

Initial findings of the PERSONAL GENOME PROJECT CANADA

56 healthy people had
their genome sequenced

95%

had rare recessive
mutations, which could
be passed on to children

25%

had variants
linked with
diseases

23%

had variants
indicating risk of
severe drug allergy

SHRINKING COST OF WHOLE GENOME SEQUENCING

2007 **\$1000000**
2017 **\$1000**
? **\$100**



There is a worldwide effort to
put genomic sequencing data
into the public realm.



Genomic sequencing has the
potential to predict disease and
inform health decisions.

What is
whole genome
sequencing?



Whole genome sequencing:
identify all 3 billion+
nucleotide pairs that make
up a person's genome

Variants: different versions of a known sequence of
nucleotides, which can be benign, pathogenic (e.g. cystic
fibrosis or breast cancer) or of unknown significance



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