BRIEF SUMMARY

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[From the chapter] A number of research groups have begun to focus on illusory or false memories in amnesic patients, attempting to use these observations to gain insight into the basic memory processes that underlie such errors. Cognitive psychologists generally agree that memory errors and illusions can provide revealing insights into the operation of basic memory processes [...], and a similar consensus seems to be emerging in neuropsychology [...]. The purpose of this chapter is to review [research] that has explored illusory memories in amnesic patients, and to consider several key empirical and theoretical issues that these studies have raised.