

Propositions accompanying the doctoral thesis

Disease Models for Treatment or Prevention of Respiratory Virus Infection

1. Animal models are indispensable for pathogenesis and intervention studies (*this thesis*).
2. Studies in immunocompromised animals are required to understand severe HPIV3 disease in adults (*this thesis*).
3. A match made in heaven: comparative pathogenesis can be the GOAT (*this thesis*).
4. Unlocking the full potential of fusion inhibitory peptides is key to nip future pandemics in the bud (*this thesis*).
5. The benefits of genetically modified viruses outweigh the administrative burden that comes with their use (*this thesis*).
6. The number of patients benefitting from antivirals should be in balance with the number of animals used in pre-clinical models (*Kraljevic et al., 2004*).
7. SARS-CoV-2 breakthrough infections should not be misinterpreted as evidence that vaccines do not work (*Sette et al., 2023*).
8. Species-independent entry of henipaviruses by G and F could trigger a pandemic time bomb (*Haas and Lee, 2023*).
9. Growing respiratory viruses in kidney cells is like writing a paper with a typewriter: it works but there are better options (*Ribó-Molina et al., 2023*).
10. Absence of evidence is not evidence of absence (*Sagan, 1997*).
11. Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans (*John Lennon, 1980*).