

# Stellingen

Behorende bij het proefschrift: Locus control regions and gene therapy

1. Cells expressing bacterial nitroreductase are killed by CB1954. (this thesis)
2. The murine MHC class II LCR does not drive expression in parenchymal microglia. (this thesis)
3. It is unclear why so many highly educated scientists are not able to repair the genome's spelling mistakes.  
(*Nat. Med.* 1998. 4:274-275; *Science* 1999. 28:316-318)
4. When planning your future, include *loxP* sites in your construct.
5. It would be unethical not to use gene therapy if it were possible.
6. The hype in gene therapy experiments and trials is directly proportional to the number of "therapists" involved, multiplied by the share value of the emerging biotech firm carrying out the trial.
7. Antonio Salieri would have been happy to know that no such thing as the "Mozart effect" exists.  
(comment on *Nature* 1999. 400:826-828.)
8. The reason for huge investments in SITE (search for extraterrestrial intelligence) lays in the fact that we couldn't find intelligence on Earth.  
(comment on *Nature* 1999.400:804.)
9. Any war, once it has occurred, can be made to appear inevitable by a competent historian.
10. If you want to know more, you have to eat more than just words. (comment on : Als je iets wilt weten, moet je woorden eten by Gerrit Kouwenaar)
11. Asking for coffee in our student canteen is probably more dangerous than asking for Turkish coffee in Greece or Greek coffee in Turkey.