

Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift

BRONCHIAL EPITHELIAL CELLS AND PEPTIDASES
Modulation by cytokines and glucocorticoids *in vitro* and in asthma

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1. Human bronchial epithelial cells express functional receptors for interleukin-4.
(dit proefschrift)
2. Glucocorticoids increase the expression of neutral endopeptidase 24.11 by human bronchial epithelial cells.
(dit proefschrift en *Am J Respir Cell Mol Biol* 1997; 16:549-556)
3. Interleukin-18 is an isoform of interleukin-1.
(*Nature* 1995; 378:88-91 and *Nature* 1996; 379:591)
4. N-terminal truncation of RANTES by dipeptidyl peptidase IV/CD26 provides a regulatory mechanism for the receptor specificity of RANTES.
(*J Exp Med* 1997; 186:1865-1872 and *J Biol Chem* 1998; 273:7222-7227)
5. Phosphorylation of I κ B by I κ B kinase is a critical regulatory step in NF- κ B activation by cytokines.
(*Nature* 1997; 388:519-521)
6. The amount of acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin) in red wine is too low to explain the preventive effect of red wine on cardiovascular diseases.
(*Lancet* 1994; 343:1428-1429 and *Lancet* 1994; 344:762)
7. Since fever is an adoptive host response to infection, one should be reserved in the use of antipyretic, anti-inflammatory or analgesic drugs that lead to the suppression of fever.
(*Infect Dis Clin North Am* 1996; 10:1-20)
8. Early treatment of children infected with *Ureaplasma urealyticum* may contribute to the prevention of asthma.
(*JAMA* 1997; 278:2051-2052)
9. Vaak is niet het aantal goede ideeën maar de hoeveelheid materiaal beperkend in wetenschappelijk onderzoek.

10. If our brain was simple enough for us to understand it, we would be so stupid we wouldn't be able to understand it after all.
(Jostein Gaarder - The solitaire mystery)
11. Er is meer politiek in de wetenschap dan wetenschap in de politiek.
12. Het verbieden van de (goed uitgevoerde) sliding/tackle zal niet leiden tot minder blessures en zal de amusementswaarde van het voetbal niet ten goede komen.

