agreements and other commercial disputes. In addition, the company operates in an industry susceptible to significant patent legal claims. The company accounts for estimated losses with respect to legal proceedings and claims when such losses are probable and reasonably estimable. Legal costs associated with these matters are expensed as incurred. At any given time, in the ordinary course of business, the company is involved as either a plaintiff or defendant in a number of patent infringement actions. If a third party's patent infringement claim were to be determined against the company, the company might be required to make significant royalty or other payments or might be subject to an injunction or other limitation on its ability to manufacture or distribute one or more products. If a patent owned by or licensed to the company were to be determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the company might be required to reduce the value of the patent on the company's balance sheet and to record a corresponding charge, which could be significant in amount. The company believes that any of these proceedings and claims could have a material adverse effect on its business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

Product Liability Matters

As of April 21, 2011, approximately 1,870 federal and 1,635 state lawsuits involving individual claims by approximately 3,620 plaintiffs, as well as two putative class actions in the United States and four putative class actions in various Canadian provinces, have been filed or asserted against the company with respect to its Composix® Kugel® and certain other hernia repair implant products (collectively, the "Hernia Product Claims"). One of the U.S. class action lawsuits consolidates ten previously-filed U.S. class action lawsuits. The putative class actions, none of which has been certified, seek (i) medical monitoring, (ii) compensatory damages, (iii) punitive damages, (iv) a judicial finding of defect and causation and/or (v) attorneys' fees. Approximately 1,610 of the state lawsuits, involving individual claims by a substantially equivalent number of plaintiffs, are pending in the Superior

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Court of the State of Rhode Island, with the remainder in various other jurisdictions. The Hernia Product Claims also generally seek damages for personal injury resulting from use of the products. The company voluntarily recalled certain sizes and lots of the Composix® Kugel® products beginning in December 2005.

On June 22, 2007, the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation transferred Composix® Kugel® lawsuits pending in federal courts nationwide into one Multidistrict Litigation (“MDL”) for coordinated pre-trial proceedings in the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island. The MDL court subsequently determined to include other hernia repair products of the company in the MDL proceeding. The first MDL trial was completed in April 2010 and resulted in a judgment for the company based on the jury’s finding that the company was not liable for the plaintiff’s damages. The second MDL trial was completed in August 2010 and resulted in a judgment for the plaintiff of \$1.5 million. The company expects additional trials of Hernia Product Claims to take place over the next 12 months. While the company intends to vigorously defend the Hernia Product Claims, it expects to participate in court-mandated settlement conferences with respect to certain lawsuits pending in the Superior Court of the State of Rhode Island. In addition, the company has recently engaged in discussions with various attorneys managing significant numbers of Hernia Product Claims regarding the potential resolution of such claims. These discussions are ongoing and the company may from time-to-time engage in similar discussions with others in the future. Where appropriate, the company may enter into settlement arrangements with respect to certain of these or other claims. The company cannot give any assurances that the resolution of the Hernia Product Claims will not have a material adverse effect on the company’s business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity. For more information, see Item 1A. “Risk Factors” in the company’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

As of April 21, 2011, approximately 155 product liability lawsuits have been filed or asserted against the company in various federal and state jurisdictions alleging personal injuries associated with the use of the company’s women’s health products, principally its Avaulta® line of pelvic floor reconstruction products (collectively, the “Women’s Health Product Claims”). The Women’s Health Product Claims generally seek damages for personal injury resulting from use of the products. With respect to certain of these claims, the company believes that one of its suppliers has an obligation to defend and indemnify the company. On October 12, 2010, the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation transferred the Women’s Health Product Claims involving Avaulta® products pending in federal courts nationwide into an MDL for coordinated pre-trial proceedings in the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia. Approximately 83 of the Women’s Health Product Claims involving Avaulta® products are pending in federal courts and have been or will be transferred to the MDL, with the remainder of the Women’s Health Product Claims in various state or federal courts. While the company intends to vigorously defend the Women’s Health Product Claims, it cannot give any assurances that the resolution of these claims will not have a material adverse effect on the company’s business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

As of April 21, 2011, product liability lawsuits involving individual claims by approximately 30 plaintiffs have been filed or asserted against the company in various federal and state jurisdictions alleging personal injuries associated with the use of the company’s vena cava filter products. In addition, a putative class action lawsuit has been filed against the company in California state court on behalf of plaintiffs who are alleged to have no present injury (all lawsuits, collectively, the “Filter Product Claims”). The putative class action, which has not been certified, seeks: (i) medical monitoring; (ii) punitive damages; (iii) a judicial finding of defect and causation; and/or (iv) attorneys’ fees. While the company intends to vigorously defend the Filter Product Claims, it cannot give any assurances that the resolution of these claims will not have a material adverse effect on the company’s business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

In most product liability litigations of this nature, including the Hernia Product Claims, the Women’s Health Product Claims and the Filter Product Claims, plaintiffs allege a wide variety of claims, ranging from allegations

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of serious injury caused by the products to efforts to obtain compensation notwithstanding the absence of any injury. In the majority of these cases, the company has not yet received and reviewed complete information regarding the plaintiffs and their medical conditions, and consequently, is unable to fully evaluate the claims. The company expects that it will receive and review additional information regarding the Hernia Product Claims, the Women's Health Product Claims, the Filter Product Claims and related matters as these cases progress.

The company believes that many settlements and judgments, as well as legal defense costs, relating to product liability matters are or may be covered in whole or in part under its product liability insurance policies with a limited number of insurance carriers. In certain circumstances, insurance carriers reserve their rights with respect to coverage, or contest or deny coverage, as has occurred with respect to certain claims. When this occurs, the company intends to vigorously contest disputes with respect to its insurance coverage and to enforce its rights under the terms of its insurance policies, and accordingly, may record receivables with respect to amounts due under these policies. Amounts recovered under the company's product liability insurance policies may be less than the stated coverage limits and may not be adequate to cover damages and/or costs relating to claims. In addition, there is no guarantee that insurers will pay claims or that coverage will otherwise be available.

In connection with the Hernia Product Claims, the company is in dispute with two of its excess insurance carriers relating to an aggregate of \$50 million of insurance coverage. The company is in discussions with one of these carriers regarding a potential settlement for an amount that is less than the stated coverage amount, which if finalized, will result in the immediate depletion of the company's insurance coverage. Regardless of the outcome of these discussions and the dispute with the other insurance carrier (including any arbitration proceedings), the company expects that its insurance coverage with respect to the Hernia Product Claims will be depleted in 2011.

Other Legal Matters

On November 27, 2006, the company received a subpoena issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General, under the authority of the federal healthcare fraud and false claims statutes. The subpoena seeks documents related to the company's brachytherapy business. The company has responded to the subpoena and is cooperating with the government in this matter. Although the company continues to engage in discussions with federal authorities with respect to a potential resolution of this matter, the company cannot give any assurances that a resolution will be reached or what the terms of any such resolution may be. At this time, it is not possible to determine an estimate, or a range of estimates, of potential damages. In addition, the company cannot give any assurances that this matter will not have a material adverse effect on the company's business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

On February 21, 2007, Southeast Missouri Hospital ("Southeast") filed a putative class action complaint on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated against the company and another manufacturer, Tyco International, Inc., which was subsequently dismissed from the action. The complaint was later amended to add St. Francis Medical Center ("St. Francis") as an additional named plaintiff. The action was re-named as *St. Francis Medical Center, et al. v. C. R. Bard, Inc., et al.* (Civil Action No. 1:07-cv-00031, United States District Court, Eastern District of Missouri, Southeastern District) when the court denied Southeast's motion to serve as a class representative and dismissed Southeast from the lawsuit. In September 2008, the court granted St. Francis's motion for class certification and determined the measurement period for any potential damages. St. Francis alleges that the company conspired to exclude competitors from the urological catheter market and that the company sought to maintain market share by engaging in conduct in violation of state and federal antitrust laws. St. Francis seeks injunctive relief and presented an expert report that calculates damages of up to approximately

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\$320 million, a figure that the company believes is unsupported by the facts. The company's expert report establishes that, even assuming a determination adverse to the company, the plaintiffs suffered no damages. In September 2009, the District Court granted the company's summary judgment motion and dismissed with prejudice all counts in this action. St. Francis appealed the Court's decision to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals. In August 2010, the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the decision of the District Court. In October 2010, the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals granted St. Francis's request for a re-hearing of its appeal. The re-hearing is pending. The company intends to defend this matter vigorously. If, however, St. Francis is ultimately successful, any damages awarded under the federal antitrust laws will be subject to statutory trebling and St. Francis's attorneys would be entitled to an award of reasonable fees and costs. At this time, it is not possible to assess the likelihood of an adverse outcome or determine an estimate, or a range of estimates, of potential damages. The company cannot give any assurances that this matter will not have a material adverse effect on the company's business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

In December 2007, a U.S. District Court jury in Arizona found that certain of W.L. Gore & Associates Inc.'s ("Gore") ePTFE vascular grafts and stent-grafts infringe the company's patent number 6,436,135. The jury upheld the validity of the patent and awarded the company \$185 million in past damages. The jury also found that Gore willfully infringed the patent. In a second phase of the trial, the Court ruled that Gore failed to prove that the patent is unenforceable due to inequitable conduct. In March 2009, the U.S. District Court doubled the jury award to approximately \$371 million for damages through June 2007. The Court also awarded the company attorneys' fees of \$19 million and prejudgment interest of approximately \$20 million. In addition, the Court denied Gore's remaining motions, including its motions for a new trial and to set aside the jury's verdict. In July 2010, the U.S. District Court awarded the company approximately \$109 million in additional damages for the period from July 2007 through March 2009. The Court also assessed a royalty rate of between 12.5% and 20%, depending on the product, that will be used to calculate damages for Gore's infringing sales from April 2009 through the expiration of the patent. Gore has deposited with the Court an additional approximately \$200 million, representing Gore's calculation of royalties for its infringing sales through December 2010. Gore has appealed this matter to the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and oral argument is scheduled for May 3, 2011. Because the company considers this matter a gain contingency, no amounts have been recorded as of March 31, 2011.

The company is subject to numerous federal, state, local and foreign environmental protection laws governing, among other things, the generation, storage, use and transportation of hazardous materials and emissions or discharges into the ground, air or water. The company is or may become a party to proceedings brought under various federal laws including the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), commonly known as Superfund, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act and similar state laws. These proceedings seek to require the owners or operators of contaminated sites, transporters of hazardous materials to the sites and generators of hazardous materials disposed of at the sites to clean up the sites or to reimburse the government for cleanup costs. In most cases, there are other potentially responsible parties that may be liable for any remediation costs. In these cases, the government alleges that the defendants are jointly and severally liable for the cleanup costs; however, these proceedings are frequently resolved so that the allocation of cleanup costs among the parties more closely reflects the relative contributions of the parties to the site contamination. The company's potential liability varies greatly from site to site. For some sites, the potential liability is de minimis and for others the costs of cleanup have not yet been determined. Accruals for estimated losses from environmental remediation obligations generally are recognized no later than completion of the remedial feasibility study and are adjusted as further information develops or circumstances change. Costs of future expenditures for environmental remediation obligations are not discounted to their present value. Recoveries of environmental remediation costs from other parties are recorded as assets when their receipt is deemed probable. The company believes that the proceedings and claims described above will likely be resolved over an extended period of time. While it is not feasible to predict the outcome of these proceedings, based upon the company's

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experience, current information and applicable law, the company does not expect these proceedings to have a material adverse effect on its financial condition and/or liquidity. However, one or more of the proceedings could be material to the company's business and/or results of operations.

The company is unable to estimate the reasonably possible losses or range of losses, if any, arising from product liability matters (other than the Hernia Product Claims) and other legal matters. As of March 31, 2011, based on information currently available, the company has estimated the reasonably possible losses for the Hernia Product Claims in excess of accruals to be in a range of approximately \$0 to \$150 million in the aggregate. Under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, an event is "reasonably possible" if "the chance of the future event or events occurring is more than remote but less than likely" and an event is "remote" if "the chance of the future event or events occurring is slight". The company cannot give any assurances that the actual losses with respect to the Hernia Product Claims will not exceed the upper end of the range of reasonably possible losses set forth above. With respect to the Women's Health Product Claims and Filter Product Claims, the company is unable to estimate a range of reasonably possible losses for the following reasons: (i) the proceedings are in early stages; (ii) the company has not received and reviewed complete information regarding the plaintiffs and their medical conditions; and/or (iii) there are significant factual issues to be resolved. In addition, with respect to the Filter Product Claims, there is uncertainty as to the likelihood of a class being certified or the ultimate size of the class.

The company regularly monitors and evaluates the status of product liability and other legal matters, and may from time-to-time engage in settlement and mediation discussions taking into consideration developments in the matters and the risks and uncertainties surrounding litigation. These discussions could result in settlements of one or more of these claims at any time.

Accruals for product liability and other legal matters amounted to \$64.8 million and \$54.4 million at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The company also has receivables from insurance companies amounting to \$67.3 million and \$54.6 million at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively, of which \$40 million, at March 31, 2011, is the subject of the disputes with excess insurance carriers, as noted above. After considering the nature of the claims, coverage provisions under the policies, relevant legal issues, the advice and judgment of outside legal counsel, and other pertinent factors, the company believes its claims are meritorious and that it will collect these receivables.

9. Share-Based Compensation Plans

The company may grant a variety of share-based payments under the 2003 Long Term Incentive Plan of C. R. Bard, Inc., as amended and restated (the "2003 Plan"), and the 2005 Directors' Stock Award Plan of C. R. Bard, Inc., as amended and restated, (the "Directors' Plan"), to certain directors, officers and employees. The total number of remaining shares at March 31, 2011 that may be issued under the 2003 Plan was 4,299,877 and under the Directors' Plan was 57,166. Awards under the 2003 Plan may be in the form of stock options, stock appreciation rights, limited stock appreciation rights, restricted stock, unrestricted stock and other stock-based awards. Awards under the Directors' Plan may be in the form of stock awards, stock options or stock appreciation rights. The company has two employee stock purchase programs.

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Amounts recognized for share-based compensation are as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
(dollars in millions)		
Total cost of share-based compensation plans	\$14.1	\$14.6
Amounts capitalized in inventory and fixed assets	(0.4)	(0.4)
Amounts recognized in income for amounts previously capitalized in inventory and fixed assets	0.4	0.5
Amounts charged against income	<u>\$14.1</u>	<u>\$14.7</u>

As of March 31, 2011, there were \$86.4 million of unrecognized compensation expenses related to share-based payment arrangements. These costs are expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately two years. The company has sufficient shares to satisfy expected share-based payment arrangements in 2011.

10. Pension and Other Postretirement Benefit Plans

Defined Benefit Pension Plans - The company has both tax-qualified and nonqualified, noncontributory defined benefit pension plans that together cover certain domestic and foreign employees. These plans provide benefits based upon a participant's compensation and years of service.

The components of net periodic pension cost are as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
(dollars in millions)		
Service cost, net of employee contributions	\$6.7	\$6.2
Interest cost	4.7	4.7
Expected return on plan assets	(5.8)	(5.5)
Amortization	2.0	1.7
Net periodic pension cost	<u>\$7.6</u>	<u>\$7.1</u>

Other Postretirement Benefit Plan - The company does not provide subsidized postretirement healthcare benefits and life insurance coverage except for a limited number of former employees. As this plan is unfunded, contributions are made as benefits are incurred. The net periodic benefit cost was \$0.2 million for both quarters ended March 31, 2011 and 2010.

11. Segment Information

The company's management considers its business to be a single segment entity—the manufacture and sale of medical devices. The company's products generally share similar distribution channels and customers. The company designs, develops, manufactures, packages, distributes and sells medical, surgical, diagnostic and patient care devices. The company sells a broad range of products to hospitals, individual healthcare professionals, extended care health facilities and alternate site facilities on a global basis. In general, the company's products are intended to be used once and then discarded or implanted either temporarily or permanently. The company's chief

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operating decision makers evaluate their various global product portfolios on a net sales basis and generally evaluate profitability and associated investment on an enterprise-wide basis due to shared geographic infrastructures.

Net sales based on the location of the external customer by geographic region are:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
(dollars in millions)		
United States	\$487.1	\$454.5
Europe	118.1	117.2
Japan	32.8	28.6
Other	62.3	50.5
	<u>\$700.3</u>	<u>\$650.8</u>

Total net sales by disease state are:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
(dollars in millions)		
Vascular	\$198.3	\$172.4
Urology	179.5	174.3
Oncology	186.4	174.0
Surgical Specialties	114.9	109.2
Other	21.2	20.9
	<u>\$700.3</u>	<u>\$650.8</u>

Other information is:

	Three Months Ended March 31,	
	2011	2010
(dollars in millions)		
Depreciation	<u>\$ 13.3</u>	<u>\$ 12.8</u>
Amortization	<u>\$ 14.9</u>	<u>\$ 11.5</u>

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Executive Overview

The company designs, develops, manufactures, packages, distributes and sells medical, surgical, diagnostic and patient care devices. The company sells a broad range of products to hospitals, individual healthcare professionals, extended care health facilities and alternate site facilities on a global basis. Outside the United States, Europe and Japan are the company's largest markets, while certain emerging markets in Asia and Latin America are the company's fastest growing markets. In general, the company's products are intended to be used once and then discarded or implanted either temporarily or permanently. The company reports sales in four major product group categories: vascular, urology, oncology and surgical specialties. The company also has a product group of other products.

The company's earnings are driven by its ability to continue to generate sales of its products and improve operating efficiency. Bard's ability to increase sales over time depends upon its success in developing, acquiring and marketing differentiated products that meet the needs of clinicians and their patients. For the three months ended March 31, 2011, the company's research and development ("R&D") expense as a percentage of net sales was 6.9%. The company expects R&D expense as a percentage of net sales to continue to increase up to a range of 9% to 10% over the course of the next several years. The company also makes selective acquisitions of businesses, products and technologies, generally focusing on small-to-medium sized transactions to provide ongoing growth opportunities. In addition, the company may from time-to-time consider acquisitions of larger, established companies. The company may also periodically divest lines of business in which it is not able to reasonably attain or maintain a leadership position in the market or for other strategic reasons.

Results of Operations

Net Sales

Bard's consolidated net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 8% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the same period in the prior year. Net sales "on a constant currency basis" is a non-GAAP measure and should not be viewed as a replacement of GAAP results. See "Management's Use of Non-GAAP Measures" below. Price changes had the effect of decreasing consolidated net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 by approximately 30 basis points as compared to the same period in the prior year. The primary exchange rate movement that impacts net sales is the movement of the Euro compared to the U.S. dollar. The impact of exchange rate movements on net sales is not indicative of the impact on net earnings due to the offsetting impact of exchange rate movements on operating costs and expenses, costs incurred in other currencies and the company's hedging activities.

Bard's United States net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 of \$487.1 million increased 7% compared to \$454.5 million in the prior year quarter. International net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 of \$213.2 million increased 9% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to \$196.3 million in the prior year quarter.

Presented below is a summary of net sales by disease state.

Product Group Summary of Net Sales

	For the Quarters Ended March 31,			
	2011	2010	Change	Constant Currency
(dollars in millions)				
Vascular	\$198.3	\$172.4	15%	16%
Urology	179.5	174.3	3%	3%
Oncology	186.4	174.0	7%	7%
Surgical Specialties	114.9	109.2	5%	5%
Other	21.2	20.9	1%	1%
Total net sales	<u>\$700.3</u>	<u>\$650.8</u>	8%	8%

Vascular Products - Bard markets a wide range of products for the peripheral vascular market, including endovascular products, electrophysiology products and vascular graft products. The increase in consolidated net sales of vascular products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 compared to the prior year period was due primarily to growth in endovascular products. United States net sales of vascular products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 20% compared to the prior year quarter. International net sales of vascular products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 9% on a reported basis (11% on a constant currency basis) compared to the prior year quarter.

Consolidated net sales of endovascular products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 23% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year period (including 11% growth, on both a reported and constant currency basis, from the addition of the recently acquired SenoRx biopsy products). Percutaneous transluminal angioplasty balloon catheters, stents and biopsy products were the primary contributors to the growth in this category for the quarter ended March 31, 2011.

Consolidated net sales of electrophysiology products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 decreased 2% on a reported basis (1% on a constant currency basis) compared to the prior year quarter. The net sales decrease was driven primarily by a decline in sales of electrophysiology laboratory systems.

Consolidated net sales of surgical graft products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 decreased 1% on a reported basis and were flat on a constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter.

Urology Products - Bard markets a wide range of products for the urology market, including basic drainage products, continence products and urological specialty products. Bard also markets StatLock® catheter stabilization products, which are used to secure many types of catheters sold by Bard and other companies. The majority of basic drainage products, StatLock® catheter stabilization products and certain urological specialty products are sold through distributors. The increase in consolidated net sales of urology products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 compared to the prior year period was led by growth in sales of basic drainage products and StatLock® products. United States net sales of urology products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 1% compared to the prior year quarter. International net sales of urology products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 9% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter.

Consolidated net sales of basic drainage products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 4% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter. Consolidated net sales of infection control Foley catheter products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 3% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter.

Consolidated net sales of continence products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 decreased 6% on a reported basis (5% on a constant currency basis) compared to the prior year quarter. Net sales for the quarter were impacted by a decline in sales of surgical continence products, a trend that may continue.

Consolidated net sales of the StatLock® catheter stabilization product line for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 13% on a reported basis (12% on a constant currency basis) compared to the prior year quarter.

Consolidated net sales of urological specialty products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 decreased 3% on a reported and constant currency basis compared to the same period in the prior year. A decline in net sales of brachytherapy products impacted sales of urological specialty products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011. The brachytherapy market has been losing procedural share to alternative therapies, a trend that may continue.

Oncology Products - Bard's oncology business includes specialty vascular access products and enteral feeding devices. Specialty vascular access products include peripherally inserted central catheters ("PICCs"), used for intermediate to long-term central venous access, specialty access ports and accessories ("Ports"), used most commonly for chemotherapy, dialysis access catheters and vascular access ultrasound devices which help facilitate the placement of PICCs.

The increase in consolidated net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 of oncology products compared to the same prior year period was due primarily to growth in sales of PICCs and Ports. United States net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 6% compared to the prior year quarter. International net sales of oncology products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 9% on a reported basis (8% on a constant currency basis) compared to the prior year quarter.

Consolidated net sales of PICCs for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 7% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter. Consolidated net sales of Ports for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 7% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter.

Consolidated net sales of dialysis access catheters for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 12% on a reported basis (11% on a constant currency basis) compared to the prior year quarter. Consolidated net sales of vascular access ultrasound devices for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 13% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter.

Surgical Specialty Products - Surgical specialty products include soft tissue repair, performance irrigation and hemostasis product lines. The increase in consolidated net sales of surgical specialty products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 compared to the prior year period was due primarily to growth in the soft tissue repair products. United States net sales of surgical specialty products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 5% compared to the prior year quarter. International net sales of surgical specialty products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 5% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter.

The soft tissue repair product line includes synthetic and natural-tissue hernia repair implants, natural-tissue breast reconstruction implants and hernia fixation products. Consolidated net sales of soft tissue repair products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 9% on a reported basis (10% on a constant currency basis) compared to the prior year quarter. The company's net sales in this category for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 were favorably impacted by growth in sales of natural-tissue hernia and breast reconstruction implants and hernia fixation products.

Other Products - The other product group includes irrigation, wound drainage and certain original equipment manufacturers' products. Consolidated net sales of other products for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 1% on both a reported and constant currency basis compared to the prior year quarter.

Costs and Expenses

The following is a summary of costs and expenses as a percentage of net sales for the quarters ended March 31:

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010^(A)</u>
Cost of goods sold	37.8%	38.8%
Marketing, selling and administrative expense	27.7%	27.6%
Research and development expense	6.9%	6.2%
Interest expense	1.3%	0.4%
Other (income) expense, net	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
Total costs and expenses	<u>73.7%</u>	<u>73.1%</u>

(A) Amounts do not add due to rounding.

Cost of goods sold - Cost of goods sold consists principally of the manufacturing and distribution costs of the company's products. The category also includes royalties, amortization of intangible assets and the impact of certain hedging activities. Cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 decreased 100 basis points compared to the prior year quarter. Reductions in cost of goods sold were attributed primarily to cost improvements. The impact of incremental amortization of intangible assets acquired in the last 12 months increased cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales by approximately 60 basis points over the prior year quarter.

Marketing, selling and administrative expense - Marketing, selling and administrative expense consists principally of the costs associated with the company's sales and administrative organizations. These costs as a percentage of net sales for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 increased 10 basis points compared to the prior year quarter.

Research and development expense - Research and development expense consists principally of costs related to internal research and development activities, milestone payments for third-party research and development activities, and purchased R&D costs arising from the company's business development activities. Purchased R&D may impact the comparability of the company's results of operations between periods. A purchased R&D charge of \$3.0 million was recorded for the quarter ended March 31, 2011. Research and development expense for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 was \$48.0 million, an increase of approximately 18% compared to the prior year quarter.

Interest expense - Interest expense was \$9.1 million and \$2.9 million for the quarters ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively. The increase was due to the issuance of \$750 million of senior unsecured notes in December 2010.

Other (income) expense, net - The components of other (income) expense, net, for the quarters ended March 31 are:

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
(dollars in millions)		
Interest income	\$(0.7)	\$(0.7)
Foreign exchange (gains) losses	(0.1)	0.4
Other, net	<u>0.9</u>	<u>0.2</u>
Total other (income) expense, net	<u>\$ 0.1</u>	<u>\$(0.1)</u>

Income tax provision

The company's effective tax rate for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 was approximately 28% compared to approximately 31% for the same period in 2010. The effective tax rate in the current quarter reflected the benefit of certain U.S. tax credits and a foreign tax grant, and favorable earnings mix among the company's jurisdictions.

Net Income Attributable to Common Shareholders and Earnings Per Share Available to Common Shareholders

The company reported net income attributable to common shareholders and diluted earnings per share available to common shareholders for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 of \$131.9 million and \$1.49, respectively. The current year quarter reflects acquisition related items, primarily consisting of a purchased R&D charge, of \$1.8 million, or \$0.02 per diluted share. Net income attributable to common shareholders and diluted earnings per share available to common shareholders for the prior year quarter was \$120.9 million and \$1.24, respectively. The prior year quarter reflects acquisition related items, primarily consisting of legal costs, of \$1.5 million, or \$0.02 per diluted share.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

The company assesses its liquidity in terms of its ability to generate cash to fund its operating, investing and financing activities. Significant factors affecting the management of liquidity are cash flows generated from operating activities, capital expenditures, acquisitions of businesses and technologies, cash dividends and common stock repurchases. Cash provided from operations continues to be the company's primary source of funds. The company believes that it could borrow adequate funds at competitive terms should it be necessary. The company also believes that its overall financial strength gives it sufficient financial flexibility. The table below summarizes certain liquidity measures for Bard as of March 31:

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
(dollars in millions)		
Working capital	<u>\$1,356.1</u>	<u>\$1,261.4</u>
Current ratio	<u>5.74/1</u>	<u>5.77/1</u>

Cash and cash equivalents held by the company's foreign subsidiaries was \$709.4 million and \$641.4 million at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. It is the company's intention to permanently reinvest the majority of these funds outside the United States to finance foreign operations and the company's plans do not demonstrate a need to repatriate these funds. If these funds are needed for U.S. operations or can no longer be permanently reinvested outside the United States, the company would be required to accrue and pay U.S. taxes to repatriate these funds.

For the three months ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, net cash provided by operating activities was \$177.7 million and \$181.4 million, respectively.

For the three months ended March 31, 2011, the company used \$19.7 million in cash for investing activities, compared to the \$23.1 million used in the prior year period. Capital expenditures were approximately \$16.3 million and \$9.2 million for the three month periods ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

For the three months ended March 31, 2011, the company used \$60.3 million in cash for financing activities, compared to the \$103.6 million used in the prior year period. Total debt was \$895.3 million and \$977.4 million at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. Total debt to total capitalization was 32.6% and 37.5% at March 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010, respectively. The company did not repurchase any shares for the three month period ended March 31, 2011. The company spent approximately \$97.9 million to repurchase 1,200,000 shares of common stock in the prior year period. The company paid cash dividends of \$0.18 per share and \$0.17 per share for the three month periods ended March 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

The company maintains a committed syndicated bank credit facility with a \$400 million five-year credit agreement that expires in June 2012. The credit facility supports the company's commercial paper program and can be used for general corporate purposes. The facility includes pricing based on the company's long-term credit rating and includes a financial covenant that limits the amount of total debt to total capitalization. There were no outstanding short-term borrowings, including commercial paper borrowings, at March 31, 2011. The company had outstanding commercial paper borrowings of \$80.5 million at December 31, 2010.

Contingencies

In the ordinary course of business, the company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims, including product liability matters, environmental matters, employment disputes, disputes on agreements and other commercial disputes. In addition, the company operates in an industry susceptible to significant patent legal claims. At any given time in the ordinary course of business, the company is involved as either a plaintiff or defendant in a number of patent infringement actions. See Note 8 of the notes to condensed consolidated financial statements.

Management's Use of Non-GAAP Measures

Net sales "on a constant currency basis" is a non-GAAP measure. The company analyzes net sales on a constant currency basis to better measure the comparability of results between periods. Because changes in foreign currency exchange rates have a non-operating impact on net sales, the company believes that evaluating growth in net sales on a constant currency basis provides an additional and meaningful assessment of net sales to both management and the company's investors. Constant currency growth rates are calculated by translating the prior year's local currency sales by the current period's exchange rate. Constant currency growth rates are not indicative of changes in corresponding cash flows. The limitation of non-GAAP measures is that they do not reflect results on a standardized reporting basis. Non-GAAP measures are intended to supplement the applicable GAAP disclosures and should not be viewed as a replacement of GAAP results.

Critical Accounting Policies

The preparation of financial statements requires the company's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount 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. Critical accounting policies are those that require application of management's most difficult, subjective or complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain and may change in subsequent periods. Such policies are summarized in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations section in C. R. Bard, Inc.'s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have been no significant changes to the company's critical accounting policies since December 31, 2010.

Risks and Uncertainties; Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information

Certain statements contained herein or in other company documents and certain statements that may be made by management of the company orally may contain forward-looking statements as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can identify these statements by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. They use words such as "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "project," "intend," "forecast," "plan," "believe" and other words and terms of similar meaning in connection with any discussion of future operating or financial performance. In particular, these include statements relating to product approvals, future performance of current and anticipated products, sales efforts, expenses, the outcome of contingencies, such as legal proceedings, and financial results. The company's forward-looking statements speak only as of the date of this report or as of the date they are made, and the company undertakes no obligation to update its forward-looking statements.

In addition, there are substantial risks inherent in the medical device business. The company's business involves the design, development, manufacture, packaging, distribution and sale of medical, surgical, diagnostic and patient care devices. These devices are often used on, or permanently or temporarily implanted in, patients in clinically demanding circumstances, such as operating rooms, emergency units, intensive care and critical care settings, among others. These circumstances, among other factors, can cause the products to become associated with adverse clinical events, including patient mortality and injury, and could lead to product liability claims (including lawsuits seeking class action status or seeking to establish multi-district litigation proceedings) and other litigation, product withdrawals, Warning Letters, recalls, field corrections or regulatory enforcement actions relating to one or more of the company's products, any of which could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity. For further discussion of risks applicable to our business, see "Risk Factors" in C. R. Bard, Inc.'s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Because actual results are affected by these and other risks and uncertainties, the company cautions investors that actual results may differ materially from those expressed or implied. It is not possible to predict or identify all risks and uncertainties, but the most significant factors, in addition to those addressed above, that could adversely affect our business or cause the actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied include, but are not limited to:

Effective management of and reaction to risks involved in our business, including:

- the ability to achieve manufacturing or administrative efficiencies, including gross margin benefits from our manufacturing processes and supply chain programs or in connection with the integration of acquired businesses;
- the effects of negative publicity concerning our products, which could result in product withdrawals or decreased product demand and which could reduce market or governmental acceptance of our products;
- the ability to identify appropriate companies, businesses and technologies as potential acquisition candidates, to consummate and successfully integrate such transactions or to obtain agreements for such transactions with favorable terms;
- the reduction in the number of procedures using our devices caused by customers' cost-containment pressures or preferences for alternate therapies;
- the ability to maintain or increase research and development expenditures;
- the uncertainty of whether increased research and development expenditures and sales force expansion will result in increased sales;
- the ability to maintain our effective tax rate and uncertainty related to tax audits, appeals and litigation;
- internal factors, such as retention of key employees, including sales force employees;
- the ability to achieve earnings forecasts, which are generated based, among other things, on projected volumes and sales of many product types, some of which are more profitable than others;
- changes in factors and assumptions or actual results that differ from our assumptions on stock valuation and employee stock option exercise patterns, which could cause compensation expense recorded in future periods to differ significantly from the compensation expense recorded in the current period;
- changes in factors and assumptions could cause pension cost recorded in future periods to differ from the pension cost recorded in the current period;
- the effect of market fluctuations on the value of assets in the company's pension plans and the possibility that the company may need to make additional contributions to the plans as a result of any decline in the fair value of such assets;

- damage to a company facility, which could render the company unable to manufacture one or more products (as the company may utilize only one manufacturing facility for certain of its major products) and may require the company to reduce the output of products at the damaged facility thereby making it difficult to meet product shipping targets;
- the potential impairment of goodwill and intangible assets of the company resulting from insufficient cash flow generated from such assets specifically, or our business more broadly, so as to not allow the company to justify the carrying value of the assets;
- the ability to obtain appropriate levels of product liability insurance on reasonable terms;
- the ability to recover for claims made to our insurance companies; and
- the ability to realize the anticipated benefits of the 2010 Restructuring Plan to improve overall cost structure and efficiency.

Competitive factors, including:

- the trend of consolidation in the medical device industry as well as among our customers, resulting in potentially greater pricing pressures and more significant and complex contracts than in the past, both in the United States and abroad;
- development of new products or technologies by competitors having superior performance compared to our current products or products under development which could negatively impact sales of our products or render one or more of our products obsolete;
- technological advances, patents and registrations obtained by competitors that would have the effect of excluding the company from new market segments or preventing the company from selling a product or including key features in the company's products;
- attempts by competitors to gain market share through aggressive marketing programs; and
- reprocessing by third-party reproprocessors of our products designed and labeled for single use.

Difficulties and delays inherent in the development, manufacturing, marketing and sale of medical products, including:

- the ability to complete planned clinical trials successfully, to develop and obtain regulatory approval for products on a timely basis and to launch products on a timely basis within cost estimates;
- lengthy and costly regulatory approval processes, which may result in lost market opportunities and/or delayed product launches;
- delays or denials of, or grants of low or reduced levels of reimbursement for, procedures using newly developed products;
- the suspension or revocation of authority to manufacture, market or distribute existing products;
- the imposition of additional or different regulatory requirements, such as those affecting manufacturing and labeling;
- performance, efficacy or safety concerns for existing products, whether scientifically justified or not, that may lead to product discontinuations, product withdrawals, recalls, field corrections, regulatory enforcement actions, litigation or declining sales, including adverse events relating to the company's vena cava filters, pelvic floor repair products and hernia repair products;
- FDA inspections resulting in Form-483 notices and/or Warning Letters identifying deficiencies in the company's manufacturing practices and/or quality systems; Warning Letters identifying violations of FDA regulations that could result in product holds, recalls, restrictions on future clearances by the FDA and/or civil penalties;

- the failure to obtain, limitations on the use of, or the loss of, patent and other intellectual property rights, and the failure of efforts to protect our intellectual property rights against infringement and legal challenges that can increase our costs;
- difficulties obtaining necessary components or raw materials used in the company's products and/or price increases from the company's suppliers of critical components or raw materials, including oil-based resins, or other interruptions of the supply chain; and
- customers that may limit the number of manufacturers or vendors from which they will purchase products, which can result in the company's inability to sell products to or contract with large hospital systems, integrated delivery networks or group purchasing organizations.

Governmental action, including:

- the impact of continued healthcare cost containment;
- new laws and judicial decisions related to healthcare availability, healthcare reform, payment for healthcare products and services or the marketing and distribution of products, including legislative or administrative reforms to the United States Medicare and Medicaid systems or other United States or international reimbursement systems in a manner that would significantly reduce or eliminate reimbursements for procedures that use the company's products;
- changes in the FDA and/or foreign regulatory approval processes that may delay or prevent the approval of new products and result in lost market opportunity;
- the impact of more vigorous compliance and enforcement activities affecting the healthcare industry in general or the company in particular;
- changes in the tax laws affecting our business, such as the recently-enacted excise tax in Puerto Rico;
- changes in the environmental laws or standards affecting our business;
- changes in laws that could require facility upgrades or process changes and could affect production rates and output; and
- compliance costs and potential penalties and remediation obligations in connection with environmental laws, including regulations regarding air emissions, waste water discharges and solid waste.

Legal disputes, including:

- disputes over intellectual property rights;
- product liability claims, which may involve lawsuits seeking class action status or seeking to establish multi-district litigation proceedings, including the Hernia Product Claims, the Women's Health Product Claims and the Filter Product Claims;
- claims asserting securities law violations;
- claims asserting, and/or subpoenas seeking information regarding, violations of law in connection with federal and/or state healthcare programs such as Medicare or Medicaid;
- derivative shareholder actions;
- claims and subpoenas asserting antitrust violations;
- environmental claims, including risks relating to accidental contamination or injury from the use of hazardous materials in the company's manufacturing, sterilization and research activities and the potential for the company to be held liable for any resulting damages; and
- commercial disputes, including disputes over distribution agreements, license agreements, manufacturing/supply agreements, development/research agreements, acquisition or sale agreements, and insurance policies.

General economic conditions, including:

- international and domestic business conditions;
- political or economic instability in foreign countries;
- interest rates;
- foreign currency exchange rates;
- changes in the rate of inflation; and
- instability of global financial markets and economies including certain countries in southern Europe.

Other factors beyond our control, including catastrophes, both natural and man-made, earthquakes, floods, fires, explosions, acts of terrorism or war.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk

The quantitative and qualitative disclosures about market risk are discussed in Part II, Item 7A. in C. R. Bard, Inc.'s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K. There have been no material changes in the information reported since the year ended December 31, 2010.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

The company maintains disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the company's reports under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to the company's management, including its Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow for timely decisions regarding required disclosures. Any controls and procedures, no matter how well defined and operated, can provide only reasonable assurance of achieving the desired control objectives.

The company's management, with the participation of the company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, has evaluated the effectiveness of the design and operation of the company's disclosure controls and procedures as of March 31, 2011. Based upon that evaluation, the company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have concluded that, as of March 31, 2011, the design and operation of the company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) under the Exchange Act) were effective to accomplish their objectives at the reasonable assurance level.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

General

In the ordinary course of business, the company is subject to various legal proceedings and claims, including, for example, product liability matters, environmental matters, employment disputes, disputes on agreements and other commercial disputes. In addition, the company operates in an industry susceptible to significant patent legal claims. At any given time, in the ordinary course of business, the company is involved as either a plaintiff or defendant in a number of patent infringement actions. If a third party's patent infringement claim were to be determined against the company, the company might be required to make significant royalty or other payments or might be subject to an injunction or other limitation on its ability to manufacture or distribute one or more products. If a patent owned by or licensed to the company were to be determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the company might be required to reduce the value of the patent on the company's balance sheet and to record a corresponding charge, which could be significant in amount. The company believes that any of these proceedings and claims could have a material adverse effect on its business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

Product Liability Matters

As of April 21, 2011, approximately 1,870 federal and 1,635 state lawsuits involving individual claims by approximately 3,620 plaintiffs, as well as two putative class actions in the United States and four putative class actions in various Canadian provinces, have been filed or asserted against the company with respect to its Composix® Kugel® and certain other hernia repair implant products (collectively, the "Hernia Product Claims"). One of the U.S. class action lawsuits consolidates ten previously-filed U.S. class action lawsuits. The putative class actions, none of which has been certified, seek (i) medical monitoring, (ii) compensatory damages, (iii) punitive damages, (iv) a judicial finding of defect and causation and/or (v) attorneys' fees. Approximately 1,610 of the state lawsuits, involving individual claims by a substantially equivalent number of plaintiffs, are pending in the Superior Court of the State of Rhode Island, with the remainder in various other jurisdictions. The Hernia Product Claims also generally seek damages for personal injury resulting from use of the products. The company voluntarily recalled certain sizes and lots of the Composix® Kugel® products beginning in December 2005.

On June 22, 2007, the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation transferred Composix® Kugel® lawsuits pending in federal courts nationwide into one Multidistrict Litigation ("MDL") for coordinated pre-trial proceedings in the United States District Court for the District of Rhode Island. The MDL court subsequently determined to include other hernia repair products of the company in the MDL proceeding. The first MDL trial was completed in April 2010 and resulted in a judgment for the company based on the jury's finding that the company was not liable for the plaintiff's damages. The second MDL trial was completed in August 2010 and resulted in a judgment for the plaintiff of \$1.5 million. The company expects additional trials of Hernia Product Claims to take place over the next 12 months. While the company intends to vigorously defend the Hernia Product Claims, it expects to participate in court-mandated settlement conferences with respect to certain lawsuits pending in the Superior Court of the State of Rhode Island. In addition, the company has recently engaged in discussions with various attorneys managing significant numbers of Hernia Product Claims regarding the potential resolution of such claims. These discussions are ongoing and the company may from time-to-time engage in similar discussions with others in the future. Where appropriate, the company may enter into settlement arrangements with respect to certain of these or other claims. The company cannot give any assurances that the resolution of the Hernia Product Claims will not have a material adverse effect on the company's business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity. For more information, see Item 1A. "Risk Factors" in the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2010.

As of April 21, 2011, approximately 155 product liability lawsuits have been filed or asserted against the company in various federal and state jurisdictions alleging personal injuries associated with the use of the company's women's health products, principally its Avaulta® line of pelvic floor reconstruction products (collectively, the "Women's Health Product Claims"). The Women's Health Product Claims generally seek damages for personal injury resulting from use of the products. With respect to certain of these claims, the company believes that one of its suppliers has an obligation to defend and indemnify the company. On October 12, 2010, the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation transferred the Women's Health Product Claims involving Avaulta® products pending in federal courts nationwide into an MDL for coordinated pre-trial proceedings in the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia. Approximately 83 of the Women's Health Product Claims involving Avaulta® products are pending in federal courts and have been or will be transferred to the MDL, with the remainder of the Women's Health Product Claims in various state or federal courts. While the company intends to vigorously defend the Women's Health Product Claims, it cannot give any assurances that the resolution of these claims will not have a material adverse effect on the company's business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

As of April 21, 2011, product liability lawsuits involving individual claims by approximately 30 plaintiffs have been filed or asserted against the company in various federal and state jurisdictions alleging personal injuries associated with the use of the company's vena cava filter products. In addition, a putative class action lawsuit has been filed against the company in California state court on behalf of plaintiffs who are alleged to have no present injury (all lawsuits, collectively, the "Filter Product Claims"). The putative class action, which has not been certified, seeks: (i) medical monitoring; (ii) punitive damages; (iii) a judicial finding of defect and causation; and/or (iv) attorneys' fees. While the company intends to vigorously defend the Filter Product Claims, it cannot give any assurances that the resolution of these claims will not have a material adverse effect on the company's business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

In most product liability litigations of this nature, including the Hernia Product Claims, the Women's Health Product Claims and the Filter Product Claims, plaintiffs allege a wide variety of claims, ranging from allegations of serious injury caused by the products to efforts to obtain compensation notwithstanding the absence of any injury. In the majority of these cases, the company has not yet received and reviewed complete information regarding the plaintiffs and their medical conditions, and consequently, is unable to fully evaluate the claims. The company expects that it will receive and review additional information regarding the Hernia Product Claims, the Women's Health Product Claims, the Filter Product Claims and related matters as these cases progress.

The company believes that many settlements and judgments, as well as legal defense costs, relating to product liability matters are or may be covered in whole or in part under its product liability insurance policies with a limited number of insurance carriers. In certain circumstances, insurance carriers reserve their rights with respect to coverage, or contest or deny coverage, as has occurred with respect to certain claims. When this occurs, the company intends to vigorously contest disputes with respect to its insurance coverage and to enforce its rights under the terms of its insurance policies, and accordingly, may record receivables with respect to amounts due under these policies. Amounts recovered under the company's product liability insurance policies may be less than the stated coverage limits and may not be adequate to cover damages and/or costs relating to claims. In addition, there is no guarantee that insurers will pay claims or that coverage will otherwise be available.

In connection with the Hernia Product Claims, the company is in dispute with two of its excess insurance carriers relating to an aggregate of \$50 million of insurance coverage. The company is in discussions with one of these carriers regarding a potential settlement for an amount that is less than the stated coverage amount, which if finalized, will result in the immediate depletion of the company's insurance coverage. Regardless of the outcome of these discussions and the dispute with the other insurance carrier (including any arbitration proceedings), the company expects that its insurance coverage with respect to the Hernia Product Claims will be depleted in 2011.

Other Legal Matters

On November 27, 2006, the company received a subpoena issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General, under the authority of the federal healthcare fraud and false claims statutes. The subpoena seeks documents related to the company's brachytherapy business. The company has responded to the subpoena and is cooperating with the government in this matter. Although the company continues to engage in discussions with federal authorities with respect to a potential resolution of this matter, the company cannot give any assurances that a resolution will be reached or what the terms of any such resolution may be. At this time, it is not possible to determine an estimate, or a range of estimates, of potential damages. In addition, the company cannot give any assurances that this matter will not have a material adverse effect on the company's business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

On February 21, 2007, Southeast Missouri Hospital ("Southeast") filed a putative class action complaint on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated against the company and another manufacturer, Tyco International, Inc., which was subsequently dismissed from the action. The complaint was later amended to add St. Francis Medical Center ("St. Francis") as an additional named plaintiff. The action was re-named as *St. Francis Medical Center, et al. v. C. R. Bard, Inc., et al.* (Civil Action No. 1:07-cv-00031, United States District Court, Eastern District of Missouri, Southeastern District) when the court denied Southeast's motion to serve as a class representative and dismissed Southeast from the lawsuit. In September 2008, the court granted St. Francis's motion for class certification and determined the measurement period for any potential damages. St. Francis alleges that the company conspired to exclude competitors from the urological catheter market and that the company sought to maintain market share by engaging in conduct in violation of state and federal antitrust laws. St. Francis seeks injunctive relief and presented an expert report that calculates damages of up to approximately \$320 million, a figure that the company believes is unsupported by the facts. The company's expert report establishes that, even assuming a determination adverse to the company, the plaintiffs suffered no damages. In September 2009, the District Court granted the company's summary judgment motion and dismissed with prejudice all counts in this action. St. Francis appealed the Court's decision to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals. In August 2010, the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals affirmed the decision of the District Court. In October 2010, the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals granted St. Francis's request for a re-hearing of its appeal. The re-hearing is pending. The company intends to defend this matter vigorously. If, however, St. Francis is ultimately successful, any damages awarded under the federal antitrust laws will be subject to statutory trebling and St. Francis's attorneys would be entitled to an award of reasonable fees and costs. At this time, it is not possible to assess the likelihood of an adverse outcome or determine an estimate, or a range of estimates, of potential damages. The company cannot give any assurances that this matter will not have a material adverse effect on the company's business, results of operations, financial condition and/or liquidity.

In December 2007, a U.S. District Court jury in Arizona found that certain of W.L. Gore & Associates Inc.'s ("Gore") ePTFE vascular grafts and stent-grafts infringe the company's patent number 6,436,135. The jury upheld the validity of the patent and awarded the company \$185 million in past damages. The jury also found that Gore willfully infringed the patent. In a second phase of the trial, the Court ruled that Gore failed to prove that the patent is unenforceable due to inequitable conduct. In March 2009, the U.S. District Court doubled the jury award to approximately \$371 million for damages through June 2007. The Court also awarded the company attorneys' fees of \$19 million and prejudgment interest of approximately \$20 million. In addition, the Court denied Gore's remaining motions, including its motions for a new trial and to set aside the jury's verdict. In July 2010, the U.S. District Court awarded the company approximately \$109 million in additional damages for the period from July 2007 through March 2009. The Court also assessed a royalty rate of between 12.5% and 20%, depending on the product, that will be used to calculate damages for Gore's infringing sales from April 2009 through the expiration of the patent. Gore has deposited with the Court an additional approximately \$200 million, representing Gore's calculation of royalties for its infringing sales through December 2010. Gore has appealed this matter to the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and oral argument is scheduled for May 3, 2011. Because the company considers this matter a gain contingency, no amounts have been recorded as of March 31, 2011.

The company is subject to numerous federal, state, local and foreign environmental protection laws governing, among other things, the generation, storage, use and transportation of hazardous materials and emissions or discharges into the ground, air or water. The company is or may become a party to proceedings brought under various federal laws including the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), commonly known as Superfund, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act and similar state laws. These proceedings seek to require the owners or operators of contaminated sites, transporters of hazardous materials to the sites and generators of hazardous materials disposed of at the sites to clean up the sites or to reimburse the government for cleanup costs. In most cases, there are other potentially responsible parties that may be liable for any remediation costs. In these cases, the government alleges that the defendants are jointly and severally liable for the cleanup costs; however, these proceedings are frequently resolved so that the allocation of cleanup costs among the parties more closely reflects the relative contributions of the parties to the site contamination. The company's potential liability varies greatly from site to site. For some sites, the potential liability is de minimis and for others the costs of cleanup have not yet been determined. The company believes that the proceedings and claims described above will likely be resolved over an extended period of time. While it is not feasible to predict the outcome of these proceedings, based upon the company's experience, current information and applicable law, the company does not expect these proceedings to have a material adverse effect on its financial condition and/or liquidity. However, one or more of the proceedings could be material to the company's business and/or results of operations.

Item 1A. Risk Factors

There have been no material changes to the risk factors disclosed in Part I, Item 1A. in C. R. Bard, Inc.'s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds

Period	Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities			
	Total Number of Shares Purchased⁽¹⁾	Average Price Paid Per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Programs⁽²⁾	Maximum Approximate Dollar Value of Shares that May Yet Be Purchased Under Plans or Programs⁽²⁾
January 1 - January 31, 2011	468	\$91.88	—	\$487,184,378
February 1 - February 28, 2011	63,731	97.59	—	487,184,378
March 1 - March 31, 2011	362	97.23	—	487,184,378
Total	<u>64,561</u>	<u>\$97.54</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>\$487,184,378</u>

- (1) The company repurchased 64,561 shares during the three month period ended March 31, 2011 that were not part of the publicly announced share repurchase authorization. These shares were purchased from employees to satisfy tax withholding requirements on the vesting of restricted shares from equity-based awards.
- (2) On June 9, 2010, the Board of Directors approved the repurchase of up to \$500 million of common stock.

Item 5. Other Information

The company's policy governing transactions in its securities by the company's directors, executive officers and other specified employees permits such persons to adopt trading plans pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 of the Exchange Act. From time-to-time, the company's executive officers have established trading plans relating to the company's common stock under Rule 10b5-1 and the company anticipates additional trading plans may be established in the future. The company currently discloses details regarding individual trading plans on its website.

Item 6. Exhibits

- (a) Exhibit 12.1 – Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
- (b) Exhibit 31.1 – Rule 13a-14(a) / 15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Executive Officer
- (c) Exhibit 31.2 – Rule 13a-14(a) / 15d-14(a) Certification of Chief Financial Officer
- (d) Exhibit 32.1 – Section 1350 Certification of Chief Executive Officer
- (e) Exhibit 32.2 – Section 1350 Certification of Chief Financial Officer
- (f) 101.INS XBRL Instance Document
- (g) 101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
- (h) 101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
- (i) 101.DEF XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
- (j) 101.LAB XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
- (k) 101.PRE XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

SIGNATURES

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

C. R. BARD, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: April 25, 2011

/s/ TODD C. SCHERMERHORN

Todd C. Schermerhorn
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

/s/ FRANK LUPISELLA JR.

Frank Lupisella Jr.
Vice President and Controller

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101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document

EXHIBIT 12.1

C. R. BARD, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

Exhibit 12.1 - Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2011	Years Ended December 31,				
		2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
(dollars in millions)						
Earnings from continuing operations before taxes	\$184.0	\$717.7	\$671.5	\$552.7	\$579.4	\$396.8
Add (Deduct):						
Fixed charges	10.5	18.4	17.5	17.4	16.6	21.8
Undistributed earnings of equity investments	(0.1)	(3.6)	(2.3)	(1.9)	(0.7)	(0.2)
Earnings available for fixed charges	<u>\$194.4</u>	<u>\$732.5</u>	<u>\$686.7</u>	<u>\$568.2</u>	<u>\$595.3</u>	<u>\$418.4</u>
Fixed charges:						
Interest, including amounts capitalized ⁽¹⁾	\$ 9.1	\$ 12.7	\$ 11.8	\$ 12.1	\$ 11.9	\$ 16.9
Proportion of rent expense deemed to represent interest factor	1.4	5.7	5.7	5.3	4.7	4.9
Fixed charges	<u>\$ 10.5</u>	<u>\$ 18.4</u>	<u>\$ 17.5</u>	<u>\$ 17.4</u>	<u>\$ 16.6</u>	<u>\$ 21.8</u>
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	<u>18.51</u>	<u>39.81</u>	<u>39.24</u>	<u>32.66</u>	<u>35.86</u>	<u>19.19</u>

(1) Interest related to unrecognized tax benefits is included as income tax expense and not included in fixed charges.

Certification of Chief Executive Officer

I, Timothy M. Ring, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of C. R. Bard, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: April 25, 2011

/s/ Timothy M. Ring

Timothy M. Ring
Chief Executive Officer

Certification of Chief Financial Officer

I, Todd C. Schermerhorn, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of C. R. Bard, Inc.;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - a) designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - b) designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - c) evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - d) disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - a) all significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - b) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: April 25, 2011

/s/ Todd C. Schermerhorn

Todd C. Schermerhorn

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

SECTION 1350 CERTIFICATIONS

**CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350,
AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE
SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002**

In connection with the quarterly report of C. R. Bard, Inc. on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2011, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Timothy M. Ring, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of C. R. Bard, Inc., certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of C. R. Bard, Inc.

/s/ Timothy M. Ring

Name: Timothy M. Ring

Date: April 25, 2011

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In connection with the quarterly report of C. R. Bard, Inc. on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2011, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Todd C. Schermerhorn, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of C. R. Bard, Inc., certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

1. the Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
2. the information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of C. R. Bard, Inc.

/s/ Todd C. Schermerhorn

Name: Todd C. Schermerhorn

Date: April 25, 2011