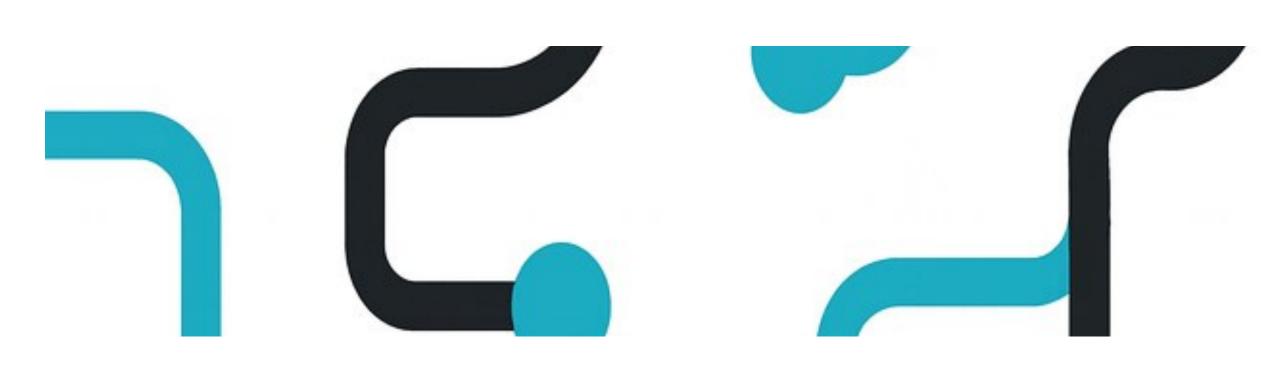
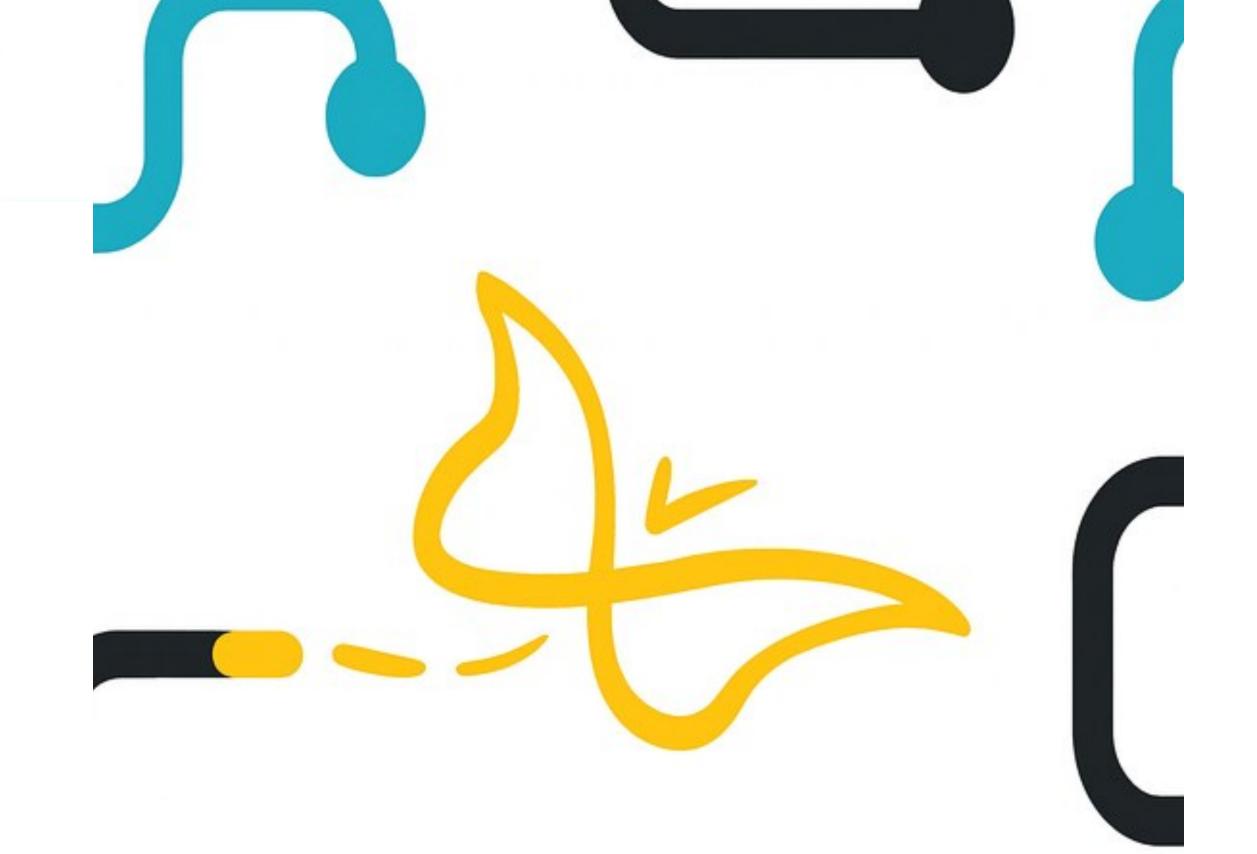
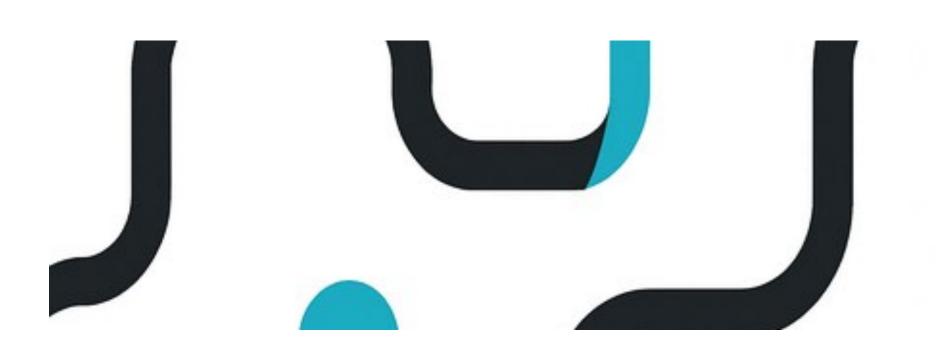
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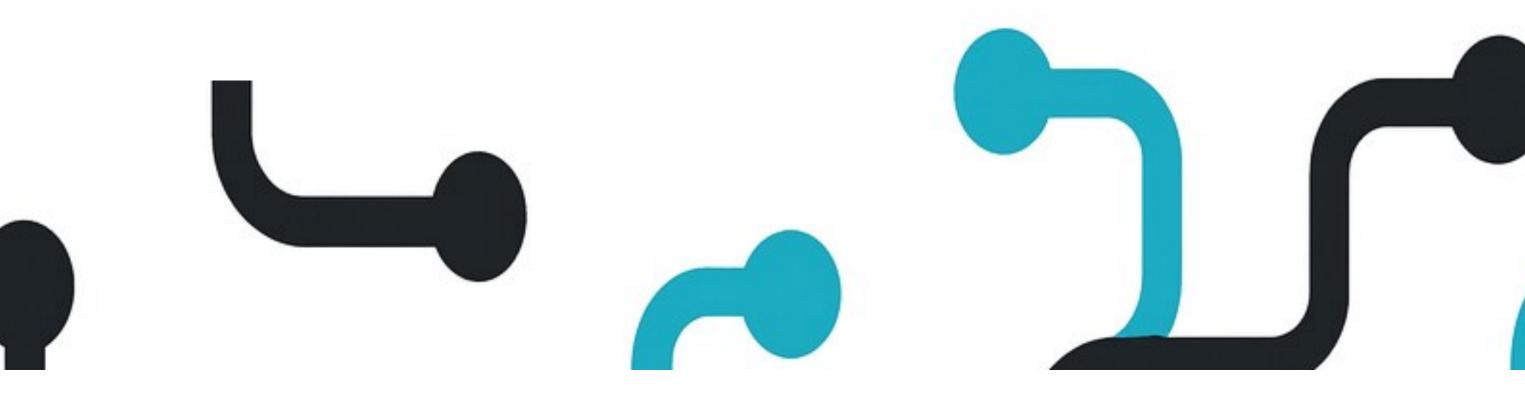


# Perceived Risks and Benefits of Disclosing ADHD to AI-based Educational Technologies: Semi-Structured Interviews

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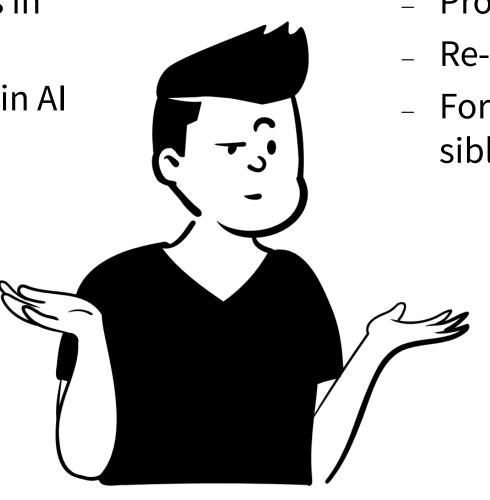






### ADHD DISCLOSURE IN AI EDTECH: A PRIVACY CALCULUS

- Data representativeness in training datasets<sup>2,9</sup>
- Account learning needs in AI EdTech design<sup>3,5</sup>
- + AI is not judgemental<sup>7,9</sup>



- Protected sensitive data<sup>4</sup>
- Re-identification risks<sup>8</sup>
- Forced disclosure for accessible service / product<sup>1,6</sup>

# RESEARCH QUESTIONS

- How do students with ADHD perceive the utility of AI EdTech?
- What are the students' perceived risks and benefits of disclosing their ADHD to AI EdTech?
- Under which conditions are students willing to disclose their ADHD?

### **METHOD**

- 20 semi-structured interviews with students with ADHD at Swiss-German higher education institutions (HEI)
- Purposive sampling: 10 male, 10 female, half of each had disclosed their ADHD at HEI and half did not.
- Content analysis of transcripts by two coders.

### **RESULTS**

### PERCEIVED UTILITY OF FICTITIOUS USE CASES

VS

### Early Warning Systems (EWS)

- + Inform systemic change
- + Pro-active support
- Inaccurate prediction

Stigmatization

### **AI Tutors**

- + Time management support
- + Non-judgmental
- + Writing support
- Doubt efficacy

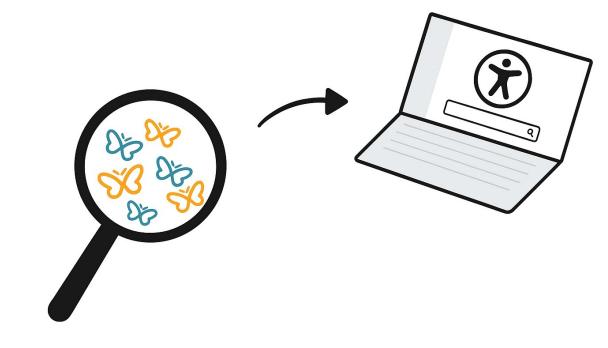
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Speaking again from my own experience: at the beginning of my studies, the problem for me was not that I didn't fundamentally understand the subject matter, but simply the quantity, how to deal with the material "how do I learn efficiently? How do I prioritize, how do I create a structure?" That's why I simply have the feeling that these measures, if they are based on this fictitious system, can actually be tailored quite differently for ADHD. So, I see the possibilities of providing better interventions with ADHD.

# Would you share you have ADHD in an EWS or an Al tutor? No for both No for EWS, yes for Al tutor Yes for EWS, no for Al tutor Yes for both Disclosed Did not disclose ADHD at HEI ADHD at HEI

### **MAIN TAKE-AWAYS**

- Acceptance: **AI Tutors > EWS** due to greater perceived risk of stigmatization.
- Willigness to disclose ADHD in EdTech when they have already done so at their HEI notably to address systemic issues, help others, and improve accuracy.
- Reasons not to disclose their ADHD related mostly to bias risk and perceived irrelevance.
- University research with students with ADHD can inform inclusive design, but universal design is preferable to profit those who do not disclose their ADHD in higher education.
- Call for **greater student agency in AI EdTech**: e.g., easy-to-manage selective data sharing allowing differentiation between lecturers.



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