

DNA tests bring fate of France's Henri IV to head

A mummified head thought to belong to French king Henri IV now appears to be nothing of the sort.

Three years ago, researchers declared they had found the head of the popular monarch who reigned from 1589 to 1610 and was credited with bringing religious peace to France and building Parisian landmarks such as the Pont Neuf.

But now DNA tests have found samples from the head do not match cells from three living relatives of the 17th century king, the first of the Bourbon line, known as Henri-Quatre, and grandfather of the Sun King Louis XIV.

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