Obituary

Raimund Kaufmann

born February 14, 1934, died September 1, 1997, after a long illness.



Professor Dr Raimund Kaufmann was Director of the Physiological Institute of the University of Düsseldorf from 1971 until 1991. He became founder and first Director of the Institute of Laser Medicine in 1991.

We feel great sorrow at the loss of an innovative scientist and excellent lecturer who made a significant contribution to furthering the fields of mass spectrometry and laser medicine and who, as a university professor, felt deeply responsible for changing and modernizing university structures.

In mass spectrometry his name is closely connected with the development of the LAMMA ion microbe technique, with fundamental research in matrix-assisted laser desorption ionisation and with the development of the post-source decay technique for the structure analysis of biomolecules.

We shall miss Professor Kaufmann profoundly, and we extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

The Faculty and Staff of the Institute of Laser Medicine, Heinrich Heine University, Düsseldorf