

**The customer satisfaction survey of  
J-STAGE visitor in FY2019  
(English)**

【Outline of the survey】

【Profile of the respondents】

【Details】

- How often do you use J-STAGE?
- How do you browse J-STAGE?
- How useful did you find (are you likely to find) J-STAGE?
- Why do you think J-STAGE is (likely to be) useful?
- Why do you think J-STAGE is not (likely to be) useful?
- What features of J-STAGE do you use often or think convenient?
- Are you registered for My J-STAGE?
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- What academic databases or search engines do you usually use?
- Have you ever reused an article? If so, for what purpose was it?
- How did you obtain reuse permission?
- Which services do you think will be useful to you?
- How would you use such research data if given increased access?
- Do you browse preprints, and why?
- Have you posted to a preprint server, and why?
- If a preprint server was launched in Japan, do you think you would browse articles on the server or post articles to it?

## ■ Outline

### Research objectives

Conduct investigations about J-STAGE to clarify conditions such as usage situation, consciousness, usage scenes, comparison and selection situation with similar services, and utilize the results for business planning.

### conditions

J-STAGE User

### Number of people

515

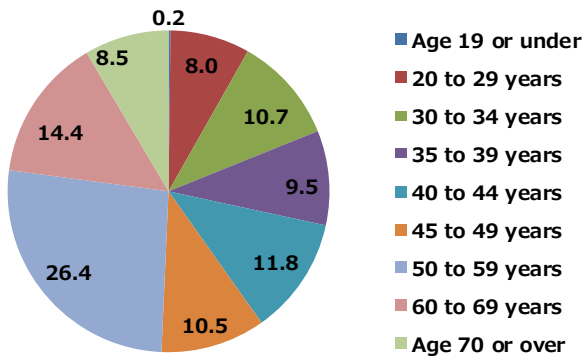
### Method

Internet Research

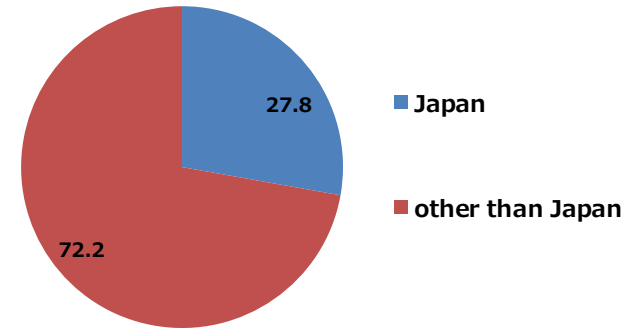
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9/1/2020~7/2/2020

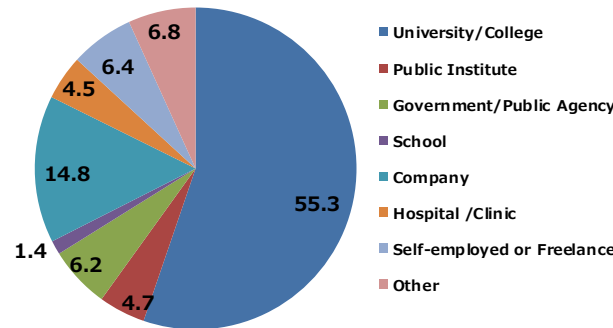
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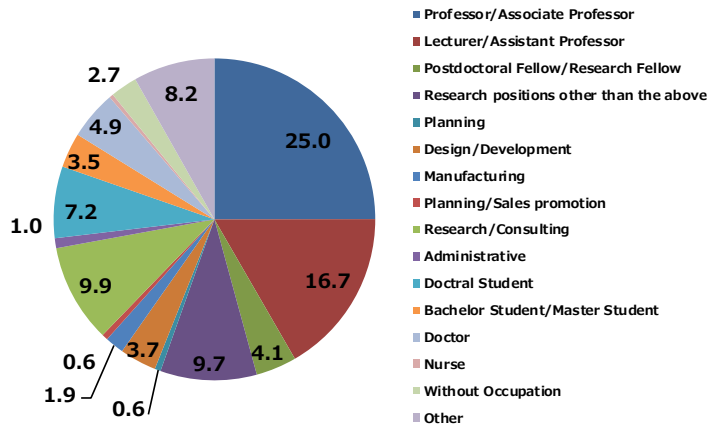
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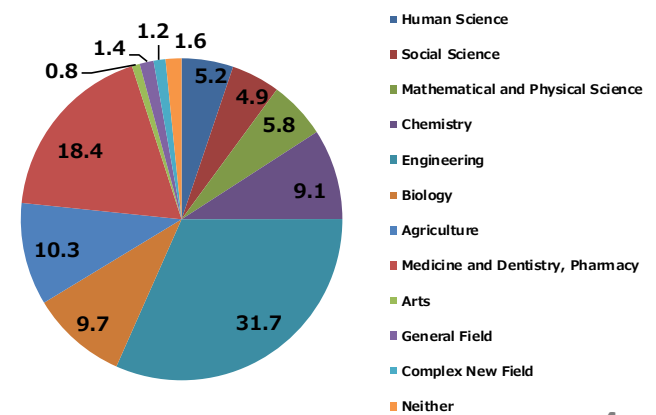
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Job category N=515



Research category N=515





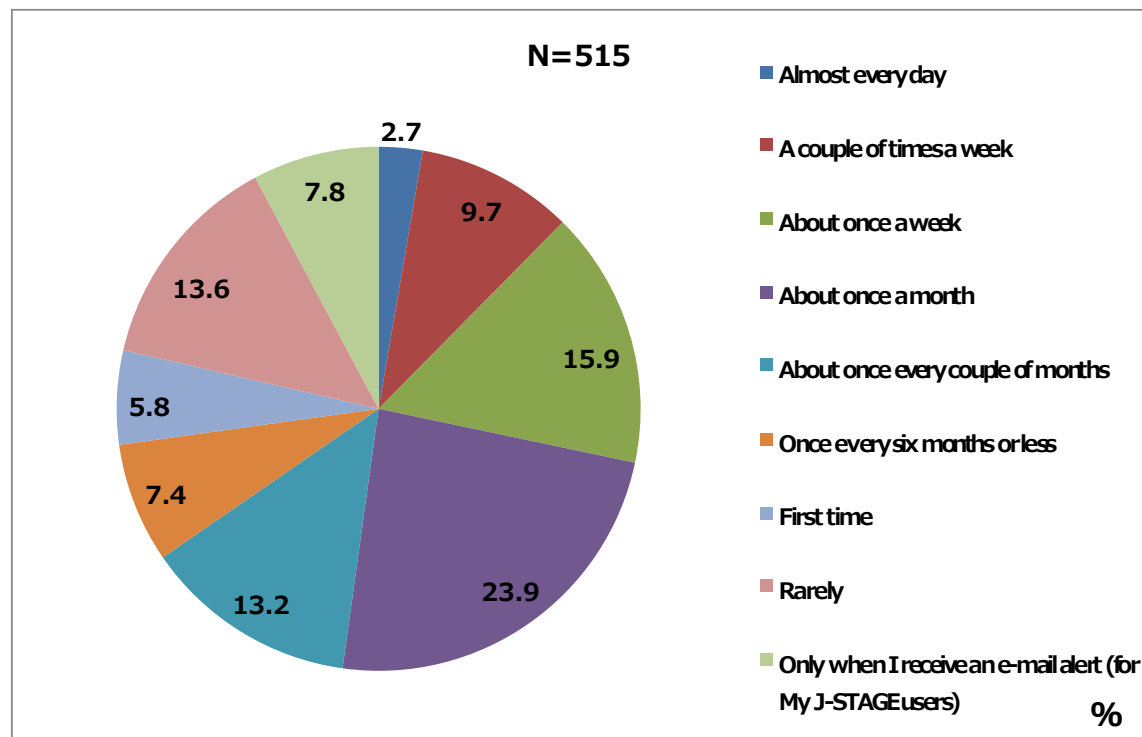
## Details

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## How often do you use J-STAGE?

Q1. How often do you use J-STAGE? (Select one)

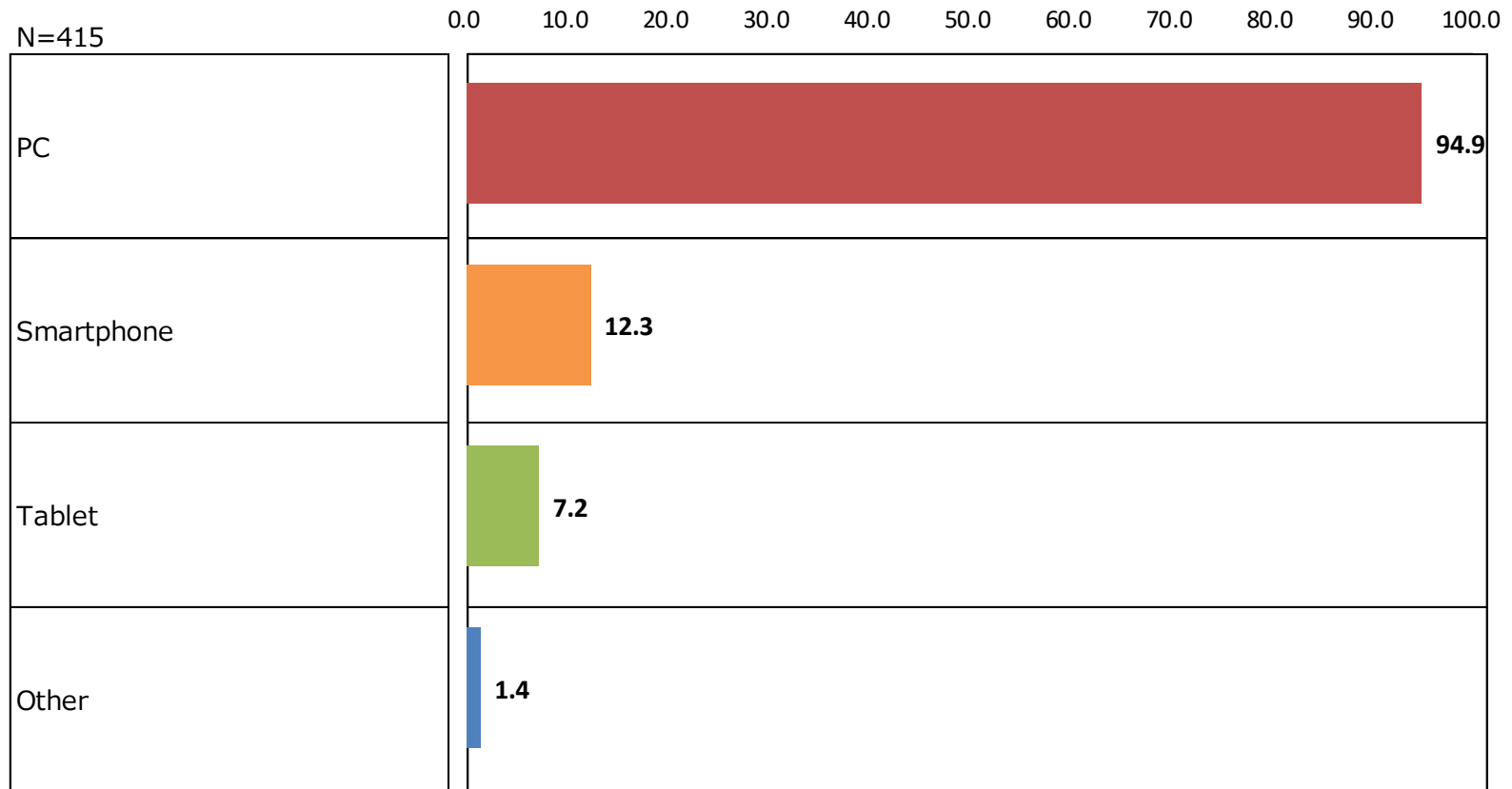
- The largest proportion of answers to usage frequency of J-STAGE is “About once a month” 23.9%, next “About once a week” 15.9%, then “Rarely” 13.6%.



## How do you browse J-STAGE?

Q2. How do you browse J-STAGE? (Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to device for browsing J-STAGE is "PC" 94.9%, next "Smartphone" 12.3%, then "Tablet" 7.2%.



n=30, largest proportion ■ 2nd proportion ■ 3rd proportion ■

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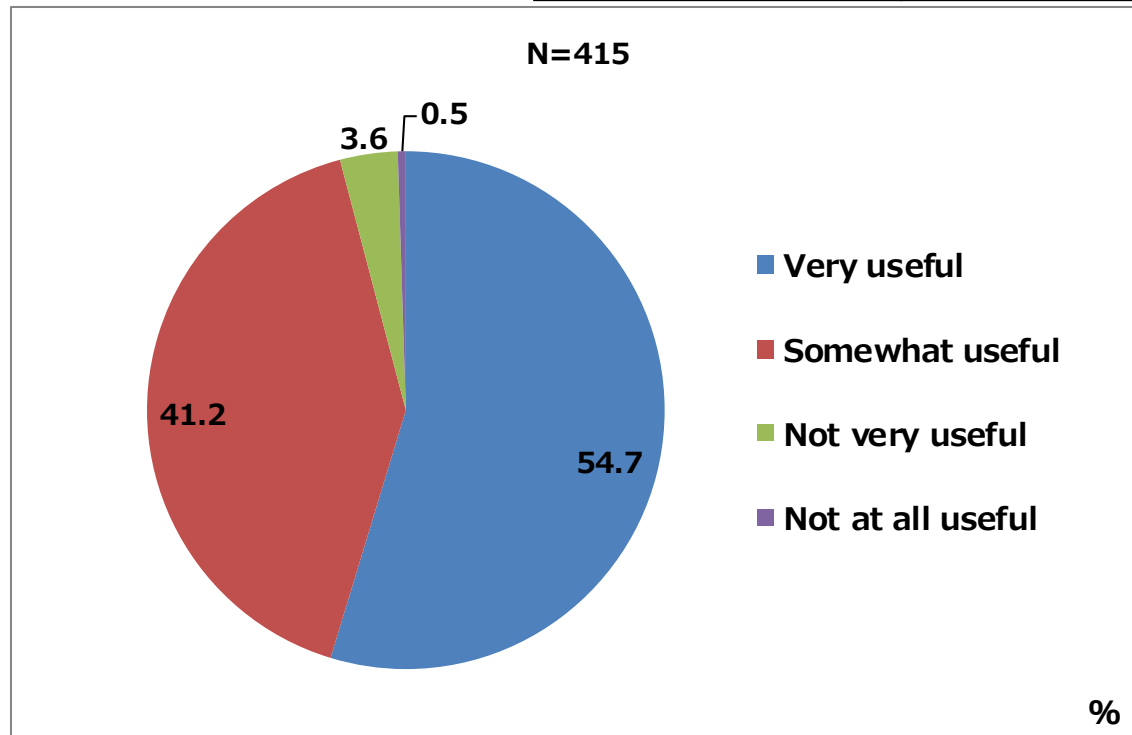
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## How useful did you find (are you likely to find) J-STAGE?

Q3. How useful did you find (are you likely to find) J-STAGE?(Select one)

- The largest proportion of answers to the usefulness of J-STAGE is "Very useful" 54.7%. The positive answer accounts for 95.9%, which shows that they are satisfied.

Useful total	95.9
Not useful total	4.1

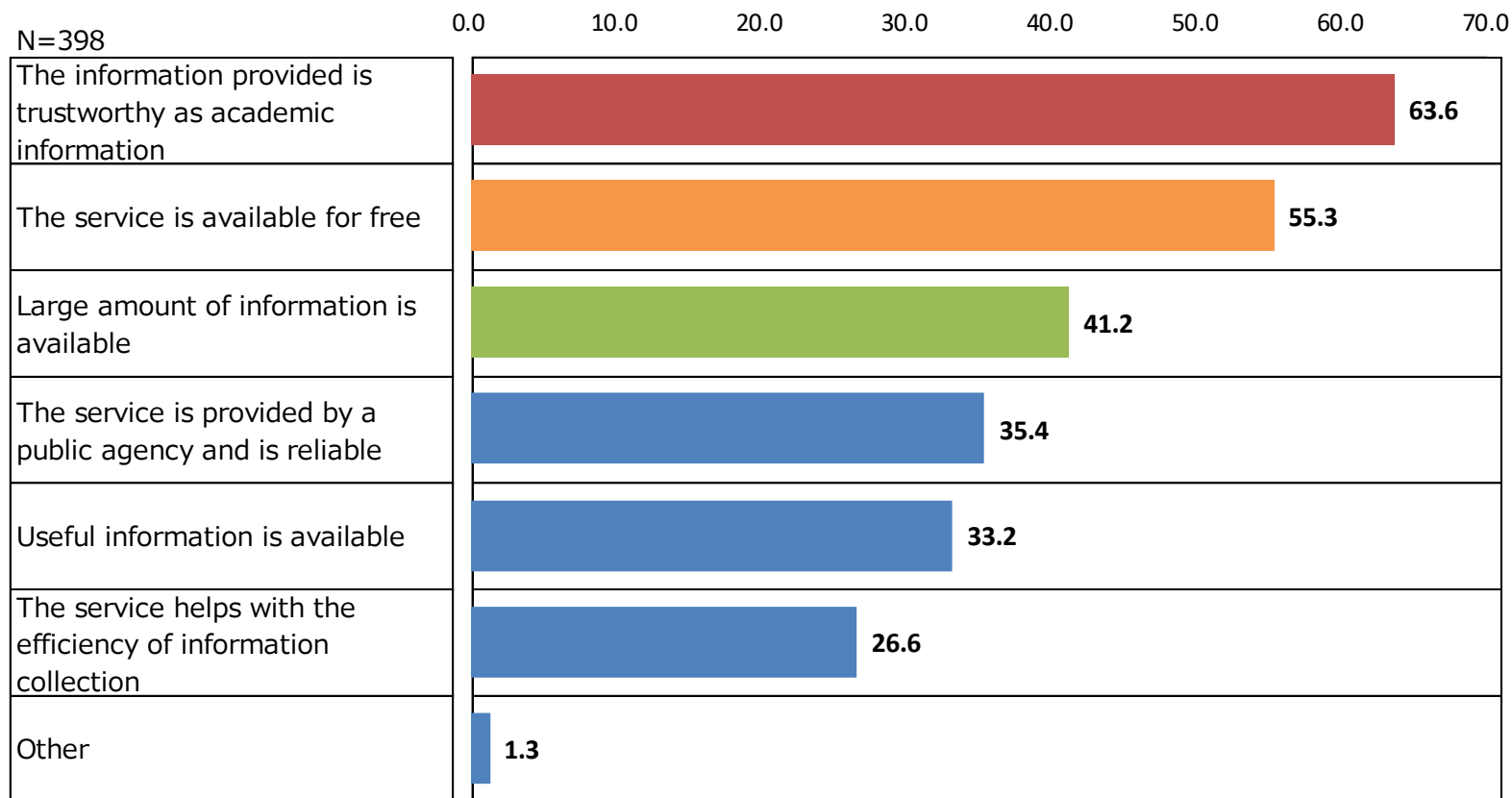




## ■ Why do you think J-STAGE is (likely to be) useful?

Q4. Why do you think J-STAGE is (likely to be) useful?(Select all that apply)

● The largest proportion of answers to why it is useful is “The information provided is trustworthy as academic information” 63.6%, next “The service is available for free” 55.3%, then “Large amount of information is available” 41.2%.



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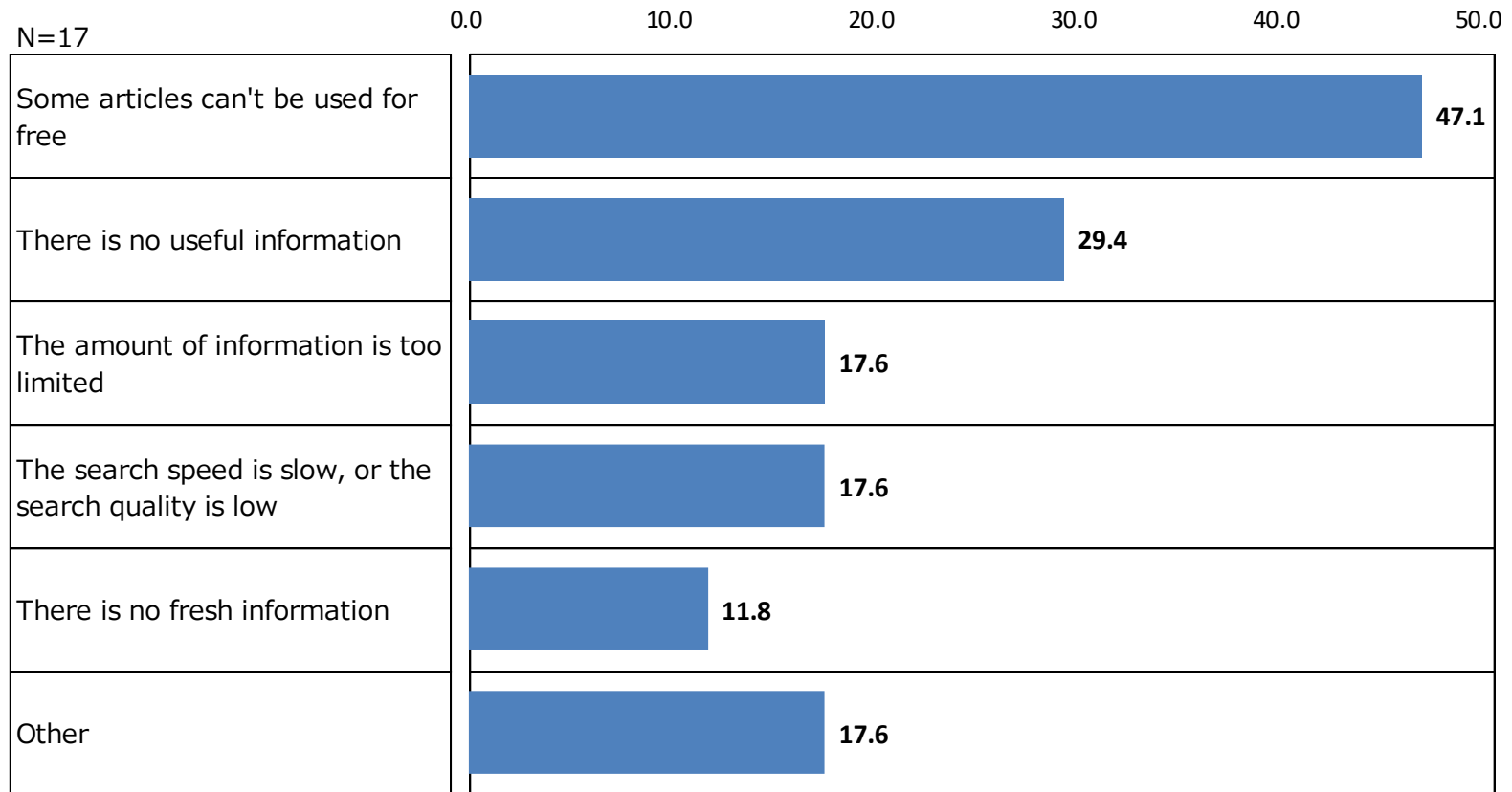
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## ■ Why do you think J-STAGE is not (likely to be) useful?

Q5. Why do you think J-STAGE is not (likely to be) useful? (Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to why it is not useful is “Some articles can’t be used for free” 47.1%, next “There is no useful information” 29.4%, then “The amount of information is too limited” 17.6%.



※n=less than 30, the sample size is too small, thus is used as a reference.

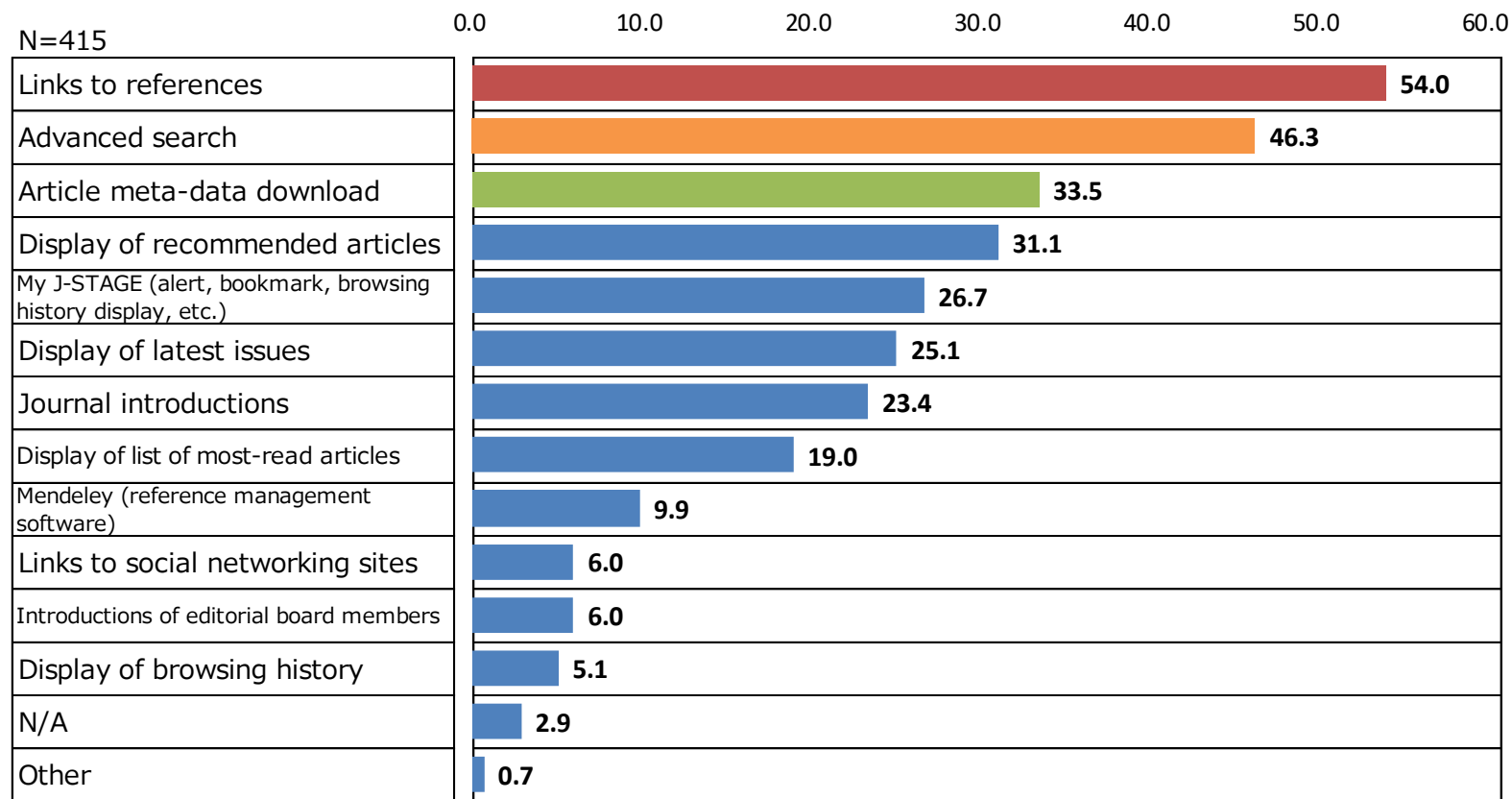
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## What features of J-STAGE do you use often or think convenient?

Q6. What features of J-STAGE do you use often or think convenient?(Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to features of using J-STAGE often or thinking it's convenient is "Links to references" 54.0%, next "Advanced search" 46.3%, then "Article meta-data download " 33.5%.



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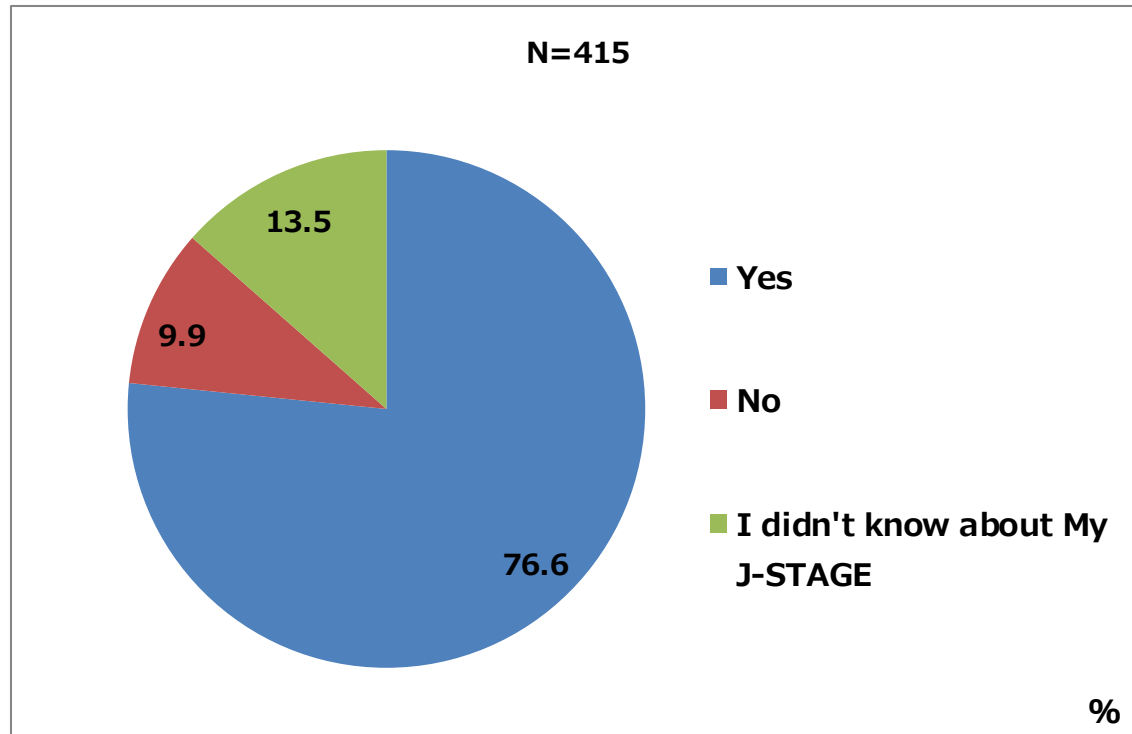
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## ■ Are you registered for My J-STAGE?

Q7. Are you registered for My J-STAGE?(Select one)

(My J-STAGE allows account holders to save favorite publications, articles, search profiles, etc.)

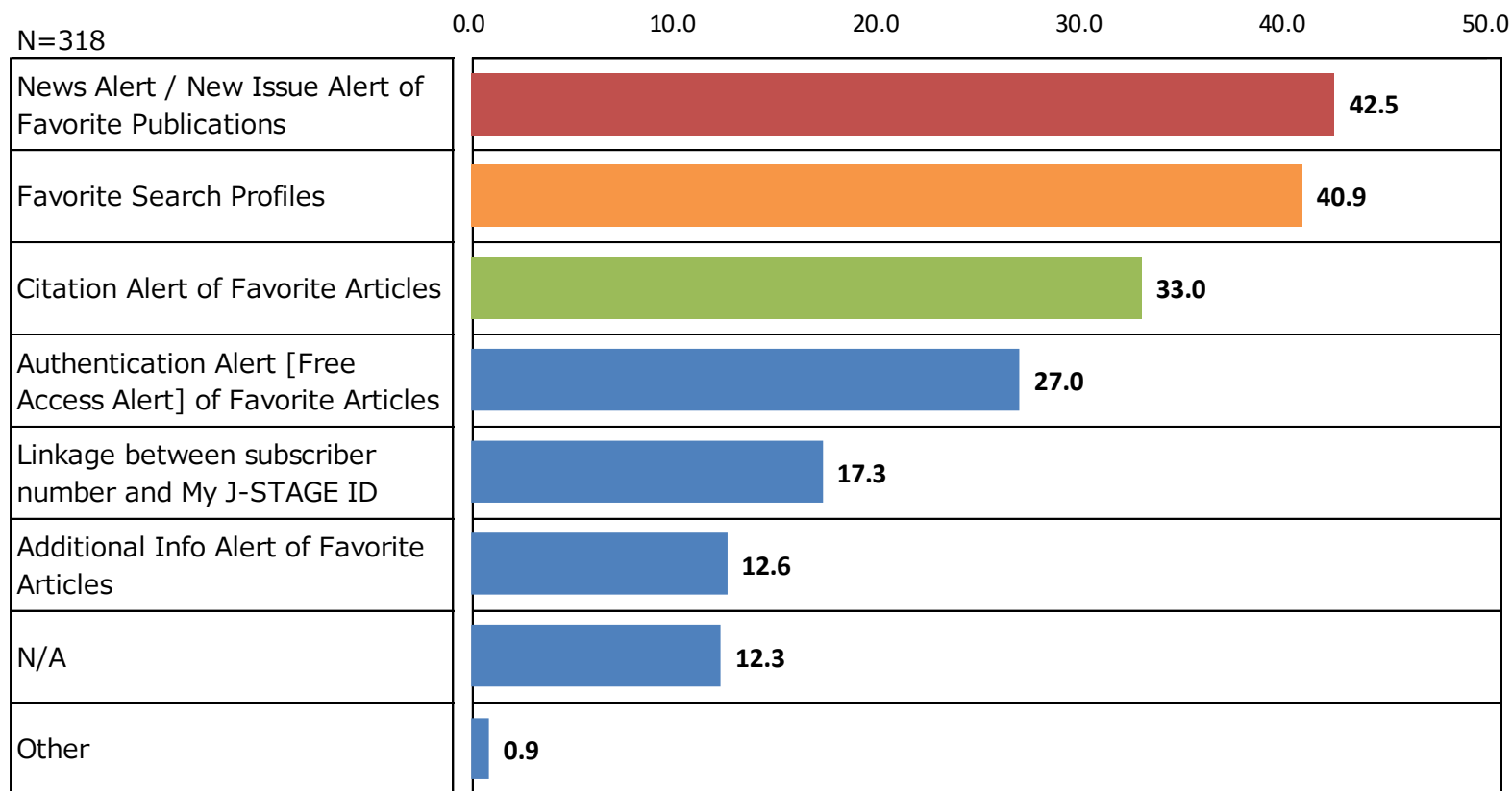
- About whether to register or not, the answer of "yes" is 76.6% and it has a great majority. The answer of "no" is 9.9%, and the degree of recognition of My J-STAGE is 86.5%.



# What features of My J-STAGE do you use often or think convenient?

Q8. What features of My J-STAGE do you use often or think convenient?(Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to features of using My J-STAGE often or thinking it's convenient is "News Alert / New Issue Alert of Favorite Publications " 42.5%, next "Favorite Search Profiles" 40.9%, then "Citation Alert of Favorite Articles" 33.0%.



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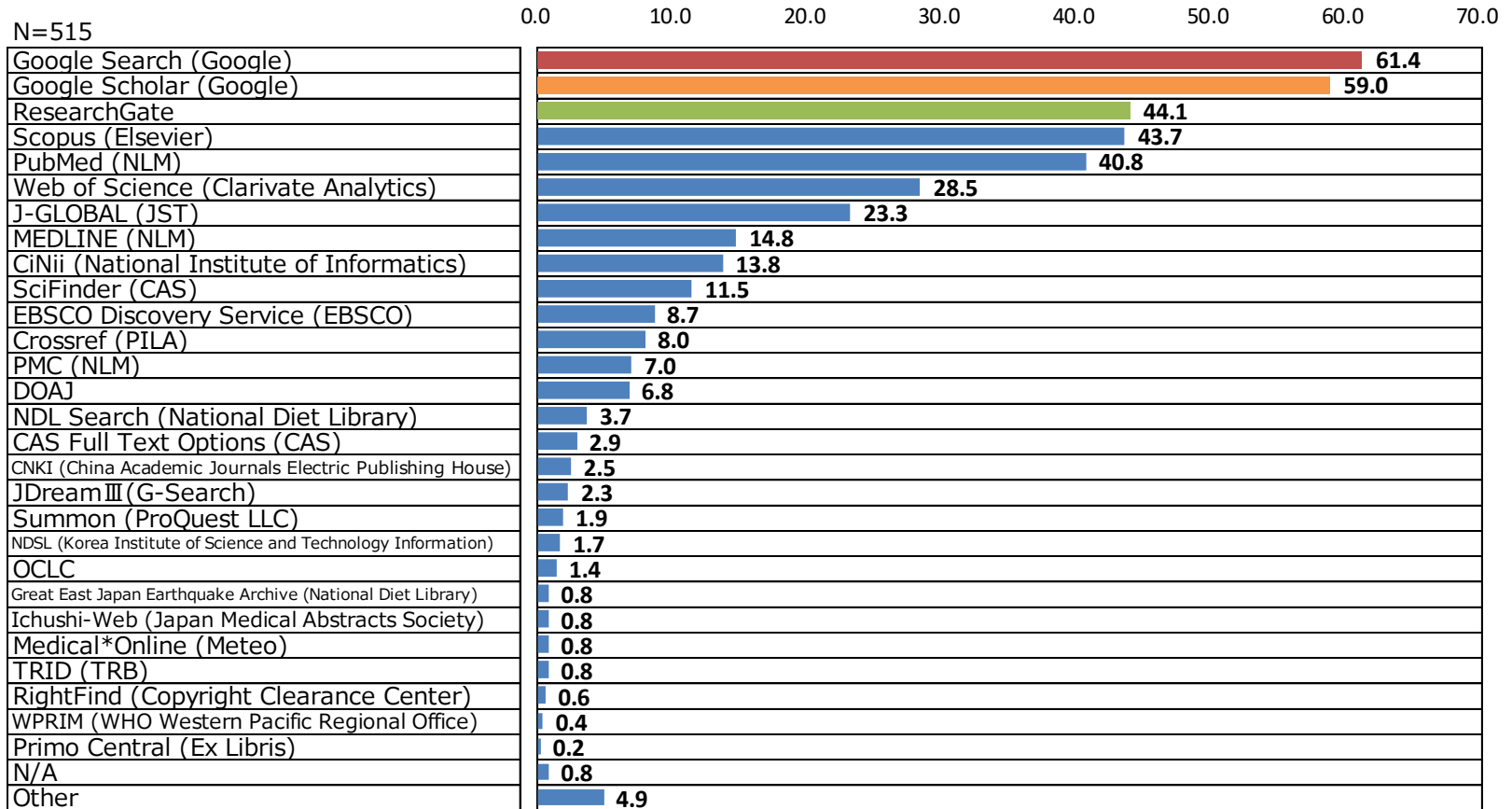
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# What academic databases or search engines do you usually use?

Q10. What academic databases or search engines do you usually use?(Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to the academic database and search engines they usually use is "Google Search (Google)" 61.4%, next "Google Scholar (Google)" 59.0%, then "ResearchGate" 44.1%.



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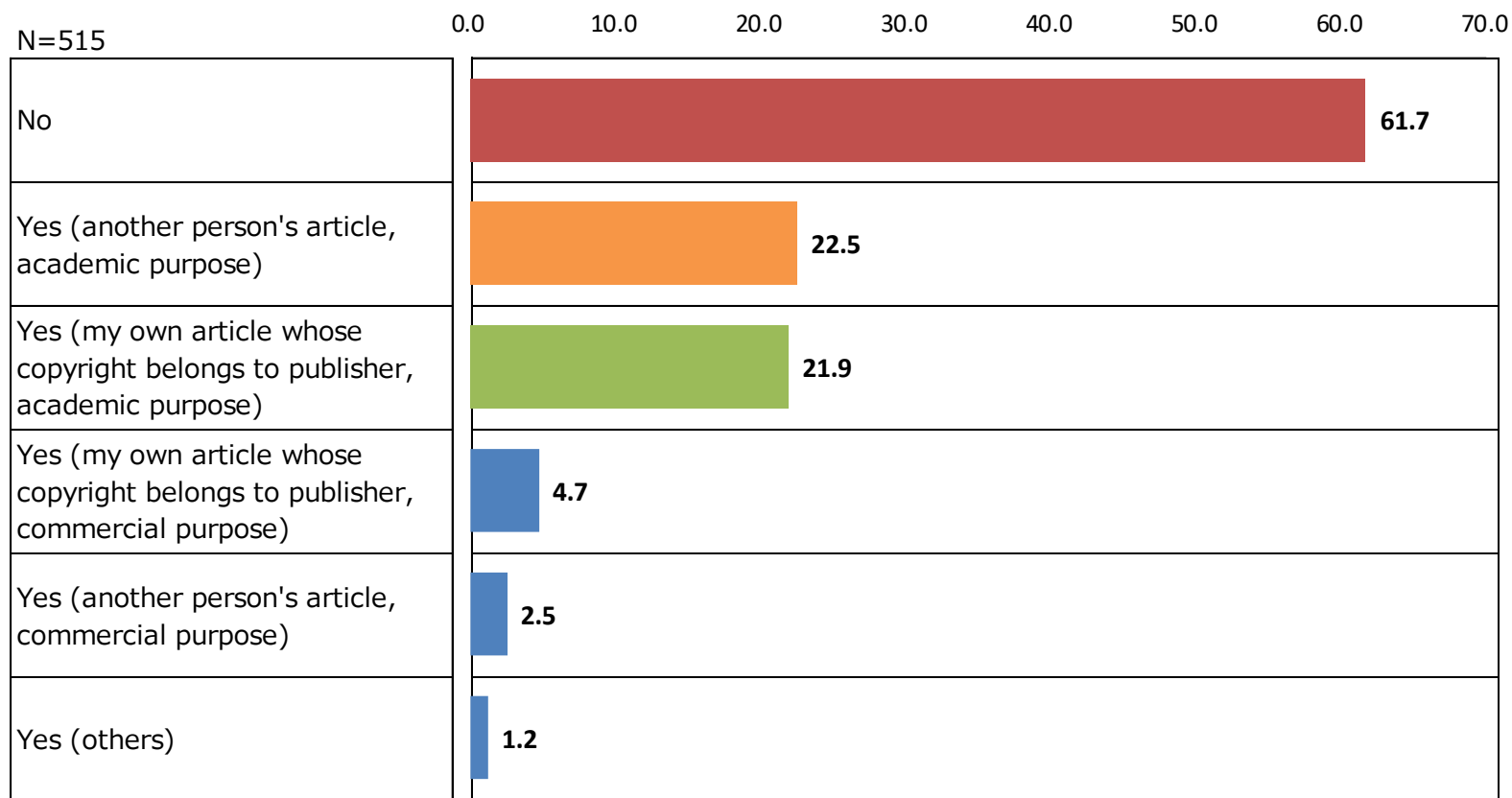
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## Have you ever reused the article ? If so, what purpose was it?

Q11. Most articles on J-STAGE can be read for free. Meanwhile, there are a lot of articles which have no information and / or settings concerning reuse. For these it is necessary to make enquiries to the copyright holder regarding reuse conditions. Have you ever reused an article? If so, for what purpose was it?(Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to the experience and purpose of reusing articles is "No" 61.7%, next "Yes (another person's article, academic purpose)" 22.5%, then "Yes (my own article whose copyright belongs to publisher, academic purpose)" 21.9%.



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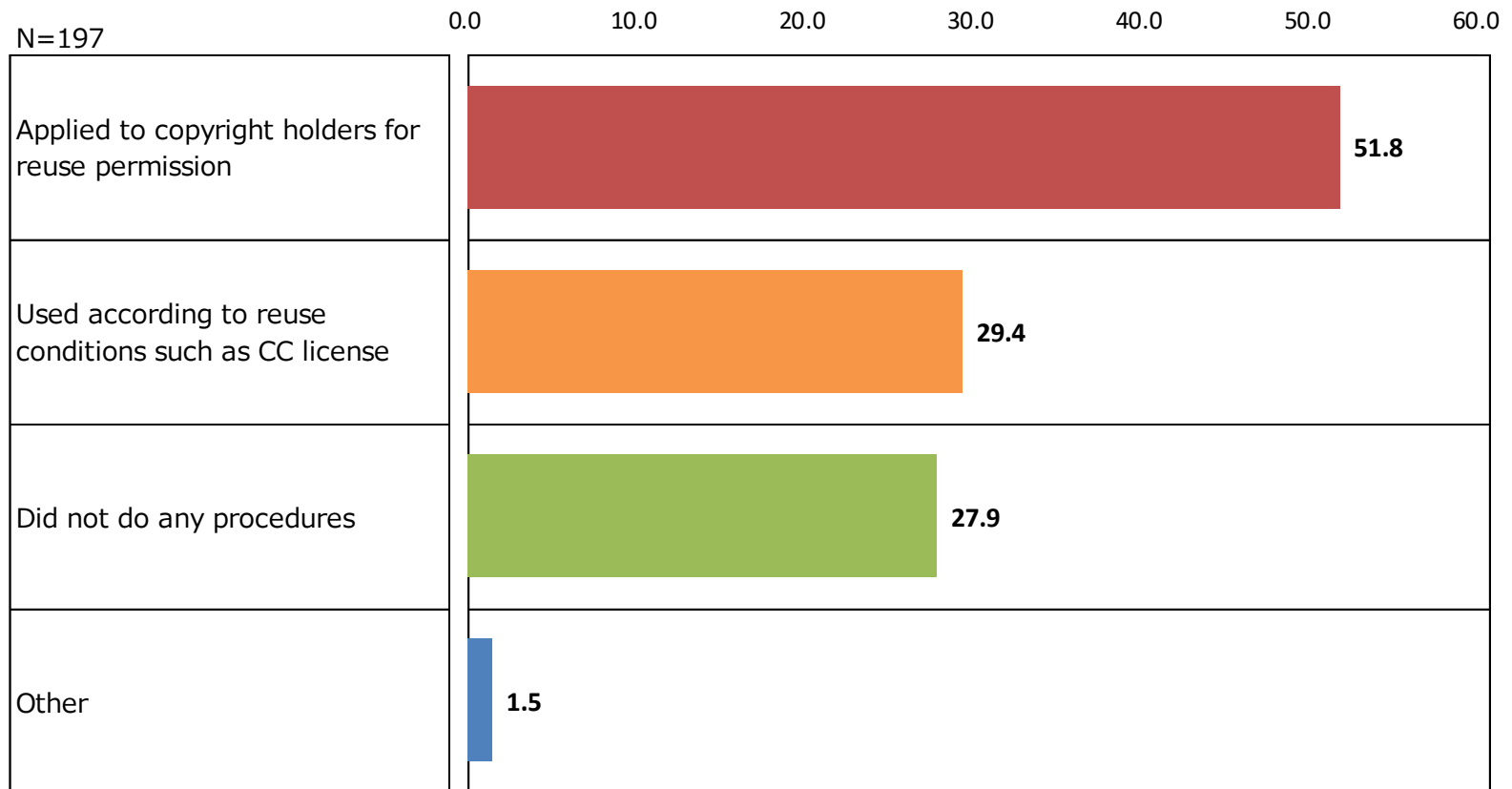
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## How did you obtain permission?

Q12. How did you obtain reuse permission?(Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to the means of obtaining reuse permission is “Applied to copyright holders for reuse permission” 51.8%, next “Used according to reuse conditions such as CC license” 29.4%, then “Did not do any procedures” 27.9%.



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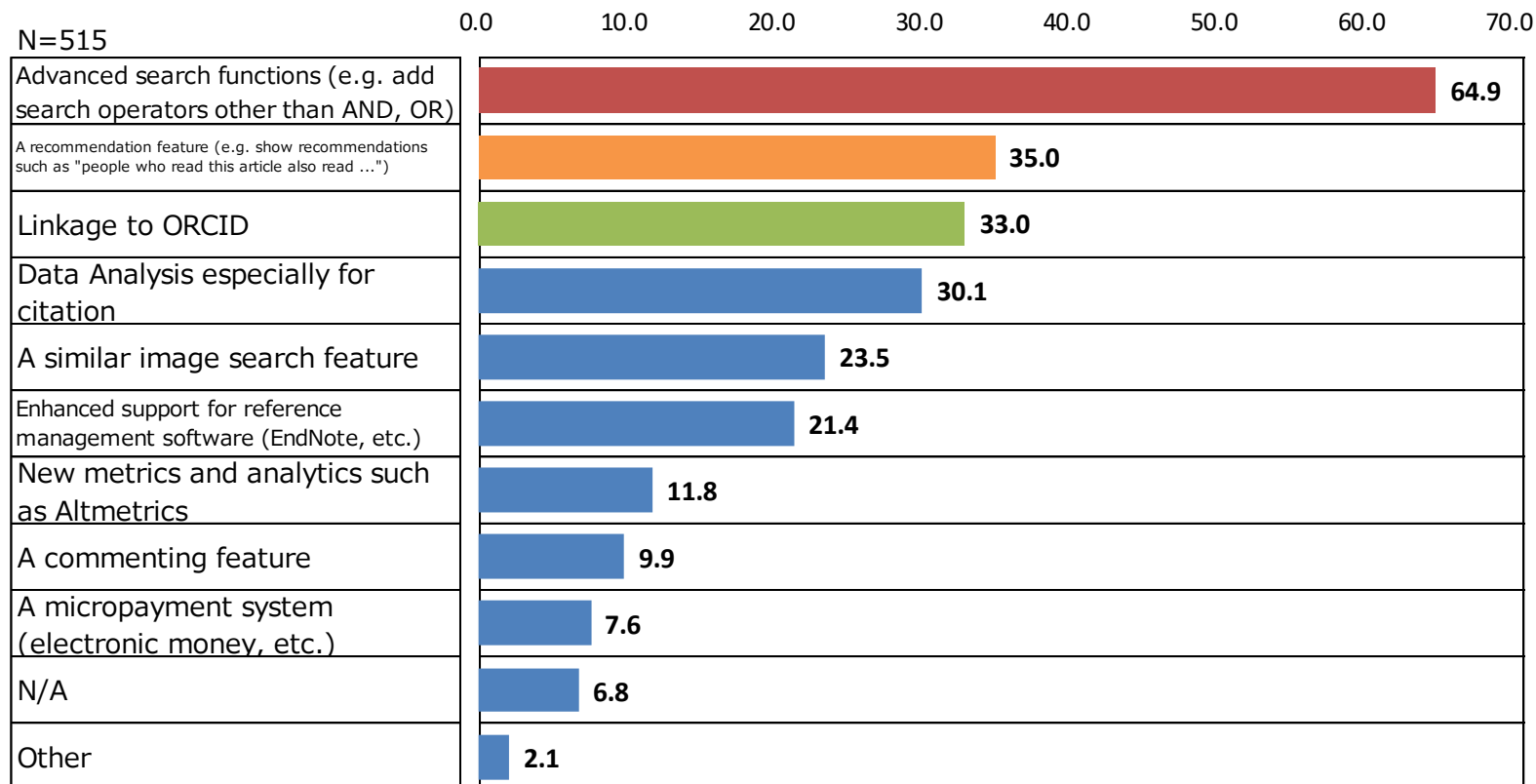
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# Which services do you think will be useful to you?

Q13. New services are planned for J-STAGE. Which services do you think will be useful to you?(Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to the useful service is "Advanced search functions (e.g. add search operators other than AND, OR)" 64.9%, next "A recommendation feature (e.g. show recommendations such as "people who read this article also read ...")" 35.0%, then "Linkage to ORCID" 33.0%.



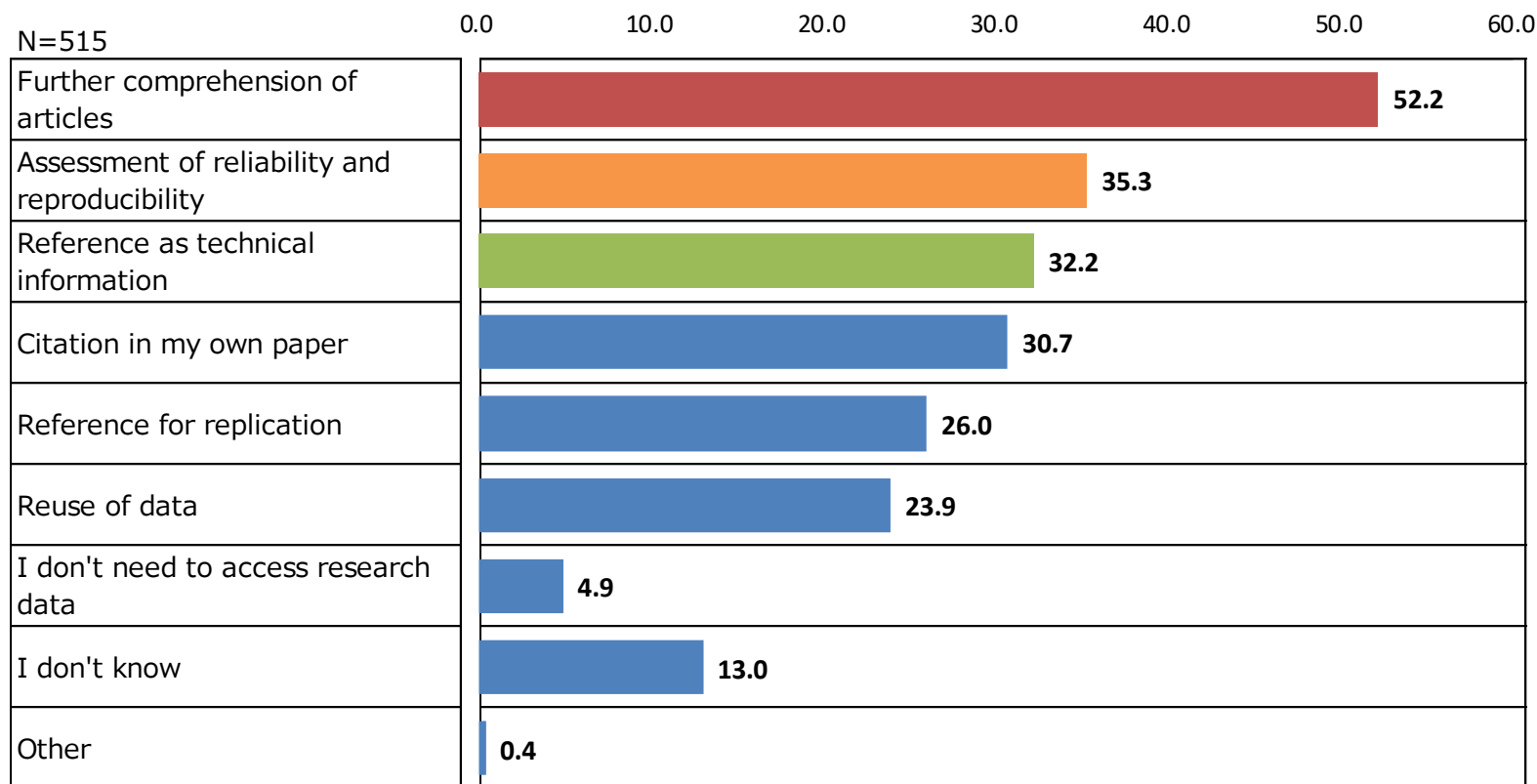
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## How would you use such research data if given increased access?

Q14. We plan to launch a data repository in which authors can open research data in addition to articles and link each other. How would you use such research data if given increased access?(Select all that apply)

● The largest proportion of answers to the purpose of using a data repository is "Further comprehension of articles" 52.2%, next "Assessment of reliability and reproducibility" 35.3%, then "Reference as technical information" 32.2%.



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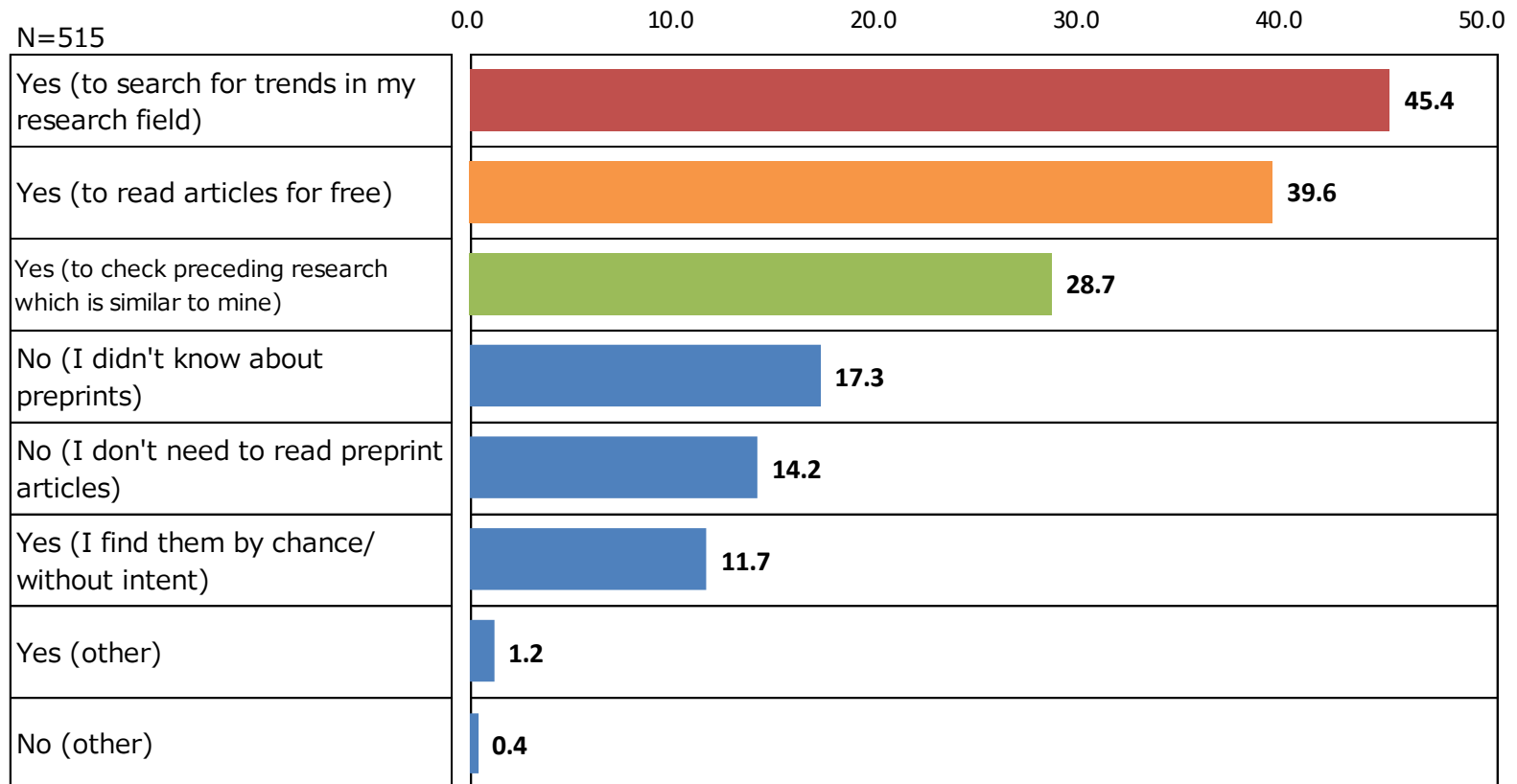
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## ■ Do you browse preprints, and why?

Q15. Do you browse preprints\*, and why?(Select all that apply)

\*Articles uploaded to servers on the Internet before publication of academic journals.

- The largest proportion of answers to having browsed for preprints before and the reason why/why not is “Yes (to search for trends in my research field)” 45.4%, next “Yes (to read articles for free)” 39.6%, then “Yes (to check preceding research which is similar to mine)” 28.7%.



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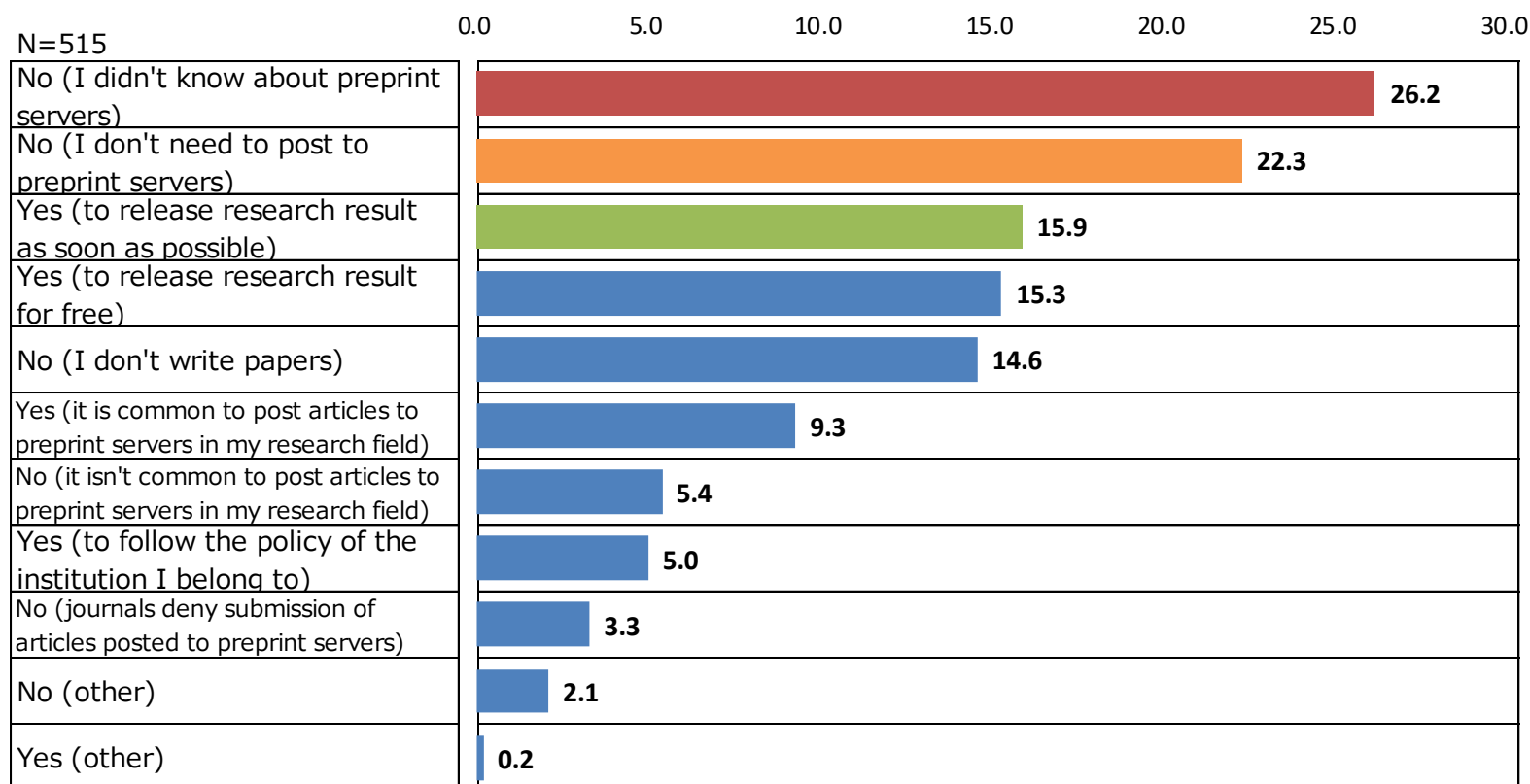
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## ■ Have you posted to a preprint server, and why?

Q16. Have you posted to a preprint server, and why?(Select all that apply)

- The largest proportion of answers to having posted to a preprint server before and the reason why/why not is “No (I didn’t know about preprint servers)” 26.2%, next “No (I don't need to post to preprint servers)” 22.3%, then “Yes (to release research result as soon as possible)” 15.9%.



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■ If a preprint server was launched in Japan, do you think you would browse articles on the server or post articles to it?

Q17. If a preprint server was launched in Japan, do you think you would browse articles on the server or post articles to it? (Select one)

- Regarding the intent of using a preprint server after launch, most respondents have answered “I would browse and post” with 38.3%, followed by “I don’t know” with 31.8%, and “I would browse but not post” with 21.7%.

