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Stellingen

Behorend bij het proefschrift:

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- 1- TGFβ deregulation correlates with CAA pathology severity in HCHWA-D. (this thesis)
- 2- The increase in ECM-related pathways in HCHWA-D indicate that fibrosis is an early phenomenon in the disease process. (*this thesis*)
- 3- CAA load in frontal and occipital cortex is similar but more perivascular changes and vascular calcifications occur occipitally. (this thesis)
- 4- CAA pathology is homogeneously severe in HCHWA-D cortex, therefore the study of patients at different disease stage is more informative of pathomechanisms than the study of different brain areas. (this thesis)
- 5- There is a need for developing more complex animal models incorporating vascular comorbidities such as the constitutive cerebral expression of TGFβ in Alzheimer's Disease mice. (inspired from Bhat 2015 Journal of Alzheimer's Disease)
- 6- "Due to their intimate association with brain cells, cerebral blood vessels have unique characteristics that set them apart from vessels in other organs." (*ladecola, Neuron 2013*)
- 7- "Advances in our understanding of CAA pathophysiology and how this translates into its clinical and radiological manifestations are a crucial development needed to advance the [CAA] field in future years." (Banerjee et al, Journal of Neurology, Neurosurgery and Psychiatry 2017)
- 8- Ischemic and hemorrhagic strokes result from disruption of cerebral hemostasis, a well-controlled and delicate balance between thrombotic and fibrinolytic pathways in cerebral blood vessels and surrounding brain tissue. (modified from Van Nostrand, Biochimica et Biophysica Acta 2015)
- 9- Making choices in science is hard for curious mind. "To choose is to renounce." (attributed to André Gide 1869-1951)
- 10- Scientific discoveries require some freedom in investigation. "Some beautiful paths can't be discovered without getting lost." (*Erol Ozan 2016*)