Stroke Outcome

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Opening Remarks

Thank you all for coming, and thanks especially to the Janssen Research Foundation whose sponsorship has made this session possible and to the Third European Stroke Conference for hosting it.

The theme of this symposium is the assessment of stroke. Let me be a little more precise. We will be concerned with the assessment of stroke outcome after the acute phase for the purpose of clinical trials. If we are to claim that anything that we observe in any context is larger, or heavier, or weaker, or stronger, then we need a unit of measurement to make that claim. I maintain that this is also true in the assessment of stroke.

T. The first speaker at the present symposium is my co-chairman Dr. J.M. Orgogozo. He will talk about the concepts of impairment disability and han