How does whole genome sequencing really stack up?

These days, it's faster and cheaper than ever to decipher a person's entire DNA. But a small study suggests that looking for disease risks that way may not be ready for the masses.

For one thing, the research found that gene variants most likely linked with significant disease were the least likely to be accurately identified.

And analyzing the mass of data from the DNA scan is a daunting task, researchers said.

Some experts think more targeted gene-mapping is a better approach. But while whole genome sequencing is mostly done for research, it has far-reaching potential for diagnosing and treating genetic diseases, even in people with no known risks.

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