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Stellingen behorende bij het proefschrift getiteld

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1. An app for population based syndromic surveillance is a simple, inexpensive, accessible tool, and above all independent of healthcare utilization. – this thesis –
2. In the context of a pandemic, with the need of a mass vaccination campaign, the case-control design is superior in detecting the least biased relative risks of rare adverse events of vaccines. – this thesis –
3. Even if all had received the ‘riskiest’ SARS-CoV-2 vaccine, overall VTEs were still prevented, questioning the relevance of highlighting this rare event amid a more acute public health concern – this thesis -
4. A high intrinsic hypercoagulable potential prior to infection is associated with an increased risk of severe disease – this thesis –
5. “Without data, you are just another person with an opinion.” Though data have only value after interpretation, interpretation is impossible without assumptions, and assumptions are based on opinions. (adapted from presumably W. Edwards Deming - ~1980)
6. Before using routine healthcare data, know the routine they describe and the routine of the registration.
7. Data genezen niemand, maar de afwezigheid van een goede data-infrastructuur maakt wel ziek.
8. Een team verrijken met een klinisch epidemioloog? Think twice.
9. In the context of a pandemic, there are right and wrong decisions. Consider less *“What’s in it for me”*, more *“What’s in it for us?”*, or sing this: *“Am I a part of the cure, or am I part of the disease?”* (Coldplay; 2002)
10. Je voorbereiden op iets onzichtbaars vereist inspanning. Als je er vandaag niet aan toe bent, hoe ver ben je dan morgen? (vrij naar Thomas a Kempis; ~1420)