Supplementary Table 1 Number of medical device recalls by calendar year and Device Class

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| Year | Device Class | | | | Total |
| Class I  N (%) | Class II  N (%) | Class III  N (%) | Class IV  N (%) |
| 2005 | 50 (10) | 200 (42) | 193 (40) | 36 (8) | 479 (100) |
| 2006 | 71 (13) | 220 (40) | 222 (41) | 35 (6) | 548 (100) |
| 2007 | 72 (13) | 213 (39) | 219 (40) | 46 (8) | 550 (100) |
| 2008 | 120 (16) | 270 (37) | 290 (40) | 47 (7) | 727 (100) |
| 2009 | 124 (17) | 256 (36) | 288 (40) | 50 (7) | 718 (100) |
| 2010 | 121 (15) | 307 (38) | 324 (40) | 51 (6) | 803 (100) |
| 2011 | 135 (16) | 350 (41) | 329 (38) | 43 (5) | 857 (100) |
| 2012 | 123 (15) | 353 (43) | 309 (37) | 45 (5) | 830 (100) |
| 2013 | 139 (15) | 403 (43) | 342 (36) | 57 (6) | 941 (100) |
| 2014 | 111 (14) | 324 (42) | 278 (36) | 60 (8) | 773 (100) |
| Total | 1066 (15) | 2896 (40) | 2794 (39) | 470 (6) | 7226 (100) |

*Note.* Data compiled from information from the Recall and Safety Alerts Database (RSAD) and data provided by Health Canada.

7,226 of the 7,382 medical device recalls are included. 156 recalls were excluded from the table due to: no recall date, 47; device class not identified, 8; and device never licensed for sale in Canada, 101.

The reason for the relative decline in the number of recalls in the final year is not clear, it may be due to delays in reporting data, or may be due to a real decline in the number of events.