



Today in History

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▲ British pharmaceutical giants Glaxo Wellcome Plc and Smith-Kline Beecham merged to become Glaxo SmithKline, one of the world's largest drug companies

1562: The Edict of Saint Germain, by which the French Huguenots were tolerated, was opposed by Catholics

1773: The Resolution with Captain James Cook became the first ship to cross the Antarctic Circle

1996: In Norway, four men were jailed for stealing Edvard Munch's famous painting, The Scream, in 1994

2011: In the wake of Tunisian protests, a man set himself on fire outside parliament in Cairo, Egypt