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BREAST RECONSTRUCTION: TRENDS AND VARIATION USING BIG DATA

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1. As physicians, we have the responsibility to provide the highest standard of care for each patient. In order to be aware of the current shortcomings, we need accurate data (this thesis)
2. Research derived from big data can be used to implement laws and legislations in order to improve access to care and reduce disparities (this thesis)
3. The concept, potential use and power of big data within the field of breast reconstruction is still underutilized (this thesis)
4. In international datasets, despite a variety in data items and definitions, some data can be pooled in order to compare variation in practices and countries (this thesis)
5. Our patients are entitled to adoption of privacy legislation in order to improve national and international sharing of health data (valorization)
6. For thousands of years, clinicians have integrated the knowledge of preceding generations with their own life-long experiences to treat patients according to the Hippocratic Oath; mostly based on trial and error. We are now on the edge of a new era where the need for trial and error is being reduced
7. Competition in research can be supportive to the field but can also lead to undesirable delay by limited sharing of research data
8. In plastic surgery, the smallest anatomy is used to achieve the biggest results
9. Without data you're just another person with an opinion
W. Edwards Deming
10. There is no progress without failure. If progress makes us proud, we should not be ashamed for admitting failure
11. We can and therefore we must. *Mitawan wa bayad (Persian proverb)*