

Kodak scientist, inventor of Bayer filter, dies

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(AP)—A retired Kodak scientist and the inventor of a widely used color filter array that bears his name has died. Bryce Bayer was 83.

The director of Direct [Cremation](#) of Maine says Friday that [Bayer](#) died Nov. 13. Bayer lived in Brunswick, Maine.

The Democrat and Chronicle of Rochester reports that the scientist's Bayer filter was patented in 1975 and is incorporated into nearly every digital camera and camera phone on the market today. The filter allows devices to capture color images with one sensor.

A 2009 press release from Kodak says Bayer also developed widely cited processes for storing, improving and printing [digital images](#).

He was honored in London in 2009 with the Royal Photographic Society's Progress Award.

Bayer retired from Kodak in the mid-1990s.

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