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Stellingen (Propositions)

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1. TCH3 sequesters PID and WAG2 from the plasma membrane to the cytoplasm by interacting with these protein kinases.

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2. Ca^{2+} -dependent and TCH3-mediated PID internalization accelerates the root gravitropic response by enhancing the asymmetric auxin distribution in the root tip.

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3. An overlapping amphipathic alpha helix and IQ-like motif in the PID insertion domain mediate both calmodulin binding and plasma membrane association of this protein kinase.

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4. Reversible PIN1 phosphorylation by the AGC3 kinases PID and WAG2 is important for maintaining spiral phyllotaxis in *Arabidopsis*.

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5. Elevated $[\text{Ca}^{2+}]_{\text{cyt}}$ could be the central signal in the initial induction of *TCH3* expression by many different signals, including auxin and touch.

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