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1. Unlike what many would like to believe, age and titles alone do not deserve respect, only deeds do.
2. Political correctness is censorship hidden behind pretty words and should be seen as such rather than encouraged.
3. Raw NMR data files (.fid) should be made available to everyone alongside ones thesis.
4. Sometimes not being able to reproduce someone's experiments is the source of new findings. (Kaja Sitkowska, Ben. L. Feringa, and Wiktor Szymański, *J. Org. Chem.*, **2018**, 83, 1819–1827)
5. Positive discrimination is but a vicious circle, only serving to strengthen the stereotypes of inferiority it was meant to dispel.
6. When going to live in another country, one should feel obliged to accept its customs, culture and traditions, and not expect it to be the other way around.
(“When Dutch directness hurts” Ukrant, 21.03.2018)
7. The authors of a publication are those people who did the research plus the supervisors. No fewer, and no more.
8. It is sad that people write experimental procedures the way they think they should be written rather than how things actually occurred so that they are seen as cleverer than they are.
(Procedure from N. G. Patil, N. B. Basutkar, A. V. Ambade, *Chem. Commun. (Cambridge, U. K.)* **2015**, 51, 17708-17711 on the preparation of “BODIPY-OH” vs. compound **1** in Chapter 6 of this thesis)
9. Academia needs more permanent researcher positions to minimize the wisdom lost as generations of students pass.
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11. For successful research to be carried out, its ambition must be matched by the state of mind of those involved.