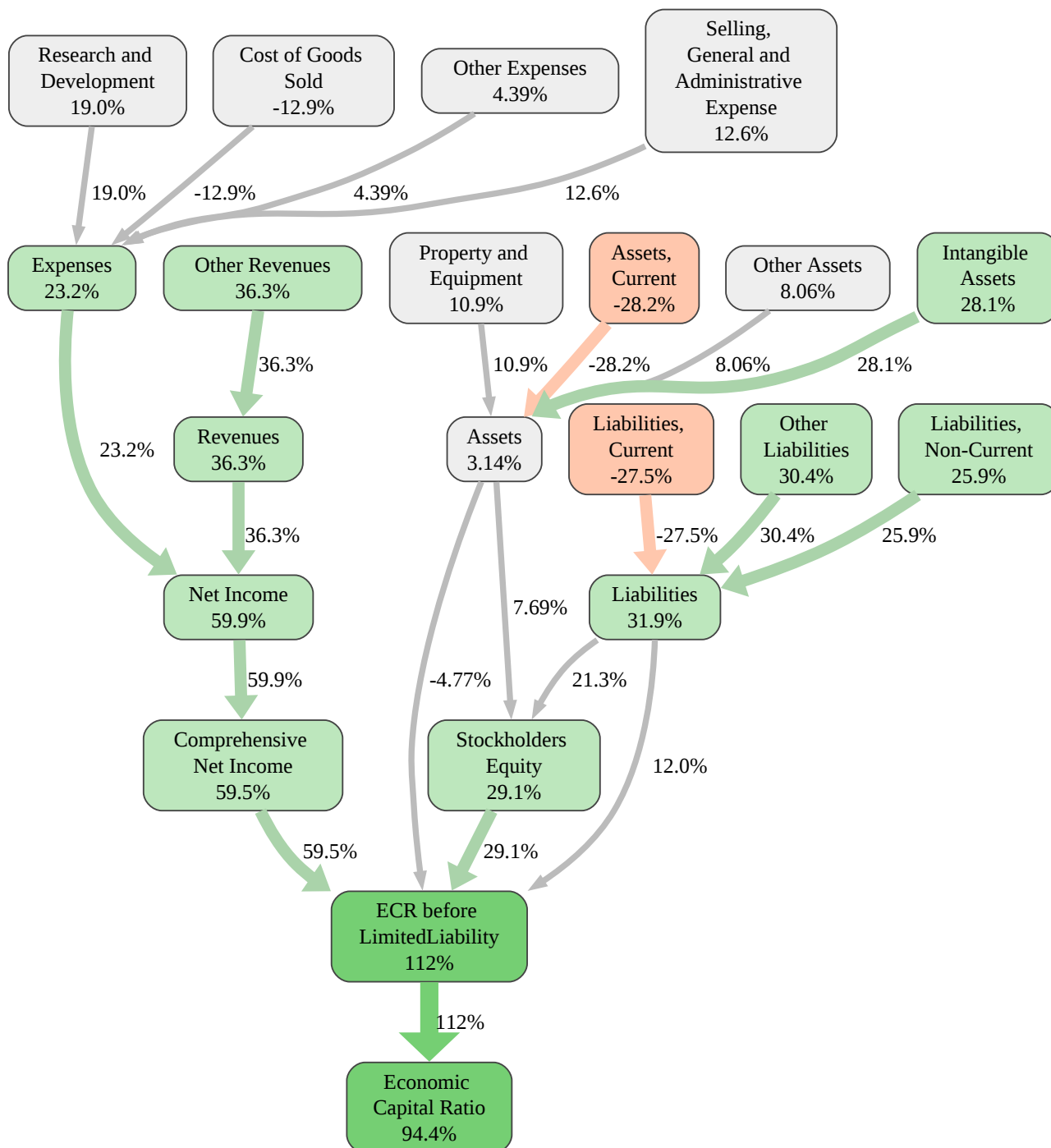




The relative strengths and weaknesses of Merck Co Inc are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of Merck Co Inc compared to the market average is the variable Net Income, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 60% points. The greatest weakness of Merck Co Inc is the variable Assets, Current, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 28% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 344%, being 94% points above the market average of 250%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets, Current	25,875,000
Cost of Goods Sold	13,509,000
Intangible Assets	29,684,000
Liabilities, Current	22,206,000
Liabilities, Non-Current	0
Other Assets	13,787,000
Other Compr. Net Income	-334,000
Other Expenses	2,738,000
Other Liabilities	0
Other Net Income	0
Other Revenues	42,294,000
Property and Equipment	13,291,000
Research and Development	9,752,000
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	10,102,000

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets	82,637,000
Liabilities	22,206,000
Expenses	36,101,000
Revenues	42,294,000
Stockholders Equity	60,431,000
Net Income	6,193,000
Comprehensive Net Income	6,026,000
BaseVar	91,786,000
ECR before Limited Liability	263%
Economic Capital Ratio	344%