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**Determinants of host HIV-1 susceptibility and R5 HIV-1 evolution**

1. HIV-1 not only evolves through selection for escape variants from the host immune responses, but also through competition for more efficient cellular entry. (this thesis and Stalmeijer et al., 2004 78:2722)
2. Detection of HIV-1-specific cytotoxic T lymphocytes in seronegatives does not correlate with protection from infection or seroconversion. (this thesis)
3. Low CD4 T cell activation could provide protection from HIV-1 seroconversion. (this thesis)
4. Detection of extraordinary low levels of HIV-DNA in persistent HIV-seronegative men and in seropositive men who remain persistently asymptomatic with no detectable RNA load without treatment, necessitate a careful use of terms like 'infection', 'transmission', and 'HIV-negative'.
5. The change of 'female sex worker' into 'female sex worker' could only have happened by a British editor. (proofprints Koning et al., AIDS 2004, 18:1117)
6. Publication in a high impact journal is not always sufficient to separate the wheat from the chaff. (Zhang L, et al., Science 2004, 303:467) (and some jokes work better in some languages than others)
7. It is flawed thinking to reason that a materialistic world-view means that the world is deterministic. (Dennett DC, 2003 Freedom evolves)
8. Magic has no need for pointed hats or wands, there is staggeringly much to beget of it by language alone.
9. We are being governed by emotion (Lessing DM, 1987 Prisons we choose to live inside), therefore it is crucial to make conscious choices on what media we listen to.
10. Scientific research is civilizing work (Weinberg S, 2003 Nature 426:389) even though scientists are not always extremely civilized. (Pratchett T, et al., 1999 The Science of Discworld II)
11. The fractal-like character of science makes the search for a Theory of Everything resemble a fight with the Hydra.
12. Scrupulous people make life meaningfully difficult for themselves.
13. Engels mag er ook wezen.