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 13 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
 14 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

15 CAESAR L. TORRES,
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 Plaintiff,
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 v.
 18 C. R. BARD, INC.; BARD PERIPHERAL
 19 VASCULAR, INCORPORATED,
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 Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:19-cv-01582-KJD-BNW
**STIPULATION AND [PROPOSED]
 ORDER EXTENDING DISCOVERY
 DEADLINES FOR LIMITED PURPOSES**
(FIRST REQUEST)

22 COME NOW Defendants C. R. Bard, Inc. and Bard Peripheral Vascular, Inc. (“Bard” or
 23 “Defendants”) and Plaintiff Caesar Torres (“Plaintiff”), by and through their undersigned counsel of
 24 record, pursuant to LR IA 6-1, and hereby stipulate that the discovery deadlines be extended for the
 25 limited purpose of allowing the depositions of Plaintiff’s disclosed family and friend witnesses as well
 26 as Defendants’ applicable territory and/or district managers as outlined below. This is the first request
 27 for extension of discovery deadlines for this limited purpose.

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1 The parties have engaged in settlement discussions, have conducted written discovery, and are
2 now in the process of deposing fact witnesses. Plaintiff has been deposed. His treating physicians have
3 also been deposed or will be deposed within the deadline set by the Stipulated Discovery Plan and
4 Scheduling Order, Dkt. 42. However, in an effort to conserve the resources of the Parties and to facilitate
5 settlement discussions, the Parties have agreed to reserve the right to take the depositions of Plaintiff's
6 disclosed family and friend witnesses, as well as Defendants' applicable territory and district managers,
7 until no later than thirty (30) days before trial is scheduled to begin.

8 Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 6(b) and 26, and the Court's inherent authority and
9 discretion to manage its own docket, this Court has the authority to grant the requested extension. Fed.
10 R. Civ. P. 6(b) ("When an act may or must be done within a specified time the court may, for good cause,
11 extend the time..."); Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a) ("A party or any person from whom discovery is sought may
12 move for a protective order in the court where the action is pending . . . The court may, for good cause,
13 issue an order to protect a party or person from annoyance, embarrassment, oppression, or undue burden
14 or expense."). Furthermore, Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26(c) and 26(d) vest the Court with
15 authority to limit the scope of discovery or control its sequence. *Crawford-El v. Britton*, 523 U.S. 574,
16 598 (1998) ("Rule 26 vests the trial judge with broad discretion to tailor discovery narrowly and to dictate
17 the sequence of discovery.").

18 This Court therefore has broad discretion to extend deadlines or stay proceedings as incidental to
19 its power to control its own docket – particularly where, as here, such action would promote judicial
20 economy and efficiency. *Bacon v. Reyes*, 2013 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 143300, at *4 (D. Nev. Oct. 3, 2013)
21 (citing, *Munoz-Santana v. U.S. I.N.S.*, 742 F.2d 561, 562 (9th Cir. 1984)) ("Whether to grant a stay is
22 within the discretion of the court"); *Lockyer v. Mirant Corp.*, 398 F.3d 1098, 1109 (9th Cir. 2005) ("A
23 district court has discretionary power to stay proceedings in its own court."); *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299
24 U.S. 248, 254 (1936) ("[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court
25 to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for
26 counsel, and for litigants.").

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1 For the foregoing reasons, the parties stipulate and respectfully request that this Court modify the
 2 Stipulated Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order, Dkt. 42, as follows (requested modifications are
 3 **bolded**):

PROPOSED DATE	DEADLINE
March 23, 2021	Case-specific fact discovery closes with the exception of depositions of Plaintiff’s disclosed family and friend witnesses and Defendants’ applicable territory and district managers (which shall be taken no later than 30 days before trial is scheduled to begin).
April 20, 2021	The Plaintiff shall produce case-specific expert reports.
May 18, 2021	The Defendants shall produce case-specific expert reports.
June 15, 2021	The Plaintiff shall produce any case-specific rebuttal expert reports.
July 13, 2021	The Defendants shall produce any case-specific rebuttal expert reports.
August 10, 2021	Deadline to depose the Plaintiff’s case-specific experts.
September 6, 2021	Deadline to depose the Defendants’ case-specific experts.
October 4, 2021	Deadline to file Daubert motions and other dispositive motions.

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IT IS SO STIPULATED.

Dated this 12th day of February 2021.

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ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the parties' stipulation is GRANTED. To the extent the excepted depositions are necessary for either party's summary judgment briefing, the excepted depositions must be taken prior to the deadline for dispositive motions.

IT IS SO ORDERED

DATED: 5:39 pm, February 16, 2021

**BRENDA WEKSLER
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE**