

## DAVID BENTLEY - "UNDERSTANDING COMMON DISEASE"



The future of genetics and health is a tremendous subject. I think it's moving very fast and I think we don't know a great deal about where genetics and health is going, not least because technology and our understanding of it is moving so quickly and changing so rapidly. I do believe that genetics and health is rooted very firmly in the DNA sequence: the sequence of the human genome itself. Your own genetic makeup - everybody's genetic makeup - plays a very important role in how we react to our environment, the drugs we take, the food we eat, things like that. So to have a knowledge of one's own genetic makeup is going to be extremely important for understanding and really making progress in better lifestyles, better health care and so on and so forth.