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Mapping Military DNA - Part 2

Welcome to the Health Freedom Minute. This is Twila Brase, president of Citizens’ Council for Health Freedom.

Yesterday I discussed a new controversial study calling on the Pentagon to begin conducting genetic research on U.S. military personnel using genomic sequencing and its medical records on 10 million individuals.

The researchers suggest the Pentagon determine which physical traits might have a genetic component with “special relevance to military performance and medical cost containment.” Such traits could include medical readiness, physical and mental performance, and tolerating sleep deprivation, dehydration, or prolonged exposure to heat, cold, or high altitudes.

Perhaps because such sequencing is not actually analysis, researchers caution that acting on genetic information not convincingly linked to specific physical traits “could lead to erroneous and detrimental decision making.”

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