Prof. Dr. Dr. MANFRED SPITZER



Leading German Neuro Scientist

Manfred Spitzer is one of the most famous German neuroscientists. He has spoken in many lectures, on radio and television, and he explains in a fascinating and compelling way how the mind and brain functions.

For seven years, he served as a senior physician at the Psychiatric University Clinic in Heidelberg and frequently traveled to the United States for teaching and research purposes, including as a visiting professor at Harvard and Oregon. From 1997 to 2025, he held the Chair of Psychiatry at the University of Ulm and led the Psychiatric University Clinic in Ulm, which was established in 1998, until 2025. In 2004, he founded the Transfer Center for Neurosciences and Learning (ZNL) at the University of Ulm. His primary focus was always the swift transfer of current brain research findings into education. To this end, he initiated numerous collaborations and projects, ranging from early childhood education to addressing learning difficulties in older individuals

He has published many books, and his most recent book is "Digital Dementia" (2012) explores the effects of digital media on the learning and development of children.

Spitzer studied simultaneously medicine, philosophy and psychology, and attended lectures in mathematics and biology. He graduated in psychology, has a doctorate in medicine and philosophy in 1989 and completed his habilitation in psychiatry.

Topics (Selection):

- Neuroscience
- The Brain
- New Media

