Histopathological Growth Patterns of Colorectal Liver Metastases
A Clinical Evaluation

1. The standard pathology report of a liver resection for colorectal liver metastases should include the histopathological growth pattern given its prognostic value and diagnostic accuracy. *(This thesis)*

2. The presence of non-desmoplastic growth, rather than its abundance, dictates prognosis in patients receiving surgical treatment for colorectal liver metastases. *(This thesis)*

3. Preoperative systemic chemotherapy affects the histopathological growth pattern of colorectal liver metastases and their prognostic value. *(This thesis)*

4. Clinical applicability of histopathological growth patterns would increase greatly if surgery would no longer be a prerequisite for their determination. *(This thesis)*

5. The current guidelines on histopathological growth pattern determination urgently require revision. *(This thesis)*

6. Cure by resection of metastases is pattern dependent, not time dependent. *(Blake Cady)*

7. Remember that all models are wrong; the practical question is how wrong do they have to be to not be useful. *(George Box)*

8. A good surgeon does not just concentrate on technical ability, but also on the appropriateness of what you are doing. *(Benjamin Carson)*

9. Parking skills are associated with medical specialty. *(McCain, BMJ 2010)*

10. The first quality that is needed is audacity. *(Winston Churchill)*

11. Fere libenter homines id quod volunt credunt – Men readily believe what they want to believe. *(Julius Caesar)*

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