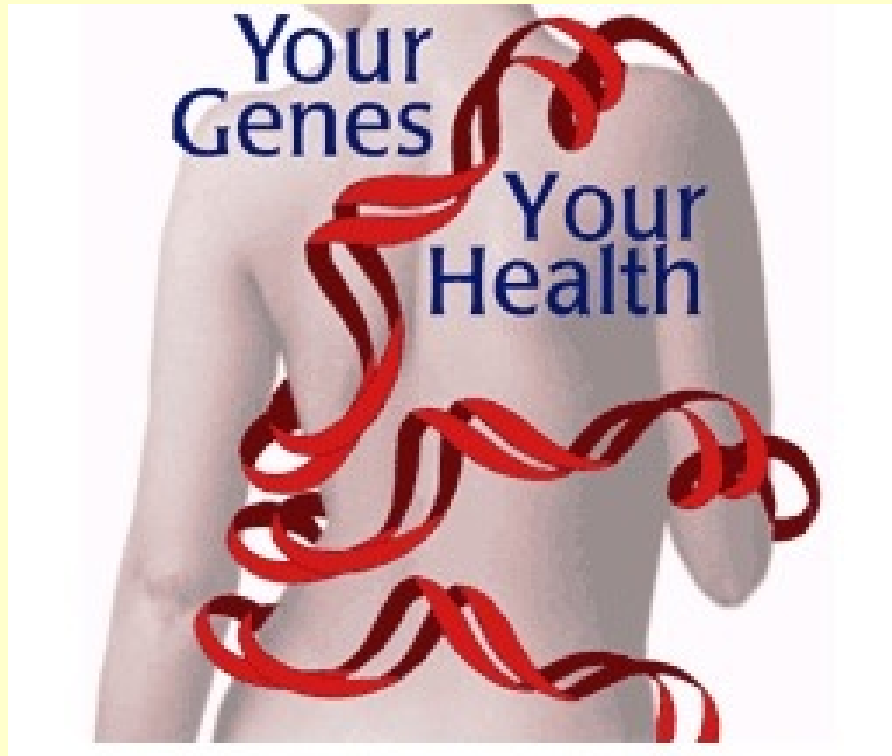


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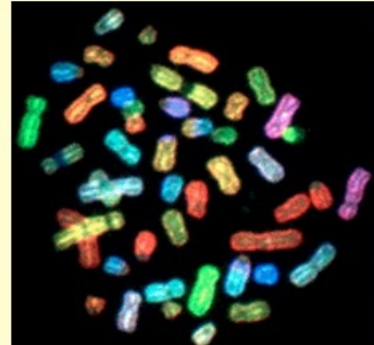


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Welcome to Bio 84: Your Genes and Your Health

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Course Summary

Analyzing your DNA can reveal a lot about your potential health and future well being. Although knowledge of your genetic frailties may suggest a predisposition to a disease, genetics alone does not seal your fate. Most common diseases are affected by your behavior and your environment. Changing one's lifestyle can alleviate or even prevent disease. Hence, understanding genetic indicators can alert one to the importance of being vigilant about lifestyle and medical follow-ups.

In this course, we will empower you with tools to learn more about diseases, treatments and genetic tests that will help you to understand any genetic disease. The instructor will use data from his own genome to show you how you can look into your ancestry, family relationships, inherited diseases and response to drugs. You will see how knowing one's genetic profile can lead to reduced health care costs and a new approach to a confident, healthy lifestyle.



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Jan 13	Introduction: Your Genes and Your Health	Video		Slides	
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Jan 27	The Human Genome Project	Video		Slides	Slides
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Feb 10	Gene Variations Associated with Disease	Video		Slides	
Feb 17	What You Can Learn from Personal Genomics	Video		Slides	
Feb 24	The Potential of Genetic and Stem Cell Therapies to Treat Disease	Video		Slides	Slides
Mar 2	Gene Expression and Cancer Diagnostics	Video		Slides	
Mar 9	MicroRNA and Epigenetic Regulation of Gene Expression	Video		Slides	Slides
Mar 16	The Impact of Genomics on Drug Discovery, Development and Delivery	Video		Slides	Slides

Course Requirements

- No scientific or medical background is necessary for this course.
- For those enrolled for a grade, the grade will be determined based on attendance (9 out of 10 lectures) and a short (4-5 page paper) paper due at the end of the course on a topic of interest to you and relevant to genomics and medicine. See example papers on the course web site:

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- For those taking the course for Credit/No Credit, credit will depend on attendance (9 out of 10 lectures) and a short, 1-2 page paper due at the end of the course. You may choose one of the following paper topics:

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[Suggestion 3: Describe a genome wide association study](#)

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- If you miss a lecture, you may get credit for attending that lecture by watching it on the video link in the course web page and sending me an email with a question about the lecture.

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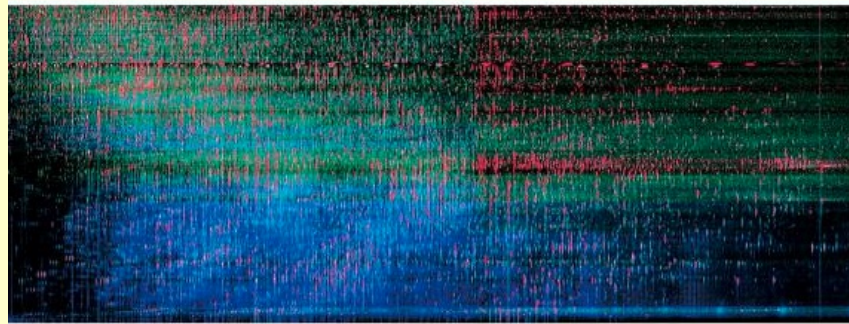
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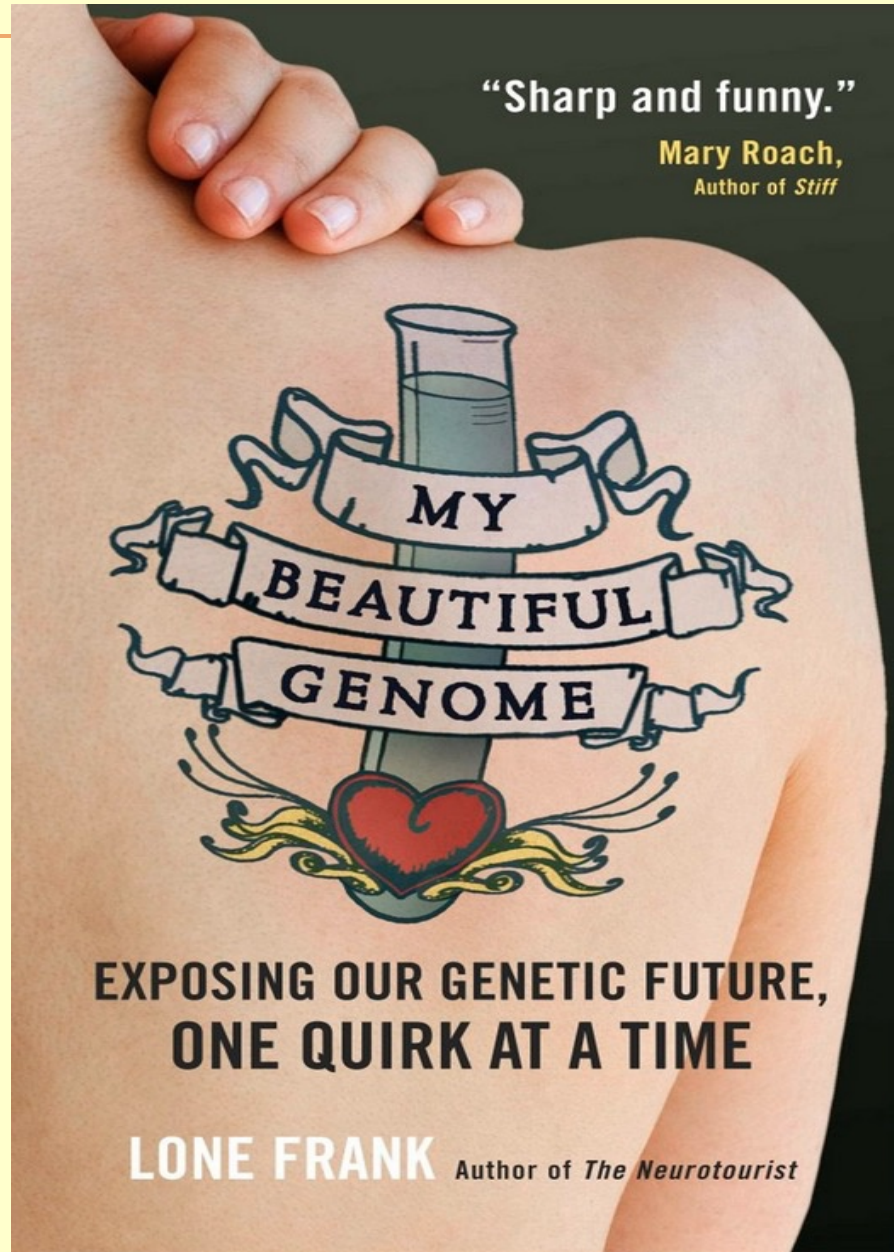


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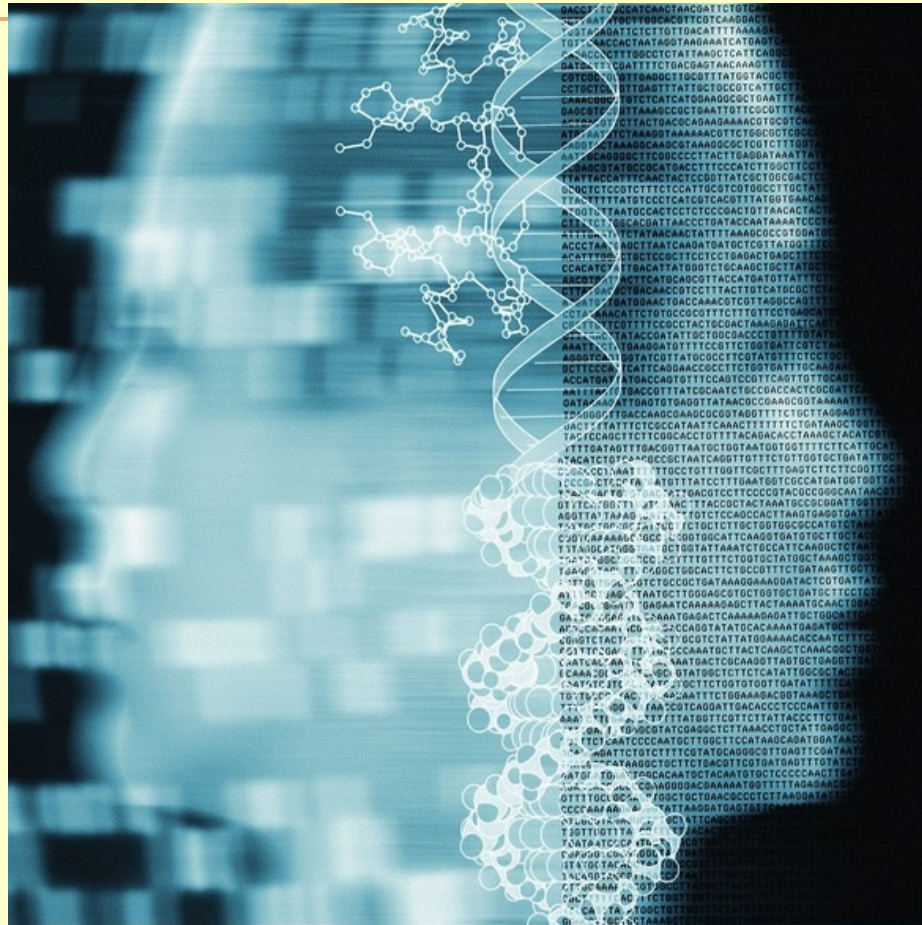
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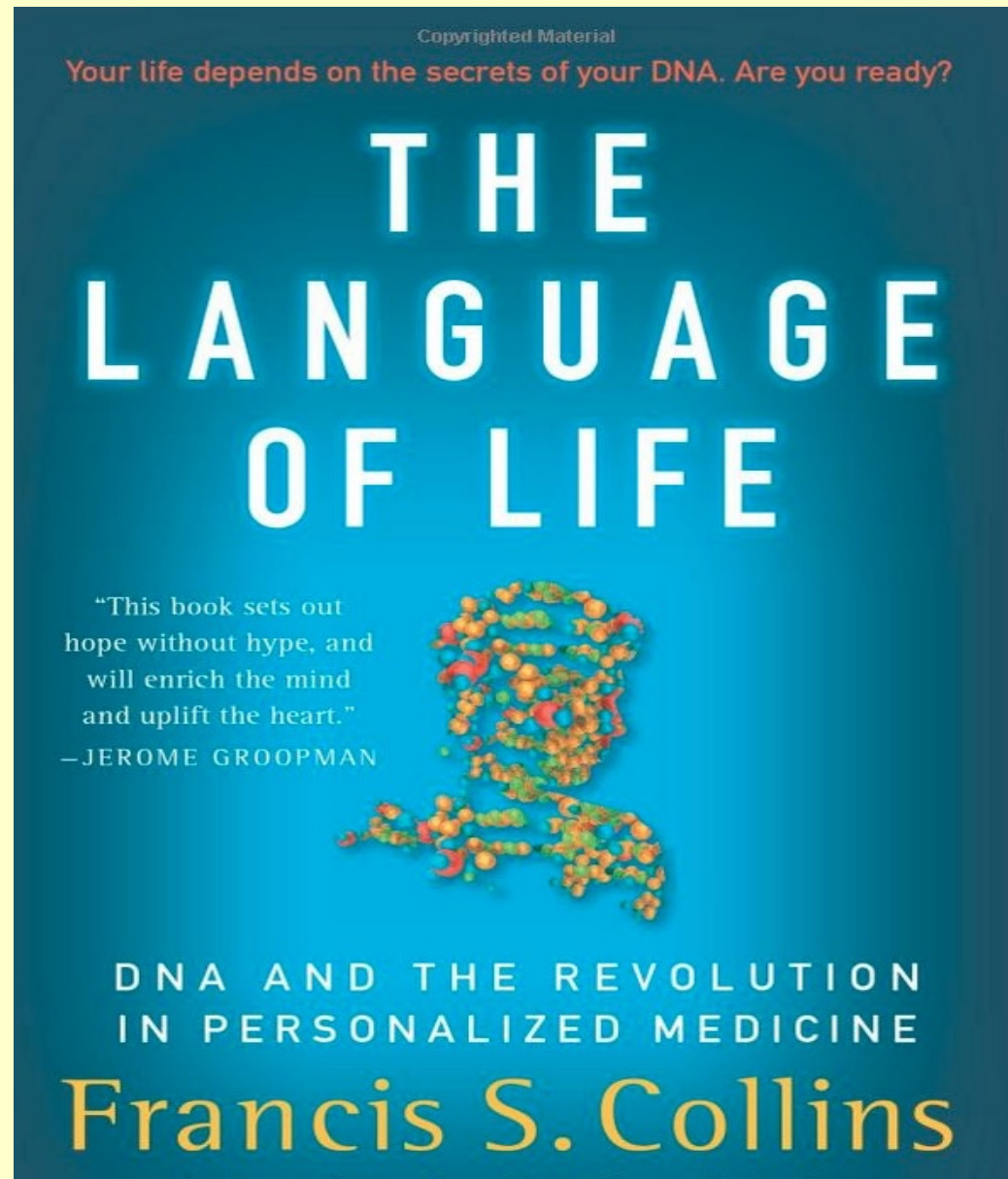
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



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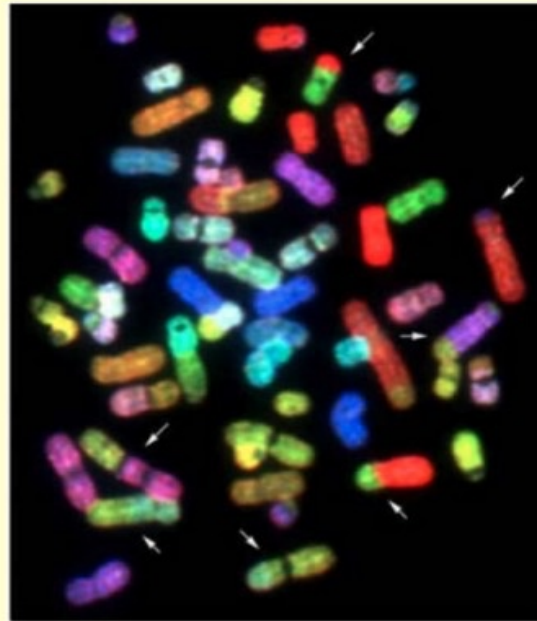
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 - Case presentations
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 - Sequencing human genome
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 - Pharmacogenomics
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 - MicroRNAs and translational regulation
 - Protein modification and regulation

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Introductions



Preventive Medicine

上医医未病之病

中医医将病之病

下医医已病之病

~ 黄帝内经 ~

“Superior Doctors Prevent the Disease.
Mediocre Doctors Treat the Disease Before Evident.
Inferior Doctors Treat the Full Blown Disease.”

-Huang Dee: Nai - Ching (2600 B.C. 1st Chinese Medical Text

Founder of Preventive Medicine: Louis Pasteur



When thinking about diseases, I never think about how to cure them, but instead I think about how to prevent them.

Immunization: *A Fragile Fortress*





Preventive Medicine

- The goal is to prevent disease from occurring.
- First one must identify the cause of the disease.
- Treat the cause of the disease rather than the symptoms
 - Example 1: Peptic Ulcers
 - Example 2: Pyrogens
- Genomics identifies genetic causes of inherited disease.
- When Paul Wise (a Stanford pediatrician) heard that we may soon sequence every child's genome at birth, he stated:
 - **"... all medicine may soon become pediatrics!"**
- Overlooked acquired diseases such as infections, accidents, environmental diseases and aging.
- Health care costs can be greatly reduced if we:
 - Invest in preventive medicine
 - Target the cause of disease rather than symptoms
 - Eliminate the need for expensive therapies.

Health Care Policy

- Current health care treats symptoms and full blown disease (illness care?)
- Future health care should be focused on preventive medicine
- Reduce need for expensive treatments (interventions).
- Need policies that incentivize patients and doctors to prevent disease.

Is Medicine a Science or an Art?

If it were not for the great variability among individuals, medicine might well be a science, not an art.

- Sir William Osler, Physician 1892
- Johns Hopkins School of Medicine
- Johns Hopkins Hospital
- Father of modern medicine

Personalized Medicine



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Personalized Medicine

- Medicine is personal:
 - We are all different.
 - Some of our genetic differences translate into how we react to drugs as individuals.
 - This is why personalized medicine is important to everyone.
- Why does someone need twice the standard dose to be effective?
- Why does this drug work for you but not me?
- Why do I have side-effects and you don't?
- Why do some people get cancer and others don't?
- Why is anecdotal information irrelevant to your own health and treatment?



NIH Precision Medicine Initiative

<http://www.nih.gov/precisionmedicine/>

PRECISION MEDICINE INITIATIVE



Precision Medicine Initiative

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Precision Medicine Initiative

Far too many diseases do not have a proven means of prevention or effective treatments. We must gain better insights into the biology of these diseases to make a difference for the millions of Americans who suffer from them. Precision medicine is an emerging approach for disease treatment and prevention that takes into account individual variability in genes, environment, and lifestyle for each person. While significant advances in precision medicine have been made for select cancers, the practice is not currently in use for most diseases. Many efforts are underway to help make precision medicine the norm rather than the exception. To accelerate the pace, President Obama has now unveiled the Precision Medicine Initiative – a bold new enterprise to revolutionize medicine and generate the scientific evidence needed to move the concept of precision medicine into every day clinical practice.



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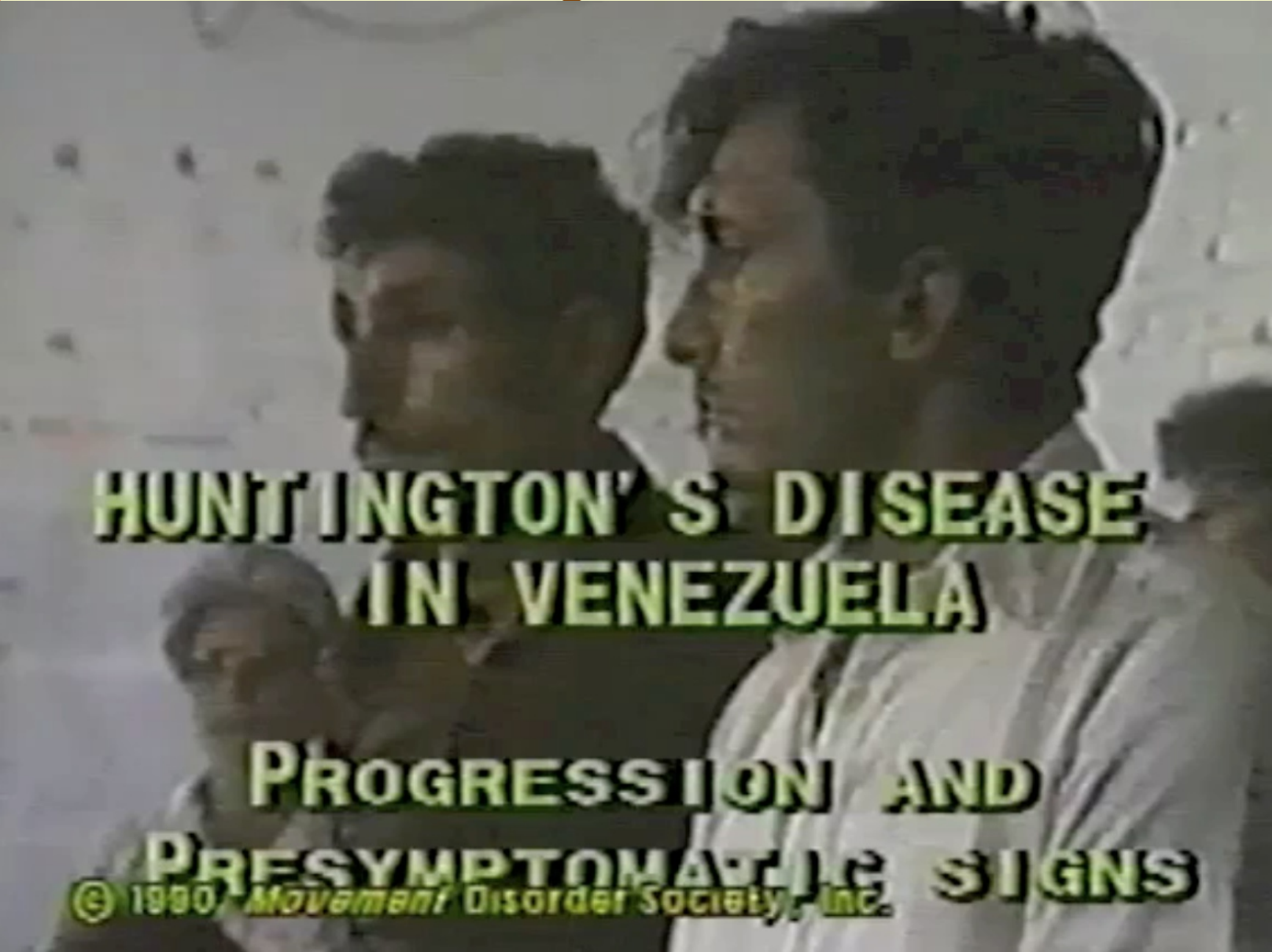
Genomics England was set up by the Department of Health to deliver the 100,000 Genomes Project. Initially the focus will be on rare disease, cancer and infectious disease. The project is currently in its pilot phase and will be completed by the end of 2017.

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Huntington Disease

- Autosomal Dominant
 - On the tip of the short arm of chromosome 4
 - One bad gene causes disease (dominant)
 - Brain degeneration over 10-15 years until death
- Neurodegenerative disease
 - Loss of movement control
 - Loss of cognitive skills (dementia) and hallucinations
 - Depression, hostility, aggression and loss of inhibitions
- Dyskinesias
 - Chorea: uncontrollable tics and involuntary movements of extremities, hyperkinesias
 - Dystonia uncontrollable muscle contractions
 - Dysphagia (difficulty in swallowing) and uncontrollable oral buccal dyskinesia
 - Bradykinesia, slow uncertain movements

Huntington Disease



**HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE
IN VENEZUELA**

PROGRESSION AND

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The Inheritance

- You are 20 years old.
- Your father abandoned you and your mother when you only 3 years old.
- Your father died this year and left you an inheritance.
- He died from an autosomal dominant disease known as Huntington's Chorea or Huntington's Disease.
- You have a 50% chance of inheriting this invariably fatal neurodegenerative disease.
- But there is a genetic test for this disease that can tell you not only if you have the disease, and if you do, when you will die from it.
- Would you take the genetic test or not?
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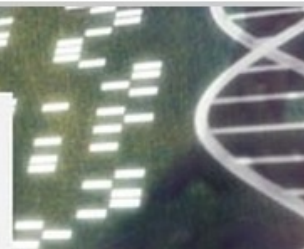
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A portal to clinical genetics resources with detailed information about genetic tests and laboratories.

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Gene

A searchable database of genes, focusing on genomes that have been completely sequenced and that have an active research community to contribute gene-specific data. Information includes nomenclature, chromosomal localization, gene products and their attributes (e.g., protein interactions), associated markers, phenotypes, interactions, and links to citations, sequences, variation details, maps, expression reports, homologs, protein domain content, and external databases.

GeneReviews

A collection of expert-authored, peer-reviewed disease descriptions on the NCBI Bookshelf that apply genetic testing to the diagnosis, management, and genetic counseling of patients and families with specific inherited conditions.

Genes and Disease

Summaries of information for selected genetic disorders with discussions of the underlying mutation(s) and clinical features, as well as links to related databases and organizations.

Genetic Testing Registry (GTR)

A voluntary registry of genetic tests and laboratories, with detailed information about the tests such as what is measured and analytic and clinical validity. GTR also is a nexus for information about genetic conditions and provides context-specific links to a variety of resources, including practice guidelines, published literature, and genetic data/information. The initial scope of GTR includes single gene tests for Mendelian disorders, as well as arrays, panels and pharmacogenetic tests.

MedGen

A portal to information about medical genetics. MedGen includes term lists from multiple sources and organizes them into concept groupings and hierarchies. Links are also provided to information related to those concepts in the [NIH Genetic Testing Registry \(GTR\)](#), [ClinVar](#), [Gene](#), [OMIM](#), [PubMed](#), and other sources.

Online Mendelian Inheritance in Animals (OMIA)

A database of genes, inherited disorders and traits in animal species (other than human and mouse), with textual information and references, as well as links to relevant records from other NCBI databases, such as PubMed and Gene.

Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man (OMIM)

A database of human genes and genetic disorders. NCBI maintains current content and continues to support its searching and integration with other NCBI databases. However, OMIM now has a new home at omim.org, and users are directed to this site for full record displays.

PubMed

A database of citations and abstracts for biomedical literature from MEDLINE and additional life science journals. Links are provided when full text versions of the articles are available via PubMed Central (described below) or other websites.

PubMed Central (PMC)

A digital archive of full-text biomedical and life sciences journal literature, including clinical medicine and public health.

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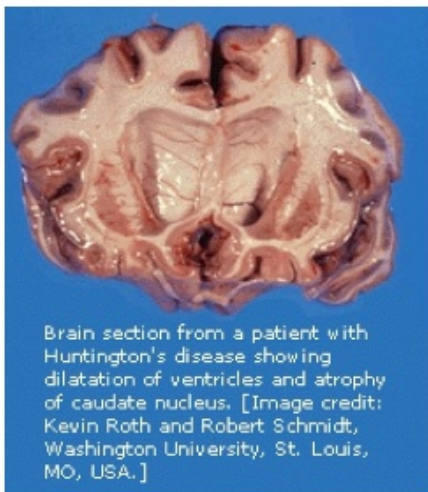
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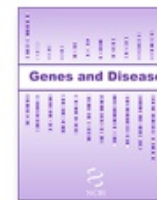
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Huntington disease



Huntington disease (HD) is an inherited, degenerative neurological disease that leads to dementia. About 30,000 Americans have HD and about 150,000 more are at risk of inheriting the disease from a parent.

The HD gene, whose mutation results in Huntington disease, was mapped to chromosome 4 in 1983 and cloned in 1993. The mutation is a characteristic expansion of a nucleotide triplet repeat in the DNA that codes for the protein huntingtin. As the number of repeated triplets - CAG (cytosine, adenine, guanine) - increases, the age of onset in the patient decreases. Furthermore, because the unstable trinucleotide repeat can lengthen when passed from parent to child, the age of onset can decrease from one generation to the next. Since people who have those repeats always suffer from Huntington disease, it suggests that the mutation causes a gain-of-function, in which the mRNA or protein takes on a new property or is expressed inappropriately.



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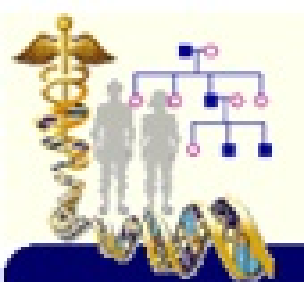
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Genetic disorder catalog

What is Huntington disease?

Huntington disease is a progressive brain disorder that causes uncontrolled movements, emotional problems, and loss of thinking ability (cognition).

Adult-onset Huntington disease, the most common form of this disorder, usually appears in a person's thirties or forties. Early signs and symptoms can include irritability, depression, small involuntary movements, poor coordination, and trouble learning new information or making decisions. Many people with Huntington disease develop involuntary jerking or twitching movements known as chorea. As the disease progresses, these movements become more pronounced. Affected individuals may have trouble walking, speaking, and swallowing. People with this disorder also experience changes in personality and a decline in thinking and reasoning abilities. Individuals with the adult-onset form of Huntington disease usually live about 15 to 20 years after signs and symptoms begin.

A less common, early-onset form of Huntington disease begins in childhood or adolescence. It also involves movement problems and mental and emotional changes. Additional signs of the early-onset form include slow movements, clumsiness, frequent falling, rigidity, slurred speech, and drooling. School performance often declines as thinking and reasoning abilities become impaired. Seizures occur in 30 percent to 50 percent of children with this condition. Early-onset Huntington disease tends to progress more quickly than the adult-onset form; affected individuals usually live 10 to 15 years after signs and symptoms appear.

How common is Huntington disease?

Huntington disease affects an estimated 3 to 7 per 100,000 people of European ancestry. The disorder appears to be less common in some other populations, including people of Japanese, Chinese, and African descent.



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If one of your parents has Huntington's disease, you have a 50–50 chance of getting it. A blood test can tell if you have the HD gene and will develop the disease. Genetic counseling can help you weigh the risks and benefits of taking the test. ([Read more](#))



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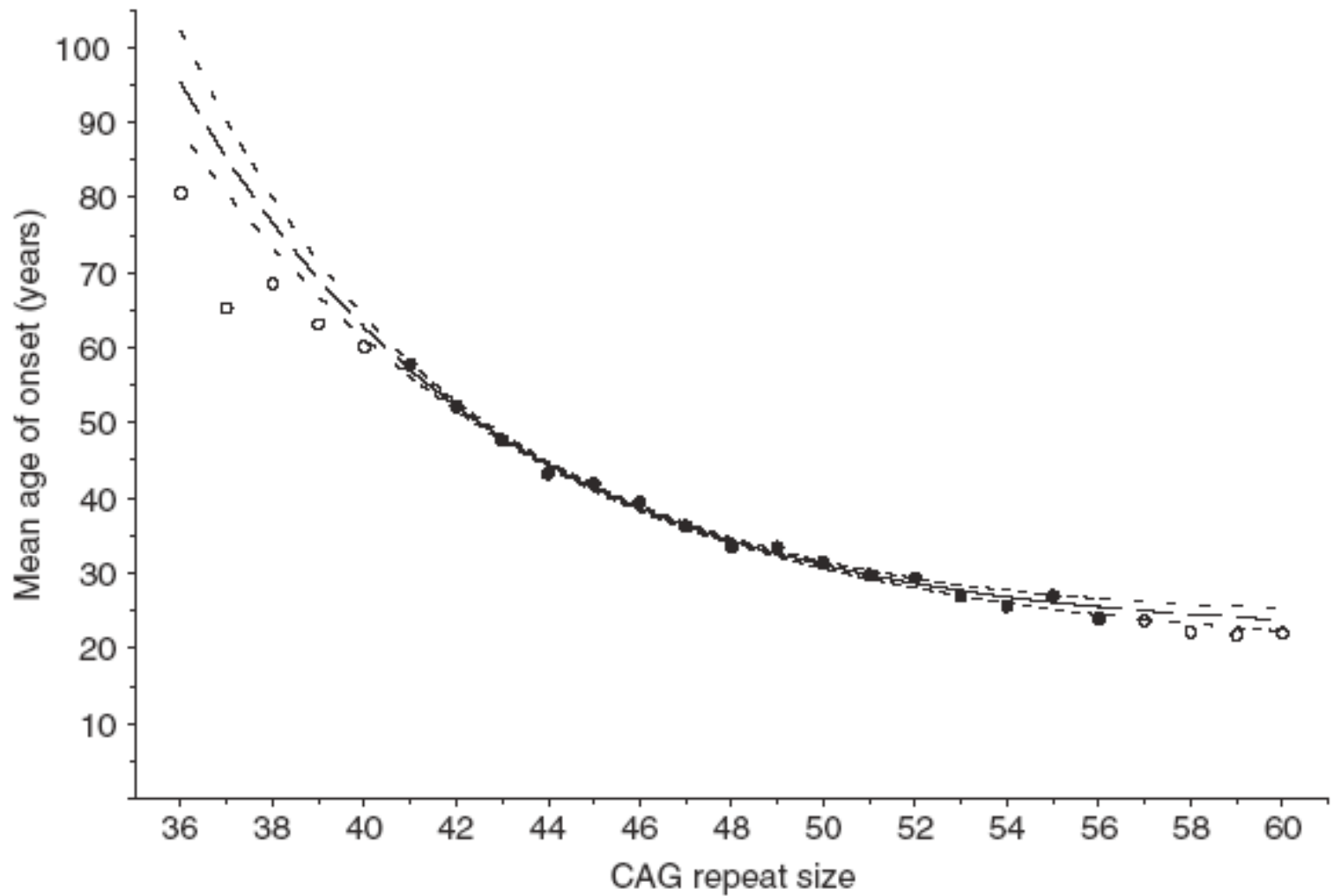
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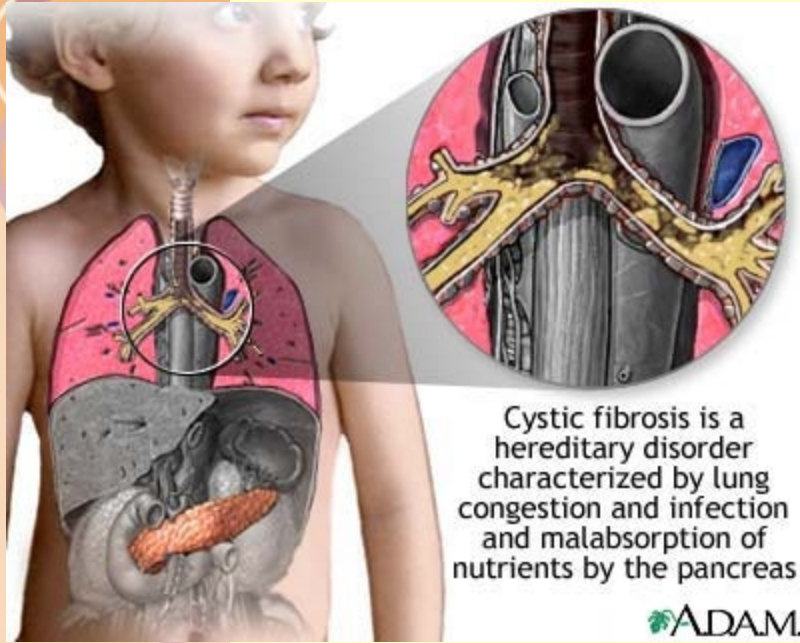
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Cystic fibrosis is a hereditary disorder characterized by lung congestion and infection and malabsorption of nutrients by the pancreas

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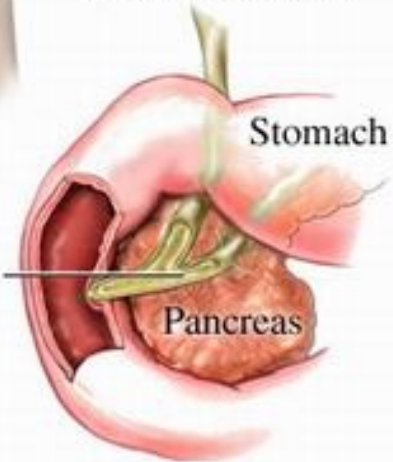


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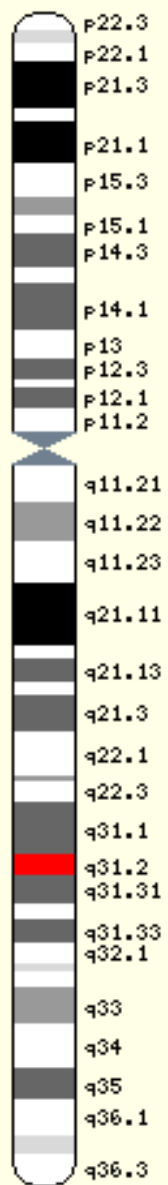
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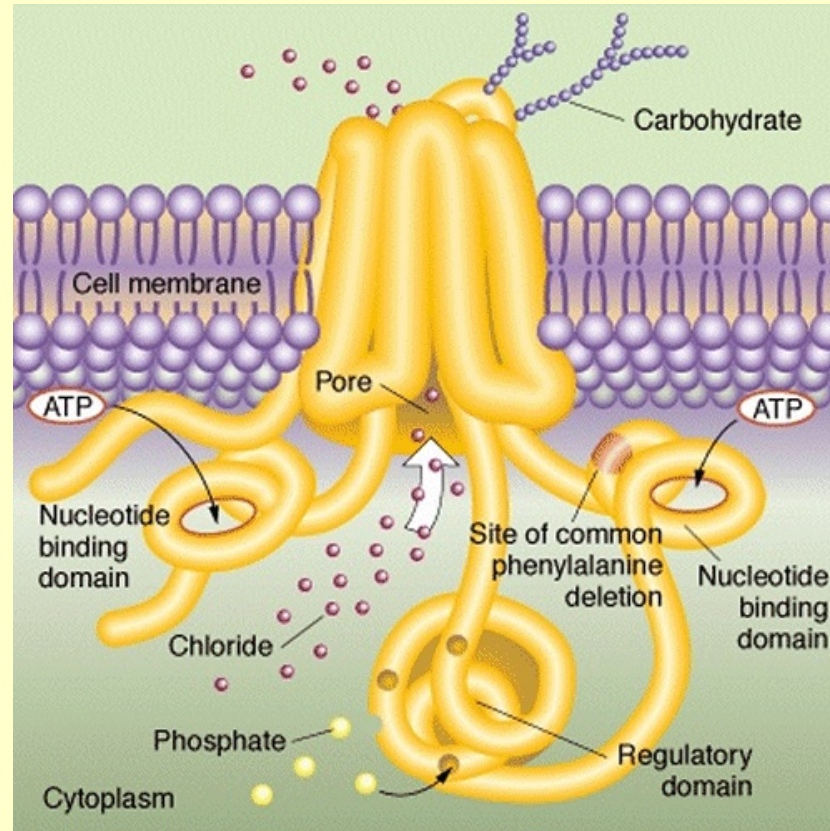
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Cystic Fibrosis

- Autosomal (chromosome 7q31.2) recessive
- 3% of North American Caucasians are carriers
- 1.5% of African Americans are carriers
- Inhibits many bodily secretions
 - Pancreatic digestive enzymes
 - Sweat glands
 - Lung mucosa in alveoli and bronchi
 - Infertility in males (>97%)
- Caused by mutations in the CFTR gene that encodes a chloride ion channel that pumps chloride ion and water out of cells.

Cystic Fibrosis Transmembrane Conductance Regulator



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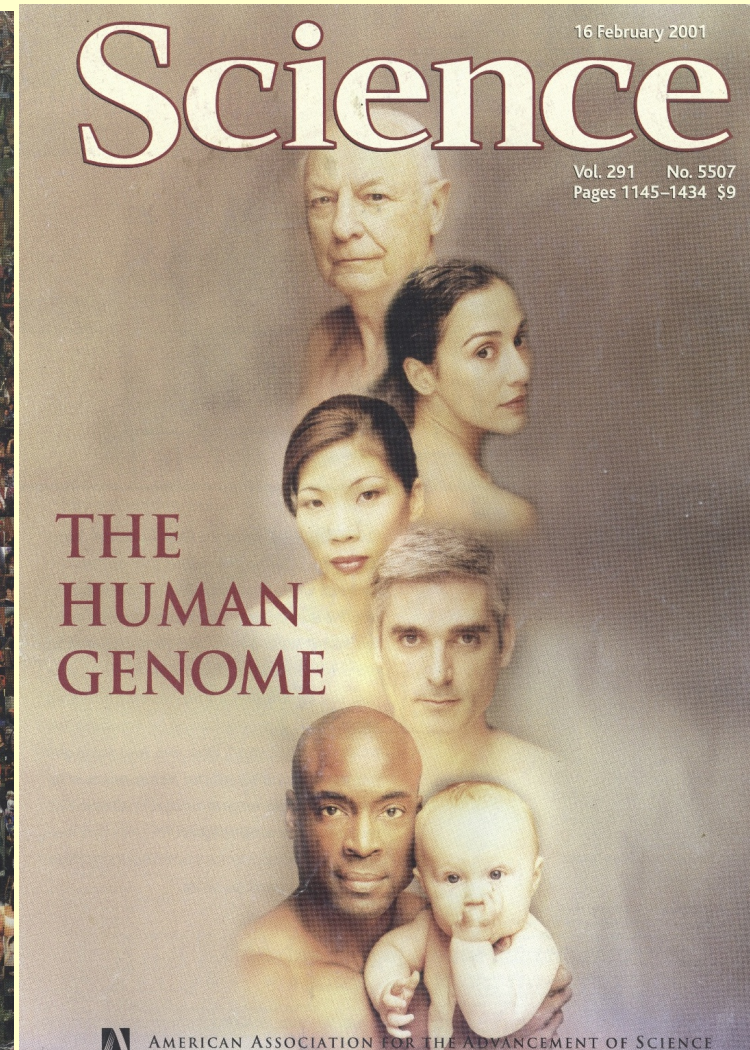
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G542X	2.4%	I
G551D	1.6%	III
N1303Lys	1.3%	II
W1282X	1.2%	I
R553X	0.7%	I
621+1G>T	0.7%	I
1717-1G>A	0.6%	I
R117H	0.3%	IV
R1162X	0.3%	Not clear ⁴

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North American Caucasian	1:28
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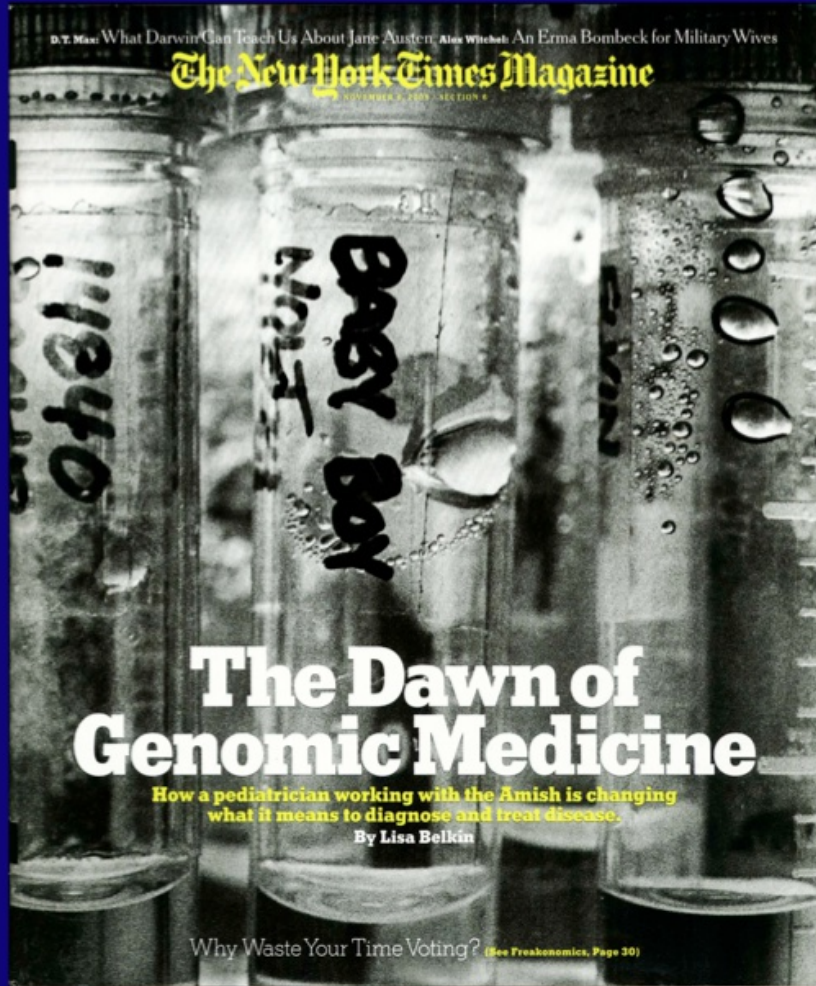
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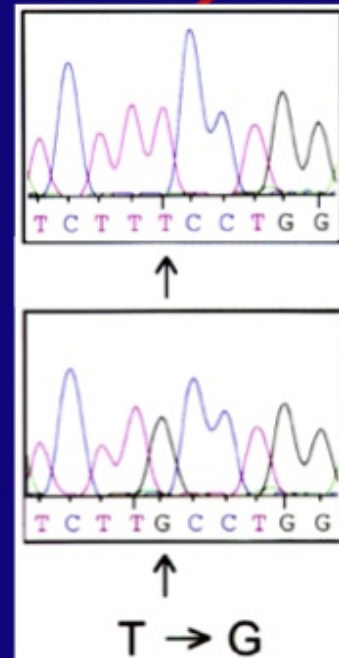
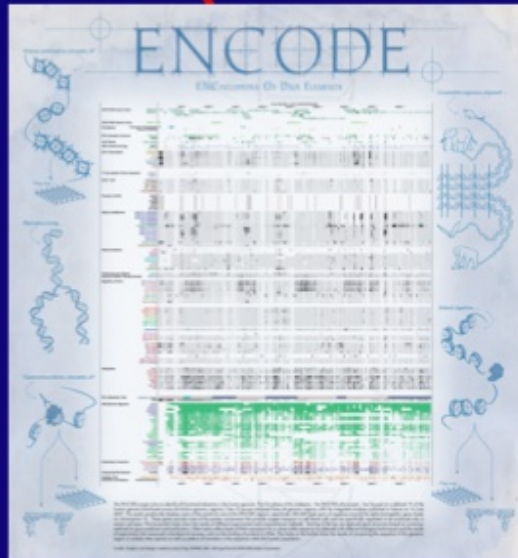
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Carla Easter to lead NHGRI Education and Community Involvement Branch

Carla Easter, Ph.D., a biologist and science educator, has been named chief of the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) Education and Community Involvement Branch (ECIB). The branch is a part of NHGRI's Division of Policy, Communication and Education (DPCE). She will lead the division's program of genomics education and outreach activities that engage a variety of

communities, from pre-college students, to teachers to members of the general public. [Read more](#)

The Genomics Landscape

Next Phase: NHGRI's Genome Sequencing Program

Large-scale genome sequencing has been a central component of NHGRI's Extramural Research Program since the NHGRI's inception, starting with the Human Genome Project. In this month's *The Genomics Landscape*, I describe the next phase of NHGRI's Genome Sequencing Program and highlight additional items that I hope will be of interest to you.

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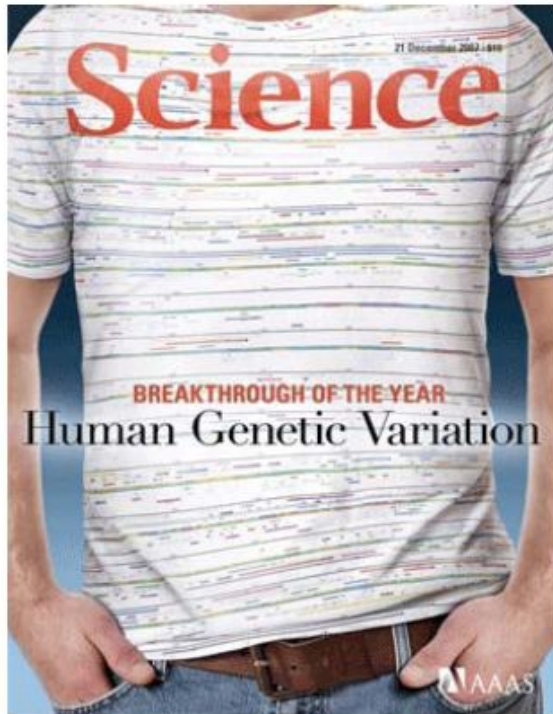


The Genome Unlocking Life's Code Exhibition

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SNP



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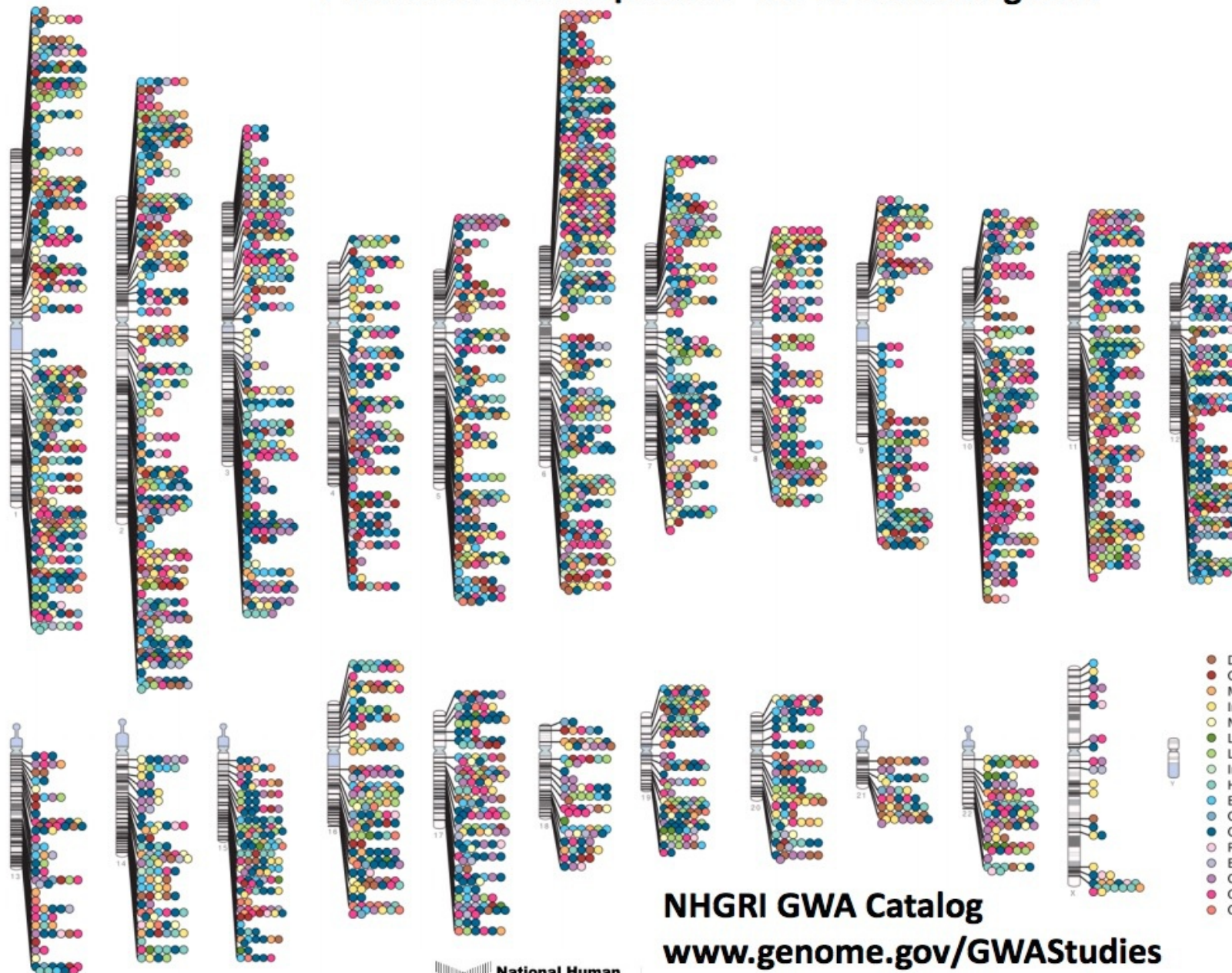
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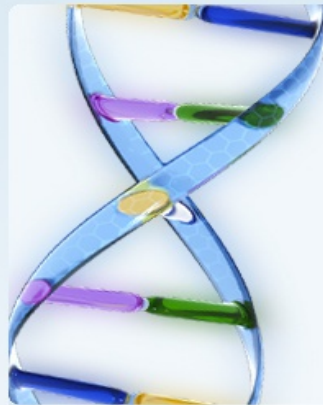
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HEALTHCARE PLANS

We help healthcare plans manage genetic testing to improve outcomes and reduce costs.

EMPLOYERS

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CONSUMERS

Find information about genetic testing and resources near you.

HEALTHCARE PARTNER BENEFITS

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Understanding your risks,
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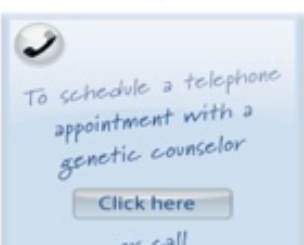
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Applications of NGS for Non-oncology

Cardiovascular Disease & Biomarkers, Immunotherapy

Consumerism & Crowdsourcing

Coverage & Reimbursement

Commercialization of Genetics of Longevity & Aging

Applying Complimentary Technologies Towards Biomarker Discovery

Large Sequence Data Analysis & Clinical Interpretation

Navigating Reimbursement for Oncology Patients and Care Teams

Pharma Perspective on PM

Risk-Reward & Innovation

Morality, Ethics & Public Law In PM



Clinical Trials in the Era of PM

Genomic Profiling Moving Into Routine Clinical Care

PMWC Most Promising Company Competition

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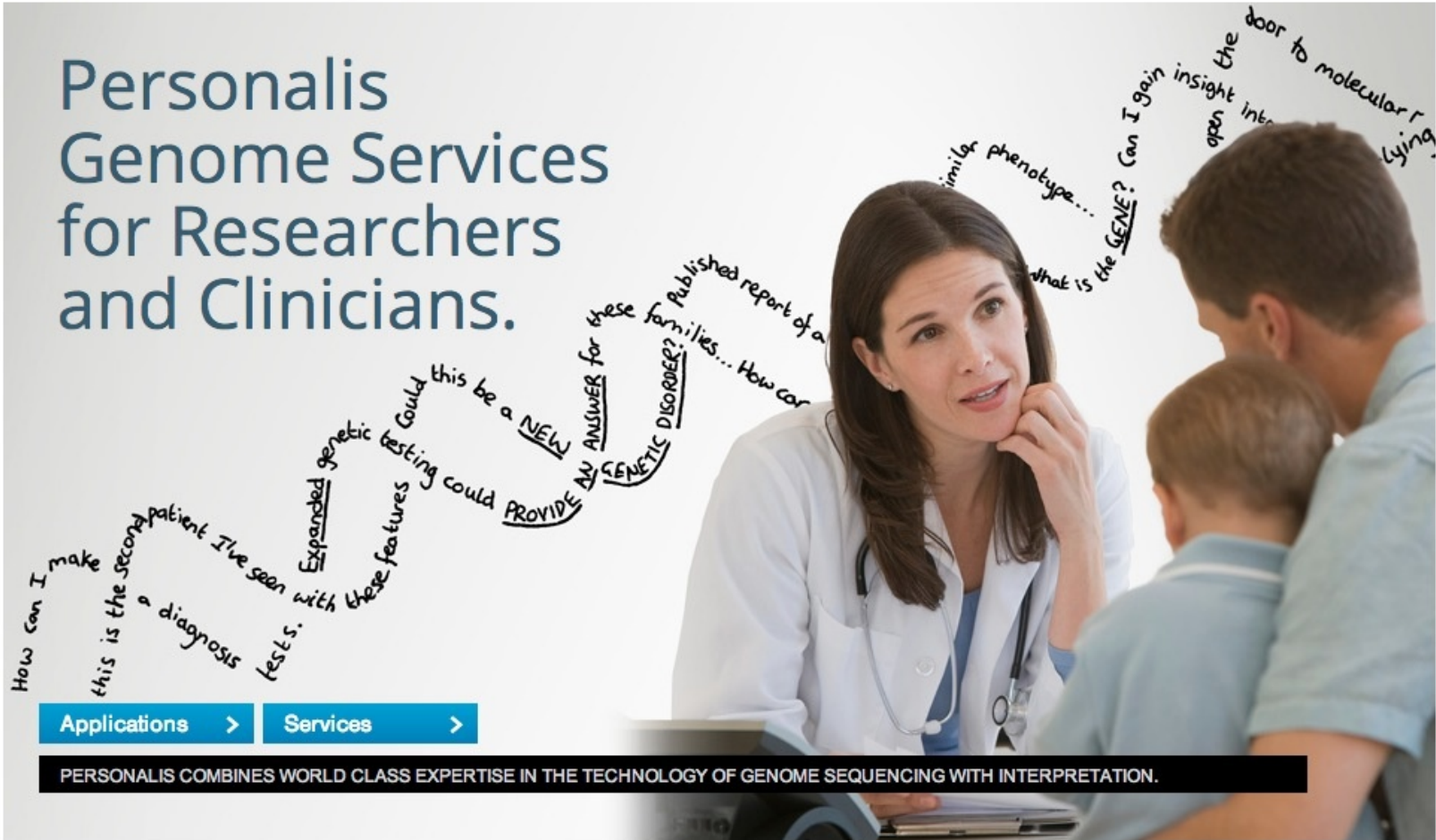
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Opal: Unlocking individualized medicine

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GENOMICS PROMISES TO ADVANCE HEALTH

Our health depends upon both our genes and our environmental exposure. The current revolution in genomics makes it possible not only to determine our entire DNA sequence but also to begin to understand how our specific genome sequence can inform our health. In addition, our Center has recently demonstrated that it is possible to measure tens of thousands of components in blood to obtain a clear picture of our molecular picture during healthy and disease states. A combination of such sequence and molecular omics profiling is expected to be powerful in preventing, detecting, understanding, and treating complex diseases such as cancer and inherited diseases that are otherwise difficult to diagnose. [Learn more ...](#)

SCGPM FACILITATES TRANSLATION OF GENOMICS INTO PATIENT CENTERED MEDICINE



SCGPM
Brochure

The Stanford Center for Genomics and Personalized Medicine (SCGPM) seeks to advance genomic technology so that someday both genetic and molecular profiling will become powerful and routine tools for predicting disease risk and monitoring and treating a wide range of pathologies. Towards this mission, the SCGPM serves to centralize and develop collaborative intellectual and technological resources that promote genomic research and analysis, predict drug response, educate physicians, and examine the ethics of personalized medicine. This includes large basic science projects such as ENCODE that decipher the human genome as well as clinical research projects such as the sequencing of cancer genomes and individuals with inherited diseases. Through these efforts, the Center aims to bring genomics to the clinic.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

"Genomics is transforming both biological research and medicine. Stanford has long been a leader in this area and continues to develop new approaches to revolutionize the way medicine is practiced, so that disease can be rapidly diagnosed and the right treatment is applied at the right time."



Mike Snyder, PhD

Chair, Stanford Department of Genetics
Stanford W. Ascherman, MD, FACS, Professor of Genetics
Director, SCGPM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2013 SGTP Symposium

4th Annual Symposium on Genomics and Personalized Medicine

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*Note: Registration deadline is March 29, 2013;
open to Stanford community only*

SCGPM MEMBER RESEARCH AND NEWS

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Portrait of a Glitch

- Revere La Noue, MFA, Stanford, 2005
- What is this film about?
- What classes of glitches are mentioned?
- What do these glitches cause?
- Why did I show this film?

Genetic and Medical Web Sites

- NLM and NCBI
 - Entrez Gene
 - Protein
 - Biosystems
 - GeneReviews
 - OMIM
 - Genetics Home Reference
 - Genes and Diseases
 - Genetic Testing Registry
 - MedGen
 - Medline Plus

Impact of Genomics on Medicine

I. Diagnostics

- Genomics: Identifying all known human genes
- Functional Genomics: Functional analysis of genes
 - What tissues are they important
 - When in development are the genes used
 - How are they regulated
- Novel diagnostics
 - Linking genes to diseases and to traits
 - Predisposition to diseases
 - Expression of genes and disease
- Personal Genomics
 - Understanding link between genomics and environment
 - Increased vigilance and taking action to prevent disease
 - Improving health care

Impact of Genomics on Medicine

II. Therapeutics

- Novel Drug Development
 - Identifying novel drug targets
 - Validating drug targets
 - Predicting toxicity and adverse reactions
 - Improving clinical trials and testing
- Gene therapy
 - Replacing the gene rather than gene product
- Stem cells therapies
 - Replacing the entire cell to cure a disease
- Pharmacogenomics
 - Personalized medicine
 - Adjusting drug, amounts and delivery to suit patients
 - Maximize efficacy and minimize side effects
 - Identify genetics of adverse reactions
 - Identify patients who respond optimally

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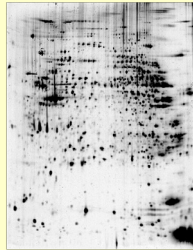
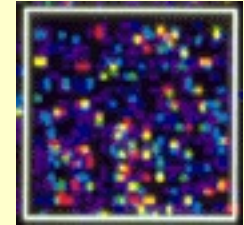
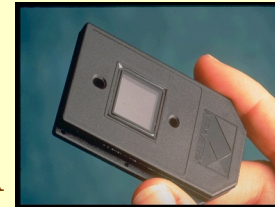
III. Ethical, Legal and Social Issues

- Personal Privacy
- Insurability
- Employability
- Discrimination
- Eugenics
- Cosmetic genetics
- Patentability of genes, proteins and other natural products

Leveraging Genomic Information

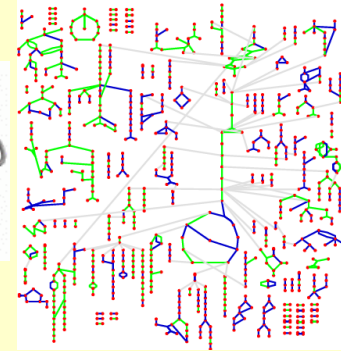
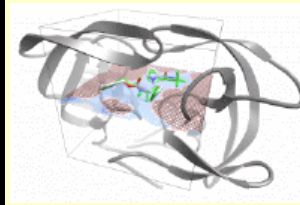
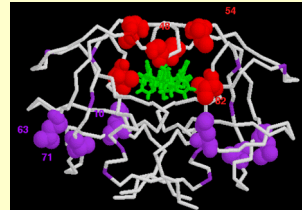
Novel Diagnostics

Microchips – DNA and variations
Microarrays Gene Expression - RNA
Proteomics – Protein and modifications



Novel Therapeutics

Drug Target Discovery
Rational Drug Design
Molecular Docking
Gene Therapy
Stem Cell Therapy



Understanding Metabolism

Understanding Disease

Inherited Diseases –
Genetics Home Reference
Infectious Diseases
Pathogenic Bacteria
Viruses

