

## What will the \$1000 genome buy?

*The following is an excerpt.*

The concept of a \$1000 genome was first articulated at the start of the millennium. It's a price point that a sequenced genome on par with a laptop computer or a clinical test—a psychologically pleasing, if not completely arbitrary, value. But just what does it mean?

“That is the first and best question on this topic,” says Chad Nusbaum, co-director of the Genome Sequencing and Analysis Program at the Broad Institute in Cambridge, MA. The term itself is nebulous: Is \$1000 a cost or a price? Does it include only the cost of reagents or does it fold in sample preparation and labor? And what about the bioinformatics analyses, the genome interpretation, and long-term data storage?

The time has come to ask just what that \$1000 will buy.

**Read the full article here: [Finding the true \\$1000 genome](#)**