

# PROPOSITIONS-STELLINGEN

Belonging to the thesis

## The Role of mTOR as Target for Treatment of Adrenal Tumors

- 1) mTOR is a potential target for the treatment of patients with adrenocortical carcinoma, but variable responses might be expected (*this thesis*).
- 2) Adrenocortical carcinomas have a heterogeneous expression of the main components of the mTOR pathway (*this thesis*).
- 3) The complexity of the insulin-like growth factor pathway in adrenocortical carcinoma is likely underestimated (*this thesis*).
- 4) Based on genomic studies, the cell cycle appears to be the most relevant new potential therapeutic target for treatment in patients with adrenocortical carcinoma (*this thesis*).
- 5) The dual IGF1/Insulin-Receptor antagonist OSI-906, alone or in combination with mTOR inhibitors, may represent a new treatment option in progressive PCCs patients (*this thesis*).
- 6) Those who have an excessive faith in their theories or in their ideas are not only poorly disposed to make discoveries, but they also make very poor observations (*Claude Bernard*).
- 7) The education of the doctor which goes on after he has his degree is, after all, the most important part of his education (*John Billings, Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, 1984*).
- 8) The greatest mistake in the treatment of diseases is that there are physicians for the body and physicians for the soul, although the two cannot be separated (*Plato*).
- 9) There are no safe drugs, only safe ways of using them (*Voltaire*).
- 10) Minds are like parachutes; they work best when open (*Albert Einstein*).
- 11) A winner is a dreamer who never gives up (*Nelson Mandela*).



