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- 1. Small improvements in treadmill-measured walking capacity after three months of supervised exercise therapy for intermittent claudication are not satisfactory in the patient's eyes and may even be considered a deterioration. dit proefschrift.
- 2. Supervised exercise therapy and home-based exercise therapy lead to substantial increases in daily physical activity levels in intermittent claudication patients in the short term. dit proefschrift.
- 3. The efficacy of supervised exercise therapy with regards to improving walking performance and health-related quality of life in intermittent claudication patients in the short term is not influenced by arterial disease level. dit proefschrift.
- 4. All intermittent claudication patients should receive a trial of supervised exercise therapy before invasive treatment is considered, regardless of the location or extent of the stenosis. dit proefschrift.
- 5. I think the findings here change the way I think about this disease, but I will still continue to fix the inflow first (as it appears most people do). anonieme peer-reviewer, *Annals of Surgery*, 2020.
- 6. De inzet van de wetenschappen is naast exactheid en strikte objectiviteit, waardevrijheid. – proefschrift Coen van den Houten, 1993.
- Door het implementeren van stepped care [in de zorg voor mensen met claudicatio intermittens] is er een impact van jaarlijks €30.700.000 ten opzichte van de situatie in 2011. – eindevaluatie Zinnige Zorg traject Perifeer Arterieel Vaatlijden, Zorg Instituut Nederland, 2021.
- 8. Knowing is not enough: we must apply. Willing is not enough: we must do. Johan Wolfgang von Goethe, 1821.
- 9. The most important person in the operating room is the patient. Russell John Howard (1875–1942).
- *10. Publiceren* is als een fles ketchup: Soms doe je ontzettend je best en komt er niets, maar als het eenmaal komt is er geen houden meer aan. vrij naar Ruud van Nistelrooij.