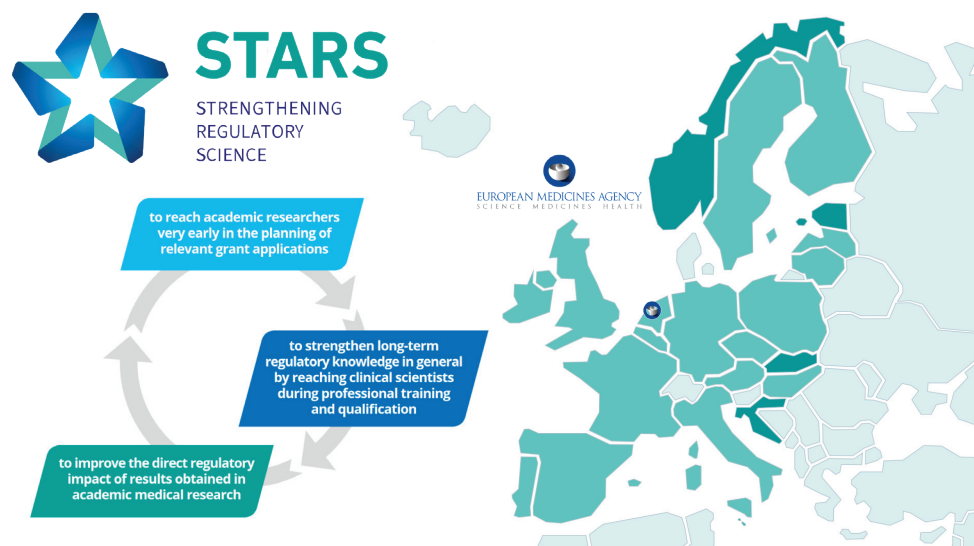


STARS in brief

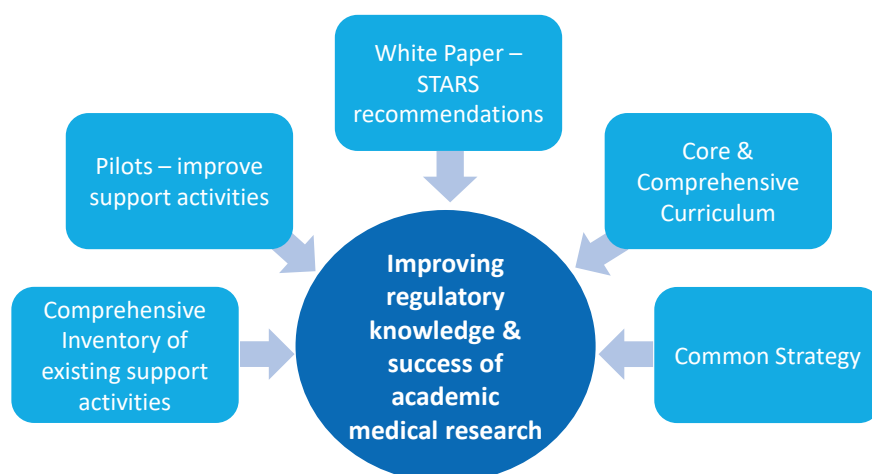
The [EU-funded¹ Coordination and Support Action \(CSA\) on the Strengthening Training of Academia in Regulatory Science](#) (STARS) is a collaboration between 18 European National Competent Authorities (NCAs/EU IN members), four associate countries and the [European Medicines Agency](#) (EMA).

The project aims to reach out to medicine innovators in academia, to bridge the regulatory knowledge gap, and enhance the dialogue between academia and regulatory authorities.



STARS project main goals and involved member states (light green: STARS partner, dark green: associated STARS partner; [Starokozhko et al., 2020](#)).

The STARS project has developed an online [Comprehensive Inventory](#) that assists European academic drug developers in finding various support services provided by NCAs, public actors and private entities. STARS has also initiated three [pilot support activities](#), which aim to transfer best practices and to close gaps in regulatory knowledge and support that have been identified by performing systematic surveys of clinical research centres, research groups, funding bodies and NCAs.



STARS Working programme. The project pursues different activities, all of which aim to improve the regulatory knowledge and success of academic medical research.

The STARS consortium is developing [curricula](#) for training and education in regulatory knowledge, requirements and affairs. All of these activities are supported by communication and dissemination strategies, such as [Stakeholder Workshops](#) and a global conference, which will take place at the end of the project in June 2022.

Finally, the results and insights from the STARS activities are to be integrated into the [STARS Common Strategy](#), which is the main roadmap to strengthening regulatory science and which aims to improve the support and optimise the outcomes of scientific advice and protocol assistance.

Further information and contact details are available on the STARS website: <https://www.csa-stars.eu>

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