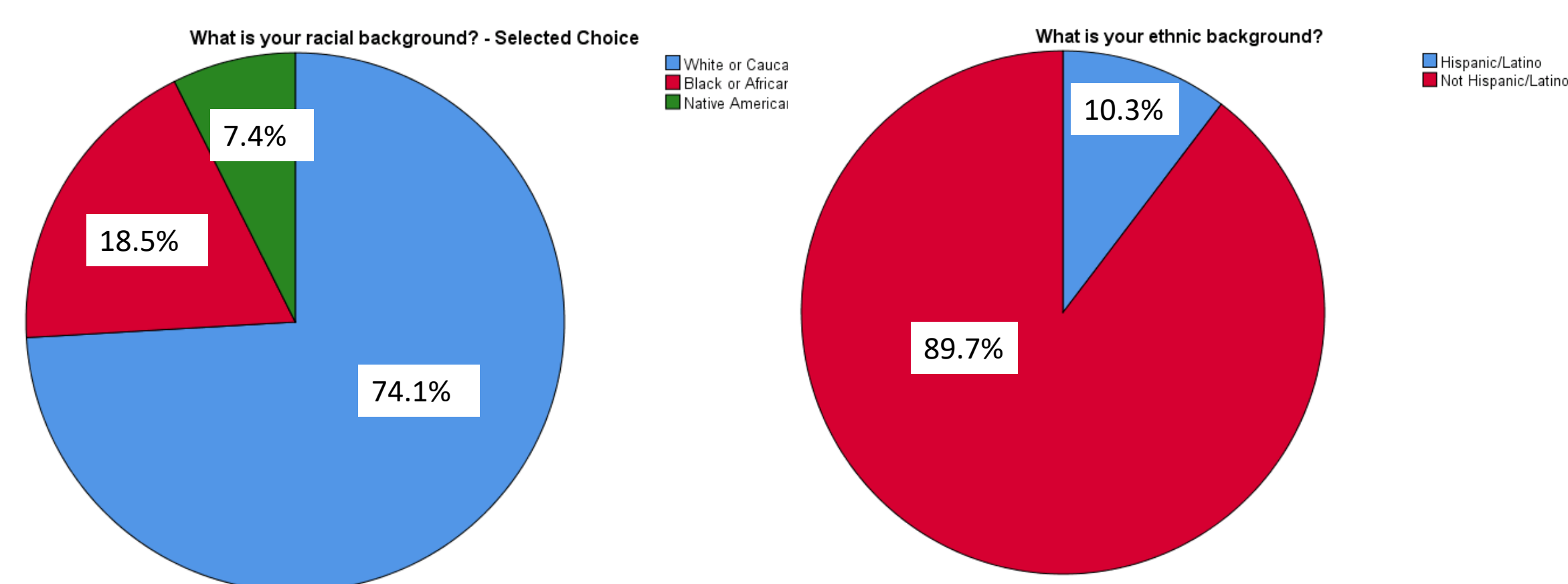
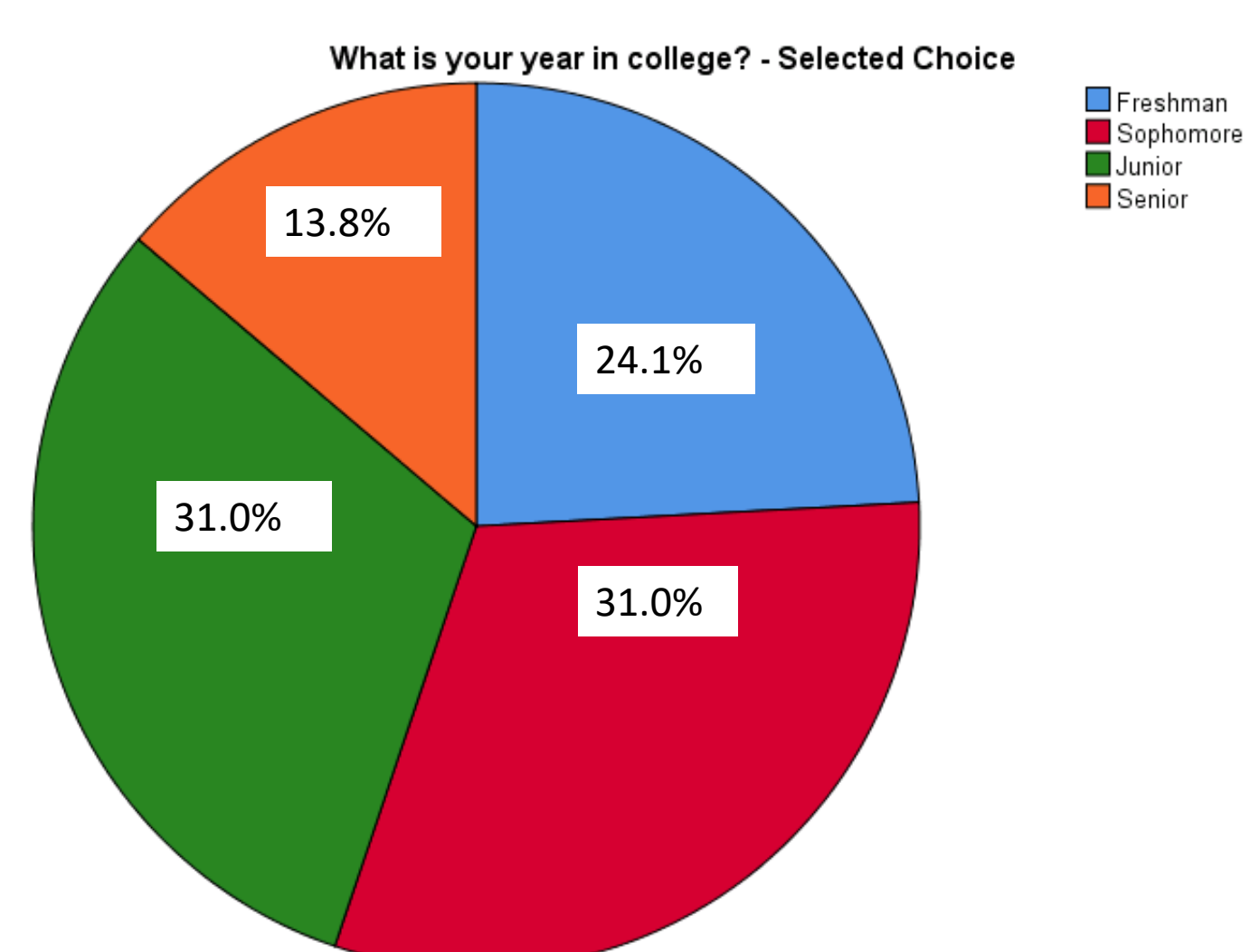
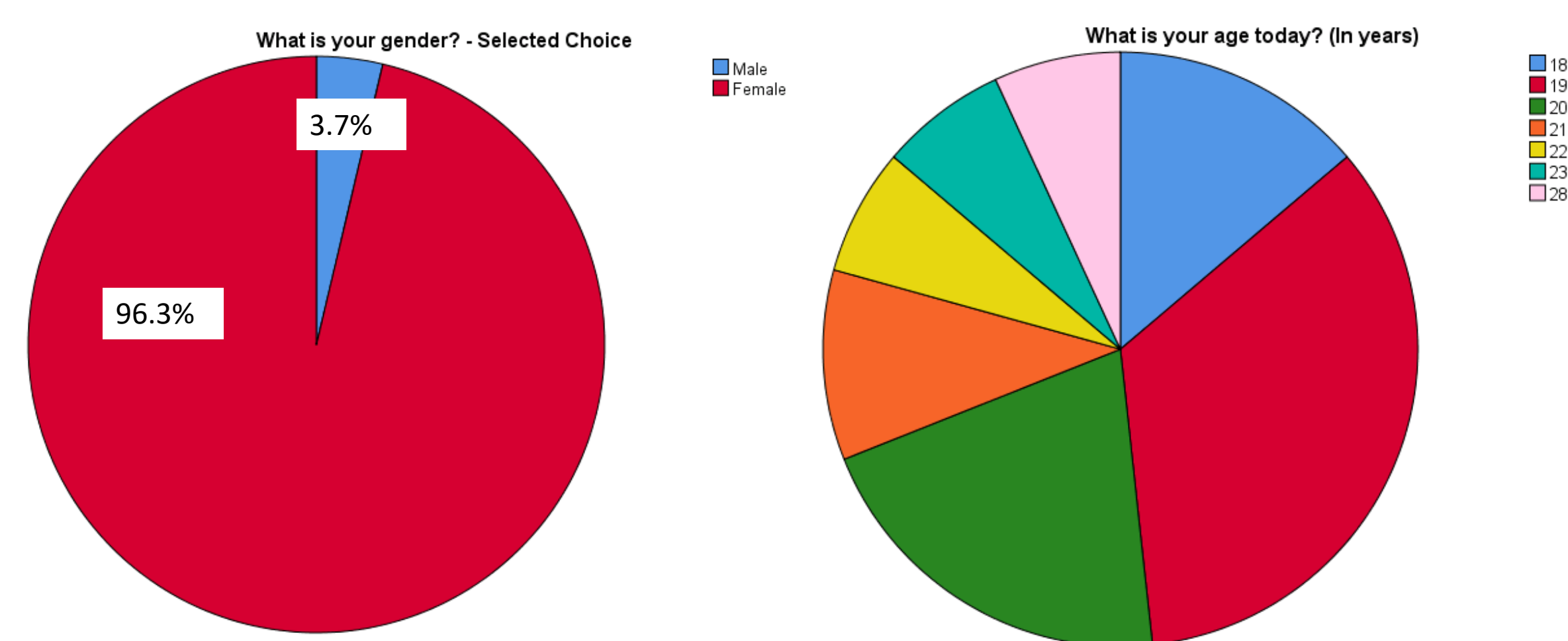


INTRODUCTION

- The **purpose** of this study was to better understand the correlations between feelings about parental divorce, trust, and relationship satisfaction.
- Previous research shows that painful feelings about parental divorce correlates to issues with trust and relationship satisfaction
- Hypotheses:
 - #1- A negative relationship between children's feelings about parental divorce and trust
 - #2- A positive relationship between children's trust and relationship satisfaction
 - #3- A negative relationship between children's feelings about divorce and relationship satisfaction

METHOD

Participants:



Measures:

- Scale #1: The Painful Feelings about Divorce Scale
- Scale #2: The Specific Interpersonal Trust Scale
- Scale#3: The Happily (Never) After Survey

Procedure:

- Informed Consent Form
- The Painful Feelings about Divorce Scale
- The Specific Interpersonal Trust Scale
- The Happily (Never) After Survey
- Debriefing Form/Participation Credit

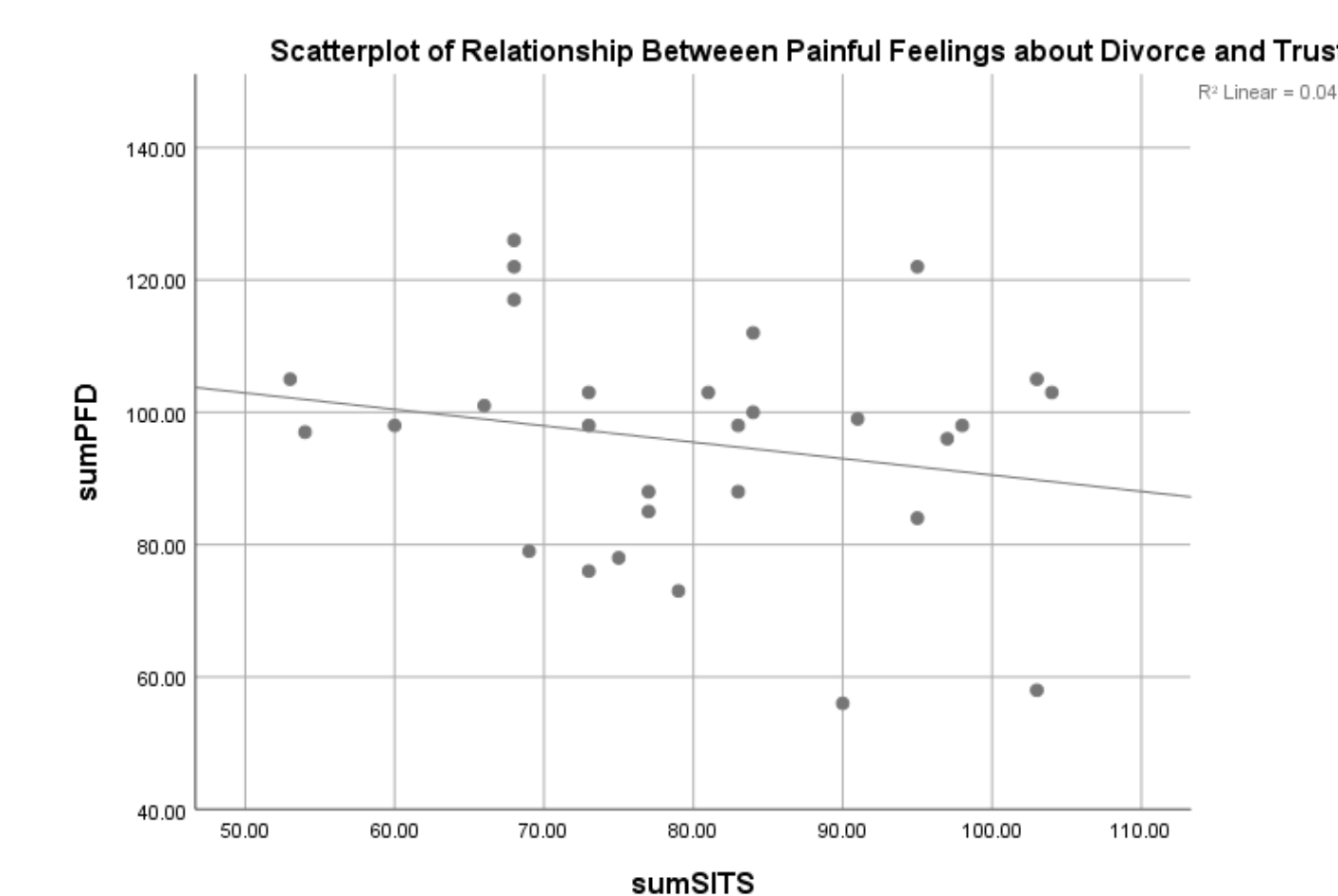
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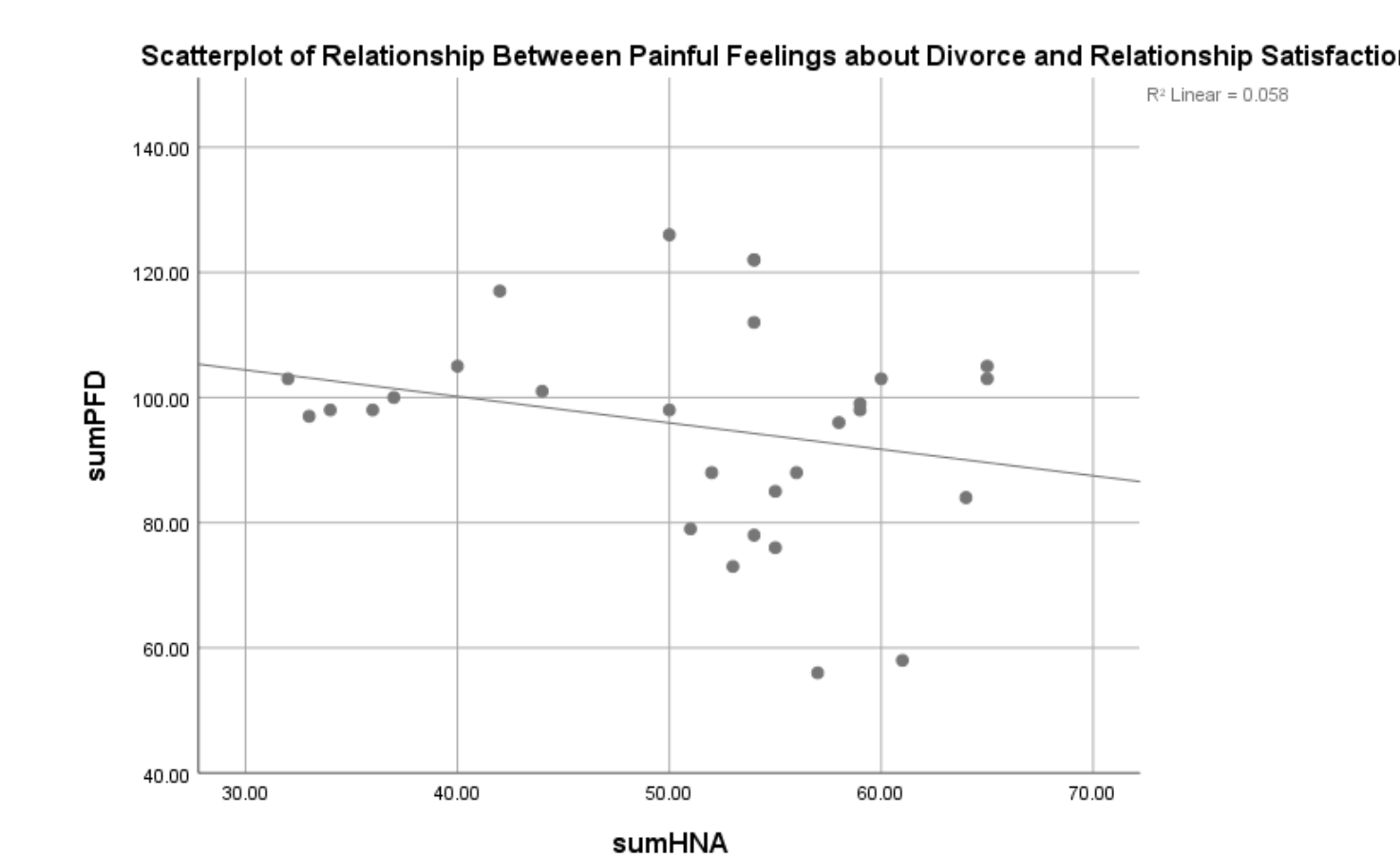


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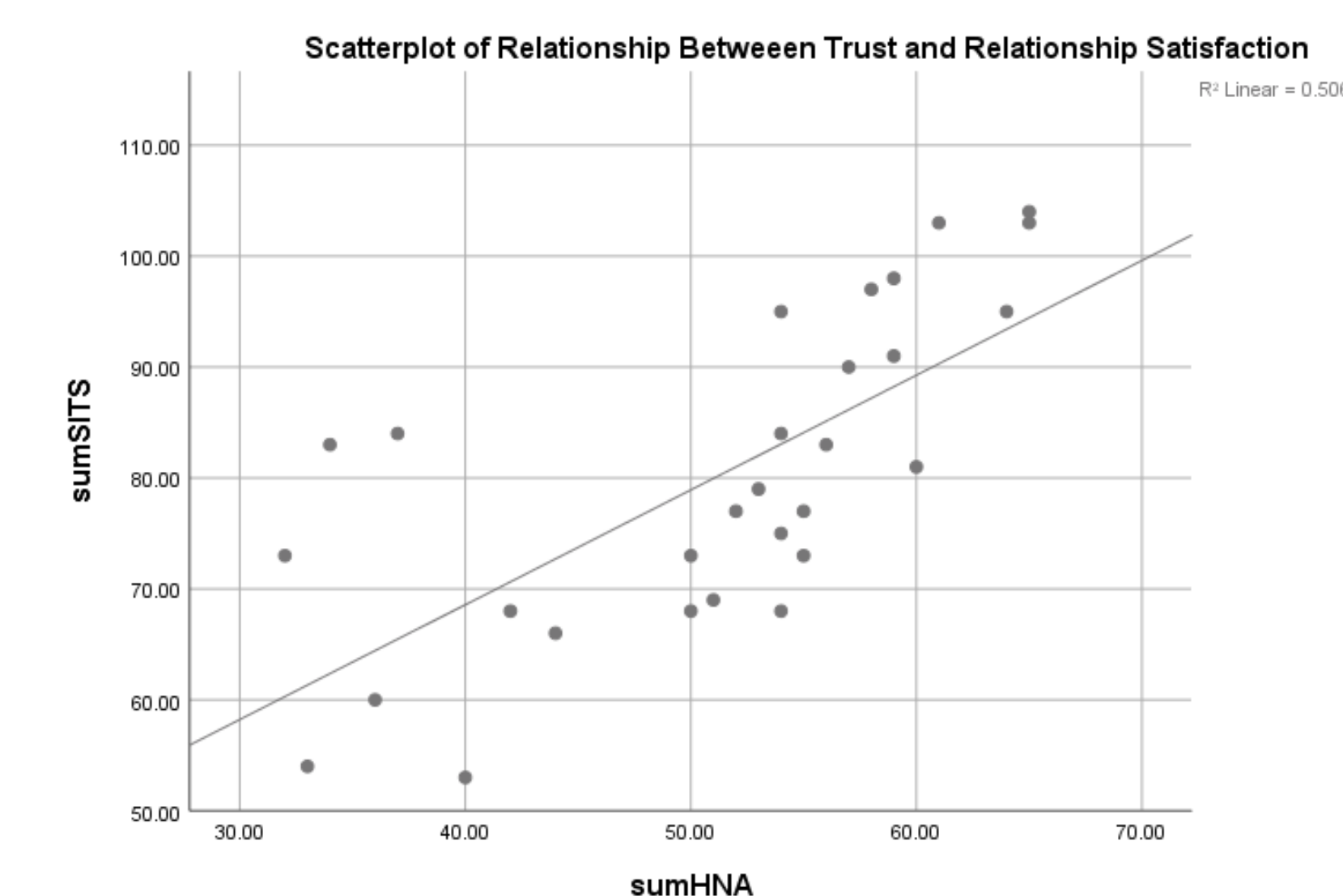
Results



nonsignificant, negative relationship: $r(27) = -.21, p < .28$



nonsignificant, negative relationship: $r(27) = -.24, p = .21$



Significant, positive relationship: $r(27) = .71, p < .01$

Discussion

- Hypothesis 2 supported!
 - Hypothesis 2 fits nicely with previous research stating that there will almost always be a significant positive relationship between trust and relationship satisfaction
- Hypothesis 1 & 3 did not have significant results, but still followed the predicted direction
 - Hypothesis 1 & 3 do not fit as nicely with previous research, but follows the same relational direction

Limitations/Future Research

- Small sample (29 participants)
- Demographically limited:
 - Participants recruited from same department of same school
 - Majority female
 - Format of study: questionnaires (open to interpretation)
 - Other factors behind trust/relationship satisfaction issues

Implications

- Clinicians can use this info. to better understand issues clients with divorced parents may have, as well as improving treatment plans