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Executive Summary

This document contains the Deliverable on CORI Training Materials D3.3.

The document is organised in such a way that in <u>Section 1</u> a list of topics from CORI that can be used for Training Materials is given. This list of topics is drawing from the SOTA document D3.1 and also considers the specific expertise available at the CORI WP Board, at different CORI partners and with individual experts involved. In <u>Section 2</u> an ANNEX is defined which will be populated with copies of the CORI Training Materials actually used in future Training Events or Training Actions. As such, D3.3 is a living document which requires updating. The need for updating will be identified and documented within the regular half-year reporting for CORI Subtask 1.3..





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1. Development of Training materials within WP3 - CORI

CORI is dedicated to contributing to the Training activities organised within EURAD.

The focus of CORI centres on the organic release issues which can accelerate the radionuclide migration in the context of the post closure phase of geological repositories for ILW and LLW/VLLW, including surface/shallow disposal. CORI is addressing topics in the context of cement-organic-radionuclide-interactions. Organic materials are present in some nuclear waste and as admixtures in cement-based materials, and can potentially influence the performance of a geological disposal system, especially in the context of low and intermediate level waste disposal. This potential effect of organic molecules is related to the formation of complexes in solution with some radionuclides of interest (actinides and lanthanides) which can increase the radionuclide solubility and decrease the radionuclide sorption. Organic substances require increased attention since a significant quantity exists in the waste and in the cementitious materials, with a large degree of chemical diversity. Cement-based materials will be degraded with time in the context of waste disposal inducing a large range of alkaline pH conditions according to their degradation state. Alkaline pH provides specific conditions under which the organics can degrade, which contributes to increasing their impact on repository performance.

Considering the particular scope of CORI summarized above, a rather large number of topics exist which can be addressed in the frame of Training Events or Actions within EURAD. The particular set of topics and the level of technical detail is depending in each case on the particular Training Events or Action and also the targeted audience.

An indicative list of topics from CORI which can be integrated in EURAD Training Events or Actions is listed in the following. This list of topics is drawing from the SOTA document D3.1 and also considers the specific expertise available at the CORI WP Board, at different CORI partners and with individual experts involved.

- General overview on WP CORI. Main project aims and results. Research highlights.
- Overview on individual Tasks in CORI. Scope and results. Research highlights.
- Organic degradation by hydrolytic and radiolytic processes (linked to related chapter in SOTA 3.1 document).
- Organic-cement-interactions (linked to related chapter in SOTA 3.1 document).
- Radionuclide-organic-cement-interactions (linked to related chapter in SOTA 3.1 document).
- Fundamental cement chemistry (linked to related chapter in SOTA 3.1 document).
- Use of cement-based materials in nuclear waste disposal applications.





- Challenges arising from organic waste inventories in geological repositories for ILW and LLW/VLLW, including surface/shallow disposal.
- Sorption of contaminants on cement materials. Empirical findings and scientific process understanding. Thermodynamics and kinetics of the adsorption process.
- (Geo)chemical modelling of cement-based systems. Databases. Methodology.
- Speciation and thermodynamics of radionuclides in high pH environments.
- Speciation and thermodynamics of radionuclides with complexing organic ligands.
- Organics chemistry. Effects of cations (Ca, Fe, etc.) on their behaviour under cementitious environments.
- Analytical techniques to characterise organic degradation products in solution.
- Investigation of transport properties in cement-based systems.
- Overview on modern analytical and spectroscopic methods used in investigating cement-based materials, organics and radionuclide interactions in cement environments.





2. ANNEX – Documentation of Training Materials provided

Within this ANNEX, the Training Materials from CORI used for Training Events or Actions are documented and made available. This can contain text documents prepared to this end or copies of the slides developed for presentations. In each case, information on to the particular Training Event or Action and a short summary regarding the content of the provided material is given. Key literature used or cited in the documents are added to the references list of this Deliverable.

Name of CORI Training Material

Name of Training Event or Action: xxx

Date of Meeting or document filename: xxx

Responsible CORI partner: xxx

- a short description of Training Even or Action is given here -

Description of Training Material

- a summary of the main technical content of the Training Material is provided here -

The text document prepared or the presentation slides used are provided below.

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References

No references are cited in this document.

Once the ANNEX will be populated with Training Materials, in form of text documents or copies of presentation slides, the list of references will be developed according to the cited references therein.

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