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Boston Scientific (BSX - US\$ 15.91) 1-Overweight

Company Update

BSX Analyst Day: Any Surprises?

Investment Conclusion

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Target Price

New: 1-Overweight US\$ 21.00 New: US\$ 21.00 Old: 1-Overweight Old:

Sector View: 1-Positive

Stock Rating

EPS (US\$) (FY Dec)

	2005		2006	2007		% Change			
	Actual	Old	New	St. Est.	Old	New	St. Est.	2006	2007
1Q	0.51A	0.43A	0.43A	0.43A	N/A	N/A	0.17E	-16%	N/A
2Q	0.48A	0.21A	0.21A	0.21A	N/A	N/A	0.18E	-56%	N/A
3Q	0.42A	0.10A	0.10A	0.10A	N/A	N/A	0.18E	-76%	N/A
4Q	0.41A	0.10E	0.10E	0.12E	N/A	N/A	0.21E	-76%	N/A
Year	1.82A	0.85E	0.85E	0.79E	0.77E	0.77E	0.77E	-53%	-9%
P/E			18.7			20.7			

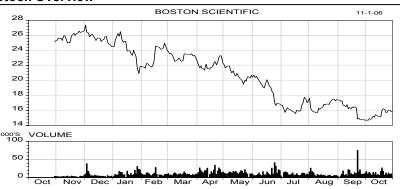
Market Data

Market Cap (Mil.)	13072
Shares Outstanding (Mil.)	821.60
Float (%)	574
Dividend Yield	0.00
Convertible	No
52 Week Range	27.82 - 14.43

Financial Summary

Revenue FY06 (Mil.)	N/A
Five-Year EPS CAGR	16.0
Return on Equity	29.80
Current BVPS	4.75
Debt To Capital (%)	30.62

Stock Overview



- On Monday November 6th BSX will host its analyst day in Boston. The scope of the meeting will be narrow. As announced earlier, there will be no specific guidance provided below the revenue line as final cost cutting decisions have not yet been made. The only financial guidance provided will be for 2007 revenues across all major businesses. We have been told that there will be no guidance provided for 2008 or beyond. We are not sure if this means management is backing away from its previous long term revenue growth guidance of 12% through 2011, but that is something of a moot point given that consensus estimates have always been much more conservative. Long term product pipelines and launch dates will be discussed.
- Within the last month, BSX has hosted two earnings calls (the Q3 pre-release & the Q3 release) and an analyst day at TCT, which makes it unlikely that there will be any major surprises at next week's meeting, but we offer the following quick thoughts:

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- 1) The Numbers: We expect 2007 revenue guidance will be roughly within \$100mm of the consensus revenue estimate of \$9,067 mm. While the difference is more likely to be lower than higher in our view, we do not feel that it will be different enough to have a significant impact on the stock.
- 2) The Outlook: We expect Jim Tobin to remain optimistic on his outlook for the timing of resolution of the FDA warning letters on the ICD side of the house. While we doubt his previous guidance of resolution by year-end will be hit, we believe the ICD letters can be lifted by early 07. The lifting of these warning letters is one of the most important issues facing BSX and resolution will surely be a positive for the stock if it happens within or even close to the guidance of year-end.
- 3) Overall, while the near term outlook for BSX's numbers remains weak, we expect Tobin will make progress with the FDA ICD warning letters which should keep the stock in the \$15-\$16 area despite the tough stent and ICD results that we expect in Q4. In 2007, because we expect a pick up in the ICD market, resolution of the ICD warning letters, Japanese Taxus approval, and Carotid approval (through Endotex), we expect the stock can climb slightly higher.
- 4) It is interesting to note that stents and ICDs represent less than 50% of BSX's revenues and that BSX's endosurgery business is bigger than their ICD business. Nonetheless we expect most of the focus on Monday to be on those two areas. In our note today please find a number of tables that may be useful during the analyst day on Monday. We include a detailed BSX catalyst table, our complete DES and ICD growth assumption tables, and our cash flow and valuation tables.

Figure 1: BSX Potential Upcoming Catalysts

BSX POTENTIAL CATALYST TIMELINE			
<u>Event</u>	<u>Timing</u>	Comments/Expectations	<u>Details</u>
BSX Analyst Day	Nov 6, 2007	Company will offer top line guidance only for 2007. Timeline for resolution of ICD warning letters not likely to be pushed back further than early 07.	Expect conservative ICD guidance and not so conservative stent guidance. All in should not be too much lower than 2007 consensus of \$9,067 bln. Within \$100mm of consensus. Minor positive.
FDA DES Panel	Dec 7-8, 2006	BSX along with all other DES manufacturers is expected to present re-adjudicated standardized LST data.	We do not expect any meaningful increase in LST rates for BSX. Neutral for stents business and market.
FDA Re-inspection of GDT Facilities	4Q 2006	Expected reinspection of St.Paul, Ireland and Puerto Rico facilities. BSX thinks year-end resolution possible but not guaranteed.	Will be a positive if inspections happen and no 483s. Resolution of ICD warning letters likely by early Spring, which will be a significant plus for stock if in \$15 area.
PROMUS Launch in EU	Dec 2006-1H07	Initial European launch is planned for December with full commercialization through 1H07.	Minor positive. Already in the stock.
Q406 Numbers for the ICD Players	Jan 2007	Q4 revenues from the major ICD players will be critical.	Major positive if trend in the ICD market reversed, however we expect the best case scenario will be stabilization.
COSTAR II 9-Mo Results	ACC 2007, New Orleans	COSTAR stent with biodegradable polymer ranzomized 3:2 against TAXUS.	If not inferior to TAXUS in efficacy, COSTAR can be seen as a safer paclitaxel-eluting DES with bioabsorbable polymer.
ENDEAVOR IV 9-Mo Results	H12007	Prospective randomized trial of ENDEAVOR vs. TAXUS.	Confirmatory trial as per FDA requirements.
TAXUS Launch in Japan	2Q07	Timelines for Japanese commercialiation have been pushed back several times.	Minor positive. BSX will become second DES available in Japan after Cypher.
FDA Re-inspection of BSX Manufacturing Facilities	2Q 2007	BSX now expects to present FDA with data at the end of 1Q07, allowing for re-inspection and the warning resolution by late 2Q/early 3Q07 followed by TAXUS Liberte' launch.	Most recent timeline suggest TAXUS Liberte' launch will likely be 2H07.
SPIRIT II 12-Month Data	May 22-25, 2007 Barcelona	12-Month results from SPIRIT-II (EU trial on Xience DES) will give an insight on long-term outcomes.	Minor positive.
TAXUS Liberte' US Launch	4Q2007	US launch is contingent upon resolution of BSX Corporate Warning Letter.	Minor positive for DES franchise.
OUS Launch of the new ICD Product Line	3Q2007	Contingent upon GDT Warning Letter resolution.	
IDE for Everolimus on ELEMENT 2H07		Fully staffed clinical program is on track for Everolimus on ELEMENT (former Barracuda stent) IDE filing.	Contingent upon BSX FDA letter resolution.
US Launch of the new ICD product line	4Q07-1Q08	US Launch of new ICD product line is likely to happen a year after GDT FDA letter has been resolved.	Major positive for BSX ICD business.

Figure 2: BSX % of Revenues by Business

BSX: % of Revenues from Key Business Lines							
	2007E	2008E	2009E				
Drug Eluting Stents	27.4%	20.8%	18.8%				
Other SciMed	14.3%	15.0%	14.7%				
ICDs	15.5%	15.5%	15.0%				
Pacers	6.9%	6.9%	6.5%				
Total CRM	22.3%	22.4%	21.5%				
Total Endosurgery	16.8%	19.2%	20.9%				
EP/Target	5.8%	6.4%	6.6%				
Advanced Bionics	2.5%	3.4%	4.2%				

Source: Lehman Estimates

Figure 3: Lehman BSX Summary Revenue Model – Growth Rates by Key Businesses

BSX: Revenue Model Summary		WW Re	evenues		% Growth			
(\$ in MMs)	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
Bare Metal Stent	103	73	69	60	-22%	-29%	-5%	-13%
Taxus	2,373	2,074	811	594	0%	-13%	-61%	-27%
Xience V	0	395	1,095	1,270	0%	NA	177%	16%
Drug-eluting Stent	2,373	2,469	1,906	1,864	-7%	4%	-23%	-2%
Coronary Stents	2,476	2,542	1,975	1,924	-8%	3%	-22%	-3%
Peripheral	577	685	823	932	-2%	19%	20%	13%
Other SciMed	1,209	1,290	1,374	1,456	-1%	7%	7%	6%
Total SciMed Unit	4,261	4,517	4,172	4,311	-5%	6%	-8%	3%
Pacemakers	402	617	632	646	NM	NM	2%	2%
ICDs	952	1,394	1,415	1,485	NM	NM	2%	5%
Total GDT CRM Unit	1,354	2,011	2,047	2,131	NM	NM	2%	4%
EP/Target	465	523	585	654	13%	13%	12%	12%
Oncology Unit	226	253	283	314	9%	12%	12%	11%
Endoscopy Unit	747	831	972	1,171	7%	11%	17%	20%
Urology Unit	368	428	497	579	14%	16%	16%	16%
Total Endosurgery Unit	1,341	1,512	1,752	2,064	9%	13%	16%	18%
Advanced Bionics	174	224	314	420	18%	29%	40%	34%
TOTAL REVENUE	\$7,767	\$9,004	\$9,142	\$9,896	24%	16%	2%	8%

Source: Lehman estimates

Figure 4: Lehman BSX ICD Key Assumptions (2006E-2009E)

LEH BSX: Key ICD Market Assumptions	;			
(\$ in MMs)	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
WW ICD Market Estimate	\$5,349	\$5,614	\$5,894	\$6,185
% Growth	-3%	5%	5%	5%
BSX Mkt Share Estimate	27%	25%	24%	24%
BSX WW ICD Revenues	952	1,394	1,415	1,485
% Growth	NR	46.4%	1.5%	5.0%

Source: Lehman estimates

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Figure 5: Lehman BSX Drug Eluting Stent Key Assumptions (2005A-2009E)

US	2005A	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
US Pricing	\$2,330	\$2,250	\$2,138	\$2,031	\$1,929
US Stents per Procedure	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.6
US DES Penetration	87%	84%	80%	80%	80%
US DES Market Size	\$3,086	\$2,956	\$2,820	\$2,639	\$2,788
% Growth	11%	-4%	-5%	-6%	6%
BSX US Market Share	57%	54%	52%	35%	32%
BSX Taxus Share	57%	54%	52%	12%	9%
BSX Xience Share	0%	0%	0%	23%	23%
BSX US Sales	\$1,762	\$1,593	\$1,455	\$914	\$884
% Growth	12%	-10%	-9%	-37%	-3%

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Europe	2005A	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
Europe Pricing	\$1,685	\$1,530	\$1,454	\$1,395	\$1,340
Europe Stents per Procedure	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Europe DES Penetration	55%	55%	55%	54%	54%
Europe DES Market Size	\$958	\$1,106	\$1,139	\$1,205	\$1,239
% Growth	56%	15%	3%	6%	3%
BSX Europe Market Share	47%	38%	36%	31%	28%
BSX Taxus Share	47%	36%	22%	15%	11%
BSX Xience Share	0%	2%	14%	16%	17%
BSX European Sales	\$454	\$420	\$415	\$375	\$350
% Growth	42%	-7%	-1%	-10%	-7%

ROW	2005A	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
ROW Pricing	\$1,750	\$1,725	\$1,570	\$1,470	\$1,420
ROW Stents per Procedure	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8
ROW DES Penetration	66%	69%	71%	73%	74%
ROW DES Market Size	\$723	\$863	\$886	\$919	\$952
% Growth	55%	19%	3%	4%	4%
BSX ROW Market Share	47%	42%	36%	31%	29%
BSX Taxus Share	47%	40%	21%	15%	13%
BSX Xience Share	0%	2%	15%	16%	16%
BSX ROW Sales	\$340	\$360	\$315	\$285	\$280
% Growth	34%	6%	-13%	-10%	-2%

Japan	2005A	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
Japan Pricing	\$2,500	\$2,300	\$2,250	\$2,100	\$2,050
Japan Stents per Procedure	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Japan DES Penetration	60%	65%	68%	68%	69%
Japan DES Market Size	\$490	\$512	\$658	\$679	\$684
% Growth	251%	4%	29%	3%	1%
BSX Japan Market Share	0%	0%	43%	49%	51%
BSX Taxus Share	0%	0%	43%	49%	41%
BSX Xience Share	0%	0%	0%	0%	10%
BSX Japan Sales	\$0	\$0	\$284	\$332	\$350
% Growth	NA	NA	NA	17%	5%

WORLDWIDE	2005A	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
WW Pricing	\$2,101	\$1,970	\$1,859	\$1,749	\$1,678
WW Stents per Procedure	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
WW DES Penetration	74%	75%	74%	75%	75%
WW DES Market Size	\$5,257	\$5,437	\$5,503	\$5,442	\$5,662
% Growth	31%	3%	1%	-1%	4%
BSX WW Market Share	49%	44%	45%	35%	33%
BSX WW Taxus Share	49%	43%	40%	17%	13%
BSX WW Xience Share	0%	1%	5%	18%	20%
BSX WW Sales	\$2,556	\$2,373	\$2,469	\$1,906	\$1,864
% Growth	19%	-7%	4%	-23%	-2%

Figure 6: Lehman BSX Summary Model (2006E-2009E)

BSX Model Summary				
(\$s in MMs)	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
WW Revenues	\$7,767	\$9,004	\$9,142	\$9,896
WW Revenue Growth in %	24%	16%	2%	8%
EBIT	\$1,673	\$1,927	\$2,178	\$2,503
EBIT Margin	22%	21%	24%	25%
(+) Depreciation	250	245	243	238
GDT-related Amortization	135	129	111	104
BSX pre-deal amortization	500	500	500	500
(+) Amortization	635	629	611	604
EBITDA	\$2,558	\$2,801	\$3,032	\$3,344
Net Debt	8,439	7,185	5,758	4,240
EPS (incl options & amortiz)	\$0.85	\$0.77	\$0.95	\$1.15
EPS Growth in %	NR	-8.7%	22.3%	21.4%
P/E (as of 11/01/06)	18.9x	20.7x	16.9x	13.9x
EPS (incl options, but ex amortiz)	\$1.06	\$1.10	\$1.26	\$1.46
EPS Growth in %	NR	3.9%	14.5%	15.5%
P/E (as of 11/01/06)	15.1x	14.5x	12.7x	11.0x
EV/EBITDA	12.2x	11.2x	10.3x	9.4x

Source: Company data, Lehman estimates

Figures 7 and 8: BSX Cash Flow and Contingent Liabilities Analysis

BSX Cash Flow Analysis				
(\$ in mm)	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
Beg of Year Cash on Hand	\$689	\$513	\$561	\$688
EBIT	1,673	1,927	2,178	2,503
Net Debt	8,439	7,185	5,758	4,240
(-) Debt Paydown Assumption		(1,300)	(1,300)	(1,400)
Blended Interest Rate Assumption	5.6%	5.6%	5.6%	5.6%
Annual Interest Expense	507	434	333	232
(+) Depreciation	250	250	250	250
(+) Amortization	635	629	611	604
EBITDA	\$2,558	\$2,806	\$3,039	\$3,357
Cash Flow from Operations (CFO)	\$833	\$2,001	\$2,154	\$2,262
(+) Cap Ex	(400)	(420)	(400)	(380)
Free Cash Flow (FCF)	\$433	\$1,581	\$1,754	\$1,882
FCF Yield	1.8%	6.7%	7.5%	8.0%
Contingent Liabilities:				
Advanced Bionics Earnouts	(110)	(113)	(203)	(239)
Other BSX Contingent Earnouts	(30)	(65)	(50)	(30)
GDT Earnouts	(60)	(25)	(25)	(25)
Total Contingent Liabilities	(\$200)	(\$203)	(\$278)	(\$294)
Net Change in Cash	(176)	48	126	118
End of Year Cash on Hand	\$513	\$561	\$688	\$806

Source: Lehman estimates

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Contingent Liabilities Model	
(\$ in mm)	
Advanced Bionics	
Total Earnouts	\$2,100
Total Earnout Milestone: Cumulative Rev.	5,600
LEH Cumulative Rev. Est. (06-09E)	1,200
Annual Earnout Calculation*	
2006E	\$110
2007E	\$113
2008E	\$203
2009E	\$239
GDT Earnouts	
Total Earnouts	\$190
2006 Earnout Estimate	\$60
Avg Annual Earnout	\$25

^{*} Adv Bionics annual payout equal to 2.25x incremental annual revenue Source: Lehman estimates, Company data

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Financial Model

BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP											
Quarterly Sales (in \$ millions)	2003A	2004A	2005A	Q1 06A	Q2 06A	Q3 06A	Q4 06E	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
PTCA	\$566	\$611	\$622	\$160	\$165	\$135	\$158	\$618	\$649	\$677	\$704
Bare Metal Stent	338	208	131	25	27	35	16	103	73	69	60
Taxus				633	647	572	521	2,373	2,074	811	594
Xience V				NA	0	0	0	0	395	1,095	1,270
Drug-eluting Stent	189	2,144	2,556	633	647	572	521	2,373	2,469	1,906	1,864
Coronary Stents	527	2,352	2,687	658	671	607	537	2,476	2,542	1,975	1,924
Peripheral	488	547	591	155	149	135	138	577	685	823	932
Vascular Surgery (1)	91	96	113	25	19	22	28	94	99	106	114
IVT	178	147	133	36	35	35	32	138	141	145	149
Other	318	353	353	96	94	88	81	359	401	445	489
SciMed Unit (1)	\$2,168	\$4,105	\$4,499	1,130	\$1,133	\$1,022	\$974	\$4,261	\$4,517	\$4,172	\$4,311
EP Technologies Unit	113	130	131	34	33	32	37	136	151	169	187
Target Neurosurgery Unit	223	253	279	80	82	81	86	329	372	417	467
Pacemaker					103	110	133	346	547	558	570
CRT					16	21	19	56	70	74	76
Low Power					119	131	152	402	617	632	646
ICD					191	193	200	584	876	886	930
CRT-D					126	122	120	368	518	529	555
High Power					317	315	320	952	1,394	1,415	1,485
GDT Cardiac Rhythm Management					436	446	472	1,354	2,011	2,047	2,131
GDT M.I.S. Cardiac Surgery					38	45	31	114	207	231	256
Cardiovascular Business	\$2,504	\$4,488	\$4,909	\$1,244	\$1,722	\$1,626	\$1,599	\$6,191	\$7,268	\$7,076	\$7,413
Oncology Unit (1)	\$165	\$186	\$207	\$54	\$52	\$60	\$60	\$226	\$253	\$283	\$314
Endoscopy Unit	580	639	697	180	189	187	191	747	831	972	1,171
Urology Unit	226	262	324	90	90	93	95	368	428	497	579
Endosurgery Business	\$971	\$1,087	\$1,228	\$324	\$331	\$340	\$346	\$1,341	\$1,512	\$1,752	\$2,064
Advanced Bionics		\$49	\$148	\$49	\$58	\$60	\$65	\$174	\$224	\$314	\$420
TOTAL REVENUE	\$3,475	\$5,625	\$6,286	\$1,620	\$2,111	\$2,026	\$2,010	\$7,767	\$9,004	\$9,142	\$9,896

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BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP											
Quarterly Sales (in \$ millions)	2003A	2004A	2005A	Q1 06A	Q2 06A	Q3 06A	Q4 06E	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
Year-over-Year Growth Rates											
PTCA	10%	8%	2%	3%	3%	-10%	2%	-1%	5%	4%	4%
Bare Metal Stent	6%	-38%	-37%	-29%	-27%	9%	-43%	-22%	-29%	-5%	-13%
Taxus									-13%	-61%	-27%
Xience V									NA	177%	16%
Drug-eluting Stent	NA	1034%	19%	-8%	-2%	-5%	-14%	-7%	4%	-23%	-2%
Coronary Stents	66%	346%	14%	-9%	-4%	-4%	-15%	-8%	3%	-22%	-3%
Peripheral	7%	12%	8%	9%	3%	-10%	-11%	-2%	19%	20%	13%
Peripheral ex. carotid									8%	8%	9%
Vascular Surgery (1)	2%	6%	17%	-22%	-42%	-8%	19%	-16%	5%	7%	7%
IVT	13%	-18%	-9%	3%	0%	9%	4%	4%	2%	2%	2%
Other	22%	11%	0%	-10%	-2%	11%	12%	2%	12%	11%	10%
SciMed Unit (1)	21%	89%	10%	-5%	-3%	-4%	-9%	-5%	6%	-8%	3%
EP Technologies Unit	12%	15%	1%	6%	0%	0%	7%	3%	11%	11%	11%
Target Neurosurgery Unit	32%	14%	10%	16%	17%	21%	17%	18%	13%	12%	12%
Pacemaker									NA	2%	2%
CRT									NA	6%	3%
Low Power									NA	2%	2%
ICD									NA	1%	5%
CRT-D									NA	2%	5%
High Power									NA	2%	5%
GDT Cardiac Rhythm Management									NA	2%	4%
GDT M.I.S. Cardiac Surgery									NA	12%	11%
Cardiovascular Business	21%	79%	9%	-4%	35%	39%	36%	26%	17%	-3%	5%
Oncology Unit (1)	17%	13%	11%	8%	0%	15%	12%	9%	12%	12%	11%
Endoscopy Unit	13%	10%	9%	8%	5%	9%	7%	7%	11%	17%	20%
Endoscopy excl. Endovations											
Urology Unit	15%	16%	24%	25%	11%	9%	10%	14%	16%	16%	16%
Endosurgery Business	14%	12%	13%	12%	6%	10%	9%	9%	13%	16%	18%
Advanced Bionics		NA	201%	48%	76%	71%	38%	18%	29%	40%	34%
TOTAL REVENUE	19%	62%	12%	0%	31%	34%	30%	24%	16%	2%	8%

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BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP											
Income Statement (in \$ millions)	2003A	2004A	2005A	Q1 06A	Q2 06A	Q3 06A	Q4 06E	2006E	2007E	2008E	2009E
Net Revenue	\$3,475	\$5,625	\$6,286	\$1,620	\$2,111	\$2,026	\$2,010	\$7,767	\$9,004	\$9,142	\$9,896
Cost of Revenue	961	1,292	1,385	374	492	505	492	1,863	2,071	2,084	2,227
Gross Profit	\$2,514	\$4,333	\$4,901	\$1,246	\$1,619	\$1,521	\$1,517	\$5,903	\$6,933	\$7,057	\$7,670
SG&A	1,171	1,542	1,776	470	696	701	722	2,589	3,151	3,090	3,305
R&D	452	569	673	186	251	263	245	945	1,028	1,006	1,089
Amortization Expense	89	112	157	38	142	153	140	473	629	611	604
Royalties	54	195	212	55	65	57	47	224	198	172	169
Operating Income	\$748	\$1,915	\$2,083	\$497	\$465	\$347	\$364	\$1,673	\$1,927	\$2,178	\$2,503
Op. Income ex. Amortization				\$459	\$323	\$194	\$224	\$1,200	\$1,298	\$1,567	\$1,899
Interest and Other Expense, net	54	80	77	31	102	131	165	507	434	333	232
Pretax Income	694	1,835	2,006	466	363	216	199	1,166	1,493	1,845	2,271
Provision for Income Taxes	174	440	481	107	83	63	46	299	339	415	511
Net Income	\$520	\$1,395	\$1,525	\$359	\$280	\$153	\$153	\$945	\$1,154	\$1,430	\$1,760
Average Shares Out - fully diluted	845	858	838	830	1,327	1,487	1,494	1,284	1,490	1,510	1,530
EPS - fully diluted (cash ex amortization & options)	\$0.62	\$1.63	\$1.82	\$0.46	\$0.31	\$0.20	\$0.19	\$1.16	\$1.16	\$1.32	\$1.51
EPS - fully diluted (ex amortization but incl. options)			\$1.72	\$0.42	\$0.29	\$0.18	\$0.17	\$1.06	\$1.10	\$1.26	\$1.46
EPS - fully diluted (incl. amortization & options)				\$0.43	\$0.21	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.85	\$0.77	\$0.95	\$1.15
Margin Analysis											
SG&A	33.7%	27.4%	28.3%	29.0%	33.0%	34.6%	35.9%	33.3%	35.0%	33.8%	33.4%
R&D	13.0%	10.1%	10.7%	11.5%	11.9%	13.0%	12.2%	12.2%	11.4%	11.0%	11.0%
Amortization Expense	2.6%	2.0%	2.5%	2.3%	6.7%	7.6%	7.0%	6.1%	7.0%	6.7%	6.1%
Royalties	1.6%	3.5%	3.4%	3.4%	3.1%	2.8%	2.3%	2.9%	2.2%	0.8%	0.5%
Gross Profit	72.3%	77.0%	78.0%	76.9%	76.7%	75.1%	75.5%	76.0%	77.0%	77.2%	77.5%
Operating Income	21.5%	34.0%	33.1%	30.7%	22.0%	17.1%	18.1%	21.5%	21.4%	23.8%	25.3%
Pretax Income	20.0%	32.6%	31.9%	28.8%	17.2%	10.7%	9.9%	15.0%	16.6%	20.2%	22.9%
Net Income	15.0%	24.8%	24.3%	22.2%	13.3%	7.6%	7.6%	12.2%	12.8%	15.6%	17.8%
Tax Rate	25.1%	24.0%	24.0%	23.0%	22.9%	29.2%	23.0%	25.6%	22.7%	22.5%	22.5%
Source: Company data. Lehman estimates											

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Company Description:

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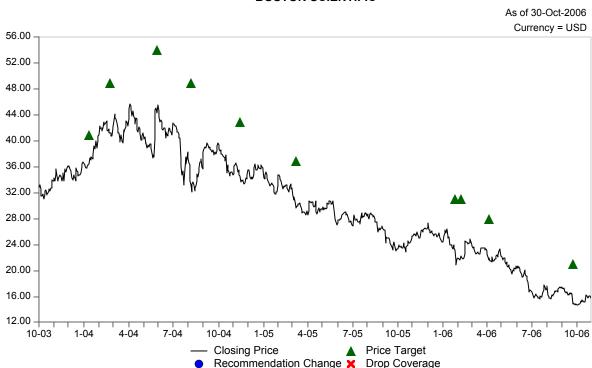
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Boston Scientific (BSX)
Rating and Price Target Chart:

US\$ 15.91 (31-Oct-2006)

1-Overweight / 1-Positive

BOSTON SCIENTIFIC



Currency=US\$

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
22-Sep-06	14.85		21.00
05-Apr-06	21.69		28.00
08-Feb-06	22.23		31.00
26-Jan-06	23.15		31.00
09-Mar-05	29.75		37.00
15-Nov-04	34.60		43.00

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
06-Aug-04	33.21		49.00
28-May-04	44.30		54.00
24-Feb-04	41.27		49.00
12-Jan-04	36.40		41.00

Source: FactSet

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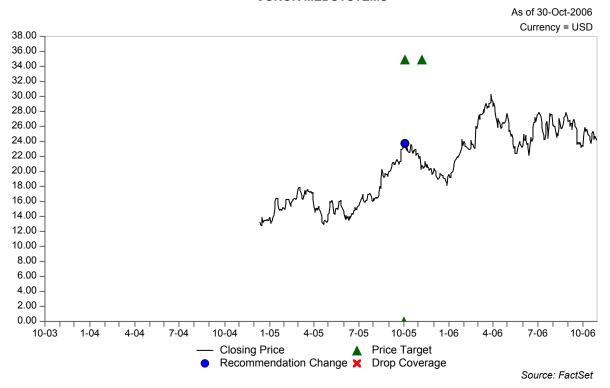
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Conor Medsystems (CONR)
Rating and Price Target Chart:

US\$ 24.56 (31-Oct-2006)

1-Overweight / 1-Positive

CONOR MEDSYSTEMS



Currency=US\$

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target	Date	Closing Pri
08-Nov-05	20.89		35.00	05-Oct-05	23.8
05-Oct-05	23.81		35.00	03-Oct-05	23.5

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
05-Oct-05	23.81	1-Overweight	
03-Oct-05	23.56		0.00

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Risks Which May Impede the Achievement of the Price Target: The key risks to our investment thesis on CONR include: 1) an unfavorable ruling in the patent litigation with BSX/ANPI; 2) the inability of the company to use paclitaxel in its DES program, 3) poor clinical data from ongoing DES trials, including the US pivotal trial; and 4) a delay in the European or US DES launch.

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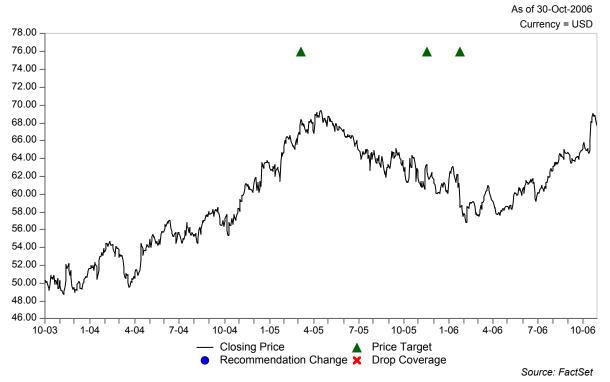
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Johnson & Johnson (JNJ)
Rating and Price Target Chart:

US\$ 67.40 (31-Oct-2006)

1-Overweight / 1-Positive

JOHNSON & JOHNSON



Currency=US\$

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target		Date
25-Jan-06	58.50		76.00	Ī	07-N
17-Nov-05	63.34		76.00	Ī	

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
07-Mar-05	68.44		76.00

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Risks Which May Impede the Achievement of the Price Target: Risks to the JNJ story include possible rotation back into large-cap pharma, delays and/or failure in the late-stage pharma pipeline, regulatory and integration risks associated with the GDT acquisition, and a marked slowdown in the consumer business, which has been growing well above historical rates for the past two years.

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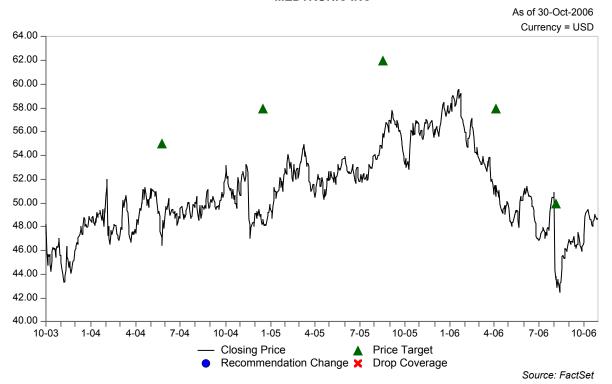
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Medtronic Inc (MDT)
Rating and Price Target Chart:

US\$ 48.68 (31-Oct-2006)

1-Overweight / 1-Positive

MEDTRONIC INC



Currency=US\$

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Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
04-Aug-06	43.62		50.00
05-Apr-06	50.58		58.00
18-Aug-05	55.84		62.00

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
17-Dec-04	48.65		58.00
26-May-04	46.40		55.00

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Risks Which May Impede the Achievement of the Price Target: While we see very little risk to the numbers in the near term and expect MDT to meet or exceed expectations, there are three risks, in our view: 1) Vascular franchise growth may never reemerge. 2) BMP sales may not offset slower sales in spine hardware business. 3) MiniMed may not deliver on its mid-20% growth rate expectations.

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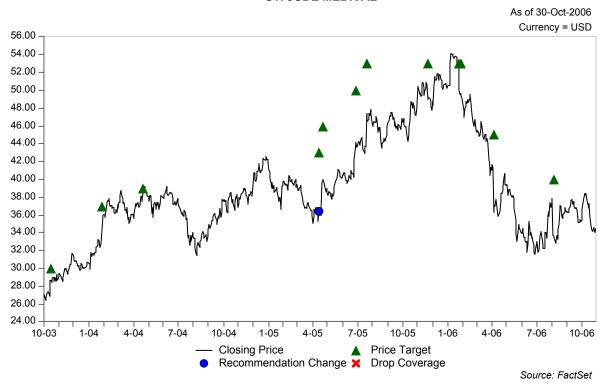
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St. Jude Medical (STJ)
Rating and Price Target Chart:

US\$ 34.35 (31-Oct-2006)

1-Overweight / 1-Positive

ST. JUDE MEDICAL



Currency=US\$

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
04-Aug-06	33.63		40.00
05-Apr-06	36.25		45.00
27-Jan-06	49.66		53.00
24-Jan-06	53.30		53.00
22-Nov-05	49.02		53.00
20-Jul-05	47.36		53.00
29-Jun-05	44.05		50.00

Date	Closing Price	Rating	Price Target
21-Apr-05	39.85		46.00
14-Apr-05	36.42		43.00
14-Apr-05	36.42	1-Overweight	
21-Apr-04	38.45		39.00
28-Jan-04	34.27		37.00
16-Oct-03	28.63		30.00

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Risks Which May Impede the Achievement of the Price Target: STJ has exposure to several different markets: the heart valve market, cardiac surgery market, interventional cardiology market, and cardiac rhythm management market.

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Company Name	Ticker	Price (31-Oct-2006)	Stock / Sector Rating
Boston Scientific	BSX	US\$ 15.91	1-Overweight / 1-Positive
Related Stocks	Ticker	Price (31-Oct-2006)	Stock / Sector Rating
Conor Medsystems	CONR	US\$ 24.56	1-Overweight / 1-Positive
Johnson & Johnson	JNJ	US\$ 67.40	1-Overweight / 1-Positive
Medtronic Inc	MDT	US\$ 48.68	1-Overweight / 1-Positive
St. Jude Medical	STJ	US\$ 34.35	1-Overweight / 1-Positive

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