

# Dilemma

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## MULTIMEDIA

**ARTIST'S STATEMENT:** With the advent of new technologies that made genome sequencing more affordable, personal genomics has increased its role in our daily lives. Companies like 23&me make it possible for individuals to explore their DNA, making it possible for them to find out whether they possess dangerous mutations and whether they should make lifestyle changes. Moreover, the wealth of information that arises from individuals providing their DNA allows researchers to gain a better intellectual understanding of the genetic component of diseases and paves the way for better and more effective drug treatments.

At the same time, however, personal genomics gives rise to important questions we must consider, specifically those of privacy and ethics. My work will consist in approximately 8 photos exploring the benefits and risks of genome sequencing that often transform personal genomics into a serious dilemma. My aim is to artistically portray the many factors that should be considered before getting your genome sequenced in an attempt to get spectators to think about their own opinion regarding the subject.

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