## Stellingen

## Behorend bij het proefschrift:

## Ubiquitination in the UV-induced DNA Damage Response

## from proteomics to patient

 Ubiquitin-mediated regulation of the cellular response to UV-induced stress extends well beyond controlling NER.

This thesis

2. Mass spectrometry-based study of ubiquitin-mediated signalling is best achieved by combining results obtained by methods that enrich for ubiquitinated protein complexes and that enrich for ubiquitinated peptides.

This thesis & Xu, et al. (2010); Kim, et al (2011); Wagner, et al. (2011); Udeshi, et al. (2012); Povlsen, et al. (2012)

3. UVSSA provides substrate specificity to the pleiotropic deubiquitinating enzyme USP7 to counteract UV-induced CSB ubiquitination.

This thesis

- A key aspect contributing to the wide variety in TCR-deficient patient phenotypes is most likely the differential processing of RNA Pol II when encountering DNA lesions. This thesis
- 5. For a better understanding of the phenotypical differences between UVSS and CS patients, dedicated lesion-specific repair assays are necessary to unravel the contribution of UVSSA and other TCR proteins to the repair of lesions by NER and other repair mechanisms. This thesis
- 6. Given the many combinational options and functional consequences of ubiquitination, it is the most versatile PTM.
- 7. The relative ease of performing large-scale proteomic MS screens nowadays generates ever-increasing volumes of proteomic data. However, the field would benefit from a concomitant increase in bioinformatical approaches to efficiently use these data for more than only cherry picking.
- 8. The high pheomelanin-to-eumelanin ratio in 'red hair/fair skin' individuals indicates an increased risk of melanoma. However, in addition to offering poor protection from environmental carcinogens (such as UV-light), the pheomelanin synthesis itself also conveys intrinsic carcinogenic features.

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Inspired by the Bohannon's sting (Science. 2013 Oct 4;342(6154):60-5)

- 10. Progress is better than perfection
- 11. Every scientist should keep in mind some wisdom from Groningen when experiments fail: "Noit soezen, deurbroezen"