

STELLINGEN

Behorend bij het proefschrift: **Functional analysis of the microtubule-end binding protein CLASP2**

1. CLASP2 mediates the stabilization of a subset of microtubules in motile and fibronectin-adherent cells. (this thesis)
2. Lack of CLASP2 at the leading edge of MEFs results in defects in the overall maintenance, but not the initiation of cell polarity. (this thesis)
3. CLASP2 is essential for male and female germ cell development. (this thesis)
4. CLASP2 is involved in the regulation of microtubule dynamics *in vivo*. (this thesis)
5. CLASP2 is expressed on megakaryocyte kinetochores, which implies its involvement in the process of endomitosis. (this thesis)
6. The greater the financial and other interest and prejudices in a scientific field, the less likely the conclusions from research findings, and perhaps even the findings themselves, are to be true. (Ionnidis J., PLoS Medicine 2(8): e124, 2005)
7. Author-suggested reviewers are more likely to recommend manuscript acceptance and less likely to advocate rejections than editor-suggested reviewers. (Science 23 September 2005: 1974)
8. It is possible to communicate and even teach dolphins to sing. However, with some human subjects this still remains a problem. (comment on “Dolphins sing Batman theme”, SciTechDaily 3 October 2005)
9. Excessive exercise leads either to a healthier life or sudden death. In both cases you save a lot of money to the health care system.
10. It is very important to be enthusiastic, even when there is nothing to be enthusiastic about.
11. Smarter is not always smarter.