1. Studies on the prevalence of permanent neonatal hearing impairment should define hearing impairment (type, degree and laterality) and report prevalence rates uniformly to facilitate comparison of prevalence rates. (*This thesis*)

2. The number of screening steps and the type of the screening devices used in a newborn hearing screening protocol are related to health expenditure and human development index. (*This thesis*)

3. Use of automated auditory brainstem response and of multiple screening steps improves the cost-effectiveness of newborn hearing screening, despite these being more expensive than otoacoustic emission screening or single screening step. (*This thesis*)

4. When outcome data of screening are not collected continuously, systematically and uniformly, cost-effectiveness cannot be compared and the diversity among screening programmes remains. (*This thesis*)

5. Loss to follow-up in Albania could be reduced by increasing the specificity of the screening protocol (e.g., aABR-only), by informing the parents even more on the importance of early detection and by using a good monitoring system. (*This thesis*)

6. The extensive EUSCREEN questionnaire would have been filled out better by Country Representatives if we had included a picture, stated that others had already responded and if the list of questions had been shorter. (*Edwards et al., 2009*)

7. “No two countries with a common border and a common language are so far culturally apart as Belgium (Flanders) and the Netherlands”. (*Geert Hofstede; 2001, 63*)

8. People with a hearing loss will be more eager to use hearing aids when hearing aids are more fashionable and reflect the wearer’s self-image, as is the case for glasses. (*Kinley, Strübel & Amlani; 2019*)

9. Despite the fact that most drugs are illegal in many countries and are generally considered to be bad, psychedelic drugs as part of psychiatric treatment can help treat obsessive compulsive disorder, depression, anxiety, alcohol and tobacco addiction. (*Carhart-Harris & Goodwin, 2017*)

10. The use of echolocation in bats has contributed to moths being able to hear the most high-pitched sounds and therefore having the best ears in the animal kingdom. (*ter Hofstede & Ratcliffe, 2016*)

11. Promoveren is als koken: je verzamelt alle ingrediënten, je promotoren helpen met het recept en de steun van je omgeving zijn de kruiden die alles op smaak brengen.