The Nuremberg Code

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The Nuremberg code was developed in light of the atrocities that occurred against non-German nationals that were sanctioned by the Nazi government during WWII. The Nuremberg code outlines what is required of any study involving human beings. The key features to the Nuremberg code are as follows:

1) Voluntary consent of competent human subject is required
2) The experiment on the humans must be based on experiments that WERE done on animals
3) Experiment should be done for good of society and only if the results are unattainable by any other means
4) The subject or physician should be able to terminate the experiment any time an imminent threat is perceived for the subjects of the study.