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1. From a surgical perspective, patients with screen-detected colorectal cancer represent a different population compared to patients with symptomatic colorectal cancer. – *This thesis*
2. A positive FIT result has a negative impact on emotional wellbeing. – *This thesis*
3. Early stage tumours do not lead to safer surgical procedures compared to more advanced colorectal carcinoma. – *This thesis*
4. Overtreatment is inevitable since screening detects many patients with early stage disease. – *This thesis*
5. The line separating the healthy from the ill is narrowing as more screening programs are implemented. – *Toft et al., Scand J Prim Health Care, 2019*
6. Promotion of a healthy lifestyle in general might give the greatest survival benefit of all. – *Li et al., BMJ, 2020*
7. Endoscopic assessment of the possible presence of malignant invasion in colorectal polyps remains challenging. – *Backes et al., Gut, 2019*
8. De positieve ervaring die deelnemers ondervinden van screening staat los van de uitkomst van de screeningtest. – *vrij naar Hofmann et al., BMJ, 2017 (Concept of misleading feedback)*
9. Geloof hen die de waarheid zoeken, maar twijfel aan hen die haar gevonden hebben. – *André Gide, Frans schrijver, Ainsi soit-il ou Les Jeux sont faits, 1952.* Waak voor de expert die beweert de waarheid te verkondigen.
10. Je hoeft niet altijd direct een mening te hebben. – *Wim Vermeer*
11. “Festina lente”. Haast u langzaam. – *Keizer Augustus.* Elk probleem vraagt om een benadering die het midden houdt tussen voortvarendheid en zorgvuldigheid.
12. Laugh a lot. It clears the lungs. – *David Hockney, 1960.*

Nina Vermeer, 14 januari 2021