

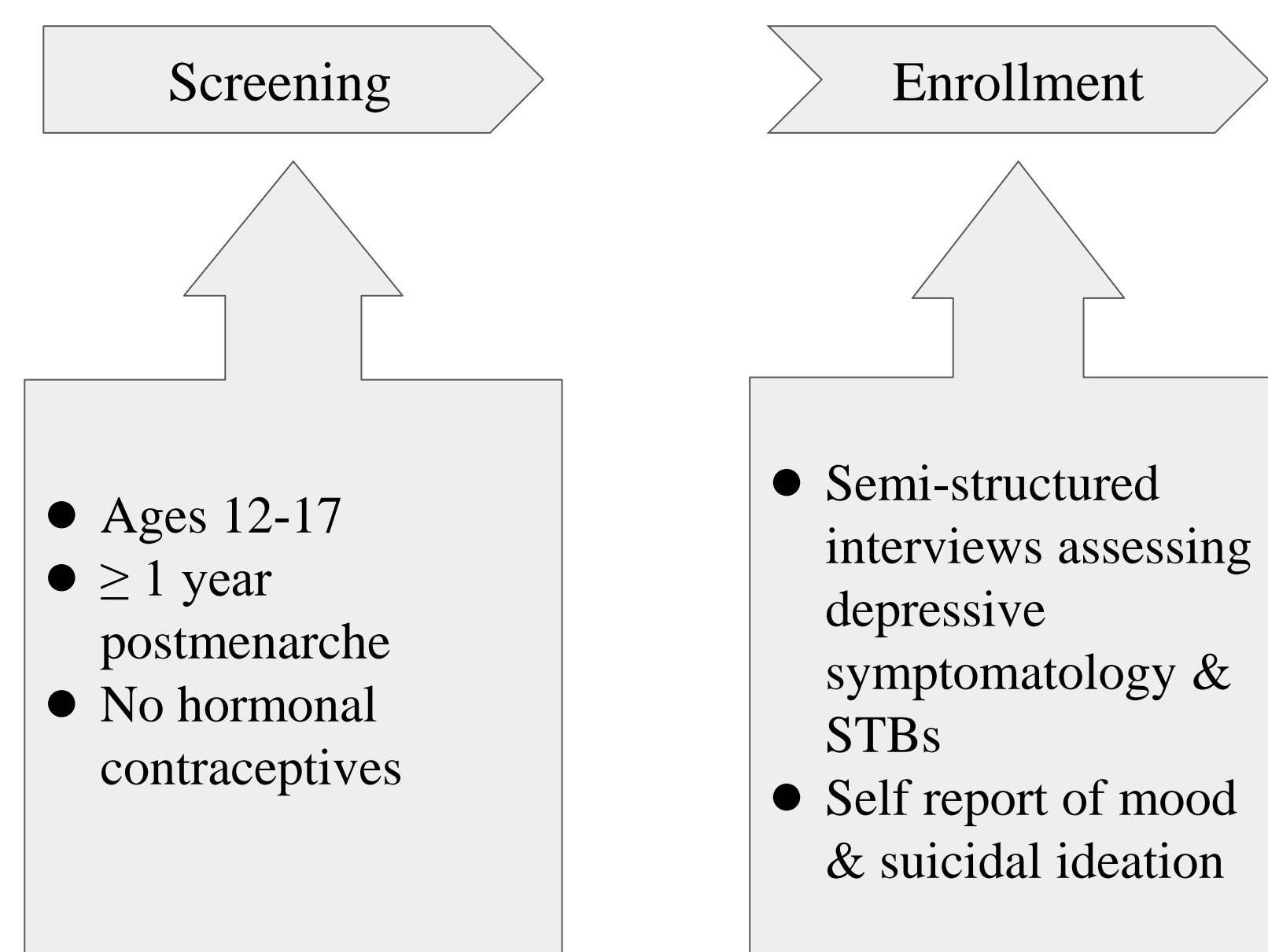
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Introduction

- Suicidal ideation is a primary predictor for suicidal risk and helps determine suicidal behaviors (1)
- Adolescent females have been found to have more suicidal ideation than adolescent males (2)
- Parent-child closeness has often been proved to be the most important protective factor of suicidal risk in youth (3)
- Adolescents who reported suicidal ideation or behavior experienced lower levels of connection in the parent-child relationship than non-suicidal adolescents (4)

OBJECTIVE: Whether the parent-child response discordance has a significant correlation with suicidal ideation in adolescent females

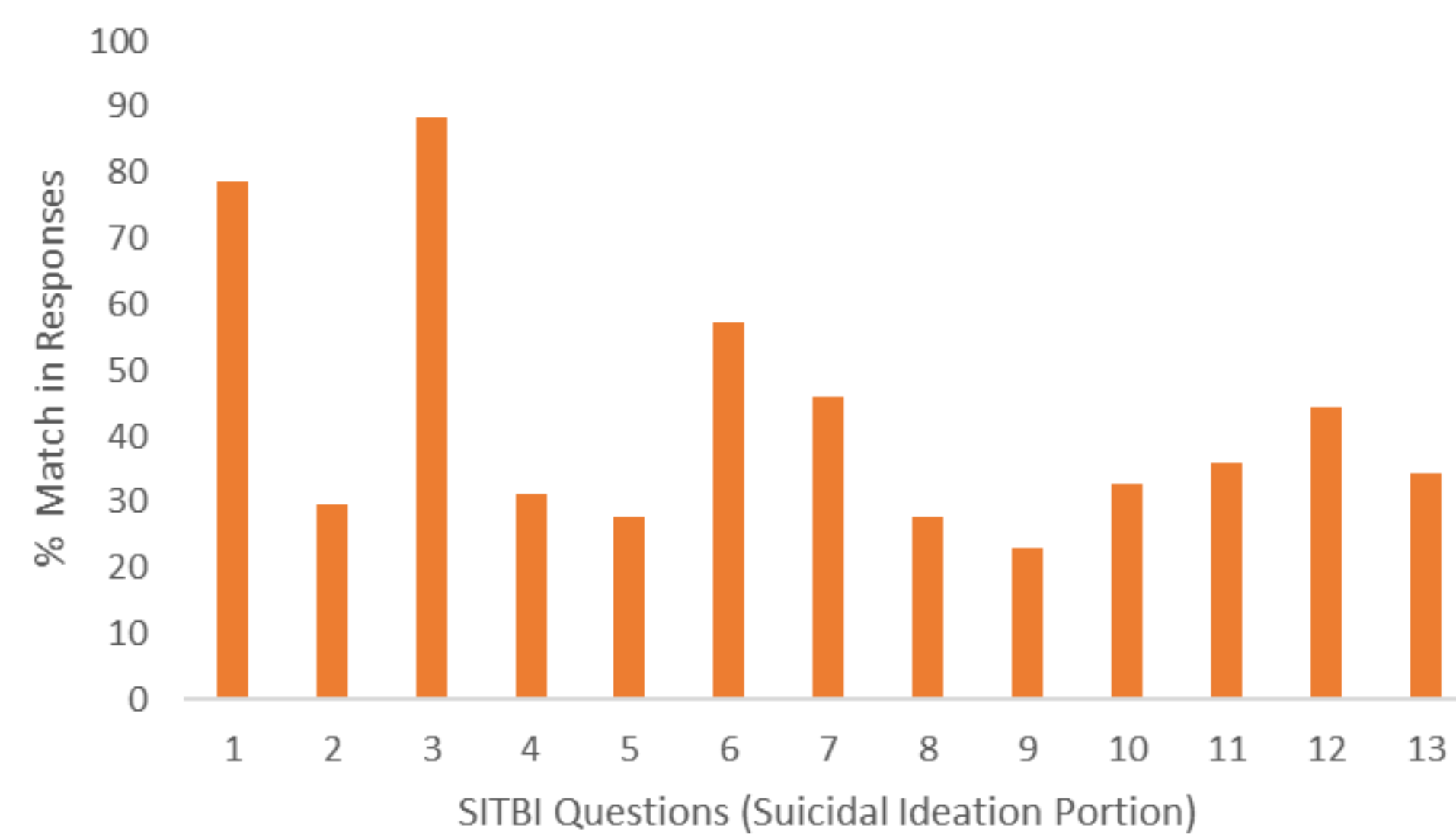
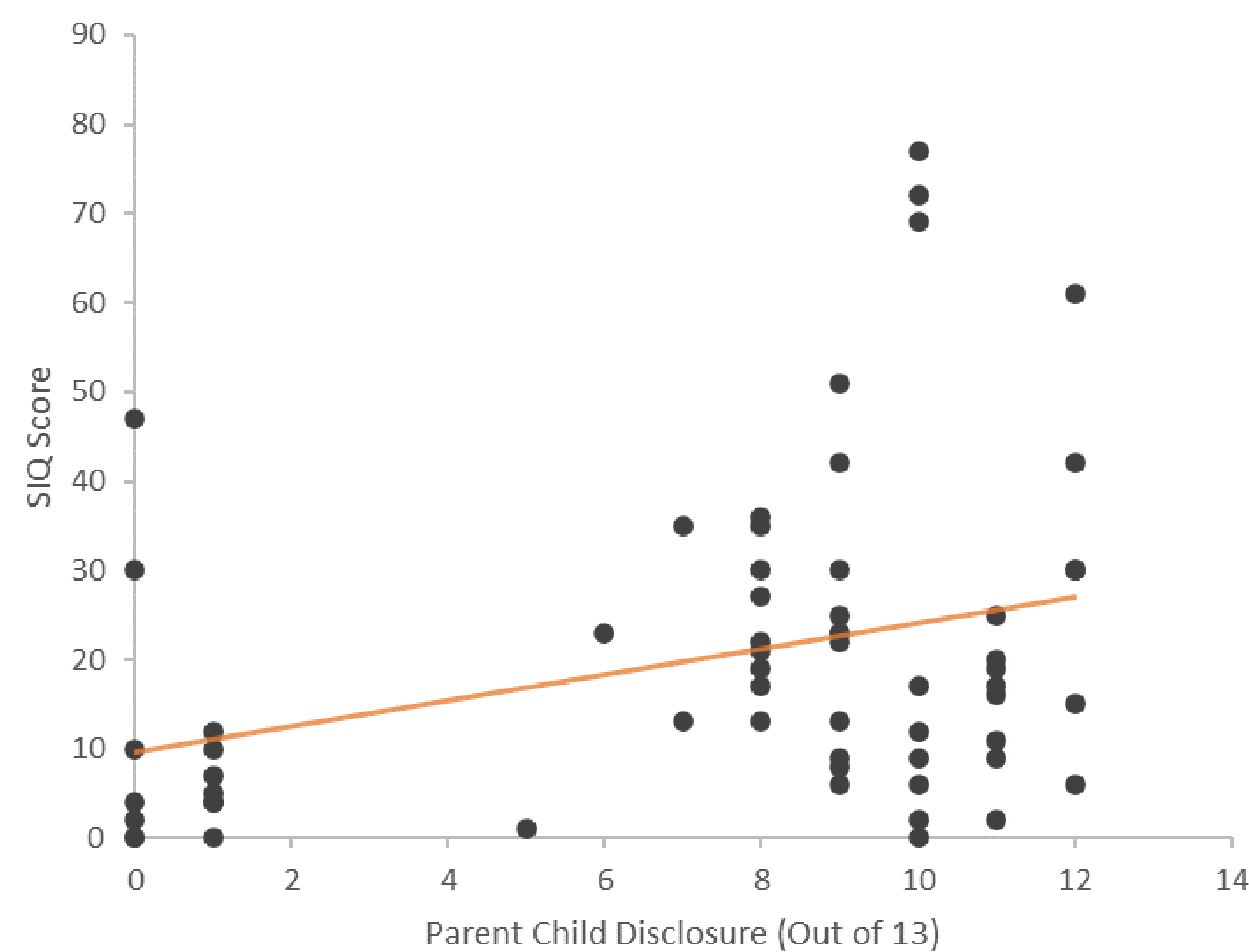
Methods



- Participants and parents underwent the **Suicidal Thoughts and Behaviors Interview (SITBI)**
- Suicidal Ideation was assessed with the **Suicidal Ideation Questionnaire (SIQ)**, a self-report survey that assesses thoughts about suicide in young adults
- SIQ scores were compared with the parent-child discordance measures, where higher scores indicated less disclosure

Results

Slightly positive correlation between parent child discordance and SIQ results, where higher parent child discordance relates to higher SIQ results ($R = 0.326, p < 0.02$)



Highest matches were for questions 1 and 3, asking Have you/your child had thoughts about killing themselves? and How old were you/they when they had these thoughts?

Participant Characteristics

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Variables	N	Percent	Range	Mean (SD)
Age	61		12-17	14.43
Race/Ethnicity				
- Hispanic/Latinx				
- White/Non-Hispanic		70%		
- Black/African American		20%		
- Asian		5.4%		
- Pacific Islander		1.8%		
- Native American		1.8%		
- More than 1 Race				
SIQ Total Score	61		0-77	20.4 (18.2)
Parent Child Disclosure	61		0-12	7.66 (4.27)

A score of 23 or above on the SIQ indicates suicidal ideation

Discussion

- Parent child disclosure may be able to serve as a protective factor to suicidal ideation
- Adolescent females that have more matches with their parents may have less suicidal ideation, while less matches may correlate with greater suicidal ideation (3)
- Some strategies to suicide prevention include teaching coping and problem-solving skills between adolescents and their parents, promoting connectedness between youths and their family and promoting help-seeking behaviors

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