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adj.
Carrying inward to a central organ or section, as nerves that conduct impulses from the periphery of the body to the brain or spinal cord.

[Latin *afferēns*, *afferent*-, present participle of *afferre*, to bring toward : *ad*-, *ad*- + *ferre*, to bring; see **bher**-¹ [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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