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# Propositions

Accompanying the Dissertation

## Sensitive Data Donation

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1. All data about or generated by people are contextually sensitive data. [This thesis]
2. The collection and use of personal digital-trace data for research purposes entail power and knowledge differentials. [This thesis]
3. The opaque nature of personal digital-trace data is a key challenge in data donation research. [This thesis]
4. Active participation from interested individuals and communities is beneficial to scientific research. [This thesis]
5. Academic conferences aspiring to be more inclusive and diverse must realistically account for the timeline of visa application procedures and income differentials around the world.
6. It is a fallacy that senior researchers are protecting junior researchers from the “real world” by being harsh.
7. Essential to completing a doctoral program is building and maintaining a community of peers who can support each other.
8. Claiming that “anything men can do, women can do bleeding” limits an important conversation around diverse menstrual experiences and menstrual pain and how debilitating these can be.
9. Everyone should do physical activity.
10. A PhD is not a sprint but it is also not a marathon.

These propositions are regarded as opposable and defensible, and have been approved as such by the promotor prof. dr. G.W. Kortuem and the copromotor dr. J. Bourgeois.