

Medical Device and Combination Product Specialty Section

ANNUAL REPORT: 2025–2026

May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026

I. Officers:

<u>2025–2026</u>	<u>2026–2027</u>
Past President, Councilor: Xiaoling (Sharlene) Dai President: Ju Young (Julie) Park Vice President: Sharlee More Vice President Elect: Kimberly Ehman Secretary-Treasurer: Bhavesh Ahir Councilor: Rachel Chang Councilor: Deniz Emul	President: Sharlee More Vice President: Kimberly Ehman Vice President-Elect: Rachel Chang Secretary-Treasurer: Mark Cabonce Past President, Councilor: Ju Young (Julie) Park Councilor: Deniz Emul Councilor: Clarissa Shaffer Graduate Student Representative: Nicole Akers

Committees:

Awards Committee

Career Advancement/Mentoring/Networking Committee

Nominating Committee

Program Committee

II. 2026 Membership total: 265

III. Key Outcomes and Accomplishments in 2025–2026:

The Medical Device and Combination Product Specialty Section accomplished the following activities throughout the year.

- In-person meeting/mixer
- Sponsored session(s) at the Annual Meeting
- Endorsed session(s) at the Annual Meeting
- Mentoring/career development events
- Poster session for trainees
- Trainee awards conferred
- Paper of the year award
- Member highlights
- Newsletter(s)
- Webinars
- Business meeting (communicated operations/finances to members)

IV. Collaborative Partnerships with Other SOT Organizations:

The Medical Device and Combination Product Specialty Section collaborated with the following organizations within SOT.

- SOT CAMAN for mentoring event

V. Communication Methods:

The Medical Device and Combination Product Specialty Section stayed in contact with its members throughout the year through the following mechanisms.

- Emails through SOT Headquarters
- Specialty Section website
- Newsletter(s)
- LinkedIn

VI. Promotion of Inclusivity

The Medical Device and Combination Product Specialty Section maintained an inclusive organization through the following activities.

- Nominate a diverse slate of candidates for elections
- Solicit equitable input from all executive committee leaders
- Utilize virtual meetings for convening Specialty Section leadership
- Utilize standardized rubrics for judging awards/posters
- Include inclusive descriptions of Awards
- Prioritize diversity in selection of speakers/panelists
- Highlight trainee research
- Use multiple approaches to communicate with membership

VII. Mentoring and Career Development Activities:

The Medical Device and Combination Product Specialty Section hosted the following mentoring activities throughout the year for its membership.

- SOT CAMAN mentoring event

VIII. Awards Given:

Trainee	0
Early Career	3
Mid Career	1
Late Career	1

IX. Key Outcomes and Improvements:

- A. Increased number of posters submitted, allowing us to hold two poster sessions
- B. Participating SOT CAMAN mentoring session, which broadened our community and interactions

X. Strategic Plan:

The Medical Device and Combination Product Specialty Section supported the following SOT Strategic Priorities.

- Proactively pursue impactful scientific content
- Support the development and application of tools that advance toxicology
- Effectively communicate scientific advances
- Foster connectivity across scientific disciplines

- Develop a talent pool of toxicologists for the future
- Provide mentoring and networking opportunities for all career levels
- Enhance member recognition and visibility at all levels

XI. Scientific Topics of Interest:

The Medical Device and Combination Product Specialty Section is interested in seeing the following topic areas developed into sessions at future SOT Annual Meetings.

- Use of AI in Toxicology; diverse medical device toxicology

XII. Feedback to the Society:

- A. What is the one thing the Society should be doing that it currently does not do (or does not do effectively) that would be of importance/benefit to the members of the Specialty Section?

N/A

- B. What is the one thing the Society is currently doing that impacts the Specialty Section that should be changed (e.g., stopped, modified, etc.)?

N/A