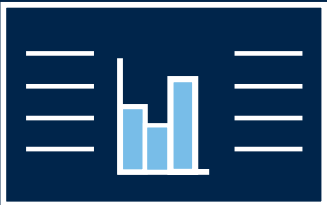


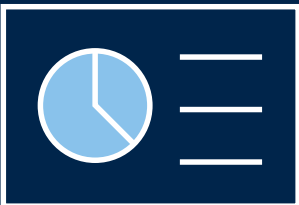
Conference attendees with accessibility needs want:



Online access



Uncluttered posters



Slides with mixed text/images



Scan the QR code for an accessibility design checklist, audio summary, & references

<https://tinyurl.com/29g6rgog>

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Are conference presentations accessible? Insights from an online survey to improve equity #13

1. Many conference attendees need greater access¹

Identify as disabled:²

UK  1 in 5 

USA  1 in 8 

Are neurodivergent:³



15-20%

2. Method

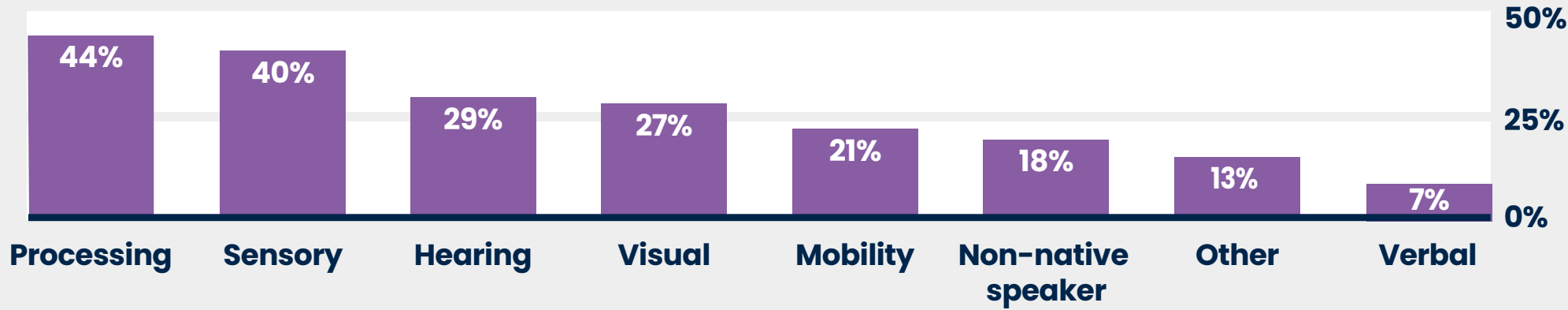
We distributed an online survey to assess general, neurodivergent, D/deaf, and disabled conference attendees:

- ✓ Accessibility needs
- ✓ Preferred presentation formats
- ✓ Recommended improvements

3. Of 493 total respondents, 57% conference attendees reported 1 or more accessibility need and 18% reported their needs were unmet

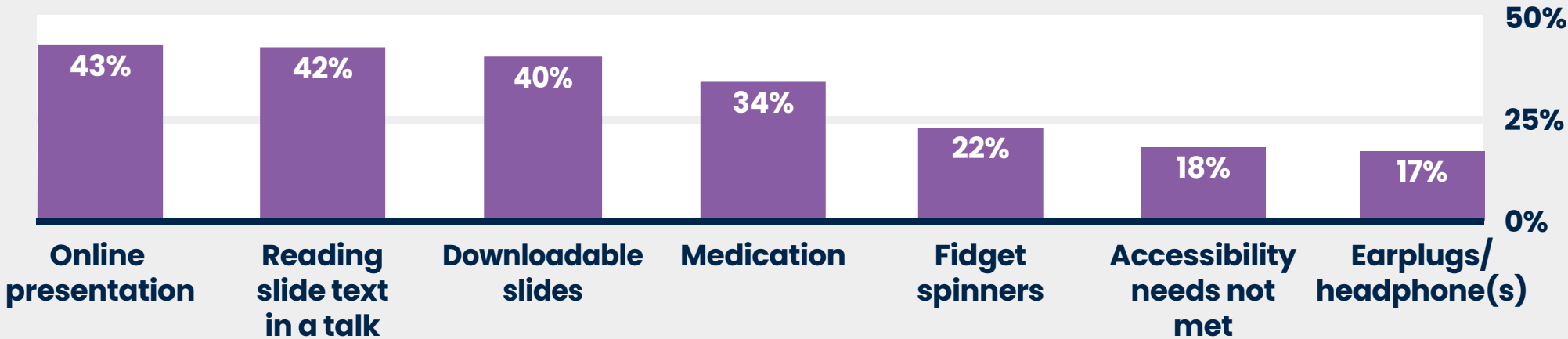
Reported accessibility needs/disabilities

% of respondents (n=281)



Top reported management strategies/tools

% of respondents (n=265)



Quotes from respondents

“For the love of god have enough chairs, and let people sit down to look at posters”

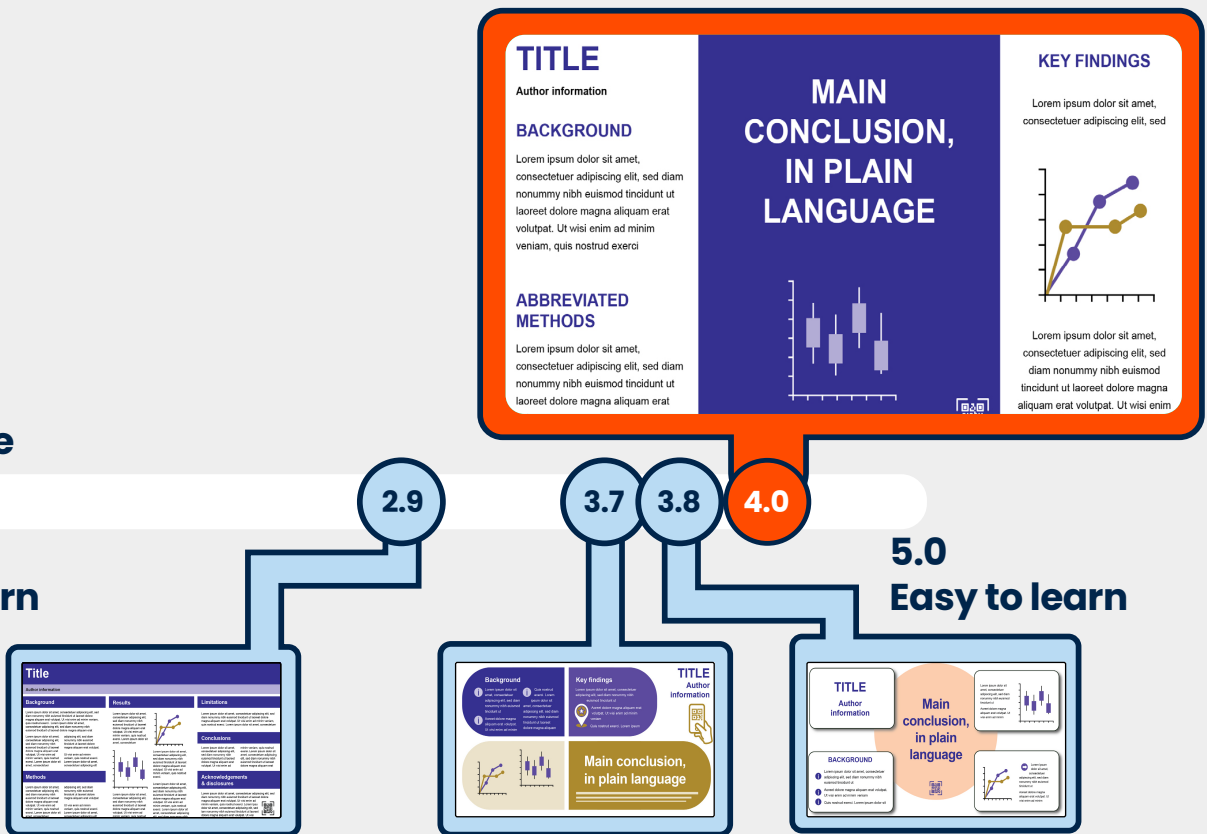
“Almost accurate [captions] is no good. Something that looks like access but isn’t access is worse, because now nobody feels bad about the lack of access. In fact, they’re kind of proud of what they did. However, it is garbage and not actual access, and they’re angry with my lack of appreciation”

“Include enough text so people with different languages can follow along”

4. Respondents favored designs featuring less visual clutter

Mean score

1.0
Hard to learn

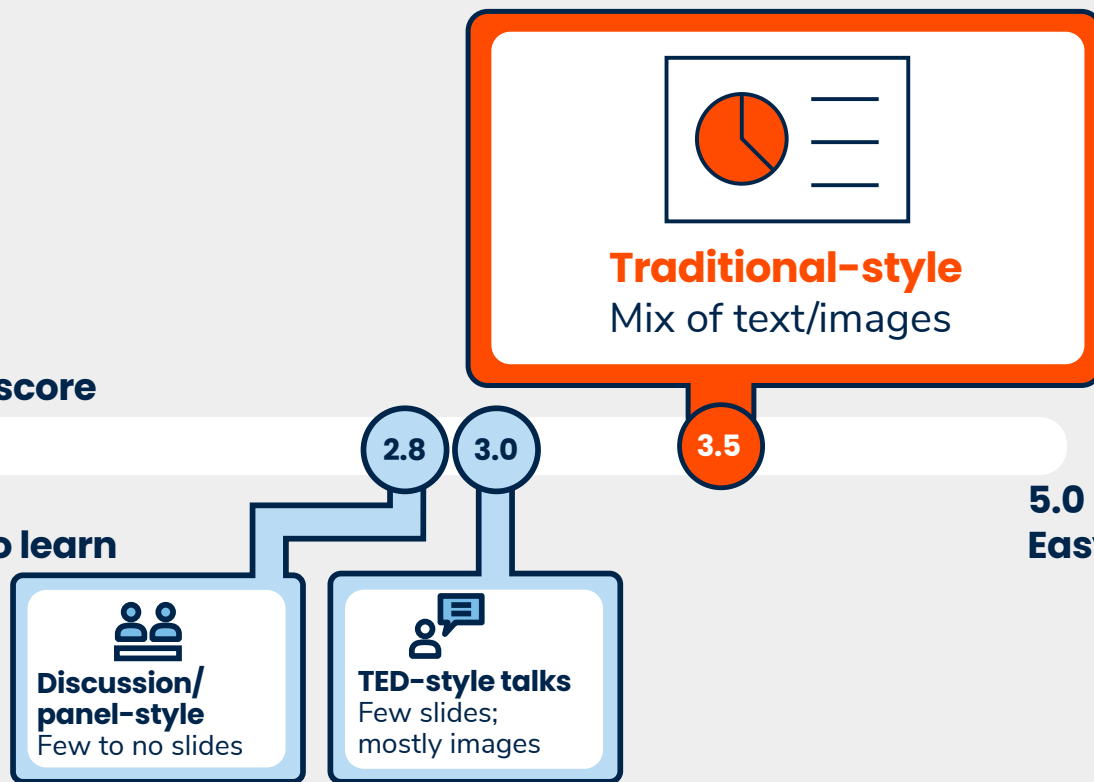


5.0
Easy to learn

5. Respondents favored traditional-style over TED-style talks and panels

Mean score

1.0
Hard to learn



5.0
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