

# Preface

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Dear colleagues,

I wish you a very warm welcome to the 85. Annual Meeting of the German Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery, for the first time in Dortmund! Here you find the online publication of the meeting's main lectures dealing with different aspects of pediatric Oto-Rhino-Laryngology.

It is a privilege of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology to have patients during the whole lifespan, from the toddler to the seniors. We care for typical pediatric ENT-diseases on one hand and for audiological or oncologic problems of sometimes very old people. Therefore I chose "ENT for every age" as a comprehensive motto for this year's meeting.

Treating children is difficult, as pediatric diseases have their own rules and as a physician you must care for a child and its parents simultaneously. We shall keep close contact with pediatricians, anesthesiologists, radiologists and many others to develop straight forward interdisciplinary concepts for our young patients. Therefore I had the chance to include lectures from specialist in pediatric Anesthesia and pediatric Radiology.

The main lectures published here deal with some special aspects of ENT-problems of children. The lectures are not comprehensive concerning the whole field of pediatric ENT but I asked each author to give his concept and opinion on those topics in his field, that he thinks are the most important. A comprehensive book about pediatric ENT was not our plan and would have been much more voluminous.

I hope this publication will make you curious and will help you to find your individual way to solve the problems of pediatric ENT in your daily work and your scientific approach.

Yours sincerely  
Prof. Dr. med. Thomas Deitmer  
President of the German Society of ORL HNS  
(Figure 1)



Figure 1: Prof. Dr. med. Thomas Deitmer

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