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PROPOSITIONS

belonging to the thesis entitled:

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1. Selective protein and ligand labelling can be exploited to unravel the complexity of LHCII using solid state NMR.

(Chapter 4-5)

2. The size of the nanodisc has an important influence on the protein response for the function.

(Chapter 2)

3. The presence of both native pigments and lipids are crucial for the refolding of rLhcb1.

(Chapter 4)

4. The reconstitution of proteins using preformed liposomes is the preferred method of choice for their biophysical characterization.

(Chapter 2-3)

- 5. Mimicking a particular LHCII-PsbS protein mechanism *in vitro*, may turn to be a Holi Grail ghost, which will never be found.
- 6. A steady hand and patience are the best friends of the sucrose gradient centrifugation.
- 7. Being loyal to the same brand of fresh spinach is a *conditio sine qua non* in photosynthetic antennae research.
- 8. Modern solar panel technology will be able to absolve the primary reason for which they are used, if the human being wants it.
- 9. Scientific knowledge can be gained, simply, from sharing a nice meal with one's friends and colleagues.

(The power of food: mediating social relationships in the care of chronically ill elderly people in urban Indonesia. Peter van Eeuwijk)

- 10. Combining right ideas together is not synonymous with quality.
- 11. Gossip is the driving force of society.

(Grooming, Gossip, and the Evolution of Language, University of Oxford professor Robin Dunbar)