Propositions belonging to the thesis

Social Inequalities in Young Children's Lifestyle Behaviors and Childhood Overweight
The Generation R Study

1. Large socioeconomic and ethnic inequalities in excessive television viewing are present in preschool children. (this thesis)

2. Physical activity levels of Dutch toddlers do not correspond with international guidelines regarding the recommended daily amount of children's physical activity. (this thesis)

3. Parental consumption of sugar-containing beverages is an important mediator of the association between maternal educational level and Dutch preschool children's consumption of sugar-containing beverages. (this thesis)

4. The inverse socioeconomic gradient in childhood overweight emerges during the preschool period and increases with age. (this thesis)

5. Despite the urgent need for effective interventions to improve lifestyle behaviors and prevent overweight among socially disadvantaged children in Europe, effect studies are still scarce. (this thesis)

6. Climate change will increase the risk of infant and maternal mortality, birth complications, and poorer reproductive health, especially in tropical, developing countries, thus impacting the health and survival of the next generation among already challenged populations. (Adapted from Rylander et al., Global Health Action, 2013)

7. Engagement in professional basketball reduces the African American-White gap in male life expectancy from 6.1 years to 1.5 years. (Adapted from Lawler et al., Annals of Epidemiology, 2012)

8. A dog is more than a man's best friend, he is also an effective work out partner. (Adapted from Kushner et al., Obesity, 2006)

9. School food assistance may help break intergenerational transmission of social inequalities in academic performance. (Adapted from Roustit et al., Pediatrics, 2010)

10. A healthy diet does not necessarily mean an environmentally sustainable diet. (Macdiarmid, Proceedings of the Nutrition Society, 2013)

11. Er zijn meer volwassenen bang in het licht dan kinderen in het donker. (Van Kooten en De Bie)