

Causes of cancer may lurk in the unsequenced gaps of the human genome

The DNA sequence of the human genome is an iconic breakthrough in biology.

Originally released more than 10 years ago, it has fueled many advances in human health and disease. Surprisingly, though, the genome sequence is not complete, and work by Massey University senior lecturer Dr Austen Ganley is helping to fill in important gaps in the human genome.

These areas were originally left out of the human genome sequence because they were thought to be difficult to find the sequence of.

“Its like a giant jigsaw puzzle where some parts are difficult to do, so they are just left unfinished,” Dr Ganley said. “We thought it was time to revisit them.”

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