

## RIP Sidney Harman

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Audio pioneer Sidney Harman dies of complication from leukemia at the age of almost 93, just a month after his being diagnosed of the disease.

Of course Harman is best known for inventing the "hi-fi"-- high fidelity sound-- as well as for co-founding high-end audio component maker Harman International Industries, whose brands include Harman-Kardon and JBL. Harman was company CEO until 2008, when he stepped down following an aborted sale to KKR and Goldman Sachs.

He was known for being a polymath, lecturing in more than a dozen academic departments at USC, where he founded the Academy for Polymathic Study.

Most recently he bought the magazine Newsweek.

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