

Why physicians err in diagnosis.

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This previously published commentary provides a historical glimpse into [diagnostic error](#) and [physician cognition](#). The piece discusses the value of [autopsy](#) in uncovering incorrect diagnoses, suggests that physician error be classified as either social or clinical in nature, and explores factors that contribute to error, including those due to [human limitations](#).