Propositions Stellingen bij het proefschrift

Multimodality Imaging and Clinical Implications of Bioresorbable Scaffolds in Complex Coronary Artery Disease

- 1. Fully bioresorbable scaffolds (BRS) are a novel therapeutic approach to coronary artery disease as they provide transient vessel support in contrast to the permanent caging by metallic stents. [This thesis]
- 2. Prospective studies using multimodality imaging technique demonstrated unique responses of coronary arteries following BRS implantation, namely late lumen enlargement and plaque media reduction. [This thesis]
- 3. Fully bioresorbable polylactide BRS showed acceptable clinical safety and feasibility in patients with STEMI or diabetes. [This thesis]
- 4. The current generation Absorb BVS has a thicker strut and more limited expandable range, while minimal impact on peri-procedural MI was noted as compared to the drug-eluting metallic stents. [This thesis]
- 5. The BRS technology could be relevant to East Asian population (e.g. Japanese) who have different cultures from Western countries, in that they would not like to mutilate their natural bodies by medical devices or even surgical incisions that will remain in their lifetime. [This thesis]
- 6. To study and not think is a waste. To think and not study is dangerous. [Confucius]
- 7. Continuous effort not strength or intelligence is the key to unlocking our potential.

 [Sir Winston Churchill]
- 8. Great things are not done by impulse, but by a series of small things brought together. [Vincent van Gogh]
- 9. Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow. The important thing is not to stop questioning. [Albert Einstein]
- 10. Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work. [Aristotle]

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