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**Honored Guest**

**Director and Chair**

**Department of Neurosurgery, University of**

**Münster**

**Muenster, Germany**



Walter Stummer trained with Hans-Jürgen Reulen and Jörg Tonn at the Ludwig-Maximilian's-University in Munich. He is presently the Chairman of the Department of Neurosurgery at the University of Münster and Director of the University of Münster Brain Tumor Center. After serving as Speaker the of Section Neurooncology of the German Society of Neurosurgery, as Speaker of the Neuro-Oncological Working Group (NOA) of the German Cancer Society and as President of the German Society of Neurosurgery (DGNC), he is now serving as President of the German Academy of Neurosurgery (GANS).

He was instrumental in organizing structured neuro-oncological care in Germany in a commission appointed by the German Cancer Society. He founded the Brain Tumor Center Münster, the first to be certified by the German Cancer Society.

His main scientific interests are in the field of neuro-oncology and he is a pioneer of fluorescence-guided resections with 5-ALA and 5-ALA derived brain tumor therapies. His first publication of this method in clinical practice was in 1998 and he was PI on a randomized study for EMA approval of this method. He has received a number of prizes for this work, for instance the AANS/CNS Young Investigators Award and the AANS/CNS Joint Tumor Section's Young Clinical Investigators Award and the prestigious Olivecrona Award from the Karolinska Institute. Other scientific interests are in vascular and skull base surgery.

Walter Stummer is serving on the editorial boards of several neurosurgical and neuro-oncological journals.