

Professor Maxim Tomilin passed away on September 4, 2013.



Professor Maxim Tomilin was famous Soviet and Russian specialist in area of liquid crystal physics and application.

He was born in 1937. In 1961 Maxim Tomilin graduated from Leningrad Mechanical Institute (University). PhD 1969, D.Sc. (Hab.) 1980.

In 1970-2006 he was with Vavilov State Optical Institute, since 2006 he was professor of The National Research University ITMO (Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics, Saint-Petersburg).

Maxim Tomilin investigated materials' properties, surface interaction of liquid crystals with different materials, proposed some new solutions of LC based devices. Recently he wrote a set of books and text-books on the LC and history of optics.

He is author of three books, more 300 scientific papers and 60 popular papers, 40 inventions. He organized 10 international conferences.

Maxim Tomilin is founder and first Director of the SID Russia Chapter. He was SID Senior Member. He was awarded with a medal of D.S. Rozhdestvensky Optical Society (Russia), medal of Russian Exhibition of National Economics (at present Russian Exhibition Center) and medal "XXth Symposium Advanced Display Technologies" established by Byelorussian, Ukrainian and Russian SID Chapters.