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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**DATE OF REPORT  
(DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED)**

**May 20, 2008**

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**ASTRO-MED, INC**

**(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)**

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**COMMISSION FILE NUMBER      0-13200**

**RHODE ISLAND**

**05-0318215**

**(STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION OF  
INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION)**

**(IRS EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER)**

**600 EAST GREENWICH AVENUE, WEST WARWICK, RI 02893  
(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES, INCLUDING ZIP CODE)**

**(401-828-4000)  
(REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE)**

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**ITEM 2.02. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION**

On May 20, 2008, Astro-Med, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release in which it disclosed unaudited financial information related to first quarter consolidated earnings. A copy of the press release relating to such announcement, dated May 20, 2008, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

This information shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(c) **Exhibit**

<b>Exhibit no.</b>	<b>Exhibit</b>
99.1	Press Release dated May 20, 2008

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**DATE: May 20, 2008**

**ASTRO-MED, INC.**

**/s/ Joseph P. O’Connell**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Joseph P. O’Connell  
 Senior Vice President, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer

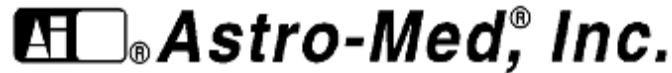
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Press Release Dated May 20, 2008

# PRESS RELEASE



600 East Greenwich Avenue  
West Warwick, Rhode Island 02893

*For Immediate Release*

**Contact: Albert Ondis, CEO**  
**Joseph P. O'Connell, CFO**  
**Astro-Med, Inc.**  
**Tel: 800-343-4039**

**May 20, 2008**

**Astro-Med Reports Record First Quarter Sales and Strong Financial Results**  
**• Net Income up 71.8% on a 13.9% Increase in Sales**

WEST WARWICK, RI -- May 20, 2008 -- [Astro-Med, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ:ALOT) reports net income of \$897,000, equal to \$0.12 per diluted share, on sales of \$18,688,000 for the Fiscal 2009 First Quarter ended May 3, 2008. During the corresponding period of the previous year, the Company reported net income of \$522,000, equal to \$0.07 per diluted share, on sales of \$16,407,000. Favorable foreign currency exchange rates added approximately \$473,000 to this year's First Quarter sales.

Commenting on the results, Albert W. Ondis, Chief Executive Officer, stated: "We are pleased with our First Quarter results and gratified that all product families participated in this 13.9% sales increase. Certainly, we are in a tough business environment but we are confident that the current fiscal year will be another successful one for Astro-Med -- probably the best yet."

The Company's QuickLabel Systems brand reported sales of \$9,749,000, a 9.3% increase over the prior year; its Grass Technologies brand reported sales of \$4,979,000, a 23.7% increase over the prior year; and its Astro-Med brand, comprised of test and measurement devices and ruggedized products, reported sales of \$3,960,000, a 14.3% increase over the previous year.

Astro-Med's domestic sales increased by 9.1%, and its export sales, which represent 30.2% of total sales, rose 26.7%. The Company's Gross Profit Margin in the Quarter was 43.8%, compared to 41.7% in the prior year.

Ondis continued his remarks, saying "We are especially optimistic about our growing export sales due to the favorable currency exchange rates. Our balance sheet remains

strong with a cash and marketable securities position of \$19,193,000, a current ratio of 6.03 to 1 and no debt.”

On May 19, 2008, the Directors of Astro-Med declared the regular quarterly cash dividend of 6 cents per share, payable on July 1, 2008 to shareholders of record on June 13, 2008.

#### **First Quarter Conference Call to be Held Wednesday, May 21**

The First Quarter conference call will be held on Wednesday, May 21, 2008, at 11:00 AM EDT. It will be broadcast in real time on the Internet. We invite investors and analysts in North America to participate in the conference call by dialing in to 800-218-8862 or to listen by logging on to [www.astro-medinc.com](http://www.astro-medinc.com). The broadcast will be accessible for up to five days following the event.

#### **About Astro-Med, Inc.**

Astro-Med, Inc. is a leading manufacturer of high tech specialty printing systems, electronic medical instrumentation, and test and measurement instruments sold under the brand names Astro-Med<sup>®</sup>, Grass<sup>®</sup> Technologies and QuickLabel<sup>®</sup> Systems. Astro-Med, Inc. products are employed around the world in a wide range of industrial, scientific, and medical applications. Additional information about Astro-Med, Inc. is available by visiting [www.astro-medinc.com](http://www.astro-medinc.com).

### **ASTRO-MED, INC.**

#### **Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations In Thousands Except for Per Share Data (Unaudited)**

	<b>Three Months Ended May 3, 2008</b>	<b>Three Months Ended May 5, 2007</b>
Net Sales	\$18,688	\$16,407
Gross Profit	8,188 43.8%	6,846 41.7%
Operating Expenses:		
Selling, General & Administrative	5,667	5,127
Research & Development	<u>1,226</u> 6,893	<u>1,098</u> 6,225
Operating Income	1,295 6.9%	621 3.8%
Other, Net	<u>176</u>	<u>249</u>

Income Before Taxes	1,471	870
Income Tax Provision	<u>574</u>	<u>348</u>
Net Income	<u>\$ 897</u>	<u>\$ 522</u>
Net Income Per Share - Basic	<u>\$ 0.13</u>	<u>\$ 0.08</u>
Net Income Per Share - Diluted	<u>\$ 0.12</u>	<u>\$ 0.07</u>
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares - Basic	6,936	6,832
Weighted Average Number of Common Shares - Diluted	7,444	7,570
Dividends Declared Per Common Share	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.05

**Selected Balance Sheet Data  
In Thousands**

	<b>As of <u>May 3, 2008</u> (Unaudited)</b>	<b>As of <u>January 31, 2008</u></b>
Cash & Marketable Securities	\$19,193	\$17,556
Current Assets	\$48,922	\$48,384
Total Assets	\$62,352	\$61,699
Current Liabilities	\$8,118	\$8,973
Shareholders' Equity	\$50,809	\$49,355

*Safe Harbor Statement*

*This news release contains forward-looking statements, and actual results may vary from those expressed or implied herein. Factors that could affect these results include those mentioned in Astro-Med's FY2008 annual report and its annual and quarterly filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.*

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