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## Editorial

# Masaru Matsuoka (1942–2002)

On January 10, last year, Professor Masaru Matsuoka passed away, aged 59, in his native Japan. Professor Matsuoka was a highly respected colour chemist and, of his many professional achievements, will perhaps be remembered as the

person chiefly responsible for the development of the functional dye.

This edition of *Dyes and Pigments* is dedicated to the memory of Professor Matsuoka.

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