Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift

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)