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PROPOSITIONS

- 1. With fluoroscopy screening during HSG and a limited volume of ethiodized oil, safety concerns should not be a reason to deny the use of ethiodized oil in euthyroid women with unexplained subfertility *this thesis*.
- 2. Populational differences must be taken into account when investigating the effects of exposure to ethiodized oil on thyroid function *this thesis*.
- 3. Ethiodized oil can safely be used in euthyroid women during THL as an additional flushing medium after establishing at least unilateral tubal patency during standard chromopertubation *this thesis*.
- 4. Tubal flushing with ethiodized oil during a THL with local anaesthesia is highly acceptable according to the women themselves *this thesis*.
- 5. The interfacial effects of ethiodized oil may provide the root cause of the fertility-enhancing effect of ethiodized oil during tubal flushing *this thesis*.
- 6. Translating the results of clinical trials into decision-making tools for subfertile couples is important to guide them in making their decision on a tubal patency testing method.
- 7. Collaboration between medical and technical researchers is eye-opening for both sides.
- 8. Research means that you don't know, but are willing to find out Charles. F. Kettering.
- 9. Medicine is a science of uncertainty and an art of probability William Osler.
- 10. Science should not be a luxury and knowledge should not be a commodity, it should be a basic human right *Jack Andraka*.