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# **PROPOSITIONS**

#### Belonging to the dissertation

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- The stratification of PAD patients highlighted relationships between patient characteristics and treatment choices, which may help physicians anticipate treatment needs. (chapter 2)
- 2. Generic health-related quality of life of PAD patients may best be measured by the EQ-5D due to its ability to detect differences between groups and changes over time. (chapter 3)
- 3. Lifelong cardiovascular prevention with DPI improves health outcomes and seems cost-effective in patients with CAD or PAD compared to aspirin ATP and clopidogrel ATP for PAD. (chapter 5)
- 4. For the routine use of comprehensive uncertainty assessment, further research and guidance on key methodologies including uncertainty identification and expert elicitation are needed. (chapter 6)
- 5. English has been the language of health economics until now; R is the language of the future.
- PAD is an important contributor to the societal and healthcare costs of cardiovascular disease, and investments into the prevention and awareness of PAD are needed.
- 7. New methodologies such as KM-curve digitization circumvent the unavailability of (clinical) evidence for secondary use, open data publication practices would be a real solution.
- 8. The cost-effectiveness analysis of DPI added evidence for decision making as conclusions differed between subgroups of patients, showing higher net value in younger and more comorbid patients.
- 9. Comprehensive uncertainty assessment will be the death of the deterministic analysis.