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## **STELLINGEN**

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rocess And Quality Control In Alse Oe Isolated Beating Porcine Slanghterhouse Hearts

- The progressive loss of viability and function of the isolated slaughterhouse hearts are best described by the phenomenon of "time-dependent multi-organ" failure. (*this thesis*)
- Blood conditioning significantly attenuates ex vivo cardiac function degradation and delays the loss of cardiac hemodynamics. (*this thesis*)
- 3. The presence of biomarkers in cardioplegia perfusate before starting the experiment can predict post-storage cardiac dysfunction and avoids insufficient experiments. (this thesis)
- 4. The reduction of variation in experimental outcomes starts with the implementation of quality controls and standardization of the entire process from harvesting to reviving the slaughterhouse hearts.

(this thesis)

- Mapping the porcine epicardial lymphatic anatomy in detail is possible and enables identification of sites for drainage of lymph. (*this thesis*)
- 6. Microparticles of human myocardial extracellular matrix can exert specific cytoprotective effects on cardiomyocyte- like cells for the use in myocardial tissue protection and tissue engineering approaches.

(this thesis)

- Science is the only true guide in life.
  (Mustafa Kemal Ataturk)
- You cannot climb the ladder of success with your hands in your pockets. (*Arnold Schwarzenegger*)
- 9. Meer investeren in onderzoek is nodig, maar investeren in onderwijs is 'toprioriteit'. (*Arjen Lubach, Sunday 27 oktober, 2019*)