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Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift getiteld: "Mucosal Immunology revisited through Mass Cytometry:

From Biology to Bioinformatics and Back"

- I. A cell subset is a collection of distinct cells sharing similar features (this thesis).
- 2. Data exploration does not require a preformed hypothesis (this thesis).
- 3. Approaches that cluster dimensionality-reduced data are superior over approaches that cluster in high-dimensional space (this thesis).
- 4. Precursor-effector relationships and plasticity are synonyms (this thesis).
- 5. A two-dimensional, gating strategy for analyzing cytometry data is no longer appropriate. (Mair F et al. Eur J Immunol (2016)).
- 6. To understand how a system works, one needs to integrate all individual components. (Mark M Davis *et al.* Nat Immunol (2018)).
- 7. With increasing amounts of big data and the limitation of humans being capable of only interpreting three dimensions, medical decisions should be computer-driven.
- 8. Multidisciplinary research requires multiple first authorships, inevitably leading to similar PhD theses.
- 9. The summarizing discussion in the thesis offers a place for all the sentences your supervisor had deleted while revising your manuscripts.
- It takes an athlete to dance, but an artist to be a dancer (Shanna LaFleur) (1932). Although you may have the physical strength to execute a dance movement, it is the connection with inner expression and feelings that defines a dancer.
- 11. Scientists and artists are alike, requiring creativity, inspiration, perseverance and dedication.