

Inis Jenemann (20.10.1933–19.11.2008)

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Inis Jenemann was born as Erna Irene Haubelt on 20th October 1933 at Hirschberg in Sudeten country (today known as Jeleni o. Bruntál, Czech Republic). She died on 19th November 2008 at Hochheim (Main), Germany. In spite of severe illness she was always a cheerful woman and helpful to everybody in her neighbourhood. She left two children.

She was married to the chemist Hans Richard Jenemann and both collected several hundred old laboratory balances and restored them. A part of the collection is exhibited in the DECHEMA Institute at Frankfurt am Main, Germany. They sold about 150 balances to the Mettler-Toledo Company. From their salary and own resources they founded the Jenemann Foundation which grants each year a prize for scientific work on historical metrology. After the death of Hans Jenemann in 1996 [*J Therm Anal Calorim* 55 (1999) 2, 707] she took his place on the Advisory Board. At the Izmir Conference on Vacuum Microbalance Techniques (2007) she was co-author of the introductory lecture [*J Therm Anal Calorim* 94 (2008) 3, 607–612].

A few weeks before her death she moved all the remaining scales (~100) in her house, the special library and the collection from Mettler-Toledo to the Philipp Matthäus Hahn Museum and Exhibition Riedschule at Albstadt-Onstmettingen (Germany). That museum now houses the world largest collection of scales, in particular those used in laboratories.



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