# **ModernGraham Valuation**

## **Company Name:**

Company Ticker MRK Date of Analysis Merck & Co., Inc.





## Stage 1: Is this company suitable for the Defensive Investor or the Enterprising Investor?

Defensive Investor; must pass 6 out of the following 7 tests.

| 1.                         | Adequate Size of the Enterprise                 | Market Cap > \$2Bil  | \$197,784,653,364 | Pass |
|----------------------------|---|--|-------------------|------|
| 2.                         | Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition         | Current Ratio > 2  | 1.44              | Fail |
| 3.                         | Earnings Stability                              | Positive EPS for 10 years prior  |                   | Pass |
| 4.                         | Dividend Record                                 | Dividend Payments for 10 years prior   |                   | Pass |
| 5.                         | Earnings Growth                                 | Increase of 33% in EPS in past 10<br>years using 3 year averages at<br>beginning and end | -38.49%           | Fail |
| 6.                         | Moderate PEmg Ratio                             | PEmg < 20  | 40.82             | Fail |
| 7.                         | Moderate Price to Assets                        | PB Ratio < 2.5 OR PB*PEmg < 50   | 6.24              | Fail |
| Enterprising Investor; mus | st pass 4 out of the following 5 tests, or be s | uitable for the Defensive Investor.  |                   |      |

| 1. | Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition | Current Ratio > 1.5            | 1.44 | Fail |
|----|---|--------------------------------|------|------|
| 2. | Sufficiently Strong Financial Condition | Debt to NCA < 1.1              | 2.42 | Fail |
| 3. | Earnings Stability                      | Positive EPS for 5 years prior |      | Pass |
| 4. | Dividend Record                         | Currently Pays Dividend        |      | Pass |
| 5. | Earnings Growth                         | EPSmg greater than 5 years ago |      | Fail |
|    |   | Score                          |      |      |

#### Suitability

| Defensive    | No |
|--------------|----|
| Enterprising | No |

### Stage 2: Determination of Intrinsic Value

|            | EPSmg                       |            | \$1.86   |
|------------|-----------------------------|------------|----------|
|            | MG Growth Estimate          |            | -3.53%   |
|            | MG Value                    |            | \$2.69   |
|            | MG Value based on 3% Growth |            | \$27.02  |
|            | MG Value based on 0% Growth |            | \$15.84  |
|            | Market Implied Growth Rate  |            | 16.16%   |
| MG Opinion |                             |            |          |
|            | Current Price               |            | \$76.06  |
|            | % of Intrinsic Value        |            | 2832.36% |
|            | Opinion                     | Overvalued |          |
|            | MG Grade                    | D          |          |

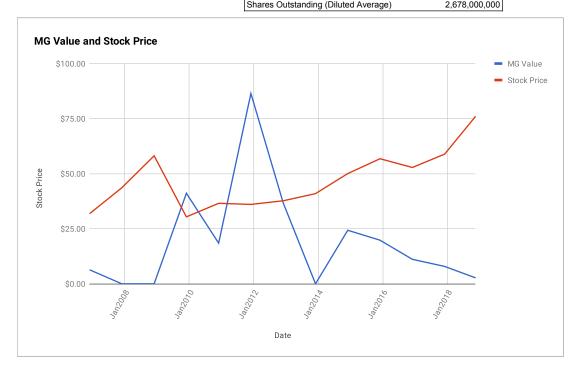
#### Stage 3: Information for Further Research

| -\$9.57 |
|---------|
| \$27.34 |
| 40.82   |
| 1.44    |
| 6.24    |
| \$1.89  |
| 2.48%   |
| 7       |
|         |

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| EPS History      |         | EPSmg History                        |                  |
|------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Next Fiscal Year |         |                                      |                  |
| Estimate         |         | Next Fiscal Year Estimate            | \$1.86           |
| Dec2017          | \$0.87  | Dec2017                              | \$1.62           |
| Dec2016          | \$1.41  | Dec2016                              | \$2.03           |
| Dec2015          | \$1.56  | Dec2015                              | \$2.30           |
| Dec2014          | \$4.07  | Dec2014                              | \$2.44           |
| Dec2013          | \$1.47  | Dec2013                              | \$1.84           |
| Dec2012          | \$2.00  | Dec2012                              | \$2.26           |
| Dec2011          | \$2.02  | Dec2011                              | \$2.29           |
| Dec2010          | \$0.28  | Dec2010                              | \$2.32           |
| Dec2009          | \$5.65  | Dec2009                              | \$3.05           |
| Dec2008          | \$3.63  | Dec2008                              | \$1.79           |
| Dec2007          | -\$1.04 | Dec2007                              | \$1.16           |
| Dec2006          | \$2.03  | Dec2006                              | \$2.37           |
| Dec2005          | \$2.10  | Dec2005                              | \$2.62           |
| Dec2004          | \$2.62  | Dec2004                              | \$2.91           |
| Dec2003          | \$2.97  | Dec2003                              | \$3.01           |
| Dec2002          | \$3.14  | Dec2002                              | \$2.93           |
| Dec2001          | \$3.14  | Balance Sheet Information            | 9/1/2018         |
| Dec2000          | \$2.90  | Total Current Assets                 | \$26,836,000,000 |
| Dec1999          | \$2.45  | Total Current Liabilities            | \$18,586,000,000 |
| Dec1998          | \$2.15  | Long-Term Debt                       | \$19,936,000,000 |
|                  |         | Total Assets                         | \$85,130,000,000 |
|                  |         | Intangible Assets                    | \$30,433,000,000 |
|                  |         | Total Liabilities                    | \$52,474,000,000 |
|                  |         | Shares Outstanding (Diluted Average) | 2,678,000,000    |





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