

Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift

The Many Faces of Desmoid-type Fibromatosis

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1. The Wingless (Wnt)/ β -catenin signalling pathway plays a pivotal role in the initiation and development of desmoid-type fibromatosis (this thesis)
2. Targeted therapies for desmoid-type fibromatosis are often empirical with lacking biological rationale (this thesis)
3. RECIST is not the ideal tool for assessing growth of desmoid-type fibromatosis tumours (this thesis)
4. Size does matter (this thesis)
5. Improving the care of desmoid-type fibromatosis will not only have to include new therapies but also a better assessment of the patients' needs and health-related quality of life (this thesis)
6. The tumor microenvironment and stromal surroundings are essential for tumorigenesis, maintenance and treatment efficacy
7. Patience is not an absence of action; rather it is 'timing' it waits on the right time to act, for the right principles and in the right way (F.J. Sheen)
8. Health-related quality of life should be integrated as an endpoint in clinical trials
9. Je hebt wel een diagnose maar geen prognose (participating focus group patient)
10. Pain relief is more important than tumour shrinkage (P. Rigaux)
11. Nu was toen later (M.van Bommel)