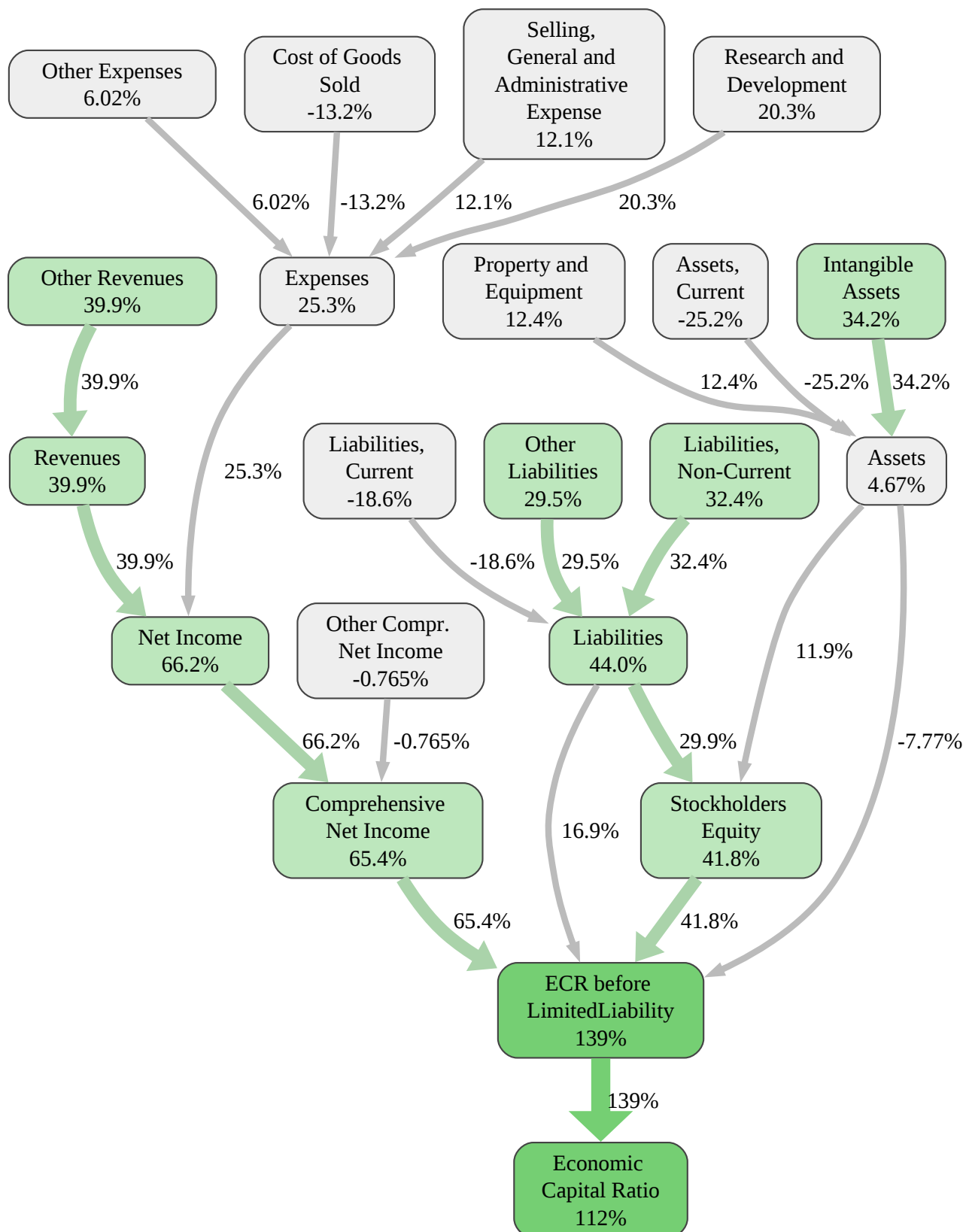




The relative strengths and weaknesses of Merck Co Inc are analyzed with respect to the market average, including all of its competitors. We analyzed all variables having an effect on the Economic Capital Ratio.

The greatest strength of Merck Co Inc compared to the market average is the variable Net Income, increasing the Economic Capital Ratio by 66% points. The greatest weakness of Merck Co Inc is the variable Assets, Current, reducing the Economic Capital Ratio by 25% points.

The company's Economic Capital Ratio, given in the ranking table, is 350%, being 112% points above the market average of 238%.

Input Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets, Current	27,483,000
Cost of Goods Sold	14,112,000
Intangible Assets	33,621,000
Liabilities, Current	22,220,000
Liabilities, Non-Current	0
Other Assets	8,240,000
Other Compr. Net Income	-582,000
Other Expenses	2,464,000
Other Liabilities	0
Other Net Income	0
Other Revenues	46,840,000
Property and Equipment	15,053,000
Research and Development	9,872,000
Selling, General and Administrative Expense	10,615,000

Output Variable	Value in 1000 USD
Assets	84,397,000
Liabilities	22,220,000
Expenses	37,063,000
Revenues	46,840,000
Stockholders Equity	62,177,000
Net Income	9,777,000
Comprehensive Net Income	9,486,000
BaseVar	95,551,000
ECR before Limited Liability	272%
Economic Capital Ratio	350%