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Viktor Rumyantsev, who died on 28 February 2003, began his scientific career at the Institute of Physics, National Academy of Sciences in Minsk, Belarus, where he performed experimental research in the field of particle physics. In 1974 he started working in close collaboration with colleagues from the Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR) in Dubna, Russia, where he investigated multi-particle production in pion-nucleus collisions.

In 1994 Rumyantsev was elected deputy director of the Dzhelepov Laboratory of Nuclear Problems at JINR, and became active in the ATLAS Collaboration, especially in the construction of the Tile Calorimeter Barrel, and also the Liquid Argon Calorimeter and the MDT chambers. He also contributed to the WA-102 experiment at the OMEGA spectrometer at CERN, in the search for exotic mesons in double pomeron exchange processes.

From 1999, Viktor headed the Particle Physics Laboratory of the National Centre for High Energy and Particle Physics in Minsk. His scientific activity here, with the exception of the ATLAS project, essentially concentrated on the application of micro-channel aluminium oxide plates in particle detectors.

For all his colleagues he was, and remains, a beloved and admired scientist and friend.

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