

## General Information

### Venue

Eberhard-Karls-University Tübingen  
"Kupferbau" Lecture Theatre 22  
Hölderlinstraße 5  
72074 Tübingen (DE)

### Date

29 September–02 October 2012

### Conference Website

[www.innerearbiology.de](http://www.innerearbiology.de)

### Conference Chair

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### Transfer and Accommodation

A hotel contingent has been reserved until 30 August. Availability is not guaranteed after this date. Please make your booking for this contingent through the Tübingen tourist office ("Bürger- und Verkehrsverein"), which is most easily done via the conference homepage.

### Industrial Exhibition

The conference will host a commercial exhibition. Interested companies are invited to request detailed information on the exhibition modalities from the local organizing committee: [anthony.gummer@uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:anthony.gummer@uni-tuebingen.de).

The following companies are registered thus far:

Bundesinnung der Hörgeräteakustiker KdöR  
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# 49th Workshop

## Inner Ear Biology

30 September–02 October 2012

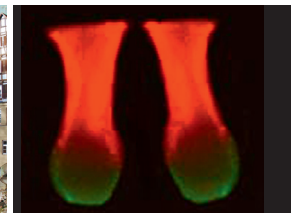
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# Symposium

**The Inner Ear in Translational  
Research – Closing the Gap  
toward Causal Treatment**

29 September 2012

**Tübingen, Germany**



**Abstract Deadline: 30 June 2012**

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

Welcome Note

Dear colleagues and friends,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee it is our honour and pleasure to invite you to the 49<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Inner Ear Biology (IEB), which will take place from 30 September to 02 October 2012 in Tübingen, Germany, preceded by a Symposium on 29 September at the same location.

The IEB Workshops are organized annually throughout academic centres in Europe with the objective of offering an international platform for scientific exchange on the latest developments in the field of inner ear biology. The Workshops are forum for multidisciplinary interaction between basic research scientists and clinicians working at the genetic, molecular, cellular, and whole-organ levels. The Symposium, with presentations from invited speakers, will highlight the near-future application of basic research to diagnosis and therapy of sensorineural hearing loss.

On behalf of all those involved, we would like to encourage you and your colleagues to participate actively in the Workshop by submitting an Abstract for an oral or a poster presentation.

We sincerely hope that you will join us in Tübingen for IEB 2012.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Anthony W. Gummer  
Workshop Chair



PD Dr. Hubert Löwenheim  
Symposium Chair

Tübingen

Tübingen is situated at the River Neckar and describes itself as an oasis of well-being. Here, life is livable. 87,000 inhabitants exemplify tolerance, cosmopolitanism and they spread knowledge as well as enjoyment.

Beside these well-being aspects Tübingen has a lot to discover: fantastic landscapes, scenic urban districts and the pulsating spirit of a university town. Culture lovers will be fascinated as well as the adventurer. A “Sto-cherkahnfahrt”, a trip with a small boat similar to the gondolas of Venice, is a worth-while experience.

Tübingen is also a promising business location. The active regional economic policy results in a lot of advantages for entrepreneurs. As a centre of research and development and because of its well-known Eberhard-Karls-University the city is always up-to-date regarding economy and sciences.

Allow yourself to be enchanted by the charm and the spirit of the Swabian town Tübingen.

IEB Symposium – The Inner Ear in Translational Research:  
Closing the gap toward causal treatment

Endogene causes of hearing loss

Dirk Kunst (Nijmegen/NL)  
Hannie Kremer (Nijmegen/NL)  
Saskia Biskup (Tübingen/DE)

Exogene causes of hearing loss

Edwin Rubel (Seattle/USA)  
Jonathan Gale (London/GB)

Screening and stem cell technologies

Marcelo N. Rivolta (Sheffield/GB)  
Albert Edge (Boston/USA)

Drug delivery to the inner ear

Alec N. Salt (St. Louis/USA)  
Takayuki Nakagawa (Kyoto/JP)

Abstract Submission

We would like to invite you to submit your abstracts for oral presentations or posters at the Workshop.

Spoendlin Junior Award

We would like to invite researchers less than 35 years old to submit a manuscript for this prestigious prize.

Information about Abstract submission and the Spoendlin Junior Award can be found on the conference website: [www.innerearbiology.de](http://www.innerearbiology.de). Deadline for the submissions is 30 June, 2012.

Hands-on Human Temporal-Bone Preparation and Cochlea-Implant Course

We invite you to register for this four-hour course to be held at the end of the Workshop. The hands-on part of the course is limited to 30 persons, on a first-come first-served basis. Pre-registration is required. Further details can be found on the conference website: [www.innerearbiology.de](http://www.innerearbiology.de).



Registration

Conference tickets	until 30 August 2012	from 1 September 2012
Regular	150 EUR	200 EUR
Student	80 EUR	130 EUR

Evening programme

Welcome Reception	included
After Work Party	25 EUR
Gala Dinner	75 EUR

Post congress

Tour into the Inner Ear	included
Tour to Castle of Hohenzollern	65 EUR