

# Stellingen

1. The importance of chronic subdural hematoma (CSDH) research should not be underestimated, because of high complication and recurrence rates and significant impact on outcome and quality of life of elderly patients. *This thesis.*
2. Dexamethasone as stand-alone treatment or as additional treatment should not be used in the management of CSDH patients with significant and progressive clinical symptoms, until future research identifies potential subgroups that do benefit from dexamethasone. *This thesis.*
3. Surgery is the preferred treatment option for symptomatic and progressive chronic subdural hematoma. *This thesis.*
4. Consensus is needed on the definition of CSDH, on baseline data elements and a core outcome set. *This thesis.*
5. Since the incidence of chronic subdural hematoma is expected to double over the next 30 years, high quality randomized controlled trials are needed to provide level I evidence on optimal treatment for a widely accepted (inter)national guideline. *This thesis.*
6. Humans are born to make mistakes, but should never give up the attempt to conquer this tendency. *T. Asai and M.D. Vickers, 1995.*
7. Médecine c'est guérir parfois, soulager souvent, consoler toujours. *Old adage; origin unknown.*
8. Assumption based on authority is the curse of mankind. *Origin unknown.*
9. CT's zijn nooit zwart-wit en MRI's hebben een bepaalde aantrekkingskracht. *Inspired by Davidson et al. 2021.*
10. Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress, and working together is success. *Henry Ford (1863-1947) and/or Edward Everett Hale (1822-1909).*
11. It always seems impossible until it's done. *Nelson Mandela, 2001.*