

# DNA Data Storage Alliance

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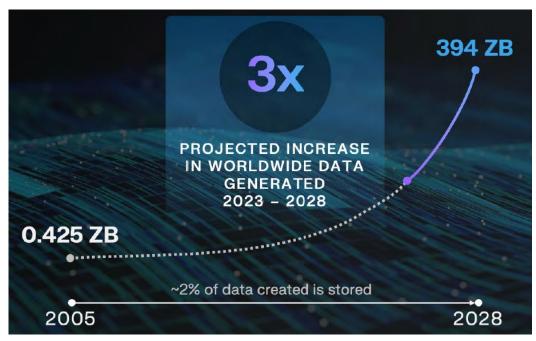
# Why are we having this conference?

DNA data storage is amazing and we all love the tech!



### But why are we having this conference, really?

- ""Save/Discard Dilemma"
  - Increasingly expensive, impractical to save all we want with existing storage technology
- It's not purely about the zettabytes
  - Digital archivists want to save culture, history, law, etc. forever; longevity can be a value regardless of quantity
- AI/ML adding to quantity of data to be saved and creating higher opportunity cost of throwing it away
- We need archival storage media with lower TCO
  - Orders of magnitude more dense
  - Durable for decades at room temp
  - Zero power at rest
  - No technology migration required
- And we need to be able to compute on this data in situ

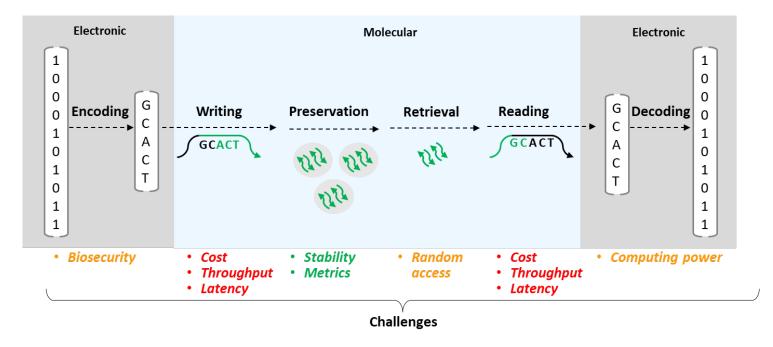


Source: Worldwide IDC Global DataSphere Forecast, 2024-2028, doc #US52076424, May 2024

DNA data storage and compute a compelling potential solution

### DNA for data storage is an ecosystem, not just a media type

- Built on existing medical/scientific advances of past decades
- Hugely interdisciplinary
- Potential for being a multi-vendor storage ecosystem
- Cross pipeline research and cooperation needed to address challenges



This is why we created the DNA Data Storage Alliance



# Mission: Create an interoperable storage ecosystem based on DNA as a data storage and compute medium

#### What we do to achieve our mission

- Educate the market to create awareness and adoption of DNA data storage and compute
- Influence and drive R&D and funding
- Develop standards and specifications to encourage ecosystem evolution

#### Specs and White Papers

- An Introduction to DNA Data Storage (June-2021)
- DNA Rosetta Stone: Sector 0 and Sector 1 (Jun-2023)
- DNA Stability Evaluation Method v1.0 (Sep-2024)
- DNA Data Storage Codecs (Jun-2025)
- DNA Data Storage Technology Review (Jun-2025)

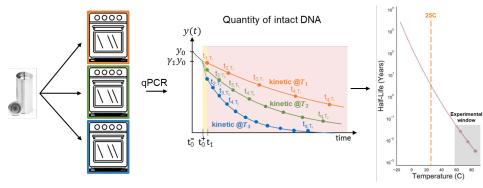
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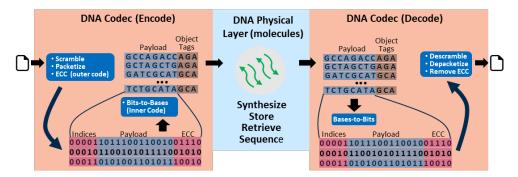
### DNA Data Storage Alliance Workgroups

#### 1) Data Retention Workgroup



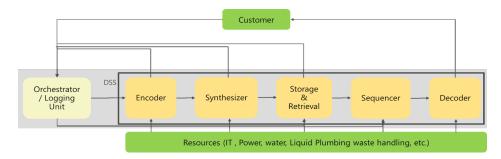
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### 2) Codecs Workgroup



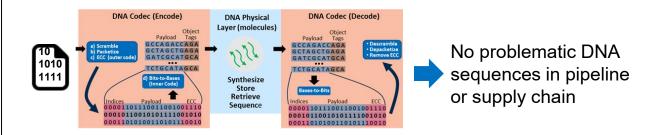
White paper: DNA Data Storage Codecs (Jun-2025)

### 3) Interoperable Interfaces Workgroup



- Planning to relaunch WG in September
- Initial white paper likely based on previous presentations

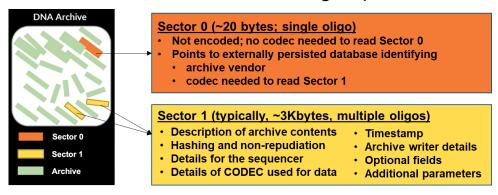
### 4) Biosecurity Workgroup



- Initial regulatory position drafted and being revised for publication
- Considering next steps: standards, best practices, etc.

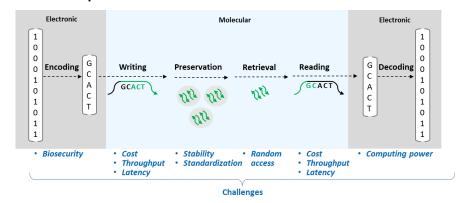
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5) DNA Archive Rosetta Stone Workgroup



- Sector 0 and Sector 1 (2023)
- Future work will be done in Codec WG

6) Roadmap SIG



- White Paper: An Introduction to DNA Data Storage (2021)
- White paper: <u>DNA Data Storage Technology Review</u> (Jun-2025)

- Other workstreams being considered
  - Random access (launching Aug-20)
  - Write verification
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# THANK YOU

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