

Human subjects review prompted by scientific abuse



Stanford's Zimbardo experiment was disbanded after student "guards" sadistically mistreated student "prisoners."

Examples:

- 1. Experiments by the Nazi on Jewish concentration camp residents. Men and women were sterilized without their permission or even knowledge of the effects of certain procedures.**
- 2. In a federal study from 1936 to 1972 about treatments for syphilis, African-American men in a control group were not told about the benefits of antibiotics, and some men died as a result. The government paid relatives of the deceased men millions of dollars, and new regulations about scientific experiments were begun.**
- 3. In 1971, Stanford University researchers created an experimental prison where students took on roles as either prisons or guards. The experiment had to be terminated after only 6 days because nearly half the prisoners had emotional breakdowns in response to the extreme stress and psychological torments sadistically invented by their guards.**