

Committee: Israel Testing Medicines on Palestinian Prisoners

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Head of High Follow up Committee for Arabs in Israel Mohammad Baraka has warned that Palestinians being held in Israeli jails are being used as guinea pigs for new medical trials, Arab48reported yesterday.

"This is a clear war against humanity and international rights groups must take Israel to the ICC over its crimes against prisoners," Baraka said.

He added:

"There are reports that the Ministry of Health issued licenses to several international companies to carry out medical tests on Palestinian and Arab prisoners in Israeli jails without their knowledge."

He concluded:

"This crime is added to the record of crimes against the Palestinians, mainly the prisoners inside Israeli jails, who are being denied their basic rights."

In February, Israeli Professor Nadera Shalhoub-Kevorkian [revealed](#) that the Israeli occupation authorities had issued permits to large pharmaceutical firms to carry out tests on Palestinian and Arab prisoners.

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