

# STELLINGEN

1. Matching based on quantitative angiography is an acceptable method of analysis of long-term outcome following intracoronary interventions whilst awaiting the results of randomized trials and useful for planning such trials.  
*(this thesis)*
2. A static restenosis parameter which describes the lesion severity at follow-up should be used when comparing the efficacy of two different interventional techniques.  
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3. In analyzing the long-term results of new interventions, the late lumen loss during follow-up (i.e. renarrowing process) should be considered together with the residual lumen diameter at follow-up (i.e. angiographic outcome).  
*(this thesis)*
4. Histologic examination of restenotic tissue demonstrates that intimal hyperplasia is a non-specific response to vascular wall injury regardless of the initiating procedure.  
*(this thesis)*
5. Smooth muscle cells are the predominant cell type found in restenotic lesions.  
*(this thesis)*
6. The higher incidence of adverse events after atherectomy for unstable angina occurred despite excision of unstable plaque material and may therefore reflect the inherent instability of the syndrome rather than the inability of atherectomy to establish a persistent success.  
*(this thesis)*
7. Optimal atherectomy seems to be related not only to the procedural outcome but also to patient selection.  
*(this thesis)*

8. The treatment of coronary artery disease is a Sisyphus' work.
9. Failing human ventricular myocardium contains a relatively high proportion of  $\beta_2$  receptors, due to selective down regulation of  $\beta_1$  receptors.  
*(M Bristow, Circ Res 1986)*
10. Instead of continually writing like a true "lumenologist" it is time to think about patients.  
*(E Topol, personal communication)*
11. "Research" of today is clinical practice of tomorrow.  
*(obsessional motto of my promotor)*
12. De zeewaardigheid van een zeiljacht wordt bepaald door de bemanning.
13. Het verdient aanbeveling om toekomstige kabinetsformaties in conclaaf te laten plaatsvinden.
14. De intolerantie tegen allochtonen zal wellicht verminderen indien meer autochtonen zich realiseren dat ook zij van asielzoekers afstammen.
15. Bij een *openbare* verdediging past een publieksvraag.