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Stelling

behorende bij het proefschrift:

"THE CLINICAL AND NON-CLINICAL ASPECTS OF DISTAL RADIOULNAR JOINT INSTABILITY AFTER A DISTAL RADIUS FRACTURE"

1. The interpretation of distal radius fracture characteristics based on CT-scan is influenced by the background of the observer. (this thesis)
2. Individual normal values for DRUJ translation have to be established to support the radiologic diagnosis of DRUJ instability. (this thesis)
3. Presence of DRUJ instability may, despite high incidence, remain unnoticed and untreated, due to lack of diagnostic capacity of clinical and radiological investigations. (this thesis)
4. Non-union of an ulnar styloid fracture has no influence on the outcome of a distal radius fracture. (this thesis)
5. Many studies focusing on distal radius fracture outcome are based on non-validated questionnaires. (Changulani M. et al. Int Orthop. 2008;32:1-6)
6. Radial oblique osteotomy followed by plate fixation for Lichtman stage 2 and 3a Kienböck disease is good but not great. (Wijffels et al. Current Orthopaedic Practice. 2009;20:561-5)
7. Male surgeons are better looking than physicians are. (Trilla et al. BMJ 2006 23;333(7582):1291-3)
8. Als de economische crisis in Nederland voor een terugloop in het aantal Spoedeisende hulp bezoeken zorgt, kan er nog veel bezuinigd worden in de gezondheidszorg.
9. Being a trauma surgeon, it is more important how to manage the patients' expectations than how to manage his/her injuries.
10. As a trauma surgeon you are not allowed to be too optimistic. (John Wilber)
11. Een stekel (*Akkerdistel, Cirsium Arvense*) staat nooit alleen. (Th.C.M. Wijffels)

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