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## Curriculum Vitae Professor Dr. Hans-Peter Zenner



**Name:** Hans-Peter Zenner  
**Born:** 13 November 1947, in Essen, Germany

### Academic and Professional Career

- 1988 - 2016 Chairman of the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Tübingen, Germany
- 1986 - 1988 Professor, Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Würzburg, Germany
- 1985 Visiting Senior Scientist at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA
- 1981 Habilitation (research topic: monoclonal antibodies against carcinoma membrane antigens)
- 1976 - 1984 Research assistant, following habilitation lecturer and Senior Physician at the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Würzburg (Chair: Prof. Dr. W. Kley)
- 1974 - 1976 Scholarship from the German Research Foundation (DFG) under Prof. Dr. E. Helmreich, at the Department of Physiological Chemistry at the University of Würzburg; research topic: signal transfer through biological membranes
- 1972 - 1974 Medical internships at institutions including the Heidelberg University Hospital (Chair: Prof. Dr. G. Schettler)

### Project coordination, Membership in collaborative research projects (Selection)

- 2010 Co-founder of the Center for Neurosensory Systems, Tübingen, Germany
- 2008 Founding spokesperson of the Head and Neck Cancer Centre at CCC Tübingen, Germany
- 1995 Founding spokesperson of the Tübingen Hearing Research Centre
- 1994 - 1997 Founding spokesperson of the BMBF's Interdisciplinary Centre for Clinical Research (IZKF), Tübingen, Germany

- 1993 Founding spokesperson of the Cochlear Implant Centre Tübingen, Germany
- 1992 Founding spokesperson of a Clinical Research Unit of the German Research Foundation

**Functions in Scientific Societies and Committees (selection)**

Chair, Medizinische Ethikkommission der Universität Tübingen

- 2010 - 2021 Member of the Presidium of the German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina
- 2009 - 2010 President of the Society of German Natural Scientists and Doctors (GDNÄ)
- 2000 - 2003 President of the German Society of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery
- 1998 - 2002 President (2001 - 2002) and Secretary-General (1998 - 2001) of the German Society of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery
- 1997 - 2003 Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the German Medical Association
- 1996 - 2000 Ethics Committee of the Intl. Fed. O.R.L. Societies (New York)
- 1996 - 1997 Participation in the German Federal Chancellor’s Advisory Council for Research and Technology

**Awards and Awarded Memberships (selection)**

- 2014 Alexander von Humboldt Medal of the Society of German Natural Scientists and Doctors (GDNÄ)
- 1998 Member of the German Academy of Sciences Leopoldina
- 1996 - 2004 Honorary doctorates from several European universities
- 1995 - 2003 Honorary member of several European scientific associations
- 1986 Leibniz Prize awarded by the German Research Foundation (DFG)

**Major Scientific Interests**

Neurobiology of the auditory system, including the physiology of sound and information processing as well as the pathophysiology of hearing loss and deafness.

Seminal contributions: Descriptions of the cochlear amplifier which controls the processing of human speech in the ear; development of active implants for patients suffering from hearing loss.