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Positron emission tomography (PET) is a three-dimensional imaging technique that measures the level of physiologic and biochemical activity within an organ or organ system by reflecting the distribution of a radiotracer that has been injected or inhaled. PET has been proposed as a method for predicting stroke risk in patients with symptomatic ischemic cerebral lesions, identifying the ischemic core and penumbra in patients with acute stroke, assessing and predicting the effects of treatments aimed at preventing stroke or improving stroke outcome, and predicting the likelihood of poststroke functional recovery.

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