

Combining Video Recorders and Cameras

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Name (Model, etc.)	Beta Movie video camera incorporating an internal Beta system deck (BMC-100)
Location	Minato-ku, Tokyo
	Sony Corporation
Owner (Custodian)	Sony Corporation
Manufacturer (Company)	Sony Corporation
Year Manufactured	1983
Year first appeared	1983
Reason For Selection	“Betamovie”. The first video device that combined a video camera with a Beta format video recorder. Previously, most video recorders and cameras were separate units that were joined by a cable during filming. Although they were meant to be for home use, they were big, heavy and hard to use. As a result, they were mainly used for business use. Combining the camera and the recorder made it much easier to film. After this, filming equipment and recording equipment became integrated into a single device, and video cameras also capable of playback became commonplace.
Registration Standard	1 - B (Show a uniquely Japanese scientific or technological development from an international perspective.) 2 - B (Made a notable contribution by facilitating an epoch-making advance in Japan’s economy and place in the world.)

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Photo	 The image shows a silver and black Sony Betamovie BMC-100 video camera, which is a combination of a video camera and a video recorder. It has a large lens on the right side and a control panel on the left. Next to the camera is a Betamax video cassette tape, which is a small, rectangular object with a clear window showing the tape inside. The background is a plain, light-colored surface.
Other useful information	