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Dear Dr. Silberstein:

I read your article, "Ethics on Trial: Medical, Congressional and Journalistic". I found it exciting reading and believe that you have placed on paper the frustrations that you must have gone through the past several years. It clearly defines the problem that the title of your article states. I think it would have great value for any scientist involved in human research to make him cognizant of the impact that the community at large might have on what he does in his clinical laboratory. It stresses further the careful need for informed consent.

I would have only one suggestion regarding the article. For the uninformed reader, the purpose of the research is not clearly defined. Perhaps after the first paragraph, as a separate title, one might start with "PURPOSE OF TBI INVESTIGATION". A short paragraph of the scientific definition of the purpose would help orient the reader from a medical point of view. Another alternative would be a short paragraph following the first paragraph under the historical background section, instead of referring to reference number 2.

Thank you very much for the opportunity of reviewing the article.

Sincerely yours,

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