## Genetic Testing: The Rise Of Self-Acknowledgement

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GeneChip is a method to let scientists see all of the individual genes simultaneously. (upper left) A flash drive that contains all of an person's genome. (up)

## Introduction: Age of Self Acknowledgement?

Eight years ago, the Human Genome Project became one of the greatest achievements in humanity. As this accomplishment sets an uproar, the advancement of genetic engineering thrived under tremendous donations and sponsors. Sequencing DNA are made cheaper because of more efficient technology. New cures are found. Our lifestyle will soon be remotely control by the odds calculator. It is cheap enough for more participants to let out their curiosity and know their true self, with just hundreds of dollars.

Biotech companies (23andMe, DeCodeMe, Navigenics, and etc.) post tons of advertisements and successful stories of their customers that make genetic testing more popular. GINA of 2008 was signed by president George W. Bush to prevent discrimination of ones' DNA. As the eye can see, the world is slowly evolving into a new era of self-acknowledgement.....but not quite.