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Cover description: ‘Maggot therapy’s modes of action’ in a wound. The wound is placed in a black box. This represents the general use of maggot therapy: maggots are placed on a wound and then the outcome is healing or not. The modes of action -the black box- are unknown by many, but this can be changed by the results described in this thesis.
Different patterns can be observed on the backside of the cover. This symbolises the different processes in wounds that are affected by maggots. The red thread, representing the connection between these processes, is interrupted as not all modes of action are discovered yet.

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By this it appears how necessary it is for any man that aspires to true knowledge, to examine the definitions of former authors; and either to correct them, where they are negligently set down, or to make them himself. For the errors of definitions multiply themselves according as the reckoning proceeds, and lead men into absurdities, which at last they see, but cannot avoid, without reckoning anew from the beginning -

Thomas Hobbes, *Leviathan*

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