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1. Old age and severe radiological osteoarthritis are major drivers for Dutch orthopedic surgeons to indicate for total knee replacement (TKR) surgery (this thesis)
2. At least ten years after primary surgery, total hip replacement patients are more satisfied than TKR patients (this thesis)
3. In TKR we need to increase the number of very happy patients and decrease the number of never happy ones. We should focus on patient expectation and surgeon education (Beverland, Orthopedics 2010;33 657)
4. Pain and functional disability alone did not discriminate between those who were and were not considered to need TJR by the orthopedic surgeon (Gossec, Osteoarthritis Cartilage 2011; 19(2) 147-54)
5. The use of a fibrin sealant during total knee replacement did not improve early knee function after surgery (this thesis)
6. After total knee replacement, with a retained or resected posterior cruciate ligament, patients have comparable clinical results (this thesis)
7. Three factors broadly determine the patient's overall satisfaction after TJR; meeting preoperative expectations, achieving satisfactory pain relief, and a satisfactory hospital experience (Hamilton, BMJ Open 2013;9 3-4)
8. In an increasingly ageing society, the demand for TKR surgery will rise further (Carr, Lancet 2012; 379 1331-40)
9. De kunst van kort is een lange aanloop (Donnie, 2015 in Het Parool)  
- *De weg van mijn promotie*
10. In der Beschränkung zeigt sich erst der Meister (Johan Wolfgang von Goethe, 1802)  
- *Zo is het bij een promotietraject en bij de opleiding tot medisch specialist*
11. You will never reach your destination if you stop and throw stones at every dog that barks (Winston Churchill 1874-1965)  
- *Een combinatie van de twee stellingen hierboven*