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Harvard Warns UFO Researcher

Harvard Medical School has decided not to censure a psychiatry professor who studies people who claim space aliens abducted them for sexual experiments.

But Dr. John Mack received an unusual public warning from the dean not to let his enthusiasm for UFO research steer him from the path of professionalism. The decision disclosed Thursday in Cambridge followed a one-year investigation that Mack's attorney called a challenge to academic freedom.

The review began after Mack appeared on "Unsolved Mysteries" and other TV programs to promote his 1994 book "Abduction: Human Encounters With Aliens." In an interview last year, Mack said that he did not necessarily believe in space aliens but did think that some unknown traumatic experience explained his patients' memories.