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# The Future of Medicine

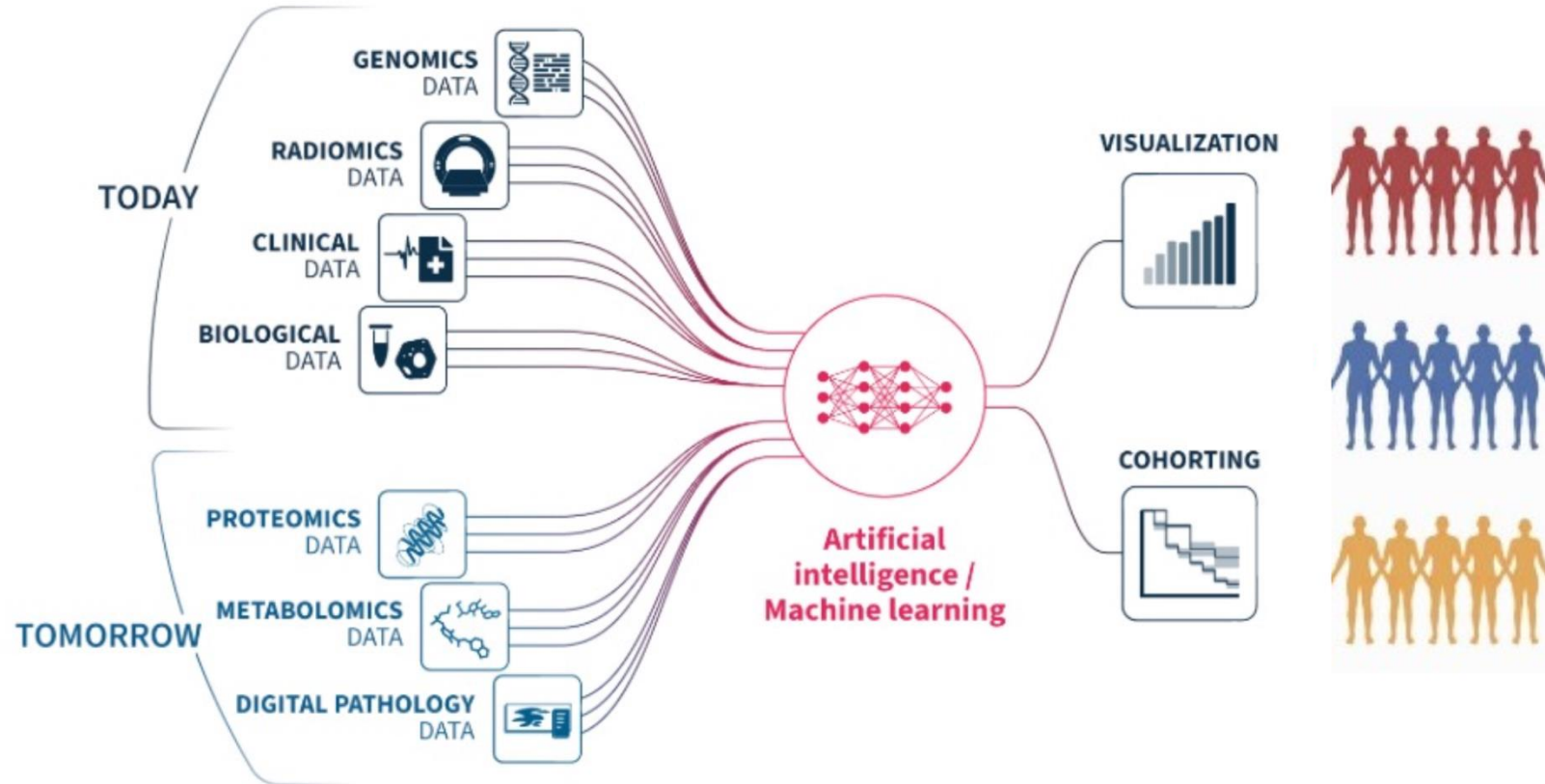
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**What will medicine look like in 2055?**

Perhaps healthcare will have transitioned from a reactive model to one that is proactive, **personalized** and preventive.

Advances in **multi-omics** - integrating genomics, transcriptomics, proteomics and metabolomics - may enable **precise prediction of individual disease risks**.

# The future of medicine?

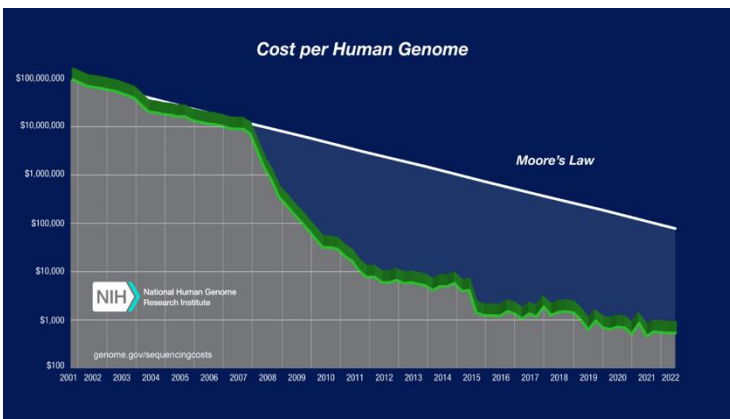
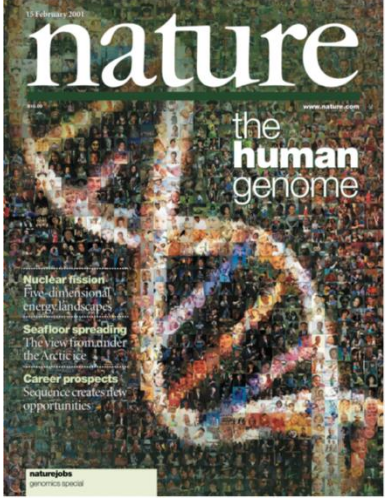


# Holy Grail

THE PRECISION MEDICINE INITIATIVE



“What if matching a cancer cure to our genetic code was just as easy, just as standard?”



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## Theranos Has Junked Two Years of Blood Test Results

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### Research News > FDA Authorizes 23andMe BRCA Genetic Test, but Test Only IDs Three Mutations

The FDA has authorized a direct-to-consumer test to identify BRCA mutations, but it's important to know that the test only looks for three mutations that are extremely rare in the general population.

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### Frustrated U.S. FDA Issues Warning to 23andMe

Direct-to-consumer genome service under fire after stalled approval process

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is cracking down on DNA testing company 23andMe for the marketing of its Personal Genome Service (PGS). In a 22 November

### Genetic testing firm 23andMe files for bankruptcy

By Juliana Liu, CNN  
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## Viewpoint

### Seven Questions for Personalized Medicine

Michael J. Joyner, MD<sup>1</sup>; Nigel Paneth, MD, MPH<sup>2,3</sup>

Personalized or precision medicine maintains that medical care and public health will be radically transformed by prevention and treatment programs more closely targeted to the individual patient. These interventions will be developed by sequencing more genomes, creating bigger biobanks, and linking biological information to health data in electronic medical records (EMRs) or obtained by monitoring technologies. Yet the assumptions underpinning personalized medicine have largely escaped questioning. In this Viewpoint, we seek to stimulate a more balanced debate by posing 7 questions for the advocates of personalized medicine.

## Conclusions

Even though personalized medicine will be useful to better understand rare diseases and identify novel therapeutic targets for some conditions, the promise of improved risk prediction, behavior change, lower costs, and gains in public health for common diseases seem unrealistic. Proponents of personalized medicine should consider tempering their narrative of transformative change and instead communicate a more realistic set of expectations to the public.

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## **Perspective: The precision-oncology illusion**

**Precision oncology has not been shown to work, and perhaps it never will, says Vinay Prasad.**

**Idea:** link patients with a drug based on genetic testing, irrespective of the tissue of origin of the tumor

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**Few patients benefit from precision oncology, enthusiasm has been fuelled by reports of super responders**

→ Considering the patients receiving targeted therapies and the response rate: **~1.5% of patients will benefit**

*Vinay Prasad is a haematologist–oncologist at the Knight Cancer Institute, Oregon Health and Science University, Portland, Oregon, USA.*

Prasad, *Nature* (2016)

**Show me the data!**

# Precision oncology - SHIVA trial

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**Ultimate judge of a therapeutic strategy: randomized controlled trial**

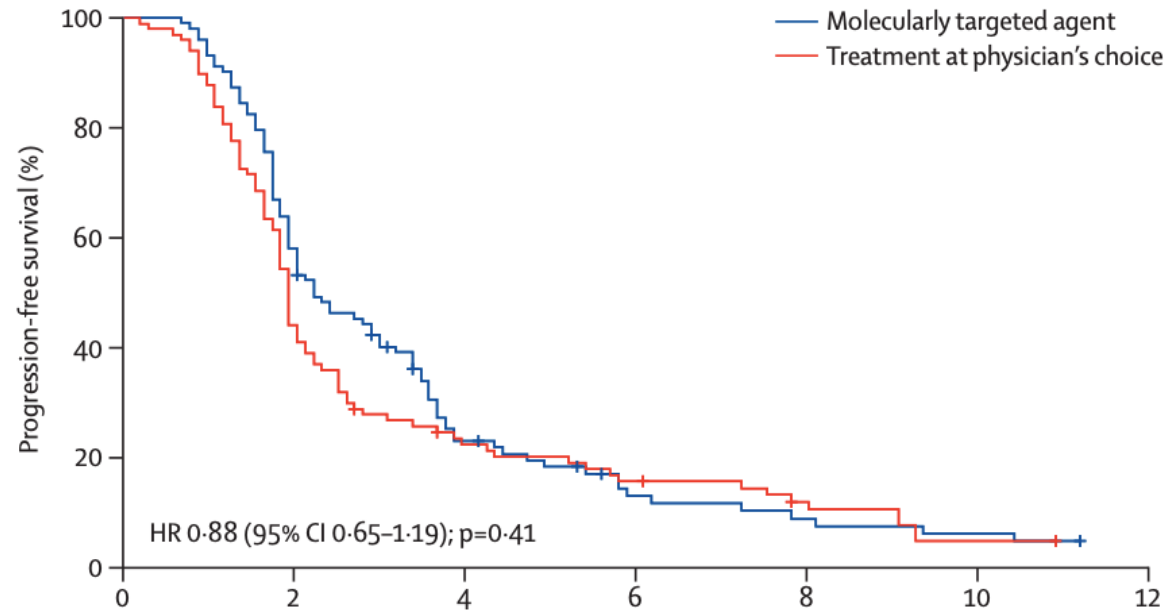
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**Molecularly targeted therapy based on tumour molecular profiling versus conventional therapy for advanced cancer (SHIVA): a multicentre, open-label, proof-of-concept, randomised, controlled phase 2 trial**

- Any kind of metastatic solid tumors
  - Molecular alterations in three molecular pathways (hormone receptor, PI3K/AKT/mTOR, RAF/MEK) matched to one of 10 regimens (molecularly targeted agents) used off-label - molecular profiling by sequencing
- Matched molecularly target agent vs physician's choice

# Precision oncology - SHIVA trial

Primary endpoint: Progression Free Survival (PFS)



PFS = 2.3 vs 2.0 months matched drug vs physician's choice

## Interpretation

The use of molecularly targeted agents outside their indications does not improve progression-free survival compared with treatment at physician's choice in heavily pretreated patients with cancer.

# Precision oncology - tumor-agnostic approach

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Targeting some specific **tumor-agnostic biomarkers** induces **considerable clinical benefits**

- **High-microsatellite instability - MSI-H**
- **High tumor mutational burden (hTMB)**
- **HER2-expressing solid tumors**
- **NTRK gene fusions tumors**
- **BRAF V600 mutation-positive tumors**
- **RET-fusion tumors**

# High-microsatellite instability - MSI-H

dMMR, thousands of somatic mutations, highly immunogenic

→ **Pembrolizumab**: anti-PD-1 monoclonal antibody, approved in 2014 for metastatic melanoma

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## Efficacy of Pembrolizumab in Patients With Noncolorectal High Microsatellite Instability/Mismatch Repair–Deficient Cancer: Results From the Phase II KEYNOTE-158 Study

**KEYNOTE-158**: single-arm, not randomised

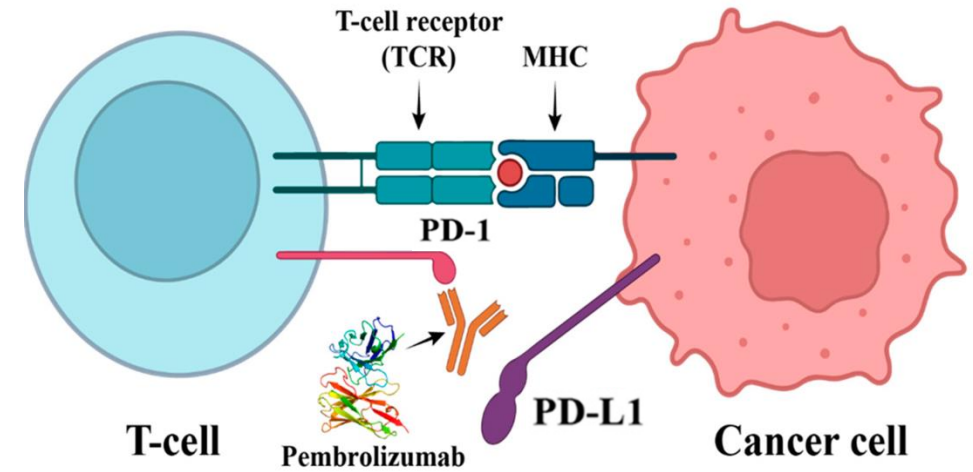
→ **Objective response rate 34.3%**

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## Pembrolizumab in Microsatellite-Instability–High Advanced Colorectal Cancer

**KEYNOTE-177**: two-arm, randomised, cancer specific trial

→ **Progression Free Survival 16.5 vs 8.2 months** anti-PD-1 vs chemo



Adapted from Wang *et al.*, *Int. J. Mol. Sci.* (2023)

**KEYTRUDA approved for MSI-H by FDA in 2023**

First immunotherapy full approval based on tumor-agnostic biomarker

# HER2-expressing solid tumors

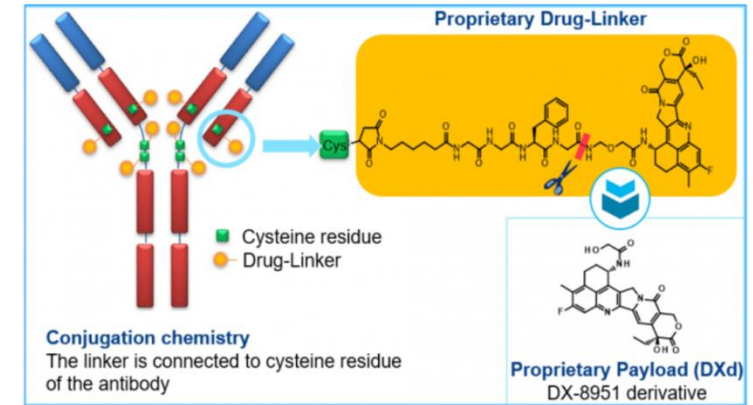
**Trastuzumab deruxtecan:** antibody-drug conjugate  
Approved in breast, gastric cancer and NSCLC

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## Efficacy and Safety of Trastuzumab Deruxtecan in Patients With HER2-Expressing Solid Tumors: Primary Results From the DESTINY-PanTumor02 Phase II Trial

**DESTINY-PanTumor02:** single-arm, not randomised

→ Objective response rate: 61.3% HER2 IHC 3+



# Ultimate judge - randomized evidence?

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**Randomized evidence** supporting the clinical superiority of precision oncology approaches, guided by **tumor-agnostic biomarkers**, compared to standard of care remains **limited**

# Precision oncology - ROME trial

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## Genomically matched therapy in advanced solid tumors: the randomized phase 2 ROME trial

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- Advanced solid tumors after one or two lines of treatments
- Genomic profiling on tissue and blood samples
  - FoundationOne CDx and FoundationOne Liquid CDx + centralized NGS
- Tailored Treatment (TT) vs Standard of Care (SoC)
  - Tailored treatment discussed and approved in a **Molecular Tumor Board**

897 patients evaluated, 400 accepted and randomized in TT and SoC

# Precision oncology - ROME trial

**Primary endpoint: Overall response rate (ORR)**

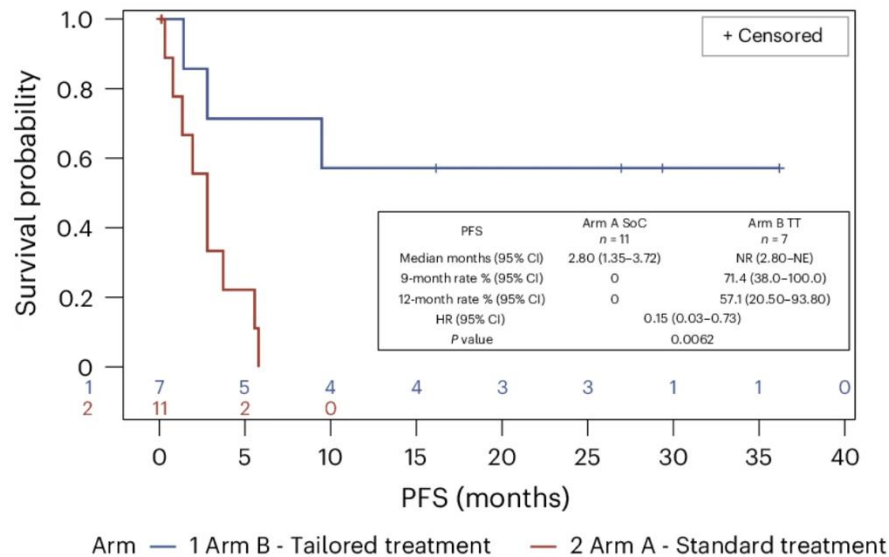
→ **ORR: 17.5% vs 10% TT vs SoC - Statistically significant** (3% in TT vs no complete response in SoC)

**Progression Free Survival improved: 3.5 vs 2.8 months**

→ No significant difference in median overall survival, but 59% crossover rate at the end of the trial

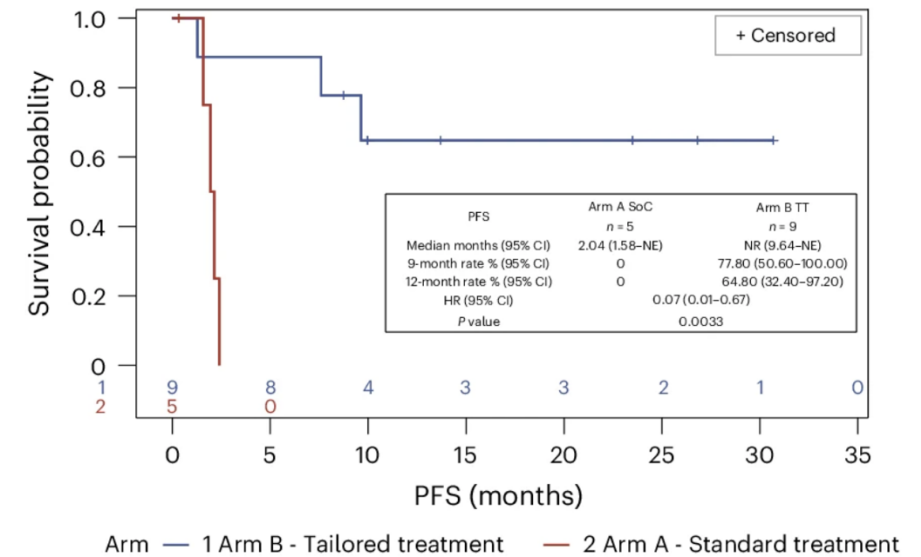
## Subgroup analyses

MSI-H



PFS not reached vs 2.8 months

BRAF alteration



PFS not reached vs 2.0 months

# Conclusions

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**ROME trial: relevant evidence** supporting a **tumor-agnostic** precision oncology strategy, guided by genomic profiling and molecular tumor boards

**Important limitation:** less than half of patients was actually enrolled, due to the lack of targetable alterations

→ **Overall showed precision oncology feasibility even under a healthcare system point of view**

**Thank you for your attention!**