

CEDAR Strategic Plan

The Value of CEDAR Science

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Let Your Voice Be Heard!

Value of CEDAR Science

- ❖ Motivated by a desire to provide NSF with community input on the value of CEDAR science, we sent out a survey to the community.
- ❖ We collected community input on the value and purpose of CEDAR. We are also interested in the community's priorities on resource allocation.
- ❖ We asked for your thoughts on four questions to help in our strategic planning process.

CEDAR supports:

- ❖ Our annual workshop
- ❖ The student community centered on this Workshop
- ❖ Small group 3-year research awards
- ❖ Facilities for CEDAR related observations

Four Survey Questions

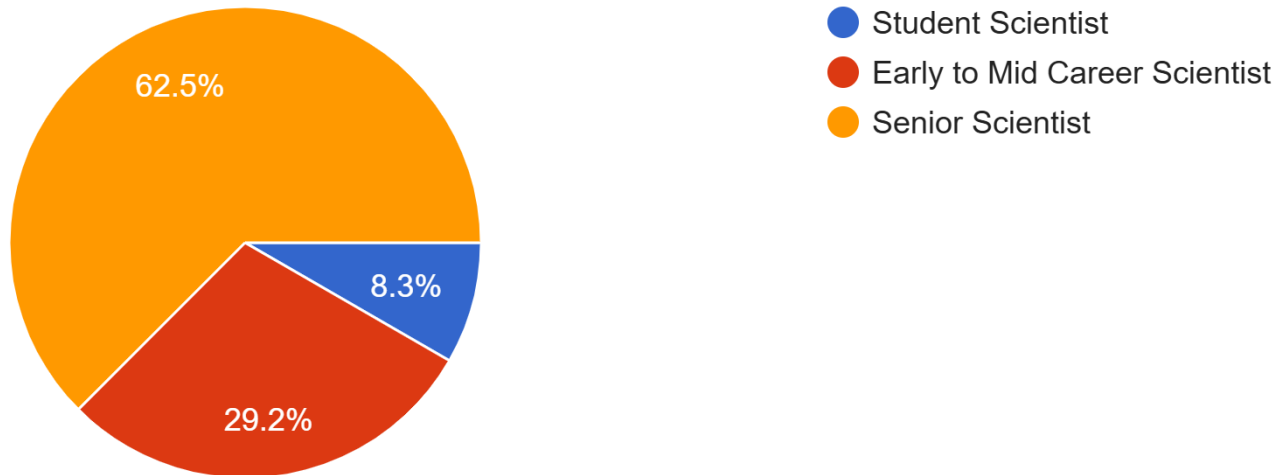
- ❖ What makes CEDAR valuable to you as a scientist?
- ❖ Which specific CEDAR resources have you found particularly useful for your own work and/or, as applicable, that of your students, staff, or group?
- ❖ What do you think is the primary scientific goal toward which CEDAR resources should be put?
- ❖ What in your view is CEDAR's strongest science contribution(s) to the scientific endeavor writ large?

Survey Responses: Career Status

❖ Thus far, we have heard from 24 of you. We need to hear from more. We will resend a link to the survey.

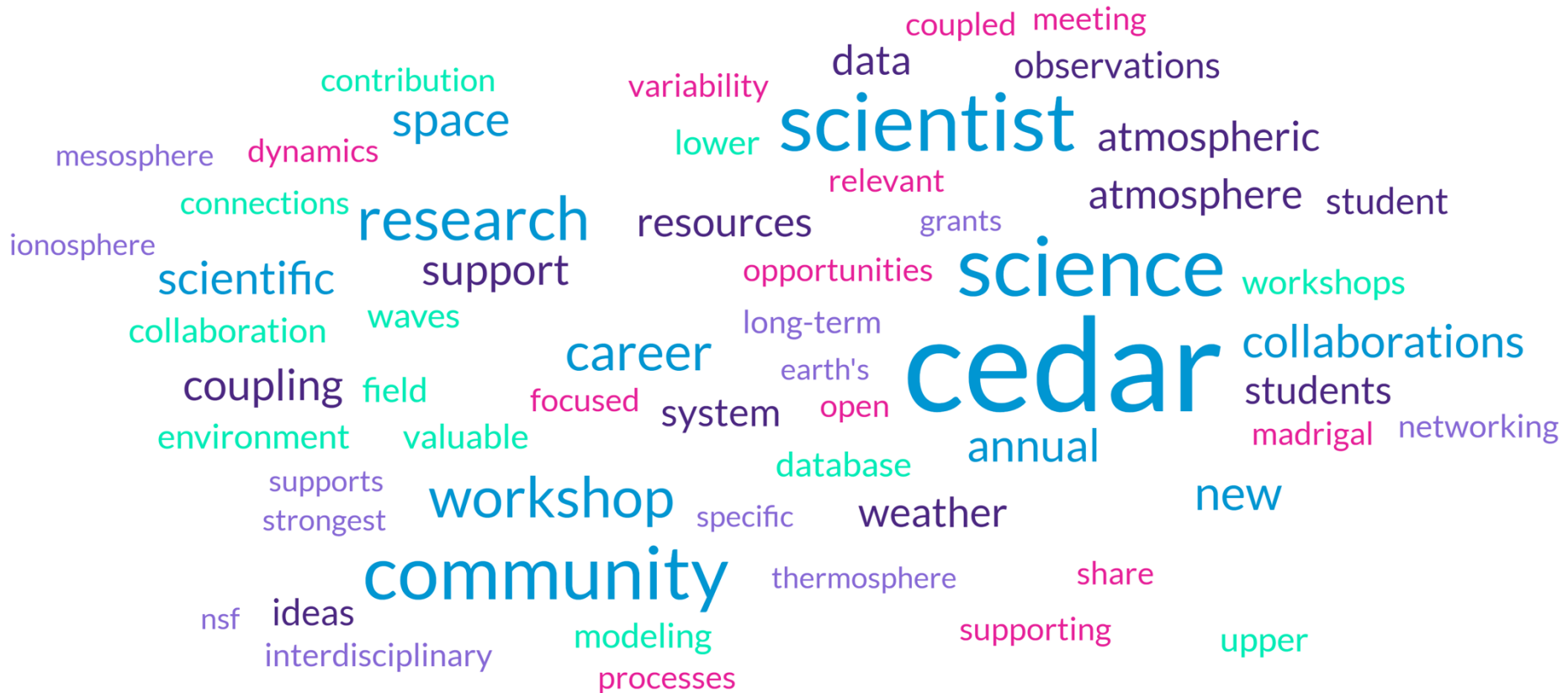
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24 responses



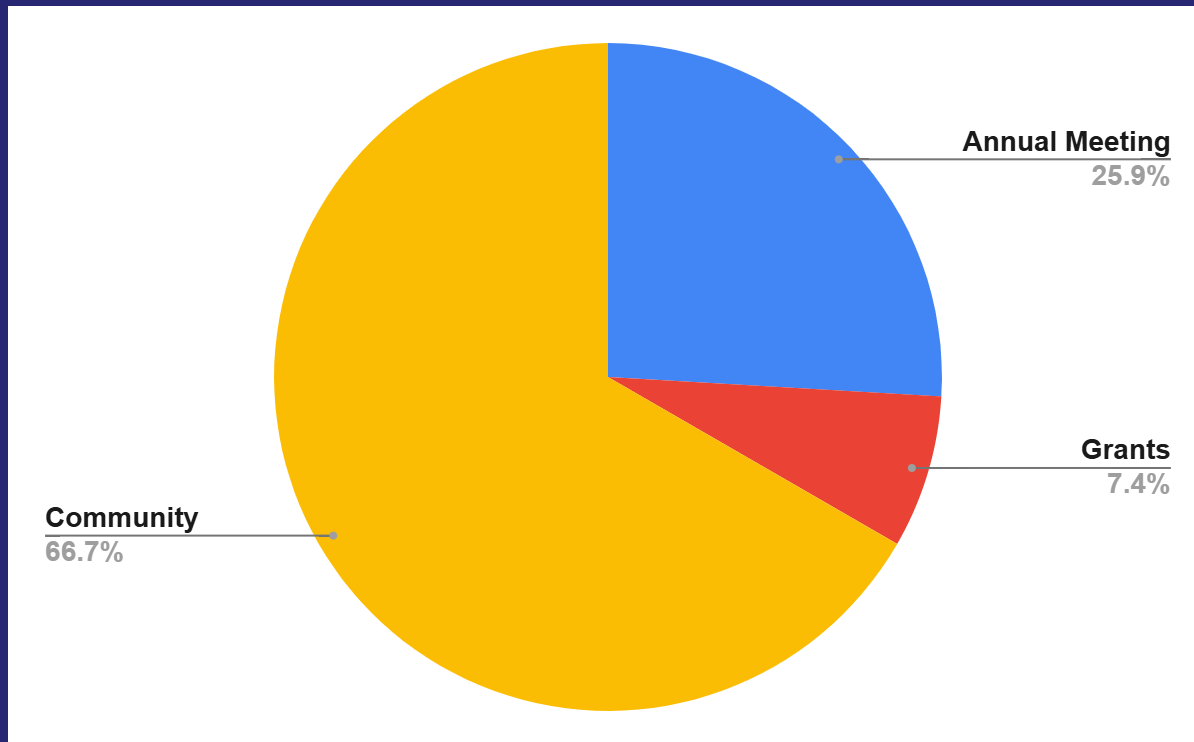
K ❖ Respondents are largely senior scientists

Survey Response Word Cloud



Survey Responses

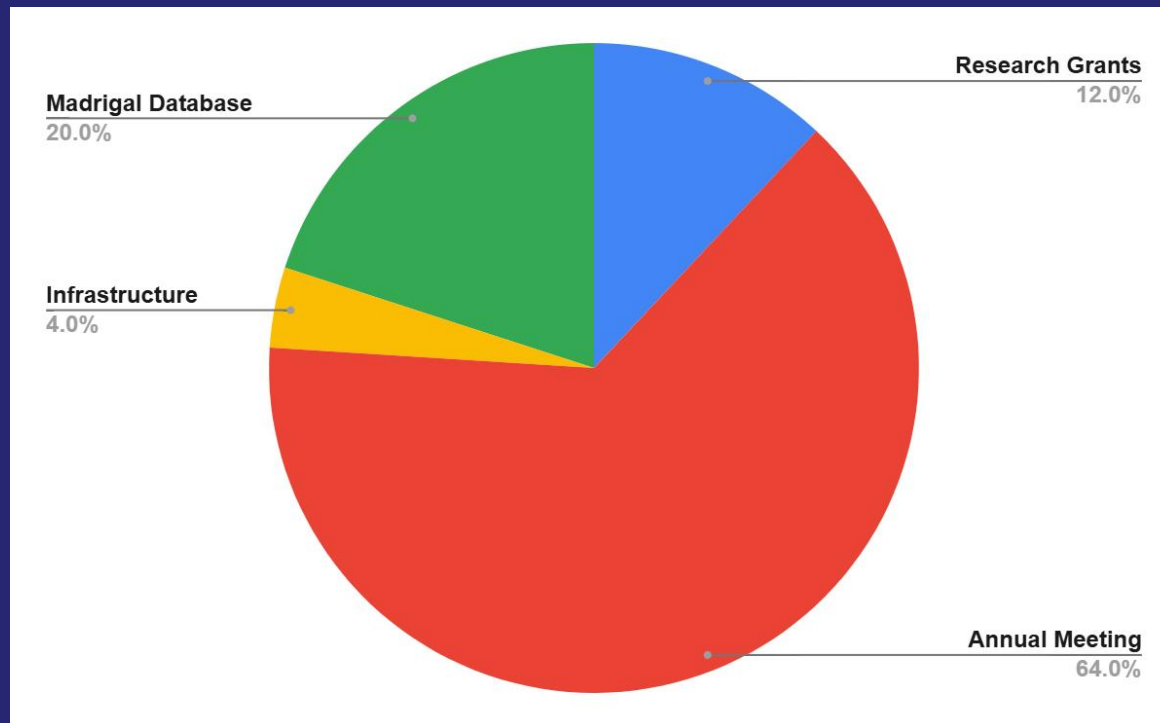
❖ What makes CEDAR valuable to you as a scientist?



“CEDAR is essentially the focal point of my research efforts every year. It's the optimal conference in my opinion, a perfect balance of depth, breadth, and size.”

Survey Responses

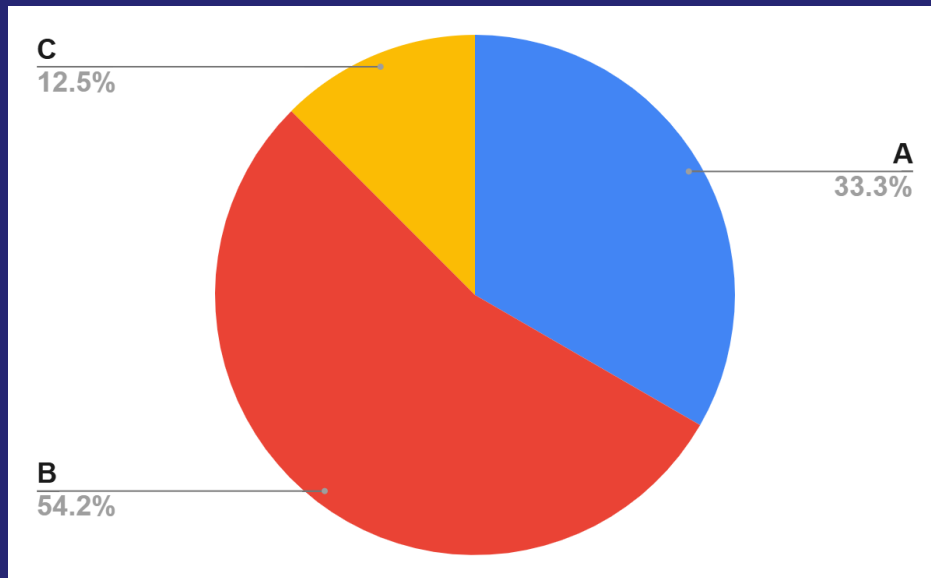
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Survey Responses

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C: Continuation of research, maintenance,
& coordination of research infrastructure

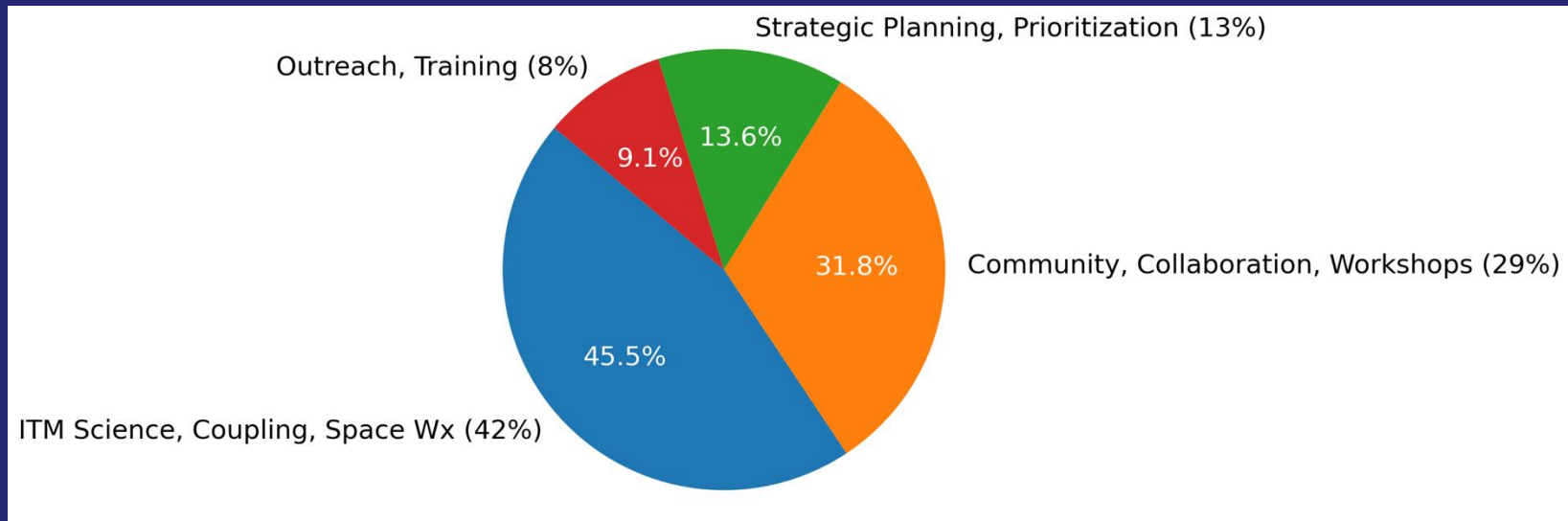


A: Collaboration of scientists & development of students

B: Integration of multi-discipline observations & modeling

Survey Responses

❖ What do you think is the primary scientific goal toward which CEDAR resources should be put?



42% ITM Science, Coupling, Space Wx
29% Community, Collaboration, Workshops
13% Strategic Planning, Prioritization
8% Outreach, Training

Approx. half responded science – other half community, collaboration, workshops, planning, prioritization, or training

Preview of Coming Attractions

- ❖ Expect another survey this summer on the details of holding an in-person meeting in 2026
- ❖ We (CEDAR and GEM steering committees) are committed to holding an in-person meeting
- ❖ We will ask you to weigh in on questions such as the value of more PI-led grants vs. hosting the annual workshop
- ❖ We will ask you for creative solutions to hold the annual workshop with reduced NSF support
- ❖ We will ask you to prioritize what to retain from the workshop and what can be cut or reduced