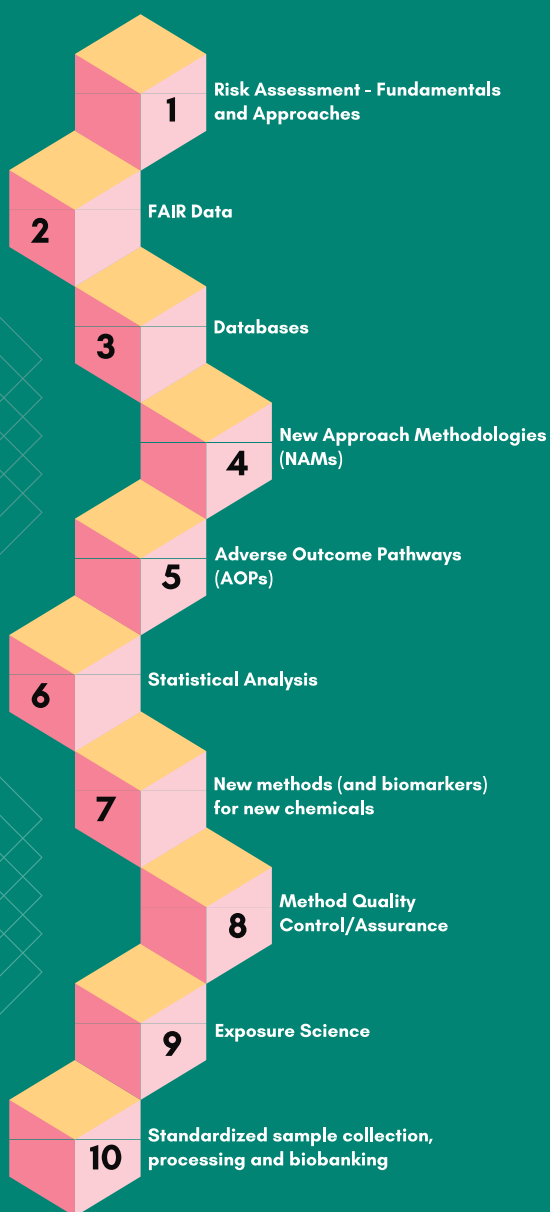


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FIRST TRAINING NEEDS SURVEY - 2023

SHORT REPORT

Topics identified

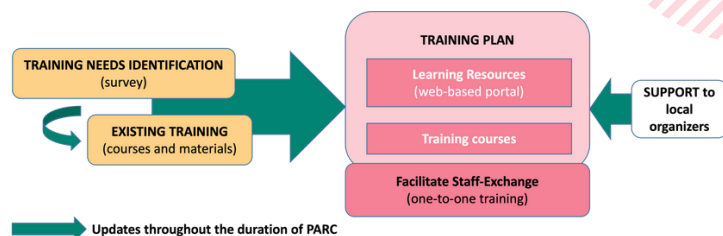


WP9, Task 9.4 Training What do we aim for?

In alignment with PARC's objectives, Task 9.4 (*Training*) of WP9 (*Building infrastructural and human capacities*) will support the development of capacities and training programs in PARC scientific-related topics.

Task 9.4 aims to provide PARC partners and stakeholders with the opportunity to obtain and/or increase the skills needed for the implementation of the activities prioritized by PARC, and thereby contribute to interdisciplinary capacity-building.

As presented below, Task 9.4 activities include the identification of training needs and mapping of existing training courses and resources for the establishment of a training plan that will close identified gaps in training. In parallel, some support will be provided to local training organizers.



Considering the duration of PARC, the training needs survey will be applied in three different periods (Dec 2022; May 2025; and May 2027) to have a more flexible and dynamic training plan, adjusted to partners and stakeholders needs; and PARC progress and findings.

The Survey

In the first year of PARC, a dedicated online survey to identify institutions' training needs was developed and distributed by the National Hub Co-ordinators to the National Hub Contact Points that forwarded it to all national hub members (PARC and non-PARC members). The survey was open from late December 2022 to mid February 2023.

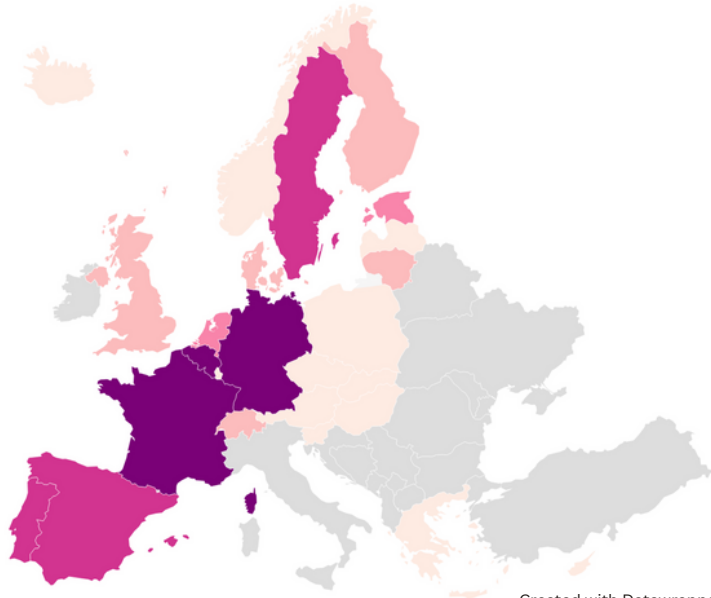
Information collected included topic identification, importance, target audience, difficulty level, adequacy of delivery format, and knowledge of any available training on the topic (each institution could identify up to 5 topics), alongside general background of the respondent and their experience and availability to provide training.

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Survey Results

The survey was completed by 81 institutions from 25 different countries (heat map with number of responses per country, presented below), mostly PARC members (82,7%).

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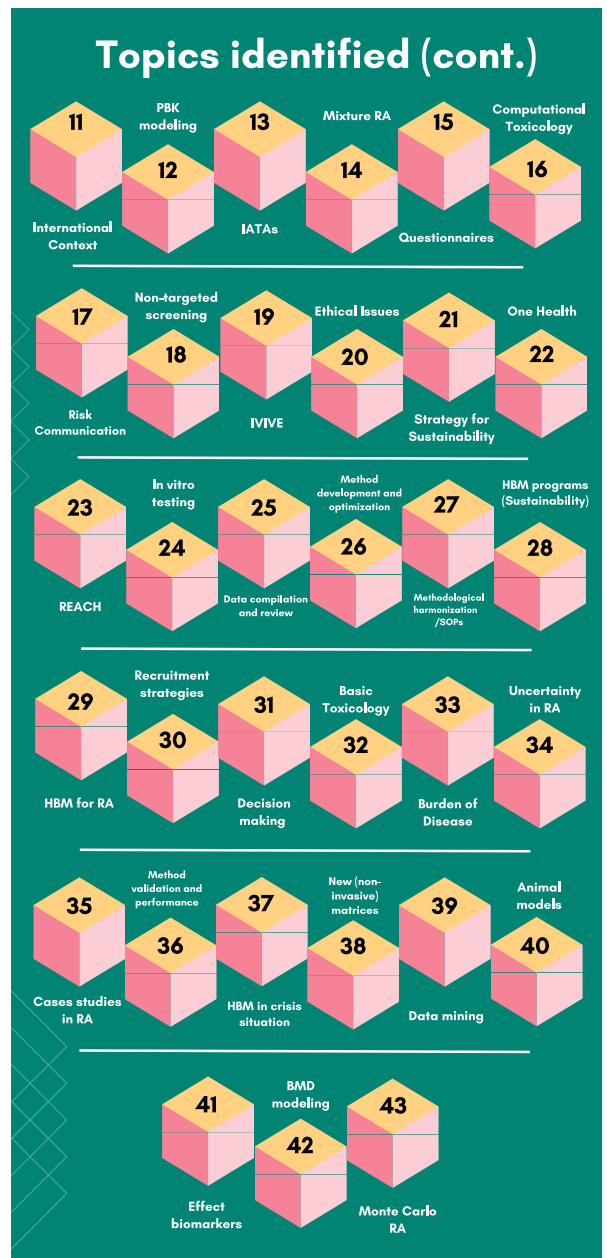


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In average, each respondent has indicated 2.4 topics. For reporting purposes, the 192 topics indicated by the respondents have been grouped into 43 topic groups (take a look at the stacking cubes figures that present the topics by order of interest).

Building on these data, on the map of existing training, and on WP and task leaders input, Task 9.4 co-leaders are now working on topic prioritization to outline the PARC training plan that will include training courses and learning resources to be held/developed within PARC from Nov 2023 to Oct 2025 (for further details on the next steps, please check the timeline presented below).

Do remember to visit PARC website (<https://www.eu-parc.eu/>).



What's next?

September 2023

Existing Training on PARC website

Available training courses and online learning resources (outside PARC) on the topics identified in the 1st Training Needs Survey will be announced on the project website (updated on an annual basis).

April 2024

Online resources available on PARC website

Learning resources developed within PARC will become available on PARC website.

October 2023

PARC Training Plan 2023 - 2025
A plan detailing training courses and learning resources to be held/developed within PARC from Nov 2023 to Oct 2025 will be published (deliverable).

May 2025

2nd Training Needs Survey
A second survey on training needs will circulate and results will be used to establish a training plan for the following years of PARC (Nov 2025 to Oct 2027). Make sure to participate!

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