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Washington, D.C. 20549

Post-Effective Amendment No. 1  
to  
FORM S-1

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

CARDO MEDICAL, INC.

(Exact Name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	3842	23-2753988
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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As soon as practicable after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

(Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public)

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

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(d) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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.

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

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Explanatory Note

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 (this "Post-Effective Amendment") relates to the registration statement on Form S-1 of Cardo Medical, Inc. (the "Company," "we," "us," or "our") pertaining to 18,333,450 shares of common stock, par value (\$0.001 per share, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 18, 2009 (Registration No. 333-163827), as amended and supplemented, and was declared effective by the Securities Exchange Commission on January 6, 2010 (the "Registration Statement"). This Post-Effective Amendment is being filed to update certain financial and other information contained in the prospectus in accordance with Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), and includes the financial statements and the notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, and certain other updated information. No additional securities are being registered under this Post-Effective Amendment. All applicable registration fees were paid at the time of the original filing of the Registration Statement.

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THE INFORMATION IN THIS PROSPECTUS IS NOT COMPLETE AND MAY BE CHANGED. WE MAY NOT SELL THESE SECURITIES UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION IS EFFECTIVE. THIS PROSPECTUS IS NOT AN OFFER TO SELL THESE SECURITIES AND IS NOT SOLICITING AN OFFER TO BUY THESE SECURITIES IN ANY STATE WHERE THE OFFER OR SALE IS NOT PERMITTED.

Subject to Completion Dated \_\_\_\_\_.

PROSPECTUS

18,333,450 Shares

**CARDO MEDICAL, INC.**

Common Stock

OTC Bulletin Board Trading Symbol: CDOM.OB

The selling stockholders may offer and sell from time to time up to an aggregate of 18,333,450 shares of Cardo Medical, Inc. (the "Company") common stock that they own or that they may acquire from us upon exercise of warrants. For information concerning the selling stockholders and the manner in which they may offer and sell shares of our common stock, see "Selling Stockholders" and "Plan of Distribution" in this prospectus.

We will not receive any proceeds from the sale by the selling stockholders of their shares of common stock other than the exercise price of the warrants if and when the warrants are exercised unless the warrants are exercised on a cashless basis.

On April 21, 2010, the last reported sale price for our common stock on the OTC Bulletin Board was \$0.50 per share.

Investing in shares of our common stock involves a high degree of risk. You should purchase our common stock only if you can afford to lose your entire investment. See "Risk Factors," which begins on page 3.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The selling stockholders have not engaged any underwriter in connection with the sale of their shares of common stock. The selling stockholders may sell their shares of common stock in the public market based on the market price at the time of sale or at negotiated prices. The selling stockholders may also sell their shares in transactions that are not in the public market in the manner set forth under "Plan of Distribution."

You should rely only on the information contained in this prospectus. We have not authorized any dealer, salesperson or other person to provide you with information concerning us, except for the information contained in this prospectus. The information contained in this prospectus is complete and accurate only as of the date on the front cover page of this prospectus, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or the sale of any common stock. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and we are not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

The date of this prospectus is April [ ], 2010.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not

permitted.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary does not contain all of the information that is important to you. You should read the entire prospectus, including the Risk Factors and our consolidated financial statements and related notes appearing elsewhere in this prospectus before making an investment decision.

Our Business

Cardo Medical, Inc. ("Cardo", the "Company", "we", "us" or "our") is an orthopedic medical device company specializing in designing, developing and marketing high performance reconstructive joint devices and spinal surgical devices. Reconstructive joint devices are used to replace knee, hip and other joints that have deteriorated through disease or injury. Spinal surgical devices involve products to stabilize the spine for fusion and reconstructive procedures. Within these areas, we are focused on developing surgical devices, instrumentation and techniques that will enable surgeons to move what are typically inpatient surgical procedures to the outpatient world. We commercialize our reconstructive joint devices through our Reconstructive division and our spine devices through our Spine division.

GENERAL

On June 18, 2008, Cardo Medical, LLC, a California limited liability company, entered into a Merger Agreement and Plan of Reorganization with clickNsettle.com, Inc. ("CKST") and Cardo Acquisition, LLC, a California limited liability company and wholly-owned subsidiary of CKST. Upon the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, CKST acquired Cardo Medical, LLC through a merger of Cardo Medical, LLC with Cardo Acquisition, with Cardo Medical, LLC continuing as the surviving entity in the Merger and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CKST. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, all of the issued and outstanding units of Cardo Medical, LLC's membership interests were converted into the right to receive shares of the common stock of CKST. In connection with the consummation of the Merger, CKST approved through its stockholders an amendment to its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to change its name from "clickNsettle.com, Inc." to "Cardo Medical, Inc."

Our executive offices are located at 9701 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1100, Beverly Hills, California 90212. Our telephone number is (310) 274-2036. Our website is [www.cardomedical.com](http://www.cardomedical.com). Information on our website or any other website is not part of this prospectus. References to "we," "us," "our" and similar words in this prospectus refer to Cardo Medical, Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

Sale of Securities to the Selling Stockholders

On October 27, 2009, we sold, in the first tranche of a private placement, 9,949,276 shares of common stock at \$0.35 per share. On November 13, 2009, we sold, in the second tranche of a private placement, 7,808,561 shares of common stock at \$0.35 per share. In the private placement, we issued an aggregate of 17,757,837 shares of common stock at \$0.35 per share, to 74 accredited investors. In conjunction with the private placement, Cardo Medical, Inc. issued to the placement agent warrants to purchase 575,613 shares of the Company's common stock, a number that is equivalent to six percent (6%) of the number of shares of common stock sold in the private placement transaction to investors that were solicited by the placement agent ("Approved Investors"), at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share. The warrants issued to the placement agent in the private placement are sometimes referred to as the "Placement Agent Warrants". The Placement Agent Warrants expire on November 13, 2014 and may be exercised on a cashless basis.

We paid the placement agent for this offering a commission equal to eight percent (8%) of the gross proceeds from the offering that was received from Approved Investors. Additionally, the placement agent received (i) a cash non-accountable expense allowance equal to one percent (1%) of the gross proceeds of the offering received from Approved Investors; (ii) reimbursement of the placement agent's out-of-pocket expenses related to the offering,

including its legal fees and expenses up to \$40,000; and (iii) warrants to purchase 575,613 shares of common stock equal to six percent (6%) of the number of shares sold in the offering to Approved Investors at a exercise price of \$0.44 per share.

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The registration rights agreement entered into with subscribers in the offering requires us to use commercially reasonable efforts to have this registration statement declared effective by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") as soon as practicable, but in no event later than the one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the final closing date or one hundred fifty (150) calendar days if the SEC reviews the registration statement.

## THE OFFERING

Common Stock Offered:	The selling stockholders are offering a total of 18,333,450 shares of common stock, of which 17,757,837 shares are outstanding and 575,613 shares are issuable upon exercise of warrants.
Outstanding Shares of Common Stock:	230,293,141 shares <sup>1, 2</sup>
Common Stock to be Outstanding After Exercise of Placement Agent Warrants:	230,868,754 shares <sup>1</sup>
Use of Proceeds:	We will receive no proceeds from the sale of any shares by the selling stockholders. In the event that the placement agent exercises its warrants, we would receive the exercise price. If all warrants are exercised, we would receive approximately \$253,270 unless the warrants are exercised on a cashless basis, all of which, if and when received, would be used for working capital and other corporate purposes.

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(1) As of April 21, 2010. Does not include a total of 2,358,400 shares of common stock granted under existing options to purchase common stock.

(2) As of April 21, 2010. Does not include the 575,613 shares of common stock issuable upon exercise of warrants held by the placement agent.

## RISK FACTORS

This registration statement includes "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended ("Exchange Act"), including, in particular, certain statements about our plans, strategies and prospects. Although we believe that our plans, intentions and expectations reflected in or suggested by such forward-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot assure you that such plans, intentions or expectations will be achieved. Important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from our forward-looking statements include those set forth in this Risk Factors section.

An investment in the securities is speculative and involves a high degree of risk. You should carefully consider the risk factors described below together with the other information contained in this prospectus before making a decision to purchase our securities. If any of the risks described below occur, or if other risks not identified below occur, our business, business prospects, cash flow, financial condition, stock price and results of operations could be materially adversely affected. Under these circumstances, the trading price of our common stock could decline, and you may lose all or part of your investment. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our financial condition and operations. Furthermore, references to "we," "us" and "our" are references to the Company.

In addition to the risk factors related to the offering set forth below, the risk factors set forth in the SEC filings, including the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, and future filings with the SEC are incorporated by reference into this prospectus.

You understand that, certain unique factors make an investment in the Company subject to a high degree of risk. You have been cautioned that an investment in the Company is speculative and involves significant risks, and that it is probably not possible to foresee and describe all of the business, economic and financial risk factors which may affect the Company.

This document contains "forward-looking statements," as that term is defined under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, or the PSLRA. Forward-looking statements include statements about our expectations, beliefs

or intentions regarding our product development efforts, business, financial condition, results of operations, strategies or prospects. You can identify forward-looking statements by the fact that these statements do not relate strictly to historical or current matters. Rather, forward-looking statements relate to anticipated or expected events, activities, trends or results as of the date they are made. Because forward-looking statements relate to matters that have not yet occurred, these statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause our actual results to differ materially from any future results expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements.

Any or all of our forward-looking statements in this document may turn out to be wrong. They can be affected by inaccurate assumptions we might make or by known or unknown risks and uncertainties. Many factors mentioned in our discussion in this document will be important in determining future results. Consequently, no forward-looking statement can be guaranteed. Actual future results may vary materially. While we may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, we specifically disclaim any obligation to do so to reflect actual results, changes in assumptions or changes in other factors affecting forward-looking statements. We intend that all forward-looking statements be subject to the safe-harbor provisions of the PSLRA. These forward-looking statements are only predictions and reflect our views as of the date they are made with respect to future events and financial performance.

Risks and uncertainties, the occurrence of which could adversely affect our business, include the following:

#### Risks Related to Our Business, Industry and Regulatory Matters

We may need to raise additional funds in the future to fund our operations and research, and these funds may not be available on acceptable terms, if at all.

We expect that proceeds from the 2009 private placements will be sufficient to meet working capital requirements through September 2010. However, actual working capital requirements may change as a result of various factors, including:

We anticipate spending significant amounts of cash on expanding our research and development, sales and marketing efforts, and product commercialization. We have available to us approximately \$5 million in cash and cash equivalents, which we expect will not be sufficient for us to meet our anticipated cash requirements for at least the next 12 months. However, we cannot assure you that debt or equity financing, if and when required, will be available. Our ability to continue as a going concern is dependent upon receiving additional funds either through the issuance of debt or through the sale of common and/or preferred stock and the success of management's plan to expand sales. Our actual capital requirements may change as a result of various factors, including:

- the success of our research and development efforts, and any changes in the breadth of our research and development programs;
- results from preclinical studies and clinical trials conducted by us or our collaborative partners or licensees, if any;
- the number and timing of acquisitions and other strategic transactions;
- our ability to maintain and establish corporate relationships and research collaborations;
- our ability to manage growth and costs associated with this growth, and the costs associated with increased capital expenditures;
- the time and costs involved in filing, prosecuting, defending and enforcing patent and intellectual property claims;

- the cost and timing of obtaining and maintaining regulatory approval or clearance for our products and products in development;

- the expenses we incur in manufacturing and selling our products;
- the revenues generated by sales of our products; and
- the costs associated with our employee retention programs and related benefits.

Our primary goal as it relates to liquidity and capital resources is to attain the appropriate level of debt and equity and the resultant cash to implement our business plan. We will need to raise additional funds, which may not be available to us on favorable terms, if at all. If we raise capital by issuing equity or debt securities, our existing stockholders may experience dilution and the new equity or debt securities may have rights, preferences and privileges senior to those of our existing stockholders. Further, if we raise additional funds through collaboration, licensing or other similar arrangements, it may be necessary to relinquish or share rights to our potential products or proprietary technologies, or to grant licenses on terms that are not favorable to us. If we are unable to raise needed capital on terms acceptable to us, we may not be able to develop new products, enhance our existing products, execute our business plan, take advantage of future opportunities, or respond to competitive pressures or unanticipated customer requirements. Any of these events could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We expect to incur significant losses, either directly or indirectly through the companies in which we develop our products, for at least the next fiscal year, and we cannot assure you that we will ever be profitable.

We expect to incur significant losses during the next fiscal year, either directly or indirectly through the companies in which we develop our products, as we expand our research and development activities, apply for regulatory approvals, develop additional technology and expand our operations. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in selling or licensing any of the products we might develop or predict the terms we may be able to obtain in any sales or licensing transaction.

We have a limited number of products currently available for sale and there is a high risk that our research and development efforts might not successfully generate any viable product candidates in the future.

We currently have nine products available for sale, all of which are in the early stages of distribution. Other than those nine products, we are in the preliminary stages of product identification and development, and have identified only a few potential additional products. We have not yet conducted preclinical studies or clinical testing on these potential additional products. It is unlikely that the few products that we have identified as potential candidates will actually lead to successful development efforts, and we do not expect any additional products resulting from our research to be commercially available for several years, if at all. Our leads for potential products will be subject to the risks and failures inherent in developing medical devices and products, including, but not limited to, the unanticipated problems relating to research and development, product testing, confirming intellectual property rights and non-infringement, regulatory compliance, manufacturing, marketing and competition. Additional expenses may exceed current estimates and, therefore, adversely affect our profitability.

Healthcare policy changes, including recently enacted legislation reforming the U.S. healthcare system, may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Healthcare costs have risen significantly over the past decade, and there have been and continue to be proposals by legislators, regulators and third-party payors to keep these costs down. Congress recently passed health care reform legislation. The President signed the measure into law on March 23, 2010, and, on March 30, 2010, the President signed into law a "reconciliation" bill that modifies certain provisions of the same. This legislation is considered by some to be the most dramatic change to the country's health care system in decades.

The principal aim of the law as currently enacted is to expand health insurance coverage to approximately 32 million Americans who are currently uninsured. The law's most far-reaching changes do not take effect until 2014, including a

requirement that most Americans carry health insurance. The consequences of these significant coverage expansions on the sales of the Company's products is unknown and speculative at this point.

The enacted legislation contains many provisions designed to generate the revenues necessary to fund the coverage expansions. The most relevant of these provisions are those that impose fees or taxes on certain health-related industries, including medical device manufacturers.

Beginning in 2013, each medical device manufacturer will have to pay an excise tax (or sales tax) in an amount equal to 2.3 percent of the price for which such manufacturer sells its medical devices. This tax applies to all medical devices, including the Company's products and product candidates.

In addition to the new legislation discussed above, the effect of which cannot presently be quantified given its recent enactment, various healthcare reform proposals have also emerged at the state level. We cannot predict what healthcare initiatives, if any, will be implemented at the federal or state level, or the effect any future legislation or regulation will have on us. In addition to the taxes imposed by the new federal legislation, an expansion in government's role in the U.S. healthcare industry may lower reimbursements for our products, reduce medical procedure volumes and adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations, possibly materially.

Cost containment measures, pressure from our competitors and availability of medical reimbursement may impact our ability to sell our products at prices necessary to expand our operations and reach profitability.

Healthcare costs have risen significantly over the past decade and numerous initiatives and reforms initiated by legislators, regulators and third-party payors to curb these costs have resulted in a consolidation trend in the healthcare industry, including hospitals. This has resulted in greater pricing and other competitive pressures and the exclusion of certain suppliers from important market segments as group purchasing organizations, independent delivery networks and large single accounts continue to consolidate purchasing decisions for some hospital customers. We expect that market demand, government regulation, third-party reimbursement policies and societal pressures will continue to change the national and worldwide healthcare industry, resulting in further business consolidations and alliances among customers and competitors. This consolidation may reduce competition, exert downward pressure on the prices of our products and adversely impact our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Further, third-party payors in the United States and abroad continue to work to contain healthcare costs. The introduction of cost containment incentives, along with closer scrutiny of healthcare expenditures by both private health insurers and employers, has resulted in increased discounts and contractual adjustments to hospital charges for services performed and has shifted services between inpatient and outpatient settings. Hospitals or physicians may respond to these cost-containment pressures by substituting lower-cost products or other therapies for our products.

The market for orthopedic, knee and hip surgery devices is large and growing at a significant rate. Numerous new companies and technologies, as well as more established companies, have entered this market. New entrants to our markets include numerous niche companies with a singular product focus, as well as companies owned partially by surgeons, who may have greater access than we do to the surgeons who may use our products. As a result of this intensified competition, we believe there will be increasing pressure to reduce pricing of our medical devices. If we are unable to price our products appropriately due to these competitive pressures or for other reasons, our profit margins will shrink and our ability to invest in and grow our business and achieve profitability will decrease.

Future legislation, regulation or reimbursement policies of third-party payors may adversely affect the demand for our existing products or our products currently under development and limit our ability to sell our products on a profitable basis.

Also, third-party payors are increasingly challenging the prices charged for medical products and services. Particularly in the United States, third-party payors carefully review, and increasingly challenge, the prices charged for procedures and medical products. Also, greater numbers of insured individuals are receiving (and will continue to receive over the next decade) their medical care through managed care programs, which monitor and often require pre-approval of the

services that a member will receive. Many managed care programs are paying their providers on a capitated basis, which puts the providers at financial risk for the services provided to their patients by paying them a predetermined payment per member per month.

Sales of our products will depend on the availability of adequate reimbursement from third-party payors (such as governmental programs, for example, Medicare and Medicaid, private insurance plans and managed care programs), both in terms of the sales volumes and prices of our products.

Healthcare providers, such as hospitals that purchase medical devices for treating their patients, generally rely on third-party payors to reimburse all or part of the costs and fees associated with the procedures performed with these devices. These third-party payors may deny reimbursement if they feel that a device is not the most cost-effective treatment available, or was used for an unapproved indication. As such, surgeons are unlikely to use our products if they do not receive reimbursement adequate to cover the cost of their involvement in the surgical procedures. The failure of surgeons to use our products, or the diminished use by surgeons, may have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We also believe that future reimbursement from third-party payors may be subject to increased restrictions both in the U.S. and international markets. If we sell our products internationally, market acceptance may depend, in part, upon the availability of reimbursement within the prevailing healthcare payment systems. Reimbursement and healthcare payment systems in international markets vary significantly by country, and include both government sponsored healthcare and private insurance.

Future legislation, regulation or reimbursement policies of third-party payors may adversely affect the demand for our existing products or our products currently under development and limit our ability to sell our products on a profitable basis. Also, third-party payors are increasingly challenging the prices charged for medical products and services. Particularly in the United States, third-party payors carefully review, and increasingly challenge, the prices charged for procedures and medical products. Also, greater numbers of insured individuals are receiving (and will continue to receive over the next decade) their medical care through managed care programs, which monitor and often require pre-approval of the services that a member will receive. Many managed care programs are paying their providers on a capitated basis, which puts the providers at financial risk for the services provided to their patients by paying them a predetermined payment per member per month. Challenges by third-party payors to the prices charged for medical products and services, coupled with the increasing popularity of managed care programs, may result in hospitals and physicians seeking lower-cost alternatives to our products, the occurrence of which could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Healthcare providers, such as hospitals that purchase medical devices for treating their patients, generally rely on third-party payors to reimburse all or part of the costs and fees associated with the procedures performed with these devices. These third-party payors may deny reimbursement if they feel that a device is not the most cost-effective treatment available, or was used for an unapproved indication. As such, surgeons are unlikely to use our products if they do not receive reimbursement adequate to cover the cost of their involvement in the surgical procedures. We also believe that future reimbursement may be subject to increased restrictions both in the U.S. and international markets. If we sell our products internationally, market acceptance may depend, in part, upon the availability of reimbursement within the prevailing healthcare payment systems. Reimbursement and healthcare payment systems in international markets vary significantly by country, and include both government sponsored healthcare and private insurance.

Legislative or administrative reforms to the U.S. or international reimbursement systems in a manner that significantly reduces reimbursement for procedures using our medical devices or denies coverage for those procedures could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

We believe that the overall escalating cost of medical products and services has led to, and will continue to lead to, increased pressures on the healthcare industry to reduce the costs of products and services. We cannot assure you that third-party reimbursement and coverage will be available or adequate, or that future legislation, regulation, or reimbursement policies of third-party payors will not adversely affect the demand for our products or our ability to sell these products on a profitable basis. We also cannot assure you that our products will be considered cost-effective by third-party payors, that reimbursement will be available or, if available, that the third-party payors' reimbursement

policies will not adversely affect our ability to sell our products profitably.

We must convince orthopedic and spine surgeons that our products are an attractive alternative to existing surgical treatments of orthopedic and spine disorders.

To be commercially successful, we believe that we will need surgeons to adopt our products as their preferred treatment option for their patients. Surgeons may be slow to adopt our products for the following reasons, among others:

- lack of clinical evidence;
- the time that must be dedicated for training;
- lack of experience with our products;
- perceived risks generally associated with the use of new products and procedures;
- perceived risks associated with purchasing products from an early-stage medical device company;
- costs associated with the purchase of new products and equipment; and
- limited availability of reimbursement within healthcare payment systems.

We also believe that recommendations and support of our products by influential surgeons are essential for market acceptance and adoption. If we do not receive support from these surgeons, surgeons and hospitals may not use our products. As a result, we may not achieve expected revenues and may never become profitable.

Hospitals, surgeons, distributors and agents may have existing relationships with other medical device companies that make it difficult for us to establish new relationships with them. As a result, we may not be able to sell and market our products effectively.

We believe that to sell and market our products effectively, we must establish relationships with key surgeons and hospitals in the field of orthopedic knee, hip and spinal surgery. Many of these key surgeons and hospitals already have long-standing relationships with large, better-known companies that dominate the medical devices industry through collaborative research programs and other relationships. Because of these existing relationships, some of which may be contractually enforced, surgeons and hospitals may be reluctant to adopt our products, particularly if our products compete with or have the potential to compete with products supported through their own collaborative research programs or by these existing relationships. Even if these surgeons and hospitals purchase our products, they may be unwilling to enter into collaborative relationships with us to promote joint marketing programs or to provide us with clinical and financial data.

We work primarily with a network of independent orthopedic product agents and distributors that generate sales leads for us, in addition to working with our own internal direct sales force. If these product agents and distributors believe that their relationship with us is less beneficial than other relationships they may have with more established or well-known medical device companies, they may be unwilling to continue their relationships with us, making it more difficult for us to sell and market our products effectively.

Our business plan relies on certain assumptions about the market for our products, which, if incorrect, may adversely affect our business and profitability.

We believe that the aging of the general population and increasingly active lifestyles will continue and that these trends will increase the need for our medical products. However, the projected demand for our products could differ materially from actual demand if our assumptions regarding these trends and acceptance of our products by the

medical community prove to be incorrect or do not materialize, or if non-surgical treatments gain more widespread acceptance as a viable alternative to our devices.

We expect to face significant competition as a result of the rapid technological changes in the medical devices industry, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

The medical device market is highly competitive, subject to rapid change, and significantly affected by new product introductions and other market activities of industry participants. We expect to encounter intense competition across our product lines and in each market in which our products are sold from various medical device companies, many of which are likely to have greater financial and marketing resources than us. Our primary competitors are Zimmer, J&J/DePuy Orthopaedics, Stryker and Biomet in the hips and knees market, and Medtronic/Sofamor Danek, J&J/DePuy Spine and Synthes in the spine market. In addition, we will face competition from a wide range of companies that sell a single or a limited number of competitive products or which participate only in a specific market segment, as well as from non-medical device companies, including pharmaceutical companies, which may offer alternative therapies for disease states intended to be treated using our products.

Additionally, the medical device market is characterized by extensive research and development, and rapid technological change. Developments by other companies of new or improved products, processes or technologies may make our products or proposed products obsolete or less competitive and may negatively impact our revenues. We will be required to devote continued efforts and financial resources to develop or acquire scientifically advanced technologies and products, apply our technologies cost-effectively across product lines and markets, attract and retain skilled development personnel, obtain patent and other protection for our technologies and products, obtain required regulatory and reimbursement approvals and successfully manufacture and market our products consistent with our quality standards. If we fail to develop new products or enhance existing products, it could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Many of our larger competitors are either publicly traded or divisions or subsidiaries of publicly traded companies, and enjoy several competitive advantages over us, including:

- larger and more well-established distribution networks;
- established relationships with a greater number of surgeons, hospitals, other healthcare providers and third-party payors;
- products supported by long-term clinical data;
- greater experience in obtaining and maintaining regulatory approvals or clearances for products and product enhancements;
- greater name recognition;
- greater access to manufacturers, vendors and raw materials for manufacturing medical devices;
- more expansive portfolios of intellectual property rights; and
- greater financial and other resources for product research and development, sales and marketing, intellectual property protection and litigation.

We rely on single source manufacturers, which could impair our ability to meet demand for delivering our products in a timely manner or within our budget.

We rely on third-party manufacturers to manufacture our products. It is critical to our business that our contract manufacturers be able to provide us with products in substantial quantities, in accordance with agreed upon specifications, in compliance with regulatory requirements, at acceptable cost and on a timely basis. Our anticipated

growth could strain the ability of manufacturers to deliver an increasingly large supply of products. If we are unable to obtain sufficient quantities of high quality products to meet customer demand on a timely and cost-effective basis, we could lose customers, our reputation could be harmed and our business could suffer.

We currently use a variety of manufacturers for each of our devices. Our dependence on these manufacturers involves several risks, including limited control over pricing, availability, quality and delivery schedules. If any one or more of our manufacturers cease to provide us with sufficient quantities of our products in a timely manner or on terms acceptable to us, or cease to manufacture products of acceptable quality, we would have to seek alternative sources of manufacturing. We could experience delays while we locate and engage alternative qualified manufacturers, and we might be unable to engage alternative manufacturers on favorable terms, if at all. Any disruption or increased expenses relating to our supply source could harm our sales and marketing efforts and adversely affect our ability to generate revenue.

Loss of any major customer could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2009, three hospital customers accounted for approximately 64% of our net sales. The loss of any major customer could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. We cannot guarantee that we will be able to retain long-term relationships with our major customers in the future.

Our growth will depend on developing new products or product enhancements, requiring significant research and development, clinical trials and regulatory approvals, all of which are expensive and time-consuming and may not result in a commercially viable product.

We believe that it is important for us to continue to build a more complete product offering and to enhance the products we currently offer. Our success in this regard will depend in part on our ability to develop and introduce new products and product enhancements to keep pace with the rapidly changing medical device market. We cannot assure you that we will be able to successfully develop, obtain regulatory approval for or market new products or product enhancements, or that any of our future products or enhancements will be accepted by the surgeons who use our products or the payors who financially support many of the procedures performed with our products.

Factors affecting the success of any new product offering or enhancement to an existing product include our ability to:

- properly identify and anticipate surgeon and patient needs;
- develop and introduce new products or product enhancements in a timely manner;
- avoid infringing upon the intellectual property rights of third parties;
- obtain the necessary regulatory clearances or approvals for new products or product enhancements;
- demonstrate, if required, the safety and efficacy of new products with data from preclinical studies and clinical trials;
- provide adequate training to potential users of our products;
- receive adequate reimbursement; and
- develop an effective and dedicated marketing and distribution network.

If we do not develop new products or product enhancements in time to meet market demand or if there is insufficient demand for these products or enhancements, our results of operations may suffer.



If we choose to grow our business by acquiring new and complementary businesses, products or technologies, we may be unable to complete these acquisitions or successfully integrate them in a cost-effective and non-disruptive manner.

We believe that our success depends in part on our ability to continually enhance and broaden our product offering in response to changing customer demands, competitive pressures and technologies and our ability to increase our market share. To achieve this growth, we have completed certain acquisitions, and intend to pursue other acquisitions of complementary businesses, products or technologies, in some cases instead of developing them ourselves. We may be unable to successfully complete any further acquisitions, or we may not be able to successfully integrate any acquired business, product or technology into our business or retain any key personnel, manufacturers or distributors. The success of any acquisition, investment or alliance undertaken will depend on a number of factors, including:

- our ability to identify suitable opportunities;
- our ability to finance any acquisition, investment or alliance;
- whether we are able to establish an acquisition, investment or alliance on terms that are satisfactory to us, if at all;
- the strength of the other companies' products, underlying technology and ability to execute;
- intellectual property and litigation related to these technologies or businesses; and
- our ability to successfully integrate the acquired company or business with our existing business, including the ability to adequately fund acquired in-process research and development projects.

These efforts could be expensive and time-consuming, disrupt our ongoing business and distract management. If we are unable to integrate any future acquired businesses, products or technologies effectively, our business, financial condition and results of operations will be materially adversely affected. For example, an acquisition could materially impair our operating results by causing us to incur debt or requiring us to amortize significant amounts of expenses, including non-cash acquisition costs, and acquired assets.

We rely on our independent sales distributors and sales representatives to market and sell our products.

We depend upon independent sales distributors and sales representatives to market and sell our products, in particular due to their sales and service expertise and relationships with customers in the marketplace. Independent distributors and sales representatives may terminate their relationships with us or devote insufficient sales efforts to our products for any number of reasons. We do not control our independent distributors and they may not be successful in implementing our marketing plans. If we fail to maintain our existing relationships with our independent distributors and sales representatives, our operations would suffer. Similarly, our failure to recruit and retain additional skilled, independent sales distributors and sales representatives could have an adverse effect on our operations. We may experience turnover with some of our independent sales distributors, which could adversely affect our short-term financial results while we transition to new distributors. Our failure to manage these transitions effectively could negatively impact our operations and profitability.

We are dependent on the services of Andrew A. Brooks, M.D. and Michael Kvitnitsky, and the loss of either of them could harm our business.

Our success depends in part upon the continued service of Andrew A. Brooks, M.D., who serves as our Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, and Michael Kvitnitsky, who serves as our President and Chief Operating Officer. Dr. Brooks and Mr. Kvitnitsky are critical to the overall management of our Company as well as to the development of our technology, our culture and our strategic direction. The loss of either Dr. Brooks or Mr.

Kvitnitsky could have a material adverse effect on our business, results of operations and financial condition. We

have not obtained and do not expect to obtain any key-person life insurance policies on Dr. Brooks or Mr. Kvitnitsky.

Failure to attract and retain skilled personnel and cultivate key academic collaborations will delay product development programs and business development efforts.

Our success will depend on our ability to continuously attract and retain highly qualified management and scientific personnel and on our ability to develop relationships with academic collaborators. The competition for qualified personnel and collaborators is intense. We cannot assure you that we will be able to attract or retain personnel or cultivate academic collaborations. In addition, our collaborators may have arrangements with other companies to assist those companies in developing products that compete with ours. Our inability to hire or retain qualified personnel or cultivate academic collaborations would harm our business.

If conflicts arise between collaborators or advisors and us, any of these parties may act in its self-interest, which may be adverse to our interests and the interests of our stockholders.

We expect to enter into arrangements with corporate collaborators and scientific advisors to help us develop and test potential products or enhance our existing products. If conflicts arise between us and any of these corporate collaborators or scientific advisors, the other party may act in its self-interest and not in our interest or the interests of our stockholders. It is possible that some of our corporate collaborators will be conducting multiple product development efforts within each area that is the subject of the collaboration with us. We also might be required to agree not to conduct independently, or with any third party, any research that is competitive with the research conducted under our collaborations. In addition, any of these collaborators may develop, either alone or with others, products in related fields that are competitive with the products or potential products that are the subject of our collaboration with them. Competing products, either developed by collaborators or to which collaborators have rights, may result in their withdrawing support for our product candidates.

If we fail to properly manage our anticipated growth, our business could suffer.

We continue to experience growth in, and will continue to pursue rapid growth in, the number and types of products we offer, the number of surgeons using our products, and the number of states in which our products are sold. This growth has placed and will continue to place significant demands on our managerial, operational and financial resources and systems. We are currently focused on increasing the size and effectiveness of our sales force and distribution network, marketing activities, research and development efforts, inventory management systems, management team, accounting systems and corporate infrastructure. If we do not manage our growth effectively, the quality of our products, our relationships with surgeons, distributors and hospitals, and our reputation could suffer.

We must attract and retain qualified personnel and third-party distributors and manage and train them effectively. Personnel qualified in the design, development, production and marketing of our products are difficult to find and hire, and enhancements of information technology systems to support our growth are difficult to implement. In addition, we will need to carefully monitor and manage our surgeon services, and the quality assurance and efficiency of our manufacturers and distributors. This managing, training and monitoring will require allocation of valuable management resources and significant expense.

If we fail to upgrade our management information systems, or if those systems do not operate as expected, we could experience significant disruption of our business and product developments and our results could suffer.

The efficient operation of our business is dependent on our management information systems, which we rely upon to effectively manage accounting and financial functions, manage order entry, order fulfillment and inventory replenishment processes, and maintain our research and development data. We are assessing various inventory tracking software, as well as an improved ledger accounting system for all business units, which will enhance our internal controls. In addition, we are taking steps to unify the financial reporting of our consolidated subsidiaries, and

we are in the initial planning phase of upgrading, where possible, certain of our information technology systems impacting financial reporting.

Any failure of our management information systems to perform as we anticipate could disrupt our business and product development and could result in decreased sales, increased overhead costs, excess inventory and product shortages, causing our business and results of operations to suffer.

If a natural or man-made disaster strikes a facility in which our products are manufactured, we could be unable to deliver our products for a substantial amount of time and our sales could decline.

If a key third party facility is affected by a natural or man-made disaster, we would be forced to rely on another third-party manufacturer. We do not have insurance for potential losses as a result of damages to these manufacturing facilities.

If we decide to market and sell our devices and products internationally, we would be subject to various risks relating to our international activities, which could negatively impact our business and financial results.

We currently do not market or sell our products outside of the United States. However, we may actively pursue one or more international markets within the next few years, at which point we would be exposed to risks separate and distinct from those we face in our U.S. operations. Any international business we may engage in may be adversely affected by changing economic conditions in foreign countries, as well as U.S. laws that may affect the international business operations of a U.S. company such as ours. In addition, increases or decreases in the value of the U.S. dollar relative to foreign currencies could affect our results of operations since international sales most likely would be denominated in the functional currency of the country in which the product is sold.

Certain additional or different risks inherent in engaging in international business include the following:

- compliance with existing and changing foreign regulatory laws and requirements;
- export restrictions and controls and other government regulation relating to technology or medical devices;
- foreign laws and business practices favoring local companies;
- pricing pressures that we may experience internationally;
- the availability and level of reimbursement within prevailing foreign healthcare payment systems or insurance providers;
- shipping delays due to cross-border sales;
- longer payment cycles;
- difficulties and costs of establishing, staffing and managing foreign operations;
- potentially adverse tax consequences, tariffs and other trade barriers;
- difficulties in enforcing intellectual property rights;
- difficulties in enforcing agreements and collecting receivables through certain foreign legal systems;
- political and economic instability; and
- international terrorism and anti-American sentiment.

Our exposure to each of these risks may increase our costs, impair our ability to market and sell our products and require significant management attention, resulting in harm to our business and financial results.

We are subject to substantial governmental regulation that could change and thus force us to make modifications to how we develop, manufacture and price our products. Compliance with the various complex laws and regulations is costly and time consuming, and failure to comply can have adverse consequences on our business.

The medical device industry is regulated extensively by governmental authorities, principally the Food and Drug Administration, or the FDA, and corresponding state and foreign regulatory agencies. The FDA and other federal, state and foreign governmental agencies regulate, among other things, the development, manufacturing, clinical trials, marketing clearance and approval, promotion and sale of medical devices.

In particular, the FDA permits commercial distribution of a new medical device only after the device has received clearance under Section 510(k), or is the subject of an approved premarket approval application, or PMA. The FDA will approve marketing a medical device through the Section 510(k) process if it is demonstrated that the new product is substantially equivalent to other Section 510(k)-cleared products. The PMA process is more costly, lengthy and uncertain than the Section 510(k) clearance process. A PMA application must be supported by extensive data, including, but not limited to, technical, preclinical, clinical trial, manufacturing and labeling data, to demonstrate to the FDA's satisfaction the safety and efficacy of the device for its intended use. To date, all of our products, unless exempt, have been cleared through the Section 510(k) process. We have no experience in obtaining premarket approval.

Compliance with complex regulations is, and will continue to be, time-consuming, burdensome and expensive. Failure to comply with these regulations could jeopardize our ability to manufacture and sell our products and result in enforcement actions such as warning letters, fines, injunctions, civil penalties, termination of distribution, seizures of products, total or partial suspension of production, refusal of the FDA or other regulatory agencies to grant future clearances or approvals, or withdrawals or suspensions of current clearances or approvals. These enforcement actions could result in higher than anticipated costs or lower than anticipated revenue and have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In the most egregious cases, we could face criminal sanctions, closure of the manufacturing facilities in which our products are manufactured, and prohibitions on the sales of our products.

Foreign governmental authorities that regulate the manufacture and sale of medical devices have become increasingly vigilant, and if we engage in sales of our products in foreign countries, these sales would be subject to rigorous foreign regulations. In these circumstances, we would rely heavily on our foreign independent sales agencies to comply with the varying regulations, and any failures on their part could result in restrictions on the sale of our products in foreign countries. We currently do not sell any of our products internationally.

Federal regulatory reforms may adversely affect our ability to sell our products profitably.

Legislation may be drafted from time to time and introduced in Congress that could significantly change the statutory provisions governing the clearance or approval, manufacture and marketing of a medical device in the United States. In addition, FDA regulations and guidance often are revised or reinterpreted by the agency in ways that may significantly affect our business and our ability to commercialize our products. It is impossible to predict whether legislative changes will be enacted or FDA regulations, guidance or interpretations changed, and what the impact of these changes, if any, may be. For example, on September 27, 2007, Congress enacted, and the President signed into law, the Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007. This law grants significant new powers to the FDA and imposes new obligations and requirements on both the FDA and FDA-regulated industries, including the medical device industry. In particular, this law requires, among other things, that the FDA propose, and ultimately implement, regulations that will require manufacturers to label medical devices with unique identifiers unless a waiver is received from the FDA. In addition, it reauthorizes the FDA to collect medical device user fees and amends the existing user fee program by, among other things, reducing device application fees and imposing new fees, including a new annual establishment registration fee. Also, the new law authorizes the FDA to establish a unique medical device identification system and expands the federal government's clinical trial registry and results databank to include,

among other things, information on medical device clinical trials. While these new requirements undoubtedly will have a significant effect on the medical device industry, we cannot yet predict the extent of that effect on our company. As regulations, guidance and interpretations are issued by the FDA relating to the new legislation, its impact on the industry, as well as our business, will become clearer. Compliance with those

regulations could require us to take additional steps, and incur additional costs, in manufacturing and labeling products.

We have not yet collected long-term clinical data to support the safety of our products, and our products may, therefore, prove to be less safe and effective than initially thought.

We obtained clearance to offer all of our products that require FDA clearance or approval through the Section 510(k) clearance process, which is less rigorous than the PMA process and requires less supporting clinical data. As a result of using this expedited process, we currently lack the breadth of published long-term clinical data supporting the safety of our products and the benefits they offer that might have been generated using the PMA process. Because of the lack of this in-depth data, surgeons may be slow to adopt our products, we may not have comparative data that our competitors have or are generating, and we may be subject to greater regulatory and product liability risks. Further, future patient studies or clinical experience may indicate that treatment with our products does not improve outcomes. These results would reduce demand for our products, thereby preventing us from becoming profitable. If future results and experience indicate that our products cause unexpected or serious complications or other unforeseen negative effects, we could be subject to significant legal liability and harm to our business reputation. The medical device market has been particularly prone to costly product liability litigation. The time and costs of any product liability litigation we may face may materially adversely affect our business, financial condition or results of operations, even if we are ultimately victorious in any such litigation.

The FDA requires us to obtain new Section 510(k) clearances or premarket approvals for modifications to our approved products. Otherwise, we may have to cease marketing, or to recall, the modified products until clearances are obtained.

Any modification to a Section 510(k)-cleared device that could significantly affect its safety or efficacy, or that would constitute a major change in its intended use, requires a new Section 510(k) clearance or, possibly, premarket approval. Under FDA regulations, every manufacturer must make this determination in the first instance, but the FDA may review any manufacturer's decision. The FDA may not agree with any of our decisions regarding whether new clearances or approvals are necessary. If the FDA requires us to seek Section 510(k) clearance or premarket approval for any modification to a previously cleared product, we may be required to cease marketing, or to recall, the modified product until we obtain clearance or approval. This may expose us to significant regulatory fines or penalties.

In addition, our products could be subject to recall if the FDA determines, for any reason, that our products are not safe or effective. Any recall or FDA requirement that we seek additional approvals or clearances could result in delays, fines, costs associated with modifying a product, loss of revenue, harm to our reputation and loss of customers and potential operating restrictions imposed by the FDA. Any product liability claim or recall would divert managerial and financial resources and could harm our reputation with customers. We cannot assure you that we will not have product liability claims or recalls in the future, or that these claims or recalls would not have a material adverse effect on our business.

If we or our third-party manufacturers fail to comply with the FDA's Quality System Regulations, the manufacture of our products could be interrupted and our product sales and operating results could suffer.

We and some of our third-party manufacturers are required to comply with the FDA's Quality System Regulation, or QSR, which covers the methods and documentation of the design, testing, production, control, quality assurance, labeling, packaging, sterilization, storage and shipping of our products. In addition, we and our manufacturers will be subject to the regulations of foreign jurisdictions regarding the manufacturing process if we market our products overseas.

The FDA enforces the QSR through periodic and unannounced inspections of manufacturing facilities. If our facilities or those of our manufacturers fail to take satisfactory corrective action in response to an adverse QSR inspection, the

FDA could take enforcement action, including any of the following sanctions:

- customer notifications or repair, replacement, refunds, recall, detention or seizure of our products;

- operating restrictions or partial suspension or total shutdown of production;
- untitled letters, warning letters, fines, injunctions, consent decrees and civil penalties;
- refusing or delaying requests for Section 510(k) clearance or PMA approvals of new products or modified products;
- withdrawing Section 510(k) clearances or PMA approvals;
- refusal to grant export approval for our products; or
- criminal prosecution.

If we sell our products in the European Community, we will be required to maintain certain ISO certifications and must undergo periodic inspections by notified bodies to obtain and maintain these certifications. We cannot assure you that we or our manufacturers will be able to obtain or maintain all required registrations and certifications.

Any of these factors could impair our ability to produce our products in a cost-effective and timely manner in order to meet our customers' demands. We also may be required to bear other costs or take other actions that may have a negative impact on our future sales and our ability to generate profits.

Some proponents have advocated the creation of a national database or registry that tracks how patients with artificial joints fare. Any requirement for surgeons to participate in such a registry may adversely affect our ability to sell our products profitably.

Although the United States currently does not have a mandatory medical device registry, a few medical organizations in the country do, such as Kaiser Permanente and the Hospital for Specialty Surgery in New York, and some foreign countries do have national registries, such as Australia, Britain, Norway and Sweden. If a national or any state registry is created to collect data on how patients with artificial joints fare, surgeons who use our products would be required to provide information to that registry. Although it is difficult to determine all of the effects of the creation of a medical device registry, one effect it may have is to make surgeons use well-documented medical devices, instead of new ones. If the surgeons who use our products are required to participate in a national or state registry, they may be less inclined to use our products and, consequently, our ability to sell our products could be impaired.

#### Risks Related to Our Financial Results

We are an orthopedic medical device company with a limited operating history and our business may not become profitable.

We are an orthopedic medical device company with a limited operating history. We began commercial sales in 2007. We currently have the following nine products with Section 510(k) marketing clearance from the FDA: (1) Cardo Align 360™ Posterior-Stabilized Total Knee System; (2) Cardo Align 360™ Cruciate Retaining Knee System; (3) Cardo Align 360™ Unicompartamental Knee (used in partial knee replacement procedures); (4) Cardo Align 360™ Patello-Femoral Replacement (used in partial knee replacement procedures); (5) Cardo Total Hip System (used in total hip replacement procedures); (6) Cardo Bipolar Hip System (two-piece product used in femoral head replacement procedures); (7) Cardo Monopolar Hip System (one-piece product used in femoral head replacement procedures); (8) Cardo Cervical Plate (used in neck fusion procedures); and (9) Cardo Pedicle Screw System (used in lumbar spine fusion procedures).

The success of our business will depend, in part, on our ability to develop and obtain regulatory clearances or approvals for enhancements to our products or for planned products, which we may be unable to do in a timely

manner, or at all. Our success and ability to generate revenue or be profitable also depends on our ability to establish our sales and marketing force, generate product sales and control costs, all of which we may be unable to

do. In addition, we may not be successful in our research and development efforts to develop enhancements of these products or to develop new products.

We have a limited history of operations upon which you can evaluate our business, and our operating expenses are increasing. We have yet to demonstrate that we can generate ongoing sufficient sales of our products to become profitable. The extent of our future operating losses and the timing of profitability, if at all, are difficult to predict. Our lack of any significant operating history also limits your ability to make a comparative evaluation of us, our products and our prospects. Even if we do achieve profitability as planned, we may not be able to sustain or increase profitability on an ongoing basis.

Our quarterly financial results are likely to fluctuate significantly because our sales prospects are uncertain and our sales are difficult to forecast.

Our quarterly operating results are difficult to predict and may fluctuate significantly from period to period, particularly because our sales prospects are uncertain and sales are difficult to forecast. These fluctuations also may affect our annual operating results and may cause those results to fluctuate unexpectedly from year to year. The level of our revenues and results of operations at any given time will be based primarily on the following factors:

- our ability to increase sales of our products;
- our ability to develop, manufacture and market new products;
- results of clinical research and trials on our current or planned products;
- our ability to obtain regulatory approvals;
- legislative and reimbursement policy changes affecting the products we may offer or those of our competitors;
- the variability of the profit margins among the products we sell;
- our ability to expand and maintain an effective and dedicated sales force;
- pricing pressure from competitors applicable to our products;
- adverse third-party reimbursement outcomes;
- timing of new product launches, acquisitions, licenses or other significant events by us or our competitors;
- the ability of our manufacturers to timely provide us with an adequate supply of products and meet our quality requirements; and
- interruption in the manufacturing or distribution of our products.

For all the foregoing reasons, it will be difficult for us to forecast demand for our products with any degree of certainty. In addition, we will be increasing our operating expenses as we build our commercial capabilities. Accordingly, we may experience significant, unanticipated quarterly losses. Because of these factors, our operating results in one or more future quarters may fail to meet the expectations of securities analysts or investors.

## Risks Related to Our Intellectual Property and Potential Litigation

If we cannot adequately protect our patents and other intellectual property rights, we may lose market share to our competitors and be unable to operate our business profitably.

Our success depends on our ability to protect our proprietary rights to the technologies used in our products. We rely significantly on patent protection, as well as a combination of trade secrets, know-how, continuing technological innovations, strategic alliances and licensing opportunities to develop, maintain and strengthen our competitive position. We also expect to pursue a policy of generally obtaining patent protection in both the United States and abroad for patentable subject matter in our proprietary devices and attempt to review third-party patents and patent applications to the extent they become known to develop an effective patent strategy, avoid infringing third-party patents, identify licensing opportunities and monitor the patent claims of others.

We have a number of U.S. and foreign patent applications pending in spine, hip and knee reconstructive surgery. Although we have filed these patent applications, we cannot assure you that any patents may issue or that, if they issue, these patents will adequately protect our rights or permit us to gain or keep any competitive advantage.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, or USPTO, may deny or require significant narrowing of claims in our pending patent applications, and patents issued as a result of the pending patent applications, if any, may not provide us with significant commercial protection or be issued in a form that is advantageous to us. We also could incur substantial costs in proceedings before the USPTO. These proceedings could result in adverse decisions as to the priority of our inventions and the narrowing or invalidation of claims in any patents that may issue. Any U.S. and foreign patents that may be issued in the future could subsequently be successfully challenged by others and invalidated or rendered unenforceable, which could limit our ability to stop competitors from marketing and selling related products.

Both the patent application process and the process of managing patent disputes can be time-consuming and expensive. Competitors may be able to design around our patents or develop products that provide outcomes that are comparable to our products. Although we have entered into confidentiality agreements and intellectual property assignment agreements with certain of our employees, consultants and advisors as one of the ways we seek to protect our intellectual property and other proprietary technology, these agreements may not be enforceable or may not provide meaningful protection for our trade secrets or other proprietary information in the event of unauthorized use or disclosure or other breaches of the agreements. Furthermore, the laws of some foreign countries may not protect our intellectual property rights to the same extent as the laws of the United States, if at all. Since most of our pending patent applications are for the United States only, we lack a corresponding scope of patent protection in other countries. Thus, we may not be able to stop a competitor from marketing products in other countries that are similar to some of our products.

Changes to intellectual property laws may negatively impact our ability to protect our intellectual property.

Congress is considering several significant changes to the U.S. patent laws, including changing from a "first to invent" to a "first inventor to file" system, requiring that patent lawsuits be brought in the forum of the defendant, requiring the apportionment of patent damages, and creating a post-grant opposition process to challenge patents after they have issued. Further, changes to a foreign country's intellectual property laws can occur and result in a negative effect on our current rights or our ability to obtain or enforce rights in the future.

The medical device industry is characterized by patent and other intellectual property litigation, and we could become subject to litigation that could be costly, result in diverting management's time and efforts, require us to pay damages, and/or prevent us from marketing our existing or future products.

The medical device market in which we primarily participate is in large part technology-driven. Physician customers move quickly to new products and new technologies. As a result, intellectual property rights, particularly patents and trade secrets, play a significant role in product development and differentiation. However, intellectual property litigation to defend or create market advantage is inherently complex, unpredictable, time-consuming and costly. Furthermore, appellate courts frequently overturn lower court patent decisions.

In addition, competing parties frequently file multiple suits to leverage patent portfolios across product lines, technologies and geographies and to balance risk and exposure between the parties. In some cases, several competitors are parties in the same proceeding, or in a series of related proceedings, or litigate multiple features of a single class of medical devices. These forces frequently drive settlement not only of individual cases, but also of a series of pending and potentially related and unrelated cases. In addition, although monetary and injunctive relief is typically sought, remedies and restitution generally are not determined until the conclusion of the proceedings and are frequently modified on appeal. Accordingly, the outcomes of individual cases are difficult to time, predict or quantify and are often dependent upon the outcomes of other cases in other geographies.

Certain product categories, including pedicle screws, have been subject to significant patent litigation in recent years. Since we sell orthopedic and spinal devices, such as pedicle screws, knee replacement devices, and cervical plates, and we recently introduced our pedicle screw system, any related litigation could harm our business.

We also may have to take legal action in the future to protect our patents, trade secrets or know-how or to assert them against claimed infringement by others. Any legal action of that type could be costly and time-consuming, and we cannot assure you that any lawsuit will be successful. In addition, we may not have sufficient resources to enforce our intellectual property rights or to defend our patents against a challenge.

Further, we intend to protect our proprietary technology, in part, through proprietary information and inventions agreements with employees, consultants and other parties. These agreements with some of our employees and consultants generally contain standard provisions requiring those individuals to assign to the employer, without additional consideration, inventions conceived or reduced to practice by them while employed or retained by the employer, subject to customary exceptions. If any of our employees, consultants or others breach these agreements, or if these agreements are found to be unenforceable, competitors may learn of our trade secrets and proprietary information.

For the reasons indicated above, enforcing our intellectual property rights may be costly, difficult and time-consuming. Even if successful, litigation to enforce our intellectual property rights or to defend our patents against challenge could be expensive and time-consuming and could divert our management's attention.

Patent infringement lawsuits brought against us could have a material adverse affect on our ability to develop and sell our products and to operate profitably.

As the number of entrants into our market increases, the possibility of a patent infringement claim against us grows. While we make an effort to ensure that our products do not infringe other parties' patents and proprietary rights, our products and methods may be covered by patents held by our competitors. In addition, our competitors may assert that future products we may market infringe their patents.

A patent infringement suit brought against us or any strategic partners or licensees may force us or any strategic partners or licensees to stop or delay developing, using, manufacturing, importing or selling potential products that are claimed to infringe a third party's intellectual property, unless that party grants us or any strategic partners or licensees rights to use its intellectual property. In those cases, we may be required to obtain licenses to patents or proprietary rights of others in order to continue to commercialize our products. However, we may not be able to obtain any licenses required under any patents or proprietary rights of third parties on acceptable terms, or at all, and any licenses may require substantial royalties or other payments by us. Even if we, any strategic partners or licensees were able to obtain rights to the third party's intellectual property, these rights may be non-exclusive, thereby giving our competitors access to the same intellectual property. Ultimately, we may be unable to commercialize some of our potential products or may have to cease some of our business operations as a result of patent infringement claims, which could severely harm our business.

We may be subject to damages resulting from claims that we or our employees or consultants have wrongfully used or disclosed alleged trade secrets of their former employers.

Some of our employees and consultants were previously employed or engaged at universities or other medical device companies, including our competitors or potential competitors. We could in the future be subject to claims that these employees and consultants, or we, have inadvertently or otherwise used or disclosed trade secrets or other

proprietary information of their former employers. Litigation may be necessary to defend against these claims. If we fail to defend against these claims, a court could order us to pay substantial damages and prohibit us from using technologies or features that are essential to our products and processes, if these technologies or features are found to incorporate or be derived from the trade secrets or other proprietary information of the former employers. In addition, we may lose valuable intellectual property rights or personnel. A loss of key research personnel or their work product could hamper or prevent our ability to commercialize certain potential products, which could severely harm our business. Even if we are successful in defending against these claims, litigation could result in substantial costs and be a distraction to management.

Some countries may require us to grant compulsory licenses to third parties. These licenses could be extended to include some of our products or potential product, which may limit our potential revenue opportunities.

Many jurisdictions, including certain countries in Europe, have compulsory licensing laws under which a patent owner may be compelled to grant licenses to third parties. In addition, most countries limit the enforceability of patents against government agencies or government contractors. In these countries, the patent owner may be limited to monetary relief and may be unable to enjoin infringement, which could materially diminish the value of the patent. Compulsory licensing of life-saving products also is becoming increasingly popular in developing countries, either through direct legislation or international initiatives. These compulsory licenses could be extended to include some of our products or product candidates, which may limit our potential revenue opportunities.

Fluctuations in the cost and availability of insurance could adversely affect our profitability or our risk management profile.

We hold a number of insurance policies, including product liability insurance, errors and omissions insurance, directors' and officers' liability insurance, property insurance, general liability insurance, employee benefits liability and workers' compensation insurance. If the costs of maintaining adequate insurance coverage increases significantly at any time, our operating results could be materially adversely impacted. Likewise, if any of our current insurance coverage should become unavailable to us or become economically impractical, we would be required to operate our business without indemnity from commercial insurance providers.

Potential future product liability claims and other litigation, including contract litigation, may adversely affect our business, reputation and ability to attract and retain customers.

Reconstructive and spine surgery involves a high risk of serious complications, including bleeding, nerve injury, paralysis and even death. As a result, we are exposed to potential product liability claims that are inherent in the testing, manufacture and sale of medical devices for surgery procedures. Many of these medical devices are designed to be implanted in the human body for long periods of time or indefinitely. A number of factors could result in an unsafe condition or injury to, or death of, a patient with respect to these or other products that we manufacture or sell, including component failures, manufacturing flaws, design defects or inadequate disclosure of product-related risks or product-related information. These factors could result in product liability claims, a recall of one or more products or a safety alert relating to one or more products. Product liability claims may be brought by individuals or by groups seeking to represent a class.

In connection with our acquisition of the assets of Accin Corporation ("Accin") in May 2007 (through our ownership of Accelerated Innovation ("Accelerated Innovation")), one of our former subsidiaries) and as a result of the reverse merger we completed in August 2008 (the "Merger"), we assumed the responsibility for any litigation or claims related to Accin's business, including product liability claims relating to products previously sold by Accin. The outcome of litigation, particularly class action lawsuits, is difficult to assess or quantify. Plaintiffs in these lawsuits often seek recovery of very large or indeterminate amounts, including not only actual damages, but also punitive damages. The magnitude of the potential loss relating to these lawsuits may remain unknown for substantial periods of time. In addition, the cost to defend against any future litigation may be significant.

Any product liability claim brought against us, with or without merit, could result in the increase of our insurance rates or the inability to secure coverage in the future. In addition, if our product liability insurance proves to be inadequate to pay a damage award, we may have to pay the excess out of our cash reserves, which may harm our financial condition. If longer-term patient results and experience indicate that our products or any component cause

tissue damage, motor impairment or other adverse effects, we could be subject to significant liability. Finally, even a meritless or unsuccessful product liability claim could harm our reputation in the industry, lead to significant legal fees and result in diverting management's attention from managing our business.

Even if any product liability loss is covered by an insurance policy, these policies have substantial retentions or deductibles that provide that insurance proceeds are not recoverable until the losses incurred exceed the amount of those retentions or deductibles. To the extent that any losses are below these retentions or deductibles, we will be responsible for paying these losses. Paying retentions or deductibles for a significant amount of claims could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Further, it is possible that we may in the future be substantially self-insured with respect to general and product liability claims. As a result of economic factors currently impacting the insurance industry, meaningful product liability insurance coverage also may become unavailable due to its economically prohibitive cost. The absence of significant third-party insurance coverage increases potential exposure to unanticipated claims and adverse decisions. As a result, product liability claims, product recalls and other litigation in the future, regardless of their outcome, could have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations or liquidity.

Any claims relating to our making improper payments to physicians for consulting services, or other potential violations of regulations governing interactions between us and healthcare providers, could be time-consuming and costly.

Our relationship with surgeons, hospitals and the marketers of our products are subject to scrutiny under various state and federal anti-kickback, self-referral, false claims and similar laws, often referred to collectively as healthcare fraud and abuse laws. The federal anti-kickback laws prohibit unlawful inducements for the referral of business reimbursable under federally-funded health care programs, such as remuneration provided to physicians to induce them to use certain medical devices reimbursable by Medicare or Medicaid. Healthcare fraud and abuse laws are complex and subject to evolving interpretations, and even minor, inadvertent violations potentially can give rise to claims that the relevant law has been violated. Certain states in which we market our products have similar anti-kickback, anti-fee splitting and self-referral laws, imposing substantial penalties for violations. Any violations of these laws could result in a material adverse effect on the market price of our common stock, as well as our business, financial condition and results of operations. We cannot assure you that any of the healthcare fraud and abuse laws will not change or be interpreted in the future in a manner which restricts or adversely affects our business activities or relationships with surgeons, hospitals and marketers of our products. In addition, possible sanctions for violating these anti-kickback laws include monetary fines, civil and criminal penalties, exclusion from Medicare and Medicaid programs and forfeiture of amounts collected in violation of these prohibitions.

Federal anti-kickback laws and regulations prohibit any knowing and willful offer, payment, solicitation or receipt of any form of remuneration by an individual or entity in return for, or to induce:

- the referral of an individual for a service or product for which payment may be made by Medicare, Medicaid or other government-sponsored healthcare program; or
- purchasing, leasing, ordering or arranging for any service or product for which payment may be made by a government-sponsored healthcare program.

We must comply with a variety of other laws, such as laws prohibiting false claims for reimbursement under Medicare and Medicaid, which also can be triggered by violations of federal anti-kickback laws; Healthcare Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, which protects the privacy of individually identifiable healthcare information; and the Federal Trade Commission Act and similar laws regulating advertisement and consumer protections. In certain cases, federal and state authorities pursue actions for false claims on the basis that manufacturers and distributors are promoting unapproved or off-label uses of their products.

Pursuant to FDA regulations, we can market our products only for cleared or approved uses. Although surgeons are permitted to use medical devices for indications other than those cleared or approved by the FDA based on their medical judgment, we are prohibited from promoting products for those off-label uses. We market our products and provide promotional materials and training programs to surgeons regarding the use of our products. Although we

believe our marketing, promotional materials and training programs for surgeons do not constitute promotion of unapproved uses of our products, if it is determined that our marketing, promotional materials or training programs constitute promotion of unapproved uses, we could be subject to significant fines in addition to regulatory enforcement actions, including the issuance of a warning letter, injunction, seizure and criminal penalty.

The scope and enforcement of these laws is uncertain and subject to rapid change, especially in light of the lack of applicable precedent and regulations. We cannot assure you that federal or state regulatory authorities will not challenge or investigate our current or future activities under these laws. Any challenge or investigation could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. Any state or federal regulatory review of us, regardless of the outcome, would be costly and time-consuming. Additionally, we cannot predict the impact of any changes in these laws, and whether or not they will be retroactive.

#### Risks Related to Ownership of Our Common Stock

Our common stock may be thinly traded.

There is a very minimal public market for our common stock. We cannot predict how liquid the market for our common stock might become. Our common stock will likely be thinly traded compared to larger more widely known companies.

Trades of our common stock are conducted on the OTC Bulletin Board. We anticipate applying for listing of our common stock on NYSE AMEX LLC. We cannot ensure that we will be able to satisfy the listing standards of the NYSE AMEX LLC or that our common stock will be accepted for listing. Should we fail to satisfy the initial listing standards of the NYSE AMEX LLC, or our common stock is otherwise rejected for listing and remains listed on the OTC Bulletin Board or suspended from the OTC Bulletin Board, the trading price of our common stock could suffer, the trading market for our common stock may be less liquid and our common stock price may be subject to increased volatility.

Furthermore, for companies whose securities are traded in the OTC Bulletin Board, it is more difficult to obtain accurate stock quotations and raise needed capital. Also, because major wire services generally do not publish press releases about these companies, it is also more difficult for them to obtain coverage for significant news and events.

In addition, the price at which our common stock may be sold is very unpredictable because there could be very few trades in our common stock. We cannot predict the extent to which an active public market for our common stock will develop or be sustained at any time in the future. If our common stock is thinly traded, a large block of shares traded can lead to a dramatic fluctuation in the share price.

We expect that the price of our common stock will fluctuate substantially, potentially adversely affecting the ability of investors to sell their shares.

The market price of our common stock is likely to be highly volatile and subject to wide fluctuations in response to the following factors, many of which are generally beyond our control. These factors may include:

- volume and timing of orders for our products;
- the introduction of new products or product enhancements by us or our competitors;
- quarterly variations in our or our competitor's results of operations;
- announcements of technological or medical innovations for treating spine, knee and hip pathologies;
- our ability to develop, obtain regulatory clearance or approval for, and market new and enhanced products on a timely basis;
- changes in governmental regulations or in the status of our regulatory approvals, clearances or applications, including announcements of actions by the FDA or other regulatory agencies;
- changes in the availability of third-party reimbursement in the United States or other countries;
- the acquisition or divestiture of businesses, products, assets or technology;
- disputes, litigation or other developments with respect to intellectual property rights or other potential legal actions;



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- changes in earnings estimates or recommendations by securities analysts; and
- general market conditions and other factors, including factors unrelated to our operating performance or the operating performance of our competitors.

Market price fluctuations may negatively affect the ability of investors to sell our shares at consistent prices.

We may become involved in securities class action litigation that could divert management's attention and harm its business.

The stock market in general and the stocks of medical device companies in particular have experienced extreme price and volume fluctuations. These fluctuations have often been unrelated or disproportionate to the operating performance of the companies involved. If these fluctuations occur in the future, the market price of our shares could fall regardless of our operating performance. In the past, following periods of volatility in the market price of a particular company's securities, securities class action litigation has been brought against that company. If the market price or volume of our shares suffers extreme fluctuations, then we may become involved in this type of litigation which would be expensive and divert management's attention and resources from managing the business.

Securities analysts may elect not to report on our common stock or may issue negative reports that adversely affect the price of our common stock.

At this time, no securities analyst provides research coverage of our common stock. Further, securities analysts may never provide this coverage in the future. Rules mandated by the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 and other restrictions led to a number of fundamental changes in how analysts are reviewed and compensated. In particular, many investment banking firms are required to contract with independent financial analysts for their stock research. It may remain difficult for a company with a smaller market capitalization such as ours to attract independent financial analysts that will cover our common stock. If securities analysts do not cover our common stock, the lack of research coverage may adversely affect our actual and potential market price and trading volume.

The trading market for our common stock may be affected in part by the research and reports that industry or financial analysts publish about our business. If one or more analysts elect to cover our company and then downgrade the stock, the stock price would likely decline rapidly. If one or more of these analysts cease coverage of our company, we could lose visibility in the market, which in turn could cause our stock price to decline. This could have a negative effect on the market price of our shares.

Anti-takeover provisions in our charter documents and Delaware law may discourage or prevent a change in control, even if an acquisition would be beneficial to our stockholders, which could affect our stock price adversely and prevent attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our current management.

Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws contain provisions that could delay or prevent a change in control of our company or changes in our Board of Directors that our stockholders might consider favorable. Some of these provisions:

- impose limitations on our stockholders to call special stockholder meetings; and
- authorize the issuance of preferred stock which can be created and issued by the Board of Directors without prior stockholder approval, with rights senior to those of the common stock.

In addition, we are subject to the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which may prohibit certain business combinations with stockholders owning 15% or more of our outstanding voting stock. These and other provisions in our Certificate of Incorporation, our Bylaws and Delaware law could make it more difficult for stockholders or potential acquirers to obtain control of our Board of Directors or initiate actions that are opposed by our then-current Board of Directors, including to delay or impede a merger, tender offer or proxy contest involving our company. Any delay or prevention of a change in control transaction or changes in our Board of Directors could

cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

Because our common stock may be a "penny stock," it may be more difficult for investors to sell shares of our common stock, and the market price of our common stock may be adversely affected.

Our common stock may be a "penny stock" if, among other things, the stock price is below \$5.00 per share, we are not listed for trading on a national securities exchange or approved for quotation on the Nasdaq Stock Market or any other national stock exchange, or we have not met certain net tangible asset or average revenue requirements.

Broker-dealers who sell penny stocks must provide purchasers of these stocks with a standardized risk-disclosure document prepared by the SEC. This document provides information about penny stocks and the nature and level of risks involved in investing in the penny-stock market. A broker also must give a purchaser, orally or in writing, bid and offer quotations and information regarding broker and salesperson compensation, make a written determination that the penny stock is a suitable investment for the purchaser, and obtain the purchaser's written agreement to the purchase. In addition, broker-dealers must provide customers that hold penny stock in their accounts with that broker-dealer a monthly statement containing price and market information relating to the penny stock. If a penny stock is sold to an investor in violation of the penny stock rules, the investor may be able to cancel its purchase and get its money back.

If applicable, the penny stock rules may make it difficult for investors to sell their shares of our common stock. Because of the rules and restrictions applicable to a penny stock, there is less trading in penny stocks and the market price of our common stock may be adversely affected. Also, many brokers choose not to participate in penny stock transactions. Accordingly, investors may not always be able to resell their shares of our common stock publicly at times and prices that they feel are appropriate.

A significant number of shares will become eligible for future sale by our stockholders and the sale of those shares could adversely affect the stock price.

A number of our outstanding shares of common stock are eligible for resale by our stockholders. Furthermore, a significant number of additional shares will become eligible for resale beginning August 29, 2010, or sooner, as a result of the expiration of lock up provisions or other restrictions on resale. If our stockholders whose shares are, or hereafter become eligible for resale, sell or attempt to sell their stock in the public market, the trading price of our common stock could decline.

Directors, executive officers, principal stockholders and affiliated entities own a significant percentage of our capital stock, and they may make decisions that you do not consider to be in the best interests of our stockholders.

As of April 20, 2010, our directors, executive officers, principal stockholders and affiliated entities beneficially owned, in the aggregate, approximately 59.3% of our outstanding voting securities. As a result, if some or all of them acted together, they would have the ability to exert substantial influence over the election of our Board of Directors and the outcome of issues requiring approval by our stockholders. This concentration of ownership also may have the effect of delaying or preventing a change in control of our Company that may be favored by other stockholders. This could prevent transactions in which stockholders might otherwise recover a premium for their shares over current market prices.

Our stock price could decline as a result of our failure to meet reporting and other regulatory requirements.

Our management team is responsible for our operations, reporting and compliance. Our failure to comply with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, once our Company becomes subject thereto, and/or the reporting requirements and other provisions of securities laws could negatively affect our stock price and adversely affect our results of operations, cash flow and financial condition.

Operating as a small public company also requires us to make forward-looking statements about future operating results and to provide some guidance to the public markets. Our management team has limited experience serving in a

managerial capacity in a public company and as a result projections may not be made timely or set at expected performance levels and could materially affect the price of our shares. Any failure to meet published forward-looking statements that adversely affect the stock price could result in losses to investors, stockholder lawsuits or other litigation, sanctions or restrictions issued by the SEC or any stock market upon which our stock is traded.

Failure to maintain effective internal controls in accordance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act could have a material adverse effect on our business and stock price.

Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 ("Section 404") requires management's annual review and evaluation of our internal control systems. We have expended and expect to continue to expend significant resources and management time documenting and testing our internal systems and procedures. If we fail to maintain the adequacy of our internal control over financial reporting, as such standards are modified, supplemented or amended from time to time, we may not be able to ensure that we can conclude on an ongoing basis that we have effective internal control over financial reporting in accordance with Section 404. Absolute assurance also cannot be provided that testing will reveal all material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

Privately-held businesses are not subject to the same requirements for internal controls as public companies. While we intend to address any material weaknesses at acquired companies, there is no assurance that this will be accomplished. If we fail to strengthen the effectiveness of acquired companies' internal controls, we may not be able to conclude on an ongoing basis that we have effective internal control over financial reporting in accordance with Section 404. Failure to achieve and maintain an effective internal control environment could have a material adverse effect on our business and stock price.

Our status as a public company may make it more difficult to attract and retain officers and directors.

The Sarbanes-Oxley Act and new rules subsequently implemented by the SEC have required changes in corporate governance practices of public companies. As an operating public company, we expect the continued adherence to these rules and regulations will maintain or increase our compliance costs in 2010 and beyond and to make certain activities more time-consuming and costly than if we were not an operating public company. As an operating public company, we also expect that these new rules and regulations may make it more difficult and expensive for us to obtain director and officer liability insurance in the future, and we may be required to accept reduced policy limits and coverage or incur substantially higher costs to obtain the same or similar coverage. As a result, it may be more difficult for us to attract and retain qualified persons to serve on our Board of Directors or as executive officers.

Compliance with changing regulations concerning corporate governance and public disclosure may result in additional expenses.

There have been changing laws, regulations and standards relating to corporate governance and public disclosure, including the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, new regulations promulgated by the SEC and rules promulgated by the NYSE AMEX LLC and other national securities exchanges. These new or changed laws, regulations and standards are subject to varying interpretations in many cases due to their lack of specificity, and, as a result, their application in practice may evolve over time as new guidance is provided by regulatory and governing bodies, which could result in continuing uncertainty regarding compliance matters and higher costs necessitated by ongoing revisions to disclosure and governance practices. As a result, our efforts to comply with evolving laws, regulations and standards are likely to continue to result in increased general and administrative expenses and a diversion of management time and attention from revenue-generating activities to compliance activities. Our board members, Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer could face an increased risk of personal liability in connection with the performance of their duties. As a result, we may have difficulty attracting and retaining qualified board members and executive officers, which could harm our business. If our efforts to comply with new or changed laws, regulations and standards differ from the activities intended by regulatory or governing bodies, we could be subject to liability under applicable laws or our reputation may be harmed.

Stockholders may experience significant dilution if future equity offerings are used to fund operations or acquire complementary businesses.

If future operations or acquisitions are financed through issuing equity securities, stockholders could experience significant dilution. In addition, securities issued in connection with future financing activities or potential acquisitions may have rights and preferences senior to the rights and preferences of our common stock. We expect to issue additional equity securities pursuant to employee benefit plans. The issuance of shares of our common stock upon the exercise of options may result in dilution to our stockholders.

We do not intend to pay cash dividends. Any return on investment may be limited to the value of our common stock, if any.

We have never declared or paid cash dividends on our capital stock (other than certain dividends that may have been paid by CKST in or before 2005). We currently expect to use available funds and any future earnings to develop, operate and expand our business and do not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. In addition, the terms of any future debt or credit facility we may obtain may preclude us from paying any dividends. As a result, capital appreciation, if any, of our common stock will be an investor's only source of potential gain from our common stock for the foreseeable future.

Our Certificate of Incorporation grants our Board of Directors the power to designate and issue additional shares of common and/or preferred stock.

Our authorized capital consists of 750,000,000 shares of common stock and 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock. Our preferred stock may be designated into series pursuant to authority granted by our Certificate of Incorporation, and on approval from our Board of Directors. The Board of Directors, without any action by our stockholders, may designate and issue shares in classes or series as the Board of Directors deems appropriate and establish the rights, preferences and privileges of those shares, including dividends, liquidation and voting rights. The rights of holders of other classes or series of stock that may be issued could be superior to the rights of holders of our common shares. The designation and issuance of shares of capital stock having preferential rights could adversely affect other rights appurtenant to shares of our common stock. Furthermore, any issuances of additional stock (common or preferred) will dilute the percentage of ownership interest of then-current holders of our capital stock and may dilute our book value per share.

FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Some of the statements in this prospectus are "forward-looking statements," as that term is defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements may be identified by the use of words such as "may," "will," "should," "anticipate," "estimate," "expect," "plan," "believe," "predict," "potential," "project," "target," "forecast," "intend," "assume," "guide," "seek" and similar expressions. Forward-looking statements do not relate strictly to historical or current matters. Rather, forward-looking statements are predictive in nature and may depend upon or refer to future events, activities or conditions. Although we believe that these statements are based upon reasonable assumptions, we cannot provide any assurances regarding future results. We undertake no obligation to revise or update any forward-looking statements, or to make any other forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Because forward-looking statements relate to matters that have not yet occurred, these statements are inherently subject to risks and uncertainties. Many factors could cause our actual activities or results to differ materially from the activities and results anticipated in forward-looking statements. Information regarding our risk factors appears in "Risk Factors" beginning on page 3, which include, but are not limited to, the following:

- We may need to raise additional funds in the future to fund our operations and research, and these funds may not be available on acceptable terms, if at all.
- We expect to incur significant losses, either directly or indirectly through the companies in which we develop our products, for at least the next fiscal year, and we cannot assure you that we will ever be profitable.
- We have a limited number of products currently available for sale and there is a high risk that our research and development efforts might not successfully generate any viable product candidates in the future.
- Healthcare policy changes, including recently enacted legislation reforming the U.S. healthcare system, may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.
- Cost containment measures, pressure from our competitors and availability of medical reimbursement may impact our ability to sell our products at prices necessary to expand our operations and reach profitability.
- Sales of our products will depend on the availability of adequate reimbursement from third-party payors (such as governmental programs, for example, Medicare and Medicaid, private insurance plans and managed care programs), both in terms of the sales volumes and prices of our products.
- Legislative or administrative reforms to the U.S. or international reimbursement systems in a manner that significantly reduces reimbursement for procedures using our medical devices or denies coverage for those procedures could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.
- We must convince orthopedic and spine surgeons that our products are an attractive alternative to existing surgical treatments of orthopedic and spine disorders.
- Hospitals, surgeons, distributors and agents may have existing relationships with other medical device companies that make it difficult for us to establish new relationships with them. As a result, we may not be able to sell and market our products effectively.
- Our business plan relies on certain assumptions about the market for our products, which, if incorrect, may adversely affect our business and profitability.
- We expect to face significant competition as a result of the rapid technological changes in the medical devices industry, which could have an adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.
- We rely on single source manufacturers, which could impair our ability to meet demand for delivering our products in a timely manner or within our budget.
- Loss of any major customer could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.
- Our growth will depend on developing new products or product enhancements, requiring significant research and development, clinical trials and regulatory approvals, all of which are expensive and time-consuming and may not result in a commercially viable product.
- If we choose to grow our business by acquiring new and complementary businesses, products or technologies, we may be unable to complete these acquisitions or successfully integrate them in a cost-effective and non-disruptive manner.

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- We rely on our independent sales distributors and sales representatives to market and sell our products.
- We are dependent on the services of Andrew A. Brooks, M.D. and Michael Kvitnitsky, and the loss of either of them could harm our business.
- Failure to attract and retain skilled personnel and cultivate key academic collaborations will delay product development programs and business development efforts.
- If conflicts arise between collaborators or advisors and us, any of these parties may act in its self-interest, which may be adverse to our interests and the interests of our stockholders.
- If we fail to properly manage our anticipated growth, our business could suffer.
- If we fail to upgrade our management information systems, or if those systems do not operate as expected, we could experience significant disruption of our business and product developments and our results could suffer.
- If a natural or man-made disaster strikes a facility in which our products are manufactured, we could be unable to deliver our products for a substantial amount of time and our sales could decline.
- If we decide to market and sell our devices and products internationally, we would be subject to various risks relating to our international activities, which could negatively impact our business and financial results.
- We are subject to substantial governmental regulation that could change and thus force us to make modifications to how we develop, manufacture and price our products. Compliance with the various complex laws and regulations is costly and time consuming, and failure to comply can have adverse consequences on our business.
- Federal regulatory reforms may adversely affect our ability to sell our products profitably.
- We have not yet collected long-term clinical data to support the safety of our products, and our products may, therefore, prove to be less safe and effective than initially thought.
- The FDA requires us to obtain new Section 510(k) clearances or premarket approvals for modifications to our approved products. Otherwise, we may have to cease marketing, or to recall, the modified products until clearances are obtained.
- If we or our third-party manufacturers fail to comply with the FDA's Quality System Regulations, the manufacture of our products could be interrupted and our product sales and operating results could suffer.
- Some proponents have advocated the creation of a national database or registry that tracks how patients with artificial joints fare. Any requirement for surgeons to participate in such a registry may adversely affect our ability to sell our products profitably.
- We are an orthopedic medical device company with a limited operating history and our business may not become profitable.
- Our quarterly financial results are likely to fluctuate significantly because our sales prospects are uncertain and our sales are difficult to forecast.
- If we cannot adequately protect our patents and other intellectual property rights, we may lose market share to our competitors and be unable to operate our business profitably.
- Changes to intellectual property laws may negatively impact our ability to protect our intellectual property.
- The medical device industry is characterized by patent and other intellectual property litigation, and we could become subject to litigation that could be costly, result in diverting management's time and efforts, require us to pay damages, and/or prevent us from marketing our existing or future products.
- Patent infringement lawsuits brought against us could have a material adverse affect on our ability to develop and sell our products and to operate profitably.
- We may be subject to damages resulting from claims that we or our employees or consultants have wrongfully used or disclosed alleged trade secrets of their former employers.
- Some countries may require us to grant compulsory licenses to third parties. These licenses could be extended to include some of our products or potential product, which may limit our potential revenue opportunities.
- Fluctuations in the cost and availability of insurance could adversely affect our profitability or our risk management profile.
- Potential future product liability claims and other litigation, including contract litigation, may adversely affect our business, reputation and ability to attract and retain customers.

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- Any claims relating to our making improper payments to physicians for consulting services, or other potential violations of regulations governing interactions between us and healthcare providers, could be time-consuming and costly.
- Our common stock may be thinly traded.
- We expect that the price of our common stock will fluctuate substantially, potentially adversely affecting the ability of investors to sell their shares.
- We may become involved in securities class action litigation that could divert management's attention and harm its business.
- Securities analysts may elect not to report on our common stock or may issue negative reports that adversely affect the price of our common stock.
- Anti-takeover provisions in our charter documents and Delaware law may discourage or prevent a change in control, even if an acquisition would be beneficial to our stockholders, which could affect our stock price adversely and prevent attempts by our stockholders to replace or remove our current management.
- Because our common stock may be a "penny stock," it may be more difficult for investors to sell shares of our common stock, and the market price of our common stock may be adversely affected.
- A significant number of shares will become eligible for future sale by our stockholders and the sale of those shares could adversely affect the stock price.
- Directors, executive officers, principal stockholders and affiliated entities own a significant percentage of our capital stock, and they may make decisions that you do not consider to be in the best interests of our stockholders.
- Our stock price could decline as a result of our failure to meet reporting and other regulatory requirements.
- Failure to maintain effective internal controls in accordance with Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act could have a material adverse effect on our business and stock price.
- Our status as a public company may make it more difficult to attract and retain officers and directors.
- Compliance with changing regulations concerning corporate governance and public disclosure may result in additional expenses.
- Stockholders may experience significant dilution if future equity offerings are used to fund operations or acquire complementary businesses.
- We do not intend to pay cash dividends. Any return on investment may be limited to the value of our common stock, if any.
- Our Certificate of Incorporation grants our Board of Directors the power to designate and issue additional shares of common and/or preferred stock.

Additional information concerning these risk factors can be found in "Risk Factors" beginning on page 3. Forward-looking statements in this prospectus should be evaluated in light of these important factors.

### USE OF PROCEEDS

We are registering these shares pursuant to registration rights granted to the selling stockholders. We are not selling any securities under this prospectus and we will not receive any proceeds from the sale by the selling stockholders of their common stock. If and when the placement agent exercises any placement agent warrants, we will receive the amount of the exercise price unless the warrants are exercised on a cashless basis. The Placement Agent Warrants are for the purchase of 575,613 shares of the Company's common stock, the number that is equivalent to six percent (6%) of the number of shares of common stock sold in the transaction to Approved Investors, at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share. If all of the Placement Agent Warrants are exercised, the Company would receive approximately \$253,270 in cash, unless any of the Placement Agent Warrants are exercised on a cashless basis. We expect that any proceeds which we receive from the exercise of the Placement Agent Warrants will be used for working capital and general corporate purposes.

### DILUTION

The common stock to be sold by the selling stockholders is common stock that is currently issued and outstanding. Accordingly, there will be no dilution to our existing stockholders in connection with the offer and sale by the selling stockholders of common stock currently issued and outstanding.

However, 575,613 shares of common stock underlying the placement agent warrants are also being registered pursuant to this registration statement. Such shares are not currently issued and outstanding. If any of the placement agent warrants to purchase 575,613 shares of common stock are exercised, our stockholders may experience a reduction in their ownership interest in the Company, however such reduction would not be material.

### SELLING STOCKHOLDERS

Except as otherwise indicated, the following table sets forth certain information with respect to the beneficial ownership of our common stock including the names of the selling stockholders, the number of shares of common stock known by the Company to be owned beneficially by the selling stockholders as of April 20, 2010, the number of shares of our common stock that may be offered by the selling stockholders pursuant to this prospectus, the number of shares owned by the selling stockholders after completion of the offering and the percentage of shares to be owned by the selling stockholders after completion of the offering. Except for Frost Gamma Investments Trust, the Company knows of no selling stockholder that will own more than 1% of our outstanding common stock after the sale of shares owned by such selling stockholder. After completion of the sale of the shares owned by Frost Gamma Investments Trust and offered by this prospectus, Frost Gamma Investments Trust would beneficially own 31,822,339 shares of common stock, representing 13.82% of our outstanding common stock, assuming no warrants are exercised by the placement agent, and 13.78% of the common stock, assuming all of the warrants held by the placement agent are exercised. The table has been prepared based upon a review of Exchange Act filings related to the Company and additional information furnished to us by or on behalf of the selling stockholders.

Name of Selling Stockholder

Name of Selling Stockholder	Shares of Stock Owned Prior to Offering	Shares of Stock to be Offered for the Selling Stockholder's Account	Shares of Stock to be Owned by the Selling Stockholder After Completion of the Offering	Percent of the Common Stock to be Owned by the Selling Stockholder After Completion of the Offering

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Alan Mandel

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Alan Mandel

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Andrew Moon

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Barry Fine

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Bassan Investments LLC

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Benjamin Kaminash

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Bruce Pollack	
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Canyon State Masonry Inc	
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Chanel Gold Enterprise	
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Charles David Stadterman	
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Matthew Coffin TR UA 10/07/08 Coffin Family Trust	
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Cyrus Hadidi	
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David C Blatte	
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David Mittler	
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David H Shepard TR UA 01/02/02 David Haspel Shepard Rev Liv Trust	
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David Thalheim	
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	100,000
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Dominguez Investments	
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Donald S Shepard	
	142,857
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Joseph S. Levy TR UA 06/17/98 Dr Joseph S Levy Rev Liv Trust	
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Ed Baroody	57,142	57,142	0	0.00%
Edward C Gomez	142,857	142,857	0	0.00%
Frost Gamma Investments Trust	33,250,911	1,428,572	31,822,339	13.82%
George & Son Partners 2008-1 LLP	94,285	94,285	0	0.00%
Gilbert Hooper & Danielle Hooper JT TEN	71,428	71,428	0	0.00%
Glenn Marshak	71,428	71,428	0	0.00%
Gregory Schroeder & Silvia Schroeder TR UA 05/10/05 Gregory & Silvia Schroeder Fam Trust	85,714	85,714	0	0.00%
Hank Yunes & Marci Yunes JT TEN	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Hugo Reiter & Arlene Reiter JT TEN	300,000	300,000	0	0.00%
Ingrid K Pelerin TR UA 09/13/96 Ingrid K Pelerin Rev Liv Trust	71,428	71,428	0	0.00%
Ira Levy	71,428	71,428	0	0.00%
J & C Johnstone Family Limited Partnership	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Jack Parks	57,142	57,142	0	0.00%
Jacqueline Simkin TTEE Amended & Restated DTD 12/16/03 Jacqueline Simkin Trust	2,545,510	285,714	2,259,796	*
James J Bischoff & Lucinda G Bischoff TR UA 02/02/87 James & Lucinda Bischoff Fam Liv Trust	71,428	71,428	0	0.00%
Jason Hirzel & Kelly Hirzel JT TEN	285,714	285,714	0	0.00%
Jay R Flackoff	30,000	30,000	0	0.00%
Jay G Goldman	142,857	142,857	0	0.00%
Irv Goldman TR UA 04/24/95 Jay Goldman & Stephanie Goldman Irrev Trust	142,857	142,857	0	0.00%
Jiansheng Zhao	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Jim Miller	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Joe Hadden	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
John Ritchie & Christine Ritchie JT TEN	285,714	285,714	0	0.00%
John Radtke	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Jorge Wolf	300,000	300,000	0	0.00%
Josh Berman	142,857	142,857	0	0.00%
Joshua Mandel	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Lester Pollack	405,030	71,428	333,602 <sup>(1)</sup>	*
Lonnie Ogulnick & Dara Ogulnick JT TEN	57,142	57,142	0	0.00%

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Louis Olivia and Stacy Olivia JT TEN	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Michael Sinel	142,857	142,857	0	0.00%
Mike Miller	71,428	71,428	0	0.00%
Next View Capital LP	857,143	857,143	0	0.00%
Paul Musschoot	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Phillip George & Daughter Partners 2008-1 LLP	94,285	94,285	0	0.00%
Phillip T George	458,707	97,142	361,565	*
Portal Ventures LLC	2,000,000	2,000,000	0	0.00%

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Richard Paz & Dalit Paz JT TEN	57,142	57,142	0	0.00%
Richard J Rosenstock	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Richard Paul Yurich TR UA 06/11/08 The Richard Paul Yurich Rev Liv Trust	285,714	285,714	0	0.00%
Rick Miner	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Robert Margolis & Elizabeth Margolis JT TEN	285,714	285,714	0	0.00%
Robert Bergmann	405,033	71,428	333,605 <sup>(1)</sup>	*
Robert H Hartley	142,857	142,857	0	0.00%
Robert Halm	57,142	57,142	0	0.00%
Robert Sudack	40,000	40,000	0	0.00%
Scoggin Capital Management LP II	1,428,571	1,428,571	0	0.00%
Scoggin International Fund Ltd	1,428,571	1,428,571	0	0.00%
Shari Notowitz	71,428	71,428	0	0.00%
Tevis Margolis	71,428	71,428	0	0.00%
VED Software Services	28,571	28,571	0	0.00%
Virginia Myers & Ernie Myers JT TEN	285,714	285,714	0	0.00%
Wendy F Lumish	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
W R Everett & Kathleen Everett JT TEN	100,000	100,000	0	0.00%
Yukiyo Matsumura & Machi Liu JT TEN	200,000	200,000	0	0.00%
Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. Inc.	575,613	575,613	0	0.00%

\* Less than 1%.

(1) The stockholder was a member of CP Cardio LLC which previously owned 2,001,615 shares of the Company. The shares were distributed to the members of CP Cardio LLC.

None of the selling stockholders has, or within the past three years has had, any position, office or material relationship with us or any of our predecessors or affiliates except as follows:

In consideration for investment banking services rendered to us by Ladenburg Thalmann & Co. Inc. ("Ladenburg"), as placement agent for the private placement offering, we issued to Ladenburg warrants to purchase 575,613 shares of the Company's common stock, a number of shares that is equivalent to six percent (6%) of the number of shares of common stock sold in the private placement to Approved Investors, at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share. The services rendered by Ladenburg included serving as financial advisor to the Company in connection with raising equity and equity related capital for the Company. The warrants have an exercise price of \$0.44 per share and a term of five years.

Frost Gamma Investments Trust is a 10% owner of the Company. Frost Gamma Investments Trust owned 33,250,911 shares of common stock of the Company prior to the offering. The Company sold 1,428,572 shares of common stock of the Company for the account of Frost Gamma Investments Trust. Frost Gamma Investments Trust owns 31,822,339 shares of common stock or 13.78% percent of the Company after completion of the offering.

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Lonnie Ogulnick owns stock in the Company as Lonnie Ogulnick & Dara Ogulnick JT TEN. Lonnie Ogulnick is a registered financial advisor with Ladenburg and Managing Director of Ladenburg Thalmann Private Client Services.

Richard Rosenstock owns stock in the Company as Richard J Rosenstock. Richard Rosenstock is a registered broker with Ladenburg and a director of Ladenburg Thalmann Financial Services.

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We are registering the shares of common stock to permit the resale of these shares of common stock by the holders of the common stock from time to time after the date of this prospectus. However, we will receive gross proceeds of up to approximately \$253,270 from the issuance of shares of common stock being registered pursuant to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part in connection with the exercise of the placement agent warrants, if and when they are exercised, unless such warrants are exercised on a cashless basis. We will not receive any of the proceeds from the sale by the selling stockholders of the shares of common stock. We will bear all fees and expenses incident to our obligation to register the shares of common stock.

The selling stockholders may sell all or a portion of the shares of common stock beneficially owned by them and offered hereby from time to time directly or through one or more underwriters, broker-dealers or agents. If the shares of common stock are sold through underwriters or broker-dealers, the selling stockholders will be responsible for underwriting discounts or commissions or agent's commissions. The shares of common stock may be sold in one or more transactions at fixed prices, at prevailing market prices at the time of the sale, at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or at negotiated prices. These sales may be effected in transactions, which may involve crosses or block transactions,

- on any national securities exchange or quotation service on which the securities may be listed or quoted at the time of sale;
- in the over-the-counter market;
- in transactions otherwise than on these exchanges or systems or in the over-the-counter market;
- through the writing of options, whether such options are listed on an options exchange or otherwise;
- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which the broker-dealer solicits purchasers;
- block trades in which the broker-dealer will attempt to sell the shares as agent but may position and resell a portion of the block as principal to facilitate the transaction;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its account;
- an exchange distribution in accordance with the rules of the applicable exchange;
- privately negotiated transactions;
- sales pursuant to Rule 144;
- broker-dealers may agree with the selling securityholders to sell a specified number of such shares at a stipulated price per share;
- a combination of any such methods of sale; and
- any other method permitted pursuant to applicable law.

If the selling stockholders effect such transactions by selling shares of common stock to or through underwriters, broker-dealers or agents, such underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may receive commissions in the form of discounts, concessions or commissions from the selling stockholders or commissions from purchasers of the shares of common stock for whom they may act as agent or to whom they may sell as principal (which discounts, concessions

or commissions as to particular underwriters, broker-dealers or agents may be in excess of those customary in the types of transactions involved). In connection with sales of the shares of common stock or otherwise, the selling stockholders may enter into hedging transactions with broker-dealers, which may in turn

engage in short sales of the shares of common stock in the course of hedging in positions they assume. The selling stockholders may also sell shares of common stock short and deliver shares of common stock covered by this prospectus to close out short positions and to return borrowed shares in connection with such short sales. The selling stockholders may also loan or pledge shares of common stock to broker-dealers that in turn may sell such shares.

The selling stockholders may pledge or grant a security interest in some or all of the shares of common stock owned by them and, if they default in the performance of their secured obligations, the pledgees or secured parties may offer and sell the shares of common stock from time to time pursuant to this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus under applicable provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, amending, if necessary, the list of selling stockholders to include the pledgee, transferee or other successors in interest as selling stockholders under this prospectus. The selling stockholders also may transfer and donate the shares of common stock in other circumstances in which case the transferees, donees, pledgees or other successors in interest will be the selling beneficial owners for purposes of this prospectus.

The selling stockholders and any broker-dealer participating in the distribution of the shares of common stock may be deemed to be "underwriters" within the meaning of the Securities Act, and any commission paid, or any discounts or concessions allowed to, any such broker-dealer may be deemed to be underwriting commissions or discounts under the Securities Act. At the time a particular offering of the shares of common stock is made, a prospectus supplement, if required, will be distributed which will set forth the aggregate amount of shares of common stock being offered and the terms of the offering, including the name or names of any broker-dealers or agents, any discounts, commissions and other terms constituting compensation from the selling stockholders and any discounts, commissions or concessions allowed or reallocated or paid to broker-dealers.

Under the securities laws of some states, the shares of common stock may be sold in such states only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers. In addition, in some states the shares of common stock may not be sold unless such shares have been registered or qualified for sale in such state or an exemption from registration or qualification is available and is complied with.

There can be no assurance that any selling stockholder will sell any or all of the shares of common stock registered pursuant to this registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part.

The selling stockholders and any other person participating in such distribution will be subject to applicable provisions of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder, including, without limitation, Regulation M of the Exchange Act, which may limit the timing of purchases and sales of any of the shares of common stock by the selling stockholders and any other participating person. Regulation M may also restrict the ability of any person engaged in the distribution of the shares of common stock to engage in market-making activities with respect to the shares of common stock. All of the foregoing may affect the marketability of the shares of common stock and the ability of any person or entity to engage in market-making activities with respect to the shares of common stock.

We will pay all expenses of the registration of the shares of common stock pursuant to the registration rights agreement, estimated to be \$70,624 in total, including, without limitation, Securities and Exchange Commission filing fees and expenses of compliance with state securities or "blue sky" laws; provided, however, that a selling stockholder will pay all underwriting discounts and selling commissions, if any. We will indemnify the selling stockholders against liabilities, including some liabilities under the Securities Act, in accordance with the registration rights agreements, or the selling stockholders will be entitled to contribution. We may be indemnified by the selling stockholders against civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, that may arise from any written information furnished to us by the selling stockholder specifically for use in this prospectus, in accordance with the related registration rights agreement, or we may be entitled to contribution.

Once sold under this registration statement, of which this prospectus forms a part, the shares of common stock will be freely tradable in the hands of persons other than our affiliates.

The Company appointed Ladenburg as the Company's exclusive placement agent for the private placement offering. There is a common principal stockholder of both the Company and of Ladenburg. Furthermore, certain senior

managers of the placement agent are stockholders of the Company. After reviewing all information related to the transaction between the Company and Ladenburg, a potential related party transaction, the Company's Audit Committee approved the related party transaction. Ladenburg, as the placement agent, for acting in such capacity for the shares of common stock offered in the private placement offering, received: (i) a cash commission equal to eight percent (8%) of the gross proceeds from the offering that was received from Approved Investors; (ii) a cash non-accountable expense allowance equal to one percent (1%) of the gross proceeds of the offering to Approved Investors; (iii) reimbursement of Ladenburg's out-of-pocket expenses related to the offering, including its legal fees and expenses up to \$40,000; and (iv) the issuance to Ladenburg of warrants to purchase 575,613 shares of common stock equal to six percent (6%) of the number of shares sold in the offering to Approved Investors, at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share.

#### DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED

Our authorized capital stock consists of 750,000,000 shares of common stock, with a par value of \$0.001 per share and 50,000,000 shares of preferred stock.

##### Common Stock

As of April 20, 2010, there were 230,293,141 shares of our common stock issued and outstanding, held by 262 stockholders of record. Holders of common stock are entitled to (i) one vote for each share at all meetings of stockholders, (ii) receive, subject to the prior rights of holders, if any, of outstanding stock having prior rights as to dividends, dividends as may be declared by the Board of Director, and (iii) subject to the prior rights of holders, if any, of outstanding stock having prior rights as to asset distributions, our remaining assets upon liquidation, dissolution or winding up of our company. The holders of common stock have no preemptive or other subscription or conversion rights. There are no redemption or sinking fund provisions applicable to the common stock. All shares of common stock now outstanding are fully paid and nonassessable.

In conjunction with first tranche and the second tranche of the private placement that closed on October 27, 2009 and November 13, 2009 respectively, Cardo Medical, Inc. issued to the placement agent warrants to purchase 575,613 shares of the Company's common stock, at an exercise price of \$0.44 per share. The Placement Agent Warrants expire on November 13, 2014. The shares of the Company's common stock underlying the Placement Agent Warrants are being registered under the registration statement of which this prospectus constitutes a part.

##### Preferred Stock

As of April 20, 2010, there were no shares of our preferred stock currently issued and outstanding.

Our Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws contain provisions that could delay or prevent a change in control of our Company or changes in our Board of Directors that our stockholders might consider favorable. Some of these provisions:

- impose limitations on our stockholders to call special stockholder meetings; and
- authorize the issuance of preferred stock which can be created and issued by the Board of Directors without prior stockholder approval, with rights senior to those of the common stock.

In addition, we are subject to the provisions of Section 203 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, which may prohibit certain business combinations with stockholders owning 15% or more of our outstanding voting stock. These and other provisions in our Certificate of Incorporation, our Bylaws and Delaware law could make it more difficult for stockholders or potential acquirers to obtain control of our Board of Directors or initiate actions that are opposed by our then-current Board of Directors, including to delay or impede a merger, tender offer or proxy contest involving

our Company. Any delay or prevention of a change in control transaction or changes in our Board of Directors could cause the market price of our common stock to decline.

Our common stock is quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board under the trading symbol "CDOM.OB".

#### INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL

None

#### INFORMATION WITH RESPECT TO THE REGISTRANT

##### Description of Business

The following business description should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto appearing elsewhere in this registration statement.

##### Organization

##### Overview

Cardo Medical, Inc. ("Cardo", the "Company", "we", "us" or "our") is an orthopedic medical device company specializing in designing, developing and marketing high performance reconstructive joint devices and spinal surgical devices. Reconstructive joint devices are used to replace knee, hip and other joints that have deteriorated through disease or injury. Spinal surgical devices involve products to stabilize the spine for fusion and reconstructive procedures. Within these areas, we are focused on developing surgical devices, instrumentation and techniques that will enable surgeons to move what are typically inpatient surgical procedures to the outpatient world. We commercialize our reconstructive joint devices through our Reconstructive division and our spine devices through our Spine division.

In December 2006, we initiated a limited release and began sales of the Align 360™ unicompartmental knee device, a partial knee resurfacing device for the medial or lateral part of the knee. Since then, we have received approval under Section 510(k) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act ("Section 510(k)") for the following:

- Uniquely instrumented patellofemoral arthroplasty, a resurfacing device for the back of the kneecap and distal femur;
- Total knee system which has both a posterior cruciate sacrificing as well as a posterior cruciate sparing component design;
- Total hip replacement system along with its monopolar and bipolar hip systems; and
- Spinal lumbar fusion system and its cervical plate and screw systems.

##### Nature of Business

We develop and distribute high performance reconstructive orthopedic and spinal surgery products to various medical organizations. We are focused on moving surgical procedures which have been traditionally performed in a hospital inpatient environment to an outpatient setting by providing better instrumentation, which encourages facile surgical techniques and less intimidation to surgeons. We work in small, focused development teams in conjunction with leading surgeons to rapidly develop products from conception to launch. We launched and commenced clinical usage on a limited basis of our first product, a high performance, unicompartmental knee replacement, in late 2006. We have continued an aggressive and focused research and development program to fill out our product portfolio since our uni-knee introduction. We have developed a complete line of FDA-approved and market ready knee reconstruction and total hip product lines which promote unique procedural innovations. Additionally, we now have an FDA

approved, competitive portfolio of products for cervical and lumbar fusion surgery. Our spine division has a robust pipeline of novel products at various stages of development for future release. Counter to traditional innovation companies, we are focused on procedural innovations where often the technique is developed first with novel instrumentation and a simpler surgical approach, with the implant being developed secondarily.

See Note 16 to our consolidated financial statements included in this Prospectus for information regarding our operating segments.

## Products

The following is a listing of our current products:

### Knee Portfolio

Our knee portfolio has been designed to create a system which allows surgeons to view knee procedures as a "remodeling" of the joint. The surgeon can choose to remodel either the medial or lateral compartment, the patellofemoral joint, a combination thereof, or a full knee "remodeling". Our full knee system is bone conserving and thin which creates an aesthetically pleasing x-ray. We expect to release a simple and novel patient specific instrumentation approach by the fourth quarter of this year.

- *Align 360™ Unicompartmental Knee System* - A uniquely instrumented high performance partial knee replacement that allows resurfacing of either the medial or lateral compartments of the knee. This product promotes the consistent balancing of the flexion and extension gaps for unicompartmental knee surgery. The system reduces intimidation factor for new surgeons, is simple to utilize, creates an easy and reproducible outcome without any capital cost outlays by the hospital to allow surgeons to perform this procedure.
- *Align 360™ Patellofemoral System* - A uniquely instrumented and novel patellofemoral system that allows resurfacing of the patellofemoral joint. This product is an anatomic system that addresses the disease of the patellofemoral joint. The instrumentation system for this is novel, simple, reproducible and reduces intimidation factor for surgeons. The patellofemoral system is designed to work in conjunction with our unicompartmental system which allows surgeons to address patients with bi-compartmental disease by preserving ligaments, both anterior and posterior cruciate ligaments.
- *Align 360™ Total Knee System* - A uniquely instrumented high performance total knee system consisting of posterior-stabilized and cruciate retaining femoral components. We expect to release a simple, elegant and novel approach to patient specific instruments by Q4 2010.

### Hip Portfolio

- *Cardo Total Hip System* - A taperloc type of hip system that allows replacement of the ball and socket of the hip joint. This product offers a dual taper hip design for total hip arthroplasty complemented by our Bipolar and Monopolar Hip Systems for hip fracture applications.
- *Cardo Bipolar Hip System* - A bipolar hip that allows replacement of the ball of the hip from either fracture, tumors or reconstruction from some other type of pathology.
- *Cardo Monopolar Hip System* - A monopolar hip that allows replacement of the ball of the hip from either fracture, tumors or reconstruction from some other type of pathology.

### Spinal Product Line

- *Cardo Lumbar Pedicle Screw/Rod System* - A pedicle screw and rod system for instrumentation of lumbar spine fusion incorporating an evolutionary locking mechanism allowing for high screw angulation.
- *Cardo Cervical Plate/Screw System* - An innovative low-profile system for cervical spine fusion incorporating an integrated, floating tapered-ring locking mechanism to simplify surgical procedure.



- *Cardo Intervertebral System* - A PEEK system offering uniquely wide openings to allow for optimal bone graft delivery and fusion.

Our products listed above have received Section 510(k) approval. We have a number of earlier stage research and development projects underway, some of which have received Section 510(k) approval and others that may be submitted for regulatory approval in the future. Several projects within our pipeline involve alternative bearing surfaces for arthroplasty.

## Orthopedic Industry

According to the 2008-2009 Orthopaedic Industry Annual Report published by Orthoworld, Inc., which we refer to herein as the Industry Annual Report, the worldwide market for orthopedic products in 2008 was estimated to be \$35.7 billion, representing an 9.9% increase from the previous year. According to this report, more than 90 percent of joint replacements are performed on people over the age of 45. With a predicted growth of three percent for the elderly population (65+) and a similar growth rate among those aged 45-64, the report suggests that demographics alone will drive growth in the global orthopedic industry. We also believe that the orthopedic industry will continue to grow due to an increasingly older population and extended life spans in the United States and other developed countries worldwide.

According to the Industry Annual Report, the world's seven largest joint replacement companies (and the only ones with global joint replacement sales in excess of \$200 million) - Zimmer, Johnson & Johnson, Stryker, Smith & Nephew, Biomet, Wright Medical and Aesculap - generated 91% of hip, knee, shoulder and other joint product sales in 2008. We believe that the size of these companies often leads them to concentrate their marketing and research and development efforts on products that they believe will have a relatively high minimum threshold level of sales. As a result, there is an opportunity for a smaller orthopedic company, such as ours, to focus on smaller, higher-growth sectors of the orthopedic market, while still offering a comprehensive product line to address the needs of its customers in a customized and interactive fashion.

Orthopedic devices are commonly divided into several primary sectors corresponding to the major subspecialties within the orthopedic field: reconstruction, trauma, arthroscopy, spine and biologics. Management's initial focus is on innovation related to reconstructive joint devices and spinal products, as discussed below.

## Reconstructive Joint Device Market

Most reconstructive joint devices are used to replace or repair joints that have deteriorated as a result of disease or injury. Despite the availability of non-surgical treatment alternatives such as oral medications, injections and joint fluid supplementation, severe cases of disease or injury often require reconstructive joint surgery.

Reconstructive joint surgery involves modifying the bone area surrounding the affected joint and inserting one or more manufactured components, and also may involve using bone cement.

The reconstructive joint device market is generally divided into the areas of hips, knees and extremities. According to the Industry Annual Report, it is estimated that the worldwide reconstructive joint device market had sales of approximately \$12.7 billion in 2008, an increase of nearly 10% over sales in 2007, with hip and knee reconstruction representing the largest sectors.

## Knee Reconstruction

. The knee joint involves the surfaces of three distinct bones: the lower end of the femur, or thigh bone, the upper end of the tibia, or shin bone, and the patella, or kneecap. Cartilage on any of these surfaces can be damaged due to disease or injury, leading to pain and inflammation requiring knee reconstruction. According to the Industry Annual Report, knee reconstruction was the largest sector of the reconstructive joint

device market in 2008, with estimated sales of approximately \$6.5 billion worldwide.

One of the major trends in knee reconstruction includes the use of minimally invasive techniques to accomplish reconstructive goals with less damage to surrounding soft tissues. Our uni-compartmental device has been designed to be inserted through small incision surgery with an innovative instrumentation approach. Our design approach was to develop an innovative instrumentation system to improve and simplify surgical technique for a clinically proven

implant concept. We believe that our system allows the surgeon to simply and reproducibly balance both flexion and extension gaps. This is a general approach we plan to continue with our other products.

#### Hip Reconstruction.

The hip joint is a ball-and-socket joint that enables the large range of motion that the hip performs in daily life. The hip joint is most commonly replaced due to degeneration of the cartilage between the head of the femur (the ball) and the acetabulum or hollow portion of the pelvis (the socket). This degeneration causes pain, stiffness and a reduction in hip mobility. According to the Industry Annual Report, it is estimated that the worldwide hip reconstruction market had sales of approximately \$5.4 billion in 2008.

Similar to the knee reconstruction market, major trends in hip replacement procedures and implants are to extend implant life and to preserve bone stock for possible future procedures. New products have been developed that incorporate advances in bearing surfaces from the traditional polyethylene surface. These alternative bearing surfaces include metal-on-metal, cross-linked polyethylene and ceramic-on-ceramic combinations, which exhibit improved wear characteristics and lead to longer implant life. In addition to advances in bearing surfaces, implants that preserve more natural bone have been developed in order to minimize surgical trauma and recovery time for patients. These implants, known as bone-conserving implants, leave more of the hip bones intact, which may be beneficial given the likelihood of future revision replacement procedures as the average patient's lifetime increases. Bone-conserving procedures are intended to enable patients to delay their first total hip procedure and may significantly increase the time from the first procedure to the time when a revision replacement implant is required. Our hip product portfolio, currently consisting of three products, is focused on improving the surgical techniques for bone-conservative procedures. These products integrate implant designs that are based on predicate devices (i.e., a device with a similar design that has already received clearance) with successful long-term clinical histories. We are actively engaged in several research and development efforts to develop better instrumentation for less traumatic surgeries, improved component designs and bearing surfaces to increase longevity of our devices.

#### Spine Market

Back and neck pain is one of the leading causes of healthcare expenditures in the United States, with a direct cost of approximately \$86 billion annually for diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation, according to an article published in The Journal of the American Medical Association (published February 13, 2008). According to the Industry Annual Report, sales of spine products in the U.S. market for 2008 totaled \$4.6 billion and \$6.5 billion worldwide, an increase of 13% in global revenues over 2007. This report continues to state that growth in the last two years has slowed dramatically from the 20+ percent increases experienced in the early 2000's and for the first quarter of 2009, growth does not appear to have picked up.

The spine consists of vertebrae, which are 29 separate bones connecting the skull to the pelvis. The vertebrae are joined together by soft tissue structures that provide the core of the human skeleton. Within the spinal column, the spinal cord, which is the body's central nerve pathway, is protected by the bony parts of the vertebrae. Nerves contained in the spinal column exit through the foramen openings to the rest of the body. Vertebrae are joined to each other in pairs which are often referred to as motion segments. These motion segments move by means of three joints: two facet joints and one spine disc. The facet joints provide stability and enable the spine to bend and twist while the discs absorb pressures and shocks to the vertebrae.

The four major categories of spine disorders are degenerative conditions, deformities, trauma and tumors. The largest market, and the focus of our spinal research and development business, is degenerative conditions of the facet joints and disc space. These conditions can result in instability and pressure on the nerve roots as they exit the spinal column, causing back pain or radiating pain in the arms or legs.

The recommended treatments for spine disorders depend on the severity and duration of the disorder. Initially, physicians will prescribe non-operative procedures, including bed rest, bracing, medication, lifestyle modification,

exercise, physical therapy, chiropractic care and steroid injections. In most cases, non-surgical treatment options are effective; however, many patients do not respond to non-operative treatments and require spine surgery to alleviate their symptoms.

It is estimated that in excess of one million patients undergo spine surgery each year in the United States. The most common spine surgery procedures are: discectomy, which consists of the removal of all or part of a damaged disc;

laminectomy, the removal of all or part of a lamina, or thin layer of bone, to relieve pinching of the nerve and narrowing of the spinal canal; and fusion, where two or more adjoining vertebrae are fused together to provide stability. All three of these procedures require access to the spine through either a traditional open approach or through smaller, less invasive methods using various types of retractors or other percutaneous techniques.

We believe that the implant market for spine surgery procedures will continue to grow because of the following market dynamics:

#### Demographics.

The population most likely to experience back pain is likely to grow as a result of our aging baby boomer population. The first baby boomers turned 62 in 2008, and over the next two decades we will see a substantial increase in our aging population. We believe that this generation of older people is less willing to compromise on reducing activity levels and is more interested in treatments that will allow a more rapid return to activities with shorter periods of disability.

#### Increased Acceptance of Implants

. The implementation of implants for use in spine surgery has become the standard of care over the past decade. In the last five years, there has been a substantial and significant increase in the percentage of spinal fusion surgeries using implants. According to Millennium Research Group, an estimated 85% or more of all spinal fusion procedures involve an implant. The current generation of modern trained spine surgeons has accepted usage of implants as the gold standard for achieving optimal results.

#### Increased Demand for Newer Technologies

. Because of the ubiquitous nature of back pain, the market is interested in newer technologies, such as motion preservation, and novel minimally invasive techniques which would potentially allow earlier intervention in the degenerative process of the spine for many patients.

#### Recent Transactions

On June 30, 2009, we completed the first tranche of a private placement with investors to purchase 8,689,319 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, at a price of \$0.35 per share for gross proceeds of \$3,041,260. The common shares sold under this private placement have a 24-month lock up provision.

On October 16, 2009, we issued an additional 485,714 shares of our common stock with a 24-month lock up provision for gross proceeds of \$170,000.

On October 27, 2009 and November 13, 2009, we completed another private placement with investors to purchase an aggregate of 17,757,837 shares of our common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, at a price of \$0.35 per share for gross proceeds of \$6,215,250. The Company filed a registration statement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission to register for resale the shares and shares underlying the placement agent warrants issued under this private placement. The registration statement was declared effective on January 6, 2010.

Net proceeds from these two private placements were used for working capital to build inventory and instrumentation in order to meet anticipated sales levels and to acquire substantially all of the assets of Vertebron, Inc. ("Vertebron"). On April 21, 2009, Vertebron filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in the District of Connecticut. The asset acquisition was the result of a Chapter 11 auction process, approved by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut.

Vertebron, a spinal implant device company located in Stratford, CT, designed, developed, manufactured and sold spinal implant products focused on fusion technology for the lumbar and cervical spine as well as motion preservation technologies. We purchased all of Vertebron's inventory and fixed assets and retained 100% ownership of all Vertebron's implant technologies for spinal surgery. We also acquired all intellectual property rights owned by Vertebron. Through a previous licensing agreement, we currently market and distribute the PSS Pedicle Screw and

SCP Cervical Plate systems. The inventory acquired in the Vertebron transaction will allow us to expand sale of spine products.

In the last fiscal quarter of 2009 we used \$1,170,000 in order to complete the Vertebron transaction and raised net proceeds of approximately \$5,871,000 through a private placement. With this recent net cash infusion, the available funds are not projected to meet all of our working capital needs for the next twelve months. At December 31, 2009,

we had approximately \$4,973,000 in cash. We anticipate that we will sustain losses through the first three quarters of 2010, and may require outside sources of additional capital to supplement operations which creates substantial doubt about our ability to continue as a going concern.

Management intends to use borrowings and securities sales to mitigate the effects of our use of that cash. However, we cannot assure you that debt or equity financing, if and when required, will be available. Our ability to continue as a going concern is dependent upon receiving additional funds either through the issuance of debt or through common and/or preferred stock and the success of management's plan to expand sales. Although we may obtain external financing through the sales of our own securities, there can be no assurance that such financing will be available, or if available, that any such financing would be on terms acceptable to us. If we are unable to fund our cash flow needs, we may have to reduce or stop planned growth or scale back operations and reduce staff.

#### Acquisitions

Cardo Medical, LLC ("Cardo LLC") was formed on April 6, 2007 as a California limited liability company for the purpose of acquiring an interest in the medical device business conducted by Accin Corporation directly and through Accin's interests in Cervical Xpand, LLC and Uni-Knee, LLC. Following Cardo LLC's organization:

- Cardo LLC and Accin formed a Delaware limited liability company on April 20, 2007 under the name Accelerated Innovation, LLC;
- On May 21, 2007, Accin contributed substantially all of its business, properties and assets, including its majority interests in Cervical Xpand and Uni-Knee, to Accelerated Innovation in exchange for a 62.5% interest in Accelerated Innovation and the distribution referenced below in the amount of \$3.75 million;
- Concurrently with the above, on May 21, 2007, Cardo LLC contributed \$3.75 million to Accelerated Innovation in exchange for a 37.5% interest in Accelerated Innovation; and
- The amount of \$3.75 million was distributed by Accelerated Innovation to Accin.

Under the terms of Accelerated Innovation's Limited Liability Company Agreement, Cardo LLC was granted an option to purchase the 62.5% interest in Accelerated Innovation held by Accin for a purchase price of \$6.25 million. Following the exercise of that option in June 2008, Cardo LLC acquired all of the interests in Accelerated Innovation held by Accin, and Accelerated Innovation became a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cardo LLC.

Prior to that, in February 2008, Cardo LLC entered into Membership Interest Purchase Agreements with the holders of the minority membership interests in Cervical Xpand and Uni-Knee. Cervical Xpand and Uni-Knee were formed as New Jersey limited liability companies on July 12, 2005 and May 10, 2006, respectively, for the purpose of conducting research and development activities. Prior to the closing of the transactions contemplated by the Membership Interest Purchase Agreements, Accelerated Innovation, as the assignee of Accin's assets, owned 52.083% of the membership interests in Cervical Xpand and 51.21% of the membership interests in Uni-Knee, and the minority holders held the remaining outstanding interests. Upon the closing of the transactions contemplated by the Membership Interest Purchase Agreements, in June 2008, Cardo LLC acquired the outstanding membership interests from the minority holders for an aggregate purchase price of \$1,437,510 for the Cervical Xpand interests and \$2,049,180 for the Uni-Knee interests. As a result, Cardo LLC owned all of the interests in Cervical Xpand and Uni-Knee directly and indirectly through its ownership of Accelerated Innovation.

On June 18, 2008, Cardo LLC entered into a Merger Agreement and Plan of Reorganization with clickNsettle.com, Inc. ("CKST") and Cardo Acquisition, LLC, a California limited liability company and wholly-owned subsidiary of CKST. Upon the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Merger Agreement, CKST acquired Cardo LLC through a merger of Cardo LLC with Cardo Acquisition, with Cardo LLC continuing as the surviving entity in

the merger and a wholly-owned subsidiary of CKST. Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, all of the issued and outstanding units of Cardo LLC's membership interests were converted into the right to receive shares of the common stock of CKST.

On or about the signing of the Merger Agreement with CKST, Frost Gamma Investments Trust and other investors invested \$12,975,000 in Cardo LLC in exchange for units of Cardo LLC's membership interests. Dr. Phillip Frost, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Opko Health, Inc. and non-executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of Teva Pharmaceutical, Inc., is the trustee and beneficiary of Frost Gamma Investments Trust. Cardo LLC used approximately \$9.7 million of the proceeds from these investments to close on the acquisition of the outstanding equity interests of three partially owned subsidiaries of Cardo LLC (Accelerated Innovation, LLC, Cervical Xpand, LLC and Uni-Knee, LLC), to repay an existing member loan (in the amount of \$1.2 million) and for transaction expenses, and used the remaining funds to accelerate its research and product development.

Under the terms of the Merger Agreement with CKST, at the closing of the merger, each Cardo LLC unit of membership interest issued and outstanding was converted into and exchanged for the right to receive 667,204.70995 shares of common stock of CKST. As a result of the merger with CKST, CKST's stockholders and optionholders owned approximately 5.5% of the combined company on a fully diluted basis (or 11,298,979 shares of common stock outstanding and underlying options), the members of Cardo LLC, excluding the new investors, owned approximately 64.8% of the combined company on a fully diluted basis (or 133,440,942 shares of common stock), the new investors owned approximately 28.5% of the combined company on a fully diluted basis (or 58,641,701 shares of common stock), and optionholders of Cardo LLC owned approximately 1.2% of the combined company on a fully diluted basis (or 2,398,400 shares of common stock underlying those options).

Following the closing of the merger with CKST, each of Cervical Xpand, Uni-Knee and Accelerated Innovation merged with and into Cardo LLC, which is now the sole subsidiary of the Company and Cardo LLC converted into a Delaware limited liability company.

We are headquartered in Beverly Hills, California. In connection with the consummation of the merger with CKST, CKST approved through its stockholders an amendment to its Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation to change its name from "clickNsettle.com, Inc." to "Cardo Medical, Inc." CKST's trading symbol was "CKST.OB," which has changed to "CDOM.OB" in connection with the name change. Cardo Medical's common stock is quoted on the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.'s, Over-the-Counter Bulletin Board, or the OTC Bulletin Board.

To achieve our growth objectives, we are considering different strategies, including growth through acquisitions and raising additional capital. As a result, we are constantly and aggressively evaluating and we will continue to evaluate other companies and businesses for potential synergies that would add value to our existing operations.

## Government Regulation

### United States

Health care, in general, is a highly regulated industry with various state and federal laws and regulations having particular application to the Company. Our products are principally regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, or the FDA, under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the "Act"). Some of our products are also regulated by state agencies under laws similar to their federal FDA counterparts. FDA regulations and the requirements of the Act affect the pre-clinical and clinical testing, design, manufacture, safety, efficacy, labeling, storage, recordkeeping, advertising and promotion of our medical device products. FDA regulations govern, among other things, the following activities that we or our partners perform and will continue to perform:

- *product design and development;*
- *product testing;*
- *product manufacturing;*
- *product labeling;*
- *product storage;*
- *premarket clearance or approval;*
- *advertising and promotion; and*

- *product sales and distribution.*

Generally, before we can market a new medical device, marketing clearance from the FDA must be obtained through either the pre-market notification process under Section 510(k) of the Act or through application for a pre-market approval, or PMA, under Section 515 of the Act. The FDA typically grants a Section 510(k) clearance if the applicant can establish that the device is substantially equivalent to a predicate device (i.e., a device with a similar design that has already received clearance). It generally takes approximately three months from the date of a Section 510(k) submission to obtain clearance, but it may take longer, particularly if a clinical trial is required. The FDA may find that a Section 510(k) clearance is not appropriate or that substantial equivalence has not been shown and, as a result, will require a PMA application.

PMA applications must be supported by valid scientific evidence to demonstrate the safety and effectiveness of the device, typically including the results of human clinical trials, bench tests and laboratory and animal studies. The PMA application also must contain a complete description of the device and its components, and a detailed description of the methods, facilities and controls used to manufacture the device. In addition, the submission must include the proposed labeling and any training materials. The PMA application process can be expensive and generally takes significantly longer than the Section 510(k) process. Additionally, the FDA may never approve the PMA application. As part of the PMA application review process, the FDA generally will inspect the manufacturer's facilities to ensure compliance with applicable quality system regulatory requirements, which include quality control testing, control documentation and other quality assurance procedures.

If human clinical trials of a medical device are required and the device presents a significant risk, the sponsor of the trial must file an investigational device exemption, or IDE, application prior to commencing human clinical trials. The IDE application must be supported by data, typically including the results of animal and/or laboratory testing. If the IDE application is approved by the FDA and one or more institutional review boards, human clinical trials may begin at a specific number of investigational sites with a specific number of patients, as approved by the FDA. If the device presents a non-significant risk to the patient, a sponsor may begin the clinical trial after obtaining approval for the trial by one or more institutional review boards without separate approval from the FDA. Submission of an IDE does not give assurance that the FDA will approve the IDE and, if it is approved, we cannot assure you that the FDA will determine that the data derived from the trials support the safety and effectiveness of the device or warrant the continuation of clinical trials. An IDE supplement must be submitted to and approved by the FDA before a sponsor or investigator may make a change to the investigational plan that may affect its scientific soundness, study indication or the rights, safety or welfare of human subjects. The trial also must comply with the FDA's IDE regulations and informed consent must be obtained from each subject.

If the FDA determines that we are not in compliance with the law, it can institute proceedings to detain or seize products, issue a market withdrawal, enjoin future violations and seek civil and criminal penalties against us and our officers and employees. If we fail to comply with these regulatory requirements, our business, financial condition and results of operations could be harmed.

Thus far, all of our approved products have been cleared by the FDA through the Section 510(k) pre-market notification process. We have not needed to conduct any clinical trials in order to support our regulatory approvals. Regulations regarding the manufacture and sale of our products are subject to change. We cannot predict the effect, if any, that these changes might have on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition to granting approvals for our products, the FDA has the authority to randomly inspect us for compliance with regulatory requirements that apply to our operations. These requirements include labeling regulations, manufacturing regulations, quality system regulations, regulations governing unapproved or off-label uses and medical device regulations. Medical device regulations require a manufacturer to report to the FDA serious adverse events or certain types of malfunctions involving its products. The FDA inspects device and drug manufacturing facilities in the United States in order to assure compliance with applicable quality system regulations. As discussed in the section below titled "Manufacturing and Supply," we currently outsource the manufacture of our products to third-party vendors.

Further, we are subject to various federal and state laws concerning health care fraud and abuse, including false claims laws, anti-kickback laws and physician self-referral laws. Violations of these laws can result in criminal and/or civil punishment, including fines, imprisonment and, in the United States, exclusion from participation in government health care programs. The scope of these laws and related regulations is expanding and their interpretation is evolving and subject to change. Increased enforcement of these laws and regulations has resulted in

greater scrutiny of marketing practices in our industry. If a governmental authority were to determine that we do not comply with these laws and regulations, then we and our officers and employees could be subject to criminal and civil sanctions, including exclusion from participation in federal health care reimbursement programs. This could also effect the manner in which our products are marketed and the manner in which we would conduct business.

#### Recently Enacted Health Care Reform Legislation

Congress recently passed health care reform legislation, specifically, the "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" and the "Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act." The President signed the measure into law on March 23, 2010, and, on March 30, 2010, the President signed into law a "reconciliation" bill that modifies certain provisions of the same. This legislation is considered by some to be the most dramatic change to the country's health care system in decades.

The principal aim of the law as currently enacted is to expand health insurance coverage to approximately 32 million Americans who are currently uninsured. The law's most far-reaching changes do not take effect until 2014, including a requirement that most Americans carry health insurance. The consequences of these significant coverage expansions on the sales of the Company's products are unknown and speculative at this point.

The enacted legislation contains many provisions designed to generate the revenues necessary to fund the coverage expansions. The most relevant of these provisions are those that impose fees or taxes on certain health-related industries, including medical device manufacturers.

Beginning in 2013, each medical device manufacturer will have to pay an excise tax (or sales tax) in an amount equal to 2.3 percent of the price for which such manufacturer sells its medical devices. This tax applies to all medical devices, including the Company's products and product candidates. The effect, if any, of such tax on future sales is speculative.

Additionally, the legislation as enacted also provides for increased enforcement of the fraud and abuse regulations previously mentioned, which may result in higher compliance-related costs.

#### International

In the future, we plan to seek the required regulatory approvals and comply with extensive regulations governing product safety, quality, manufacturing and reimbursement processes in order to market our products in some major foreign markets, which may include countries in Latin America, Europe or Asia. These regulations vary significantly from country to country and with respect to the nature of the particular medical device. The time required to obtain these foreign approvals to market our products may be longer or shorter than that required in the United States, and requirements for approval may differ from FDA requirements.

If we sell any of our products internationally, the products will be subject to certain foreign regulatory approvals. In order to market our product devices in the member countries of the European Union, we will be required to comply with the European Medical Devices Directives and obtain "CE" mark certification. CE mark certification is the European symbol of adherence to quality assurance standards and compliance with applicable European Medical Devices Directives. Under the European Medical Devices Directives, all medical devices including active implants must qualify for CE marking. We also would be required to comply with other foreign regulations, such as obtaining Ministry of Health Labor and Welfare approval in Japan, Health Protection Branch approval in Canada, and Therapeutic Goods Administration approval in Australia, if we market in those jurisdictions.

#### Research and Development

Our research and development engineering personnel have extensive experience in developing medical devices to treat joint and spine pathologies. Our engineers work closely with surgeons to design devices that are intended to improve patient care, simplify surgical techniques and reduce overall costs. In addition to constantly enhancing and improving our current product offerings, we are focusing our research and development efforts in novel approaches to total knee arthroplasty, spinal motion preservation devices and products that promote new fusion techniques and minimally invasive surgical techniques for reconstructive and spinal surgery. Our research and development efforts

are part of our overall business plan to become a market leader in providing solutions for the reconstructive joint and spine markets. To further promote this strategy, we are focused on converting these research and development efforts into commercially viable products that incorporate minimally invasive techniques and quick recovery to improve patient outcomes across all of our products. Currently, our research and development staff is located in New Jersey, and we also engage the services of independent contractors in that state. However, we are considering expansion of this staff by hiring engineers in California as well. We expect our research and development costs to maintain the 2009 levels as we continue to expend significant resources to develop and commercialize our products and potential products.

We currently do not have any formal consulting arrangements with our surgeons. However, we work with surgeons informally to obtain their feedback to enhance our products and to identify product candidates that we would like to develop. We plan to work closely with product opinion leaders to develop and enhance our product portfolio. During the years ended December 31, 2009 and 2008, we spent approximately \$1,003,000 and \$1,332,000 on research and development

### Manufacturing and Supply

We do not have a manufacturing facility, and we currently do not intend to build manufacturing facilities of our own in the foreseeable future. We utilize third-party vendors to manufacture all of our implants and instruments, including components of our products, while internally performing product design and quality assurance. We currently use a variety of manufacturers for our devices.

Our outsourced manufacturing process typically involves machining semi-completed raw materials for both our metal and polyethylene components that make up our joint replacement systems. After being machined, the parts are inspected and processed in preparation for final polishing and finishing as needed. Prior to being packaged, our parts are inspected again to ensure that they are within approved specifications. We also use components in our devices that we acquire from other companies. We distribute both sterile and non-sterile implants and instruments.

Our outsourcing strategy is targeted at companies that meet FDA Quality Standards and our internal policies and procedure standards. Supplier performance is maintained and managed through a corrective action program intended to ensure that all product requirements are met or exceeded. We believe these manufacturing relationships minimize our capital investment, help control and reduce costs and allow us to compete with larger volume manufacturers and sellers of spine surgery and reconstructive surgical products.

We currently utilize a variety of manufacturers for our products and rely on a limited number of sources for our product components that are manufactured by third parties. In the future, we may consider manufacturing certain products or product components internally, if and when demand or quality requirements make it appropriate to do so.

Although we believe that alternative third-party manufacturers are available, we cannot assure you that we will be able to timely replace our third-party manufacturers immediately if one or more of them can no longer provide us with their manufacturing services. In addition, while we do not anticipate that we will encounter problems in obtaining adequate supplies of components, we cannot assure you that we will continue to be able to obtain components under acceptable terms and in a timely manner.

### Sales and Marketing

We primarily rely on third-party independent distributors to market and sell our products. In the future, we intend to increase the number of our internal sales and marketing personnel and further build our own sales and marketing infrastructure to market some of our products targeting surgeons in certain regions. We also intend to continue collaborating with third-party independent distributors, including large regional distributors.

Customers

During the year ended December 31, 2009, we had three hospital customers that comprised 28.1%, 22.7% and 13.2% of our net sales. During the year ended December 31, 2008, we had three hospital customers that comprised

44.3%, 11.9% and 11.3% of our net sales. The loss of any major hospital customer may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

#### Patents and Proprietary Technology; Trademarks

##### Patents

We have applied for U.S. and foreign patents covering several of our implant components, and some of our surgical instrumentation. As of December 31, 2009, we had 20 issued patents and 19 pending domestic and foreign patent applications covering seven devices.

Patents and intellectual property will continue to be an important aspect of the orthopedic and spine industry. In this regard, we intend to vigorously defend our intellectual property rights. We believe that our patents and products do not and will not infringe patents or violate proprietary rights of others, although it is possible that our existing patent rights may not be valid or that infringement of existing or future patents or proprietary rights may occur. If some of our intellectual property and agreements relating to our products are deemed invalid, that action may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

The medical device industry is characterized by patent and other intellectual property litigation, and we could become subject to litigation that could be costly, result in diverting management's time and efforts, require us to pay damages and/or prevent us from marketing our existing or future products. Patent litigation typically involves complex factual and legal questions. The outcome of such litigation is uncertain. Any claim relating to infringement of patents that is successfully asserted against us may require us to pay substantial damages. Even if successful, litigation to enforce our intellectual property rights or to defend our patents against challenge could be expensive and time-consuming and could divert our management's attention. Our success will depend in part on our not infringing patents issued to others, including our competitors and potential competitors. If our products are found to infringe the patents of others, the development, manufacture and sale of our products or potential products could be severely restricted or prohibited. Also, our competitors may independently develop similar technologies that are not restricted by other companies' patents, including ours. Due to the importance of our patents to our business, our market share can decline if we fail to protect our intellectual property rights.

A patent infringement suit brought against us or our partners may force us or our partners to halt the development, manufacture or sale of products or potential products that are claimed to be infringing, unless that party grants us or our partners rights to use its intellectual property. As a result, we may be required to obtain licenses to patents or proprietary rights of others in order to continue to commercialize our products, which we may not be able to do on acceptable terms, or at all. Even if we or any partner were able to obtain rights to the third party's intellectual property, these rights may be non-exclusive, thereby giving our competitors access to the same intellectual property. Ultimately, we may be unable to commercialize some of our products or potential products or may have to cease some of our business operations as a result of patent infringement claims, which could severely harm our business.

As more companies enter the orthopedic and spine market, the possibility of a patent infringement claim against us grows. While we try to ensure that our products do not infringe others' patents and proprietary rights, our products, potential products and methods may be covered by patents held by our competitors.

##### Trademarks

At December 31, 2009, we had four registered trademarks with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, or USPTO, for the marks "Accin", "Align 360", "Vertebrom" and "Cardo Medical"; we have an application pending for the mark "A La Carte."

##### Competition

The orthopedic and spinal device industry is highly competitive and dominated by a number of large companies with substantially greater financial and other resources than we have. Our largest competitors in the orthopedic and spinal surgical device market are DePuy Orthopaedics, Inc. and DePuy Spine, Inc. (divisions of Johnson & Johnson Company), Zimmer, Inc. (a subsidiary of Zimmer Holdings, Inc.), Stryker Howmedica Osteonics (a subsidiary of

Stryker Corporation), Smith & Nephew plc, Biomet Orthopedics, Inc. (a subsidiary of Biomet, Inc.), Medtronic Sofamor Danek, and Synthes Inc.

Companies in the industry compete on the basis of product features and design, innovation, service, the ability to maintain new product flow, relationships with key orthopedic surgeons and hospitals, the strength of their distribution network and price. While price is a key factor in the orthopedic market, other significant factors could negatively impact our results of operations and financial condition, including: technological innovation, reimbursement rates, surgeon preference, ease of use, clinical results and service provided by us and our representatives.

Our products are, and any potential products we commercialize will be, subject to intense competition. Many of our current and potential competitors have substantially greater financial, technical and marketing resources than we do, and they may succeed in developing products that would render our products obsolete or noncompetitive. Many of these competitors also have significantly greater operating history and reputations than we do in our respective fields. We may not be able to compete successfully if we are unable to develop proprietary products that reach the market in a timely manner, receive adequate reimbursement and are safer, less invasive and less expensive than alternatives available for the same purpose. Because of the rapidly growing orthopedic market, we anticipate that companies will dedicate significant resources to developing competing products.

Regarding our spinal portfolio, we also face competition from a growing number of smaller companies with more limited product offerings and geographic reach than our larger competitors. These companies, who represent intense competition in specified markets, include, Orthofix International N.V. (parent of Blackstone Medical, Inc.), Alphatec Spine Inc. (a subsidiary of Alphatec Holdings, Inc.), Wright Medical Group, Inc., and NuVasive, Inc.

#### Product Liability and Insurance

We are subject to potential product liability risks that are inherent in the design, marketing and sale of orthopedic implants and surgical instrumentation. We have implemented strict quality control measures and currently maintain product liability insurance in amounts that we believe are typical in the industry for companies with a comparable size to ours. Our insurance premiums are based on our sales. We evaluate our levels of product liability insurance annually, as well as the amount of retention carried compared to other comparable companies in the industry. Due to the volatility of the insurance marketplace, the value of the product liability insurance products delivered and the small number of providers of these products, there can be no guarantees as to whether we will be able to secure coverage in the future at a reasonable cost.

#### Third-Party Reimbursement

Sales of our products will depend on the availability of adequate reimbursement from third-party payors (such as governmental programs, for example, Medicare and Medicaid, private insurance plans and managed care programs), both in terms of the sales volumes and prices of our products. Healthcare providers, such as hospitals that purchase medical devices for treating their patients, generally rely on third-party payors to reimburse all or part of the costs and fees associated with the procedures performed with these devices. These third-party payors may deny reimbursement if they feel that a device is not the most cost-effective treatment available, or was used for an unapproved indication. As such, surgeons are unlikely to use our products if they do not receive reimbursement adequate to cover the cost of their involvement in the surgical procedures. We also believe that future reimbursement may be subject to increased restrictions both in the U.S. and internationally. If we sell our products internationally, market acceptance may depend, in part, upon the availability of reimbursement within the prevailing healthcare payment systems. Reimbursement and healthcare payment systems in international markets vary significantly by country, and include both government sponsored healthcare and private insurance.

Future legislation, regulation or reimbursement policies of third-party payors may adversely affect the demand for our existing products or our products currently under development and limit our ability to sell our products on a profitable

basis.

Also, third-party payors are increasingly challenging the prices charged for medical products and services. Particularly in the United States, third-party payors carefully review, and increasingly challenge, the prices charged

for procedures and medical products. Also, greater numbers of insured individuals are receiving (and will continue to receive over the next decade) their medical care through managed care programs, which monitor and often require pre-approval of the services that a member will receive. Many managed care programs are paying their providers on a capitated basis, which puts the providers at financial risk for the services provided to their patients by paying them a predetermined payment per member per month.

Legislative or administrative reforms to the U.S. or international reimbursement systems in a manner that significantly reduces reimbursement for procedures using our medical devices or denies coverage for those procedures could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations. We believe that the overall escalating cost of medical products and services has led to, and will continue to lead to, increased pressures on the healthcare industry to reduce the costs of products and services. We cannot assure you that third-party reimbursement and coverage will be available or adequate, or that future legislation, regulation, or reimbursement policies of third-party payors will not adversely affect the demand for our products or our ability to sell these products on a profitable basis. We also cannot assure you that our products will be considered cost-effective by third-party payors, that reimbursement will be available or, if available, that the third-party payors' reimbursement policies will not adversely affect our ability to sell our products profitably.

#### Healthcare Fraud and Abuse

Our relationship with surgeons, hospitals and the marketers of our products are subject to scrutiny under various state and federal anti-kickback, self-referral, false claims and similar laws, often referred to collectively as healthcare fraud and abuse laws. The federal anti-kickback laws prohibit unlawful inducements for the referral of business reimbursable under federally-funded health care programs, such as remuneration provided to physicians to induce them to use certain medical devices reimbursable by Medicare or Medicaid. Healthcare fraud and abuse laws are complex and subject to evolving interpretations, and even minor, inadvertent violations potentially can give rise to claims that the relevant law has been violated. Certain states in which we market our products have similar anti-kickback, anti-fee splitting and self-referral laws, imposing substantial penalties for violations. Any violations of these laws could result in a material adverse effect on the market price of our common stock, as well as our business, financial condition and results of operations. We cannot assure you that any of the healthcare fraud and abuse laws will not change or be interpreted in the future in a manner which restricts or adversely affects our business activities or relationships with surgeons, hospitals and marketers of our products. In addition, possible sanctions for violating these anti-kickback laws include monetary fines, civil and criminal penalties, exclusion from Medicare and Medicaid programs and forfeiture of amounts collected in violation of these prohibitions.

We must comply with a variety of other laws, such as laws prohibiting false claims for reimbursement under Medicare and Medicaid, which also can be triggered by violations of federal anti-kickback laws; Healthcare Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, which protects the privacy of individually identifiable healthcare information; and the Federal Trade Commission Act and similar laws regulating advertisement and consumer protections. In certain cases, federal and state authorities pursue actions for false claims on the basis that manufacturers and distributors are promoting unapproved or off-label uses of their products.

#### Employees

As of December 31, 2009, we employed 20 full-time employees.

#### Description of Property

As of December 31, 2009, we lease a warehouse facility in Van Nuys, California (near Los Angeles) under a month-to-month operating lease. We also lease office and warehouse facilities in Beverly Hills and Clifton, New Jersey (near New York City) under operating leases that expire in July 2010 and August 2012, respectively. We believe our facilities are adequate for our needs.



Legal Proceedings

From time to time, we may be a party to legal proceedings incidental to our business. We do not believe that there are any proceedings threatened or pending against us, which, if determined adversely to us, would have a material effect on our financial position or results of operations and cash flows.

MARKET PRICE OF AND DIVIDENDS ON THE REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

Market for Common Stock

The Company's common stock currently trades on the OTC Bulletin Board under the symbol "CDOM.OB." The following table sets forth the quarterly high and low sales prices of our common stock for the fiscal years 2009 and 2008, as quoted on the OTC Bulletin Board. This information represents prices between dealers and does not include retail mark-ups, markdowns or commissions and may not represent actual transactions. All information related to stock price and numbers of common stock are post-split, which reflect a reverse split with clickNsettle.com which occurred in March of 2008.

High

Low

Fiscal Year 2008

First Quarter

\$3.90

\$1.60

Second Quarter

\$2.25

\$1.05

Third Quarter

\$2.90

\$1.10

Fourth Quarter