TRADITIONAL AND NOVEL DIAGNOSTIC TECHNIQUES TO ASSESS WOUND INFECTION

1. Microbiological culture of wound samples does not provide a definitive answer about wound infection (dit proefschrift).

2. Wound biopsies do not necessarily provide more accurate microbiological culture results than wound swabs (dit proefschrift).

3. Is this wound infected? It depends on who is assessing it (dit proefschrift).

4. Proteolytic and antimicrobial enzyme activity could serve as an indicator for the immune response to infection (dit proefschrift).

5. An electronic nose is able to differentiate between infected and non-infected wounds based on wound ‘odor’ (dit proefschrift).

6. It is extremely difficult to demonstrate the superiority of a novel diagnostic test if the gold standard is silver at best.

7. Uncertainty is an uncomfortable position, but certainty is an absurd one – Voltaire

8. Medicine is a science of uncertainty and an art of probability – William Osler

9. If we knew what we were doing, it wouldn't be called research, would it? – Albert Einstein

10. Met beide benen op de grond kom je geen stap vooruit – Pascal Steenvoorde

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