

Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift:

Stimulation of the Dorsal Root Ganglion for the Treatment of Chronic Pain

- 1) Stimulation of the dorsal root ganglion (DRG) can provide good pain relief, while avoiding unwanted side-effects. (this thesis)
- 2) Neuropathic pain is characterized by aberrant hyperactivity in DRGs and as such, the DRG is an attractive target for novel pain relief interventions. (this thesis)
- 3) Stimulation of the DRG is highly suited for the treatment of pain in focal and/or challenging locations, including the foot, knee, breast, and the groin. (this thesis)
- 4) Improvements in ratings of pain, mood, and quality of life with DRG stimulation have been demonstrated following 12 months of therapy. (this thesis)
- 5) DRG stimulation provides consistent intensities of paresthesias in different body positions, demonstrating a clinically-important lack of positional effects. (this thesis)
- 6) There is nothing wrong with change if it is in the right direction. (Winston Churchill)
- 7) The art of medicine consists in amusing the patient while nature cures the disease. (Voltaire)
- 8) Let food be thy medicine and medicine be thy food. (Hippocrates)
- 9) The pessimist complains about the wind. The optimist expects it to change. The leader adjusts the sails. (John Maxwell)
- 10) I mean some doctor told me I had six months to live and I went to their funeral. (Keith Richards)
- 11) Klagers hebben geen nood.

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