## Stellingen

1. "Positron emission tomography gives only generic information on metabolic function and has not traditionally been used to focus on specific elements in the utilization pathways."

This thesis; Liedtke et al. Circulation Research 1988;62:535-542.

2. "This hypothesis, that preconditioning is protective because it reduces the energy demand during ischemia, appears to be the only logical explanation for slower metabolic activity in the setting of preserved energy stores and enhanced cellular viability."

This thesis; Murry et al. Circulation Research 1990;66:913

 The maximal mean coronary flow-pressure relationship is a more accurate method to evaluate the coronary vascular system, than coronary flow reserve measurements obtained from the Doppler catheter.

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4. Specific bradycardic agents may be useful in improving the impaired coronary flow reserve in patients with congestive heart failure.

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- 5. Although increased demand in regionally stunned myocardium is not deleterious acutely, the effects of chronic stimulation may cause injury.

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- 6. Medicine has traditionally been a combination of art, magic and dance; only recently, has a little science been added.
- 7. To understand your own culture, you must first step outside it.
- 8. American politicians too often reflect on their actions rather than act on their reflections; Dutch politicians too often regulate their visions rather than visualize their regulations.
- 9. Because frequent blood donations may be even more effective than lowering cholesterol in the prevention of heart disease, a future slogan of the Nederlandse Hartstichting could read: "Be anemic instead of ischemic"
- 10. "The future ain't what it used to be." (Yogi Berra-Ex N.Y. Yankee baseball manager).