

It may not be romantic, but genomics are part of the dating game now

As if love weren't complicated enough, there's an emerging wrinkle that could make you rethink marriage, child-bearing or even flirting with someone you have a crush on.

The New Yorker magazine pithily summed it up in a recent cartoon that shows a couple happily exchanging wedding vows. The caption reads: "Do you, Ashley, accept Nesbitt and his genome to be your husband?"

"I can see a future where people who use online dating services like Match.com say, 'I want to see your genetic screening profile,'" said Val Catanzarite, chief of maternal fetal medicine at the San Diego Perinatal Center. "Some people say this isn't how love works. But when you use an online service, you're already screening for characteristics."

Read the full, original story here: [With this genome I thee wed](#)

Additional Resources:

- "[Romance in a Box? Company Offers Genetic Love Matches](#)," US News and World Report
- "DNA dating site predicts chemical romance," CNet
- "Genetic love matches go cheek swab to cheek swab," Associated Press