

Profile of the Mihara Prize 2004 Awardee



Michael G. Hennerici,
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Biography

Dr. Michael G. Hennerici, born in Germany received his MD from the University of Freiburg in 1974 and his PhD from the University of Düsseldorf in 1980. Dr. Hennerici served his internship at the Department of Neurology and Neurophysiology in Freiburg and Düsseldorf, Germany and he was promoted to Associate Professor in 1983. His postdoctoral scientific work focused on the neurophysiology of the visual system, as well as on ultrasound Doppler sonography of the cerebral arteries and brain and vascular imaging in patients with cerebrovascular diseases (PET, MRI and ultrasound). He was promoted to Professor of Neurology at the University of Heidelberg in 1989 and appointed Chairman of the Department of Neurology, Universitätsklinikum Mannheim in the same year. He is currently Medical Director of the Universitätsklinikum Mannheim and former Vice-Dean of the Medical Faculty Mannheim.

In 1990, Dr. Hennerici founded with Dr. Bogousslavsky from Lausanne the European Stroke Conference and the journal *Cerebrovascular Diseases* of which he is currently co-editor. He is a current member of several editorial boards and member of many professional societies. He served as a founder and President of the German Stroke Foundation in 1993 and is currently Chairman of the European Stroke Council.

Dr. Hennerici has published more than 400 original papers, 15 books and more than 50 book chapters mainly on the pathogenesis and imaging of brain damage from stroke and

impairment of cerebral circulation. Articles on imaging of both vascular and brain lesions are amongst his major referenced scientific contributions. He received several awards, including the prestigious Josef H. Holmes Award of the American Institute of Ultrasound, the Wallenberg Award of the German Neurological Society and the Scientific Book Competition Prize of the British Medical Association. His scientific work has been supported continuously by the German Research Foundation and the European Union.