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STELLINGEN

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SYNOVIAL INFLAMMATION IN KNEE OSTEOARTHRITIS

Histological and Imaging Studies

1. Synovitis in osteoarthritis is not only quantitatively, but also qualitatively different from synovitis in rheumatoid arthritis (this thesis).
2. Synovitis fluctuates over time, but tends to worsen in end-stage osteoarthritis (this thesis).
3. The synovitis scoring system developed by Guermazi et al. is a comprehensive and reliable scoring system to assess synovitis on CE-MRI throughout the whole knee (this thesis).
4. Mast cells could be of importance in osteoarthritis (this thesis).
5. Structural damage in knee OA is both a local and a generalized process throughout the knee (this thesis).
6. Osteoarthritis is the most common rheumatic disease with the least disease modifying treatment options.
7. Osteoarthritis is not osteoarthrosis!- Berenbaum F, Osteoarthritis Cartilage 2013;21:16-21.
8. MRI detected findings of osteoarthritis are common in people with and without knee pain, suggesting that the clinical significance of MRI findings in such knees is not clear.- Guermazi A, BMJ 2012;345:e5339.
9. Ideally, synovitis in OA should be evaluated using contrast enhanced MRI.- Hayashi D, Osteoarthritis Cartilage 2012;20:207-14.
10. Perhaps it would be simpler if you just did what you're told and didn't try to understand things. -Terry Pratchett, 1948-2015
11. Faber est suae quisque fortunae (every man is the artisan of his own fortune). - Appius Claudius Caecus, ca. 340 BC-273 BC (translation by Whitake WA, JM Latin English Dictionary)