

**SOC**

**Survey**

**Results**

- A survey was distributed to all **SOC analysts**.
- We got nearly **60 responses** – which is great!
- We grouped the results for “**Worst Part of the Console**” and put on Post-It notes for analysis.

## Worst part of console



Led by the UX designer, dev, analysts and others help affinitize (organize info on the post-it notes in to categories) the **“Worst Part of the Console”** data to uncover themes.

## Worst part of console Themes from Affinity

- Integrate the web app in console
- Speed up the search results
- Reduce need to manually tune
- Better system than CAG displays nows
- Integrate scripts in to console
- Shun does not always work
- Correlation is slow and confusing
- Manual parts of IR emails
- Console loads slowly
- No SSO authorization
- Inability to input special characters
- Too many popups
- Tool page is complicated and cluttered
- Prefer new tabs over windows
- A lot of clicks to do one process
- Poor descriptions and naming

## Worst part of console

- Alert-centric rather than event-centric
- A lot of unused space
- Not all info displayed is useful
- Inconsistent
- Want cross sensor alerts
- Need faster FSM Grepper
- Attach tickets over time
- Attach more info to tickets than alerts

## Themes from Affinity

- Info is strangely distributed, i.e notes
- None of the info is cross referenced
- Disorganized
- Prefer a dark UI
- Not enough automation
- Show IPs in last 10 tickets
- Tickets slow to load
- Ability to create multiple tickets

From these high level themes, we can develop a **“To Do” list** of features and items we would like correct and redesign in the new console.

This is a great **starting point to improve** the interface using our users' feedback.

## **Worst part of console** Highest frequency in Survey

- Slowness
- Bright colors/interface
- Old/dated design
- Cannot create multiple tickets for one client

# Worst part of console

## Recommendations

### Slowness

Reduce the slow load time of console, tickets and more by increasing performance, eliminating elements not needed on the interface and implementing scripts in to console.

### Bright colors/interface

Updating design to implement a dark theme/design. Make sure that dark interface is consistent throughout.

### Old/dated design

Through research, prototyping and performing usability tests, we will create a new design that the analysts will enjoy using.

### Multiple tickets for one client

Permit the ability for more than one ticket to be written at once for a client. Do not repaint the screen when analyst wants to create another ticket.



## **Worst part of console** | Medium frequency

- Opens windows instead of tabs
- Not single sign on
- Slow correlation
- Not enough automation

## Worst part of console | Small frequency

- Would like more context/history on alerts
- Inability/inconsistency on handling of special characters
- Too many pages/tools. Finding things can be hard.
- Things lack descriptions. Tool tips would help.

## Best part of console

Highest frequency

- Grease Monkey scripts
- Auto associating tickets
- Alert research
- It gets things done

## Best part of console

### Medium frequency

- Adding notes at different levels (IP, alert, sensor)
- CAG screen
- User friendly
- WERT
- Event notifier

## Best part of console

### Small frequency

- Templates for emails
- Simplicity – all in one place
- Easy to scroll through
- Easy to learn

## If you could change one thing...

- Speed
- Script integration
- Email
- Alert and CAG screen

## What can you not live without? Highest frequency

- Grease Monkey Scripts
- WERT
- Notes

Medium frequency

- Data Session rebuild
- Webapp

## Additional comments

Every step of the ticketing and research **process** uses **analyst's time** very **inefficiently**. It's **too hands on** for any analyst to be able to **perform multiple tasks** in addition to monitoring/ticketing well.

Eliminate the **slow access/loading** of console because it really **affects monitoring** greatly.

**Thank you** for the initiative about this matter to **help us further** in our daily task.