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Lightning Talk

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1. What are the training needs and what are you doing to address these needs?

• Let researchers know what is out there and what is possible
  – Registry of tools and databases that are regularly updated and with sufficient information for a beginner to start using them (“ELIXIR quality check”)

• Help biological researchers gain autonomy in bioinformatics by
  – Introducing SOPs for common biological questions
  – Encourage using R
3. What is your vision for a Pan-European, over-arching training strategy?

Train mostly “ELIXIR quality checked” software and databases (tools)

Tools that “test group of biologists and bioinformaticians” find

• intuitive to use
• regularly updated
• have good “How-to” instructions

Ideally that would encourage developers to incorporate biologists earlier in the development process and produce better tools
2. What can you offer at a Pan-European level that is sustainable?

- Share teaching material for Estonian Node software
- Collect and share frequent questions and problems from biologists (with proposed solutions)
- “Elixir quality check” idea to reality